

VARIMETER IMD Insulation monitor RN 5897/300



Product Description

The insulation monitor RN 5897/300 of the VARIMETER IMD family provides best and up to date insulation monitoring of modern IT systems in an optimum and state of the art way fulfilling the relevant standards. The device can be used in the most flexible way for AC, DC and AC/DC systems. The adjustment of the setting values is simple and user friendly done on 3 rotary switches on the front of the device. Via multicolor LED the device status is indicated easy to read. With a sealable transparent cover the device is protectet against manipulation.

Your Advantages

- Preventive fire and system protection
- Detection of symmetric and asymmetric insulation faults
- Universal application in non-earthed AC, DC, AC/DC networks with up to 300 V nominal voltage
- Easy adjustment of response values and setting parameter via rotational switch
- Suitable for large leakage capacitances up to 30 μF
- Monitoring also with voltage-free mains
- Measuring circuit L(+)/L(-) with broken wire detection (can be switched off)
- Protective conductor PE1/PE2 with broken wire detection (can't be switched off)
- No additional coupling device required

Features

- Insulation monitoring according to IEC/EN 61557-8
- 2 separate adjustable response thresholds (using e.g. for pre-Alarm and Alarm)
- Setting range of 1st response value (Pre-Alarm): 20 k Ω ... 1 M Ω :
- Setting range of 2nd response value (Alarm): 10 k Ω ... 250 k Ω
- 2 changeover contacts für insulation failures-Pre-Alarm and -Alarm
- Energized or de-energized on trip can be selected for indicator relay
- LED for status indication
- Automatic and manual device self-test
- Alarm storage selectable
- Protection against manipulation by sealable transparent cover
- External control input for combined Test-/Reset-button
- 3 wide voltage input for auxiliary voltage
- Width 52.5 mm

Approvals and Markings



Applications

Insulation monitoring of:

- Non-earthed AC, DC, AC/DC networks
- UPS systems
- Networks with frequency inverters
- Battery networks
- Networks with direct current drives
- Hybrid and battery-powered vehicles
- Mobile generator sets

Function

The device is supplied with DC auxiliary voltage via terminals A1(+) / A2. Switching on the auxiliary voltage (Power-On) is followed by an internal self-test for 10 sec (see „Device test functions“). The test process is visible in the status LED. After this, measurement of the insulation resistance in the measuring circuits begins and the colour of the status LED changes to green.

Measuring circuit

(Insulation measurement between terminals L(+)/L(-) and PE1/PE2)

The terminals L(+) and L(-) are connected directly to the voltage system to be monitored. A broken wire detection creates a fault signal if there is no low-ohmic connection between both terminals.

The type of network (AC, DC, 3NAC) has to be selected.

Also the terminals PE1 and PE2 have to be connected with 2 separate wires to the protective earth. An interruption of a wire also causes a fault signal (see section "Behavior on faulty connection"). The monitoring of the PE connection cannot be de-activated.

To measure the insulation resistance an active measuring voltage with changing polarity is connected between L(+)/L(-) and PE1/PE2.

The duration of the positive and negative measuring phase depends on the actual leakage capacity of the monitored system and in DC systems also on the level and duration of possible voltage variations. This allows a correct and fast measurement in different network conditions.

At the end of a measuring cycle the actual insulation resistance is produced and indicated. The relays for alarm K1 and pre-alarm K2 switch when dropping under the adjusted response values. In addition the LED changes to orange color on pre-alarm or to red color on alarm.

Manual reset of fault message

The rotary switch "UN" is divided in 2 sections. So additional to the type of voltage system also manual or autoreset can be selected. (Alarm storing: manual reset, no alarm storing: auto reset).

If manual reset is activated the insulation fault signals of the measuring circuit are stored when dropping under the adjusted response values also if the insulation resistance goes back to healthy state. Pressing the „Reset“ button on the front side for 2 s, the alarm signal are reset if the actual insulation resistance is in healthy state.

Indicator relay for insulation fault signal

For the indicator relays K1 (contacts 11-12-14, for alarm) and K2 (contacts 21-22-24, for pre-alarm) the function energized on trip or de-energized on trip can be set via pre-alarm rotational switch "R_{PA}" when the insulation resistance drops below the adjusted response value.

Broken wire detection

As described in section "Measuring circuit", the measuring circuits L(+)/L(-) and the protective conductors PE1/PE2 are constantly monitored for wire breaks – not only at Power-On or a manual or occasional automatic test. The response time of monitoring is only a few seconds. Broken wire detection between L(+) and L(-) is performed via coupled alternating voltage. This alternating voltage is short-circuited if the terminals are connected to the connected mains at low-resistance. The device detects that the mains to be monitored is properly connected.

Since this broken wire detection is carried out with alternating voltage, large capacitances should be avoided between L(+) and L(-), since the capacitive reactance of these capacitances also short-circuits this alternating voltage.

The device would no longer detect a connection fault on L(+)/L(-).

Especially parallel lines should be avoided over larger distances.

If larger capacitances between L(+)/L(-) cannot be avoided or if the coupled alternating voltage interferes with the system, the broken wire detection can be de-activated using alarm rotary switch "R_A". Monitoring deactivated or continuous monitoring (every 2 minutes for 10 sec) are the possible options. If the broken wire detection on L(+)/L(-) is de-activated no AC voltage is injected.

The broken wire detection on PE1/PE2 cannot be de-activated.

Function

Device test functions

Principally, 2 different test functions are implemented: The "self-test" and the "expanded test":

The self-test of the device is performed automatically after Power-On and every full operating hours. It can also be triggered manually at any time by pressing the "Test" button at the device front for 2 sec.

With the self-test, contrary to the expanded test, the status of the Indicator relays is not affected; the sequence is as follows:

The self-test is indicated via LED with orange flash code 1. For approx. 4 s to negative test phase. Within these 4 s the internal measuring circuit is checked for failures. Then the measuring pulse is switched for approx.. 4 s to positive test phase and more internal tests take place. If no failures turned up and had been recognized, the measurement continuous. The extended test procedure is started when during or at the end of the above described self-test the test button is pressed again for 2 s.

The sequence is similar to the self-test (2 measuring phases of 4 s each) but in addition the output relays go in alarm state. The LED shows orange flash code 2. The test phases of the extended test will be repeated continuously. Pressing the reset button again for 2 s will stop the extended test immediately. The device starts the insulation measurement again.

Behaviour with internal device faults

If internal device faults were detected during the test function, the LED flashes continuously red. The indicator relays K1 and K2 switch to the alarm state.

Behavior on faulty connection

When detecting broken wire on terminals L(+)/L(-), the measurement is disabled. The reaction time could be up to 2 min. The monitoring relays K1 and K2 go in alarm state, the LED indicates the red flash code 1. After removing the interruption the fault is automatically reset (max. reaction time up to 2 min) and the measurement of the insulation resistance is continued. Stored alarm values remain stored. An interruption of the protective earth connections PE1/PE2 causes the same reaction as interrupting the measuring circuit, only the LED indicate the red flash code 2.

External control input

To terminals X1/X2 an external combined Test-/Reset button can be connected. If the terminals X1/X2 are bridged for approx.. 1 s the test mode is started. This has the same function as pressing the internal test button. When bridging X1/X2 for > 3 s, a stored alarm will be reset. This has the same function as pressing the internal reset button.

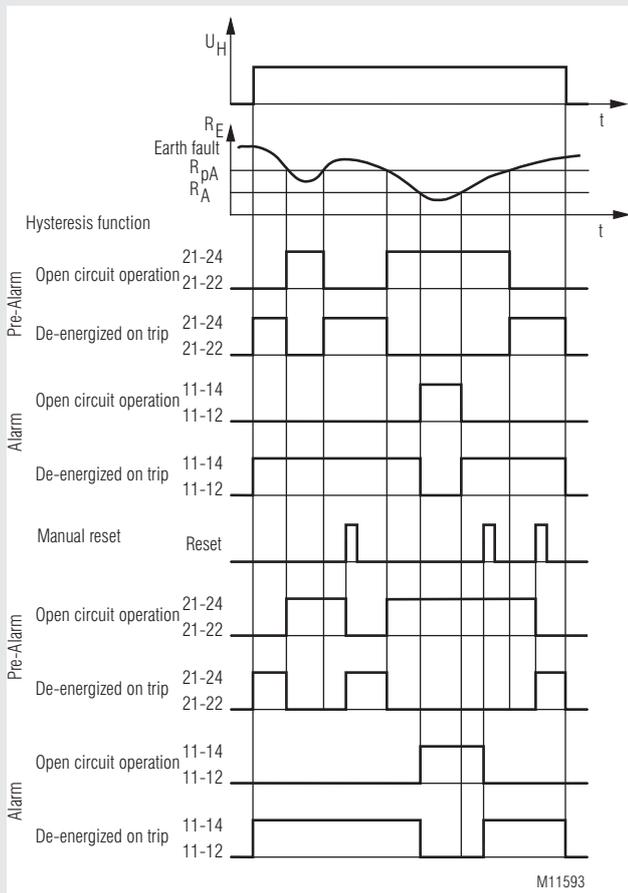
Programming/setting of parameters/set-up of the insulation monitor

All setting are done with 3 rotary switches on the front of the unit. To avoid unauthorized manipulation of the settings, all 3 switches are located behind a sealable transparent cover. The first rotary switch "R_A" sets the response value for alarm. In addition it is divided in 2 sections. If the setting position is in the first section the broken wire detection is permanent enabled, if the setting position is in the second section the broken wire detection is permanent disabled. The second rotary switch "R_{PA}" sets the response value for pre-alarm. In addition it is also divided in 2 sections. If the setting position is in the first section, the relay output function is de-energized on trip, if the setting position is in the second section, the relay output function is energized on trip.

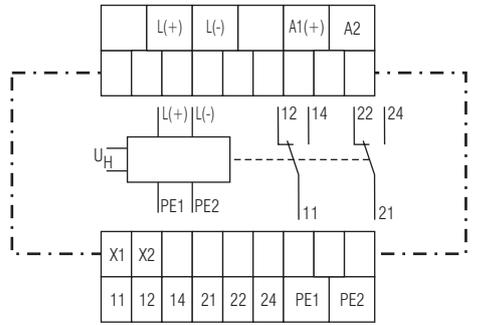
The third rotary switch "UN" selects the type of network connection. It is also divided in 2 sections. If the setting position is in the first section, the unit is on auto reset, if the setting position is in the second section, the unit is on manual reset.

New settings are accepted without restart of the device.

Function Diagram



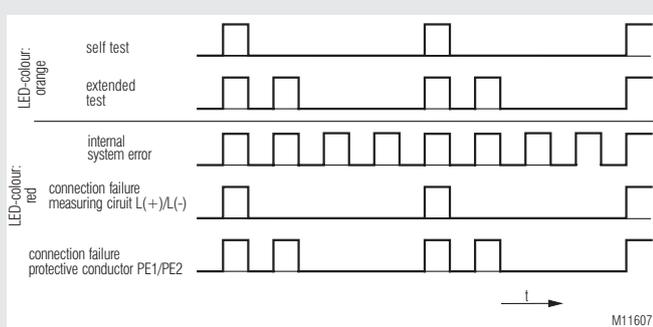
Circuit Diagram



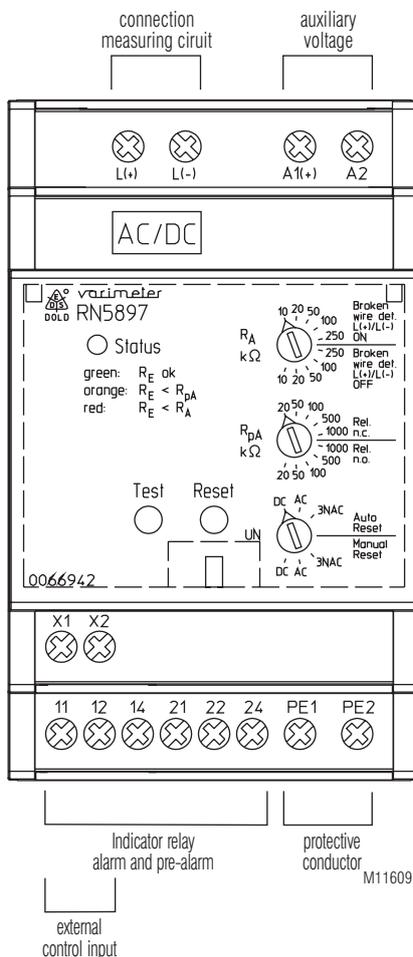
Connection Terminals

Terminal designation	Signal designation
A1(+), A2	Auxiliary voltage AC or DC
L(+), L(-)	Connection for measuring circuit
PE1, PE2	Connection for protective conductor
X1, X2	Control input (combined external Test- and Reset-input)
11, 12, 13	Alarm signal relay K1 (1 changeover contact)
21, 22, 23	Prewarning signal relay K2 (1 changeover contact)

Flashing Codes LED "ERR"



Indicators



Error Indication

Flash code red Status-LED	Failure cause	Failure recovery
1	Broken wire detection on L(+)/L(-).	Check measuring circuit L(+) and L (-)
2	Broken wire detection on PE1/PE2.	Check protective earth connections PE1 and PE2
continuously flashing	Internal failure detected in test mode	Press test button again or restart the unit by interrupting the auxiliary supply temporarily. If the fault remains permanent, send device back to manufacturer for examination.
continuously flashing	Faulty calibration values detected in device memory.	Send device back to manufacturer for recalibration and examination.

Indicators

The operational status of the device is indicated on a 3-colour LED:

- Off:** No auxiliary voltage connected
- Green:** Normal operation (Insulation resistance in healthy state)
- Red:** Alarm (measured value below alarm response value)
- orange:** Warning (measured value below pre-alarm response value)
- orange flashing:** Test mode procedure (see flashing code diagramm)
- red flashing:** Failure code (see flashing code diagramm)

Flash code orange Status-LED	Description
1	Selftest (measuring circuit, measuring voltage, internal tests)
2	Advanced Test (additional control of indicator relays)

Notes

In one voltage system only one insulation monitor can be used. This has to be observed when interconnecting two separate systems.

Device terminals PE1 and PE2 must always be connected via separate lines to different terminal points of the protective-conductor system.

The main measuring circuit can be connected with its terminals L(+) and L(-) both to the DC and also AC side of a mixed network; it is done most practically where the primary incoming power supply takes place e.g. battery networks with connected inverters on the DC side, with Generators/Transformers with connected Rectifiers or inverters on the AC-side. To monitor a 3NAC system the device can be connected single pole, (L+) and L(-) are bridged, to the neutral of the 3p4w system. The 3 phases have a low-ohmic (approx. 3 – 5 Ohm) connection via the transformer windings so also insulation failures of the not directly connected phases are detected. Via the rotational switch "UN" the correct type of network needs to be selected (see „Connection Examples“).

Please do not connect external voltage to terminals X1/X2. The control must only be made by bridging X1 and X2.

ATTENTION !



The device must not be operated without PE1/PE2 connection!

Before checking insulation and voltage, disconnect the monitoring device RN 5897 from the power source!



The device monitors HIGH-VOLTAGE! Caution High-Voltage when working on the device! Disconnect all power supplies before servicing equipment!

Technical Data**Measuring circuit L(+)/L(-) to PE1 / PE2**

Voltage range U_N : DC 0 ... max. 300 V; AC 0 ... max. 300 V
Frequency range: DC or 40 ... 1000 Hz
Max. line capacitance: 30 μ F
Internal resistance (AC / DC): > 120 k Ω
Measuring voltage: approx. \pm 90 V
Max. measured current ($R_E = 0$): < 0,80 mA
Response inaccuracy: \pm 15 % \pm 1,5 k Ω IEC 61557-8
Response value hysteresis: approx. + 25 %; min. + 1 k Ω
On delay
 at $C_E = 1 \mu$ F,
 R_E of ∞ to 0.5 * response value: \leq 1 s (at setting 3N AC)
 \leq 5 s (at setting AC, DC)

Measuring time:

At $C_E = 1 \dots 30 \mu$ F,
 R_E from ∞ to 1000 k Ω ,
 R_E from ∞ to 100 k Ω ,
 R_E from ∞ to 1 k Ω : see characteristics

Response values:Pre-warning („R_{PA}“):

k Ω :	20	50	100	500	1000
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Alarm („R_A“)

k Ω :	10	20	50	100	250
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each adjustable via rotational switches

Response value broken**wire detection L(+)/L(-):** > approx. 30 k Ω **Response value broken****wire detection PE1/PE2:** > approx. 0,5 k Ω **Auxiliary voltage input A1(+)/A2**

Nom. Voltage	Voltage range	Frequency range
AC/DC 24 ... 60 V	AC 19 ... 68 V	45 ... 400 Hz; DC 48 % W*)
	DC 16 ... 96 V	W*) \leq 5 %
AC/DC 85 ... 230 V	AC 68 ... 276 V	45 ... 400 Hz; DC 48 % W*)
	DC 67 ... 300 V	W*) \leq 5 %
DC 12 ... 24 V	DC 9,6 ... 30 V	W*) \leq 5 %

*) W = permitted residual ripple of auxiliary supply

Nominal consumption:

DC 24 V, 48 V: max. 3 W
 AC 230 V: max. 3.5 VA

Control input X1/X2 for external kombinierte Test-/Reset-Taste

Current flow: approx. 3 mA
No-load operation voltage
X1 to X2: ca. 12 V
Permissible wire length: < 50 m
Activation time for test signal: approx. 1 s
Activation time for reset signal: > 3 s

Outputs

Indicator contact: 2 x 1 changeover contact for Alarm (K1) and Pre-Alarm (K2) energized or de-energized on trip (programmable)
 4 A

Thermal current I_{th} :**Switching capacity**

to AC 15:

NO contact: 5 A / AC 230 V IEC/EN 60 947-5-1

NC contact: 2 A / AC 230 V IEC/EN 60 947-5-1

to DC 13: 2 A / DC 24 V IEC/EN 60 947-5-1

Electrical lifeat 5 A, AC 230 V: 1 x 10⁵ switching cycles**Short circuit strength****max. fuse rating:** 4 A gL IEC/EN 60 947-5-1**Mechanical life:** 50 x 10⁶ switching cycles**Technical Data****General Data**

Operating mode: Continuous operation
Temperature range:
 Operation: - 40 ... + 70 °C
Altitude: < 2.000 m IEC 60 664-1
Clearance and creepage distances
 Rated insulation voltage: 300 V
 Overvoltage category: III
 rated impuls voltage / pollution degree: IEC 60 664-1
 measuring circuit L(+)/L(-) to auxiliary voltage A1(+)/A2 and indicator relay contacts K1, K2: 4 kV / 2
 auxiliary voltage A1(+)/A2 to indicator relay contacts K1, K2: 4 kV / 2
 indicator relay contact K1 to indicator relay contacts K2: 4 kV / 2
EMC
 Electrostatic discharge (ESD): 8 kV (air) IEC/EN 61000-4-2
 HF irradiation:
 80 MHz ... 1 GHz: 20 V / m IEC/EN 61000-4-3
 1 GHz ... 2.7 GHz: 10 V / m IEC/EN 61000-4-3
 Fast transients: 2 kV IEC/EN 61000-4-4
 Surge voltage between wires for power supply: 1 kV IEC/EN 61 000-4-5
 between wire and ground: 2 kV IEC/EN 61 000-4-5
 HF-wire guided: 20 V IEC/EN 61000-4-6
 Interference suppression: Limit value classe B EN 55011
Degree of protection
 Housing: IP 40 IEC/EN 60 529
 Terminals: IP 20 IEC/EN 60 529
Housing: Thermoplastic with V0 behaviour according to UL subject 94
Vibration resistance: Amplitude 0.35 mm, Frequency 10 ... 55 Hz, IEC/EN 60 068-2-6
 40 / 070 / 04 IEC/EN 60 068-1
Climate resistance: EN 50 005
Terminal designation:
Wire connection
 Cross section: solid/stranded 0.5 ... 4 mm²
 Stranded ferruled: 0.5 ... 2.5 mm²
 Multiple wire connection: 0.5 ... 1.5 mm² (2 wires with same cross section)
 Stripping length: 6.5 mm
 max. fixing torque: 0.5 Nm
Wire fixing: box terminal with cross recess screw
Mounting: DIN rail IEC/EN 60715
Weight: approx. 200 g

Dimensions**Width x height x depth:** 52.2 x 90 x 71 mm**Classification to DIN EN 50155**

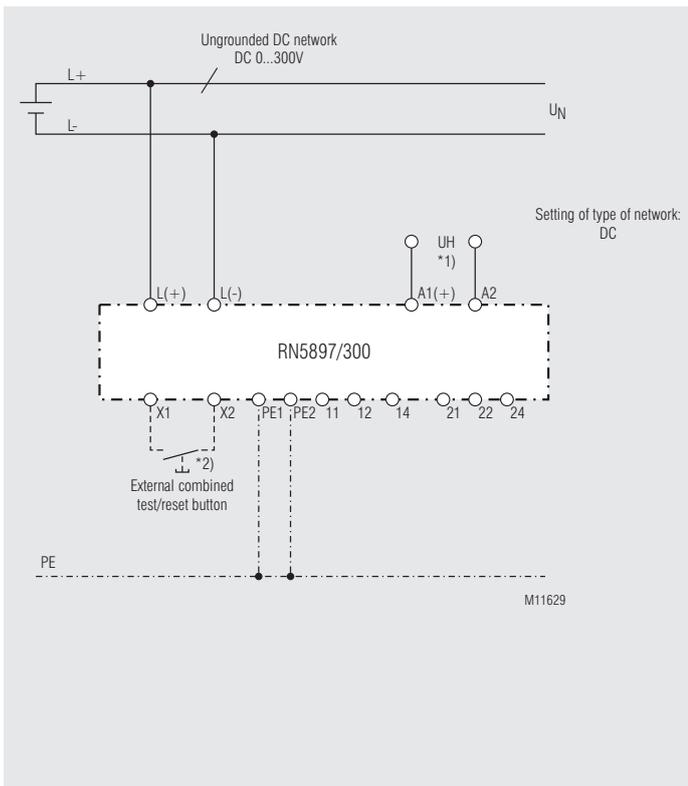
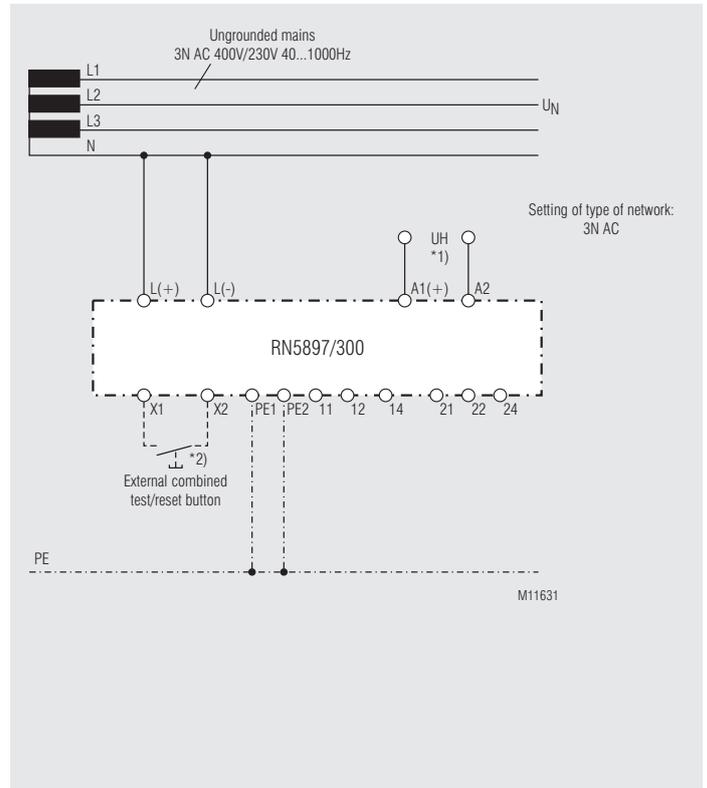
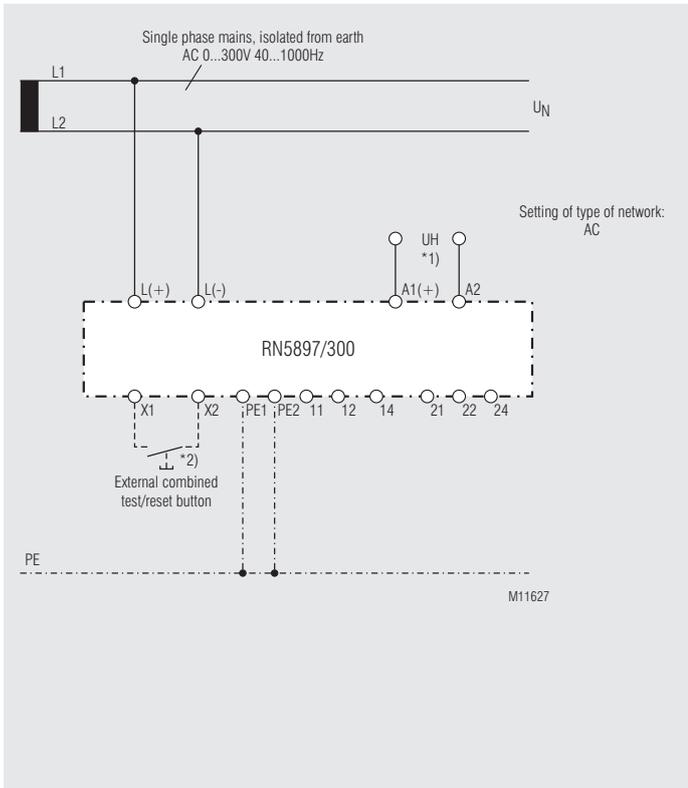
Vibration and shock resistance: Category 1, Class B IEC/EN 61 373
Protective coating of the PCB: No

Standard Types

RN 5897.12/300 AC/DC 24 ... 60 V
Article number: 0066942
• Auxiliary voltage: AC/DC 24 ... 60 V
• Outputs: 1 changeover contact for pre-warning
1 changeover contact for alarm
• Setting range pre-warning: 20 k Ω ... 1 M Ω
• Setting range alarm: 10 k Ω ... 250 k Ω
• Max. line capacitance: 30 μ F
• Energized or de-energized on trip
• Selection of type of network
• Width: 52.5 mm

RN 5897.12/300 AC/DC 85 ... 230 V
Article number: 0066943
• Auxiliary voltage: AC/DC 85 ... 230 V
• Outputs: 1 Wechsler für Pre-Alarm
1 Wechsler für Alarm
• Setting range pre-warning: 20 k Ω ... 1 M Ω
• Setting range alarm: 10 k Ω ... 250 k Ω
• Max. line capacitance: 30 μ F
• Energized or de-energized on trip
• Selection of type of network
• Width: 52.5 mm

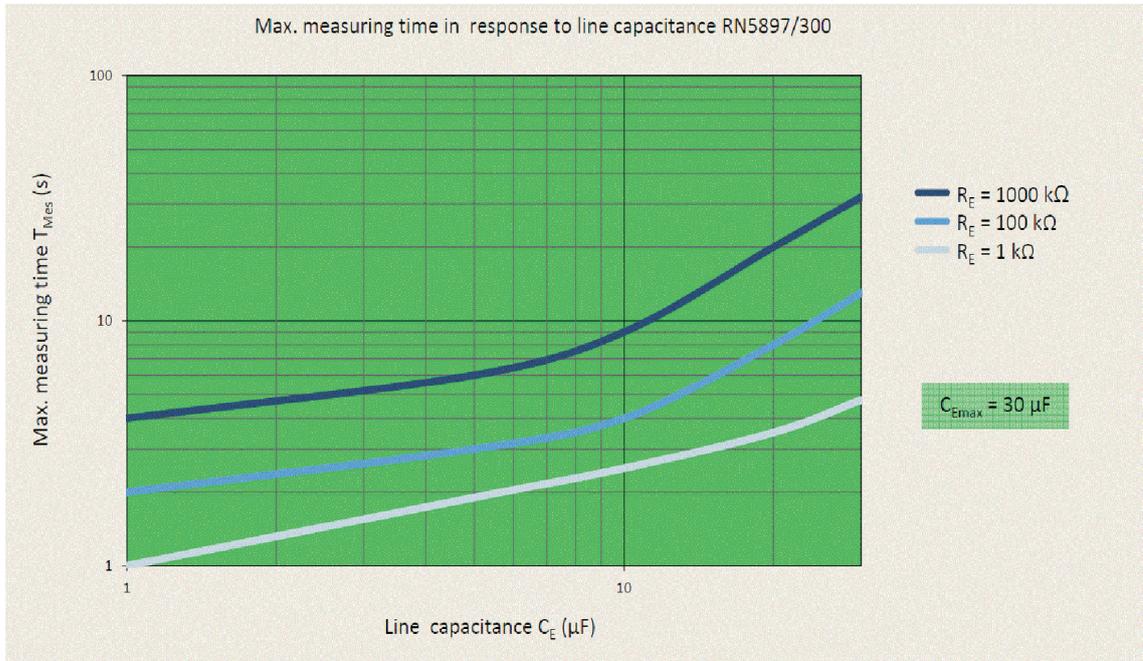
Connection Examples



*1) Auxiliary voltage U_H (A1(+)/A2) can also be sourced from the monitored voltage system.
The voltage range of the auxiliary supply has to be taken into account.

*2) Control input X1/X2 for external combined Test-/Reset-button:

- Control approx. 1 s: Test function
- Control > 3 s: Reset function



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