EFLI

(5 to 45 Amp MCB BS 3871)

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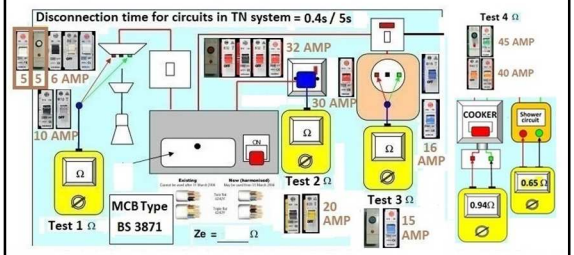

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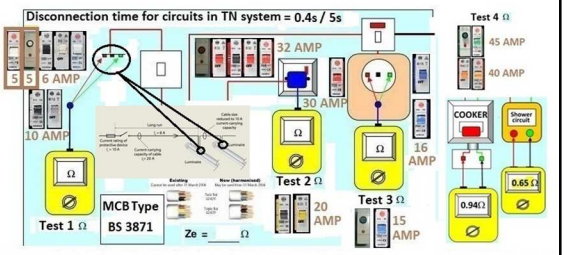

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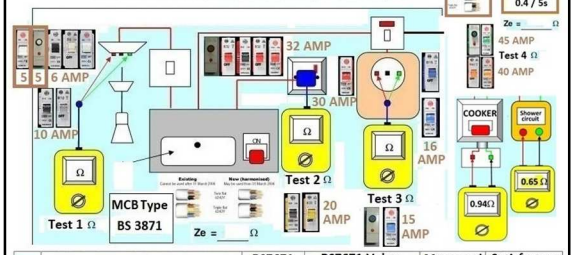

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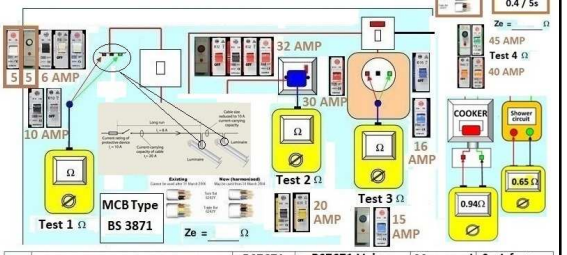

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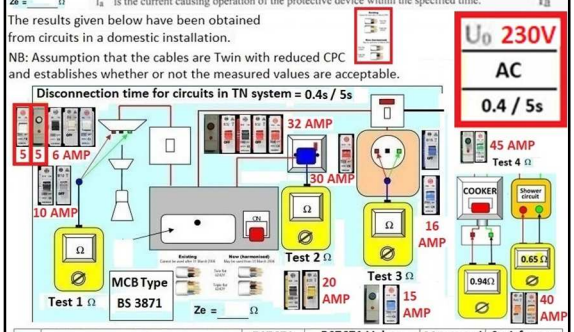

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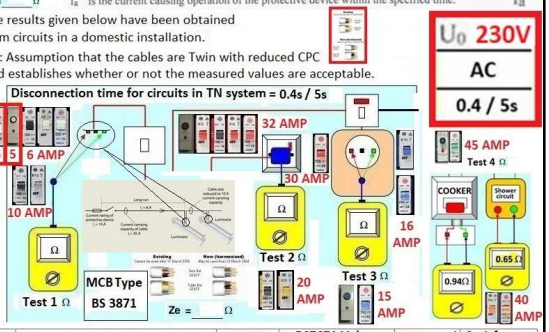

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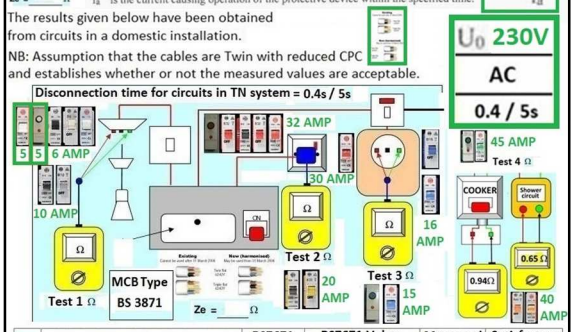

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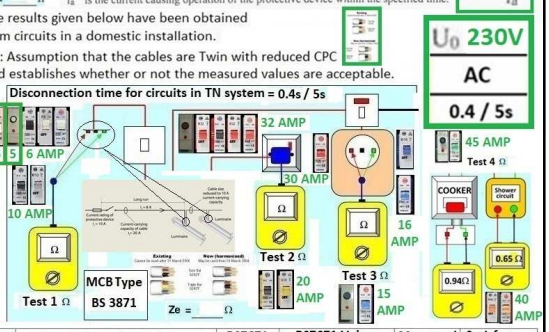

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C_{min} 0.95

$U_0 \leq 230$ V

AC

0.4 / 5s

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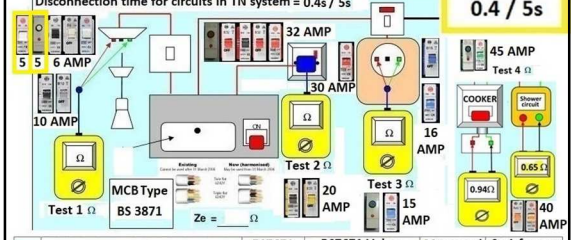

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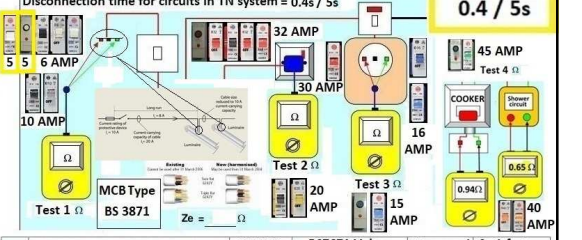

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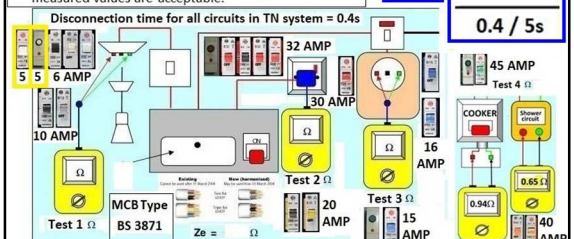

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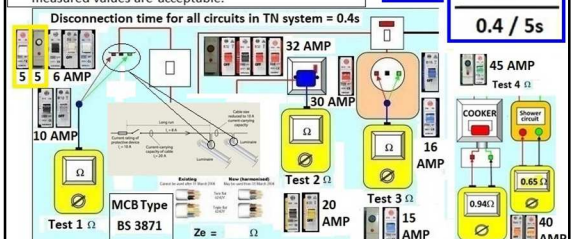

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