

Hangar Door Operating System

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Hangar Door Hazards

- **The function of the hangar doors is to open and close to allow aircraft, vehicles, equipment and personnel enter and exit**
- **The movement of the doors can produce hazardous situations which cannot be avoided in the design.**
- **These hazardous situations include collisions, impact, crushing, shearing and drawing-in points.**
- **Safety devices and operational procedures can be inserted and/or implemented to reduce the risk to the lowest level possible.**

Risks

- **Collision of moving door with people, vehicles, aircraft, equipment**
- **Personnel riding on doors**
- **Personnel stepping in the path of moving door**
- **Entrapment of people as doors pass by each other.**
- **Entrapment of people as doors reach the Hangar end wall.**
- **Employees using the personnel door to enter or exit the Hangar while main door is moving**
- **Entrapment of limbs between doors as the move past each other**
- **Entrapment of limbs in wheels and cogs on drive motor**
- **Electric shock from electric door supply and power sources**
- **In manual operation possible misuse of or failure to use the tow bar**
- **In manual operation failure to follow the correct procedure for tow bar use**

Controls

- To reduce the risks to the lowest level reasonable practicable the following controls have been introduced.
- Interlocks on each set of personnel doors
- Two Safety Edges on the end of each door
- 5 Flashing beacons on each door
- Warning sounders on each door which activate before door movement
- Emergency stops at each control switch on each door
- Emergency stop buttons at each personnel door and at end of each door

Controls

- **Automatic stops on all doors at close position.**
- **Low speed operation (approx. 10 mtrs per min)**
- **All wheels and cogs fenced off.**
- **Preventative maintenance programme to include a weekly inspection of the safety devices on each door.**
- **Fence off the inside of each door to prevent ride on, or other events which could lead to personnel entering into or on the doors.**

Controls

- **Install magnetic locks on personnel doors which are activated by the main door movement to prevent door opening.**
- **Change the control button operation into a Joystick type control which will be easier for the operator to activate and understand.**
- **Upon installation of the controls undertake a staff briefing on the new method of operation**
- **Position the tow bars at a central location.**
- **Install new signage to outline the essential safety/operating instructions.**

Controls

- **Paint hi-visibility Chevron stripes inside and outside of each door**
- **Paint the tow bars a distinct hi-visibility colour.**
- **Paint the towing hitch a distinct hi-visibility colour.**
- **Paint along tracks with yellow/black colouring to highlight area of door tracks.**
- **Paint end of each door a Hi Vis colour**
- **All cogs and wheels on drive motors covered**
- **Electric safety control circuits**

Hangar Doors Before Upgrade



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Improved Ground Markings



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Door Interior Protection and Markings



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Door Exterior Markings



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Old Control Buttons



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Control Station Interior



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Control Station and Signage Interior



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Control Station Exterior



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Warning Lights



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Warning Lights and Emergency Stop



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Emergency Stops



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Clutch Access Signage and Lock Out



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Door End Emergency Stop, Signage and Light



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Door End Safety Edges and Brushes



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Clutch and Tow Hitch Signage



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Tow Bar Location and Signage



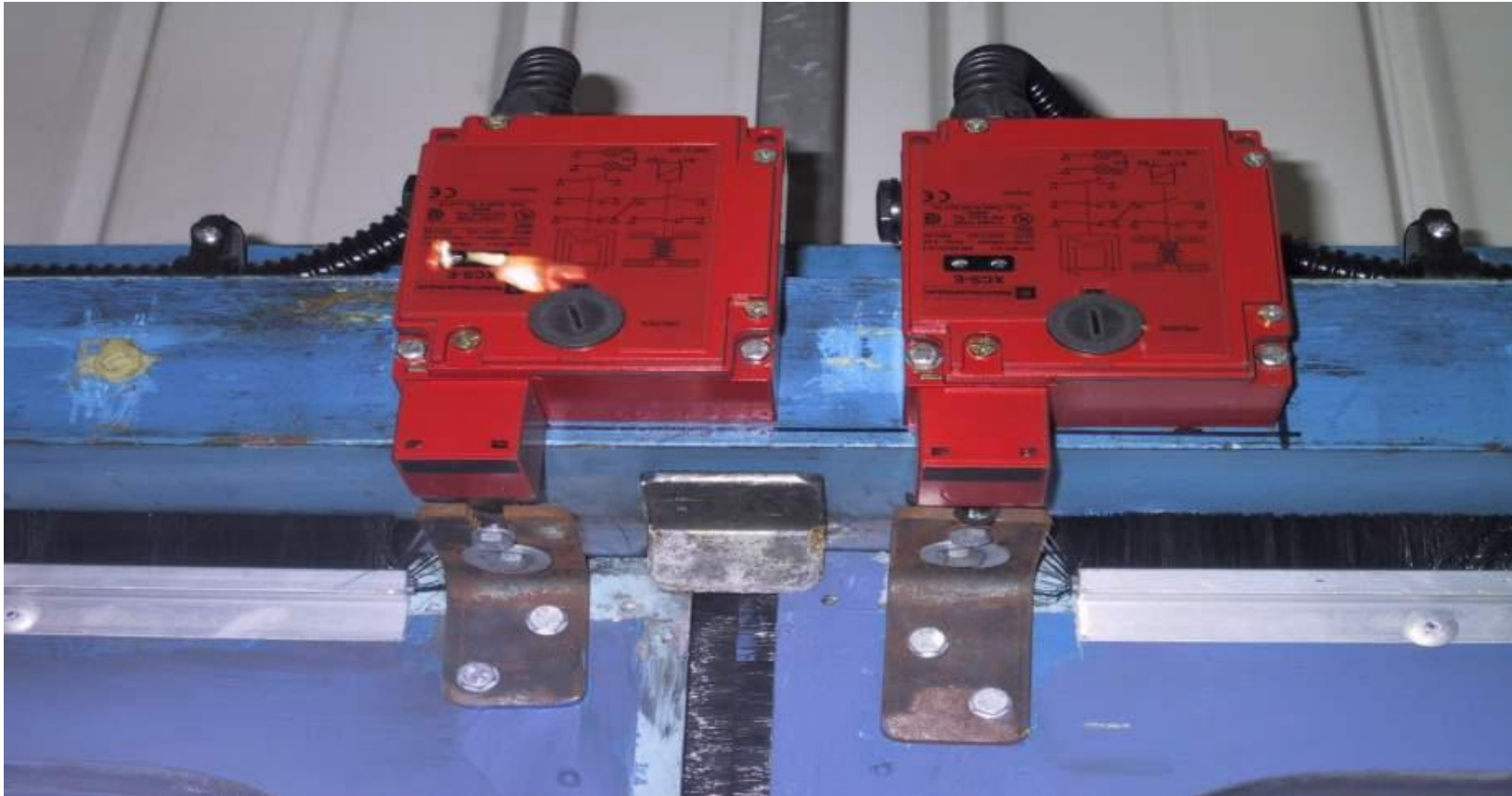
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Personnel Doors



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Personnel Door Magnetic Locks



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Safety Control System installed On Main Hangar Doors

Causes of Accidents in the Workplace

- Man-related factors
- Machine-related factors
- Plant-related factors

Man-related Factors

- Failure to comply with procedure
- Over familiarity with danger through habit
- Poor grasp of machine design and controls
- Underestimating the hazards – ignoring safety safeguards
- Lack of training/awareness
- Inadequate maintenance

Machine-related Factors

- Inadequate safety guarding
- Sophisticated nature of controls
- Inherent machine hazards
 - sudden starting
 - precarious stopping
- Machine not suitable to the application or environment

Plant-related Factors

- Movement of personnel
- Machinery using different technologies

Other Factors

- Possibility of overriding safety measures
 - Slows down production
 - Difficult to implement
 - Many operatives involved
 - Safety measures are not recognised as such
- Reliability of safety functions
 - Reliability of components and principles used
 - Component failure
 - Power failure or Electrical interference

Risk Assessment

Overall evaluation of the risk is a balanced consideration of all the above factors ensuring compliancy with:

- Current Regulations and Standards
- Industry Best Practice
- Further Internal Considerations to minimise the risk of an accident

Factors affecting the Risk – S,F,P

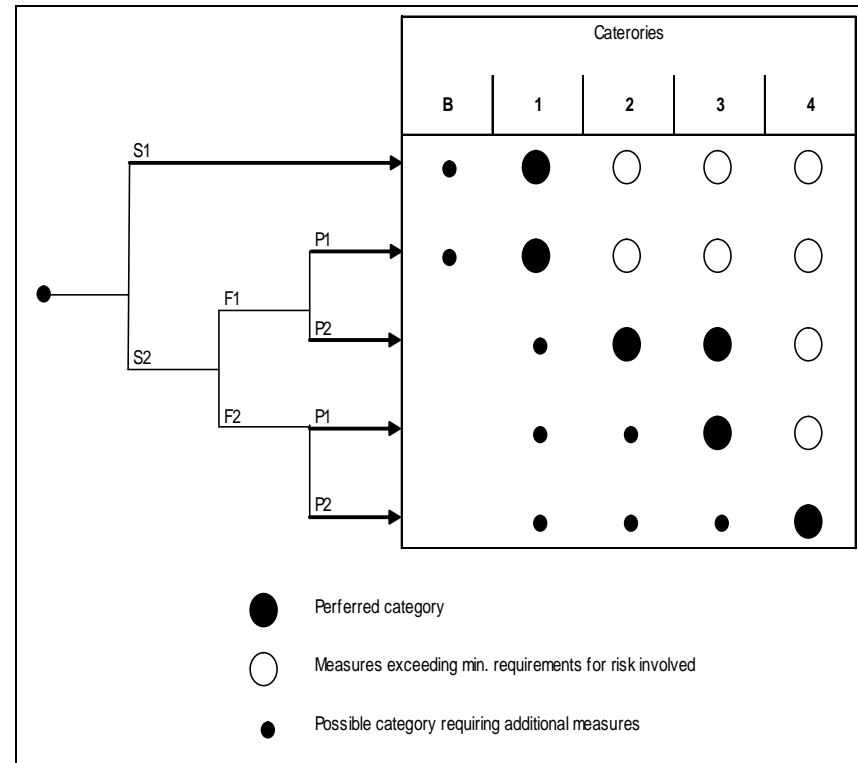
- **S** - Seriousness of possible injury
- **F** - Frequency and duration of exposure in the danger zone
- **P** - Probability of the risk occurring

Categories of Controls relating to safety conforming to EN 954-1

Category	Behaviour in the event of a fault
B	Possible loss of control function
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2	Fault detected at each test
3	Safety function ensured except in the event of an accumulation of faults
4	Safety function always ensured

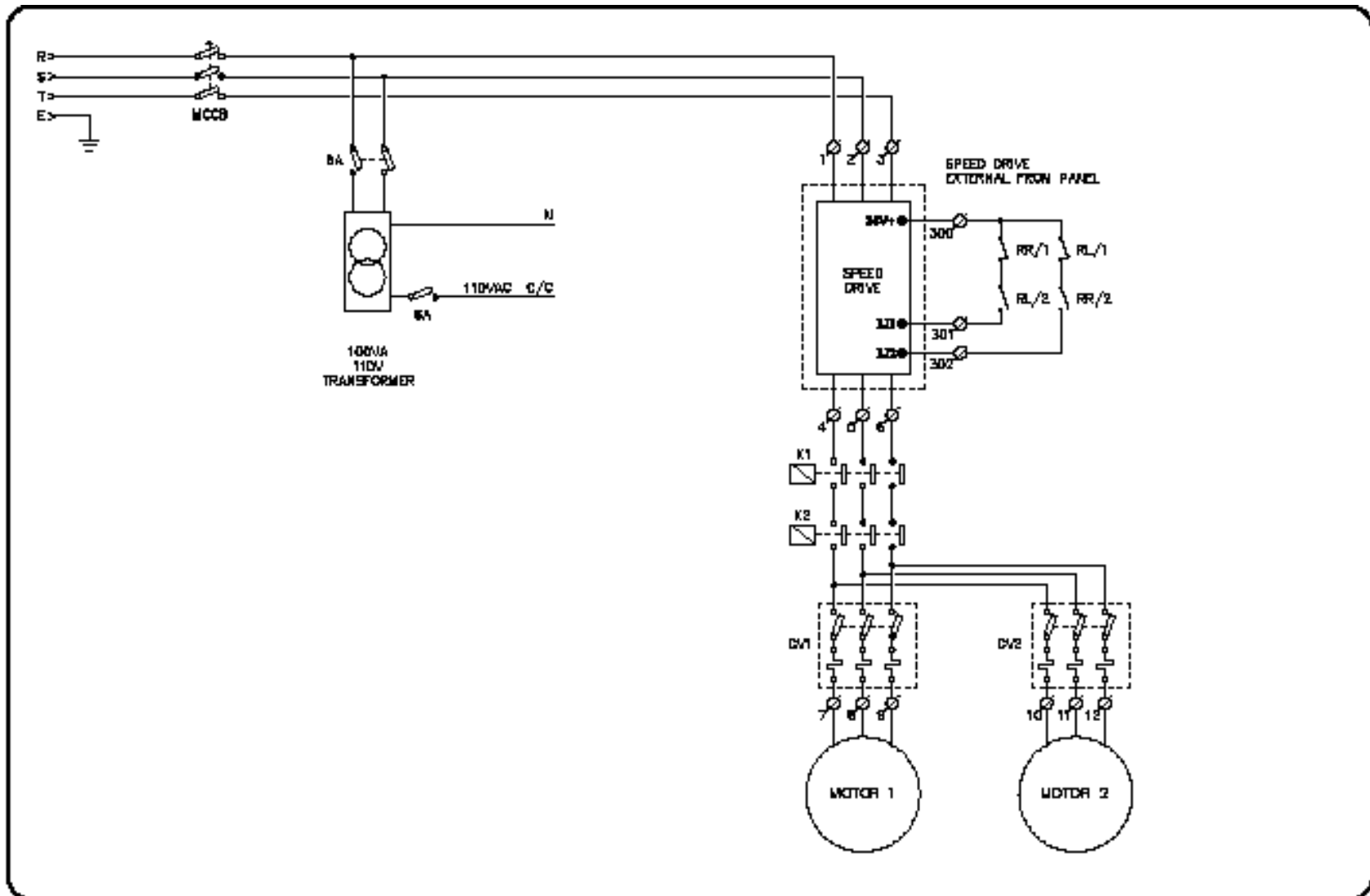
Practical method for calculating a safety control category using factors S, F, P.

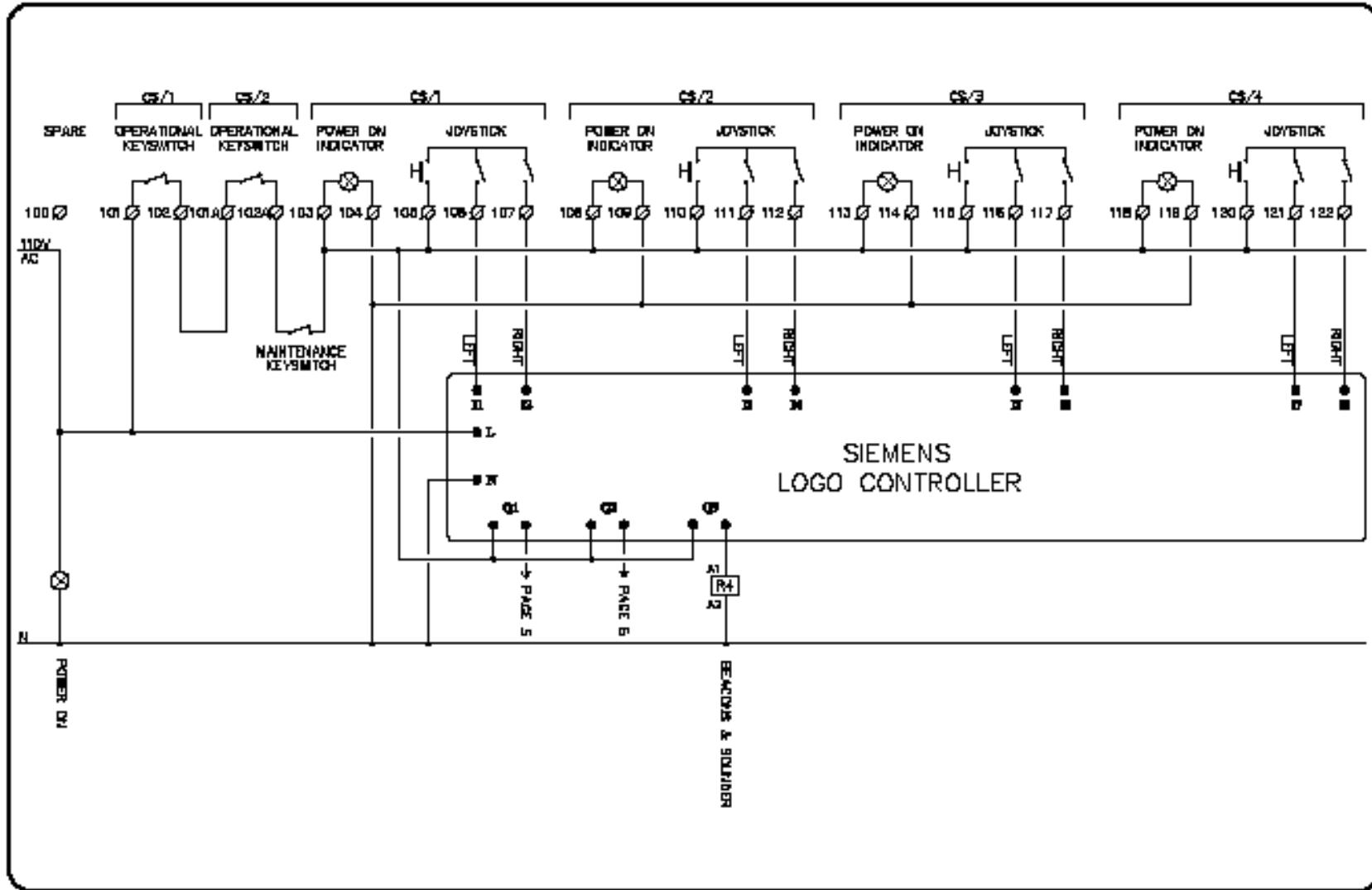
- **S** Result of the accident
- **S1** Slight injury
- **S2** Serious and permanent injury to or death of the person
- **F** Presence in the danger zone
- **F1** Rare to fairly frequent
- **F2** Frequent to permanent
- **P** Possibility of preventing the accident
- **P1** Possible in certain circumstances
- **P2** Virtually impossible

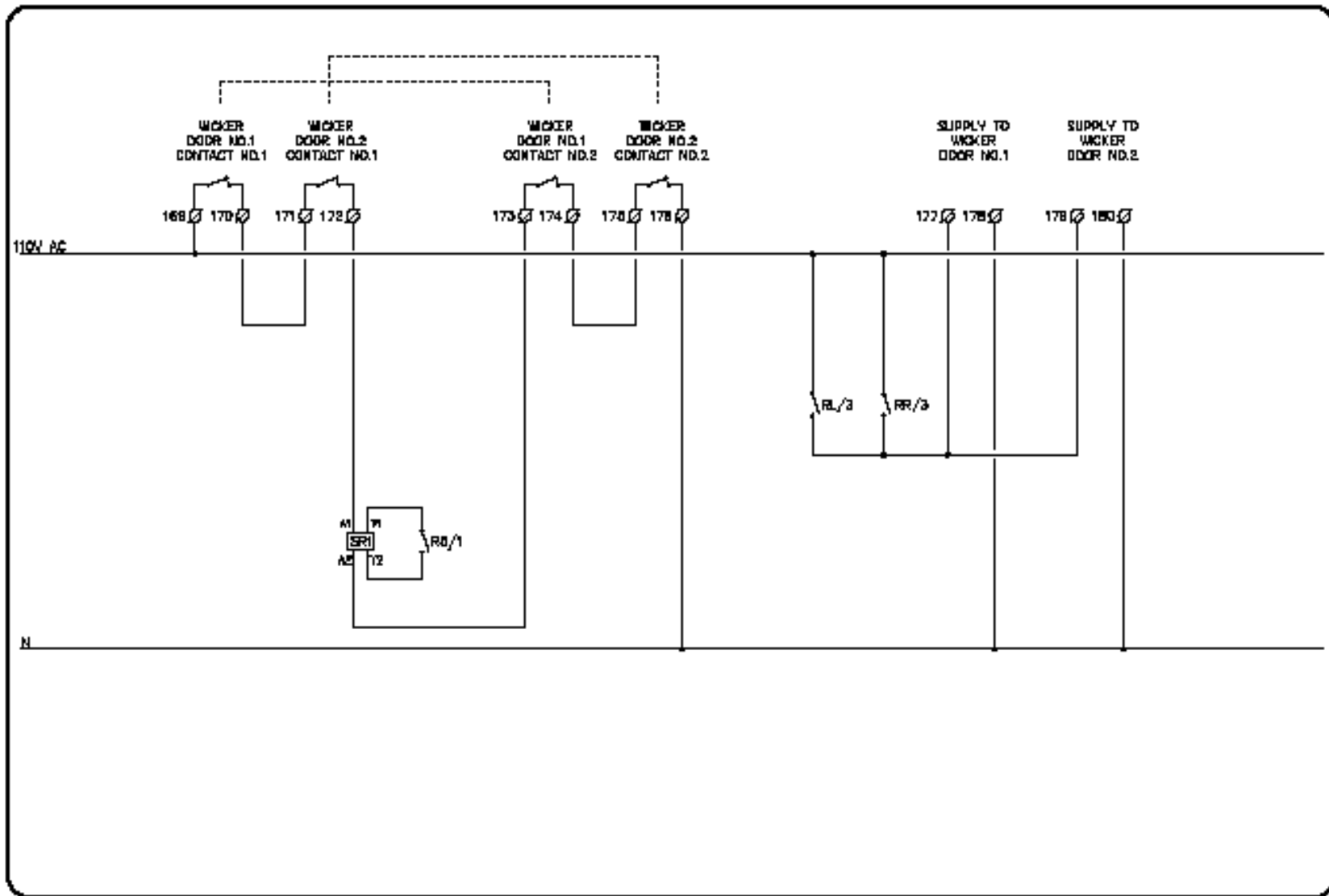


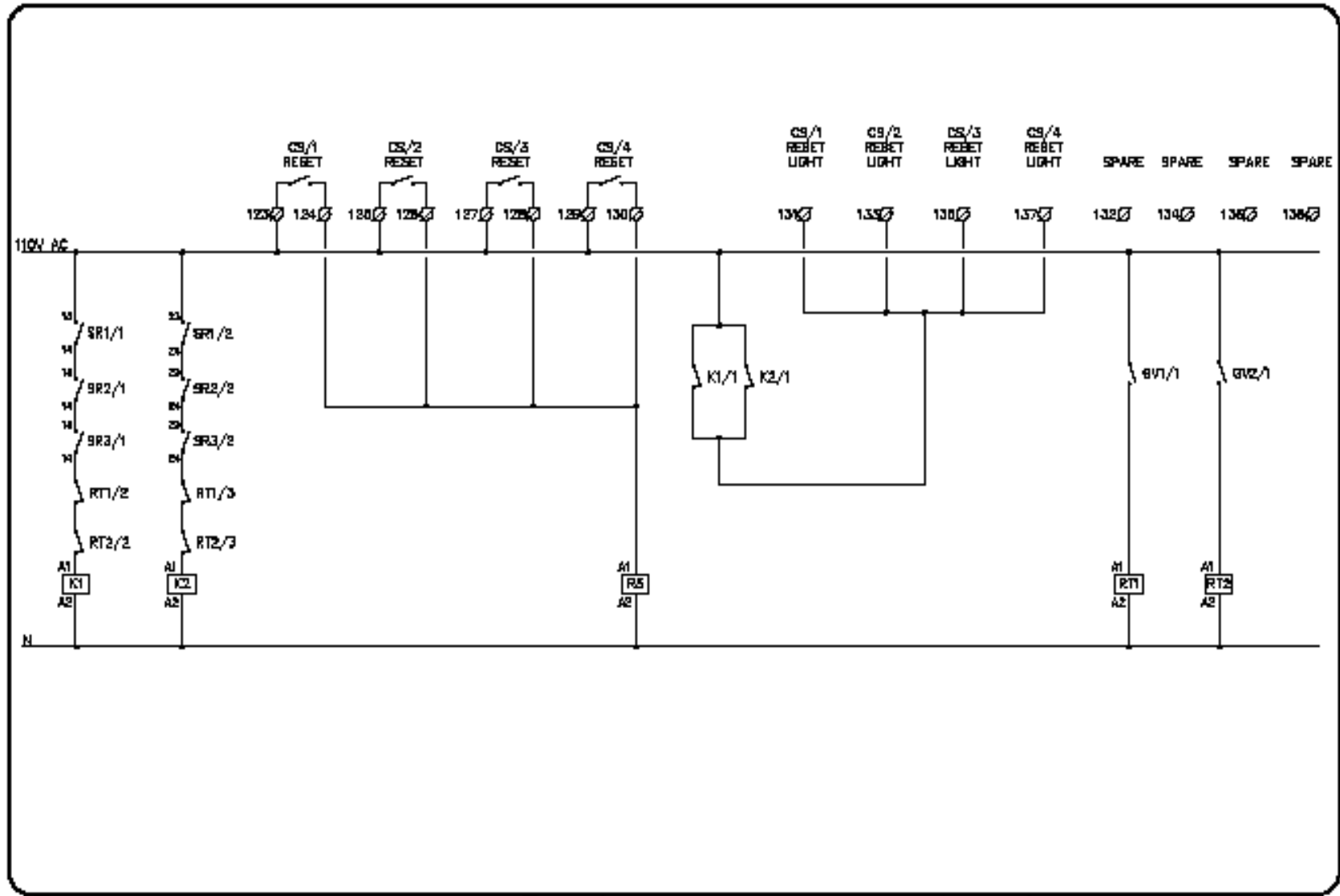
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