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Inadvertent operation of switchgear.

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At a number of sites, the switchgear has been found with the wire loop used to keep the trip mechanism shrouded, has been removed.

Staff are reminded that this shrouding prevents inadvertent operation of the switchgear, and should be replaced after use.

The use of trip mechanism shrouding is covered in Code of Practice 606 S16 - 2.2.1 (ii)

Where a mechanical trip device is not shrouded and there is a risk of inadvertent operation, a short u-shaped length of red or black covered wire may be inserted in the padlock facilities, where one exists. Where a mechanical trip device is fitted with a cylinder lock, this may be left locked to prevent inadvertent operation, the key being left in the lock.



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