



TAL 044. ELECTRICAL FAULTS. TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault	Action	Effect	Check/Cause
No voltage at no load on start-up	Connect a new battery of 4 to 12 volts to terminals F1 and F2, respecting the polarity, for 2 to 3 seconds	The alternator builds up and its voltage is still correct when the battery is removed	- Lack of residual magnetism
		The alternator builds up but its voltage does not reach the rated value when the battery is removed	- Check the connection of the voltage reference to the AVR - Faulty diode - Armature short-circuit
		The alternator builds up but its voltage disappears when the battery is removed	- Faulty AVR - Field windings open circuit (check winding) - Main field winding open circuit (check the resistance)
Voltage too low	Check the drive speed	Correct speed	Check the AVR connections (possible AVR failure) - Field windings short-circuited - Rotating diodes burnt out - Main field winding short-circuited (check the resistance)
		Speed too low	Increase the drive speed (do not touch the AVR voltage pot. before running at the correct speed)
Voltage too high	Adjust AVR voltage potentiometer	Adjustment ineffective	Faulty AVR
Voltage oscillations	Adjust AVR stability potentiometer		- Check the speed : possibility of cyclic irregularity - Loose connections - Faulty AVR - Speed too low when on load
Voltage correct at no load and too low when on load (*)	Run at no load and check the voltage between F1 et F2 on the AVR	Voltage between F1 and F2 (DC) SHUNT < 20V AREP+/PMG < 10V	- Check the speed
		Voltage between F1 and F2 SHUNT > 30V AREP+/PMG > 15V	- Faulty rotating diodes - Short-circuit in the main field (check the resistance) - Faulty exciter armature (check the resistance)
(*) Warning : During single-phase operation, check that the sensing wires from the AVR are connected to the correct output terminals.			
Voltage disappears during operation	Check the AVR, the surge suppressor, the rotating diodes, and replace any defective components	The voltage does not return to the rated value	- Exciter winding open circuit - Faulty exciter armature - Faulty AVR - Main field open circuit or short-circuited
(**) Warning : The AVR internal protection may cut in (overload, lost connection, short circuit).			