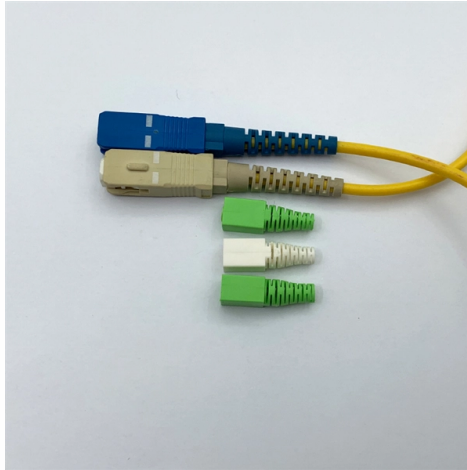


How to connect the standard grounding wire of the distribution box



Overview

Correct Connection Method Of Grounding Wire Of Generally, copper core wire is selected as the ground wire and connected to the PE wiring How to Run a Groun.

Key Takeaways

Connect the grounding wire to the distribution box by attaching it securely to the PE (grounding) bar using a properly sized yellow-green insulated copper wire, ensuring all components are grounded and connections are tight. Step-by-Step Connection



1. Locate the Grounding Bar (PE Bar) Open the distribution box and identify the grounding bar, often marked with "PE" or a grounding symbol. This is the designated point for connecting all grounding wires . 2. Prepare the Ground Wire Use a yellow-green insulated copper wire with a cross-sectional area meeting or exceeding the specified standard. Strip approximately 1/2 to 3/4 inch of insulation from the end to expose the copper conductor . 3. Connect the Ground Wire to the PE Bar Insert the stripped end of the wire into the terminal on the PE bar. Tighten the screw firmly with a screwdriver to ensure a secure mechanical connection. Avoid loose connections, as they can compromise safety . 4. Ground Electrical Components If the distribution box contains devices or components that require grounding, connect each component to the PE bar using individual copper wires. For metal boxes, ensure the box itself is bonded to the grounding system using a dedicated grounding screw or pigtail . 5. Use Pigtails for Device Connections For receptacles or switches, create a pigtail by twisting a short piece of bare copper wire with the main ground bundle. Connect the pigtail to the device's green grounding screw, forming a clockwise loop around the screw for maximum contact . 6. Verify Continuity and Safety Ensure all connections are tight, clearly marked, and continuous. In metal boxes, confirm that the box is bonded to the grounding system. In nonmetallic boxes, only the device pigtail is needed . 7. Follow Safety Precautions Turn off all breakers before working inside the distribution box. Use appropriate tools and avoid contact with live wires. Ensure the grounding system complies with local electrical codes and standards . By following these steps, the grounding wire will provide a reliable path for fault currents, protecting both the electrical system and users from potential hazards.

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