How to wire the electricity meter in the primary distribution cabinet



Overview

This video illustrates the step-by-step connection from the energy meter (KWH Meter) to the main Double-Pole MCB, the Neutral Link terminal block, and finally to the four individual...

Key Takeaways

Wiring an electricity meter in a primary distribution cabinet requires connecting the utility supply to the meter socket, then routing the output to the main disconnect and distribution panel while ensuring proper grounding and neutral separation.

Safety First

Always disconnect the main supply before working inside the distribution cabinet to prevent electric shock or arc faults ( ). Only qualified personnel or licensed electricians should perform this work, as improper wiring can cause fire hazards or legal violations ( ).

Step-by-

Step Wiring Overview

Mount the Meter EnclosureSecure the meter box on an exterior wall at a height accessible to utility personnel, typically around 5 feet above ground ( ). Ensure the enclosure is weatherproof and properly grounded.

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Connect the Service Entrance

Route the utility service cables (line conductors) into the top knockout of the meter box using a conduit ( ). For a single-phase system, typically two hot wires (black/red) and one neutral (white) are used. For three-phase systems, three hot wires plus neutral are required ( ).

Wire the Meter Socket

Connect the incoming line conductors from the utility to the line terminals of the meter socket ( ). Connect the neutral wire to the neutral terminal of the meter socket. Ensure the meter socket is properly bonded to the enclosure if required by local code.

Connect to the Main DisconnectFrom the load side of the meter socket, route the hot wires to the main breaker or disconnect switch ( ). Connect the neutral wire to the neutral bus bar in the main panel. Do not bond neutral to ground in subpanels; bonding should only occur in the main service panel to prevent circulating currents ( ).

Grounding

Connect a ground wire from the main panel to a grounding rod or system as per local electrical codes ( ). Ensure all metallic parts of the cabinet are bonded to the ground.

Branch Circuits

From the main panel, connect branch circuits to individual breakers. Use color coding: black/red for hot, white for neutral, green/bare for ground ( ).

Additional Considerations

Verify wire sizes according to the load rating and local electrical codes ( ). Label all breakers and circuits clearly. For 240V appliances, use a double-pole breaker; for standard outlets and lighting, use single-pole breakers ( ).

Always follow the wiring diagram provided by the meter manufacturer or utility company ( ). By following these steps and adhering to safety and code requirements, the electricity meter can be safely and correctly wired in the primary distribution cabinet.

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