Specifications of main grounding bolts for distribution boxes



Overview

Each DISTRIBUTION BOX and controller must be grounded. On the US market, a 5.26 mm 2 (10 AWG) ground wire must be used, and in all other markets a 6 mm 2 must be used.

Key Takeaways

Grounding bolts in distribution boxes must ensure low-resistance connections, proper wire sizing, and compliance with NEC, IEC, and IEEE standards to safely bond all metallic parts.

Grounding Wire Sizing and Connections

For distribution boxes, grounding wires must be sized according to regional standards.

In the U

S, a 10 AWG (5. 26 mm²) wire is typically used, while in other markets a 6 mm² wire is standard. Grounding is achieved by connecting a wire from a threaded stud at the bottom of the housing to the mounting plate, and then from the mounting plate to the central factory grounding point.

The total ground resistance between all system parts should be less than 0. 1 Ohm.

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Grounding Metallic Parts and Doors

All metallic parts of the enclosure, including doors, must be bonded to ground. This prevents static discharge and ensures safety if a fault occurs inside the box.

NE

C 250. 148 mandates that all metallic junction boxes and cabinet doors be bonded using designated grounding screws or clips. Stainless steel doors often require flexible copper braided tape to maintain reliable contact despite hinge movement, with anti-loosening washers to prevent loosening over time.

Material and Corrosion Considerations

The grounding bolt and connector material should match the enclosure to prevent galvanic corrosion. Contact surfaces should be cleaned of coatings or oxides, and conductive paste may be applied to reduce oxidation and maintain low resistance. Copper, copper-clad steel, or stainless steel are preferred for grounding conductors, especially in underground or high-humidity environments.

Resistance and Safety Requirements

The grounding system must maintain low resistance to ensure fault currents are safely conducted. For example, the resistance of tool cables and grounding wires in industrial setups should be calculated in parallel to ensure the total resistance remains below the required threshold, typically < 0. 1 Ohm.

For larger distribution networks, grounding conductors may need to be sized up to 70 mm^2 copper depending on soil conditions and fault current requirements. Compliance with StandardsNEC 250. 148: Bond all metallic parts of electrical enclosures.

NE

C 314. 28: Metal boxes must be reliably grounded.

IE

C 60364-5-54: Specifies soil resistivity and grounding conductor sizing.

IEE

E Std 80-2000: Provides guidance for sizing earthing conductors and ensuring long-term integrity of grounding networks.

Summary

Proper grounding of distribution boxes involves: Using correctly sized grounding wires (10 AWG in the US, 6 mm^2 elsewhere). Bonding all metallic parts, including doors, to the grounding system. Ensuring low-resistance connections (

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The designer will evaluate the sizing of the grounding system and the need for an isolated or bonding ground system separate from the building grounding system.

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1.2 The nuts, bolts, washers used in the box shall be galvanized to avoid rusting. The door hinges shall not be visible from outside. The box shall have two no.s of solid Earthing points on either side with an

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