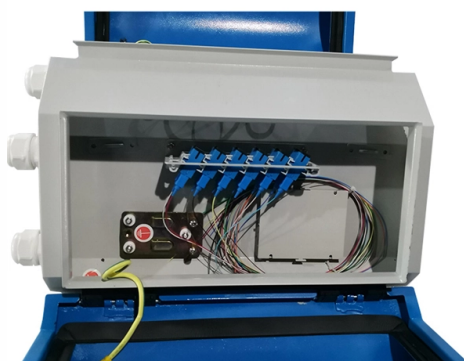


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How to disconnect the cables from the distribution box



Overview

2024 Electric Service Requirements Manual (LADWP) This manual is for electronic distribution only and is designed to provide you with the most current information.

Key Takeaways

Disconnecting cables from distribution boxes requires proper isolation, labeling, and termination to ensure safety and code compliance. **Safety First**

Before attempting any disconnection, ensure the circuit is de-energized using a non-contact voltage tester or similar device to confirm no electricity is present in the cables. Apply lockout/tagout procedures to prevent accidental re-energization, and wear appropriate personal protective equipment such as insulated gloves, goggles, and dust masks if working in dusty or construction environments.

Tools and Materials

Essential tools for disconnecting and terminating cables include:

- Wire strippers for clean insulation removal without damaging conductors.
- Crimping tools for attaching connectors or lugs securely.
- Screwdrivers and pliers for loosening terminals and twisting wires.

- Wire nuts, tunnel lugs, or compression connectors depending on wire size and type .

- Optional: heat shrink tubing, cable ties, and junction boxes for insulation and organization .

Step-by-Step Disconnection

- Identify and Label: Tag each cable with its circuit number, breaker, or destination to avoid confusion during reconnection or future work .

- Isolate the Circuit: Turn off the breaker or disconnect the main supply feeding the distribution box .

- Loosen Terminals: Use screwdrivers or pliers to carefully loosen screws or clamps holding the conductors in place .

- Remove Connectors: For wires terminated with wire nuts, twist off the nut and separate the conductors. For larger cables, remove tunnel lugs or compression connectors using the appropriate tools .

- Cap or Terminate Ends: If the cable will remain in place but unused, cap the ends with wire nuts or insulating covers to prevent accidental contact . For permanent removal, ensure the cable is fully extracted from walls or conduits if accessible .

- Inspect and Clean: Check that no bare conductors are exposed and that all terminations are secure. Clean the distribution box and conduits if necessary .

Special Considerations

- Large Conductors: Cables 16mm² or larger should be terminated using tunnel lugs or bolted compression connectors .

- Aluminum Conductors: Use connectors rated for aluminum and apply anti-oxidant compounds to prevent corrosion .

- Disused Wires: If a wire cannot be fully removed, leave it properly capped and labeled in the box to avoid hidden hazards .

- Documentation: Maintain a record of disconnected cables, including tags and locations, for future reference or inspections . By following these methods, you can safely disconnect cables from distribution boxes while maintaining compliance with electrical standards and ensuring future accessibility.

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