

Grounding terminal of household electrical distribution box



Article Overview

The grounding terminal in a home electrical distribution box provides a safe path for stray electricity to flow into the earth, protecting people and appliances from electrical faults.

Purpose of the Grounding Terminal

The grounding terminal, often marked with a green screw or bar labeled “GND,” is a critical safety feature in your electrical panel. It connects the panel and all metallic components to the earth, ensuring that any excess or fault current is safely directed away from the home, reducing the risk of electric shock, fire, or damage to appliances .

Location and Identification

Inside the main circuit breaker box, the grounding terminal is typically attached to a ground bus bar, which is a metal bar where all ground wires from circuits converge. The terminal may be a compression terminal block or a green/yellow screw, and it is often bonded to the panel's metal backpanel or DIN rail in control panels .

Connection to the Grounding System

The grounding terminal is connected to the grounding electrode system, which usually includes a ground rod, a buried metal water pipe, or a concrete-encased ele...

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A grounding pigtail is a short piece of green-insulated or bare copper wire that connects the grounding screw inside the

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Why are Neutral and Ground Wires Bonded in a Subpanel?

Before diving into the details, we must understand the roles of neutral and ground wires in a power and distribution system. Neutral

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