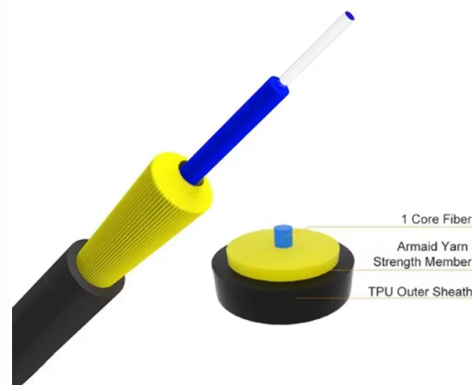


How to wire a distribution box and socket



AI Overview

Wiring a distribution box involves connecting the main supply to the main breaker, distributing power to branch circuits via MCBs, and safely wiring sockets and lighting circuits according to proper standards.

Step 1: Plan and Prepare

Determine load requirements: Identify the number of lighting points, socket outlets, and special appliances like air conditioners.

Select wire sizes: Typically, 2.5mm^2 wires are used for lighting and standard sockets, while 4mm^2 wires may be used for high-power appliances like AC units.

Choose protective devices: Use a double-pole MCB as the main switch, single-pole MCBs for individual circuits, and an RCCB for earth leakage protection.

Step 2: Main Supply Connection

Connect the incoming phase and neutral wires from the main supply to the main MCB in the distribution box. Ensure the main feeder cable can handle the total anticipated load; for example, a 60A single-phase DB may require 16mm^2 phase and neutral cables.

Step 3: Branch Circuit Wiring

Connect each branch circuit from the main MCB to the respective MCBs for lighting, sockets, or special loads.

Lighting circuits: Typically 2.5mm^2 wires, connected to 5–10A MCBs.

Socket circuits: 2.5mm^2 wires for 13A outlets, 4mm^2 for higher-rated outlets or AC units.

Wiring direction: Feed wires from the left side of the DB to branch MCBs and route outgoing wires to the right side.

Step 4: Socket and Lighting Connections

Run wires from the MCBs to the socket outlets and light points. Use parallel connections for multiple switches or sockets to simplify wiring. Ensure neutral and earth wires are properly connected to the neutral and earth bars in the DB.

Step 5: Wire Management and Safety

Bind wires neatly with plastic ties, maintaining uniform spacing and straight runs. Label circuits clearly for AC, DC, or different voltage levels to avoid confusion. Perform a safety inspection after wiring to check for short circuits, overloads, and proper grounding.

Step 6: Testing

Switch on the main MCB and test each branch circuit individually. Verify that sockets and light...

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The cable or wire size, the rating of breakers, fuse, etc depends on the type of wiring, purpose, and rating of loads. It should be properly selected as per the recommended standards and

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Wiring Direction: Wiring between the main circuit breaker and each branch circuit breaker in the box generally goes on the left, and the wiring out of

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Identify the live, neutral, and ground terminals of the socket. A standard modern outlet for household use should have three terminals for connecting the appropriate wires.

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Wire specification: Select the appropriate wire specification according to the circuit load. The lighting and socket circuits generally use 2.5mm² wires,

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