

How to drill holes in a secondary distribution box



Article Overview

Use a step drill or appropriate drill bit with proper marking and safety precautions to create clean, precise holes in a distribution box.

Step-by-Step Guide

1. Plan and Mark the Holes Determine the exact locations for cable entry or mounting points. Use a marker or pencil to mark the spots on the box. Ensure the box is level and aligned with the installation surface to avoid misalignment during drilling . 2. Select the Right Tools

- Drill: An electric drill or drill press is recommended for stability .
 - Drill Bits: Use a step drill bit for metal or plastic enclosures to prevent grabbing and distortion. For larger holes, a hole saw may be used .
 - Safety Gear: Wear insulated gloves and safety glasses to protect against metal shavings and electrical hazards .
3. Secure the Box Clamp the distribution box to a stable surface to prevent movement. This ensures accuracy and reduces the risk of injury or damage to the box .
4. Drill the Holes
- Start with a small pilot hole if using a twist drill.
 - Drill slowly at low RPM to avoid melting plastic or deforming thin metal .
 - For cable glands, drill a clearance hole slightly smaller than the gland's threaded body, then use the supplied nut and washer to secure it .
 - If using a step drill, gradually increase the diameter until the desired size is reached.
5. Deburr and Clean After drilling, remove any burrs or sharp edges using...

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