

Pre-load capacity of distribution box



Article Overview

The pre-load capacity of a distribution box is determined by its rated current, number of outgoing circuits, and the short-circuit withstand rating of its components.

Understanding Pre-Load Capacity

The pre-load capacity refers to the maximum electrical load a distribution box can safely handle when fully equipped with protective devices and before actual operational load is applied. It is influenced by:

- **Rated Current of the Box:** The main switch or MCCB defines the maximum current the box can carry without overheating or tripping. For example, LT distribution boxes may be designed for 100 KVA, with busbars and MCCBs sized accordingly .
- **Number of Outgoing Circuits:** The total load is distributed across multiple circuits. The box should have spare ways for future expansion to avoid overloading .
- **Short-Circuit Capacity:** The box and its components must withstand the maximum prospective short-circuit current without damage. This is critical for safety and compliance with standards like IEC 61439 .
- **Busbar and Wiring Capacity:** Copper or aluminum busbars mounted on epoxy resin insulators must be sized to handle the total pre-load current, ensuring adequate clearance and heat dissipation .
- **Protective Devices:** MCBs, RCDs, RCBOs, and fuses must be rated to handle the expected load while providing protection against overloads and faults .

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TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION FOR LT DISTRIBUTION BOX

These Distribution Cabinets are to be outdoor type and to be fabricated out of 2 mm GI sheet steel.

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Complete Guide For Distribution Boxes Types

Distribution boxes, also known as electrical distribution boards or panels, are pivotal components in electrical systems, ensuring the safe and organized distribution of electrical power throughout

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