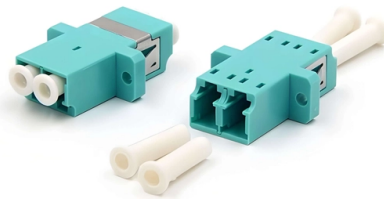


How to properly disconnect cables from a distribution box



Article Overview

Always turn off power, verify circuits are de-energized, and safely cap or remove cables when disconnecting from a distribution box.

Safety First

Before touching any cables, switch off the main breaker or the specific circuit breaker supplying the distribution box . Implement a Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) procedure to prevent accidental re-energization, using a lock or tag on the breaker . Always wear personal protective equipment (PPE), including insulated gloves and safety glasses, since line-side wires may still carry voltage.

Verify Power is Off

Use a non-contact voltage tester (NCVT) for a quick check, but confirm with a digital multimeter using a “live-dead-live” sequence: test the meter on a known live source, then check all terminals in the box (phase-to-phase, phase-to-neutral, phase-to-ground), and finally re-test the meter on the live source . This ensures the box is safe to work on.

Disconnecting Cables

- Identify the cables: Determine which wires are incoming (line side) and outgoing (load side) to other units or circuits .
- Loosen terminal screws: Use a torque screwdriver to carefully loosen the screws o...

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