Construction Site Power Distribution Box Model Parameters



Overview

A separate regulation is only in place for construction site power distributors. For this reason, we have adapted the power distributors in our construction series to the intended application.

Key Takeaways

Construction power distribution boxes are designed with specific voltage, current, protection, and environmental parameters to ensure safe and reliable temporary power distribution on construction sites.

Key Parameters and Specifications

Voltage and Frequency: Construction distribution boxes typically operate at low-voltage AC systems, commonly 380–400V for three-phase systems and 220–240V for single-phase circuits. Frequency is usually 50Hz or 60Hz, depending on regional standards. Current Rating: Boxes are rated for 32A to 63A for typical construction site applications, with higher-capacity models available for larger temporary installations.

The current rating determines the maximum load the box can safely handle. Protection Devices: Miniature Circuit Breakers (MCBs): Protect individual circuits from overcurrent and short circuits. Selection depends on rated current, breaking capacity, and load type.

Residual Current Devices (RCDs/RCBOs): Provide earth fault and leakage protection, reducing the risk of electric shock.

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Os combine overcurrent and leakage protection in one device. Surge Protective Devices (SPDs): Protect sensitive equipment from voltage spikes and transient surges. Construction and Materials: Many construction site boxes, such as ENERGYBOX ACS, are made from technopolymer cabinets with fire-resistant backrests, offering durability, portability, and reusability.

Low-voltage switchgear series like GGD, GDH, PGL, GCK, GCS, and MNS provide fixed or withdrawable configurations for industrial and construction applications, with compact and stable designs. Transformer and Load Considerations: Some boxes integrate transformers to step down high-voltage incoming lines (e.g., 6. 3kV or 10kV) to low-voltage outputs suitable for site equipment.

It is recommended to allow a 15–20% margin for future load increases to avoid overloading. Environmental and Installation Factors: Boxes are designed for outdoor and temporary use, considering temperature ranges, humidity, dust, and rainfall. IP65-rated enclosures are common for protection against dust and water ingress.

Installation can be wall-mounted or on portable supports, facilitating mobility across construction sites. Standards Compliance: Compliance with IEC 61439 ensures global safety and performance standards. Circuit breakers and SPDs follow IEC 60947-2 and IEC 61643-11, respectively, for testing and installation criteria.

Summary

Construction power distribution boxes are engineered to provide safe, reliable, and flexible power distribution for temporary sites. Key model parameters include voltage, current rating, protection devices, material construction, environmental resistance, and standards compliance. Selecting the appropriate model requires considering load requirements, site conditions, and future expansion, ensuring both safety and operational efficiency.

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