Explosion-proof socket in distribution box



Overview

R. STAHL''s plugs and sockets and plug connectors can be used to conduct, connect and distribute electrical energy without the risk of explosion.

Key Takeaways

Explosion-proof sockets must be installed in certified enclosures with proper sealing, grounding, and compliance with ATEX/IECEx standards to ensure safe operation in hazardous areas.

Selecting the Right Socket and Enclosure

Choose sockets and distribution boxes certified for the specific hazardous zone (e.g., Zone 1, Zone 2, Zone 21, Zone 22) according to ATEX or IECEx standards. Explosion-proof sockets, such as R. STAHL's SolConeX series, are designed for safe connection and distribution of electrical energy in hazardous areas, with integrated load disconnect switches and strain reliefs to maintain contact integrity.

The enclosure should be Ex d (flameproof) or Ex e (increased safety) rated, made from high-strength materials like stainless steel or copper-free aluminum to withstand pressure and prevent ignition of explosive atmospheres.

Installation Guidelines

Mounting the Enclosure: Secure the distribution box on a stable surface, ensuring it is accessible for maintenance but protected from mechanical damage. The enclosure must maintain tight joints and seals to prevent sparks or hot gases from escaping. Cable Entry and Glands: Use ATEX-certified cable glands compatible with the enclosure.

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Pre-plugged entries can be replaced with metallic or polyamide glands to match cable size and type, ensuring a proper seal. Avoid gaps that could compromise explosion protection. Wiring and Connections: Connect the sockets according to the manufacturer's instructions, respecting current ratings and conductor cross-sections (e.g., 16 A to 125 A, up to 150 mm² for some R.

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L sockets),. Ensure strain reliefs are properly installed to prevent mechanical stress on contacts. Grounding and Bonding: Properly ground the enclosure and sockets to prevent static discharge or fault currents from igniting the atmosphere.

Verify continuity of protective earth connections. Testing and Commissioning: After installation, perform insulation resistance tests, continuity checks, and functional tests to confirm that the sockets operate correctly and the enclosure maintains its flameproof integrity.

Maintenance Considerations

Inspect seals, gaskets, and cable glands regularly for wear or damage. Clean contacts and check for corrosion to maintain low contact resistance. Replace any damaged components with certified parts to maintain compliance.

Document all maintenance and inspections to comply with safety regulations.

Summary

Installing explosion-proof sockets in a distribution box requires certified equipment, proper enclosure selection, secure cable entry, correct wiring, grounding, and regular maintenance. Following ATEX/IECEx standards and manufacturer guidelines ensures safe operation in hazardous environments such as chemical plants, oil and gas facilities, or dust-prone areas.

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ATEX explosion proof plugs and sockets

We supply various plugs and sockets which can be used in a hazardous area and require ATEX certification. Read more information here and choose your combination.

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ATEX-certified multi-socket box fitted with 3 sockets for permanent installation in areas at risk of explosion. It features 2x 20A 220/250V 1PH+N+PE and 1x 32A

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Ex-Protected Portable Power Supply Units

Special requirements apply for power distributions for the use and operation of portable equipment in hazardous areas in Zones 1, 2, 21 and 22. It is necessary to ensure that any external mechanical

How to Wire an Explosion-Proof Distribution Box and

Explosion-proof electrical equipment, such as explosion-proof distribution boxes, is specifically designed for hazardous environments where flammable gases,

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Ex Portable Outlet Distribution 16A

GHG9310003R0013 Explosion Protected Material - Portable Socket Distribution Electrical equipment, such as pumps, scales, etc. can be used flexibly in areas of

Portable Splitter Box Hazardous Areas

The Ex splitter box is designed for use in hazardous areas is to get two or more sockets as outputs by one current input, allowing this way us to use more than two plugs from a large distance to devices.

Ex-Portable Multi-Outlet Distributions and Cable Reels

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