

Distribution Box Color Wiring Method



Summary of Content

Wiring colors in a distribution box indicate the function of each wire: live (line), neutral, or ground, following regional standards like NEC in the US and IEC in Europe.

Standard Wiring Colors

1. United States (NEC standards):

- Live (Line/Hot): Any color except white, gray, green, or green/yellow. Commonly black, red, or blue for multi-phase systems.

- Neutral: White or gray.

- Ground (Protective Earth): Green, bare copper, or green with yellow stripe . 2. Europe and UK (IEC standards, including BS 7671):

- Live (Line/Phase): Brown (single-phase) or brown, black, gray (three-phase).

- Neutral: Blue.

- Protective Earth: Green with yellow stripe . 3. DC Systems:

- Positive (+): Red (common in battery and solar systems).

- Negative (–): Black or blue.

- Ground/Earth: Green or green/yellow .

Key Points for Distribution Boxes

- Single-phase AC: Typically has one live, one neutral, and one ground wire.

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Wire color: The neutral wire is blue, and the color of the phase wire (A phase is yellow, B phase is green, and C phase

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