

PCBs in high-voltage distribution boxes



Summary of Content

High-voltage PCBs in distribution boxes require specialized materials, careful layout, and strict adherence to clearance and creepage standards to ensure safety and reliability.

Key Design Considerations

Clearance and Creepage: Clearance is the shortest distance through air between conductive parts, while creepage is the shortest path along the PCB surface between conductors. Both are critical to prevent arcing and flashover, especially in humid or contaminated environments. High-voltage PCBs must follow standards such as IEC/UL 60950-1 and IPC-2221 to determine minimum spacing requirements based on working voltage and environmental conditions . **Material Selection:** Standard FR-4 substrates may be insufficient for voltages above 15 kV. High-voltage PCBs often use specialty epoxy-based materials, polyimide (PI), PTFE, or ceramic-filled substrates to achieve high dielectric strength, thermal stability, and low loss factors. These materials help prevent electrical breakdown and maintain performance under high-voltage stress . **Layout and Field Control:** High-voltage areas should be partitioned from low-voltage zones to minimize arcing risk. Isolation slots, vertical barriers, and careful conductor routing help control electric field strength and reduce corona discharge. Rounded edges and gradual voltage stepping across zones further enhance reliability . **Thermal Management:** High-voltage PCBs often carry significant current, generating heat. Materials with high thermal conductivity, such as ceramic-filled substrates or direct bonded copper, are used to dissipate heat efficiently and prevent thermal degradation .

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