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Important Components in a Safe Electrical System

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News Flash !!!

50 Year Old Myth Exposed

Link between toasted bread and electric shock to children proven false.
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Electrical safety is an interactive process and results from compatibility both within and between systems.

A system depends on the effective performance of each separate component.
Scope:
“...management of all types of cables, information and communication lines, electrical power distribution conductors and associated accessories.

Management includes support and/or containment and/or retention and/or protection against external influences.”
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Objectives:

1. Provide a context for cable management products and product standards.
2. Associate products with the globally agreed electrical safety principles.
3. Identify approaches in standards that support electrical safety principles.
4. Compare and contrast product standards from our region with those in related IEC standards.
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Wire and Cable Routing and Protection
Electrical Conduit and Tubing
Cable Tray Systems
Trunking and Ducting Systems

Fittings for Electrical Conduit, Tubing and Cables
Support Devices
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Electrical Conduit & Cable Fittings:

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Conduit and Cable Supports:

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Contribution to Electrical Safety:

Fundamental Principles

General

- Shock currents
- Excessive heat (burns, fires, other)

Protection against electric shock (contact with live parts)

- Protection against direct contact (enclosure, clearance)
- Protection against indirect contact (grounding, bonding)

Protection against thermal effects

Protection against overcurrent
Protection against fault currents
Protection against overvoltage

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Contribution to Electrical Safety:
Electrical Conduit, Tubing and Cable Tray, and Trunking

- Safely route conductors and cables
- Provide degrees of protection from physical damage present in the installed areas
- Provide protection from environment effects
- Some can help shield electromagnetic emissions
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Contribution to Electrical Safety:
Fittings for Conduit, Tubing and Cable

- Integral to the conduit, tubing or cable system
- Standards assure compatibility with mating systems
- Resistance to pull and/or twisting forces
- Provide protection from environment effects (sealing)
- Ensure electrical continuity at joints
Contribution to Electrical Safety:
Supports for Conduit, Tubing and Cable

- Standards assure compatibility with mating systems
- Supports static loads exerted by systems they support and determined spacing intervals
- Resistant to environment effects
Contribution to Electrical Safety:
Electrical Boxes

- Internal volume capacity – a key N. A. classification
- Integral to the wiring system – maintains its integrity
- Contain and limit access to live electrical parts
- Contain potentially damaging arcs and sparks
Contribution to Electrical Safety:

Electrical Boxes

- Standards assure compatibility between boxes, covers, wiring devices and wiring systems
- NEMA standards define compatibility of North American components
- Secure retention of wiring systems
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Contribution to Electrical Safety:
Electrical Boxes

- Internal volume capacity – a key N. A. classification
- Under-sizing or over-crowding boxes a serious safety hazard

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Action Required!

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