

Maintenance-free cable junction box splicing method

Article Overview

Use UL-listed maintenance-free connectors, such as Wago 221 lever connectors, housed in a compatible junction box for secure, long-lasting splices.

Overview

Maintenance-free splicing involves creating a permanent, low-resistance electrical connection that does not require future adjustments or re-tightening. Modern solutions use lever-operated or cage-clamp connectors that securely hold conductors and maintain electrical integrity under vibration, thermal cycling, and long-term use .

Recommended Connectors

- **Wago 221 Lever Connectors:** These connectors allow easy insertion of wires without twisting, provide a clear visual confirmation of connection, and can accommodate multiple conductors in a single connector .
- **Inline Splice Kits:** Specialized UL-listed kits for non-metallic sheathed cable (NMC/Romex) can be installed behind walls or in concealed locations, providing strain relief and insulation protection .
- **Crimp Connectors:** For certain applications, high-quality crimp connectors (e.g., 3M UG, UY2, UR2) with the proper crimping tool can also provide a maintenance-free connection, especially in industrial or security wiring .

Installation Best Practices

- **Strip and Prepare Wires:** Remove insulation carefully without nicking the conductor. Maintain the integrity of the cable jacket up to the connector for strain relief .
- **Insert Wires into Connector:** For lever connectors, lift the lever, insert the wire fully, and close the lever. Ensure all conductors are fully seated .
- **Use a Compatible Junction Box:** Place the connectors inside a maintenance-free junction box designed for the connector type. This protects the splice and allows compliance with electrical codes .
- **Maintain Cable Strain Relief:** Ensure the cable is secured at entry points to prevent movement or stress on the splice .
- **Follow Manufacturer Instructions:** Always adhere to the connector and junction box manufacturer's guidelines, including wire gauge limits and maximum number of conductors per connector

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This amendment allows junction boxes complying with the maintenance free requirements of BS 5733 as well as the general

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A splice that is used in a junction box and for connecting branch circuits is the rattail joint (figure 2- 7). Figure 2-7.—Rattail joint.

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