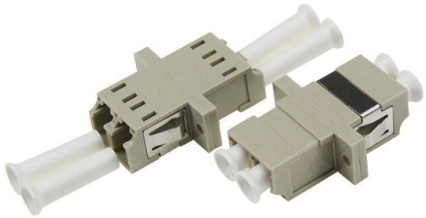
Cable connection lugs for distribution boxes



Overview

We offer non-insulated compression cable lugs according to DIN 46234 and tube cable lugs for different strand classes.

Key Takeaways

Cable lugs are essential components for securely connecting cables to distribution boxes, available in various types, materials, and standards to ensure safe and reliable electrical connections.

Types of Cable Lugs

Ring and Fork Lugs: These are commonly used for screw connections in distribution boxes. Ring lugs provide a secure, solder-free connection, while fork lugs allow easier installation without fully removing the screw. Tubular or Pipe Lugs: Designed for crimping onto single or multi-stranded copper conductors, these lugs ensure a strong mechanical and electrical connection.

Compression Lugs: These have a thicker barrel and are deformed using a crimping tool to create a strong form-fit connection, suitable for high-current applications. Blade Terminals and Pin Lugs: Used for plug-in connections or contact blocks, often in modular distribution systems.

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Materials and Coatings

Copper: Most common due to excellent electrical conductivity.

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Plated Copper: Provides corrosion resistance and is suitable for humid or industrial environments. Aluminium Lugs: Used for aluminium conductors, often in medium-voltage applications. Standards and SpecificationsDIN 46234 / DIN 46237: Defines dimensions and tolerances for tubular and insulated cable lugs.

Temperature Ratings: Typically -40°C to +105°C for ring lugs and -55°C to +105°C for forked lugs with polyamide insulation. Conductor Compatibility: Lugs are available for fine, multi-wire, and extra-fine copper strands (classes 2, 5, 6) to match the cable type.

Installation Considerations

Crimping Tools: Use appropriate crimping tools to ensure a reliable electrical and mechanical connection. Inspection Holes: Some lugs include inspection holes to verify full conductor insertion before crimping. Ferrules: For stranded wires, inserting ferrules prevents individual wires from fraying and ensures a secure connection.

Bell Mouth Design: Smooth transition from cable to lug reduces chafing and vibration stress.

Applications

Cable lugs are widely used in distribution boxes, switchgear, transformers, and industrial panels. They allow fast, reliable, and maintenance-friendly connections without welding, suitable for both low and medium voltage installations. By selecting the correct type, material, and size of cable lug, you can ensure safe, durable, and efficient electrical connections in any distribution system.

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