

Comparison of NEC Requirements for Services and Buildings Supplied by Feeders

The following table provides a side by side comparison of the NEC requirements for Services (direct connection to a utility) as compared to requirements for Bldgs Supplied by Feeders (no direct connection to a utility-supply is from customer owned feeders or separately derived systems).

NEC requirements for **Services** are in the left column. NEC requirements for **Bldgs Supplied by Feeders** are in the right column.

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* Indicates requirements applicable to multiple building supplies

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Service requirements are organized per Article 230. Comparable feeder requirements may be derive from a different subcategory in applicable Articles. When this is the case, the cell colors are highlighted to indicate what feeder subcategory compares to the service requirement per the following highlight schedule:

Outside Feeders
Feeders Supplying Bldgs
Feeders Over 1000 V
Grounding SDS's
Grounding Bldgs Supplied by Feeders

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<p>230.2 Number of Services. A building or other structure served shall be supplied by only one service unless permitted in 230.2(A) through (D). For the purpose of 230.40, Exception No. 2 only, underground sets of conductors, 1/0 AWG and larger, running to the same location and connected together at their supply end but not connected together at their load end shall be considered to be supplying one service.</p>	<p>225.30 Number of Supplies. A building or other structure that is served by a branch circuit or feeder on the load side of a service disconnecting means shall be supplied by only one feeder or branch circuit unless permitted in 225.30(A) through (E). For the purpose of this section, a multiwire branch circuit shall be considered a single circuit.</p> <p>Where a branch circuit or feeder originates in these additional buildings or other structures, only one feeder or branch circuit shall be permitted to supply power back to the original building or structure, unless permitted in 225.30(A) through (E).</p>
<p>230.2(A) Special Conditions. Additional services shall be permitted to supply the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Fire pumps (2) Emergency systems (3) Legally required standby systems (4) Optional standby systems (5) Parallel power production systems (6) Systems designed for connection to multiple sources of supply for the purpose of enhanced reliability 	<p>225.30(A) Special Conditions. Additional feeders or branch circuits shall be permitted to supply the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Fire pumps (2) Emergency systems (3) Legally required standby systems (4) Optional standby systems (5) Parallel power production systems (6) Systems designed for connection to multiple sources of supply for the purpose of enhanced reliability (7) Electric vehicle charging systems listed, labeled, and identified for more than a single branch circuit or feeder (8) Docking facilities and piers
	<p>225.30(B) Common Supply Equipment. Where feeder conductors originate in the same panelboard, switchboard, or other distribution equipment, and each feeder terminates in a single disconnecting means, not more than six feeders shall be permitted. Where more than one feeder is installed in accordance with this section, all feeder disconnects supplying the building or structure shall be grouped in the same location, and the requirements of 225.33 shall not apply. Each disconnect shall be marked to indicate the load served.</p>
<p>230.2(B) Special Occupancies. By special permission, additional services shall be permitted for either of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Multiple-occupancy buildings where there is no available space for service equipment accessible to all occupants (2) A single building or other structure sufficiently large to make two or more services necessary 	<p>225.30(C) Special Occupancies. By special permission, additional feeders or branch circuits shall be permitted for either of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Multiple-occupancy buildings where there is no space available for supply equipment accessible to all occupants (2) A single building or other structure sufficiently large to make two or more supplies necessary
<p>230.2(C) Capacity Requirements. Additional services shall be permitted under any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Where the capacity requirements are in excess of 2000 amperes at a supply voltage of 1000 volts or less (2) Where the load requirements of a single-phase installation are greater than the serving agency normally supplies through one service (3) By special permission 	<p>225.30(D) Capacity Requirements. Additional feeders or branch circuits shall be permitted where the capacity requirements are in excess of 2000 amperes at a supply voltage of 1000 volts or less.</p>

<p>230.2(D) Different Characteristics. Additional services shall be permitted for different voltages, frequencies, or phases, or for different uses, such as for different rate schedules.</p>	<p>225.30(E) Different Characteristics. Additional feeders or branch circuits shall be permitted for different voltages, frequencies, or phases or for different uses, such as control of outside lighting from multiple locations.</p>
<p>230.2(E) Identification. Where a building or structure is supplied by more than one service, or any combination of branch circuits, feeders, and services, a permanent plaque or directory shall be installed at each service disconnect location denoting all other services, feeders, and branch circuits supplying that building or structure and the area served by each. See 225.37.</p>	<p>225.37 Identification. Where a building or structure has any combination of feeders, branch circuits, or services passing through it or supplying it, a permanent plaque or directory shall be installed at each feeder and branch-circuit disconnect location denoting all other services, feeders, or branch circuits supplying that building or structure or passing through that building or structure and the area served by each.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: A plaque or directory shall not be required for large-capacity multibuilding industrial installations under single management, where it is ensured that disconnection can be accomplished by establishing and maintaining safe switching procedures.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: This identification shall not be required for branch circuits installed from a dwelling unit to a second building or structure.</i></p>
<p>230.3 One Building or Other Structure Not to Be Supplied Through Another. Service conductors supplying a building or other structure shall not pass through the interior of another building or other structure.</p>	<p>225.52(F) Identification. Where a building or structure has any combination of feeders, branch circuits, or services passing through or supplying it, a permanent plaque or directory shall be installed at each feeder and branch-circuit disconnect location that denotes all other services, feeders, or branch circuits supplying that building or structure or passing through that building or structure and the area served by each.</p>
<p>230.6 Conductors Considered Outside the Building. Conductors shall be considered outside of a building or other structure under any of the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Where installed under not less than 50 mm (2 in.) of concrete beneath a building or other structure (2) Where installed within a building or other structure in a raceway that is encased in concrete or brick not less than 50 mm (2 in.) thick (3) Where installed in any vault that meets the construction requirements of Article 450, Part III (4) Where installed in conduit and under not less than 450 mm (18 in.) of earth beneath a building or other structure (5) Where installed within rigid metal conduit (Type RMC) or intermediate metal conduit (Type IMC) used to accommodate the clearance requirements in 230.24 and routed directly through an eave but not a wall of a building. 	<p>*225.32 Location. The disconnecting means shall be installed either inside or outside of the building or structure served or where the conductors pass through the building or structure. The disconnecting means shall be at a readily accessible location nearest the point of entrance of the conductors. For the purposes of this section, the requirements in 230.6 shall be utilized.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: For installations under single management, where documented safe switching procedures are established and maintained for disconnection, and where the installation is monitored by qualified individuals, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: For buildings or other structures qualifying under Article 685, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 3: For towers or poles used as lighting standards, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: For poles or similar structures used only for support of signs installed in accordance with Article 600, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p>
<p>230.7 Other Conductors in Raceway or Cable. Conductors other than service conductors shall not be installed in the same service raceway or service cable in which the service conductors are installed.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: Grounding electrode conductors or supply side bonding jumpers or conductors shall be permitted within service raceways.</i></p>	

<p><i>Exception No. 2: Load management control conductors having overcurrent protection shall be permitted within service raceways.</i></p>	
<p>230.8 Raceway Seal. Where a service raceway enters a building or structure from an underground distribution system, it shall be sealed in accordance with 300.5(G). Spare or unused raceways shall also be sealed. Sealants shall be identified for use with the cable insulation, shield, or other components.</p>	<p>225.27 Raceway Seal. Where a raceway enters a building or structure from outside, it shall be sealed. Spare or unused raceways shall also be sealed. Sealants shall be identified for use with cable insulation, conductor insulation, bare conductor, shield, or other components.</p>
<p><u>230.9 Clearances on Buildings.</u> Service conductors and final spans shall comply with 230.9(A), (B), and (C).</p>	
<p>230.9(A) Clearances. Service conductors installed as open conductors or multiconductor cable without an overall outer jacket shall have a clearance of not less than 900 mm (3 ft) from windows that are designed to be opened, doors, porches, balconies, ladders, stairs, fire escapes, or similar locations. <i>Exception: Conductors run above the top level of a window shall be permitted to be less than the 900-mm (3-ft) requirement.</i></p>	<p>225.19(D)(1) Clearance From Windows Final spans to the building they supply, or from which they are fed, shall be permitted to be attached to the building, but they shall be kept not less than 900 mm (3 ft) from windows that are designed to be opened, and from doors, porches, balconies, ladders, stairs, fire escapes, or similar locations. <i>Exception: Conductors run above the top level of a window shall be permitted to be less than the 900-mm (3-ft) requirement.</i></p>
<p>230.9(B) Vertical Clearance. The vertical clearance of final spans above, or within 900 mm (3 ft) measured horizontally of, platforms, projections, or surfaces that will permit contact shall be maintained in accordance with 230.24(B).</p>	<p>225.19(D)(2) Vertical Clearance. The vertical clearance of final spans above or within 900 mm (3 ft) measured horizontally of platforms, projections, or surfaces that will permit personal contact shall be maintained in accordance with 225.18.</p>
<p>230.9(C) Building Openings. Overhead service conductors shall not be installed beneath openings through which materials may be moved, such as openings in farm and commercial buildings, and shall not be installed where they obstruct entrance to these building openings.</p>	<p>225.19(D)(3) Building Openings. The overhead branch-circuit and feeder conductors shall not be installed beneath openings through which materials may be moved, such as openings in farm and commercial buildings, and shall not be installed where they obstruct entrance to these openings.</p>
<p>230.10 Vegetation as Support. Vegetation such as trees shall not be used for support of overhead service conductors or service equipment.</p>	<p>225.26 Vegetation as Support. Vegetation such as trees shall not be used for support of overhead conductor spans.</p>
Overhead Service Conductors	
<p>230.22 Insulation or Covering. Individual conductors shall be insulated or covered. <i>Exception: The grounded conductor of a multiconductor cable shall be permitted to be bare.</i></p>	<p>225.4 Conductor Covering. Where within 3.0 m (10 ft) of any building or structure other than supporting poles or towers, open individual (aerial) overhead conductors shall be insulated for the nominal voltage. The insulation of conductors in cables or raceways, except Type MI cable, shall be of the thermoset or thermoplastic type and, in wet locations, shall comply with 310.10(C). The insulation of conductors for festoon lighting shall be of the thermoset or thermoplastic type. <i>Exception: Equipment grounding conductors and grounded circuit conductors shall be permitted to be bare or covered as specifically permitted elsewhere in this Code.</i></p>
<p><u>230.23 Size and Ampacity.</u></p>	
<p>230.23(A) General. Conductors shall have sufficient ampacity to carry the current for the load as calculated in accordance with Article 220 and shall have adequate mechanical strength.</p>	<p>225.5 Size of Conductors 1000 Volts, Nominal, or Less. The ampacity of outdoor branch-circuit and feeder conductors shall be in accordance with 310.15 based on loads as determined under 220.10 and Part III of Article 220.</p>
<p>230.23(B) Minimum Size. The conductors shall not be smaller than 8 AWG copper or 6 AWG aluminum or copper-clad aluminum. <i>Exception: Conductors supplying only limited loads of a single branch circuit — such as small polyphase power, controlled water heaters, and similar loads — shall not be smaller than 12 AWG hard-drawn copper or equivalent.</i></p>	<p>225.6(A) Overhead Spans. Open individual conductors shall not be smaller than the following: (1) For 1000 volts, nominal, or less, 10 AWG copper or 8 AWG aluminum for spans up to 15 m (50 ft) in length, and 8 AWG copper or 6 AWG aluminum for a longer span unless supported by a messenger wire (2) For over 1000 volts, nominal, 6 AWG copper or 4 AWG aluminum where open individual conductors, and 8 AWG copper or 6 AWG aluminum where in cable</p>

<p>230.23(C) Grounded Conductors. The grounded conductor shall not be less than the minimum size as required by 250.24(C).</p>	
<p>230.24 Clearances. Overhead service conductors shall not be readily accessible and shall comply with 230.24(A) through (E) for services not over 1000 volts, nominal.</p>	<p>225.19 Clearances from Buildings for Conductors of Not Over 1000 Volts, Nominal. Overhead spans of open conductors and open multiconductor cables shall comply with 225.19(A), (B), (C), and (D).</p>
<p>230.24(A) Above Roofs. Conductors shall have a vertical clearance of not less than 2.5 m (8 ft) above the roof surface. The vertical clearance above the roof level shall be maintained for a distance of not less than 900 mm (3 ft) in all directions from the edge of the roof.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: The area above a roof surface subject to pedestrian or vehicular traffic shall have a vertical clearance from the roof surface in accordance with the clearance requirements of 230.24(B).</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300 and the roof has a slope of 100 mm in 300 mm (4 in. in 12 in.) or greater, a reduction in clearance to 900 mm (3 ft) shall be permitted.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 3: Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300, a reduction in clearance above only the overhanging portion of the roof to not less than 450 mm (18 in.) shall be permitted if (1) not more than 1.8 m (6 ft) of overhead service conductors, 1.2 m (4 ft) horizontally, pass above the roof overhang, and (2) they are terminated at a through-the-roof raceway or approved support.</i></p> <p>Informational Note: See 230.28 for mast supports.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: The requirement for maintaining the vertical clearance 900 mm (3 ft) from the edge of the roof shall not apply to the final conductor span where the service drop or overhead service conductors are attached to the side of a building.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 5: Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300 and the roof area is guarded or isolated, a reduction in clearance to 900 mm (3 ft) shall be permitted.</i></p>	<p>225.19(A) Above Roofs. Overhead spans of open conductors and open multiconductor cables shall have a vertical clearance of not less than 2.7 m (8 ft 6 in.) above the roof surface. The vertical clearance above the roof level shall be maintained for a distance not less than 900 mm (3 ft) in all directions from the edge of the roof.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: The area above a roof surface subject to pedestrian or vehicular traffic shall have a vertical clearance from the roof surface in accordance with the clearance requirements of 225.18.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300, and the roof has a slope of 100 mm in 300 mm (4 in. in 12 in.) or greater, a reduction in clearance to 900 mm (3 ft) shall be permitted.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 3: Where the voltage between conductors does not exceed 300, a reduction in clearance above only the overhanging portion of the roof to not less than 450 mm (18 in.) shall be permitted if (1) not more than 1.8 m (6 ft) of the conductors, 1.2 m (4 ft) horizontally, pass above the roof overhang and (2) they are terminated at a through-the-roof raceway or approved support.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: The requirement for maintaining the vertical clearance 900 mm (3 ft) from the edge of the roof shall not apply to the final conductor span where the conductors are attached to the side of a building.</i></p>
<p>230.24(B) Vertical Clearance for Overhead Service Conductors. Overhead service conductors, where not in excess of 1000 volts, nominal, shall have the following minimum clearance from final grade:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) 3.0 m (10 ft) — at the electrical service entrance to buildings, also at the lowest point of the drip loop of the building electrical entrance, and above areas or sidewalks accessible only to pedestrians, measured from final grade or other accessible surface only for overhead service conductors supported on and cabled together with a grounded bare messenger where the voltage does not exceed 150 volts to ground (2) 3.7 m (12 ft) — over residential property and driveways, and those commercial areas not subject to truck traffic where the voltage does not exceed 300 volts to ground (3) 4.5 m (15 ft) — for those areas listed in the 3.7-m (12-ft) classification where the voltage exceeds 300 volts to ground (4) 5.5 m (18 ft) — over public streets, alleys, roads, parking areas subject to truck traffic, driveways on other than residential property, and other land such as cultivated, grazing, forest, and orchard (5) 7.5 m (24 1/2 ft) over tracks of railroads 	<p>225.18 Clearance for Overhead Conductors and Cables. Overhead spans of open conductors and open multiconductor cables of not over 1000 volts, nominal, shall have a clearance of not less than the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) 3.0 m (10 ft) — above finished grade, sidewalks, or from any platform or projection that will permit personal contact where the voltage does not exceed 150 volts to ground and accessible to pedestrians only (2) 3.7 m (12 ft) — over residential property and driveways, and those commercial areas not subject to truck traffic where the voltage does not exceed 300 volts to ground (3) 4.5 m (15 ft) — for those areas listed in the 3.7-m (12-ft) classification where the voltage exceeds 300 volts to ground (4) 5.5 m (18 ft) — over public streets, alleys, roads, parking areas subject to truck traffic, driveways on other than residential property, and other land traversed by vehicles, such as cultivated, grazing, forest, and orchard (5) 7.5 m (24 1/2 ft) — over track rails of railroads
<p>230.24(C) Clearance from Building Openings. See 230.9.</p>	
<p>230.24(D) Clearance from Swimming Pools. See 680.8.</p>	

<p>230.24(E) Clearance from Communication Wires and Cables. Clearance from communication wires and cables shall be in accordance with 830.44(A)(4).</p>	
<p>230.26 Point of Attachment. The point of attachment of the overhead service conductors to a building or other structure shall provide the minimum clearances as specified in 230.9 and 230.24. In no case shall this point of attachment be less than 3.0 m (10 ft) above finished grade.</p>	<p>225.16(A) Point of Attachment. The point of attachment to a building shall be in accordance with 230.26.</p>
<p>230.27 Means of Attachment. Multiconductor cables used for overhead service conductors shall be attached to buildings or other structures by fittings identified for use with service conductors. Open conductors shall be attached to fittings identified for use with service conductors or to noncombustible, nonabsorbent insulators securely attached to the building or other structure.</p>	<p>225.16(B) Means of Attachment. The means of attachment to a building shall be in accordance with 230.27.</p>
<p>230.28 Service Masts as Supports. Only power service-drop or overhead service conductors shall be permitted to be attached to a service mast. Service masts used for the support of service-drop or overhead service conductors shall be installed in accordance with 230.28(A) and (B).</p>	<p>225.17 Masts as Supports. Only feeder or branch-circuit conductors specified within this section shall be permitted to be attached to the feeder and/or branch-circuit mast. Masts used for the support of final spans of feeders or branch circuits shall be installed in accordance with 225.17(A) and (B).</p>
<p>230.28(A) Strength. The service mast shall be of adequate strength or be supported by braces or guy wires to withstand safely the strain imposed by the service-drop or overhead service conductors. Hubs intended for use with a conduit that serves as a service mast</p>	<p>225.17(A) Strength. The mast shall have adequate strength or be supported by braces or guy wires to safely withstand the strain imposed by the overhead feeder or branch-circuit conductors. Hubs intended for use with a conduit serving as a mast for support of feeder or branch-circuit conductors shall be identified for use with a mast.</p>
<p>230.28(B) Attachment. Service-drop or overhead service conductors shall not be attached to a service mast between a weatherhead or the end of the conduit and a coupling, where the coupling is located above the last point of securement to the building or other structure or is located above the building or other structure.</p>	<p>225.17(B) Attachments. Feeder and/or branch-circuit conductors shall not be attached to a mast where the connection is between a weatherhead or the end of the conduit and a coupling where the coupling is located above the last point of securement to the building or other structure or where the coupling is located above the building or other structure.</p>
<p>230.29 Supports over Buildings. Service conductors passing over a roof shall be securely supported by substantial structures. For a grounded system, where the substantial structure is metal, it shall be bonded by means of a bonding jumper and listed connector to the grounded overhead service conductor. Where practicable, such supports shall be independent of the building.</p>	<p>225.15 Supports over Buildings. Outside branch-circuit and feeder conductors passing over a building shall be securely supported.</p>
Underground Service Conductors	
<p>230.30 Installation.</p>	
<p>230.30(A) Insulation. Underground service conductors shall be insulated for the applied voltage. <i>Exception: A grounded conductor shall be permitted to be uninsulated as follows:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Bare copper used in a raceway (2) Bare copper for direct burial where bare copper is approved for the soil conditions (3) Bare copper for direct burial without regard to soil conditions where part of a cable assembly identified for underground use (4) Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum without individual insulation or covering where part of a cable assembly identified for underground use in a raceway or for direct burial 	
<p>230.30(B) Wiring Method. Underground service conductors shall be installed in accordance with the applicable requirements of this Code covering the type of wiring method used and shall be limited to the following methods:</p>	

<p>(1) Type RMC conduit (2) Type IMC conduit (3) Type NUCC conduit (4) Type HDPE conduit (5) Type PVC conduit (6) Type RTRC conduit (7) Type IGS cable (8) Type USE conductors or cables (9) Type MV or Type MC cable identified for direct burial applications (10) Type MI cable, where suitably protected against physical damage and corrosive conditions</p>	
<p><u>230.31 Size and Ampacity.</u></p>	
<p>230.31(A) General. Underground service conductors shall have sufficient ampacity to carry the current for the load as calculated in accordance with Article 220 and shall have adequate mechanical strength.</p>	
<p>230.31(B) Minimum Size. The conductors shall not be smaller than 8 AWG copper or 6 AWG aluminum or copper-clad aluminum. <i>Exception: Conductors supplying only limited loads of a single branch circuit — such as small polyphase power, controlled water heaters, and similar loads — shall not be smaller than 12 AWG copper or 10 AWG aluminum or copper-clad aluminum.</i></p>	
<p>230.31(C) Grounded Conductors. The grounded conductor shall not be less than the minimum size required by 250.24(C).</p>	
<p>230.32 Protection Against Damage. Underground service conductors shall be protected against damage in accordance with 300.5. Service conductors entering a building or other structure shall be installed in accordance with 230.6 or protected by a raceway wiring method identified in 230.43.</p>	
<p>230.33 Spliced Conductors. Service conductors shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped in accordance with 110.14, 300.5(E), 300.13, and 300.15.</p>	
Service-Entrance Conductors	
<p>230.40 Number of Service-Entrance Conductor Sets. Each service drop, set of overhead service conductors, set of underground service conductors, or service lateral shall supply only one set of service-entrance conductors. <i>Exception No. 1: A building with more than one occupancy shall be permitted to have one set of service-entrance conductors for each service, as permitted in 230.2, run to each occupancy or group of occupancies. If the number of service disconnect locations for any given classification of service does not exceed six, the requirements of 230.2(E) shall apply at each location. If the number of service disconnect locations exceeds six for any given supply classification, all service disconnect locations for all supply characteristics, together with any branch circuit or feeder supply sources, if applicable, shall be clearly described using graphics or text, or both, on one or more plaques located in an approved, readily accessible location(s) on the building or structure served and as near as practicable to the point(s) of attachment or entry(ies) for each service drop or service lateral, and for each set of overhead or underground service conductors.</i> <i>Exception No. 2: Where two to six service disconnecting means in separate enclosures are grouped at one location and supply separate loads from one service drop, set of overhead service conductors, set of underground service conductors, or service lateral, one set of service-entrance conductors shall be</i></p>	

<p><i>permitted to supply each or several such service equipment enclosures.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 3: A one-family dwelling unit and its accessory structures shall be permitted to have one set of service-entrance conductors run to each from a single service drop, set of overhead service conductors, set of underground service conductors, or service lateral.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: Two-family dwellings, multifamily dwellings, and multiple occupancy buildings shall be permitted to have one set of service-entrance conductors installed to supply the circuits covered in 210.25.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 5: One set of service-entrance conductors connected to the supply side of the normal service disconnecting means shall be permitted to supply each or several systems covered by 230.82(5) or 230.82(6).</i></p>	
<p>230.41 Insulation of Service-Entrance Conductors. Service-entrance conductors entering or on the exterior of buildings or other structures shall be insulated.</p> <p><i>Exception: A grounded conductor shall be permitted to be uninsulated as follows:</i></p> <p>(1) Bare copper used in a raceway or part of a service cable assembly</p> <p>(2) Bare copper for direct burial where bare copper is approved for the soil conditions</p> <p>(3) Bare copper for direct burial without regard to soil conditions where part of a cable assembly identified for underground use</p> <p>(4) Aluminum or copper-clad aluminum without individual insulation or covering where part of a cable assembly or identified for underground use in a raceway, or for direct burial</p> <p>(5) Bare conductors used in an auxiliary gutter</p>	
<p><u>230.42 Minimum Size and Ampacity.</u></p>	
<p>230.42(A) General Service-entrance conductors shall have an ampacity not less than the maximum load to be served. Conductors shall be sized not less than the largest of 230.42(A)(1) or (A)(2). Loads shall be determined in accordance with Part III, IV, or V of Article 220, as applicable. Ampacity shall be determined from 310.14 and shall comply with 110.14(C). The maximum allowable current of busways shall be that value for which the busway has been listed or labeled.</p> <p>(1) Where the service-entrance conductors supply continuous loads or any combination of noncontinuous and continuous loads, the minimum service-entrance conductor size shall have an ampacity not less than the sum of the noncontinuous loads plus 125 percent of continuous loads</p> <p><i>Exception No.1: Grounded conductors that are not connected to an overcurrent device shall be permitted to be sized at 100 percent of the sum of the continuous and noncontinuous load.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: The sum of the noncontinuous load and the continuous load if the service-entrance conductors terminate in an overcurrent device where both the overcurrent device and its assembly are listed for operation at 100 percent of their rating shall be permitted.</i></p> <p>(2) The minimum service-entrance conductor size shall have an ampacity not less than the maximum load to be served after the application of any adjustment or correction factors.</p>	
<p>230.42(B) Specific Installations. In addition to the requirements of 230.42(A), the minimum ampacity for ungrounded</p>	

<p>conductors for specific installations shall not be less than the rating of the service disconnecting means specified in 230.79(A) through (D).</p>	
<p>230.42(C) Grounded Conductors. The grounded conductor shall not be smaller than the minimum size as required by 250.24(C).</p>	
<p>230.43 Wiring Methods for 1000 Volts, Nominal, or Less. Service-entrance conductors shall be installed in accordance with the applicable requirements of this <i>Code</i> covering the type of wiring method used and shall be limited to the following methods:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Open wiring on insulators (2) Type IGS cable (3) Rigid metal conduit (RMC) (4) Intermediate metal conduit (IMC) (5) Electrical metallic tubing (EMT) (6) Electrical nonmetallic tubing (7) Service-entrance cables (8) Wireways (9) Busways (10) Auxiliary gutters (11) Rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit (PVC) (12) Cablebus (13) Type MC cable (14) Mineral-insulated, metal-sheathed cable, Type MI (15) Flexible metal conduit (FMC) not over 1.8 m (6 ft) long or liquidtight flexible metal conduit (LFMC) not over 1.8 m (6 ft) long between a raceway, or between a raceway and service equipment, with a supply-side bonding jumper routed with the flexible metal conduit (FMC) or the liquidtight flexible metal conduit (LFMC) according to 250.102(A), (B), (C), and (E) (16) Liquidtight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNC) (17) High density polyethylene conduit (HDPE) (18) Nonmetallic underground conduit with conductors (NUCC) (19) Reinforced thermosetting resin conduit (RTRC) (20) Type TC-ER cable 	<p>225.10 Wiring on Buildings. The installation of outside wiring on surfaces of buildings (or other structures) shall be permitted for circuits not exceeding 1000 volts, nominal, as the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Auxiliary gutters (2) Busways (3) Cable trays (4) Cablebus (5) Electrical metallic tubing (EMT) (6) Flexible metal conduit (FMC) (7) Intermediate metal conduit (IMC) (8) Liquidtight flexible metal conduit (LFMC) (9) Liquidtight flexible nonmetallic conduit (LFNC) (10) Messenger-supported wiring (11) Open wiring on insulators (12) Reinforced thermosetting resin conduit (RTRC) (13) Rigid metal conduit (RMC) (14) Rigid polyvinyl chloride conduit (PVC) (15) Type MC cable (16) Type MI cable (17) Type SE cable (18) Type TC-ER cable (19) Type UF cable (20) Wireways <p>Circuits of over 1000 volts, nominal, shall be installed as provided in 300.37.</p>
<p>230.44 Cable Trays. Cable tray systems shall be permitted to support service-entrance conductors. Cable trays used to support service-entrance conductors shall contain only service-entrance conductors and shall be limited to the following methods:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Type SE cable (2) Type MC cable (3) Type MI cable (4) Type IGS cable (5) Single conductors 1/0 and larger that are listed for use in cable tray (6) Type TC-ER cable <p>Such cable trays shall be identified with permanently affixed labels with the wording “Service-Entrance Conductors.” The labels shall be located so as to be visible after installation with a spacing not to exceed 3 m (10 ft) so that the service-entrance conductors are able to be readily traced through the entire length of the cable tray.</p> <p><i>Exception: Conductors, other than service-entrance conductors, shall be permitted to be installed in a cable tray with service-entrance conductors, provided a solid fixed barrier of a material compatible with the cable tray is installed to separate the service-entrance conductors from other conductors installed in the cable tray.</i></p>	

<p>230.46 Spliced and Tapped Conductors. Service-entrance conductors shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped in accordance with 110.14, 300.5(E), 300.13, and 300.15. Power distribution blocks, pressure connectors, and devices for splices and taps shall be listed. Power distribution blocks installed on service conductors shall be marked “suitable for use on the line side of the service equipment” or equivalent.</p>	
<p>230.50 Protection Against Physical Damage.</p>	<p>225.20 Protection Against Physical Damage. Conductors installed on buildings, structures, or poles shall be protected against physical damage as provided for services in 230.50.</p>
<p>230.50(A) Underground Service-Entrance Conductors. Underground service-entrance conductors shall be protected against physical damage in accordance with 300.5.</p>	
<p>230.50(B) All Other Service-Entrance Conductors. All other service-entrance conductors, other than underground service entrance conductors, shall be protected against physical damage as specified in 230.50(B)(1) or (B)(2).</p>	
<p>230.50(B)(1) Service-Entrance Conductors. Service-entrance cables, where subject to physical damage, shall be protected by any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Rigid metal conduit (RMC) (2) Intermediate metal conduit (IMC) (3) Schedule 80 PVC conduit (4) Electrical metallic tubing (EMT) (5) Reinforced thermosetting resin conduit (RTRC) (6) Other approved means 	
<p>230.50(B)(2) Other Than Service-Entrance Conductors. Individual open conductors and cables, other than service-entrance cables, shall not be installed within 3.0 m (10 ft) of grade level or where exposed to physical damage. <i>Exception: Type MI and Type MC cable shall be permitted within 3.0 m (10 ft) of grade level where not exposed to physical damage or where protected in accordance with 300.5(D).</i></p>	
<p>230.51 Mounting Supports. Service-entrance cables or individual open service-entrance conductors shall be supported as specified in 230.51(A), (B), or (C).</p>	<p>225.21 Multiconductor Cables on Exterior Surfaces of Bldgs (or Other Structures). Supports for multiconductor cables on exterior surfaces of buildings (or other structures) shall be as provided in 230.51.</p>
<p>230.51(A) Service-Entrance Cables. Service-entrance cables shall be supported by straps or other approved means within 300 mm (12 in.) of every service head, gooseneck, or connection to a raceway or enclosure and at intervals not exceeding 750 mm (30 in.).</p>	
<p>230.51(B) Other Cables. Cables that are not approved for mounting in contact with a building or other structure shall be mounted on insulating supports installed at intervals not exceeding 4.5 m (15 ft) and in a manner that maintains a clearance of not less than 50 mm (2 in.) from the surface over which they pass.</p>	
<p>230.51(C) Individual Open Conductors. Individual open conductors shall be installed in accordance with Table 230.51(C). Where exposed to the weather, the conductors shall be mounted on insulators or on insulating supports attached to racks, brackets, or other approved means. Where not exposed to the weather, the conductors shall be mounted on glass or porcelain knobs.</p>	<p>225.14(A) 1000 Volts, Nominal, or Less. Conductors of 1000 volts, nominal, or less, shall comply with the spacings provided in Table 230.51(C).</p>
<p>230.52 Individual Conductors Entering Buildings or Other Structures. Where individual open conductors enter a building or other structure, they shall enter through roof bushings or through the wall in an upward slant through individual,</p>	<p>225.11 Feeder and Branch Circuit Conductors Entering, Exiting, or Attached to Bldgs or Structures. Feeder and branch-circuit conductors entering or exiting buildings or structures shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of 230.52. Overhead branch circuits and</p>

noncombustible, nonabsorbent insulating tubes. Drip loops shall be formed on the conductors before they enter the tubes.	feeders attached to buildings or structures shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of 230.54.
230.53 Raceways to Drain. Where exposed to the weather, raceways enclosing service-entrance conductors shall be listed or approved for use in wet locations and arranged to drain. Where embedded in masonry, raceways shall be arranged to drain.	225.22 Raceways on Exterior Surfaces of Buildings or Other Structures. Raceways on exteriors of buildings or other structures shall be arranged to drain and shall be listed or approved for use in wet locations.
230.54 Overhead Service Locations.	225.11 Feeder and Branch Circuit Conductors Entering, Exiting, or Attached to Bldgs or Structures. Feeder and branch-circuit conductors entering or exiting buildings or structures shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of 230.52. Overhead branch circuits and feeders attached to buildings or structures shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of 230.54.
230.54(A) Service Head. Service raceways shall be equipped with a service head at the point of connection to service-drop or overhead service conductors. The service head shall be listed for use in wet locations.	
230.54(B) Service-Entrance Cable Equipped with Service Head or Gooseneck. Service-entrance cables shall be equipped with a service head. The service head shall be listed for use in wet locations. <i>Exception: Type SE cable shall be permitted to be formed in a gooseneck and taped with a self-sealing weather-resistant thermoplastic.</i>	
230.54(C) Service Heads and Goosenecks Above Service-Drop or Overhead Service Attachment. Service heads on raceways or service-entrance cables and goosenecks in service-entrance cables shall be located above the point of attachment of the service-drop or overhead service conductors to the building or other structure. <i>Exception: Where it is impracticable to locate the service head or gooseneck above the point of attachment, the service head or gooseneck location shall be permitted not farther than 600 mm (24 in.) from the point of attachment.</i>	
230.54(D) Secured. Service-entrance cables shall be held securely in place.	
230.54(E) Separately Bushed Openings. Service heads shall have conductors of different potential brought out through separately bushed openings. <i>Exception: For jacketed multiconductor service-entrance cable without splice.</i>	
230.54(F) Drip Loops. Drip loops shall be formed on individual conductors. To prevent the entrance of moisture, service-entrance conductors shall be connected to the service-drop or overhead service conductors either (1) below the level of the service head or (2) below the level of the termination of the service-entrance cable sheath.	
230.54(G) Arranged That Water Will Not Enter Service Raceway or Equipment. Service-entrance and overhead service conductors shall be arranged so that water will not enter service raceway or equipment.	
230.56 Service Conductor with the Higher Voltage to Ground. On a 4-wire, delta-connected service where the midpoint of one phase winding is grounded, the service conductor having the higher phase voltage to ground shall be durably and permanently marked by an outer finish that is orange in color, or by other effective means, at each termination or junction point.	
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<p>230.62 Service Equipment — Enclosed or Guarded. Energized parts of service equipment shall be enclosed as specified in 230.62(A) or guarded as specified in 230.62(B).</p>	
<p>230.62(A) Enclosed. Energized parts shall be enclosed so that they will not be exposed to accidental contact or shall be guarded as in 230.62(B).</p>	
<p>230.62(B) Guarded. Energized parts that are not enclosed shall be installed on a switchboard, panelboard, or control board and guarded in accordance with 110.18 and 110.27. Where energized parts are guarded as provided in 110.27(A)(1) and (A)(2), a means for locking or sealing doors providing access to energized parts shall be provided.</p>	
<p>230.62(C) Barriers. Barriers shall be placed in service equipment such that no uninsulated, ungrounded service busbar or service terminal is exposed to inadvertent contact by persons or maintenance equipment while servicing load terminations.</p>	
<p>230.66 Marking.</p>	
<p>230.66(A) General. Service equipment rated at 1000 volts or less shall be marked to identify it as being suitable for use as service equipment. All service equipment shall be listed or field evaluated.</p>	
<p>230.66(B) Meter Sockets. Meter sockets shall not be considered service equipment but shall be listed and rated for the voltage and ampacity of the service. <i>Exception: Meter sockets supplied by and under the exclusive control of an electric utility shall not be required to be listed.</i></p>	<p>225.36 Type of Disconnecting Means. The disconnecting means specified in 225.31 shall be comprised of a circuit breaker, molded case switch, general-use switch, snap switch, or other approved means. Where applied in accordance with 250.32(B), Exception No. 1, the disconnecting means shall be suitable for use as service equipment.</p>
<p>230.67 Surge Protection.</p>	
<p>230.67(A) Surge-Protective Device. All services supplying dwelling units shall be provided with a surge-protective device (SPD).</p>	
<p>230.67(B) Location. The SPD shall be an integral part of the service equipment or shall be located immediately adjacent thereto.</p>	
<p>230.67(C) Type. The SPD shall be a Type 1 or Type 2 SPD.</p>	
<p>230.67(D) Replacement. Where service equipment is replaced, all of the requirements of this section shall apply.</p>	
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<p>230.70 General. Means shall be provided to disconnect all ungrounded conductors in a building or other structure from the service-entrance conductors.</p>	<p>225.31 Disconnecting Means. Means shall be provided for disconnecting all ungrounded conductors that supply or pass through the building or structure.</p>
<p>230.70(A) Location. The service disconnecting means shall be installed in accordance with 230.70(A)(1), (A)(2), and (A)(3).</p>	<p>225.32 Location. The disconnecting means shall be installed either inside or outside of the building or structure served or where the conductors pass through the building or structure. The disconnecting means shall be at a readily accessible location nearest the point of entrance of the conductors. For the purposes of this section, the requirements in 230.6 shall be utilized. <i>Exception No. 1: For installations under single management, where documented safe switching procedures are established and maintained for disconnection, and where the installation is monitored by qualified individuals, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i> <i>Exception No. 2: For buildings or other structures qualifying under Article 685, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i> <i>Exception No. 3: For towers or poles used as lighting standards, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p>

	<p><i>Exception No. 4: For poles or similar structures used only for support of signs installed in accordance with Article 600, the disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located elsewhere on the premises.</i></p>
<p>230.70(A)(1) Readily Accessible Location. The service disconnecting means shall be installed at a readily accessible location either outside of a building or structure or inside nearest the point of entrance of the service conductors.</p>	
<p>230.70(A)(2) Bathrooms. Service disconnecting means shall not be installed in bathrooms.</p>	
<p>230.70(A)(3) Remote Control. Where a remote control device(s) is used to actuate the service disconnecting means, the service disconnecting means shall be located in accordance with 230.70(A)(1).</p>	
<p>230.70(B) Marking. Each service disconnect shall be permanently marked to identify it as a service disconnect.</p>	
<p>230.70(C) Suitable for Use. Each service disconnecting means shall be suitable for the prevailing conditions. Service equipment installed in hazardous (classified) locations shall comply with the requirements of Articles 500 through 517.</p>	
<p>230.71 Maximum Number of Disconnects. Each service shall have only one disconnecting means unless the requirements of 230.71(B) are met.</p>	<p>225.33 Maximum Number of Disconnects.</p>
<p>230.71(A) General. For the purpose of this section, disconnecting means installed as part of listed equipment and used solely for the following shall not be considered a service disconnecting means:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Power monitoring equipment (2) Surge-protective device(s) (3) Control circuit of the ground-fault protection system (4) Power-operable service disconnecting means 	<p>225.33(A) General. The disconnecting means for each supply permitted by 225.30 shall consist of not more than six switches or six circuit breakers mounted in a single enclosure, in a group of separate enclosures, or in or on a switchboard or switchgear. There shall be no more than six disconnects per supply grouped in any one location.</p> <p><i>Exception: For the purposes of this section, disconnecting means used solely for the control circuit of the ground-fault protection system, or the control circuit of the power-operated supply disconnecting means, installed as part of the listed equipment, shall not be considered a supply disconnecting means.</i></p>
<p>230.71(B) Two to Six Service Disconnecting Means. Two to six service disconnects shall be permitted for each service permitted by 230.2 or for each set of service-entrance conductors permitted by 230.40, Exception No. 1, 3, 4, or 5. The two to six service disconnecting means shall be permitted to consist of a combination of any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Separate enclosures with a main service disconnecting means in each enclosure (2) Panelboards with a main service disconnecting means in each panelboard enclosure (3) Switchboard(s) where there is only one service disconnect in each separate vertical section where there are barriers separating each vertical section (4) Service disconnects in switchgear or metering centers where each disconnect is located in a separate compartment <p>Informational Note 1: Metering centers are addressed in UL 67, Standard for Panelboards.</p> <p>Informational Note 2: Examples of separate enclosures with a main service disconnecting means in each enclosure include but are not limited to motor control centers, fused disconnects, circuit breaker enclosures, and transfer switches that are suitable for use as service equipment.</p>	<p>225.33(B) Single-Pole Units. Two or three single-pole switches or breakers capable of individual operation shall be permitted on multiwire circuits, one pole for each ungrounded conductor, as one multipole disconnect, provided they are equipped with identified handle ties or a master handle to disconnect all ungrounded conductors with no more than six operations of the hand.</p>
<p>230.72 Grouping of Disconnects.</p>	<p>225.34 Grouping of Disconnects.</p>

<p>230.72(A) General. The two to six disconnects, if permitted in 230.71, shall be grouped. Each disconnect shall be marked to indicate the load served.</p> <p><i>Exception: One of the two to six service disconnecting means permitted in 230.71, where used only for a water pump also intended to provide fire protection, shall be permitted to be located remote from the other disconnecting means. If remotely installed in accordance with this exception, a plaque shall be posted at the location of the remaining grouped disconnects denoting its location.</i></p>	<p>225.34(A) General. The two to six disconnects as permitted in 225.33 shall be grouped. Each disconnect shall be marked to indicate the load served.</p> <p><i>Exception: One of the two to six disconnecting means permitted in 225.33, where used only for a water pump also intended to provide fire protection, shall be permitted to be located remote from the other disconnecting means.</i></p>
<p>230.72(B) Additional Service Disconnecting Means. The one or more additional service disconnecting means for fire pumps, emergency systems, legally required standby, or optional standby services permitted by 230.2 shall be installed remote from the one to six service disconnecting means for normal service to minimize the possibility of simultaneous interruption of supply.</p>	<p>225.34(B) Additional Disconnecting Means. The one or more additional disconnecting means for fire pumps or for emergency, legally required standby or optional standby system permitted by 225.30 shall be installed sufficiently remote from the one to six disconnecting means for normal supply to minimize the possibility of simultaneous interruption of supply.</p>
<p>230.72(C) Access to Occupants. In a multiple-occupancy building, each occupant shall have access to the occupant's service disconnecting means.</p> <p><i>Exception: In a multiple-occupancy building where electric service and electrical maintenance are provided by the building management and where these are under continuous building management supervision, the service disconnecting means supplying more than one occupancy shall be permitted to be accessible to authorized management personnel only.</i></p>	<p>225.35 Access to Occupants. In a multiple-occupancy building, each occupant shall have access to the occupant's supply disconnecting means.</p> <p><i>Exception: In a multiple-occupancy building where electric supply and electrical maintenance are provided by the building management and where these are under continuous building management supervision, the supply disconnecting means supplying more than one occupancy shall be permitted to be accessible to authorized management personnel only.</i></p>
<p>230.74 Simultaneous Opening of Poles. Each service disconnect shall simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded service conductors that it controls from the premises wiring system.</p>	<p>225.38(B) Simultaneous Opening of Poles. Each building or structure disconnecting means shall simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded supply conductors that it controls from the building or structure wiring system.</p>
<p>230.75 Disconnection of Grounded Conductor. Where the service disconnecting means does not disconnect the grounded conductor from the premises wiring, other means shall be provided for this purpose in the service equipment. A terminal or bus to which all grounded conductors can be attached by means of pressure connectors shall be permitted for this purpose. In a multisection switchboard or switchgear, disconnects for the grounded conductor shall be permitted to be in any section of the switchboard or switchgear.</p> <p>Informational Note: In switchgear or multisectional switchboards, the disconnecting means provided for the grounded conductor is typically identified as a neutral disconnect link and is typically located in the bus to which the service grounded conductor is connected.</p>	<p>225.38(C) Disconnection of Grounded Conductor. Where the building or structure disconnecting means does not disconnect the grounded conductor from the grounded conductors in the building or structure wiring, other means shall be provided for this purpose at the location of the disconnecting means. A terminal or bus to which all grounded conductors can be attached by means of pressure connectors shall be permitted for this purpose.</p> <p>In a multisection switchboard or switchgear, disconnects for the grounded conductor shall be permitted to be in any section of the switchboard or switchgear, if the switchboard section or switchgear section is marked to indicate a grounded conductor disconnect is contained within the equipment.</p>
<p>230.76 Manually or Power Operable. The service disconnecting means for ungrounded service conductors shall consist of one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) A manually operable switch or circuit breaker equipped with a handle or other suitable operating means (2) A power-operated switch or circuit breaker, provided the switch or circuit breaker can be opened by hand in the event of a power supply failure 	<p>225.38(A) Manually or Power Operable. The disconnecting means shall consist of either (1) a manually operable switch or a circuit breaker equipped with a handle or other suitable operating means or (2) a power-operable switch or circuit breaker, provided the switch or circuit breaker can be opened by hand in the event of a power failure.</p>
<p>230.77 Indicating. The service disconnecting means shall plainly indicate whether it is in the open (off) or closed (on) position.</p>	<p>225.38(D) Indicating. The building or structure disconnecting means shall plainly indicate whether it is in the open or closed position.</p>
<p>230.79 Rating of Service Disconnecting Means. The service disconnecting means shall have a rating not less than the calculated load to be carried, determined in accordance with</p>	<p>225.52(D) Indicating. Disconnecting means shall clearly indicate whether they are in the open "off" or closed "on" position.</p> <p>225.39 Rating of Disconnect. The feeder or branch-circuit disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than the calculated load to be supplied, determined in accordance with</p>

<p>Part III, IV, or V of Article 220, as applicable. In no case shall the rating be lower than specified in 230.79(A), (B), (C), or (D).</p>	<p>Parts I and II of Article 220 for branch circuits, Part III or IV of Article 220 for feeders, or Part V of Article 220 for farm loads. Where the branch circuit or feeder disconnecting means consists of more than one switch or circuit breaker, as permitted by 225.33, combining the ratings of all the switches or circuit breakers for determining the rating of the disconnecting means shall be permitted. In no case shall the rating be lower than specified in 225.39(A), (B), (C), or (D).</p>
<p>230.79(A) One-Circuit Installations. For installations to supply only limited loads of a single branch circuit, the service disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 15 amperes.</p>	<p>225.39(A) One-Circuit Installation. For installations to supply only limited loads of a single branch circuit, the branch circuit disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 15 amperes.</p>
<p>230.79(B) Two-Circuit Installations. For installations consisting of not more than two 2-wire branch circuits, the service disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 30 amperes.</p>	<p>225.39(B) Two-Circuit Installations. For installations consisting of not more than two 2-wire branch circuits, the feeder or branch-circuit disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 30 amperes.</p>
<p>230.79(C) One-Family Dwellings. For a one-family dwelling, the service disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 100 amperes, 3-wire.</p>	<p>225.39(C) One-Family Dwelling. For a one-family dwelling, the feeder disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 100 amperes, 3-wire.</p>
<p>230.79(D) All Others. For all other installations, the service disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 60 amperes.</p>	<p>225.39(D) All Others. For all other installations, the feeder or branch circuit disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 60 amperes.</p>
<p>230.80 Combined Rating of Disconnects. Where the service disconnecting means consists of more than one switch or circuit breaker, as permitted by 230.71, the combined ratings of all the switches or circuit breakers used shall not be less than the rating required by 230.79.</p>	<p>*225.39 Rating of Disconnect. The feeder or branch-circuit disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than the calculated load to be supplied, determined in accordance with Parts I and II of Article 220 for branch circuits, Part III or IV of Article 220 for feeders, or Part V of Article 220 for farm loads. Where the branch circuit or feeder disconnecting means consists of more than one switch or circuit breaker, as permitted by 225.33, combining the ratings of all the switches or circuit breakers for determining the rating of the disconnecting means shall be permitted. In no case shall the rating be lower than specified in 225.39(A), (B), (C), or (D).</p>
<p>230.81 Connection to Terminals. The service conductors shall be connected to the service disconnecting means by pressure connectors, clamps, or other approved means. Connections that depend on solder shall not be used.</p>	
<p>230.82 Equipment Connected to the Supply Side of Service Disconnect. Only the following equipment shall be permitted to be connected to the supply side of the service disconnecting means:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Cable limiters. (2) Meters and meter sockets nominally rated not in excess of 1000 volts, if all metal housings and service enclosures are grounded in accordance with Part VII and bonded in accordance with Part V of Article 250. (3) Meter disconnect switches nominally rated not in excess of 1000 volts that have a short-circuit current rating equal to or greater than the available fault current, if all metal housings and service enclosures are grounded in accordance with Part VII and bonded in accordance with Part V of Article 250. A meter disconnect switch shall be capable of interrupting the load served. A meter disconnect shall be legibly field marked on its exterior in a manner suitable for the environment as follows: <p style="text-align: center;">METER DISCONNECT NOT SERVICE EQUIPMENT</p> (4) Instrument transformers (current and voltage), impedance shunts, load management devices, surge arresters, and Type 1 surge-protective devices. 	

(5) Conductors used to supply load management devices, circuits for standby power systems, fire pump equipment, and fire and sprinkler alarms, if provided with service equipment and installed in accordance with requirements for service entrance conductors.

(6) Solar photovoltaic systems, fuel cell systems, wind electric systems, energy storage systems, or interconnected electric power production sources, if provided with a disconnecting means listed as suitable for use as service equipment, and overcurrent protection as specified in Part VII of Article 230.

(7) Control circuits for power-operable service disconnecting means, if suitable overcurrent protection and disconnecting means are provided.

(8) Ground-fault protection systems or Type 2 surge-protective devices, where installed as part of listed equipment, if suitable overcurrent protection and disconnecting means are provided.

(9) Connections used only to supply listed communications equipment under the exclusive control of the serving electric utility, if suitable overcurrent protection and disconnecting means are provided. For installations of equipment by the serving electric utility, a disconnecting means is not required if the supply is installed as part of a meter socket, such that access can only be gained with the meter removed.

230.85 Emergency Disconnects. For one- and two-family dwelling units, all service conductors shall terminate in disconnecting means having a short-circuit current rating equal to or greater than the available fault current, installed in a readily accessible outdoor location. If more than one disconnect is provided, they shall be grouped. Each disconnect shall be one of the following:

(1) Service disconnects marked as follows:
EMERGENCY DISCONNECT,
SERVICE DISCONNECT

(2) Meter disconnects installed per 230.83(3) and marked as follows:
EMERGENCY DISCONNECT, METER DISCONNECT,
NOT SERVICE EQUIPMENT

(3) Other listed disconnect switches or circuit breakers on the supply side of each service disconnect that are suitable for used as service equipment and marked as follows:
EMERGENCY DISCONNECT,
NOT SERVICE EQUIPMENT

Markings shall comply with 110.21(B).

230.90 Where Required. Each ungrounded service conductor shall have overload protection.

230.90(A) Ungrounded Conductor. Such protection shall be provided by an overcurrent device in series with each ungrounded service conductor that has a rating or setting not higher than the ampacity of the conductor. A set of fuses shall be considered all the fuses required to protect all the ungrounded conductors of a circuit. Single-pole circuit breakers, grouped in accordance with 230.71(B), shall be considered as one protective device.

Exception No. 1: For motor-starting currents, ratings that comply with 430.52, 430.62, and 430.63 shall be permitted.

Exception No. 2: Fuses and circuit breakers with a rating or setting that complies with 240.4(B) or (C) and 240.6 shall be permitted.

240.4 Protection of Conductors. Conductors, other than flexible cords, flexible cables, and fixture wires, shall be protected against overcurrent in accordance with their ampacities specified in 310.14, unless otherwise permitted or required in 240.4(A) through (G).

<p><i>Exception No. 3: Two to six circuit breakers or sets of fuses shall be permitted as the overcurrent device to provide the overload protection. The sum of the ratings of the circuit breakers or fuses shall be permitted to exceed the ampacity of the service conductors, provided the calculated load does not exceed the ampacity of the service conductors.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: Overload protection for fire pump supply conductors shall comply with 695.4(B)(2)(a).</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 5: Overload protection for 120/240-volt, 3-wire, single-phase dwelling services shall be permitted in accordance with the requirements of 310.12.</i></p>	
<p>230.90(B) Not in Grounded Conductor. No overcurrent device shall be inserted in a grounded service conductor except a circuit breaker that simultaneously opens all conductors of the circuit.</p>	
<p>230.91 Location. The service overcurrent device shall be an integral part of the service disconnecting means or shall be located immediately adjacent thereto. Where fuses are used as the service overcurrent device, the disconnecting means shall be located ahead of the supply side of the fuses.</p>	<p>240.21 Location in a Circuit. Overcurrent protection shall be provided in each ungrounded circuit conductor and shall be located at the point where the conductors receive their supply except as specified in 240.21(A) through (H). Conductors supplied under 240.21(A) through (H) shall not supply another conductor except through an overcurrent protective device meeting the requirements of 240.4.</p>
<p>230.92 Locked Service Overcurrent Devices. Where the service overcurrent devices are locked or sealed or are not readily accessible to the occupant, branch-circuit or feeder overcurrent devices shall be installed on the load side, shall be mounted in a readily accessible location, and shall be of lower ampere rating than the service overcurrent device.</p>	<p>225.40 Access to Overcurrent Protective Devices. Where a feeder overcurrent device is not readily accessible, branch-circuit overcurrent devices shall be installed on the load side, shall be mounted in a readily accessible location, and shall be of a lower ampere rating than the feeder overcurrent device.</p>
<p>230.93 Protection of Specific Circuits. Where necessary to prevent tampering, an automatic overcurrent device that protects service conductors supplying only a specific load, such as a water heater, shall be permitted to be locked or sealed where located so as to be accessible.</p>	
<p>230.94 Relative Location of Overcurrent Device and Other Service Equipment. The overcurrent device shall protect all circuits and devices.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: The service switch shall be permitted on the supply side.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 2: High-impedance shunt circuits, surge arresters, Type 1 surge-protective devices, surge-protective capacitors, and instrument transformers (current and voltage) shall be permitted to be connected and installed on the supply side of the service disconnecting means as permitted by 230.82.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 3: Circuits for load management devices shall be permitted to be connected on the supply side of the service overcurrent device where separately provided with overcurrent protection.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 4: Circuits used only for the operation of fire alarm, other protective signaling systems, or the supply to fire pump equipment shall be permitted to be connected on the supply side of the service overcurrent device where separately provided with overcurrent protection.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 5: Meters nominally rated not in excess of 600 volts shall be permitted, provided all metal housings and service enclosures are grounded.</i></p> <p><i>Exception No. 6: Where service equipment is power operable, the control circuit shall be permitted to be connected ahead of the service equipment if suitable overcurrent protection and disconnecting means are provided.</i></p>	

<p>230.95 Ground-Fault Protection of Equipment. Ground-fault protection of equipment shall be provided for solidly grounded wye electric services of more than 150 volts to ground but not exceeding 1000 volts phase-to-phase for each service disconnect rated 1000 amperes or more. The grounded conductor for the solidly grounded wye system shall be connected directly to ground through a grounding electrode system, as specified in 250.50, without inserting any resistor or impedance device. The rating of the service disconnect shall be considered to be the rating of the largest fuse that can be installed or the highest continuous current trip setting for which the actual overcurrent device installed in a circuit breaker is rated or can be adjusted. <i>Exception: The ground-fault protection provisions of this section shall not apply to a service disconnect for a continuous industrial process where a nonorderly shutdown will introduce additional or increased hazards.</i></p>	<p>215.10 Ground-Fault Protection of Equipment. Each feeder disconnect rated 1000 amperes or more and installed on solidly grounded wye electrical systems of more than 150 volts to ground, but not exceeding 600 volts phase-to-phase, shall be provided with ground-fault protection of equipment in accordance with 230.95. Informational Note: For buildings that contain health care occupancies, see the requirements of 517.17. <i>Exception No. 1: This section shall not apply to a disconnecting means for a continuous industrial process where a nonorderly shutdown will introduce additional or increased hazards.</i> <i>Exception No. 2: This section shall not apply if ground-fault protection of equipment is provided on the supply side of the feeder and on the load side of any transformer supplying the feeder.</i></p>
	<p>240.13 Ground-Fault Protection of Equipment. Ground-fault protection of equipment shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of 230.95 for solidly grounded wye electrical systems of more than 150 volts to ground but not exceeding 1000 volts phase-to-phase for each individual device used as a building or structure main disconnecting means rated 1000 amperes or more. This section shall not apply to the disconnecting means for the following: (1) Continuous industrial processes where a nonorderly shutdown will introduce additional or increased hazards (2) Installations where ground-fault protection is provided by other requirements for services or feeders (3) Fire pumps</p>
<p>230.95(A) Setting. The ground-fault protection system shall operate to cause the service disconnect to open all ungrounded conductors of the faulted circuit. The maximum setting of the ground-fault protection shall be 1200 amperes, and the maximum time delay shall be one second for ground-fault currents equal to or greater than 3000 amperes.</p>	
<p>230.95(B) Fuses. If a switch and fuse combination is used, the fuses employed shall be capable of interrupting any current higher than the interrupting capacity of the switch during a time that the ground-fault protective system will not cause the switch to open.</p>	
<p>230.95(C) Performance Testing. The ground-fault protection system shall be performance tested when first installed on site. This testing shall be conducted by a qualified person(s) using a test process of primary current injection in accordance with instructions that shall be provided with the equipment. A written record of this testing shall be made and shall be available to the authority having jurisdiction.</p>	
Services Over 1000 Volts	
<p>230.200 General. Service conductors and equipment used on circuits exceeding 1000 volts, nominal, shall comply with all the applicable preceding sections of this article and with the following sections that supplement or modify the preceding sections. In no case shall the provisions of Part VIII apply to equipment on the supply side of the service point. Informational Note: For clearances of conductors of over 1000 volts, nominal, see ANSI C2-2017, <i>National Electrical Safety Code</i>.</p>	

<p>230.202 Service-Entrance Conductors. Service-entrance conductors to buildings or enclosures shall be installed to conform to 230.202(A) and (B).</p>	
<p>230.202(A) Conductor Size. Service-entrance conductors shall not be smaller than 6 AWG unless in multiconductor cable. Multiconductor cable shall not be smaller than 8 AWG.</p>	<p>225.50 Sizing of Conductors. The sizing of conductors over 1000 volts shall be in accordance with 210.19(B) for branch circuits and 215.2(B) for feeders.</p>
<p>230.202(B) Wiring Methods. Service-entrance conductors shall be installed by one of the wiring methods covered in 300.37 and 300.50.</p>	
<p><u>230.204 Isolating Switches.</u></p>	<p>225.51 Isolating Switches. Where oil switches or air, oil, vacuum, or sulfur hexafluoride circuit breakers constitute a building disconnecting means, an isolating switch with visible break contacts and meeting the requirements of 230.204(B), (C), and (D) shall be installed on the supply side of the disconnecting means and all associated equipment. <i>Exception: The isolating switch shall not be required where the disconnecting means is mounted on removable truck panels or switchgear units that cannot be opened unless the circuit is disconnected and that, when removed from the normal operating position, automatically disconnect the circuit breaker or switch from all energized parts.</i></p>
<p>230.204(A) Where Required. Where oil switches or air, oil, vacuum, or sulfur hexafluoride circuit breakers constitute the service disconnecting means, an isolating switch with visible break contacts shall be installed on the supply side of the disconnecting means and all associated service equipment. <i>Exception: An isolating switch shall not be required where the circuit breaker or switch is mounted on removable truck panels or switchgear units where both of the following conditions apply:</i> <i>(1) Cannot be opened unless the circuit is disconnected</i> <i>(2) Where all energized parts are automatically disconnected when the circuit breaker or switch is removed from the normal operating position</i></p>	
<p>230.204(B) Fuses as Isolating Switch. Where fuses are of the type that can be operated as a disconnecting switch, a set of such fuses shall be permitted as the isolating switch.</p>	
<p>230.204(C) Accessible to Qualified Persons Only. The isolating switch shall be accessible to qualified persons only.</p>	
<p>230.204(D) Connection to Ground. Isolating switches shall be provided with a means for readily connecting the load side conductors to a grounding electrode system, equipment ground busbar, or grounded steel structure when disconnected from the source of supply. A means for grounding the load side conductors to a grounding electrode system, equipment grounding busbar, or grounded structural steel shall not be required for any duplicate isolating switch installed and maintained by the electric supply company.</p>	
<p><u>230.205 Disconnecting Means.</u></p>	<p><u>225.52 Disconnecting Means.</u></p>
<p>230.205(A) Location. The service disconnecting means shall be located in accordance with 230.70. For either overhead or underground primary distribution systems on private property, the service disconnect shall be permitted to be located in a location that is not readily accessible, if the disconnecting means can be operated by mechanical linkage from a readily accessible point, or electronically in accordance with 230.205(C), where applicable.</p>	<p>225.52(A) Location. A building or structure disconnecting means shall be located in accordance with 225.32, or, if not readily accessible, it shall be operable by mechanical linkage from a readily accessible point. For multibuilding industrial installations under single management, it shall be permitted to be electrically operated by a readily accessible, remote-control device in a separate building or structure.</p>

<p>230.205(B) Type. Each service disconnect shall simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded service conductors that it controls and shall have a fault-closing rating that is not less than the available fault current at its supply terminals.</p> <p>Where fused switches or separately mounted fuses are installed, the fuse characteristics shall be permitted to contribute to the fault-closing rating of the disconnecting means.</p>	<p>225.52(B) Type. Each building or structure disconnect shall simultaneously disconnect all ungrounded supply conductors it controls and shall have a fault-closing rating not less than the available fault current at its supply terminals.</p> <p><i>Exception: Where the individual disconnecting means consists of fused cutouts, the simultaneous disconnection of all ungrounded supply conductors shall not be required if there is a means to disconnect the load before opening the cutouts. A permanent legible sign shall be installed adjacent to the fused cutouts and shall read DISCONNECT LOAD BEFORE OPENING CUTOUTS.</i></p> <p>Where fused switches or separately mounted fuses are installed, the fuse characteristics shall be permitted to contribute to the fault-closing rating of the disconnecting means.</p>
<p>230.205(C) Remote Control. For multibuilding, industrial installations under single management, the service disconnecting means shall be permitted to be located at a separate building or structure. In such cases, the service disconnecting means shall be permitted to be electrically operated by a readily accessible, remote-control device.</p>	
<p>230.206 Overcurrent Devices as Disconnecting Means. Where the circuit breaker or alternative for it, as specified in 230.208 for service overcurrent devices, meets the requirements specified in 230.205, they shall constitute the service disconnecting means.</p>	
<p>230.208 Protection Requirements. A short-circuit protective device shall be provided on the load side of, or as an integral part of, the service disconnect, and shall protect all ungrounded conductors that it supplies. The protective device shall be capable of detecting and interrupting all values of current, in excess of its trip setting or melting point, that can occur at its location. A fuse rated in continuous amperes not to exceed three times the ampacity of the conductor, or a circuit breaker with a trip setting of not more than six times the ampacity of the conductors, shall be considered as providing the required short-circuit protection.</p> <p>Informational Note: See Table 311.60(C)(67) through Table 311.60(C)(86) for ampacities of conductors rated 2001 volts to 35,000 volts.</p> <p>Overcurrent devices shall conform to 230.208(A) and (B).</p>	
<p>230.208(A) Equipment Type. Equipment used to protect service entrance conductors shall meet the requirements of Article 490, Part II.</p>	
<p>230.208(B) Enclosed Overcurrent Devices. The restriction to 80 percent of the rating for an enclosed overcurrent device for continuous loads shall not apply to overcurrent devices installed in systems operating at over 1000 volts.</p>	
<p>230.209 Surge Arresters. Surge arresters installed in accordance with the requirements of Article 242 shall be permitted on each ungrounded overhead service conductor.</p> <p>Informational Note: Surge arresters may be referred to as lightning arresters in older documents.</p>	
<p>230.210 Service Equipment — General Provisions. Service equipment, including instrument transformers, shall conform to Article 490, Part I.</p>	
<p>230.211 Switchgear. Switchgear shall consist of a substantial metal structure and a sheet metal enclosure. Where installed</p>	

over a combustible floor, suitable protection thereto shall be provided.	
230.212 Over 35,000 Volts. Where the voltage exceeds 35,000 volts between conductors that enter a building, they shall terminate in a switchgear compartment or a vault conforming to the requirements of 450.41 through 450.48.	
	<u>225.6 Conductor Size and Support.</u>
	225.6(B) Festoon Lighting. Overhead conductors for festoon lighting shall not be smaller than 12 AWG unless the conductors are supported by messenger wires. In all spans exceeding 12 m (40 ft), the conductors shall be supported by messenger wire. The messenger wire shall be supported by strain insulators. Conductors or messenger wires shall not be attached to any fire escape, downspout, or plumbing equipment.
	<u>225.7 Lighting Equipment Installed Outdoors.</u>
	225.7(A) General. For the supply of lighting equipment installed outdoors, the branch circuits shall comply with Article 210 and 225.7(B) through (D).
	225.7(B) Common Neutral. The ampacity of the neutral conductor shall not be less than the maximum net calculated load current between the neutral conductor and all ungrounded conductors connected to any one phase of the circuit.
	225.7(C) 277 Volts to Ground. Circuits exceeding 120 volts, nominal, between conductors and not exceeding 277 volts, nominal, to ground shall be permitted to supply luminaires for illumination of outdoor areas of industrial establishments, office buildings, schools, stores, and other commercial or public buildings.
	225.7(D) 1000 Volts Between Conductors. Circuits exceeding 277 volts, nominal, to ground and not exceeding 1000 volts, nominal, between conductors shall be permitted to supply the auxiliary equipment of electric-discharge lamps in accordance with 210.6(D)(1).
	225.12 Open-Conductor Supports. Open conductors shall be supported on knobs, racks, brackets, or strain insulators, that are made of glass, porcelain, or other approved materials.
	<u>225.14 Open-Conductor Spacings.</u>
	225.14(B) Over 1000 Volts, Nominal. Conductors of over 1000 volts, nominal, shall comply with the spacings provided in 110.36 and 490.24.
	225.14(C) Separation from Other Circuits. Open conductors shall be separated from open conductors of other circuits or systems by not less than 100 mm (4 in.).
	225.14(D) Conductors on Poles. Conductors on poles shall have a separation of not less than 300 mm (1 ft) where not placed on racks or brackets. Conductors supported on poles shall provide a horizontal climbing space not less than the following: (1) Power conductors below communications conductors — 750 mm (30 in.) (2) Power conductors alone or above communications conductors: a. 300 volts or less — 600 mm (24 in.) b. Over 300 volts — 750 mm (30 in.) (3) Communications conductors below power conductors — same as power conductors (4) Communications conductors alone — no requirement
	<u>225.16 Attachment to Buildings.</u>

	<p>225.19(B) From Nonbuilding or Nonbridge Structures. From signs, chimneys, radio and television antennas, tanks, and other nonbuilding or nonbridge structures, clearances — vertical, diagonal, and horizontal — shall not be less than 900 mm (3 ft).</p>
	<p>225.19(C) Horizontal Clearances. Clearances shall not be less than 900 mm (3 ft).</p>
	<p>225.19(D) Final Spans. Final spans of feeder s or branch circuits shall comply with 225.19(D)(1), (D)(2), and (D)(3).</p> <p>225.19(D)(1) Clearance from Windows. Final spans to the building they supply, or from which they are fed, shall be permitted to be attached to the building, but they shall be kept not less than 900 mm (3 ft) from windows that are designed to be opened, and from doors, porches, balconies, ladders, stairs, fire escapes, or similar locations.</p> <p><i>Exception: Conductors run above the top level of a window shall be permitted to be less than the 900-mm (3-ft) requirement.</i></p> <p>225.19(D)(2) Vertical Clearance. The vertical clearance of final spans above or within 900 mm (3 ft) measured horizontally of platforms, projections, or surfaces that will permit personal contact shall be maintained in accordance with 225.18.</p> <p>225.19(D)(3) Building Openings. The overhead branch-circuit and feeder conductors shall not be installed beneath openings through which materials may be moved, such as openings in farm and commercial buildings, and shall not be installed where they obstruct entrance to these openings.</p>
	<p>225.19(E) Zone for Fire Ladders. Where buildings exceed three stories or 15 m (50 ft) in height, overhead lines shall be arranged, where practicable, so that a clear space (or zone) at least 1.8 m (6 ft) wide will be left either adjacent to the buildings or beginning not over 2.5 m (8 ft) from them to facilitate the raising of ladders when necessary for fire fighting.</p>
	<p>225.24 Outdoor Lampholders. Where outdo or lampholders are attached as pendants, the connections to the circuit wires shall be staggered. Where such lampholders have terminals of a type that puncture the insulation and make contact with the conductors, they shall be attached only to conductors of the stranded type.</p>
	<p>225.25 Location of Outdoor Lamps. Locations of lamps for outdoor lighting shall be below all energized conductors, transformers, or other electric utilization equipment, unless either of the following apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Clearances or other safeguards are provided for relamping operations. (2) Equipment is controlled by a disconnecting means that is lockable open in accordance with 110.25.
	<p>225.30(F) Documented Switching Procedures. Additional feeders or branch circuits shall be permitted to supply installations under single management where documented safe switching procedures are established and maintained for disconnection.</p>
	<p>225.38 Disconnect Construction. Disconnecting means shall meet the requirements of 225.38(A) through (D).</p>
	<p>225.52(C) Locking. Disconnecting means shall be lockable open in accordance with 110.25.</p> <p><i>Exception: Where an individual disconnecting means consists of fused cutouts, a suitable enclosure capable of being locked and sized to contain all cutout fuse holders shall be installed at a convenient location to the fused cutouts</i></p>

225.52(E) Uniform Position. Where disconnecting means handles are operated vertically, the “up” position of the handle shall be the “on” position.
Exception: A switching device having more than one “on” position, such as a double throw switch, shall not be required to comply with this requirement.

225.56 Inspections and Tests.

225.56(A) Pre-Energization and Operating Tests. The complete electrical system design, including settings for protective, switching, and control circuits, shall be prepared in advance and made available on request to the authority having jurisdiction and shall be performance tested when first installed on-site. Each protective, switching, and control circuit shall be adjusted in accordance with the system design and tested by actual operation using current injection or equivalent methods as necessary to ensure that each and every such circuit operates correctly to the satisfaction of the authority having jurisdiction.

225.56(A)(1) Instrument Transformers. All instrument transformers shall be tested to verify correct polarity and burden.

225.56(A)(2) Protective Relays. Each protective relay shall be demonstrated to operate by injecting current or voltage, or both, at the associated instrument transformer output terminal and observing that the associated switching and signaling functions occur correctly and in proper time and sequence to accomplish the protective function intended.

225.56(A)(3) Switching Circuits. Each switching circuit shall be observed to operate the associated equipment being switched.

225.56(A)(4) Control and Signal Circuits. Each control or signal circuit shall be observed to perform its proper control function or produce a correct signal output.

225.56(A)(5) Metering Circuits. All metering circuits shall be verified to operate correctly from voltage and current sources in a similar manner to protective relay circuits.

225.56(A)(6) Acceptance Tests. Complete acceptance tests shall be performed, after the substation installation is completed, on all assemblies, equipment, conductors, and control and protective systems, as applicable, to verify the integrity of all the systems.

225.56(A)(7) Relays and Metering Utilizing Phase Differences. All relays and metering that use phase differences for operation shall be verified by measuring phase angles at the relay under actual load conditions after operation commences.

225.56(A) Test Report. A test report covering the results of the tests required in 225.56 (A) shall be delivered to the authority having jurisdiction prior to energization.

Informational Note: For an example of acceptance specifications, see ANSI/NETA ATS-2013, Acceptance Testing Specifications for Electrical Power Distribution Equipment and Systems, published by the InterNational Electrical Testing Association.

225.61 Clearances over Buildings and Other Structures.

225.61(A) 22 kV Nominal to Ground or Less. The clearances over buildings and other structures for conductors and live parts up to 22 kV, nominal, to ground or less shall be not less than the values shown in Table 225.61.

225.61(B) Over 22 kV Nominal to Ground. Clearances for the categories shown in Table 225.61 shall be increased by 10 mm (0.4 in.) per kV above 22,000 volts.

	<u>225.60 Clearances over Roadways, Walkways, Rail, Water, and Open Land.</u>
	225.60(A) 22 kV, Nominal, to Ground or Less. The clearances over roadways, walkways, rail, water, and open land for conductors and live parts up to 22 kV, nominal, to ground or less shall be not less than the values shown in Table 225.60.
	225.60(B) Over 22 kV Nominal to Ground. Clearances for the categories shown in Table 225.6 0 shall be increased by 10 mm (0.4 in.) per kV above 22,000 volts.
	225.60(C) Special Cases. For special cases, such as where crossings will be made over lake s, rivers, or areas using large vehicles such as mining operations, specific designs shall be engineered considering the special circumstances and shall be approved by the authority having jurisdiction.
Grounding & Bonding-Services	SDS's and Bldgs Supplied by Feeders-Grounding & Bonding
<u>250.28 Main Bonding Jumper and System Bonding Jumper.</u>	<u>250.28 Main Bonding Jumper and System Bonding Jumper.</u>
250.28(A) Material.	250.28(A) Material.
250.28(B) Construction.	250.28(B) Construction.
250.28(C) Attachment.	250.28(C) Attachment.
250.28(D) Size.	250.28(D) Size.
250.28(D)(1) General.	250.28(D)(1) General.
250.28(D)(2) Main Bonding Jumper for Service with More than One Enclosure. If a service consists of more than a single enclosure as permitted in 230.71(B), the main bonding jumper for each enclosure shall be sized in accordance with 50.28(D)(1) based on the largest ungrounded service conductor serving that enclosure.	250.28(D)(3) Separately Derived System with More than One Enclosure. Where a separately derived system supplies more than a single enclosure, the system bonding jumper for each enclosure shall be sized in accordance with 250.28(D)(1) based on the largest ungrounded feeder conductor serving that enclosure, or a single system bonding jumper shall be installed at the source and sized in accordance with 250.28(D)(1) based on the equivalent size of the largest supply conductor determined by the largest sum of the areas of the corresponding conductors of each set.
<u>250.24 Grounding of Service-Supplied Alternating-Current Systems.</u>	250.30 Grounding Separately Derived Alternating-Current Systems. In addition to complying with 250.30(A) for grounded systems, or as provided in 250.30(B) for ungrounded systems, separately derived systems shall comply with 250.20, 250.21, 250.22, or 250.26, as applicable. Multiple power sources of the same type that are connected in parallel to form one system that supplies premises wiring shall be considered as a single separately derived system and shall be installed in accordance with 250.30.
250.24(A) System Grounding Connections. A premises wiring system supplied by a grounded ac service shall have a grounding electrode conductor connected to the grounded service conductor, at each service, in accordance with 250.24(A)(1) through (A)(5).	
250.24(A)(1) General. The grounding electrode conductor connection shall be made at any accessible point from the load end of the overhead service conductors, service drop, underground service conductors, or service lateral to, including the terminal or bus to which the grounded service conductor is connected at the service disconnecting means.	
250.24(A)(2) Outdoor Transformer. Where the transformer supplying the service is located outside the building, at least one additional grounding connection shall be made from the grounded service conductor to a grounding electrode, either at the transformer or elsewhere outside the building.	250.30(C) Outdoor Source. If the source of the separately derived system is located outside the building or structure supplied, a grounding electrode connection shall be made at the source location to one or more grounding electrodes in compliance with 250.50. In addition, the installation shall

<p><i>Exception: The additional grounding electrode conductor connection shall not be made on high-impedance grounded neutral systems. The system shall meet the requirements of 250.36.</i></p>	<p>comply with 250.30(A) for grounded systems or with 250.30(B) for ungrounded systems. <i>Exception: The grounding electrode conductor connection for impedance grounded neutral systems shall comply with 250.36 or 250.187, as applicable.</i></p>
<p>250.24(A)(3) Dual-Fed Services. For services that are dual fed (double ended) in a common enclosure or grouped together in separate enclosures and employing a secondary tie, a single grounding electrode conductor or connection to the tie point of the grounded conductor(s) from each power source shall be permitted.</p>	
<p>250.24(A)(4) Main Bonding Jumper as Wire or Busbar. Where the main bonding jumper specified in 250.28 is a wire or busbar and is installed from the grounded conductor terminal bar or bus to the equipment grounding terminal bar or bus in the service equipment, the grounding electrode conductor shall be permitted to be connected to the equipment grounding terminal, bar, or bus to which the main bonding jumper is connected.</p>	
<p>250.24(A)(5) Load-Side Grounding Connections. A grounded conductor shall not be connected to normally non-current carrying metal parts of equipment, to equipment grounding conductor(s), or be reconnected to ground on the load side of the service disconnecting means except as otherwise permitted in this article.</p>	<p>250.30(A) Grounded Systems. A separately derived ac system that is grounded shall comply with 250.30(A)(1) through (A)(8). Except as otherwise permitted in this article, a grounded conductor shall not be connected to normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment, be connected to equipment grounding conductors, or be reconnected to ground on the load side of the system bonding jumper. Informational Note: For an example of acceptance specifications, see ANSI/NETA ATS-2013, Acceptance Testing Specifications for Electrical Power Distribution Equipment and Systems, published by the InterNational Electrical Testing Association. <i>Exception: Impedance grounded neutral system grounding connections shall be made as specified in 250.36 or 250.187, as applicable.</i></p>
<p>250.24(B) Main Bonding Jumper. For a grounded system, an unspliced main bonding jumper shall be used to connect the equipment grounding conductor(s) and the service-disconnect enclosure to the grounded conductor within the enclosure for each service disconnect in accordance with 250.28.</p>	<p>250.30(A)(1) System Bonding Jumper. An unspliced system bonding jumper shall comply with 250.28(A) through (D). This connection shall be made at any single point on the separately derived system from the source to the first system disconnecting means or overcurrent device, or it shall be made at the source of a separately derived system that has no disconnecting means or overcurrent devices, in accordance with 250.30(A)(1)(a) or (A)(1)(b). The system bonding jumper shall remain within the enclosure where it originates. If the source is located outside the building or structure supplied, a system bonding jumper shall be installed at the grounding electrode connection in compliance with 250.30(C). <i>Exception No. 1: For systems installed in accordance with 450.6, a single system bonding jumper connection to the tie point of the grounded circuit conductors from each power source shall be permitted.</i> <i>Exception No. 2: If a building or structure is supplied by a feeder from an outdoor separately derived system, a system bonding jumper at both the source and the first disconnecting means shall be permitted if doing so does not establish a parallel path for the grounded conductor. If a grounded conductor is used in this manner, it shall not be smaller than the size specified for the system bonding jumper but shall not be required to be larger than the ungrounded conductor(s). For the purposes of this exception, connection through the earth shall not be considered as providing a parallel path.</i></p>

Exception No. 3: The size of the system bonding jumper for a system that supplies a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 circuit, and is derived from a transformer rated not more than 1000 volt-amperes, shall not be smaller than the derived ungrounded conductors and shall not be smaller than 14 AWG copper or 12 AWG aluminum.

(a) *Installed at the Source.* The system bonding jumper shall connect the grounded conductor to the supply-side bonding jumper and the normally non-current-carrying metal enclosure.

(b) *Installed at the First Disconnecting Means.* The system bonding jumper shall connect the grounded conductor to the supply-side bonding jumper, the disconnecting means.

250.24(C) Grounded Conductor Brought to Service Equipment.

Where an ac system operating at 1000 volts or less is grounded at any point, the grounded conductor(s) shall be routed with the ungrounded conductors to each service disconnecting means and shall be connected to each disconnecting means grounded conductor(s) terminal or bus. A main bonding jumper shall connect the grounded conductor(s) to each service disconnecting means enclosure. The grounded conductor(s) shall be installed in accordance with 250.24(C)(1) through (C)(4).

Exception: Where two or more service disconnecting means are located in a single assembly listed for use as service equipment, it shall be permitted to connect the grounded conductor(s) to the assembly common grounded conductor(s) terminal or bus. The assembly shall include a main bonding jumper for connecting the grounded conductor(s) to the assembly enclosure.

250.30(A)(3) Grounded Conductor. If a grounded conductor is installed and the system bonding jumper connection is not located at the source, 250.30(A)(3)(a) through (A)(3)(d) shall apply. The grounded conductor shall not be required to be larger than the derived ungrounded conductors.

250.24(C)(1) Sizing for a Single Raceway. The grounded conductor shall not be smaller than specified in Table 250.102(C)(1).

250.30(A)(3)(a) Sizing for a Single Raceway. The grounded conductor shall not be smaller than specified in Table 250.102(C)(1).

250.24(C)(2) Parallel Conductors in Two or More Raceways or Cables. If the ungrounded service-entrance conductors are installed in parallel in two or more raceways, the grounded conductor shall also be installed in parallel. The size of the grounded conductor in each raceway shall be based on the total circular mil area of the parallel ungrounded conductors in the raceway, as indicated in 250.24(C)(1), but not smaller than 1/0 AWG.

250.30(A)(3)(a) Parallel Conductors in Two or More Raceways. If the ungrounded conductors are installed in parallel in two or more raceways, the grounded conductor shall also be installed in parallel. The size of the grounded conductor in each raceway shall be based on the total circular mil area of the parallel derived ungrounded conductors in the raceway as indicated in 250.30(A)(3)(a), but not smaller than 1/0 AWG.
Informational Note: See 310.10(H) for grounded conductors connected in parallel.

250.24(C)(3) Delta-Connected Service. The grounded conductor of a 3-phase, 3-wire delta service shall have an ampacity not less than that of the ungrounded conductors.

250.30(A)(3)(c) Delta-Connected System. The grounded conductor of a 3-phase, 3-wire delta system shall have an ampacity not less than that of the ungrounded conductors.

250.24(C)(4) High Impedance. The grounded conductor on a high impedance grounded neutral system shall be grounded in accordance with 250.36.

250.30(A)(3)(d) Impedance Grounded System. The grounded conductor of an impedance grounded neutral system shall be installed in accordance with 250.36 or 250.187, as applicable.

250.24(D) Grounding Electrode Conductor. A grounding electrode conductor shall be used to connect the equipment grounding conductors, the service-equipment enclosures, and, where the system is grounded, the grounded service conductor to the grounding electrode(s) required by Part III of this article. This conductor shall be sized in accordance with 250.66. High-impedance grounded neutral system connections shall be made as covered in 250.36.

250.30(A)(5) Grounding Electrode Conductor, Single Separately Derived System. A grounding electrode conductor for a single separately derived system shall be sized in accordance with 250.66 for the derived ungrounded conductors. It shall be used to connect the grounded conductor of the derived system to the grounding electrode in accordance with 250.30(A)(4), or as permitted in 250.68(C)(1) and (C)(2). This connection shall be made at the same point on the separately derived system where the system bonding jumper is connected.

Exception No. 1: If the system bonding jumper specified in 250.30(A)(1) is a wire or busbar, it shall be permitted to connect the grounding electrode conductor to the equipment grounding terminal, bar, or bus if the equipment grounding

terminal, bar, or bus is of sufficient size for the separately derived system.

Exception No. 2: If the source of a separately derived system is located within equipment listed and identified as suitable for use as service equipment, the grounding electrode conductor from the service or feeder equipment to the grounding electrode shall be permitted as the grounding electrode conductor for the separately derived system, if the grounding electrode conductor is of sufficient size for the separately derived system. If the equipment grounding bus internal to the equipment is not smaller than the required grounding electrode conductor for the separately derived system, the grounding electrode connection for the separately derived system shall be permitted to be made to the bus.

Exception No. 3: A grounding electrode conductor shall not be required for a system that supplies a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 circuit and is derived from a transformer rated not more than 1000 volt-amperes, provided the grounded conductor is bonded to the transformer frame or enclosure by a jumper sized in accordance with 250.30(A)(1), Exception No. 3, and the transformer frame or enclosure is grounded by one of the means specified in 250.134.

250.30(A)(6) Grounding Electrode Conductor, Multiple Separately Derived Systems. A common grounding electrode conductor for multiple separately derived systems shall be permitted. If installed, the common grounding electrode conductor shall be used to connect the grounded conductor of the each separately derived system to the grounding electrode as specified in 250.30(A)(4). A grounding electrode conductor tap shall then be installed from each separately derived system to the common grounding electrode conductor. Each tap conductor shall connect the grounded conductor of the separately derived system to the common grounding electrode conductor. This connection shall be made at the same point on the separately derived system where the system bonding jumper is connected.

Exception No. 1: If the system bonding jumper specified in 250.30(A)(1) is a wire or busbar, it shall be permitted to connect the grounding electrode conductor tap to the equipment grounding terminal, bar, or bus, provided the equipment grounding terminal, bar, or bus is of sufficient size for the separately derived system.

Exception No. 2: A grounding electrode conductor shall not be required for a system that supplies a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 circuit and is derived from a transformer rated not more than 1000 volt-amperes, provided the system grounded conductor is bonded to the transformer frame or enclosure by a jumper sized in accordance with 250.30(A)(1), Exception No. 3, and the transformer frame or enclosure is grounded by one of the means specified in 250.134.

Exception No. 3: If the source of a separately derived system is located within equipment listed and identified as suitable for use as service equipment, the grounding electrode conductor shall be permitted as the grounding electrode conductor for the separately derived system, if the grounding electrode conductor is of sufficient size for the separately derived system. If the equipment grounding bus internal to the equipment is not smaller than the required grounding electrode conductor for the separately derived system, the grounding electrode connection for the separately derived system shall be permitted to be made to the bus.

(a) *Common Grounding Electrode Conductor.* The common grounding electrode conductor shall be permitted to be one of the following:

- (1) A conductor of the wire type not smaller than 3/0 AWG copper or 250 kcmil aluminum
- (2) A metal water pipe that complies with 250.68(C)(1)
- (3) The metal structural frame of the building or structure that complies with 250.68(C)(2) or is connected to the grounding electrode system by a conductor not smaller than 3/0 AWG copper or 250 kcmil aluminum

(b) *Tap Conductor Size.* Each tap conductor shall be sized in accordance with 250.66 based on the derived ungrounded conductors of the separately derived system it serves.

Exception to (a)(1) and (b): If the only electrodes that are present are of the types in 250.66(A), (B), or (C), the size of the common grounding electrode conductor shall not be required to be larger than the largest conductor required by 250.66(A), (B), or (C) for the type of electrode that is present.

(c) *Connections.* All tap connections to the common grounding electrode conductor shall be made at an accessible location by one of the following methods:

- (1) A connector listed as grounding and bonding equipment.
- (2) Listed connections to aluminum or copper busbars not smaller than 6 mm thick X 50 mm wide (¼ in. thick X 2 in. wide) and of sufficient length to accommodate the number of terminations necessary for the installation. If aluminum busbars are used, the installation shall also comply with 250.64(A).
- (3) The exothermic welding process.

Tap conductors shall be connected to the common grounding electrode conductor in such a manner that the common grounding electrode conductor remains without a splice or joint.

250.32(E) Grounding Electrode Conductor. The size of the grounding electrode conductor to the grounding electrode(s) shall not be smaller than given in 250.66, based on the largest ungrounded supply conductor. The installation shall comply with Part III of this article.

250.24(E) Ungrounded System Grounding Connections. A premises wiring system that is supplied by an ac service that is ungrounded shall have, at each service, a grounding electrode conductor connected to the grounding electrode(s) required by Part III of this article. The grounding electrode conductor shall be connected to a metal enclosure of the service conductors at any accessible point from the load end of the overhead service conductors, service drop, underground service conductors, or service lateral to the service disconnecting means.

250.30(B) Ungrounded Systems. The equipment of an ungrounded separately derived system shall be grounded and bonded as specified in 250.30(B)(1) through (B)(3).

250.30(B)(1) Grounding Electrode Conductor. A grounding electrode conductor, sized in accordance with 250.66 for the largest derived ungrounded conductor (s) or set of derived ungrounded conductors, shall be used to connect the metal enclosures of the derived system to the grounding electrode as specified in 250.30(A)(5) or (A)(6), as applicable. This connection shall be made at any point on the separately derived system from the source to the first system disconnecting means. If the source is located outside the building or structure supplied, a grounding electrode connection shall be made in compliance with 250.30(C).

Informational Note No. 1: An alternate ac power source, such as an on-site generator, is not a separately derived system if the grounded conductor is solidly interconnected to a service-supplied system grounded conductor. An example of such a situation is where alternate source transfer equipment does not include a switching action in the grounded conductor and allows it to remain solidly connected to the service-supplied grounded conductor when the alternate source is operational and supplying the load served.

	<p>Informational Note No. 2: See 445.13 for the minimum size of conductors that carry fault current.</p> <p>250.30(B)(2) Grounding Electrode. Except as permitted by 250.34 for portable and vehicle-mounted generators, the grounding electrode shall comply with 250.30(A)(4).</p> <p>250.30(B)(3) Bonding Path and Conductor. A supply-side bonding jumper shall be installed from the source of a separately derived system to the first disconnecting means in compliance with 250.30(A)(2).</p>
	<p>250.30(A)(2) Supply-Side Bonding Jumper. If the source of a separately derived system and the first disconnecting means are located in separate enclosures, a supply-side bonding jumper shall be installed with the circuit conductors from the source enclosure to the first disconnecting means enclosure. A supply-side bonding jumper shall not be required to be larger than the derived ungrounded conductors. The supply-side bonding jumper shall be permitted to be of nonflexible metal raceway type or of the wire or bus type as follows:</p> <p>(a) A supply-side bonding jumper of the wire type shall comply with 250.102(C), based on the size of the derived ungrounded conductors.</p> <p>(b) A supply-side bonding jumper of the bus type shall have a cross-sectional area not smaller than a supply-side bonding jumper of the wire type as determined in 250.102(C).</p> <p><i>Exception: A supply-side bonding jumper shall not be required between enclosures for installations made in compliance with 250.30(A)(1), Exception No. 2.</i></p>
	<p>250.30(A)(4) Grounding Electrode. The building or structure grounding electrode system shall be used as the grounding electrode for the separately derived system. If located outdoors, the grounding electrode shall be in accordance with 250.30(C).</p> <p><i>Exception: If a separately derived system originates in equipment that is listed and identified as suitable for use as service equipment, the grounding electrode used for the service or feeder equipment shall be permitted to be used as the grounding electrode for the separately derived system.</i></p> <p><i>Informational Note No. 1: See 250.104(D) for bonding requirements for interior metal water piping in the area served by separately derived systems.</i></p> <p><i>Informational Note No. 2: See 250.50 and 250.58 for requirements for bonding all electrodes together if located at the same building or structure.</i></p>
	<p>250.30(A)(7) Installation. The installation of all grounding electrode conductors shall comply with 250.64(A), (B), (C), and (E).</p>
	<p>250.30(A)(8) Bonding. Structural steel and metal piping shall be connected to the grounded conductor of a separately derived system in accordance with 250.104(D).</p>
	<p><u>250.32 Buildings or Structures Supplied by a Feeder(s) or Branch Circuit(s).</u></p>
	<p>250.32(A) Grounding Electrode. A building(s) or structure(s) supplied by a feeder(s) or branch circuit(s) shall have a grounding electrode system and grounding electrode conductor installed in accordance with Part III of Article 250. Where there is no existing grounding electrode, the grounding electrode(s) required in 250.50 shall be installed.</p> <p><i>Exception: A grounding electrode shall not be required where only a single branch circuit, including a multiwire branch circuit, supplies the building or structure and the branch circuit</i></p>

includes an equipment grounding conductor for grounding the normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment.

250.32(B) Grounded Systems.

250.32(B)(1) Supplied by a Feeder or Branch Circuit. An equipment grounding conductor, as described in 250.118, shall be run with the supply conductors and be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s). The equipment grounding conductor shall be used for grounding or bonding of equipment, structures, or frames required to be grounded or bonded. The equipment grounding conductor shall be sized in accordance with 250.122. Any installed grounded conductor shall not be connected to the equipment grounding conductor or to the grounding electrode(s).

Exception No. 1: For installations made in compliance with previous editions of this Code that permitted such connection, the grounded conductor run with the supply to the building or structure shall be permitted to serve as the ground-fault return path if all of the following requirements continue to be met:

- (1) An equipment grounding conductor is not run with the supply to the building or structure.*
- (2) There are no continuous metallic paths bonded to the grounding system in each building or structure involved.*
- (3) Ground-fault protection of equipment has not been installed on the supply side of the feeder(s).*

If the grounded conductor is used for grounding in accordance with the provision of this exception, the size of the grounded conductor shall not be smaller than the larger of either of the following:

- (1) That required by 220.61*
- (2) That required by 250.122*

Exception No. 2: If system bonding jumpers are installed in accordance with 250.30(A)(1), Exception No. 2, the feeder grounded circuit conductor at the building or structure served shall be connected to the equipment grounding conductors, grounding electrode conductor, and the enclosure for the first disconnecting means.

250.32(B)(2) Supplied by Separately Derived System.

(a) *With Overcurrent Protection.* If overcurrent protection is provided where the conductors originate, the installation shall comply with 250.32(B)(1).

(b) *Without Overcurrent Protection.* If overcurrent protection is not provided where the conductors originate, the installation shall comply with 250.30(A). If installed, the supply-side bonding jumper shall be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s).

250.32(C) Ungrounded Systems.

250.32(C)(1) Supplied by a Feeder or Branch Circuit. An equipment grounding conductor, as described in 250.118, shall be installed with the supply conductors and be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s). The grounding electrode(s) shall also be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means.

250.32(C)(2) Supplied by Separately Derived System.

(a) *With Overcurrent Protection.* If overcurrent protection is provided where the conductors originate, the installation shall comply with 250.32(C)(1).

(b) *Without Overcurrent Protection.* If overcurrent protection is not provided where the conductors originate, the installation shall comply with 250.30(B). If installed, the supply-side

bonding jumper shall be connected to the building or structure disconnecting means and to the grounding electrode(s).

250.32(D) Disconnecting Means Located in Separate Building or Structure on the Same Premises. Where one or more disconnecting means supply one or more additional buildings or structures under single management, and where these disconnecting means are located remote from those buildings or structures in accordance with 225.32, Exception No. 1 and No. 2, 700.12(D)(5), 701.12(D)(5), or 702.12, all of the following conditions shall be met:

- (1) The connection of the grounded conductor to the grounding electrode, to normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment, or to the equipment grounding conductor at a separate building or structure shall not be made.
- (2) An equipment grounding conductor for grounding and bonding any normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment, interior metal piping systems, and building or structural metal frames is run with the circuit conductors to a separate building or structure and connected to existing grounding electrode(s) required in Part III of this article, or, where there are no existing electrodes, the grounding electrode(s) required in Part III of this article shall be installed where a separate building or structure is supplied by more than one branch circuit.
- (3) The connection between the equipment grounding conductor and the grounding electrode at a separate building or structure shall be made in a junction box, panelboard, or similar enclosure located immediately inside or outside the separate building or structure.

250.92 Services

250.97 Bonding for Over 250 Volts. For circuits of over 250 volts to ground, the electrical continuity of metal raceways and cables with metal sheaths that contain any conductor other than service conductors shall be ensured by one or more of the methods specified for services in 250.92(B), except for (B)(1). *Exception: Where oversized, concentric, or eccentric knockouts are not encountered, or where a box or enclosure with concentric or eccentric knockouts is listed to provide a reliable bonding connection, the following methods shall be permitted:*

- (1) *Threadless couplings and connectors for cables with metal sheaths*
- (2) *Two locknuts, on rigid metal conduit or intermediate metal conduit, one inside and one outside of boxes and cabinets*
- (3) *Fittings with shoulders that seat firmly against the box or cabinet, such as electrical metallic tubing connectors, flexible metal conduit connectors, and cable connectors, with one locknut on the inside of boxes and cabinets*
- (4) *Listed fittings*

250.92(A) Bonding of Equipment for Services. The normally non-current-carrying metal parts of equipment indicated in 250.92(A) (1) and (A)(2) shall be bonded together.

- (1) All raceways, cable trays, cablebus framework, auxiliary gutters, or service cable armor or sheath that enclose, contain, or support service conductors, except as permitted in 250.80
- (2) All enclosures containing service conductors, including meter fittings, boxes, or the like, interposed in the service raceway or armor

250.92(B) Method of Bonding at the Service. Bonding jumpers meeting the requirements of this article shall be used around impaired connections, such as reducing washers or oversized, concentric, or eccentric knockouts. Standard locknuts or

<p>bushings shall not be the only means for the bonding required by this section but shall be permitted to be installed to make a mechanical connection of the raceway(s).</p> <p>Electrical continuity at service equipment, service raceways, and service conductor enclosures shall be ensured by one of the following methods:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Bonding equipment to the grounded service conductor in a manner provided in 250.8 (2) Connections using threaded couplings or listed threaded hubs on enclosures if made up wrenchtight (3) Threadless couplings and connectors if made up tight for metal raceways and metal-clad cables (4) Other listed devices, such as bonding-type locknuts, bushings, or bushings with bonding jumpers 	
<p>250.94 Bonding for Communication Systems. Communications system bonding terminations shall be connected in accordance with 250.94(A) or (B).</p>	<p>250.94 Bonding for Communication Systems. Communications system bonding terminations shall be connected in accordance with 250.94(A) or (B).</p>
<p>250.94(A)(1)-(4), (6) The Intersystem Bonding Termination Device. An intersystem bonding termination (IBT) for connecting intersystem bonding conductors shall be provided external to enclosures at the service equipment or metering equipment enclosure and at the disconnecting means for any additional buildings or structures. If an IBT is used, it shall comply with the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Be accessible for connection and inspection. (2) Consist of a set of terminals with the capacity for connection of not less than three intersystem bonding conductors. (3) Not interfere with opening the enclosure for a service, building or structure disconnecting means, or metering equipment. (4) At the service equipment, be securely mounted and electrically connected to an enclosure for the service equipment, to the meter enclosure, or to an exposed nonflexible metallic service raceway, or be mounted at one of these enclosures and be connected to the enclosure or to the grounding electrode conductor with a minimum 6 AWG copper conductor. <p>(6) The terminals shall be listed as grounding and bonding equipment.</p> <p><i>Exception: In existing buildings or structures where any of the intersystem bonding and grounding electrode conductors required by 770.100(B)(2), 800.100(B)(2), 810.21(F)(2), 820.100, and 830.100 exist, installation of the intersystem bonding termination is not required. An accessible means external to enclosures for connecting intersystem bonding and grounding electrode conductors shall be permitted at the service equipment and at the disconnecting means for any additional buildings or structures by at least one of the following means:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Exposed nonflexible metallic raceways (2) An exposed grounding electrode conductor (3) Approved means for the external connection of a copper or other corrosion-resistant bonding or grounding electrode conductor to the grounded raceway or equipment 	<p>250.94(A)(1)-(3), (5), (6) The Intersystem Bonding Termination Device. An intersystem bonding termination (IBT) for connecting intersystem bonding conductors shall be provided external to enclosures at the service equipment or metering equipment enclosure and at the disconnecting means for any additional buildings or structures. If an IBT is used, it shall comply with the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Be accessible for connection and inspection. (2) Consist of a set of terminals with the capacity for connection of not less than three intersystem bonding conductors. (3) Not interfere with opening the enclosure for a service, building or structure disconnecting means, or metering equipment. (5) At the disconnecting means for a building or structure, be securely mounted and electrically connected to the metallic enclosure for the building or structure disconnecting means, or be mounted at the disconnecting means and be connected to the metallic enclosure or to the grounding electrode conductor with a minimum 6 AWG copper conductor. (6) The terminals shall be listed as grounding and bonding equipment. <p><i>Exception: In existing buildings or structures where any of the intersystem bonding and grounding electrode conductors required by 770.100(B)(2), 800.100(B)(2), 810.21(F)(2), 820.100, and 830.100 exist, installation of the intersystem bonding termination is not required. An accessible means external to enclosures for connecting intersystem bonding and grounding electrode conductors shall be permitted at the service equipment and at the disconnecting means for any additional buildings or structures by at least one of the following means:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Exposed nonflexible metallic raceways (2) An exposed grounding electrode conductor (3) Approved means for the external connection of a copper or other corrosion-resistant bonding or grounding electrode conductor to the grounded raceway or equipment
<p>250.80 Service Raceways and Enclosures. Metal enclosures and raceways for service conductors and equipment shall be connected to the grounded system conductor if the electrical system is grounded or to the grounding electrode conductor for electrical systems that are not grounded.</p> <p><i>Exception: Metal components that are installed in a run of underground nonmetallic raceway(s) and are isolated from</i></p>	<p>250.86 Other Conductor Enclosures and Raceways. Except as permitted by 250.112(I), metal enclosures and raceways for other than service conductors shall be connected to the equipment grounding conductor.</p> <p><i>Exception No. 1: Metal enclosures and raceways for conductors added to existing installations of open wire, knob-and-tube wiring, and nonmetallic-sheathed cable shall not be required to</i></p>

<p>possible contact by a minimum cover of 450 mm (18 in.) to all parts of the metal components shall not be required to be connected to the grounded system conductor, supply-side bonding jumper, or grounding electrode conductor.</p>	<p>be connected to the equipment grounding conductor where these enclosures or wiring methods comply with (1) through (4) as follows:</p> <p>(1) Do not provide an equipment ground (2) Are in runs of less than 7.5 m (25 ft) (3) Are free from probable contact with ground, grounded metal, metal lath, or other conductive material (4) Are guarded against contact by persons</p> <p>Exception No. 2: Short sections of metal enclosures or raceways used to provide support or protection of cable assemblies from physical damage shall not be required to be connected to the equipment grounding conductor.</p> <p>Exception No. 3: Metal components shall not be required to be connected to the equipment grounding conductor or supply-side bonding jumper where either of the following conditions exist:</p> <p>(1) The metal components are installed in a run of nonmetallic raceway(s) and isolated from possible contact by a minimum cover of 450 mm (18 in.) to any part of the metal components. (2) The metal components are part of an installation of non-metallic raceway(s) and are isolated from possible contact to any part of the metal components by being encased in not less than 50 mm (2 in.) of concrete.</p>
<p>250.84 Underground Service Cable and Raceway.</p>	
<p>250.84(A) Underground Service Cable. The sheath or armor of a continuous underground metal-sheathed or armored service cable system that is connected to the grounded system conductor on the supply side shall not be required to be connected to the grounded system conductor at the building or structure. The sheath or armor shall be permitted to be insulated from the interior metal raceway or piping.</p>	
<p>250.84(B) Underground Service Raceway Containing Cable. An underground metal service raceway that contains a metal sheathed or armored cable connected to the grounded system conductor shall not be required to be connected to the grounded system conductor at the building or structure. The sheath or armor shall be permitted to be insulated from the interior metal raceway or piping.</p>	
<p>Other Articles</p>	<p>Other Articles</p>
<p>220 Part III Feeder and Service Load Calculations.</p>	<p>220 Part III Feeder and Service Load Calculations.</p>
<p>220 Part IV Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations.</p>	<p>220 Part IV Optional Feeder and Service Load Calculations.</p>
<p>242.12 Type 1 SPDs. Type 1 SPDs shall be installed in accordance with 242.12(A) and (B).</p>	
<p>242.12(A) Installation. Type 1 SPDs shall be permitted to be connected in accordance with one of the following:</p> <p>(1) To the supply side of the service disconnect as permitted in 230.83(4) (2) As specified in 242.14</p>	
<p>242.12(B) At the Service. When installed at services, Type 1 SPDs shall be connected to one of the following:</p> <p>(1) Grounded service conductor (2) Grounding electrode conductor (3) Grounding electrode for the service (4) Equipment grounding terminal in the service equipment</p>	
<p>242.14 Type 2 SPDs. Type 2 SPDs shall be installed in accordance with 242.14(A) through (C).</p>	<p>242.14 Type 2 SPDs. Type 2 SPDs shall be installed in accordance with 242.14(A) through (C).</p>
<p>285.24(A) Service-Supplied Building or Structure. Type 2 SPDs shall be connected anywhere on the load side of a service disconnect overcurrent device required in 230.91 unless installed in accordance with 230.82(8).</p>	<p>242.14(B) Feeder-Supplied Building or Structure. Type 2 SPDs shall be connected at the building or structure anywhere on the load side of the first overcurrent device at the building or structure.</p>

	242.14(C) Separately Derived System. The SPD shall be connected on the load side of the first overcurrent device in a separately derived system.
240.21(D) Service Conductors. Service conductors shall be permitted to be protected by overcurrent in accordance with 230.91.	
240.40 Disconnecting Means for Fuses. Cartridge fuses in circuits of any voltage, and all fuses in circuits over 150 volts to ground, shall be provided with a disconnecting means on their supply side so that each circuit containing fuses can be independently disconnected from the source of power. A cable limiter without disconnecting means shall be permitted on the supply side of the disconnecting means as permitted by 230.82. A single disconnecting means shall be permitted the supply side of more than one set of fuses as permitted by 430.112, Exception, for group operation of motors, 424.22(C) for fixed electric space-heating equipment, and 425.22(C) for fixed resistance and electrode industrial process heating equipment, or where specifically permitted elsewhere in this <i>Code</i> .	
	240.21(B)(5) Outside Taps of Unlimited Length. Where the conductors are located outside of a building or structure, except at the point of load termination, and comply with all of the following conditions: (1) The tap conductors are protected from physical damage in an approved manner. (2) The tap conductors terminate at a single circuit breaker or a single set of fuses that limits the load to the ampacity of the tap conductors. This single overcurrent device shall be permitted to supply any number of additional overcurrent devices on its load side. (3) The overcurrent device for the tap conductors is an integral part of a disconnecting means or shall be located immediately adjacent thereto. (4) The disconnecting means for the tap conductors is installed at a readily accessible location complying with one of the following: a. Outside of a building or structure b. Inside, nearest the point of entrance of the tap conductors c. Where installed in accordance with 230.6, nearest the point of entrance of the tap conductors
	240.92 Location in Circuit. An overcurrent device shall be connected in each ungrounded circuit conductor as required in 240.92(A) through (E).
	240.92(A) Feeder and Branch-Circuit Conductors. Feeder and branch-circuit conductors shall be protected at the point the conductors receive their supply as permitted in 240.21 or as otherwise permitted in 240.92(B), (C), (D), or (E).
	240.92(B) Feeder Taps. For feeder taps specified in 240.21(B)(2), (B)(3), and (B)(4), the tap conductors shall be permitted to be sized in accordance with Table 240.92(B).
	240.92(C) Transformer Secondary Conductors of Separately Derived Systems. Conductors shall be permitted to be connected to a transformer secondary of a separately derived system, without overcurrent protection at the connection, where the conditions of 240.92(C)(1), (C)(2), and (C)(3) are met.
	240.91(D) Outside Feeder Taps. Outside conductors shall be permitted to be tapped to a feeder or to be connected to a

transformer secondary, without overcurrent protection at the tap or connection, where all the following conditions are met:

- (1) The conductors are protected from physical damage in an approved manner.
- (2) The sum of the overcurrent devices at the conductor termination limits the load to the conductor ampacity. The overcurrent devices shall consist of not more than six circuit breakers or sets of fuses mounted in a single enclosure, in a group of separate enclosures, or in or on a switchboard or switchgear. There shall be no more than six overcurrent devices grouped in any one location.
- (3) The tap conductors are installed outdoors of a building or structure except at the point of load termination.
- (4) The overcurrent device for the conductors is an integral part of a disconnecting means or is located immediately adjacent thereto.
- (5) The disconnecting means for the conductors are installed at a readily accessible location complying with one of the following:
 - a. Outside of a building or structure
 - b. Inside, nearest the point of entrance of the conductors
 - c. Where installed in accordance with 230.6, nearest the point of entrance of the conductors