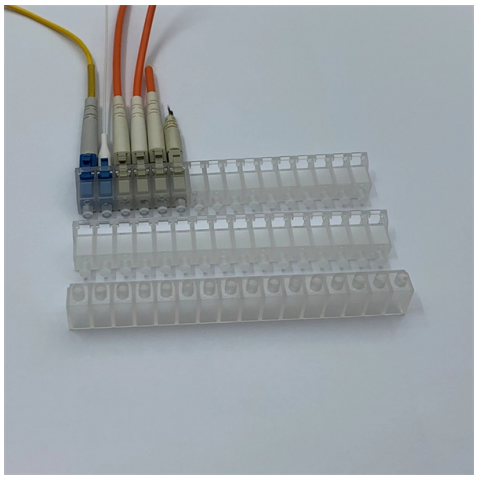
Angle steel base of the distribution box



Overview

For most steel buildings the reversible serviceability limit states apply, although the irreversible situation may apply to cracking in concrete and steel composite structures.

Key Takeaways

The angle steel base of a distribution box provides structural support, ensures level installation, and distributes the load to the foundation while preventing corrosion.

Purpose and Function

The angle steel base serves as the primary support frame for a distribution box, whether surface-mounted or flush-mounted. It ensures that the box remains level, stable, and properly aligned, and it distributes the weight of the box and its internal components evenly to the foundation or mounting surface. For outdoor installations, the base also helps maintain clearance from the ground to prevent water ingress and corrosion.

Material and Fabrication

Typically fabricated from mild steel (ASTM A36) or higher-strength steel like ASTM A572 Grade 50 for heavier loads. The steel angles are cut and welded to form a rectangular frame matching the dimensions of the distribution box. For outdoor use, the steel should be galvanized or painted to prevent rust.

Reinforcement channels may be added to increase rigidity, especially for larger boxes or those with heavy internal components.

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Installation Guidelines

Positioning: Place the angle steel base according to the construction drawings, ensuring it aligns with the intended location of the distribution box. Leveling: Use a spirit level to check that the base is perfectly horizontal. Adjust with shims or leveling screws if necessary.

Anchoring: Secure the base to the foundation using metal expansion bolts or anchor bolts. Drill vertical holes matching the bolt sleeves for a snug fit. Mounting the Box: Once the base is fixed, place the distribution box on top, ensuring verticality and proper alignment.

Fill any gaps with cement mortar for flush-mounted installations. Electrical Considerations: Ensure that the base allows for proper clearance for cable glands, bus bars, and earthing points, conforming to IP-55 protection standards for outdoor boxes.

Maintenance and Safety

Inspect the base periodically for corrosion or loosening of bolts. Ensure that the base maintains structural integrity to prevent tilting or stress on the distribution box. For outdoor installations, maintain the protective coating and check for water accumulation around the base.

By following these guidelines, the angle steel base will provide a durable, stable, and safe foundation for distribution boxes in both industrial and residential applications.

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