

How to paint a high-voltage distribution box



Article Overview

High-voltage distribution boxes are painted using specialized surface preparation and protective coating methods, often including flow-coating for uniform coverage, while adhering to strict safety and regulatory standards.

Surface Preparation

Before painting, the equipment must be thoroughly cleaned to remove dirt, oil, chalk, rust, and any loose or flaking paint. This is typically done using pressure washers, grinders, or sandblasting to expose bare metal surfaces . Rusted areas are often treated with an epoxy pre-prime to prevent corrosion. Insulators, gauges, fans, and other sensitive components are masked or removed to avoid overspray and ensure proper functionality .

Painting Methods

For high-voltage equipment with radiator fins or complex surfaces, flow-coating is the preferred method. In this process, a containment system surrounds the equipment to control paint flow and recirculate excess paint. Paint is thinned with mineral spirits to allow it to flow evenly down surfaces, ensuring complete coverage without thick buildup . A prime coat is applied first to promote adhesion and corrosion resistance, followed by a poly-silicone or enamel topcoat for durability, weather protection, and reflective properties that help maintain cooler operating temperatures . For simpler flat surfaces, conventional spray or brush application may be used, but care must be taken to maintain even coverage and avoid compromising electrical safety .

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