

There is an electrical distribution box on the corner wall



Article Overview

An electrical distribution box can be located on a corner wall if it meets clearance, accessibility, and code requirements.

Location and Accessibility

Electrical panels, also known as distribution boxes or breaker boxes, are typically installed in basements, garages, utility rooms, or mounted outside near the electrical meter. If the box is on a corner wall, it is acceptable as long as it remains easily accessible and does not obstruct pathways or doors. For outdoor installations, utility providers like ESB Networks require the meter cabinet to be within 2 meters of a corner wall facing the driveway and directly accessible from the main entrance.

Clearance Requirements

The National Electrical Code (NEC) specifies minimum clearance around electrical panels to ensure safe operation and maintenance:

- Width: At least 30 inches wide, or the width of the panel, whichever is greater. The panel does not need to be centered; it can be offset on the wall.
- Front workspace: Minimum of 36 inches if facing a non-electrical wall, 42 inches if facing a grounded surface, and 48 inches if facing another panel or electrical equipment.
- Height: The center grip handle of the highest breaker should not exceed 6 feet 7 inches, and panels are typically installed at least 4 feet off the ground.

Article Content

Distribution Boards

Distribution boards, often referred to as electrical panels or breaker boxes, serve as the nerve center of any electrical system. Here

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Section 210.11 (C)(4) – Add a new Informational Note to Section 210.11(C)(4) to read as follows: Informational Note: See Residential

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Electrical panels mount in interior walls or hang on basement walls. However, they might require horizontal clearance, preventing

Positioning Switches & Receptacles On A Wall

The National Electrical Code specifies that you must have an electrical outlet (receptacle) within 6 feet of the corner of any wall and

National Electrical Code (NEC) Requirements for Panelboards

The National Electrical Code (NEC) provides comprehensive safety standards for electrical installations, including requirements for

Electrical Code

Determination is required for electrical code variance / special permission request. Requests must demonstrate practical difficulty

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