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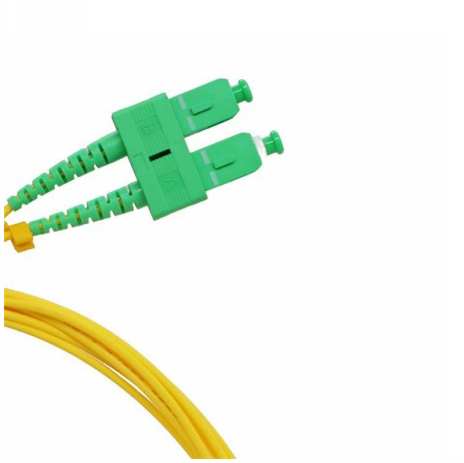

Overview

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Key Takeaways

Gaskets for primary distribution boxes are typically seamless, elastic, and designed to meet UL, NEMA, and IEC standards for dust and water ingress protection.Gasket Type and Material

Primary distribution boxes generally use seamless foam gaskets applied via FIPFG (Formed-In-Place Foam Gasket) technology, which ensures a continuous seal without cut edges, reducing the risk of leaks and contamination . Common materials include two-component polyurethane foams and silicone foams, which provide elasticity, UV resistance, and long-term durability . These materials adhere well to powder-coated, plastic, or stainless steel surfaces, often with surface pretreatment like plasma or primer to enhance adhesion .

Standards and Ratings

Gaskets must comply with relevant enclosure standards to ensure safety and environmental protection:

• NEMA Ratings: Types 3, 4, 4X, 6, and 6P are common for outdoor applications, while Types 12 and 13 are typical for indoor use .

• UL Standards: UL-50E (electrical enclosures), UL-508 (industrial control equipment), and UL-1572 (HID lighting fixtures) are commonly referenced .

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• IEC 60529: Defines IP codes for ingress protection, specifying resistance to dust and water . The gasket design directly affects the enclosure's ability to maintain these ratings, and improper sealing can compromise certification and equipment safety .
Design Considerations

Key factors in gasket specification include:

• Seamless Application: Ensures no cut edges, preventing dust or moisture ingress .

• Compression and Elasticity: Gaskets must maintain a tight seal under repeated opening and closing of doors or panels .

• Environmental Resistance: Materials should resist UV radiation, corrosion, and temperature variations .

• Customization: Gasket contours can be tailored to the specific box design using automated CNC-controlled dosing systems for precision .
Installation and Maintenance
• Gaskets are typically applied during manufacturing using automated dosing machines for consistent thickness and coverage .

• No intermediate storage or long curing lines are required due to fast-curing formulations .

• Proper adhesion and foam stability are critical to prevent detachment or leaks over time . By selecting certified materials and seamless application methods, engineers ensure that primary distribution boxes remain protected against dust, moisture, and environmental hazards, maintaining both safety and operational reliability.

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