

Is it safe to use an outdoor power supply





Overview

Do I need a GFCI outlet if I run power outside?

When running power outside, a GFCI-equipped outlet is required by code in all areas exposed to moisture, such as the outdoors, and ensures safety. When adding an outdoor outlet, be sure to choose an outdoor-rated, weatherproof model with built-in, high-sensitivity GFCI.

Is a permanent power outlet necessary?

For lighting, lawn tools used on a regular basis, or power needs for outbuildings, you need a permanent power solution for safety. This can involve an outdoor outlet addition to your home's main structure, or wiring run remotely to an outbuilding.

How do I choose an outdoor outlet?

When choosing an outdoor outlet, be sure to select an outdoor-rated and weatherproof model with built-in, high-sensitivity GFCI. All exterior outlets should have spring-loaded covers to protect them from weather, pests, and most importantly, moisture.

How do I protect my outdoor extension cord?

Another way to protect your outdoor extension cord is to ensure the outlet outside your home is safe to use. We highly recommend using a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlet for outdoor use. These safety outlets provide an extra layer of protection against electrical shocks and short circuits, especially in damp or wet areas.

How do I install an outdoor outlet?

To install an outdoor outlet, find a conveniently located indoor outlet to connect to with the wiring. Drill a hole through the house wall and feed the wiring in close to the indoor outlet. Then, fit the mounting box for the outdoor outlet over that hole.



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