

How to install the pigtail on the terminal box



Article Overview

To install a pigtail into a terminal box, twist the pigtail with the circuit wires, secure it with a wire connector, and attach the free end to the device terminal.

Step-by-Step Installation

1. Turn Off Power: Before starting, shut off the circuit at the breaker and verify that the wires are de-energized using a non-contact voltage tester to ensure safety . 2. Prepare the Wires: Strip approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ inch of insulation from the ends of the pigtail and the circuit wires. Ensure the pigtail wire is the same gauge and material as the existing wiring to handle the current safely . 3. Twist Wires Together: Combine the pigtail with the circuit wires (hot, neutral, or ground) and twist them together using linesman pliers. This creates a secure mechanical bond . 4. Secure with a Wire Connector: Place a wire nut or push-in connector over the twisted wires and tighten until snug. Tug gently to confirm the connection is secure . 5. Attach to Device Terminal: Loop the free end of the pigtail around the device's screw terminal in a clockwise direction and tighten the screw firmly. For outlets or switches, slightly loosen the terminal screw before attaching the wire . 6. Grounding Considerations:

- For metal boxes, attach the ground pigtail to the box using a green grounding screw or clip, and connect it to the device's ground terminal .



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A pigtail in electrical wiring is a short length of conductor used to transition from a bundle of multiple circuit wires to a single

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Of course the line/load are pigtailed in other j-boxes (e.g. lighting fixtures and switches) since they don't have two screw terminals.

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