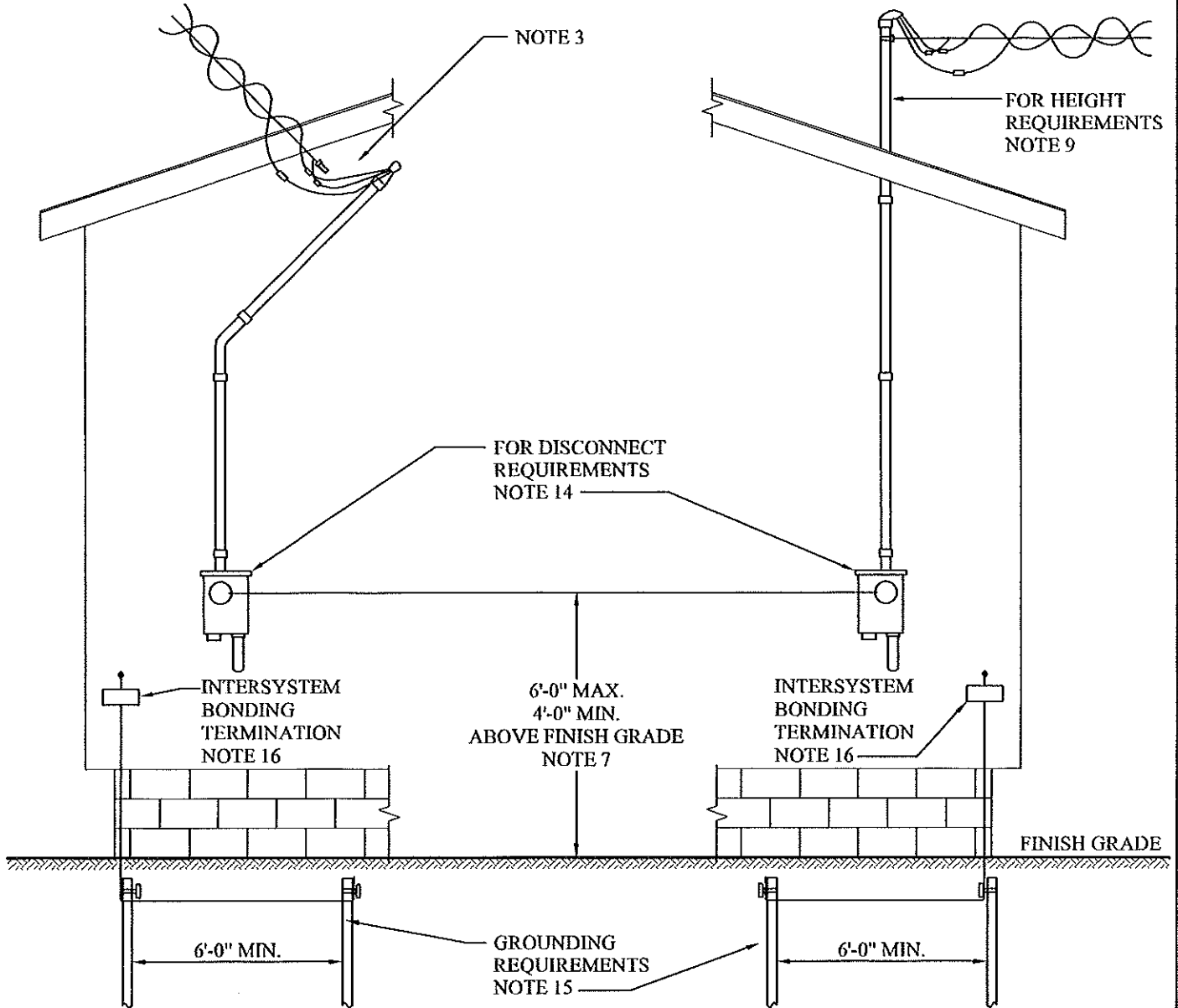


Installation Requirements For Typical 320 Amp Or Less Overhead Service

ENTRANCE CABLE ONLY INSTALLATION

PIPE MAST INSTALLATION



NOTES:

1. Call Appalachian Power to have meter base location approved.
2. The attachment point shall be at a height to provide the following minimum clearances:

Nature of Area	Vertical Clearance for Service Drop
Public roads, streets, parking lots & their areas subject to truck traffic	18'
Driveways	16'
Pedestrian areas, including decks, porches & sidewalks	12'

* See back for additional requirements



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3. Wall shall be capable of properly supporting meter base in addition to service entrance cable and/or pipe mast. For entrance cable installations and pipe mast installations below the roof, a wire holder for the service drop shall be properly secured to the building framing.
4. Meter base shall be installed outside the building wall nearest to APCO service facilities or at a location designated by an APCO representative. Maintain the meter location such that it is out of the way of pedestrian and vehicular traffic and is easily accessible without damage to property or risk of personal injury.
5. The entrance cable or pipe mast must be strapped within 12 inches of the top of the meter base and within 12 inches of the top of the cable or pipe mast. Maximum distance between straps shall not be greater than 30 inches. If entrance cable installation, a manufactured weatherproof hub connector is required.
6. Inhibitor compound shall be used on all aluminum wire terminations.
7. Install meter base such that the center of the meter base is not less than 4 feet and no more than 6 feet above finished grade.
8. Jacketed SEU Entrance Cable shall be used for non-pipe mast installations. For pipe mast installations non-jacketed insulated conductors as well as jacketed SEU Entrance Cable may be used. Single-rated USE cable is not acceptable.
9. For extensions above roof, pipe mast shall be galvanized rigid conduit or IMC. Minimum sizes are 2 inch for 100 and 200 amps and 3 inch for 320 amps. Above roof, the minimum attachment point is 18 inches and the maximum is 36 inches. Maximum height for mast above the roof is 42 inches.
10. For mast installations, the upper 10 feet of conduit shall be without coupling. If coupling is required for additional height, place coupling below roof. Conduit straps shall be installed above and below coupling.
11. Service shall not cross swimming pool.
12. There must be a minimum horizontal clearance for service conductors of 3 feet from windows, doors, porches or similar locations.
13. Provide a minimum of 2 feet additional entrance conductor beyond the point of attachment or the weatherhead.
14. Outside disconnects shall be required if the entrance cable is greater than 6 feet in length once it penetrates the exterior wall. The 6 feet is considered to be a guideline, however, the interior cable length should not exceed guideline by an unreasonable amount. If disconnect is installed, four (4) wire entrance conductors shall be installed between disconnect and main panel.
15. Ground wire conductors shall not pass through or be connected within the meter base. Ground rods and ground connections shall be 6 inches below final grade. A total of two (2) 5/8 inch X 8 foot copper clad ground rods and UL approved clamps shall be utilized. On new installations, the ground conductor shall be continuous from the service panel or disconnect through the first ground rod and to the second ground rod. For existing services, the second ground rod can be added without replacing the original ground conductor as long as it is properly connected and bonded to the first ground rod. There shall be a minimum distance of 6 feet between ground rods and #4 copper is the minimum ground wire size.
16. On new installations and existing installations where alterations are made, an intersystem bonding termination shall be provided externally to enclosures at the service equipment. The grounding conductor shall be continuous through the intersystem bonding termination. A meter box ground clamp is not permitted.

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