

NEC 705 - Interconnected Electric Power Production Sources

705.12 Point of Connection. The output of an interconnected electric power source shall be connected as specified in 705.12(A) or (B).

(A) Supply Side. An electric power production source shall be permitted to be connected to the supply side of the service disconnecting means as permitted in 230.82(6). The sum of the ratings of all overcurrent devices connected to power production sources shall not exceed the rating of the service.

NEC 230.82(6)



230.82 Equipment Connected to the Supply Side of Service Disconnect. Only the following equipment shall be permitted to be connected to the supply side of the service disconnecting means:

(6) Solar photovoltaic systems, fuel cell systems, wind electric systems, energy storage systems, or interconnected electric power production sources.

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Connection Details



230.46 Spliced Conductors. Service-entrance conductors shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped in accordance with 110.14, 300.5(E), 300.13, and 300.15.

110.14 – Listed Connectors

300.5(E) - Direct Buried Splice

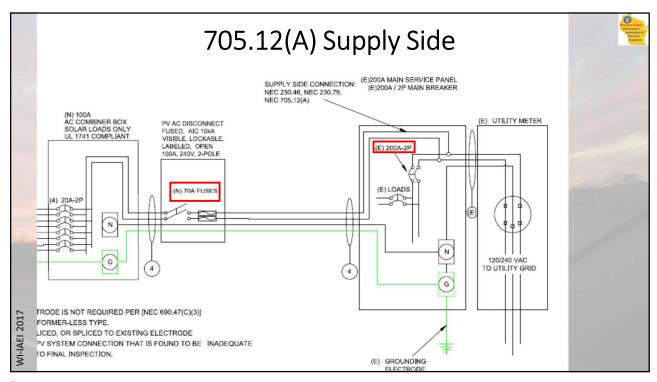
300.13 - No Tap in Raceway

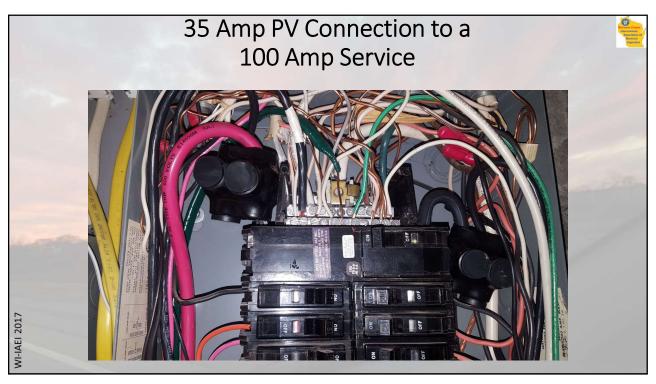
300.15 - Within a Box, Cabinet, Enclosure...

230.79 – Proper Rating of Service Disconnecting Means 705.12(A) - Interconnected Electric Power Production

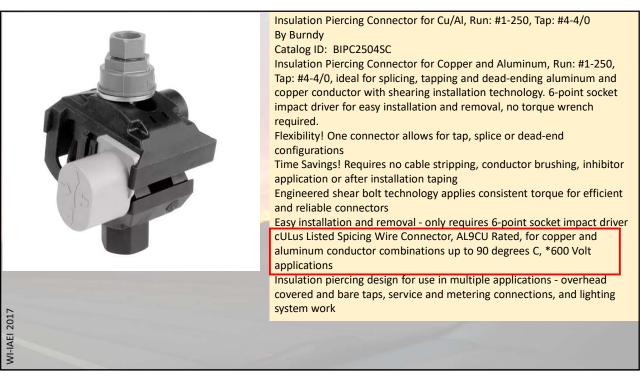
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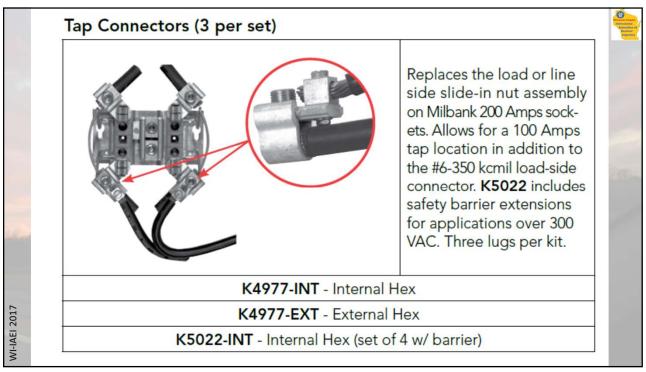


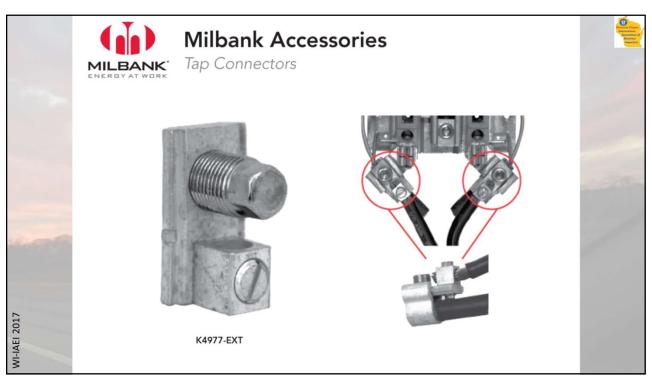
Another Option?

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Meter Mounting Equipment

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Specifications

- #6-350 kcmil connectors with 100 Amps #12-1/0 tap.
- Replaces the existing slide-in nut assembly on Milbank 200 Amps sockets and allows for up to 100 Amps tap connection in addition to the #6-350 kcmil connectors.
- Connectors designed for either line-side or load-side installation.
- · Available with both internal and external hex set screws.
- · Ideal for line-side connection when incorporating renewable energy net metering that utilizes two meters.
- Also perfect for load-side 100 Amps feeds to outdoor lighting, water well pumps, hot tubs, outbuildings, whole house surge suppressors and swimming pools.
- Contact Milbank for additional applications and details.

Tap Connectors

Catalog Number	Description	VAC	
K4977-INT	Set of 3 tap connectors with internal hex set screw	Under 300	
K4977-EXT	Set of 3 tap connectors with external hex set screw	Under 300	
K5022-INT	Set of 3 tap connectors with internal hex set screw	Over 300	
K5022-EXT	Set of 3 tap connectors with internal hex set screw	Over 300	

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Tap Connectors (3 per set)



Replaces the load or line side slide-in nut assembly on Milbank 200 Amps sockets. Allows for a 100 Amps tap location in addition to

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VAC. Three lugs per kit.

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K4977-INT - Internal Hex

K4977-EXT - External Hex

K5022-INT - Internal Hex (set of 4 w/ barrier)



Why not Just Use a 35 Amp Breaker in the 100 Amp Main Panel?



(B) Load Side. The output of an interconnected electric power source shall be permitted to be connected to the load side of the service disconnecting means of the other source(s) at any distribution equipment on the premises. Where distribution equipment, including switchgear, switchboards, or panelboards, is fed simultaneously by a primary source(s) of electricity and one or more other power source(s), and where this distribution equipment is capable of supplying multiple branch circuits or feeders, or both, the interconnecting provisions for other power sources shall comply with 705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5).

705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5)



(1) Dedicated Overcurrent and Disconnect. Each source interconnection of one or more power sources installed in one system shall be made at a dedicated circuit breaker or fusible disconnecting means.

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705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5)



(2) Bus or Conductor Ampere Rating.

One hundred twenty five percent of the power source output circuit current shall be used in ampacity calculations for the following:

- (1) Feeders. Where the power source output connection is made to a feeder at a location other than the opposite end of the feeder from the primary source overcurrent device, that portion of the feeder on the load side of the power source output connection shall be protected by one of the following:
- a. The feeder ampacity shall be not less than the sum of the primary source overcurrent device and 125 percent of the power source output circuit current.
- b. An overcurrent device on the load side of the power source connection shall be rated not greater than the ampacity of the feeder.
- (2) Taps. In systems where power source output connections are made at feeders, any taps shall be sized based on the sum of 125 percent of the power source(s) output circuit current and the rating of the overcurrent device protecting the feeder conductors as calculated in 240.21(B).

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705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5)



(2)(3) Busbars. One of the methods that follows shall be used to determine the ratings of busbars in panelboards.

(a) The sum of 125 percent of the power source(s) output circuit current and the rating of the overcurrent device protecting the busbar shall not exceed the ampacity of the busbar.

Informational Note: This general rule assumes no limitation in the number of the loads or sources applied to busbars or their locations.

Busbar Rating = Main OCPD of Panel + 125% of PV Output Circuit Current

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This Would Require The Busbar To Be Rated To Handle Both Loads



Example:

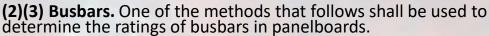
100 Amp Main Breaker for House Service 35 Amp PV Breaker

Requires a minimum 135 Amp busbar (150 Amp Panelboard?)

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Under this scenario, there is no requirement for breaker location within the panelboard

705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5)



(b) Where two sources, one a primary power source and the other another power source, are located at opposite ends of a busbar that contains loads, the sum of 125 percent of the power source(s) output circuit current and the rating of the overcurrent device protecting the busbar shall not exceed 120 percent of the ampacity of the busbar. The busbar shall be sized for the loads connected in accordance with Article 220. A permanent warning label shall be applied to the distribution equipment adjacent to the back-fed breaker from the power source that displays the following or equivalent wording:

WARNING:

POWER SOURCE OUTPUT CONNECTION —
DO NOT RELOCATE THIS OVERCURRENT DEVICE.

The warning sign(s) or label(s) shall comply with 110.21(B).

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705.12(B)(1) through (B)(5)



(2)(3) Busbars. One of the methods that follows shall be used to determine the ratings of busbars in panelboards.

(b) Examples –

200 Amp Busbar x 1.2 = 240 Amps

200 Amp Main + 40 Amp PV at opposite end of panel 175 Amp Main + 65 Amp PV at opposite end of panel – Calculated load cannot exceed 175 Amp

225 Amp Busbar x 1.2 = 270 Amps

100 Amp Busbar x 1.2 = 120 Amps

100 Amp Main + 20 Amp PV at opposite end of panel

125 Amp Busbar x 1.2 = 150 Amps

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		Manage Company International Confession of C					
SIDE: 240V Single-Phase	Service	Busbar	Main Service Breaker	Maximum Inverter Supply Breaker	Maximum Inverter Output Circuit Current	Approximate Maximum Inverter Power	
	240 V Single	100 A	100 A	20 A	16 A*	3,840 W	- de-
	240 V Single	125 A	100 A	50 A	40 A*	9,600 W	
	240 V Single	200 A	200 A	40 A	32 A*	7,680 W	
D17	240 V Single	400 A	400 A	80 A	64 A*	15,360 W	
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Reason For This Requirement



In a fault condition, not implementing these requirements would risk an inrush that the busbar may not be able to adequately withstand.

Through testing, this method has proven to be acceptable.

Otherwise:

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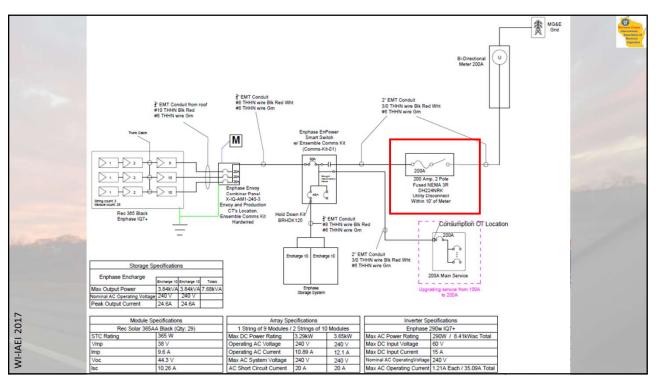


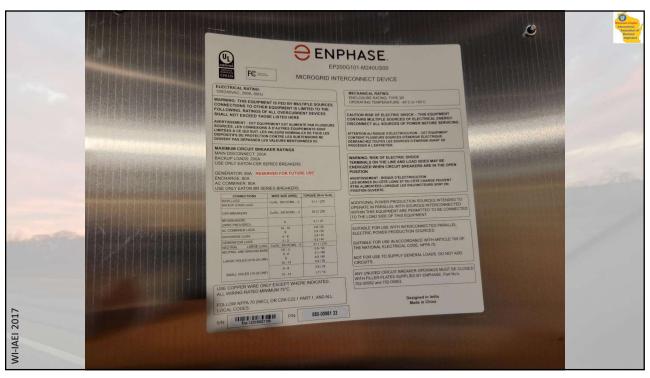
NEC 705.23 Interactive System Disconnecting Means

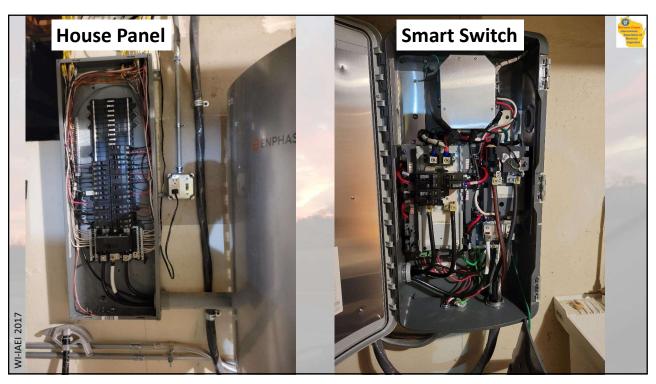
A readily accessible means shall be provided to disconnect the interactive system from all wiring systems including power systems, energy storage systems, and utilization equipment and its associated premises wiring.

Note: There is no requirement that this disconnect needs to be installed outdoors.

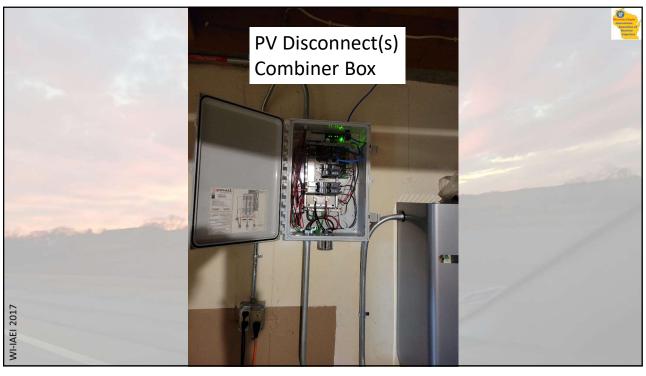
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Future Concerns?



2020 NEC

230.46 Spliced and Tapped Conductors. Service-entrance conductors shall be permitted to be spliced or tapped in accordance with 110.14, 300.5(E), 300.13, and 300.15. Power distribution blocks, pressure connectors, and devices for splices and taps shall be listed. Power distribution blocks installed on service conductors shall be marked "suitable for use on the line side of the service equipment" or equivalent.

Effective January 1, 2023, pressure connectors and devices for splices and taps installed on service conductors shall be marked "suitable for use on the line side of the service equipment" or equivalent

2023 NEC (Proposed)

Sunset clause disappears and becomes Code

No apparent requirement that the disconnect for the "Microgrid" system needs to be outdoors.

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Current State Requirements For Inspections



Governor Evers Executive Order Allowing Affidavits for Electrical Service Connections Was Declared Unconstitutional.

All Commercial Electrical Services Are Required To Be Inspected By A Local Inspector, Inspection Agency or a State Electrical Inspector. Affidavits Are Not Allowed By State Law

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State Electrical Code



SPS 316.230 Services. (1) Number of services. (a) This is a department informational note to be used under 2011 and 2017 NEC 230.2 (intro.): Note: It is recommended that the electric utility or cooperative supplying electric current be contacted prior to service equipment installations for any special requirements.

