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OUTDOOR METER READING FACILITIES

Standard cupboards, conforming to Electricity North West's specification are available for purchase by Builders, Developers and Local Authorities.

Fitting of an outdoor meter cupboard provides a number of benefits to both the builder and the occupier:-

SPACE SAVING WITHIN THE PREMISES

SERVICE EQUIPMENT OUT OF SIGHT

METERS CAN BE READ WITHOUT INCONVENIENCE



The cupboard, which is installed as shown in the diagram, is constructed of noncorrosive materials. The box is white in colour but may be painted by the builder if required. (A surface mounted cupboard for use in buildings without a cavity is also available).



In general your Supplier will require you to install a small outdoor meter cupboard, 535mm High x 365mm Width x 150mm Depth (in brickwork), for fixing by the builder in accordance with Electricity North West's requirements.

This cupboard is designed to house a Electricity North West service cut-out and Meter-Operator-provided meter, time controller and disconnector as illustrated in Electrolink No 4.

Larger size cupboards may be installed where it is necessary to accommodate additional metering or control equipment as specified by your Supplier.

Medium cupboard	600mm High x 400mm Wide x 150mm Depth
Large cupboard	675mm High x 485mm Wide x 150mm Depth

If a builder wishes to provide and fit an alternative cupboard it must be to a design and construction approved by Electricity North West.

INSTALLATION

General arrangements for the installation of outdoor meter reading cupboards are given in this Electrolink. See the accompanying drawing No A3-018/02/E.

The agreed location should allow easy access for meter reading and should not be restricted by any construction of fences, garages, etc.

Your Supplier may not install prepayment meters and card meters in an outdoor meter cupboard. Adequate space should be available adjacent to the meter cupboard, on an internal wall, for possible future installation of a prepayment meter or card meter and medium sized meter board, size 575mm x 375mm.

The layout of the meter board that will fit in the standard cupboard is described in Electrolink N° 4, "Meter Board Arrangements for New Single-Phase Domestic Supply up to 20kVA."

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- Electrolink N° 2 Estimation of Prospective Short Circuit Current.
- Electrolink N° 3 Temporary Electricity Connections for Construction Sites up to 20/60kVA.
- Electrolink N° 4 Meter Board Arrangements for New Single-Phase Domestic Supply up to 20kVA.
- Electrolink N° 6 Interference with Supply to Other Customers.
- Electrolink N° 7 Computers and Mains Electricity Supply.
- Electrolink N° 8 Temporary Electricity Connections for Construction Sites 60kVA to 300kVA

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STANDARD EXTERNAL HOCKEY STICK VIEWING CABINET INSTALLATION GUIDE



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