# BRYANT® SAFETY EVALUATION

A step-by-step checklist to help identify potential problems. From Bryant, the wiring device experts.



## **BRYANT<sup>®</sup> Wiring Device Safety** Evaluation Checklist

The Bryant wiring device safety evaluation checklist is an excellent tool to add value by working with your customer to ensure a safe workplace. Additionally, it enables you to give evidence to its promise to "deliver solutions".

Wiring devices are crafted to perform specific functions within the electrical and physical limitations of their design. Normal wear, misapplication, abusive ambient conditions or extraordinary demands on the product can alter both form and function of these devices. Under extreme circumstances, wiring devices may cause hazardous or unsafe conditions. It is essential, therefore, that routine inspection of all wiring devices be performed to identify and correct such circumstances. Particular care should be taken when inspecting inoperative products or where it appears that incompatible configurations have been modified or forced to mate. *It is always recommended that a qualified electrician perform all electrical work.* 

Unsafe conditions or product misapplications can cause personal injury, damage to equipment and work inefficiency. Identifying and rectifying hazardous and dangerous situations can improve worker morale, protect equipment and save lives.

#### The Evaluation Process:

- The Bryant safety evaluation process specifies how and where to look for unsafe conditions and / or product applications.
- The Bryant safety evaluation checklist provides product options that will correct the misapplication of product(s) or upgrade an existing application, or
- The Bryant safety evaluation will suggest the replacement of an outdated design with the newest available technology.

#### What Products Are Included?

The safety checklist covers the most popular product categories found in typical industrial work environments:

- Switches
- Plugs / Connector Bodies
- Receptacles
- Ground Faults

- U Wire Management
- Lock Out Tag Out
- □ Safety Enclosures
- □ High Amperage Products

#### **Inspection Criteria**

Although the checklist does not address every circumstance or situation, it is a practical guide for conducting a rudimentary safety inspection. Examination parameters include type of product, product style, product usage specifications, application demands (e.g. strain relief, amperage, etc.), workplace conditions (e.g. harsh or hazardous, abusive, etc.). The questions provided in each product section are minimal and may not be complete, particularly if extraordinary conditions indicate that closer evaluation may be required.

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SWITCHES			YES	NO	
Is the wall plate properly se	ecured and in good condition?				
Is the switch firmly fastene	d to the box or enclosure?				
<ul> <li>Do you perform maintenan</li> </ul>	ce on equipment activated by toggle s	witches?			
<ul> <li>Do you need to identify on,</li> </ul>	off status of circuits in remote location	s?			PRO SHI
•	at require quick location of switches?				
<ul> <li>Are cranes and hoists in us</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Is the switch used for on/o</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>If "yes", is it properly rate</li> </ul>		2			
<ul> <li>Do you need to discourage</li> </ul>	e or prevent unauthorized equipment us	se?			
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PRODUCT OPTIONS (Che	eck off the product categories that categories the categories that categories	an best upgrade	the ins	tallation)	
Tech-Spec 401 Series	Lockable Attachment Covers	Locking S	witches		
Commercial Grade	Motion Switches	Stainless S	Steel/Nyl	on Plates	
Pendant Stations	Manual Motor Controllers	Weatherpr	oof Plate	es	
Switch-Lockout	Pilot Light Switches	Lighted Sv	vitches		
Other					
WIRE MANAGEMENT			YES	NO	
Is strain relief used on all c		•			$\cap$
	re support (bus drops, drop cords, etc.)	?			
• Are wires/cables ever pulle	•				
	equired close to "hot" equipment?				
<ul> <li>Is the application area a co</li> </ul>	prosive environment?				SHAMA
PRODUCT OPTIONS (Che	eck off the product categories that c	an best upgrade	the ins	tallation)	
Pulling Grips	Support Grips	Strain Reli			
Stainless Steel Grips	Other				E.
Comments					

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#### PLUG/CONNECTOR 15/20 AMPERE STYLE OF DEVICE IN USE:

Straight Blade

Locking

Power Interrupting

Pin & Sleeve

Is the outer jacket of the cable free of cracks and completely inside of the housing?	
Does the cable appear loose in the cord grip?	
Is the cable within the working diameter of the cord grip?	
• Are the devices non-grounding or non-NEMA?	
Do any devices run warm or hot to the touch?	
<ul> <li>Are the devices used in a wet/corrosive environmental area intended for the purpose?</li> </ul>	
Is strain relief used on plug/connector, pendants and cord drops?	

- Is visibility of the device a concern?
- Would transparent housings for critical connections be desirable?
- Are devices fully and securely mated?
- Is the plug and/or connector housing or enclosure free of cracks or chips?
- Are plug blades bent, twisted or distorted?
- When you replace devices, do you replace the mating device as well?
- Have angle plugs been considered to reduce trip hazard?

#### **PRODUCT OPTIONS** (Check off the product categories that can best upgrade the installation)

- 🗋 Cobra
- Locking
- Elastomeric
- Corrosion Resistant
- Power Interrupting Locking
- Transparent Devices

Manual Reset GFCI Line Cords
Plug & Connector Strain Relief
Other

#### **Comments**

LOCK-OUT/TAG-OUT			YES	NO
• Is there a Lock-Out/Tag-Out p	rocedure for electrical plugs/switches?			
• Current method used:	ag Out 🔲 Lock-Out			
• Awareness of changes in OSH	IA regulations?			
<b>PRODUCT OPTIONS</b> (Check	off the product categories that can b	est u	pgrade the inst	allation)
Plug-Out	Motor Starting Switch Enclosures		Switched Safety	/ Enclosures
Switch Lock-Out	CS Style 50A Locking Plugs		Other	
Comments				

#### RECEPTACLES - 15/20 AMPERE STYLE OF DEVICE IN USE:

Locking

Straight Blade

<ul> <li>Is the wall plate intact?</li> </ul>	
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•	ls the	receptacle	face	broken	or	cracked?
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- Is the receptacle firmly mounted?
- Is the receptacle properly protected in a wet/corrosive area?
- Is the device used to power electronic equipment?
- Is the receptacle grade adequate for the application's abuse levels?
- Are receptacles installed in dimly lit areas?
- Is there a recently updated written specification?
- Has the ground pin retention level been checked recently?

#### **PRODUCT OPTIONS** (Check off the product categories that can best upgrade the installation)

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#### U Weatherproof Plates

□ Isolated Ground

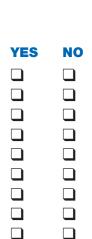
Surge Protection

Nylon Plates

- Locking
- Commercial Grade
- Stainless Steel Plates

#### Comments

SAFETY ENCLOSURES SYS STYLE OF DEVICE IN USE: NEMA 3R (Raintight) NEMA 4X (Hose-directed wa Is it a concern if your employe Are installed products rated for	NEMA 4 (Hose-d ater, corrosive) ees make or break eq	Other uipment under lo	ad?	YES	NO L	Construction of the second sec	
Are there any wash-down area							
• Are corrosive-resistant enclos	ures being utilized wh	nere needed?					
Does your disconnect equipm	ent have Lock-Out/Ta	ag-Out capability	?				
PRODUCT OPTIONS (Check	off the product cate	egories that can	best upgrade	the inst	allatio	n)	
Mechanical Interlock	Unfused Interlock	k	Unfused Dis	sconnec	t		
Motor Starting Switch	Enclosures NEM	A Type 1 and 3R	Other				
Comments							



Illuminated Devices

Corrosion Resistant

Ground Fault

Other



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GROUND FAULT PRO	DTECTION				YES	NO		
Where are GFCI produ	ucts currently	y being used?					BRYANT	
<ul> <li>Bathrooms</li> </ul>							11 2	
<ul> <li>Outside Outlets</li> </ul>								
<ul> <li>Water coolers</li> </ul>								
Laboratories							RM- RATE OF	
Kitchens								
Wash-down areas								Carrow
Other     Are CECL products up	od on nortak	ala taala?						
Are GFCI products use					_	—		Ţ
PRODUCT OPTIONS		-						
Commercial Grade F	•	—		Faceless Re	eceptacl	е		
Multi-Outlet Portable		Plug-in Adapte	ers	GFCI Plug				
Other								
Comments								
HIGH AMPERAGE PI	RODUCTS -	- 30/50/60/100 /	AMP					
Which of the followi	ng ampera	ages are used:				1		
30 Amp	🗋 50 Amp	D 🗋 60 /	Amp	100 Amp				
High Amp style in c	urrent use							
Straight Blade	🗋 Locking	g 🔲 Pov	ver Interrupting	Pin & Sle	eve			
					YES	NO		
<ul> <li>Are installed products</li> </ul>	rated for ma	ake or break under l	oad?					
Has an interlock or po								
Have non-metallic pro		01						
Are products installed			l for this environn	nent?				
<ul> <li>Would the use of a str</li> </ul>							80 200	
Are the products designed to the second		•						
PRODUCT OPTIONS	(Check off	the product ester	wine that one ha		the inet			
PRODUCT OPTIONS			_			allatio	n)	
High Amp Straight E		Power Interrupting	.+			k		
<ul><li>Pin &amp; Sleeve</li><li>50 Amp Locking</li></ul>	_	Corrosion Resistar	_	Mechanical	merioc	ĸ		
		Other						
Comments								

Follow-Up Actions	Individual Responsible	Completion Target Date

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