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## **AC/AC-HCF Installation Instructions**

- 1. Strip back armor to expose 6"- 8" of free inner insulated conductors.
- 2. Remove excess paper barriers and cut paper even with armor.
- 3. Bend back bare bond wire 120° and cut it off just inside the perimeter of the cable.
- 4. Install an anti-short bushing. (AC Cable Only)
- 5. Select listed fitting/connector of the correct size to ensure a proper bond.
- 6. When terminating and before inserting cable into fitting, remove non-conductive material (SmartcolorID⊚ Label), If necessary, per NEC 250.12.
- 7. Insert cable into connector and secure connector to box.

Code Tip: For AC Cable, the Anti-short bushing must be plainly visible after the fitting/connector is installed.

## MC-SG<sub>®</sub> / MC HCF SG Smartground<sub>®</sub> Installation Instructions

- 1. Strip back metal cladding to expose 6"-8" of free inner insulated conductors.
- 2. For MC SG® and MC HCF SG Smartground®, remove excess paper barriers and cut paper even with armor.
- 3. Bend the aluminum grounding/bonding wire back 120° and cut even with armor.
- 4. Select listed MCI-A connector of correct size to ensure proper bond.
- When terminating and before inserting cable into fitting, remove non-conductive material (SmartColorID<sub>®</sub> Label), if necessary, per NEC 250.12.
- 6. Insert cable into connector and secure connector to box.

Code Tip: Anti-Short Bushings are NOT REQUIRED on Metal-Clad (MC) Cable.

## For AC and MC Products in General

When terminating and before inserting cable into fitting, remove non-conductive material (SmartColorID⊚ Label), if necessary, per NEC 250.12

Best regards,

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