

\triangle INFORMATIONAL NOTE FIGURE 800.100(B)(2)

Illustration of a Grounding Electrode Conductor and a Bonding Conductor in a Communications Installation Not Equipped with an Intersystem Bonding Termination or Terminal Block Providing Access to the Building Grounding Means.

conductor shall be connected to the nearest accessible location on one of the following:

- The building or structure grounding electrode system as covered in 250.50
- (2) The power service accessible means external to enclosures using the options identified in 250.94(A), Exception
- (3) The nonflexible metal power service raceway
- (4) The service equipment enclosure
- (5) The grounding electrode conductor or the grounding electrode conductor metal enclosure of the power service
- (6) The grounding electrode conductor or the grounding electrode of a building or structure disconnecting means that is connected to a grounding electrode as covered in 250.32
- (7) The grounded interior metal water piping system, within 1.5 m (5 ft) from its point of entrance to the building, as covered in 250.52

See also

250.52(A)(1) for more information on the use of a metal water piping system as a grounding electrode

250.68(C)(1) and its commentary for more information on connecting to interior metal water piping

A bonding device intended to provide a termination point for the bonding conductor (intersystem bonding) shall not interfere with the opening of an equipment enclosure. A bonding device shall be mounted on nonremovable parts. A bonding device shall not be mounted on a door or cover even if the door or cover is nonremovable. For purposes of this section, the mobile home service equipment or the mobile home disconnecting means located within 9.0 m (30 ft) of the exterior wall of the mobile home it serves, or at a mobile home disconnecting means connected to an electrode by a grounding electrode conductor in accordance with 250.32 and located within 9.0 m (30 ft) of the exterior wall of the mobile home it serves, shall be considered to meet the requirements of this section.

Informational Note: See Informational Note Figure 800.100(B) (2) for an illustration of a grounding electrode conductor and a bonding conductor in a communications installation not equipped with an intersystem bonding termination or terminal block.

- (3) In Buildings or Structures Without an Intersystem Bonding Termination or Grounding Means. If the building or structure served has no intersystem bonding termination or grounding means, as described in 800.100(B)(2), the grounding electrode conductor shall be connected to one of the following:
 - (1) To any one of the individual grounding electrodes described in 250.52(A)(1), (A)(2), (A)(3), or (A)(4)
 - (2) If the building or structure served has no intersystem bonding termination or grounding means, as described in 800.100(B)(2) or (B)(3)(1), to any one of the individual grounding electrodes described in 250.52(A)(5), (A)(7), and (A)(8)
 - (3) For communications circuits covered in Article 805 or network-powered broadband communications systems covered in Article 830, to a ground rod or pipe not less than 1.5 m (5 ft) in length and 12.7 mm (0.5 in.) in diameter, driven, where practicable, into permanently damp earth and separated from lightning protection system conductors, as covered in 800.53, and at least 1.8 m (6 ft) from electrodes of other systems

Steam pipes, hot water pipes, or lightning protection system conductors shall not be employed as grounding electrodes or as a bonding or grounding electrode conductor for protectors and grounded metal members.

- **(C) Electrode Connection.** Connections to grounding electrodes shall comply with 250.70.
- **(D) Bonding of Electrodes.** A bonding jumper not smaller than 6 AWG copper or equivalent shall be connected between the grounding electrode and power grounding electrode system at the building or structure served if separate electrodes are used.

Exception: Bonding of electrodes at mobile homes shall be in accordance with 800.106.

Informational Note No. 1: See 250.60 for connection to a lightning protection system.

Informational Note No. 2: Bonding together of all separate electrodes limits potential differences between them and between their associated wiring systems.

Bonding of communications system and power system grounding electrodes is required where they are installed at the same