PASS & SEYMOUR®

Powerful Point-of-Use Protection

GFCI RECEPTACLES VS. AFCI/GFCI CIRCUIT BREAKERS

Putting GFCI protection within arm's reach means easier access for homeowners and fewer callbacks for contractors.

NEC requires that ground fault protection be installed in a readily accessible location. Make sure your customers can spot problems quickly and resolve them easily with Pass & Seymour Receptacles installed in the living space.

In kitchens and laundry rooms where both AFCI and GFCI protection is required to meet NEC, pair GFCI receptacles with AFCI breakers for easier troubleshooting and fewer nuisance trips.

Accessible for Homeowners:

Point-of-use GFCI receptacles allow homeowners to see and reset trips when they occur. AFCI/GFCI breakers, however, are hidden in remote service panels which can be inconvenient and challenging to access – particularly for those with disabilities, seniors, or parents with small children.

86% of electrical contractors surveyed said GFCI receptacles installed in the living space are more accessible than dual function AFCI/GFCI breakers, and

47% said they receive complaints from homeowners not wanting to go to a remote service panel to reset power.

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Easier to Test and Reset, Resulting in Fewer Callbacks:

Unlike GFCI receptacles that have a trip indicator light and test/reset easily with the push of a button, breakers can be confusing and unfamiliar to some homeowners, making it difficult to determine the reason for the loss of power.

56% of electrical contractors stated that the homeowner's inability to determine the cause of power loss was an issue with dual function AFCI/GFCI breakers.

Prevent Problems:

Ground fault trips happen, and without a GFCI receptacle that is accessible and easy to see, trips can easily go unnoticed, leading to bigger problems. Power loss to sump pumps, refrigerators, freezers, or air conditioning condensate pumps can result in flooded basements or more expensive property damage.

60% of electrical contractors say nuisance tripping is an issue with dual function AFCI/GFCI breakers and

85% said that nuisance tripping with dual function AFCI/GFCI breakers has resulted in call backs.

Easier to Troubleshoot:

GFCI receptacles only trip for ground faults. AFCI/GFCI breakers trip for many reasons, making it difficult to determine the reason for the loss of power.

88% of electrical contractors said that it's easier to troubleshoot a ground fault trip when using an AFCI breaker and GFCI receptacle.

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Superior Protection:

GFCI receptacles are a proven, reliable method of protection. They are required by UL to respond to 7 out of 7 End of Life events, and meet a higher standard of protection than GFCI breakers, which are only required to respond to 5 of the 7 End of Life events.

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