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Mobile Home Feeders and Equipment Grounding Conductors

Code: 2002 Electrical Code
Section: 550.33

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Question:

A double wide mobile home is fed from a 200 ampere service panelboard on the side. A feeder is installed from the service panel, down the side, and under the home 30 feet, and up into the sub-fed panel. The feeder is size 4/0 aluminum service cable, 4-wire, which has a bare equipment grounding conductor, but is contained within a moisture resistance sheath with the other conductors. Is this equipment grounding conductor in a cable the same as an insulated equipment grounding conductor?

Answer:

No, Section 550.33 requires that for any feeder supplying a mobile home, four insulated, color coded conductors are to be installed. There is no exception, nor is a bare conductor of a cable considered to be insulated. Therefore, each conductor must have its own insulating covering.

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