

# Installing and Testing an Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI

Please read this leaflet completely before getting started.

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## CAUTION

- To prevent severe shock or electrocution always turn the power OFF at the service panel before working with wiring.
- Use this Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI with copper or copper-clad wire. Do not use it with aluminum wire.
- Do not install this Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI on a circuit that powers life support equipment because if the AFCI/GFCI trips it will shut down the equipment.
- For installation in damp or wet locations, the GFCI receptacle must be Listed and marked as Weather Resistant (WR).
- Must be installed in accordance with national and local electrical codes.
- This Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI must be installed as the first outlet in the branch circuit.

## 1. What is a Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI?

An Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI is different from conventional receptacles. It is intended to provide protection to branch circuit wiring, cord sets, and power-supply cords connected to it against the unwanted affects of arcing, as well as protect against ground faults. In the event of an arc or ground fault, an AFCI/GFCI will trip and quickly stop the flow of electricity to mitigate the effects of the arcing that poses a fire risk, as well as providing protection against serious injury.

### Definition of an arcing and grounding fault:

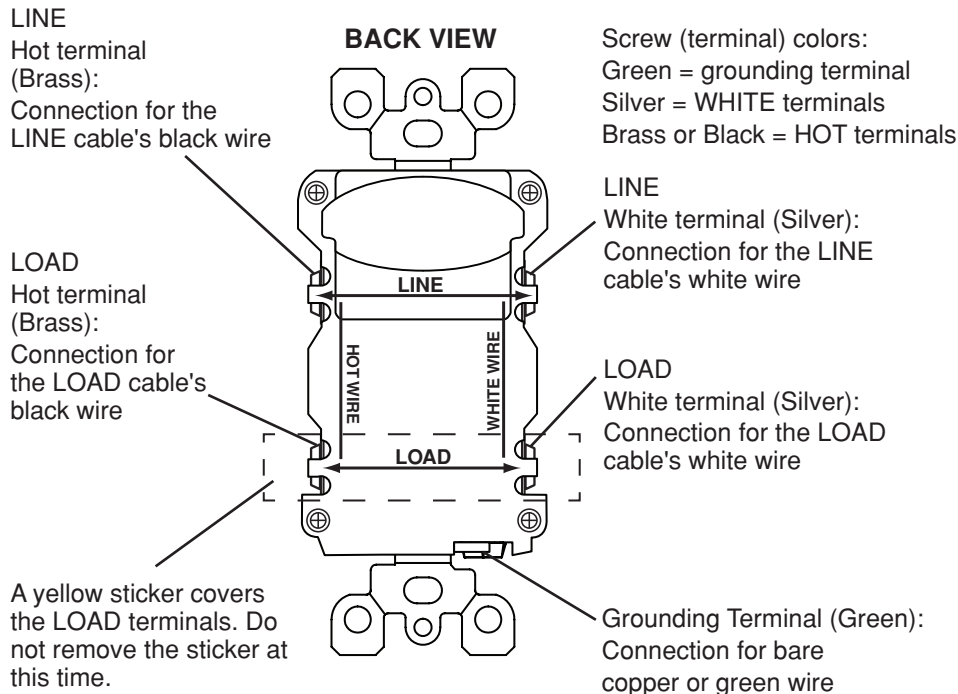
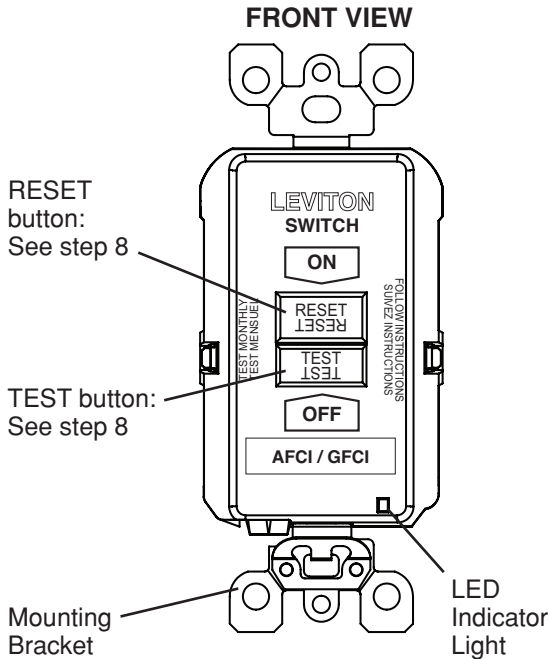
An arcing fault is an unintentional arcing condition in a circuit. Arcing occurs as a normal condition in some motors or when a switch opens. An example of unintentional arcing would be arcing that occurs due to severed power-supply cord conductors. A ground fault will allow electricity to deviate from it's normal safe path to reach the ground. A defective appliance can cause a ground fault.

An Outlet Branch AFCI/GFCI does not protect against circuit overloads, short-circuits or against shock hazards.

**NOTE:** Leviton's AFCI/GFCI's contain a lockout feature that will prevent RESET if:

- There is no power being supplied to the AFCI/GFCI.
- The AFCI/GFCI is miswired due to reversal of the LINE and LOAD leads.
- The AFCI/GFCI cannot pass its internal test, indicating that it may not be able to provide protection in the event of an arc or ground fault.

## 2. The AFCI/GFCI's features



## 3. Should you install it?

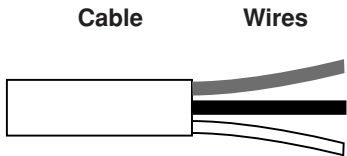
Installing an Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI receptacle can be more complicated than installing a conventional receptacle.

Make sure that you:

- Understand basic wiring principles and techniques
- Can interpret wiring diagrams
- Have circuit wiring experience
- Are prepared to take a few minutes to test your work, making sure that you have wired the Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI correctly

## 4. LINE vs. LOAD

A cable consists of 2 or 3 wires.



### LINE cable:

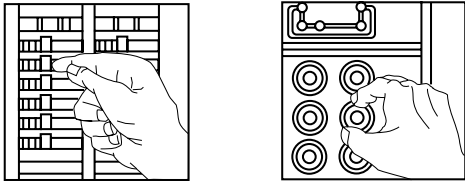
Delivers power from the service panel (breaker panel or fuse box) to the AFCI/GFCI. If there is only one cable entering the electrical box, the blank face AFCI/GFCI is not the correct device for the application.

### LOAD cable:

Delivers power from the AFCI/GFCI to downstream receptacles in the circuit. This cable should be connected to the AFCI/GFCI's LOAD terminals only. The LOAD terminals are under the yellow sticker. **DO NOT** remove the sticker at this time.

## 5. Turn the power OFF

Plug an electrical device, such as a lamp or radio, into the receptacle on which you are working. Turn the lamp or radio ON. Then, go to the service panel. Find the breaker or fuse that protects that receptacle. Place the breaker in the OFF position or completely remove the fuse. The lamp or radio should turn OFF.



Next, plug in and turn ON the lamp or radio at the receptacle's other outlet to make sure the power is OFF at both outlets. If the power is not OFF, stop work and call an electrician to complete the installation.

## 6. Identify cables/wires

### Important:

DO NOT install the Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI in an electrical box containing (a) more than four (4) wires (not including the grounding wires) or (b) cables with more than two (2) wires (not including the grounding wire). Contact a qualified electrician if either (a) or (b) are true.

If you are replacing an old receptacle, pull it out of the electrical box without disconnecting the wires.

- If you see one cable (2-3 wires), it is the LINE cable. The receptacle is probably in position C (see diagram to the right). **DO NOT** install the AFCI/GFCI in this position.
- If you see two cables (4-6 wires), the receptacle is probably in position A or B (see diagram to the right). Follow steps a-e of the procedure to the right.

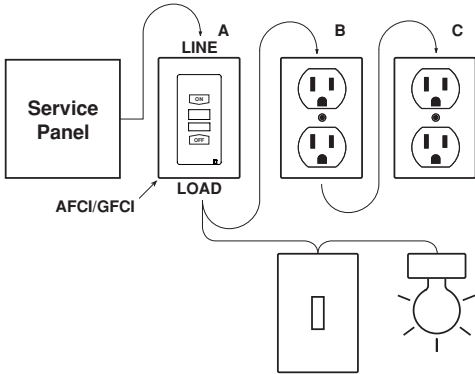
**NOTE:** The AFCI/GFCI must be installed in position A.

**Procedure: box with two (2) cables (4-6 wires):**

- Detach one cable's white wire and hot wires from the receptacle and cap each one separately with a wire connector. Make sure that they are from the same cable.
- Re-install the receptacle in the electrical box, attach the faceplate, then turn the power ON at the service panel.
- Determine if power is flowing to the receptacle. If so, the capped wires are the LOAD wires. If not, the capped wires are the LINE wires.
- Turn the power OFF at the service panel, label the LINE and LOAD wires, then remove the receptacle.
- Go to step 7.

### Placement in circuit:

The Outlet Branch Circuit Type AFCI/GFCI must be placed as the first outlet in the circuit.

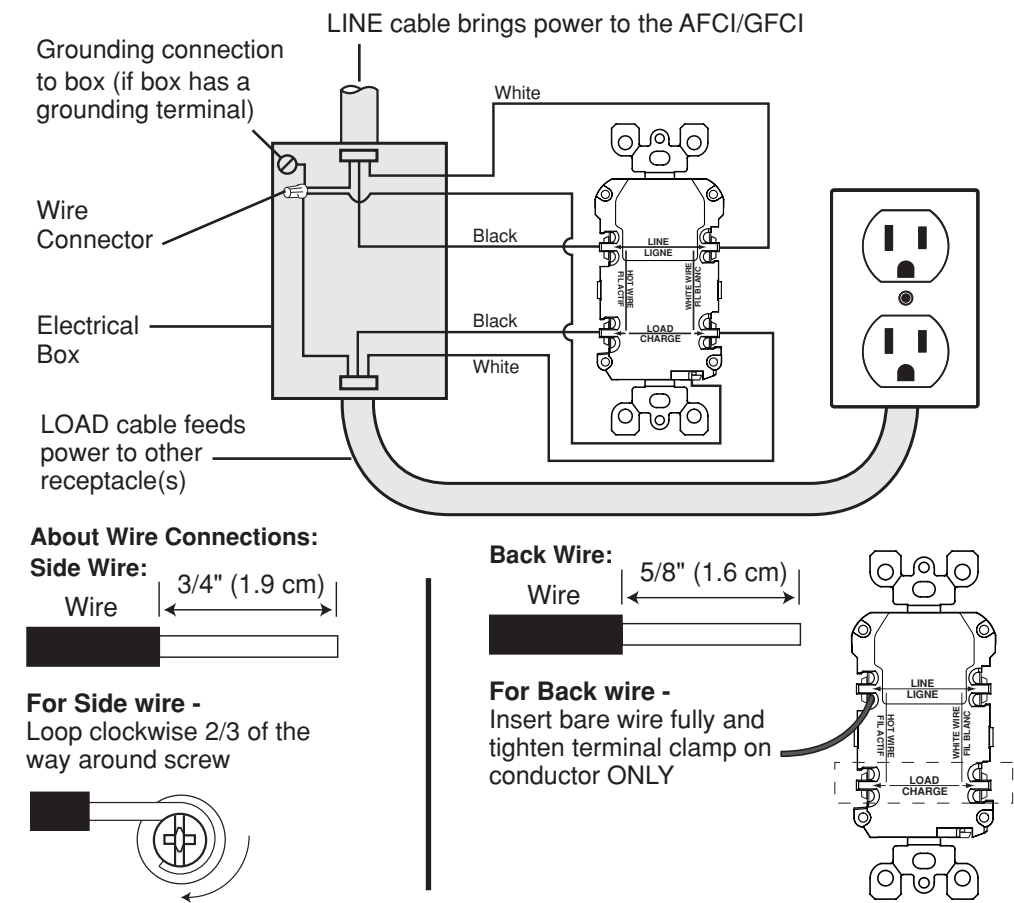


### Sample circuit:

Always place an Outlet Branch Circuit AFCI/GFCI in position A. All outlets of the protected branch, including lighting and receptacle outlets must be connected to the load side of the AFCI/GFCI.

7. Connect the wires only after reading other side completely

Two cables (4 or 6 wires) entering the box



- Connect the LINE cable wires to the LINE terminals:**
- The white wire connects to the WHITE terminal (Silver)
  - The black wire connects to the HOT terminal (Brass or Black)
- Connect the LOAD cable wires to the LOAD terminals:**
- Remove the YELLOW sticker to reveal the LOAD terminals
  - The white wire connects to the WHITE terminal (Silver)
  - The black wire connects to the HOT terminal (Brass or Black)
- Connect the grounding wires (only if there is a grounding wire):**
- Connect a 6-inch bare copper (or GREEN) 12 or 14 AWG wire to the grounding terminal on the AFCI/GFCI. If the box has a grounding terminal, also connect a similar wire to the grounding terminal on the box. Connect the ends of these wires to the LINE or LOAD cable's bare copper (or GREEN) wire using a wire connector. If these wires are already in place, check the connections.
- Complete the installation:**
- Fold the wires into the box, keeping the grounding wire away from the WHITE and HOT terminals. Screw the receptacle to the box and attach the faceplate.
  - Go to step 8.

- 8. Test your work - Why perform this test?**
- If you miswired the AFCI/GFCI it may not prevent personal injury or death due to a ground fault (electrical shock).
  - If you mistakenly connect the LINE wires to the LOAD terminals, the AFCI/GFCI will not reset and will not provide power to any receptacles fed from the AFCI/GFCI.

- Procedure:**
- This AFCI/GFCI is shipped from the factory in the tripped condition and cannot be reset until it is wired correctly and power is supplied to the device. Turn the power ON at the service panel. Ensure that the AFCI/GFCI is still in the tripped condition by pressing the TEST button. If the indicator light on the AFCI/GFCI face is ON go to the Troubleshooting section because LINE and LOAD wiring connections have been reversed. You will not be able to RESET the AFCI/GFCI in this condition.
  - Press the RESET button **fully**. If the Indicator Light turns ON, the AFCI/GFCI has been installed correctly. If the AFCI/GFCI cannot be reset, go to the Troubleshooting section.
  - Press the TEST button, then plug a lamp or radio into surrounding receptacles to see which one(s), in addition to the AFCI/GFCI lost power when you pressed the TEST button. **DO NOT** plug life saving devices into any of the receptacles that lost power. Place a "AFCI/GFCI PROTECTED OUTLET" sticker on every receptacle that lost power, then press the RESET button to reset the AFCI/GFCI.
  - Press the TEST button (then RESET button) every month to assure proper operation. If the Indicator light does not go out and come back on or if the AFCI/GFCI cannot be reset, then it must be replaced.

**TROUBLESHOOTING**

Turn the power OFF and check the wire connections against the wiring diagram in step 7. Make sure that there are no loose wires or loose connections. If the Status Indicator Light is not ON and the device is unable to reset this could be a result of no power available. Start the test from the beginning of step 8 if you rewired any connections to the AFCI/GFCI.

**DEVICE OPERATION**

- This device tests itself periodically to confirm the GFCI electronics are functional. The Status Indicator Light will be solid GREEN when the AFCI/GFCI is wired correctly, has power, is reset and working correctly.
- **Self-Test Indications:** If the Status Indicator Light is solid or a constant flashing RED a problem may exist. Press the TEST button to trip the AFCI/GFCI. If unable to reset, replace the AFCI/GFCI.  
**NOTE:** The status indicator may flash RED at power "ON" and RESET.
- **GFCI Trip** – if the AFCI/GFCI trips either from a ground fault or pressing of the TEST button the indicator will turn OFF.
- **AFCI Trip** – if the AFCI/GFCI trips as a result of detecting a potential arcing fault the indicator light will turn OFF similar to when it trips due to a ground fault, but will also display two quick flashes of RED every five seconds. Press the RESET button to reset the AFCI/GFCI. If the device trips and continues to indicate an AFCI trip please contact an electrician.

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This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

**IC STATEMENT**

This device complies with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

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