

Type Designation	Intended Use and Description
	Enclosure - A surrounding case constructed to provide a degree of protection against incidental contact with the enclosed equipment and to provide a degree of protection to the enclosed equipment against specified environmental conditions. A complete enclosure shall be provided for all live parts that may be housed in it. The enclosure shall be tight and, unless designed for a specific installation, such as a cast metal junction or pull box intended to be installed in poured concrete, shall be provided with means for mounting.
Type 1	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against limited amounts of falling dirt.
Type 2	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against limited amounts of falling water or dirt.
Type 3	Outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against rain, sleet, windblown dust and damage from external ice formation.
Type 3R	Outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against rain, sleet, and damage from external ice formation.
Type 3S	Outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against rain, sleet, windblown dust, and to provide for operation of external mechanisms when ice laden.
Type 4	Indoor or outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against windblown dust and rain, splashing water, hose-directed water, and damage from external ice formation.
Type 4X	Indoor or outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against corrosion, windblown dust and rain, splashing water, hose-directed water and damage from external ice formation.
Type 5	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against settling airborne dust, falling dirt, and dripping noncorrosive liquids.
Type 6	Indoor or outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against hose-directed water, the entry of water during occasional temporary submersion at a limited depth, and damage from external ice formation.
Type 6P	Indoor or outdoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against hose-directed water, the entry of water during prolonged submersion at a limited depth, and damage from external ice formation.
Type 12	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against circulating dust, falling dirt, and dripping noncorrosive liquids.
Type 12K	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against circulating dust, falling dirt, and dripping noncorrosive liquids.
Type 13	Indoor use primarily to provide a degree of protection against dust, spraying of water, oil, and noncorrosive coolant.