

How to disassemble an old-style electrical distribution box

There's a mortared-in somewhat massive backbox for a 13A double socket, which took half a morning to extract as the box will not take a modern replacement socket.

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Using a flat-head screwdriver, remove the outer cover plate of the outlet by unscrewing the middle screw. Use a Duspol or any other Voltmeter to test if there is voltage at the contacts. You ...

Where it is not possible or considered "too expensive" to completely remove old abandoned electrical wires, I prefer to strip and splice the bare wire ends together and enclose them in a dedicated "dead" ...

I show how I took off the original electrical box, referred to as new work electrical box, from a wall so I could upgrade it to a double gang old work box to handle an additional switch...

My panel was much bigger and not too messy, but the electrician showed me how a hunk of metal from an old fuse or some other debris had fallen into the panel at some point and almost ...

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Got up in the attic to get the old box out and this is what I found: So it's a quarter inch thick metal (iron?) bar running between the joists and attaching via a clamped metal threaded rod ...

Safe removal of an old box begins by carefully disconnecting the conductors and removing the device. For metal boxes nailed to a stud, the removal often requires careful prying or ...

Am I on the right track? Can I just pull the fuse box out without arcing anything? I'm used breaker or handle style disconnects. My plan is to pullout the fuse box, hopefully disconnecting the ...

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