

Wired as an Isolation Transformer

The only difference between the two methods below is that in Method 2, a Ground Fault Protector (GFP) must be used instead of just a circuit breaker, and the shore grounding conductor is not wired past the inlet of the boat. Method 1 is most commonly used.

Note: This diagram does not illustrate a complete system. Refer to the appropriate ABYC text.

Isolation Transformer System with Single-Phase 120-Volt Input with Grounded Secondary. Shield Grounded on Shore. Metal Case Grounded on the Boat. The green grounding wire from the shore inlet is connected to the isolation transformer shield. The green grounding wire is connected to the shell of the power inlet which is insulated from the hull of the boat.

The ungrounded and grounded shore current-carrying conductors are connected from the power inlet to the primary winding of the isolation transformer through an overcurrent protection device which simultaneously opens both current-carrying shore conductors. Fuses shall not be used in lieu of the simultaneous trip devices.

120-Volt branch circuit breakers are permitted to use single-pole breakers in the ungrounded current-carrying conductors.

The secondary of the isolation transformer is grounded (polarized) on the boat.

The boat grounding system (green) conductor is connected from the metal case of the isolation transformer to all noncurrent-carrying parts of the boat's AC electrical system including the engine negative terminal or its bus without interposing switches or overcurrent protection devices.

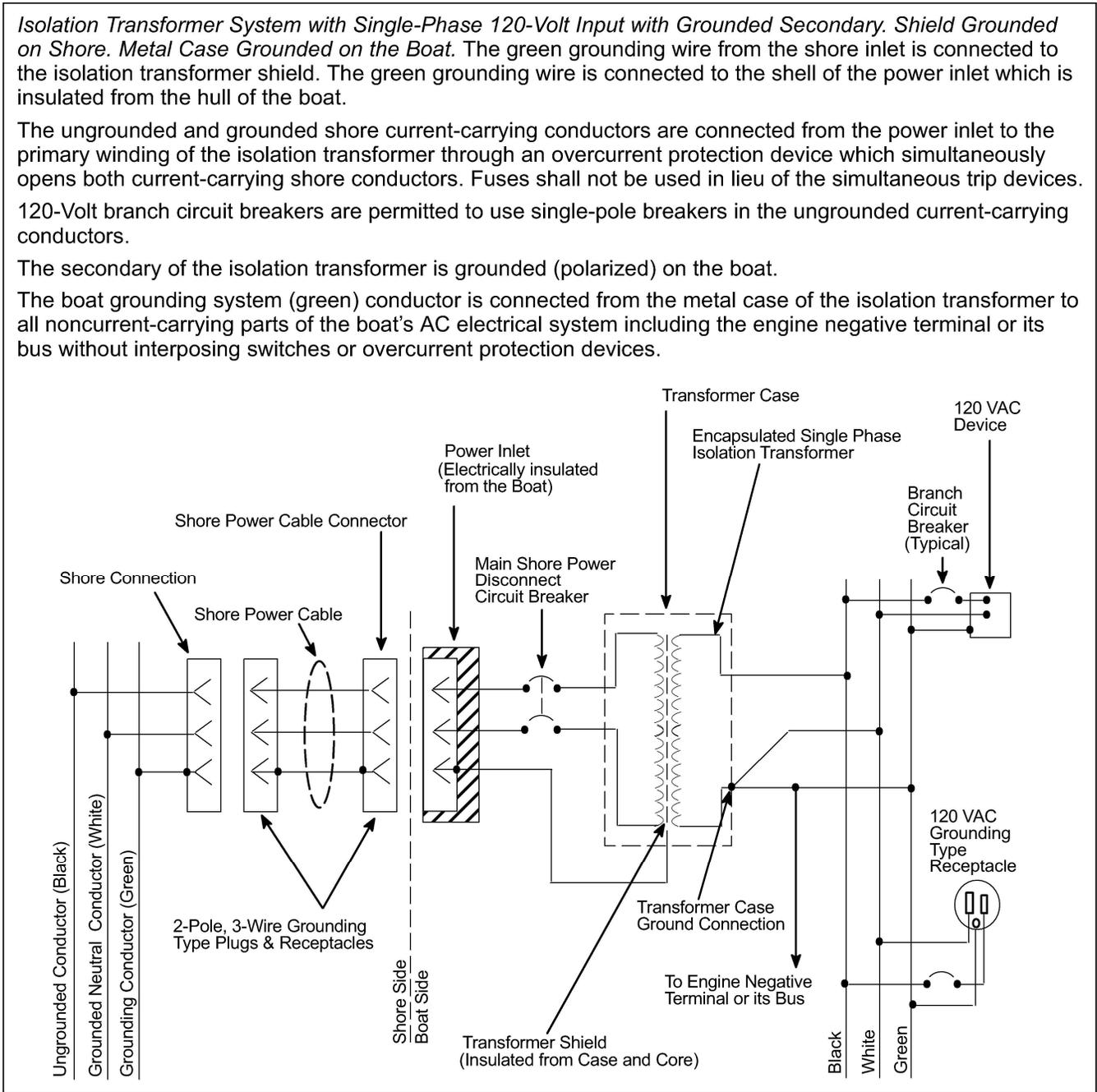


Figure 1. Electrical Diagram – Method 1 (see Figure 5 for Wiring Connections)