Cable tray cutting joints

Overview

Trunking Cutting Techniques Guide | PDF | Metalworking | ToolsThe document provides instructions for forming various bends and joints in electrical trunkin.

Key Takeaways

Cutting cable tray joints requires proper measurement, marking, the right cutting tools, and safety precautions to maintain structural integrity and prevent injury.

Preparation and Planning

Before cutting, measure the tray accurately using a tape measure and mark the cut line clearly with a marker or chalk. Consider the tray type (ladder, perforated, or solid-bottom) and material (steel, aluminum, or fiberglass) to select the appropriate cutting method and tools. Ensure the tray is securely clamped or held in a vise to prevent movement during cutting.

Recommended Tools

Band Saw: Ideal for low-height, thin metal trays; provides precise cuts with minimal debris. Circular Saw: Suitable for light channels and cable trays; cordless models with chip collectors improve safety and cleanliness. Angle Grinder: Offers flexibility for on-site cuts but increases splatter and risk; must be handled with both hands and with protective gear.

Hacksaw or Power Cut-off Saw: Effective for smaller or thicker cuts; ensure the blade matches the tray material. Deburring Tool or Metal File: Smooths sharp edges after cutting to prevent injury and maintain tray integrity.

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Cutting Procedure

Mark the cut line accurately along the tray. Secure the tray using clamps or a vise to prevent movement. Select the appropriate saw based on material and thickness.

Cut along the marked line steadily, avoiding overheating or sparks that could damage surrounding materials. Deburr the edges using a file or deburring tool to remove sharp edges and maintain safety.

Safety Precautions

Always wear Kevlar gloves, safety glasses, head protection, and appropriate footwear. Avoid mixing cutting blades between different metals to prevent galvanic corrosion and contamination. Do not use torches for cutting, as this can weaken the material and damage surface treatments.

Protect surrounding materials from sparks and heat during cutting.

Additional Tips

Use cutting oil or lubricant for smoother cuts on thicker metal trays. Plan cuts to allow for precise fitment, conduit openings, or modifications during installation. Follow manufacturer-specific guidelines for modular systems to ensure proper alignment and joint strength.

By following these steps and safety measures, you can cut cable tray joints efficiently while maintaining the tray's structural integrity and compliance with installation standards.

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The document provides instructions for forming various bends and joints in electrical trunking and cable trays. It describes: 1) How to mark and cut a right-angle internal bend in a section of trunking,

Mounting instructions

To avoid transverse bending at higher loads, a joint plate must be used for tray widths of 400 mm or more in the joint area of the cable trays that are to be connected.

Cable tray manual

These documents: ANSI/NEMA VE-1, Metal Cable Tray Systems; NEMA VE-2, Cable Tray Installation Guidelines; and NEMA FG-1, Non Metallic Cable Tray Systems, are an excellent industry resource in

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How to Cut a Cable Tray

Understanding when and how to cut a cable tray is crucial. Cutting may be required to: Adjust length or width for precise fitment. Create openings

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Eventually, it will be necessary to field cut the cable tray because the length of the cable tray required will be less than Standard length. If there are many cuts to be made in a given area, waste can be

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CABLE TRAY INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

5. Cable tray installation shall preferably be installed flat in buildings or operating structures. Tray shall run as far as possible under flooring and walkways. Only in special cases shall

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