

# National Standard for Cable Tray Construction GB



## Overview

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## Key Takeaways

The Chinese national standard for cable trays is GB/T 21762-2008, which specifies requirements, testing, and usage for cable tray and ladder systems in electrical and communication installations. Overview of GB/T 21762-2008GB/T 21762-2008 defines the technical requirements and testing methods for cable tray systems and cable ladder systems used to support and organize electrical or communication cables. These systems can also be used for cable grouping when necessary.

The standard explicitly excludes pipeline systems, cable trunking systems, conduit systems, or any current-carrying components from its scope.

## Key Requirements

**Materials:** Cable trays must be made from materials that provide sufficient mechanical strength and corrosion resistance. Common materials include cold-rolled steel, galvanized steel, and aluminum alloys, with surface treatments such as hot-dip galvanizing or electrostatic spraying to meet anti-corrosion standards. **Load Capacity:** The trays are designed to support a minimum load, typically not less than 200 kg/m, ensuring safe operation under full cable load.

**Fire Resistance:** Cable trays must meet fire resistance requirements, often aligned with GB 8624 Class B1 for flame retardancy. **Design Considerations:** Installation paths should avoid interference with ventilation ducts, water pipes, and other building services. Minimum clearances are required, such as 300 mm from obstacles and 150 mm between power and weak-current trays when layered, with isolation plates at crossings.

**Fire Compartment Compliance:** When passing through fire compartments, firestop spaces must be reserved, and materials must comply with GB 23864 certification. **Testing and Compliance** GB/T 21762-2008 specifies testing methods to ensure structural integrity, load-bearing capacity, and durability of cable tray systems. These tests verify that the trays can safely support cables and maintain performance under operational conditions.

### **Relation to Other Standards**

While GB/T 21762-2008 is the national Chinese standard, cable tray systems may also reference international standards such as IEC 61537 for metal and nonmetallic trays, or NEMA VE 1/VE 2 standards for installation and maintenance practices. These provide additional guidance on installation, handling, and system modification for both metallic and nonmetallic cable trays.

### **Practical Implications**

Compliance with GB/T 21762-2008 ensures: Safe and reliable support for electrical and communication cables. Proper separation of power and signal cables to reduce interference. Fire safety and structural integrity in building installations.

Standardized installation practices that facilitate maintenance and inspection. In summary, GB/T 21762-2008 provides a comprehensive framework for the design, material selection, installation, and testing of cable tray systems in China, ensuring safety, durability, and compliance with national electrical engineering requirements.

## **Article Content**

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British Standard for cable tray and ladder systems (BS EN 61537:2002).  
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The National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) also publishes three consensus standards that apply to the proper manufacture and installation of cable trays: ANSI/NEMA-VE 1-1998, Metal

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