Techniques for making cable tray supports



Overview

A Guide to Installing and Supporting Electrical Cable TraysThis guide covers the critical steps, from selecting the right electrical cable tray and perform.

Key Takeaways

Cable tray supports can be made using wall brackets, ceiling mounts, or intermediate supports, ensuring proper alignment, load capacity, and secure attachment to the structure. Types of Cable Tray SupportsWall-Mounted Supports: Brackets attached to walls using mounting rails or adjustable wall supports allow the cable tray to maintain a gap from the wall, typically adjustable between 4–45 mm for proper clearance and ventilation. Ceiling or Suspended Supports: Ceiling brackets or suspension rods can hold cable trays overhead, providing stability for long runs and heavy cable loads.

These often use support rails and ceiling brackets to distribute weight evenly. Intermediate Supports: For long cable tray runs, intermediate supports prevent sagging. These can be made using brackets, support rails, and ceiling or floor mounts, installed at regular intervals according to the tray type and load.

Materials and Tools

Materials: Steel, stainless steel, aluminium, or galvanised steel for durability and corrosion resistance. Tools: Drill, screwdriver, level, measuring tape, bolts, nuts, and washers for secure attachment.

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Step-by-

Step Guide

Plan the Layout: Determine cable routing, entry/exit points, and support locations. Measure distances to ensure proper alignment and spacing. Mark Support Locations: Use a pencil and measuring tape to mark where brackets or supports will be installed on walls, ceilings, or floors.

Install Brackets: Attach wall or ceiling brackets using appropriate fasteners. Ensure they are level and securely anchored. Assemble Cable Tray Sections: Connect tray sections using connectors, ensuring smooth alignment.

For joints, use joint brackets and screws to secure sections together. Attach Cable Trays to Supports: Lift and secure the assembled trays onto the installed brackets. Tighten fasteners to prevent sagging or instability.

Install Accessories: Add bends, tees, or crosses as needed to navigate corners and intersections while maintaining cable organization. Check Alignment and Stability: Ensure all trays are level, properly supported, and capable of bearing the intended cable load.

Tips for Safe and Efficient Installation

Follow NE

C Article 392 and local electrical codes for spacing, load, and grounding requirements. Use ventilated ladder trays for power cables to allow heat dissipation, or ventilated troughs for smaller control cables to prevent sagging. For corrosive or high-moisture environments, consider fiberglass-reinforced plastic (FRP) trays for added safety.

By following these steps and selecting the appropriate support type and materials, you can create a stable, code-compliant cable tray system suitable for residential, commercial, or industrial applications.

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The tray is then attached to the bracket using either a bracket clamp (see page C35) in the case of the “L” bracket or integrated bend-down tabs for the TabLok bracket.

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Cable ladders, cable trays and their supports should be strong enough to meet the load requirements of the cable management system including cables and any future cable additions and any other

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