

How to calculate the specifications of cable tray supports



Article Overview

Cable tray supports are calculated using the formula: $\text{Support Quantity} = \frac{\text{Total Tray Length}}{\text{Support Spacing}} + 1$, adjusted for tray type and load conditions.

Step 1: Determine Cable Tray Type and Specifications

Identify the type of cable tray (ladder, perforated, solid-bottom, or channel), its dimensions, and material. These factors influence the tray's load capacity and the recommended support spacing, as heavier or wider trays require closer support intervals .

Step 2: Measure the Total Tray Length

Measure the full length of the cable tray run. For straight sections, this is straightforward. For elbows, tees, or other fittings, measure each section separately and consider them individually in the support calculation .

Step 3: Decide Support Spacing

Support spacing depends on the tray type, cable load, and installation standards. Typical spacing ranges from 1.5 to 3 meters for most projects. Heavier loads or long spans may require closer spacing to prevent sagging or structural failure .

Step 4: Apply the Support Quantity Formula...

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B. Cable tray systems are defined to include, but are not limited to straight sections of [ladder type] [trough type] [solid bottom type]

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