

How to secure wires to cable trays



Article Overview

Wires inside cable trays should be secured using cable ties, clamps, or splices to prevent sagging, damage, and ensure compliance with electrical codes.

Choosing the Right Cable Tray

Selecting the appropriate tray type is the first step. Ladder trays are ideal for large power cables and provide anchor points for tying cables, while ventilated troughs support smaller control or instrumentation cables and prevent sagging between rungs. Wire mesh or basket trays offer high strength-to-weight ratios and integrated sidewalls for containing large bundles of cables, making them versatile for data centers and industrial applications .

Securing Methods

- Cable Ties and Straps
- Use UV-resistant or nylon cable ties to bundle and secure cables to tray rungs or sidewalls.
- Space ties evenly, typically every 12–18 inches for large bundles, to prevent sagging and maintain neatness .
- Avoid over-tightening to prevent cable insulation damage.
- Clamps and Brackets
- Metal or plastic clamps can secure individual cables or bundles to the tray.
- For wire basket trays, hardware kits with mounting brackets and bolt-on splices provide structural integrity and prevent movement

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2. Purpose This method statement for the Installation of Cable Tray, Trunking, and Accessories shows and explains

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