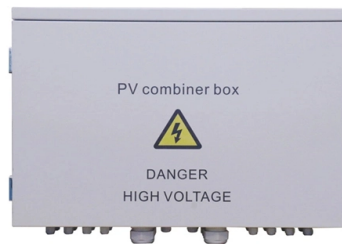


Should fireproof cable trays be used



Article Overview

Even if you have your own cable trays, using fireproof or fire-rated trays is recommended when fire safety and code compliance are required.

Fire Safety Considerations

Cable trays can act as conduits for fire, especially when running vertically through floors or walls, as they can channel flames and hot gases upward, spreading fire quickly. Non-fireproof trays may allow heat to transfer between compartments, potentially igniting cables and increasing smoke and toxic gas production. Fireproof trays or fire-rated enclosures slow flame spread, reduce smoke, and help maintain the integrity of essential services during a fire.

Regulatory and Code Requirements

If cable trays penetrate fire-rated walls or slabs, building codes often require fire-rated protection. This can include wrapping trays with insulation, using firestop mastic, or installing fire-rated enclosures. Even metal trays, which conduct heat, may need fireproofing to meet performance criteria specified in standards or manufacturer test reports. Exceptions exist only if a fire-engineered solution or alternate report specifically allows non-fire-rated trays.

Practical Installation Guidance

- **Tray Material:** Use galvanized steel, stainless steel, or fire-resistant coatings for better fire performance

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Cable trays are not raceways, but they are treated as a structural component of a facility's electrical system. Cable trays are a part of

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