

Methods for Strengthening Cable Tray Supports



Article Overview

Reinforcing cable tray supports involves selecting appropriate support methods, reducing span lengths, using stronger brackets or hangers, and ensuring compliance with load and deflection standards.

Assess Load Requirements

Before reinforcing, determine the total anticipated weight of cables, including future additions, and any environmental loads such as wind, ice, or vibration. Compare this with the manufacturer's load capacity chart to identify if the current supports are adequate or require reinforcement .

Reduce Support Span

Cable trays have a maximum support span based on tray type and material. Reducing the distance between supports increases rigidity and prevents sagging. For example, ladder trays often require closer spacing for heavy power cables, while ventilated troughs may need shorter spans for smaller instrumentation cables .

Upgrade Support Elements

- Trapeze Hangers: Ideal for ceiling-mounted trays; adding additional hangers along the run can distribute weight more evenly .
- Cantilever Wall Brackets: For wall-mounted trays, reinforce by using larger or addi...

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The cable support lengths and fittings can basically be designed as cable trays, cable ladders or mesh cable trays, in which cables

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Center hung tray supports allow for quicker and easier cable installation by allowing cables to be deposited into tray systems from

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Support methods

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

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The choice of method should be discussed with a local inspector. The best decision may be to extend only the cables, creating a

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