

The bottom tee of the cable tray is sagging



Article Overview

Sagging in a cable tray occurs when the load exceeds its structural capacity, and it can be corrected by increasing support frequency, using a stronger tray type, or enhancing tray depth and material strength.

Causes of Sagging

Sagging typically happens due to overloading, long unsupported spans, or incorrect tray type for the load. Light-duty perforated trays in high-load applications or excessive cable weight can cause the tray to bend between supports, creating tension at connection points and potential safety hazards .

Corrective Actions

1. Increase Support Frequency Reducing the distance between supports strengthens the tray. Standard spacing is usually every 3 meters, but for heavy loads, reducing this to 2.5 meters or less can significantly reduce sag . In constrained areas like pipe racks, this may require creative support solutions. 2. Increase Tray Depth (Collar Height) A taller tray side wall or collar adds vertical stiffness. Increasing the collar height to 50-100 mm or adding internal separators for different cable types can improve structural integrity and reduce deflection . 3. Change Tray Type Switching to a ladder-type tray with transverse rungs or a mesh/basket tray can distribute weight more effectively and handle higher loads. Ladder trays are particularly suitable for heavy power cables or long runs . 4. Use Thicker Material Upgrading to a thicker me...

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