

How to properly run cables through cable trays



Article Overview

Running cables through cable trays requires careful planning, proper tray selection, organized cable placement, and adherence to safety and code standards to ensure efficiency and prevent damage.

Planning and Tray Selection

Before installation, plan the cable tray route based on your site layout, cable types, and load requirements. Consider clearance, support spacing, and separation between power, control, and data cables to prevent interference and overheating . Choose the appropriate tray type: ladder trays allow airflow and easy cable entry, ventilated troughs provide continuous support for smaller cables, and solid-bottom trays are suitable where heat buildup is minimal . Ensure the tray width and depth accommodate the total cable fill, typically not exceeding 40% of tray capacity .

Preparing the Tray

Inspect the tray for damage and ensure it is properly mounted and level. Supports should be spaced according to tray type and load, usually 1.5 to 3 meters apart . For long runs, use cable tray rollers to facilitate smooth cable pulling and prevent kinks . Maintain the minimum bend radius for cables at tray entries and exits to avoid insulation damage .

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