

How to choose the location for cable trays



AI Overview

Cable trays are suitable for open, accessible areas in industrial, commercial, and outdoor environments, but are prohibited in hoistways, enclosed spaces, or areas prone to severe physical damage. Indoor Locations Cable trays are commonly installed in industrial facilities, commercial offices, and factories where maintenance access is readily available. They are ideal for supporting power, lighting, control, communication, and signaling circuits. Trays should be placed in areas that allow easy cable routing, inspection, and future expansion. Maintain at least 12 inches of vertical clearance above trays for installation and maintenance access, as recommended by NEC standards. Outdoor and Special Environments Cable trays can be installed outdoors or in areas exposed to sunlight, moisture, or chemicals, provided the cables and tray materials are rated for these conditions. Materials such as aluminum, galvanized steel, stainless steel, or fiberglass-reinforced plastic (FRP) are selected based on environmental exposure and load requirements. FRP trays are particularly suitable for corrosive or high-moisture environments due to their non-conductive and corrosion-resistant properties. Prohibited or Restricted Areas Cable trays cannot be used in hoistways, enclosed spaces, or locations where they may face severe physical damage. They must remain accessible for maintenance and should not be permanently enclosed. If trays pass through walls or partitions, proper fire-stopping measures must be implemented to prevent fire spread. Nonmetallic trays may have additional limitations depending on the environment. Considerations for Placement Separation of high-power and low-power cables to prevent electromagnetic interference (EMI). Adequate support and span using wall brackets, trapeze hangers, or pedestal supports to carry cable weight and environmental load...

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