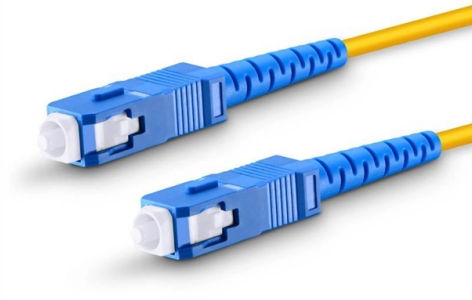


Standards for cable placement in cable trays



Article Overview

Cable placement in trays must follow standards for spacing, fill limits, separation, grounding, and material selection to ensure safety, performance, and compliance with NEC, IEC, and NEMA guidelines.

Cable Types and Ratings

Only use conductors rated for open-air environments, such as Tray Rated (Type TC) or Metal-Clad (Type MC) cables, to prevent overheating and ensure proper insulation performance in cable trays (NEC 392) .

Tray Fill and Spacing

- **Fill Limits:** Power cables should not exceed 40% of the tray's cross-sectional area, while control or instrumentation cables can occupy up to 50% .
- **Rung Spacing:** For ladder-type trays, a spacing of 6 to 9 inches (150-230 mm) is recommended to support cables and maintain proper bend radius .
- **Separation:** High-power and low-power cables must be separated to prevent electromagnetic interference (EMI) .

Clearances and Accessibility

- Maintain at least 12 inches of vertical clearance above trays for installation and maintenance access .
- Cable trays must remain accessible and cannot be installed in hoistways or enclosed spaces .

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