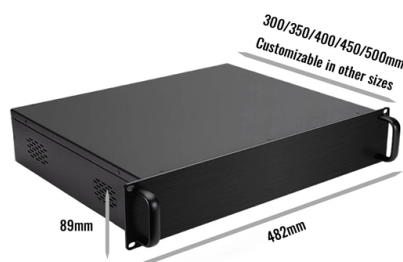


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Requirements for Spacing of Cable Tray Construction Supports



Overview

Support spacing for cable trays must align with the manufacturer's instructions, as outlined in NEC 392.30 (A).

Key Takeaways

Cable tray supports should generally be spaced 4 to 6 feet apart for horizontal runs, with ladder-type trays having rungs no more than 9 inches apart, in accordance with NEC and industry best practices.

- **Support Intervals:** For horizontal cable tray runs, supports should be installed at intervals not exceeding 5 feet, though a typical recommended range is 4 to 6 feet to ensure even load distribution and prevent sagging of cables and trays (NEC guidelines) .
- **Ladder-Type Trays:** The rungs of ladder trays should be spaced no more than 9 inches apart to provide adequate support for heavy-duty cables and prevent cable deformation .
- **Perforated and Solid Trays:** Perforated trays require careful support placement to avoid bending, while solid-bottom trays may allow slightly longer spans if the load is light and heat buildup is minimal .

Load and Environmental Considerations

- **Weight of Cables:** Support spacing must account for the total weight of installed cables, including future expansion, and any additional loads such as conduit attachments or equipment mounted on the tray .

- **External Forces:** Supports should be designed to withstand environmental factors such as wind, seismic activity, or vibration, ensuring the tray remains level and stable .

- **Material Selection:** Steel, stainless steel, or aluminum trays may have different span capabilities due to strength and corrosion resistance. Stainless steel or hot-dip galvanized trays are preferred in corrosive environments .

Installation Best Practices

- **Uniform Support:** Supports should be evenly spaced to maintain a level tray and prevent uneven stress on cables .

- **Fastening:** Use appropriate mounting hardware to secure trays to the building structure, ensuring stability and compliance with local codes .

- **Inspection and Maintenance:** Regularly check for loose bolts, corrosion, or damage, and replace or tighten components as needed to maintain system integrity .

Summary

For safe and reliable cable tray installations:

- Horizontal tray supports: 4-6 feet apart

- Ladder tray rungs: ≤ 9 inches apart

- Consider cable weight, environmental loads, and material properties

- Ensure uniform support and regular maintenance Following these specifications ensures compliance with NEC and industry standards, prevents cable damage, and maintains long-term structural integrity of the cable management system .

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