Cable Tray Hanger Distance Table



Overview

Cable Support Distances This provides distances for cables based on their diameter and cable type. Prysmian was instrumental in providing this information.

Key Takeaways

Cable tray hangers are typically installed every 1. 5 to 2 meters, with closer spacing for heavier cables to prevent sagging and ensure structural integrity.

Standard Hanger Spacing

For most installations, supports should be spaced between 1. 5 and 2 meters apart. Heavier cable loads or metallic trays may require closer spacing, around 1.

5 meters, to prevent bending or sagging of the tray, while lighter cables can allow spacing up to 3 meters in some cases. The maximum support spacing for standard cable trays is generally 3. 6 meters, depending on the tray type and load capacity.

Factors Affecting Hanger Distance

Cable Weight and Type: Heavier cables, such as power cables, require closer hanger spacing. Flexible systems or cables with significant stiffness may need calculations to determine optimal support intervals to maintain a small deflection (typically 2%) and prevent displacement. Tray Material and Finish: Metal trays in wet or corrosive environments should use appropriate finishes like hot-dip galvanization to prevent rust, which can affect structural integrity and spacing requirements.

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Load Capacity: Each hanger has a maximum load rating (typically 318–340 kg per hanger). Exceeding this load requires reducing the distance between supports. Installation Type: Center-hung supports allow easier cable installation and may influence hanger spacing.

For J-hanger or flexible installations, calculations using methods like the Heinhold method can determine precise distances based on cable stiffness and weight.

Additional Guidelines

Vertical and Horizontal Clearance: Maintain at least 150 mm vertical spacing between floor-mounted trays and 0. 3 meters from ceilings or obstructions. Parallel Trays: When installing trays side by side, keep a minimum distance of 0.

6 meters for maintenance access and airflow, and 0. 5 meters between power and signal trays to reduce electromagnetic interference. Safety Margin: It is recommended to increase the safety margin by 25% to account for future cable additions and prevent overloading.

By following these guidelines, cable tray systems will remain structurally sound, safe, and compliant with electrical installation standards. Proper hanger spacing ensures minimal mechanical strain on cables and facilitates maintenance and future expansion.

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To install the cable tray supports, first find the required elevation from the floor to the bottom of the cable tray and establish a level line with a laser or a nylon string.

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Cable tray length is selected based on the load to be supported, the distance between the supports (also referred to as the span), and handling and installation constraints.

Load over Span Considerations

In the case of electrical products such as cable tray or ladder (which are load rated in kilograms per metre), the span is the distance between support points,

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Prior to installing cable in the cable tray, examine cable paths to ensure all areas are free of debris that may interfere with the cable''s installation. The cable tray should never be used as a walkway.

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IEC61537-2004 If full details of the cabling layout are available then the likely cable load can be calculated using either manufacturer''s published information or the tables of Cable Weights and

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