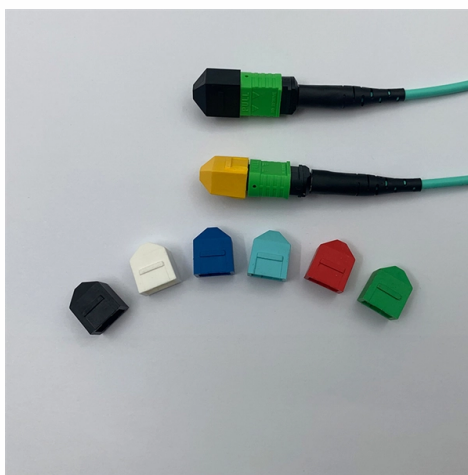


Cable trays must be supported by angle iron brackets



Overview

Guide to cable support systems The load capacity of the cable trays according to the support width can be read off in the diagram using load curves – here.

Key Takeaways

Cable trays do not have to be exclusively supported by angle iron brackets; they can be mounted using various standard support elements such as cantilever brackets, wall brackets, or ceiling suspensions depending on the installation requirements.

Standard Support Methods

Cable trays are supported using mechanical support elements that connect the tray to the building structure, which can include walls, ceilings, or steel beams. Common support elements include: Cantilever brackets: Extend from walls or vertical surfaces to hold the tray horizontally. Pendant or ceiling brackets: Suspended from ceilings using threaded rods or ceiling adapters.

Wall brackets: Directly mounted to walls, sometimes with additional stiffening or adapters for heavier loads. Angle iron brackets are one type of support, but they are not mandatory. The choice depends on tray size, load, and structural conditions.

Installation Considerations



Support spacing: The distance between brackets is critical and must comply with the tray manufacturer's specifications and standards such as BS EN 61537. **Overly long spans** can lead to sagging or excessive deflection. **Load capacity:** Brackets must support the dead weight of the cables and any additional mechanical forces, including short-circuit forces or environmental loads like wind or snow.

Attachment: Brackets can be fastened using screws, bolts, or threaded rods, and may require adapters for wall or ceiling mounting. **Flexibility:** For long vertical runs, strain relief sections or offsets are recommended to prevent cable displacement due to thermal expansion.

Summary

While angle iron brackets are commonly used, cable trays can also be supported by cantilever brackets, wall-mounted brackets, or ceiling suspensions. The key is to follow manufacturer guidelines, standard support spacing, and load requirements to ensure safe and reliable installation.

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Where metal supports for metal cable trays are bolted to the tray and are in good electrical contact with the grounded structural metal frame of a building, the tray shall be deemed to be bonded to ground.

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Cable Tray

All changes of direction must be supported in the immediate vicinity of the joints (distance ≤ 150 mm) by an appropriate supporting structure. Inclined cable trays with height differences can be attached to

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Cable tray is considered to be a system. It must provide continuous support for cables, and the electrical continuity of the cable tray system must be maintained.

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406 support: A component that provides a means for supporting a cable tray, including, but not limited to, 407 cantilever bracket, trapeze, and individual rod suspension.

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Support methods

Attach the bracket to the mounting surface, position tray over bracket and slide tray under tabs. Lock tabs down using a screwdriver. The tray is locked into place – no additional hardware required.

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Universal systems for cable support structures are used for small loads. The systems are suspended from the ceiling with threaded rods, stand-off brackets allow raised floor mounting of cable trays,

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The total load supported by the cable tray, uniformly distributed. This will be the combined weight of all of the cables or tray contents, any environmental loads (snow, ice, dust) and any concentrated static

A T&B Cable Tray Metallic cable tray

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Cable Trays

Cable trays are systems that distribute bundles of insulated electrical cables from power supplies to electrical equipment, consisting of metallic trays supported from structures like walls and ceilings.

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