

Add flat iron next to the cable tray



Article Overview

Flat iron can be used as a structural support for cable trays, ensuring proper load distribution, stability, and NEC compliance.

Purpose of Flat Iron in Cable Tray Systems

Flat iron, typically steel bars or strips, is often used to reinforce cable trays, especially in long runs or where additional support is needed for heavy power cables. It serves as a rigid support member that can be attached to walls, ceilings, or overhead structures, helping maintain tray alignment and prevent sagging under load .

Installation Guidelines

1. Support Spacing and Load Capacity

- Cable trays must be supported at intervals specified by the manufacturer, typically 3.6 meters (12 feet) maximum for ladder trays .
- Flat iron supports should be sized to handle the maximum expected load, including the weight of cables and the tray itself. For heavy-duty installations, ensure the flat iron can support 700-750 lbs per hanger .

2. Attachment Methods

- Flat iron can be bolted or welded to structural elements.
- Use threaded rods, clamps, or brackets to secure the tray to the flat iron.
- Ensure all metallic connections are bonded and grounded if the tray is metallic, in compliance with NEC 392 .

3. Alignment and Leveling

- Install flat iron supports level and parallel to the tray run to prevent cable stress.
- Use shims or adjustable brackets if necessary to maintain proper tray height and...

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