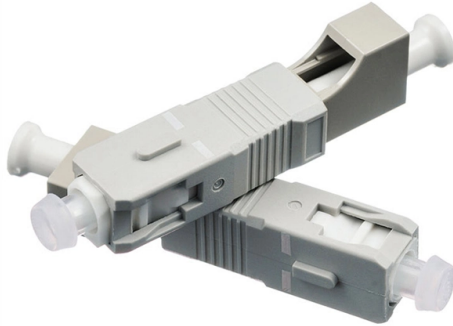


Cable tray system grounding



Article Overview

Cable trays must be properly grounded and bonded to ensure electrical safety, prevent shock hazards, and maintain system reliability.

Grounding Cable Trays

Grounding a cable tray involves connecting the metallic tray to the earth to safely discharge fault currents. This provides a low-resistance path for stray electrical currents, reducing the risk of electric shock, equipment damage, or fire hazards . All metallic cable trays must be grounded according to NEC Article 250.96, regardless of whether the tray is used as an equipment grounding conductor (EGC), .

Using Cable Trays as Equipment Grounding Conductors

In some installations, the cable tray itself can serve as the EGC. To qualify, the tray must meet minimum cross-sectional area requirements based on the maximum fuse rating or circuit breaker trip setting . Steel trays should not be used as EGCs for circuits with ground-fault protection above 600 amperes, and aluminum trays should not be used above 2000 amperes . When using the tray as an EGC, ensure all tray sections are electrically continuous and mechanically tight, with bonding jumpers added if necessary .

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Bonding ensures electrical continuity between all parts of the tray system, preventing voltage differences and reducing the risk of arcing or interference . Grounding clam...

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