

Cable tray vibration reduction



Article Overview

Effective cable tray vibration reduction combines flexible supports, damping materials, locking hardware, and optimized support spacing to protect cables and extend system life.

Key Strategies for Vibration Reduction

1. Use Flexible Supports and Hangers Introducing flexible elements between the cable tray and its supports can significantly reduce vibration transmission. Flexible hangers with appropriate stiffness and damping characteristics isolate the tray from structural motion, lowering stress on both the tray and cables while maintaining reasonable displacements .
2. Incorporate Vibration-Damping Materials Materials with natural damping properties, such as rubber pads or viscoelastic inserts, absorb vibration energy instead of resisting it. This reduces metal fatigue and prevents cables from rubbing against tray edges, which can damage insulation .
3. Locking Hardware and Fasteners Standard nuts and bolts can loosen under vibration, leading to tray movement. Using locking fasteners or vibration-resistant hardware ensures that supports remain secure, preventing tray bouncing and cable wear .
4. Optimize Support Spacing Reducing the span between supports increases tray rigidity and decreases oscillation amplitude. Closer support spacing is particularly important in high-vibration or seismic zones, though it must be balanced against installation cost .
5. Seismic Bracing For environments prone to earthquakes or high dynamic loads, seismic bracing reinforces the tray structure. Modular bracing components with serrated edges resist shear and slippage, maintaining tray stability and protecting cables from dislodgement .
6. Material Selection Choosing the right tray material is critical. Steel offers high strength and fatigue resistance, while aluminum provides l...

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For installations where cables exit the bottom of the cable tray, and the overall system is subject to vibration, it is advisable to use B

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NEMA VE 1-2017 Specifies requirements for metal cable trays and associated fittings designed for use in accordance with the rules

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Other ways of increasing the stiffness of trays could be by reduction of span lengths, or tray and cable mass, or both.

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Not all cable trays are equivalent. The mechanical and electrical characteristics, tests, certifications, overall quality management,

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Resources for Cable tray and ladder systems

Submittals for cable ladder and tray Eaton's submittal builder tool for B-Line series cable ladder and tray allows you to easily filter,

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Vibration Isolation of Cable Tray Hangers

It was found that, for appropriate stiffness and damping characteristics, this concept could be used effectively to isolate cable trays

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