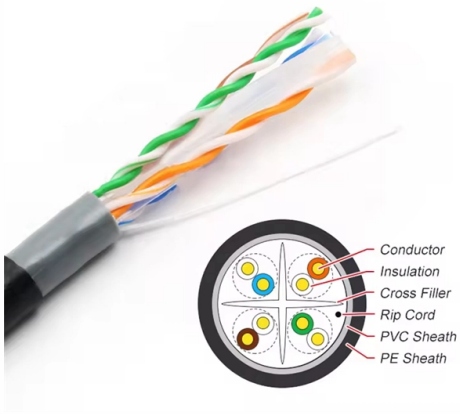
Cable tray connecting plate dimensions and specifications



Overview

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Key Takeaways

Cable tray connection plates (splice plates) are typically fabricated from steel or aluminum, with thicknesses ranging from 3/16" to 1/4", and feature pre-drilled bolt holes to join tray sections securely while meeting NEMA and ASTM standards.

Material and Standards

Connection plates are generally made from hot-dip galvanized steel, stainless steel, or aluminum, depending on environmental conditions and load requirements. They must comply with standards such as ASTM A123, ASTM A653, ASTM A1008, and NEMA VE 1 for metallic cable tray systems. Plates are designed to withstand the full cable load with a safety factor of 1.

5, and concentrated loads of up to 200 lb during testing.

Dimensions

Thickness: Commonly 3/16" to 1/4" (4. 8–6. 4 mm) for standard ladder or solid-bottom trays.

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Length and Width: Typically 6–12 inches long and 2–4 inches wide, sufficient to span the side rails of the cable tray. Bolt Hole Pattern: Pre-drilled holes are spaced to match the tray side rails, usually 1/2" to 5/8" diameter, with 2–4 holes per side depending on tray width and load requirements. Edge Design: Edges are often rounded or deburred to prevent cable damage during installation.

Installation Considerations

Plates are used to join straight sections, tees, or bends of cable trays. Bolts and nuts are used to secure the splice plate to the tray side rails, ensuring alignment and structural integrity. For wide trays (over 24 inches), additional or reinforced plates may be required to maintain load capacity.

Splice plates must allow for thermal expansion and contraction, especially in outdoor or long-span installations.

Load and Safety

Each splice plate must support the full rated load of the tray section, including environmental loads such as wind or snow. The design should ensure no protrusions below the tray bottom plane to avoid cable interference. Compliance with NFPA 70 (NEC) and manufacturer-specific guidelines is essential for safety and warranty purposes.

In summary, cable tray connection plates are standardized components designed to securely join tray sections, maintain structural integrity, and comply with industry standards. Proper selection of material, thickness, bolt pattern, and installation method ensures safe and reliable cable management in industrial and commercial applications.

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Cable Tray Installation Details

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Nonmetallic

To order a straight section of cable tray, select the appropriate size and material from the charts below and place those symbols in the sequence shown to form the complete catalog number.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

2.1 Cable trays & accessories shall be of two types, namely ladder type and perforated type. Technical particulars are specified in Data Sheet-A and drawings enclosed with this specification.

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Steel cable trays are fabricated from continuous roll-formed structural quality steel. By roll-forming steel, the mechanical properties are increased allowing the use of a lighter gauge steel to carry the

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7.5 Splice plates and other hardware for indoor and outdoor cable trays shall be the manufacturer''s standard used for the tray system in non-corrosive environments.

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CONCENTRATED STATIC LOADS: Some applications may require the cable tray to support the weight of a single, dead object in addition to the cable loads. Specifications typically require this to be

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to cables when correctly inserted. Screwed connections are generally isometric threads fully compliant with ests in accordance of the standard. Armorduct cable tray systems are usually assembled using

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