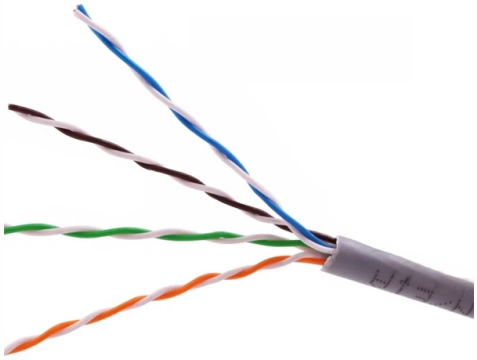
How long should the cable tray screw be



Overview

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Key Takeaways

The exposed length of a cable tray screw should be minimal—just enough to fully engage the nut or threaded insert—while avoiding protrusion that could damage cables or create a safety hazard.

Recommended Practice

When installing cable trays, screws are used to secure trays, fittings, and support brackets. The exposed portion of the screw should not extend excessively beyond the nut or mounting surface, as this can: Interfere with cable placement or routingPose a risk of abrasion or puncture to cable insulationCreate a safety hazard for personnel handling the tray system A practical guideline is to ensure that the screw threads fully engage the nut or threaded insert, with no more than 1–2 threads protruding beyond the nut. This ensures mechanical stability while minimizing exposure to cables and personnel.

Installation Considerations

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Screw Type and Size: Use screws recommended by the cable tray manufacturer, typically stainless steel or zinc-plated for corrosion resistance, and sized according to the tray load and support bracket thickness. Torque: Tighten screws to the manufacturer's specified torque to prevent loosening while avoiding over-tightening, which can deform the tray or bracket. Compliance: Follow IEC 61537 or BS EN 61537 standards for cable tray installation, which emphasize secure fastening and mechanical integrity without specifying exact exposed screw lengths.

Protective Measures: In high-density cable areas, consider using washers or protective caps to prevent screw tips from contacting cables directly.

Summary

While there is no universal standard specifying an exact exposed length, the best practice is to limit screw protrusion to the minimum necessary for secure fastening, typically 1–2 threads beyond the nut, ensuring both mechanical stability and safety for cables and personnel. Always follow the manufacturer's installation instructions and relevant IEC or national standards for your cable tray system.

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The choice of method should be discussed with a local inspector. The best decision may be to extend only the cables, creating a discontinuity in the cable tray.

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These rollers should be properly spaced dependent on the size and weight of the cable to prevent the cable from sagging and dragging in the cable tray or cable ladder during the pull.

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Cable Support Distances

All cables should therefore be suitably supported. When the cable is installed ''clipped direct to a surface'', then the clipping distance should be in line with the IET Selection and Erection Guidance

Mounting instructions

To avoid transverse bending at higher loads, a joint plate must be used for tray widths of 400 mm or more in the joint area of the cable trays that are to be connected.

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In our example (with the blue background), a span of 2.25 m for the cable tray produces a maxi-mum load capacity of 0.75 kN for each running metre of cable tray.

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When drawing/pulling cables into ladder tray, the tray run between outlets or draw-in points should not have more than the equivalent of four (4) 90 degree bends including the bends located at an outlet or

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CABLE TRAY

Consideration should be given to the loads associated with future cable additions (see section 6.3) or any other additional loads applied to the cable tray system or the cable trays support system.

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