

# Manufacturing Process of Tubular Busbars



## Overview

This article delves into the intricate processes behind busbar fabrication, detailing the techniques and tools necessary for efficient assembly.

## Key Takeaways

Tubular busbars are manufactured from high-purity aluminum or its alloys through precision cutting, forming, welding, and finishing processes to ensure high conductivity, mechanical strength, and efficient heat dissipation.

## Material Selection

Tubular busbars are typically made from high-purity aluminum or aluminum alloys such as 6061 or 6063, chosen for their lightweight, corrosion resistance, and cost-effectiveness. The hollow tubular design optimizes material usage while maintaining high rigidity and current-carrying capacity.

## Cutting and Shaping

The raw aluminum stock is cut to precise lengths using specialized cutting machines, often CNC-controlled, to maintain tight tolerances. The tubular shape is then formed, either by extrusion or bending, to achieve a seamless hollow structure that maximizes surface area for heat dissipation.



## **Punching and Drilling**

Holes for bolted connections or mounting are created using automatic punching machines or CNC drilling systems. Accurate positioning is critical to ensure proper assembly and electrical performance. The punching force is calculated based on material thickness and shear strength to avoid deformation.

## **Welding and Joining**

Sections of tubular busbars may be welded or joined using high-precision techniques to form continuous conductors. Welding ensures mechanical strength and electrical continuity, while minimizing resistance and heat generation.

## **Surface Treatment and Insulation**

After fabrication, busbars may receive protective coatings, epoxy insulation, or sleeves to enhance durability, prevent corrosion, and reduce the risk of arc flash. Conductive paste is applied at bolted joints to improve electrical contact.

## **Quality Control**

Each busbar undergoes rigorous inspection for dimensional accuracy, surface smoothness, and electrical performance. Infrared temperature measurements may be conducted during operation to ensure proper heat dissipation, and mechanical support spacing is calculated to accommodate thermal expansion.

## **Installation Considerations**

Tubular busbars are designed for high-current applications in substations, power plants, and industrial facilities. Proper installation includes anti-vibration supports, torque-controlled bolting, and spacing to prevent sagging or mechanical damage. The hollow design reduces weight, making installation easier in space-constrained environments.

## **Advantages of Tubular Design**

High current-carrying capacity due to large cross-sectional area  
Improved heat dissipation from increased surface area  
Mechanical strength with reduced material usage  
Cost-effective compared to solid copper busbars  
Lightweight, reducing support structure requirements  
By following these precise manufacturing steps, tubular busbars achieve optimal electrical performance, mechanical reliability, and long-term durability in demanding power distribution systems.

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### Understanding Busbar Manufacturing: Selection, Coating, and

Advanced manufacturing techniques, including CNC machining and laser cutting, contribute to the precision and efficiency of busbar fabrication. These methods allow for the

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Copper busbars play a crucial role in electrical power distribution, providing an efficient and durable solution for conducting electricity. They are

## Busbar Fabrication: Machines, Process & Production

Busbar manufacturing is a precision-driven process that transforms raw copper or aluminum into essential electrical conductors capable of handling

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Busbars Busbars (bus bars) are integral to power distribution and serve numerous industries including automotive, industrial, and aerospace. Busbars are metal bars that can be composed of numerous

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Tubular Aluminum Busbars | Compliant with Electrical Standards

We manufacture aluminum tubular busbars using 6101 alloy, which is well known for its high electrical conductivity ( $\geq 56\%$  IACS) and excellent mechanical strength. Typical tensile strength ranges from

A Beginner's Guide to Busbar Fabrication and Assembly

A busbar machine is a specialized equipment used in electrical systems for efficient fabrication, including punching, bending, and shearing, to create busbars that enable efficient power

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Rigid copper busbars follow the extrusion-rolling-forming process described in this guide, producing solid flat conductors. Flexible copper busbars are manufactured by laminating multiple

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These busbars play a vital role in ensuring reliable electrical connections. Whether you're an engineer, a DIY enthusiast, or just curious about manufacturing, this video has something for you.

Comprehensive Guide to Busbars: Types, Design,

Explore the comprehensive guide to PV Solar Combiner Boxes: Learn about types, components, selection criteria, installation best practices,

A method to produce aluminum alloy tube busbars by continuous

A new method i.e. continuous casting-expansion extrusion was proposed to produce the tube busbars, which is shown in Fig. 1. It can be seen that the continuous casting-expansion

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