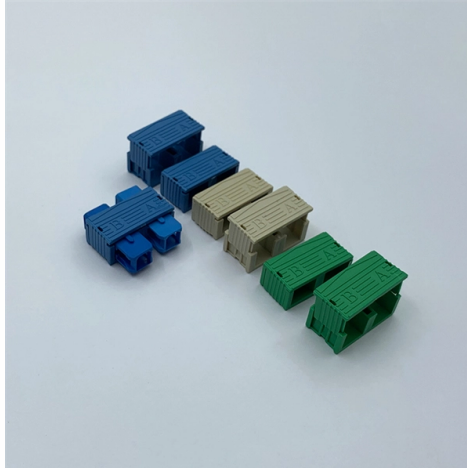


Specifications of ladder-type and trough-type cable trays



Overview

B. Product Data: Submit manufacturer's data on cable tray including, but not limited to, types, materials, finishes, rung spacings, inside depths and fitting radii.

Key Takeaways

Ladder-type trays feature open rungs for maximum ventilation and heavy-duty support, while trough-type trays offer a ventilated or solid bottom for balanced support and cable protection.

Ladder-type Cable Tray

Design and Structure: Ladder-type trays consist of two longitudinal side rails connected by evenly spaced rungs, resembling a ladder. This open structure provides excellent ventilation, allowing heat generated by electrical cables to dissipate efficiently, which is critical for high-current or long cable runs. **Material and Standards:** Typically made from galvanized steel, aluminum, or stainless steel, ladder trays comply with standards such as ANSI/NFPA 70, ASTM A123, A653, and NEMA VE 1 & VE 2.

Rung spacing is generally 6–9 inches (150–230 mm) to maintain cable support and prevent sagging. **Applications:** Ideal for industrial environments, petrochemical plants, refineries, and thermal power stations where heavy-duty power cables are routed over long distances. The open design allows easy cable installation, maintenance, and future expansion.



Load Capacity: Ladder trays are designed to support large power cables and can handle heavy loads over long spans, with support intervals determined by engineering standards and manufacturer recommendations.

Trough-type Cable Tray

Design and Structure: Trough-type trays feature a ventilated or solid bottom, providing a balance between the open ladder design and fully enclosed solid trays.

Ventilated troughs allow airflow to reduce heat buildup while offering more continuous support for cables than ladder trays. **Material and Standards:** Constructed from galvanized steel, aluminum, or FRP (fiberglass-reinforced plastic) for corrosion resistance, trough trays also adhere to ANSI/NFPA 70, ASTM, and NEMA standards.

The bottom may include perforations for drainage and ventilation. **Applications:** Suitable for commercial and industrial installations where moderate cable loads require both support and protection. Commonly used for instrumentation, control, and power cables, especially in areas where cable protection from physical damage or electromagnetic interference is important.

Load Capacity: Trough trays provide good support for medium-weight cables and are often used in horizontal or vertical runs where ladder trays may not be necessary. They can be installed on ceilings, walls, or floors with appropriate supports. **Key Differences**

Feature	Ladder-type	Trough-type
Structure	Open rungs between side rails	Ventilated or solid bottom with side rails
Ventilation	Excellent	Moderate (ventilated) or minimal (solid)
Cable Support	Supports heavy-duty cables over long spans	Supports medium-weight cables with more continuous support
Applications	Industrial, heavy power distribution	Commercial, industrial, instrumentation, and control cables
Maintenance	Easy access for installation and upgrades	Moderate access; better cable protection

Both types are integral to structured cable management systems, and the choice depends on cable type, load, environmental conditions, and maintenance requirements.

Proper installation, including support spacing and routing, is essential for safety and performance.

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Full cable tray systems specification document

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Product Catalogue Cable Management Solutions

Cable ladder is a more reliable, less expensive solution for supporting cable, which is easier to maintain, proves more adaptable to changing needs, and is more suitable for harsh and corrosive environments.

Cable Tray Type Selection

What type of cable tray should be used for the main runs of a cable tray wiring system? The cable tray types to choose from are ladder, ventilated trough, or solid bottom.

Cable Tray Technical Guide A practical guide to product selection and ...

Cable tray installed in a hazardous location must contain only those cables that are appropriate for this type of environment as defined in Chapter 5 of the NEC.

CABLE TRAY SYSTEMS GUIDE

The Ladder Tray features light, rugged, tubular steel construction. It is designed for mechanical support and strain relief in long runs of cable and creates a smooth gradual bend for cable.

GUIDE CABLE TRAYS TECHNICAL

NEMA VE 1-2017 Specifies requirements for metal cable trays and associated fittings designed for use in accordance with the rules of Canadian Electrical Code, Part I and the National Electrical Code®

B-Line series Cable Tray Design Considerations

Our wind certification report provides you with list of acceptable B-Line series cable tray supports, fittings and covers based off of the environmental conditions, cable loading, and type of cable tray in your

Cope Ladder Master Spec

Throughout this document you will find designated "specifier notes" or links to specific electronic resources in green to better serve your needs. If you have any questions or comments, please

Standard Cable Tray Types and Fittings

This document describes the types, materials, dimensions, and fittings for standard cable tray systems. It outlines ladder, perforated, solid bottom, trough, channel, and wire mesh cable tray types.

Cable Tray Systems: A Complete Guide to Types & Installation

Discover the essential guide to cable tray systems. Learn about ladder, trough, and wire mesh types, key components, and expert installation tips for safe and organized cable management.

Cable tray ladder, tray and trough structures

1. Cable tray structure (1) Cable tray is a general term for ladder-type, tray-type, and trough-type cable trays.

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Tray components must be accurately formed to tolerances with rounded edges. Cable trays installed in hazardous environments shall be constructed from heavy duty GRP or stainless steel. The document

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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, select and download straight section, fitting and accessory submittals.

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