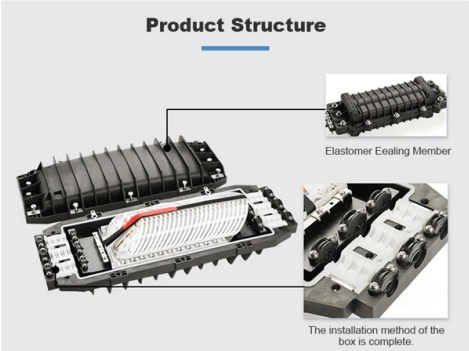
Canadian Fire-Resistant Cable Tray Installation



Overview

A practical specification guide for choosing fire resistant cable tray systems in commercial and industrial electrical projects.

Key Takeaways

Fire-resistant cable trays in Canada must be installed according to the Canadian Electrical Code, using approved materials and fireproofing systems to ensure safety and compliance.

Planning and Layout

Proper installation begins with route planning and layout. Cable trays should follow the shortest and straightest path while coordinating with the building structure to avoid conflicts with other pipelines or systems. Power and signal cables must be segregated using dedicated trays to minimize electromagnetic interference.

The tray width and thickness should be selected based on the number and weight of cables, ensuring sufficient mechanical strength to prevent deformation under full load.

Material Selection



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Indoor environments: Painted steel or galvanized steel trays are recommended. Outdoor or corrosive environments: Hot-dip galvanized, stainless steel, aluminum alloy, or fiberglass-reinforced plastic trays provide enhanced corrosion resistance. Fire-resistant applications: Use trays compatible with fireproofing systems such as Johns Manville Super Firetemp, which can be applied to steel or aluminum trays to meet fire rating requirements.

Fireproofing SystemsFire-resistant cable trays require intumescent or calcium silicate-based fireproofing. Systems like Super Firetemp provide a fixed thickness under quality control, ensuring positive protection. Installation involves: Securing trays level and plumb with horizontal deviation ≤2mm/m and vertical deviation ≤3mm/m.

Applying fireproofing boards or caulks (e.g., IC 15WB Caulk) to seal joints and edges, preventing heat penetration and smoke spread. Coordinating fireproofing with other construction to avoid retrofits that could compromise integrity.

Installation and Handling

Only qualified personnel familiar with the CEC and provincial electrical codes should perform installation. Ladder trays must not be used as walkways or lifting devices. Drilling into structural members requires approval from the general contractor.

Materials should be stored in a clean, dry environment, with straight lengths bundled and supported to prevent moisture contact. Fireproofing adhesives and caulks should be applied in conditions above freezing, with proper ventilation and personal protective equipment.

Compliance and Safety

Installation must comply with Canadian Electrical Code (CEC), local building codes, and occupational health and safety regulations. Firestop products should be halogen-free, intumescent, and compatible with cable tray systems, ensuring containment of fire and smoke at penetration points. Regular inspection and maintenance are recommended to ensure long-term reliability and fire safety.

By following these guidelines, fire-resistant cable trays in Canada can be installed safely, meeting both structural and fire protection requirements while ensuring compliance with national and local regulations.

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Cable tray length is selected based on the load to be supported, the distance between the supports (also referred to as the span), and handling and installation constraints.

INSTALLATION GUIDE

To ensure that the complete ladder tray wiring system performs as designed, it is important that it is properly installed. Personal injury as well as property damage will result if proper installation and

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Firestop

The Quick Pass Device makes installation and retrofitting a snap. Simply follow the instructions located on the product. Use this product in new construction or update your fire protection in a renovation -

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Technical guide to firestopping cable tray and slab penetrations in electrical shafts; specifies materials, packing limits, waterstop heights and installation sequence.

What Is A Cable Tray? 5 Types Of Cable Trays

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