

Fabrication of Upper and Lower Bow-Shaped Cable Trays

Article Overview

Bow-shaped cable trays are fabricated by bending metal or composite tray sections into smooth arcs to support cables while maintaining proper bend radius and structural integrity.

Materials and Selection

Bow-shaped cable trays are typically made from aluminum, galvanized steel, stainless steel, or fiber-reinforced plastic (FRP) depending on environmental conditions and load requirements . Aluminum offers lightweight construction and corrosion resistance, while stainless steel (e.g., AISI 316L) provides high strength and resistance to chlorides and industrial corrosion . Galvanized steel is cost-effective and suitable for indoor or mildly corrosive environments. FRP trays are used where chemical resistance and high strength-to-weight ratio are required .

Design Considerations

- **Bend Radius:** The curvature of the bow must respect the minimum bend radius of the cables to prevent insulation damage .
- **Load Capacity:** Determine the span and load class to ensure the tray supports the weight of cables without excessive deflection .
- **Rung Spacing:** For ladder-type trays, 6-9 inches (150-230 mm) spacing is recommended to support cables evenly .
- **Ventilation:** Open or perforated designs allow airflow to dissipate heat, while solid-...

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