

Installation required between cable trays



Article Overview

The minimum recommended horizontal spacing between parallel cable trays is 0.6 meters to allow maintenance, inspection, and proper airflow.

Horizontal Spacing

When installing two cable trays in parallel at the same height, the distance should be no less than 0.6 meters. This spacing ensures adequate access for maintenance, inspection, and heat dissipation, while preventing cables from touching, which could lead to short circuits or interference . For installations involving power and signal cable trays, the minimum horizontal separation is generally 0.5 meters, but if the trays are shielded, this distance can be reduced to less than 0.3 meters to minimize electromagnetic interference (EMI) while maintaining safety .

Vertical Spacing

For floor-mounted or stacked cable trays, the minimum vertical clearance should be 150 millimeters. This prevents obstruction, maintains structural integrity, and allows for future installation of additional trays or cables. Adequate vertical spacing also facilitates ventilation and cooling, reducing the risk of overheating .

Additional Considerations

- **Cable Type and Environment:** The spacing may vary depending on the type of cables (power, control, or instrumentation) and environmental conditions such as temperature and airflow

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