

Methods for adding busbar trunking to a power distribution cabinet



Article Overview

Busbar trunking can be integrated into a power distribution cabinet using modular busbar trunking units, tap-off points, and proper alignment and support according to IEC 61439-6 standards.

Planning and Selection

Before installation, carefully assess the electrical load, current rating, and voltage requirements of the cabinet to select an appropriate busbar trunking system (BTS) . Decide on the conductor material—copper for higher conductivity and compact size, or aluminum for lighter weight and easier handling . Determine the layout, including straight runs, elbows, and tap-off points, ensuring sufficient clearance for maintenance and future expansion .

Pre-Installation Preparation

- **Site Preparation:** Ensure the cabinet and surrounding area are clean, level, and free of obstructions. Mark installation lines using laser alignment tools for precise placement .
- **Support Installation:** Pre-install brackets or supports at intervals recommended by the manufacturer to secure the busbar trunking and accommodate thermal expansion .
- **Tools and Equipment:** Prepare torque wrenches, alignment jigs, insulation testers, and other tools required for precise assembly

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