

Standard Requirements for Replacing Cable Trays in Power Plants



Overview

Cable tray systems are recognized as a wiring method by many national and international electrical codes. Typical requirements address: Tray construction, load ratings, and materials. Support spacing, mechanical strength, and. This article explains the main requirements and good practices for cable tray systems, including tray types, materials, loading, supports, bonding, cable selection, and installation details. All illustrations, descriptions and technical information included in this document are provided as indications and can cable trays are equivalent. The mechanical and electrical characteristics, tests, certifications, overall quality management, recommendations mentioned. The National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA) also publishes three consensus standards that apply to the proper manufacture and installation of cable trays: ANSI/NEMA-VE 1-1998, Metal Cable Tray Systems; NEMA-VE 2-1996, Metal Cable Tray Installation Guidelines; and NEMA-FG-1998. The primary rulebook used in the safe use of cable trays is NEC Article 392.



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As with any electrical equipment, cable trays and the wiring contained in the trays must be listed, labeled or otherwise approved, pursuant to the requirements of 29 CFR § 1910.303(a).

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