Vertical cable tray depth



Overview

Metosu standard depths (mm): 50, 75, 100, 150. Rules of thumb: 50 mm — single layer of small-diameter cables (Cat 6A, control wire, fibre). Adequate for structured cabling runs where the cable OD is under 10 mm. In practice, cable tray dimensions are a system of interrelated measurements —width, depth, length, and material thickness—that directly affect cable fill compliance, heat dissipation, structural loading, and long-term expandability. These systems, made from metal or plastic, are open structures designed to support electrical conductors, ensuring proper organization and safety. Here's what you need to know: Cable Types: Only use. International projects are most often made in widths of between 50mm and 900mm and depths of between 50mm and 150mm. The majority of the sections have a length of 3 meters, as this is easy to transport and can be compactly placed on the shipping trucks. The dimensional specifications directly influence the tray's load-bearing capacity. This guide covers the cable tray types and their appropriate applications, the fill rules for each configuration, ampacity derating requirements, separation of power and signal cables, and the decision criteria for choosing cable tray over conduit.

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The depth dimension of cable trays, also referred to as height or rail height, measures the vertical distance from the tray bottom to the top of the side rails.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cable trays are typically designed to accommodate a maximum calculated fill ratio of 50% to a maximum of 6 inches (150 mm) inside depth. Cable tray fill ratio can be calculated per the following formulas:

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NEMA Standards Publication VE 2-2018

Vertical adjustable splice plates should be designed and placed to maximize the rigidity of the cable tray, unless vertical adjustable splice plates are part of a system specifically designed for other placement,

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When vertically stacking ladder trays always maintain adequate clearance above each tray run to allow for the installation of the cable and start with the narrowest (lightest) tray on top and work downwards

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