

Good seismic-resistant cable tray supports



Article Overview

Steel cable trays with rigid or cable bracing, properly spaced and anchored, are generally the most reliable seismic-resistant support systems.

Key Considerations for Seismic-Resistant Cable Tray Supports

Material Selection: Steel and aluminum are the most common materials for seismic cable trays. Steel offers superior strength and can withstand higher seismic forces, making it ideal for critical or heavy-duty installations. Aluminum is lightweight and corrosion-resistant, suitable for moderate seismic loads or where weight reduction is important . **Tray Type:** Perforated or trough trays are commonly used, but their suitability depends on cable mass, support spacing, and retention requirements. Wire mesh or basket trays can be used in some installations but require careful attention to splice and support details. Channel trays are generally recommended only for light-duty runs . **Bracing Method:** The support and bracing system is often more critical than the tray itself. Two main types of seismic bracing are used:

- **Rigid Bracing:** Works in both tension and compression, providing strong lateral and longitudinal support. Best for long spans or heavy cable loads, though limited by drop length .
 - **Cable Bracing:** Works in tension and requires two opposing braces per location. It is faster to install and effective for moderate loads .
- Support Spacing and Anchoring:** Closer support spacing reduces tray span and increases seismic resistance, but also increases installation cost. Proper anchoring to structural members is essential to tr...

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This appendix provides the design criteria for seismic Category I cable trays and their supports. Seismic Category II cable trays and

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A cable tray hanger is classified as a _ seismic Category I structure, and therefore, it shall be adequately designed for the effect of

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