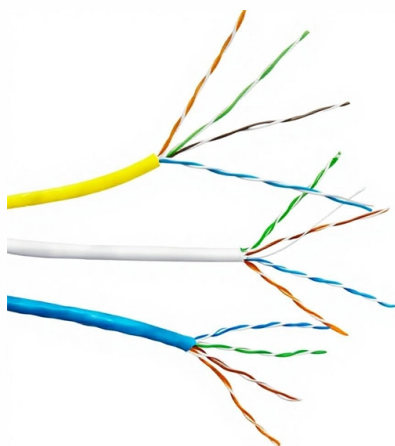


Technical briefing on installation of trapezoidal cable trays



Overview

This document provides a method statement for installing cable trays and trunking systems for building electrical services.

Key Takeaways

Installing trapezoidal cable trays requires careful planning, proper support setup, precise alignment, and adherence to safety and electrical standards.

1. Pre-Installation Preparation

- Approval of Drawings & Materials: Obtain client approval for construction designs, shop drawings, and materials before starting work to ensure compliance with project specifications and standards .
- Site Inspection: Verify that the workspace is safe, accessible, and free from obstructions such as HVAC ducts, pipes, or machinery .
- Safety Measures: Install safety barriers, warning signs, and ensure all personnel wear PPE, including helmets, gloves, safety shoes, and eye protection .
- Coordination: Coordinate with other trades to prevent interference during installation .

2. Material Verification

- Inspect all cable trays, supports, clamps, and accessories for damage, corrosion, or missing parts .



- Ensure materials are suitable for the environment (e.g., stainless steel for corrosive areas, galvanized steel for standard conditions), .

- Identify each tray by feeder name and branch number for proper routing .

3. Support Structure Installation

- Trapeze or Swing Supports: Drill holes into the ceiling slab and install drop-in anchors. Attach threaded rods and a horizontal cross member (Unistrut or similar) to create a shelf for the tray .
- Wall Brackets (Cantilever): Drill holes at marked support points, insert anchors, and secure brackets ensuring they are level .
- Leveling and Adjustment: Use nuts, washers, and cross members to ensure the tray support is level and allows horizontal adjustment for tray clips .
- Standard support spacing is typically 1.5-2 meters, but follow manufacturer specifications .

4. Tray Installation

- Place the trapezoidal cable tray onto the prepared supports, ensuring proper alignment with the approved layout .
- Connect tray sections using couplers or splice plates, and secure with bolts or tray clips .
- Install bends, tees, or risers as required, maintaining smooth cable pathways .
- Ensure adequate clearance from heat sources, vibrating equipment, and other utilities to maintain cable integrity .

5. Grounding and Bonding

- Connect grounding straps to the tray system to prevent electrical hazards and minimize electromagnetic interference .
- Verify that all grounding connections are secure and conform to electrical codes.

6. Inspection and Quality Verification

- Visually and dimensionally inspect all installed trays, supports, and accessories .
- Confirm conformance with approved drawings, specifications, and relevant standards (IEC 60364, IEEE, or local codes), .
- Check for proper leveling, alignment, and secure fastening of all components .

7. Documentation and Final Checks

- Maintain records of installation, including deviations, material verification, and inspection results .
- Ensure all safety protocols, such as Lockout/Tagout (LOTO), are followed before energizing adjacent systems . Following these steps ensures a safe, compliant, and durable trapezoidal cable tray installation suitable for industrial or commercial electrical systems.

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