

Cable interlayer and cable tray



Article Overview

In a cable interlayer, electrical (power) trays are typically positioned above instrumentation (signal/control) trays, maintaining proper spacing to minimize interference and allow heat dissipation.

Layering and Separation

Electrical on Top, Instrumentation Below: In multi-layer cable tray systems, power cables are generally installed on the upper trays, while sensitive instrumentation and control cables are placed on lower trays. This arrangement reduces the risk of electromagnetic interference (EMI) from high-current power cables affecting low-voltage signal cables . **Layered Separation:** Strong current and high-voltage cables should be physically separated from low-current instrumentation cables. Industry standards recommend a minimum vertical and horizontal spacing of 300 mm (12 inches) between power and control trays. Where space is limited, metal partitions or dividers can be used to prevent interference .

Tray Types and Material Considerations

Tray Types: Common tray types include ladder trays, perforated trays, solid-bottom trays, wire mesh (basket) trays, and channel trays. Ladder trays allow good ventilation and easy cable installation, while solid-bottom trays provide maximum protection from dust and moisture. Wire mesh trays are suitable for data and low-voltage cables, and channel trays are used for sensitive or small instrumentation cables . **Material Selection:** Materials such as steel, aluminum, or coated metals are chosen based on environmental conditions, load requirements, and corrosion resistance. Aluminum offers excellent corrosion resistance, while galvanized steel provides mechanical strength and durability .

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