

Requirements for jumpers of different cable tray specifications



AI Overview

Bonding jumpers are required only under specific conditions such as painted trays, expansion joints, or high-vibration environments; standard metallic splice plates often provide sufficient electrical continuity for properly installed cable trays.

General Guidelines For metallic cable trays (aluminum, steel, or stainless steel), electrical continuity is critical to ensure proper grounding and safety. According to NEC standards, metallic trays must be electrically continuous and bonded to the building grounding system. In many cases, standard rigid bolted splice plates provide sufficient continuity without additional jumpers, as long as the plates are tightly bolted and free of coatings that impede conductivity.

When Bonding Jumpers Are Required Bonding jumpers are necessary in the following situations:

- Painted or powder-coated trays:** Coatings block electrical contact, so a flexible copper jumper ensures continuity.
- Expansion joints:** Trays that need to move or accommodate thermal expansion require jumpers to maintain grounding.
- High-vibration environments:** Jumpers prevent loosening of connections and maintain electrical continuity.
- Connection resistance above 0.0003 ohms:** If the splice plate connection exceeds this resistance, a jumper is recommended to ensure safety and compliance.

Cable Tray Types and Considerations Different tray types may influence jumper requirements:

- Ladder trays:** Typically allow good electrical continuity through side rails; jumpers may not be needed if splice plates are UL-rated and properly bolted.
- Trough and solid-bottom trays:** May require jumpers if coated or if mechanical connections are insufficient for continuity.
- Channel trays:** Similar to ladder trays, but check for coatings or expansion joints that could necessitate jumpers.

Installation Best Practices Use serrated nuts or star washers to ensure metal-to-metal contact. E...

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Attaching a channel cable tray by using the method illustrated in Figure 3-88 maintains the electrical requirements, and the bolted mechanical connection while providing a practical method for dropping

When are bonding jumpers required for use with cable tray?

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SECTION 270528 — CABLE TRAY FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Provide all materials and labor for the installation of a cable tray system for communications infrastructure. This section includes requirements for providing a cable tray system for

Grounding Inspection of Steel and Aluminum Cable Tray Systems

Steel and aluminum cable tray systems are excellent equipment grounding conductors if they are properly designed, specified, installed, and inspected. The NEC requirements for cable tray

Bonding Jumpers Not Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice Plates

It is not necessary to install bonding jumpers at standard rigid galvanized steel or aluminum splice plate connections or offset reducing splice plate connections or any Classified connections.

Cable tray manual

These documents: ANSI/NEMA VE-1, Metal Cable Tray Systems; NEMA VE-2, Cable Tray Installation Guidelines; and NEMA FG-1, Non Metallic Cable Tray Systems, are an excellent industry resource in

Stumped by the Code? NEC Rule Regarding Cable

A bonding jumper, sized in accordance with Sec. 250.102 and installed in accordance with Sec. 250.96, must bond the sections of metal cable

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Metallic cable trays shall be bonded to building steel and earth as supplemental grounding for ground fault protection and signal grounding ("noise" prevention).

TECHNICAL AND SIZING DATA

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

GUIDE CABLE TRAYS TECHNICAL

This standard specifies the requirements and test methods for cable trays, cable ladders, supports and their accessories to ensure complete safety of installations.

Cable Tray Thermal Expansion Guidelines

Cable Tray Thermal Expansion Guidelines 1) Cable trays need expansion joints to allow for thermal contraction and expansion due to temperature changes. The

Are Bonding Jumpers Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice Plates?

Learn when bonding jumpers are mandatory for cable trays and when UL-rated splice plates are sufficient to ensure electrical continuity and pass your next site inspection.

NEC Standards for Cable Trays: Grounding, Fill Capacity

This article provides a comprehensive framework that governs various aspects of cable tray installations, including the types of cables that are deemed acceptable for use, requirements for

B-Line series Cable Tray Design Considerations

As an industry leader in cable tray, Eaton offers one of the widest ranges of cable management solutions available in the market today with its B-Line series portfolio. With unmatched quality and service, we

IEC Standard for Cable Tray: Complete Technical Guide

This standard outlines the construction requirements, testing methods, and performance parameters for cable trays and related support systems.

Practices for grounding and bonding of cable trays

Grounding and bonding of cable trays There are three wiring options for providing an EGC in a cable tray wiring system: An EGC conductor in or on

Cable Tray Technical Guide A practical guide to product selection and ...

This guide for engineers and installers has been developed by ABB as a practical reference regarding cable tray characteristics, installation, and requirements.

Full cable tray systems specification document

B. Cable tray systems are defined to include, but are not limited to straight sections of [ladder type] [trough type] [solid bottom type] [channel type] cable trays, bends, tees, elbows, drop-outs, supports

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Bonding Jumpers Not Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice

It is not necessary to install bonding jumpers in parallel with the standard rigid aluminum or steel one-piece metallic bolted side rail splice plates that are the connections between the cable tray sections.

CABLE TRAY SYSTEMS GUIDE

Some applications may require the cable tray to support the weight of a single, dead object in addition to the cable loads. Specifications typically require this to be applied at the midpoint of the span between

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Not all cable trays are equivalent. The mechanical and electrical characteristics, tests, certifications, overall quality management, recommendations mentioned in this technical guide only apply to our

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