

Connecting jumper wires to cable trays



Article Overview

Bonding jumpers are installed across cable tray sections to ensure electrical continuity and proper grounding, especially at expansion joints, painted trays, or adjustable fittings.

When Jumpers Are Required

Bonding jumpers are necessary in the following situations:

- Expansion joints or adjustable fittings where the tray may move or flex .
- Painted or powder-coated trays, as coatings can block electrical continuity .
- High-vibration environments where standard splice plates may loosen over time .
- If the connection resistance exceeds 0.0003 ohms, a jumper ensures compliance and safety . For standard, stationary, uncoated trays with UL-classified splice plates, jumpers may not be required if the metal is tightly bolted and electrically continuous .

Materials and Types

- Copper bonding jumpers are preferred for conductivity and flexibility .
- Common sizes include 2 AWG soft drawn tin-plated copper or smaller braided straps like #6 AWG for shorter spans .
- Insulation is often flame-retardant PVC (VW-1), resistant to oil, acid, and abrasion .
- Standard lengths vary from 7-36 inches, depending on the tray configuration and gap to be bridged .

Installation Steps...

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Grounding & Bonding Wire Mesh Cable Trays

However, while wire mesh trays offer mechanical and thermal advantages, proper grounding and bonding are critical

Cable Tray Grounding Wire: What You Need to Know

Discover the best practices for Cable Tray Grounding Wire installation. Learn key requirements, safety tips, and

CABLE TRAYS CONNECTION INSTRUCTIONS

It is possible to use cable trays as grounding conductor equipment. In accordance with National Electrical Code (NEC) Article 392

Practices for grounding and bonding of cable trays

Practices for grounding and bonding of cable trays Grounding and bonding of cable trays (on photo: Ground wire connected to cable

Cable Tray Ladder Trunking Wire Basket Installation Guidelines

What Are Cable Trays? An assembly of units/sections with associated fittings that form a rigid structural system to securely fasten or

Cable Tray SOP

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

INSTALLATIONS

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cable trays, or cable trays of one-piece construction, and the total cross-sectional area of both side rails for ladder or

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Cable or "P" clamps and plastic tie wraps are used to fasten cables/conductors to the ladder tray. Single conductors must be

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

Cable Tray Technical Guide A practical guide to product selection and installation This guide for engineers and installers has been

Mastering the Art of Connecting Jumper Wires: A Comprehensive Guide

This detailed guide will take you through the basics of jumper wires, their types, applications, and the step-by-step

5 Steps to Learn How to Install Cable Trays

Installing a cable tray system requires careful planning to ensure it can support the weight of the cables and adheres

Best practice guide to cable ladder and cable tray systems

Cable ladder and cable tray systems The following recommendations are intended to be a practical guide to ensure

A Guide to Installing and Supporting Electrical Cable Trays

A professional guide to installing electrical cable tray systems per NEC Article 392. Covers support,

Cable Tray Cable Ladders: A Comprehensive Guide to Installation and ...

Cable trays and cable ladders are indispensable components in modern electrical wiring systems, providing organized

How to Check if Your Cable Trays are Grounded and Safe

A cable tray grounding is best inspected by searching cable tray sections with bonding jumpers (the thick green or

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We have more than a decade's worth of experience making and designing quality cable tray and cable management systems. Our

Equipment Grounding Conductors for Cable Tray Systems

Connections of conduits and/or cables (Bonding and/or EGC) to the cable trays should be made with UL Listed Connectors that are

Practices for grounding and bonding of cable trays

For such installations, it is best to use an insulated conductor and to remove the insulation where bonding connections are made to

Grounding & Bonding Connectors

Cables must be secured to the cable tray prior to and after the transition, and protected by guarding or location. The electrical

Cable tray manual

Instead of large conduits, cable channel may be used very effectively to support cable drops from the cable tray run to the equipment

Safely Installing, Maintaining and Inspecting Cable Trays

Cable trays are not raceways, but they are treated as a structural component of a facility's electrical system. Cable trays are a part of

Bonding Jumpers Not Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice Plates

It is not necessary to install bonding jumpers in parallel with the standard rigid aluminum or steel one-piece metallic bolted side rail

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Do not use splice plate bolt locations to connect jumper to cable tray. Place screw head on inside of cable tray, put jumper on outside

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