How to bend multiple horizontal cable trays

Overview

The assembly guide below will help the cable tray installer make the bends and others without difficulty even he had never installed wire mesh cable trays before.

Key Takeaways

Horizontal bends in cable trays allow smooth directional changes while maintaining cable integrity, safety, and efficient space utilization.

Purpose of Horizontal Bends

Horizontal bends are used to navigate cable trays around obstacles or change direction in a building layout without stressing the cables. They ensure that cables follow a controlled path, preventing sharp turns that could damage insulation or cause signal loss in data cables. Properly designed bends also contribute to a neat and organized installation, which simplifies maintenance and troubleshooting.

Installation Method

Determine the Bend Radius: Identify the required turning angle and select a bend radius that accommodates the cable type and size. A larger radius reduces stress on cables. Prepare the Tray: For wire mesh or basket trays, cut and remove side wires as needed to form the desired bend radius.

For solid or ladder trays, use pre-fabricated horizontal bend fittings. Assemble the Bend: Align the tray sections and attach using splices, brackets, or clamps as specified by the manufacturer. Ensure the bend is securely fastened to the support structure.

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Support and Secure: Maintain proper support spacing before and after the bend to prevent sagging. Use mounting brackets or suspension systems to secure the tray to walls, ceilings, or beams. Check Cable Path: Ensure the cables can be routed smoothly through the bend without exceeding the minimum bending radius recommended for the cable type.

Benefits

Maintains Cable Integrity: Prevents sharp bends that can damage insulation or reduce signal quality in data cables. Enhances Safety: Reduces the risk of loose or unsupported cables, minimizing electrical hazards. Optimizes Space: Allows efficient use of available space while routing cables along walls, ceilings, or around obstacles.

Improves Organization: Creates a professional, orderly cable layout that simplifies future maintenance.

Standards and Best Practices

Use bends and fittings that comply with relevant standards such as BS EN 61537 for cable tray systems. Ensure all components are compatible and installed by competent personnel familiar with electrical installation practices. Avoid improvised bends or unsupported cable paths, as these can compromise safety and cable performance.

By following these methods, horizontal bends can be effectively integrated into cable tray systems, ensuring durable, safe, and organized cable management.

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