How to cut the slope of a cable tray

Overview

Calculate horizontal, vertical, or compound cable tray offsets based on bend angle, offset distance, and available installation space.

Key Takeaways

Cutting a cable tray for a slope involves calculating the correct V-cut dimensions, marking the tray accurately, and using appropriate cutting tools to achieve a precise angled section. Step 1: Determine the Slope and Bend AngleBefore cutting, calculate the slope you need based on the vertical rise and horizontal run. Common bend angles are 15°, 22.

5°, 30°, and 45°, with 30° being the industry standard for balancing space efficiency and cable pulling ease. Use a cable tray slope or offset calculator to determine the exact length of the sloped section and the V-cut dimensions. Step 2: Mark the TrayOnce the slope and angle are determined, mark the tray for cutting.

Tools like SVG fabrication diagrams or measuring tapes can help you transfer the calculated V-cut lines directly onto the tray. Ensure you mark both the half-width and full-width of the V-cut for accuracy. Step 3: Select the Cutting ToolsRecommended tools for cutting cable trays include: Angle grinders with metal cutting discsHacksaws for smaller or thinner traysBand saws for precise, straight cutsNibblers or shears for modular ladder-type trays Always wear safety gear, including gloves, goggles, and hearing protection.

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Step 4: Make the CutFollow the marked lines carefully. For V-cuts: Cut along the marked V-notch linesRemove the triangular section to allow the tray to bendSmooth edges with a file or grinder to prevent cable damage Step 5: Install and AdjustAfter cutting, bend the tray to match the slope. Check alignment with the support structure or ceiling.

Adjust hanger spacing according to the tray width, slope angle, and installation environment to maintain stability. For software-assisted planning, tools like Revit allow you to set start and end elevations to align trays with sloping ceilings. Step 6: Final ChecksEnsure the tray slope allows smooth cable pullingVerify that all edges are deburredConfirm that the tray is securely supported and aligned By following these steps, you can safely and accurately cut a cable tray to fit a sloped installation, ensuring both structural integrity and ease of cable management.

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