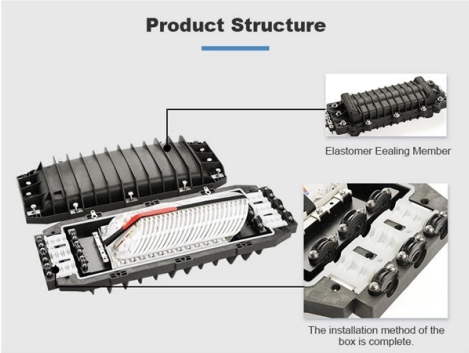
Supports for horizontal cable trays



Overview

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Key Takeaways

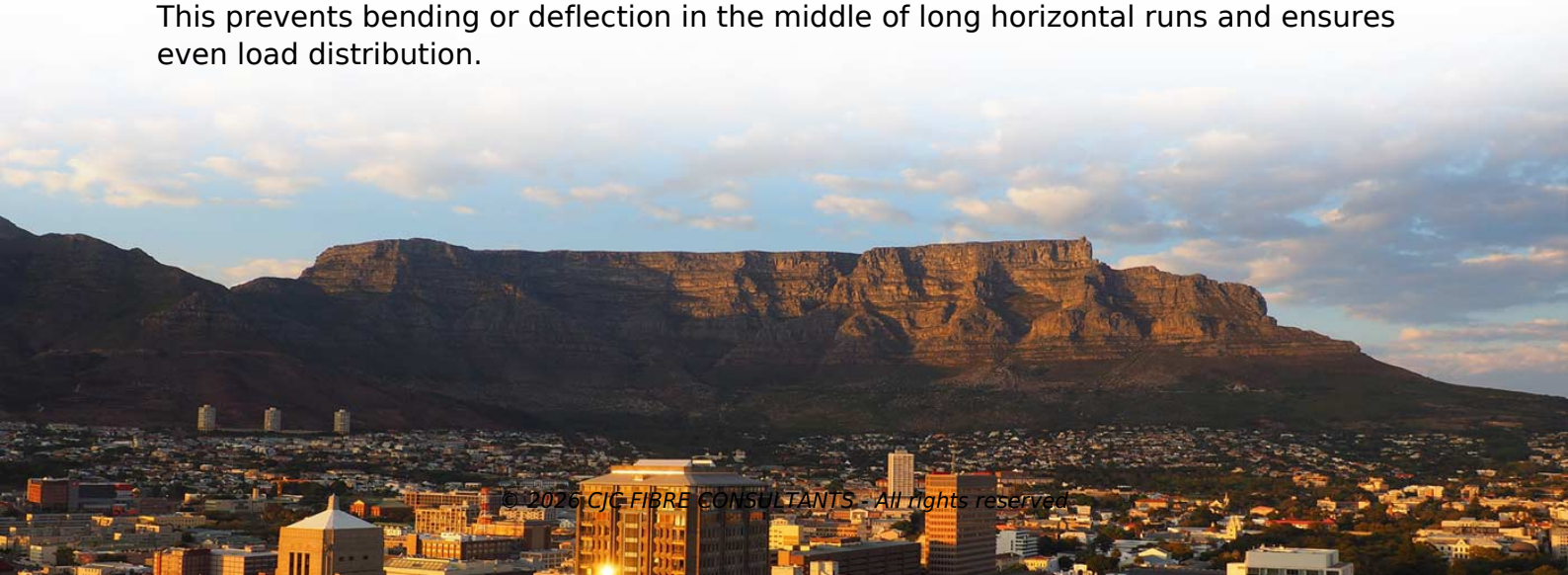
Horizontal supports for cable trays include wall brackets, suspended supports, and center suspensions that mechanically hold the tray and maintain proper spacing.

Types of Horizontal Supports

Wall and Support Brackets: These are mounted directly to walls or structural surfaces to hold cable trays horizontally. They provide stable support for trays running along walls or vertical surfaces and are commonly used in both industrial and commercial installations. Suspended Supports: These supports hang from ceilings or overhead structures using rods, chains, or straps.

They are ideal for long horizontal runs where wall mounting is not feasible. Suspended supports help maintain the tray's level and prevent sagging under cable weight. Center Suspensions: Used for wide or heavy cable trays, center suspensions provide support at the midpoint of the tray span.

This prevents bending or deflection in the middle of long horizontal runs and ensures even load distribution.



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Support Spacing and Load Considerations

The support distance is the spacing between adjacent horizontal supports. Proper spacing is critical to prevent excessive sagging and mechanical strain on cables. The distance depends on tray type, material, cable weight, and environmental factors.

Standards such as BS EN 61537 provide guidance on support intervals, but engineers must also consider additional loads like wind, snow, or vibration.

Mounting and Materials

Horizontal supports are typically made from steel, stainless steel, or aluminum, chosen based on strength requirements and environmental conditions. Mounting elements like screws, bolts, or J-bolts attach the supports to the building structure. Accessories such as covers or barrier strips may be added to protect cables.

Practical Notes

Supports must be installed to avoid undue mechanical strain on cables and terminations. For ladder-type trays, rung spacing of 150–230 mm is recommended to maintain cable position and prevent sagging. All supports should be compatible with the tray system to ensure safe and reliable installation.

By selecting the appropriate type of horizontal support and spacing, cable trays can safely carry electrical and communication cables while maintaining structural integrity and compliance with standards.

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Supports should be located so that connectors (splice joints) between horizontal runs fall between the support point and quarter point of the span. The Support Span should not be greater than the straight

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The only reason to select a ventilated trough cable tray over a ladder type cable tray is aesthetics. No drooping of small cables is visible. The ventilated trough cable tray does provide more support to the

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A perforated cable tray gives enough support to cables because this tray comprises ventilated bottom with side rails. Perforated cable provides maximum strength for heavy-duty power

Method Statement installation of Cable Trays and Ladders

Mark the trays and ladders routes as per the approved shop drawing; ensure these are of horizontal & vertical runs only. Co-ordinate the routes, and levels and ensure no clashes with other

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Horizontal deviation: ≤2mm per meter.Vertical deviation: ≤3mm per meter.Must be level, plumb, and securely mounted on supports. Horizontal deviation: ≤2mm per

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