Between cable tray connection devices



Overview

Mounting elements are used to attach or fasten other elements to cable supports and fittings. For example, a mounting plate is often used for junction boxes or device supports.

Key Takeaways

Cable tray connection devices include splice plates, bolted connections, quick connect systems, clamps, and welding, each designed to ensure secure, stable, and durable tray installations. Common Connection Devices1. Splice Plates Splice plates are flat metal plates with pre-drilled holes used to join two cable tray sections in a straight line.

They are very strong and compatible with most tray types, providing a secure connection that can support heavy cable loads. Installation requires bolts and tools such as spanners or torque wrenches, making it more time-consuming but highly reliable for long, straight runs of cable tray. 2.

Bolted Connections Bolted connections are the primary fasteners used with splice plates and other fittings. They create a tight, strong hold and can be undone for maintenance or modifications. Bolted connections are standard across most mechanical fittings and are essential for ensuring system stability and compliance with electrical codes.

3. Quick Connect Systems These are specialized systems from manufacturers that snap, slide, or twist together, requiring few or no tools. They allow fast installation, saving labor time, and are ideal for large projects where speed is critical.

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However, they are often brand-specific and may have a higher upfront cost. 4. Clamps and Fish Plates Clamps and fish plates are used to join tray sections at angles or junctions, such as L, T, or cross-shaped connections.

They help route cables around corners or splits and maintain structural integrity at junctions. 5. Welding Welding provides a permanent, extremely strong connection between tray sections.

It is less flexible for future modifications but is suitable for installations requiring maximum load-bearing capacity and long-term durability.

Considerations for Choosing Connection Devices

Load Requirements: Heavier cable loads require stronger connections like bolted splice plates or welded joints. Installation Speed: Quick connect systems are faster but may be limited to specific brands. Flexibility and Maintenance: Bolted connections allow easier disassembly for maintenance or rerouting.

Compliance and Safety: Connections must meet electrical codes and standards to prevent sagging, grounding issues, or cable damage.

Summary

Selecting the right cable tray connection device depends on project size, load, installation speed, and future maintenance needs. Splice plates and bolted connections are versatile and reliable, quick connect systems save time, clamps and fish plates manage junctions, and welding ensures maximum strength. Properly installed connections enhance safety, system stability, durability, and ease of maintenance.

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3. Cable Tray Support Locations Cable tray supports should be strategically positioned so that connectors between horizontal straight sections of the tray fall between the support point and the

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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

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Cables must be secured to the cable tray prior to and after the transition, and protected by guarding or location. The electrical connection between sections can be maintained with bonding jumpers or a

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