

Thickness of Indoor Metal Cable Trays



AI Overview

Indoor metal cable trays typically range from 1.2 mm to 3 mm in thickness, depending on load, span, and application type.

Standard Thickness Ranges

- Light-duty applications** (e.g., LAN, control, or instrumentation wiring in commercial offices) generally use trays with 1.2 mm to 1.6 mm thickness. These trays are suitable for smaller cable bundles and shorter spans.
- Medium-duty applications** (e.g., general power distribution in commercial or moderate industrial settings) often require 1.6 mm to 2.0 mm thickness, providing additional strength for heavier cables and moderate spans.
- Heavy-duty applications** (e.g., industrial power plants, large power cables, or multiple cable layers) typically use trays with 2.5 mm to 3.0 mm thickness. These thicker trays support larger loads and longer spans without sagging.

Factors Affecting Tray Thickness

- Span Length:** Longer unsupported spans require thicker trays to prevent bending or sagging. For spans of 2.5 to 3 meters, a thickness of 2.5 mm or more is recommended.
- Cable Load:** The cumulative weight of installed cables, including potential future additions, determines the required tray thickness. Heavier power cables necessitate thicker trays.
- Material and Environment:** Galvanized steel, stainless steel, or powder-coated trays may require different thicknesses for corrosion resistance and durability. Stainless steel trays in chemical or marine environments are often 2.0 mm or thicker.
- Tray Type:** Ladder trays, perforated trays, channel trays, and wire mesh trays have different structural requirements. Ladder trays for heavy loads prioritize side rail height and thickness, while wire mesh trays rely on wire diameter and support spacing.

Practical Recommendations

- For commercial office or light-duty indoor installations, choose 1.2–1.6 mm trays with widths of 150–300 mm.
- For industrial or heavy-duty indoor installations, select 2.5–3 mm trays with widths up to 1000 mm to accommodate multiple layers of power cables.
- Always consider future expansion and maintain proper fill ratios (typically 40–50% of tray capacity).

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Cable Tray Installation Specifications | PDF | Sheet

This document provides installation guidelines for cable trays, including: 1) Cable trays come in perforated and ladder types, with perforated trays made of steel

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