

Rules for Calculating Cable Tray Support Loads



Overview

This article explains the principles, methods, and practical examples for calculating cable tray support quantity. Cable tray support quantity can be calculated using a simple formula: $\text{Support Quantity} = \frac{\text{Total Length}}{\text{Support Spacing}} + 1$. For example, $20 \div 2 + 1 = 11$ supports. In a typical project, a 20-meter cable tray requires 11 supports. The International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) provides detailed guidelines for cable tray systems under IEC 61537. Whether you're designing a new system or upgrading an existing one, this guide covers the critical steps, from selecting the right electrical cable tray and performing accurate cable fill calculations to managing a safe cable pull through and ensuring all bonding and grounding requirements are met. With our many years of experience, we are one of the leading manufacturers in this field. This calculator features an interactive interface with advanced visualizations.



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Dead load includes the weight of the cable trays, their supports and the cables inside the trays and any permanently attached items. Temporary items used during construction or maintenance are removed

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The contractor could have broken these cables up into multiple cable trays to lessen the weight however he chose to run them all in one, perhaps to save on cable tray cost. If that's the case

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The load capacity of the cable trays according to the support width can be read off in the diagram using load curves - here, shown as an example for a cable tray with the tray widths 100 to 600 mm.

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Cable weight per meter (daN / m) = useful cross-section of the cable support system (mm²) x is based on the specific gravity of copper and the average amount of

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Pick a span (often 1.5–3 m) and verify the uniform load rating exceeds your cable weight plus a safety factor. Check deflection limits to protect terminations and fibre.

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Cable tray length is selected based on the load to be supported, the distance between the supports (also referred to as the span), and handling and installation constraints.

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When selecting cable trays, enterprises often prioritize performance metrics, particularly safe working load. But how are these safe working load data

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