

Do galvanized cable trays require jumper wires



Article Overview

Galvanized cable trays do not generally require jumper wires if standard bolted splice plates are used and properly installed, but jumpers may be needed in special conditions such as painted trays, expansion joints, or high-vibration areas.

Standard Installation

For standard galvanized steel cable trays with rigid, bolted side rail splice plates, bonding jumpers are not required. Properly installed splice plates provide sufficient electrical continuity to meet NEC Section 318-6(a) requirements, ensuring the cable tray system is electrically continuous and capable of safely conducting fault currents without additional jumpers. Tests on NEMA Class II aluminum and galvanized steel ladder trays have shown that standard bolted splice plates perform as well or better than copper bonding jumpers under fault conditions.

Situations Requiring Jumpers

While jumpers are not needed for standard, clean, and tightly bolted connections, certain conditions necessitate the use of flexible copper bonding jumpers:

- Painted or powder-coated trays: Coatings can block electrical continuity, preventing proper grounding.
- Expansion joints: Trays designed to move due to thermal expansion or contraction require flexible jumpers to maintain electrical continuity

Article Content

Cable Tray Installation Rules (NEC 392) – Electrical Trader

"A cable tray is a support structure that seems to be a bridge that supports wires in the air". This misconception leads

Galvanized Cable Tray: Durable Industrial Solutions

Discover galvanized cable trays for industrial wiring, with installation tips, load data, and corrosion-resistant solutions

Bonding Jumper-Cable Tray) | PDF | Equipment

4.8 BONDING TO BUILDING STEEL AND EARTH Metallic cable trays shall be bonded to building steel and earth as supplemental

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It is not necessary to install bonding jumpers at standard rigid galvanized steel or aluminum splice plate connections or offset

Bonding Jumpers Not Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice

It is not necessary to install bonding jumpers in parallel with the standard rigid aluminum or steel one-piece metallic bolted side rail

Cable Tray Installation and Cable Handling Method Statement

Cable Tray Installation Method Statement 1. Cable Tray Installation Cable trays should be installed in accordance with the latest

Bonding and Grounding wire mesh cable tray.

Recent claims have suggested a field cut (modification) to cable tray for the creation of bends and turns will cause that system to lose

Cable Tray Grounding: Electrical and Non-Power Conductors

Non-Power Conductor Requirements Metal cable trays containing only non-power conductors are required by NEC

How to Check if Your Cable Trays are Grounded and Safe

A cable tray grounding is best inspected by searching cable tray sections with bonding jumpers (the thick green or

Cable Tray Grounding Wire: What You Need to Know

Discover the best practices for Cable Tray Grounding Wire installation. Learn key requirements, safety tips, and

Are Bonding Jumpers Required for Standard Cable Tray Splice Plates?

For many indoor projects using galvanized steel or aluminum, these plates act like a bridge for electricity. If the bridge

Bonding Aluminum Cable Tray | Information by Electrical

I've have two B-Line aluminum Cable Trays carrying two 4/c #12 copper wires. I'm feeding two 6.9 FLA pump motors

Cable Tray Technical Guide A practical guide to product selection and ...

Cable tray installed in a hazardous location must contain only those cables that are appropriate for this type of environment as

Cable Trays and Reels - Is cable tray bonded or grounded?

When firmly attached to building steel with threaded connections and galvanized components cable tray installations are adequately

Stumped by the Code? NEC Rule Regarding Cable Tray Systems

Sufficient space must be provided and maintained about cable trays to permit adequate access for installing and

GI Cable Trays - What it is, Types and Applications

GI cable tray systems take care of this efficiently. A GI cable tray (Galvanized Iron Cable Tray) is a structural system

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Do I have to use a bonding jumper at each cable tray splice point that is bolted tightly together? I currently have 3

Equipment Grounding Conductors for Cable Tray Systems

It is not necessary to apply conductive compound on the standard cable tray splice plate connections or to install bonding jumpers

Cable Tray Grounding Wire: What You Need to Know

Can I use the cable tray itself as a grounding wire? Yes, but only if the tray is made of metal and meets the required

Safely Installing, Maintaining and Inspecting Cable Trays

Cable trays are not raceways, but they are treated as a structural component of a facility's electrical system. Cable trays are a part of

Understanding Cable Tray Grounding: A Comprehensive Guide

Cable tray grounding is an indispensable aspect of electrical installations that plays a pivotal role in ensuring safety,

When are bonding jumpers required for use with cable tray?

GEIS, B-Line, Bonding jumpers, Cable tray, dscontinuous Bonding jumpers are required to be used on both rails when the tray is not

Practices for grounding and bonding of cable trays

If an EGC cable is installed in or on a cable tray, it should be bonded to each or alternate cable tray sections via grounding clamps

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