Cable tray compensation line



Overview

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Key Takeaways

A cable tray compensation line is a section of the tray system designed to accommodate thermal expansion and contraction, typically using expansion joints, splice plates, and sliding supports. Purpose of a Compensation LineCable trays expand and contract with temperature changes. Without proper compensation, this can lead to bending, tearing, or bolt elongation at splice points, especially in environments with large temperature variations such as rooftops or outdoor installations.

A compensation line ensures the tray can move freely without causing mechanical stress or damage to the cables.

Key Components

Expansion Joints and Splice Plates Expansion joints are installed at intervals to allow the tray to lengthen or shorten. Splice plates connect tray sections while permitting movement. Cable tray manufacturers provide expansion joint splice plates and bonding jumpers to maintain electrical continuity.

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Support Placement Supports should be located within 2 feet of each side of the expansion joint splice plates. The tray should not be clamped too tightly to the supports, allowing it to slide as it expands or contracts. Anchoring and Guides The tray is anchored at the support closest to the midpoint between expansion joints using hold-down clamps.

Expansion guides at other supports allow the tray to slide back and forth, preventing distortion.

Installation Considerations

Compensation lines should be designed according to NEC Section 300-7(b) and NEMA VE 1 standards for metallic cable tray systems. Expansion joints should not be installed solely at structural expansion points, as the tray and structure may have different thermal expansion rates. Proper material selection (steel, stainless steel, or aluminum) and finish are important to ensure durability and corrosion resistance in the installation environment.

Summary

A cable tray compensation line is essential for safe, reliable, and long-lasting cable tray installations in environments with temperature fluctuations. By using expansion joints, splice plates, sliding supports, and proper anchoring, the system can accommodate thermal movement while maintaining structural integrity and electrical continuity.

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The compensation cables shown in the list are available in the colour codes according to IEC/EN 60584-3. The compensation cables can also be supplied in other colours on request.

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