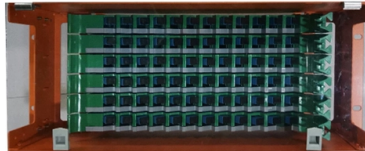


Cable tray not grounded



Summary of Content

Ungrounded cable trays pose serious safety hazards and violate NEC requirements; all metallic trays must be properly grounded and bonded.

Safety Risks of Ungrounded Cable Trays

Cable trays that are not grounded can create significant electrical hazards, including the risk of electric shock, fire, and equipment damage. Without a proper grounding path, stray currents from faults or power surges cannot safely flow to the earth, leaving personnel and equipment exposed to dangerous voltages . Ungrounded trays also increase the likelihood of electromagnetic interference (EMI) affecting sensitive control or communication circuits .

NEC Requirements

The National Electrical Code (NEC) Article 392 mandates that all metallic cable trays must be grounded, regardless of whether they are used as an equipment grounding conductor (EGC) or not . Metallic trays can serve as the EGC if they meet specific criteria, including minimum cross-sectional area and UL classification . Non-metallic trays require separate EGCs or bonding jumpers to ensure electrical continuity . Grounding ensures that the tray system is electrically continuous and bonded back to the power source .

Best Practices for Grounding and Bonding

- **Bonding Between Sections:** Each tray section should be electrically bonded to the next using grounding clamps, splice plates, or bonding jumpers to maintain continuity

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As per NEC Section 318-7 (a), all metal cable trays must be grounded as required by NEC Article 250 regardless of

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Guidelines for grounding electrical cables, busbars, and cable trays in wiring projects, ensuring safety and compliance

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Earthing the tray adds another parallel path that may create circulating earth-leakage currents, a point designers often

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What happens if cable trays are not properly earthed? If cable trays are not properly earthed, they can become

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If the cable trays cross section area is insufficient for the protective device rating, the cable tray can't be used as the EGC and a

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