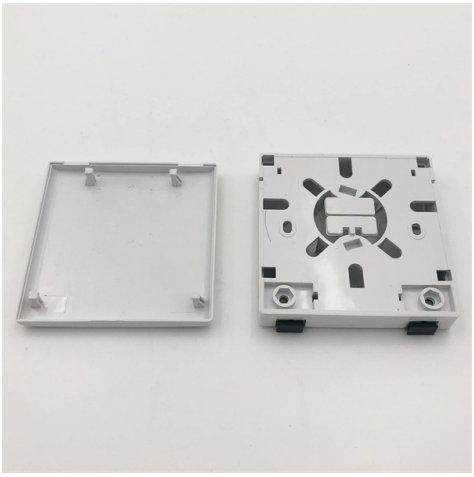
Single-sided support for cable trays



Overview

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Key Takeaways

Single-sided support of cable trays involves mounting the tray from one side using wall brackets, cantilever arms, or unistrut systems while ensuring proper load distribution and compliance with standards. OverviewSingle-sided support is commonly used when floor or ceiling space is limited, or when trays need to be mounted along walls. In this configuration, the cable tray is supported from one side only, typically using wall-mounted brackets, cantilever arms, or unistrut channels that attach securely to the building structure.

This method is suitable for light to medium cable loads, such as instrumentation, control, or communication cables, rather than heavy power distribution trays. Support TypesWall-Mounted Brackets: Fixed to walls, these brackets extend horizontally to support the tray. They are adjustable and can accommodate different tray widths and heights.

Cantilever Arms: Used when the tray must extend away from the wall or other vertical structure. They provide additional clearance and can support multiple trays stacked vertically. Unistrut Systems: Highly flexible and strong, unistrut channels can be mounted to walls or ceilings and allow for easy adjustment of tray position and height.

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Design Considerations

Load Capacity: The support must handle the weight of the tray plus the cables, including any dynamic loads such as vibration or short-circuit forces. Support Spacing: Proper spacing between supports is critical to prevent sagging. Spacing depends on tray type, material, and cable weight.

For example, ladder or perforated trays may require supports every 1. 5–3 meters, while solid-bottom trays may need closer spacing. Tray Alignment: Ensure the tray remains level and aligned to avoid cable stress and maintain accessibility for maintenance.

Environmental Factors: Consider corrosion protection, temperature, and exposure to chemicals or moisture. Materials like galvanized steel or stainless steel are commonly used. Compliance: Installations should follow standards such as DIN EN 61537 or BS EN 61537, which define mechanical and environmental requirements for cable support systems.

Best Practices

Use adequate fasteners and ensure the wall or structure can bear the load. Avoid overloading the tray; distribute cables evenly. For long runs, consider intermediate supports or a combination of single-sided and center supports to maintain stability.

Ensure accessibility for inspection, maintenance, and future cable additions. Single-sided support is an efficient solution for constrained spaces, but careful attention to load, spacing, and structural integrity is essential to maintain safety and reliability in cable management systems.

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