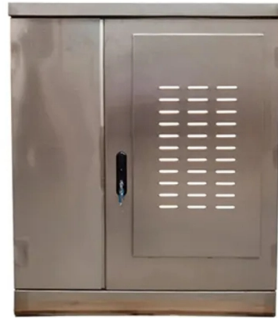


Distance between fire-fighting cable trays and public cable trays



Overview

This design note adopts a 300 mm horizontal air-gap separation between primary and secondary life-safety trays on roofs, based on these regulatory requirements and established UK guidance. BS 7671:2018 +A2:2022 states: "Circuits of safety services shall be independent of other. The recommended safety distance between cable trays and other systems depends on the installation type, but in most projects: These clearances help prevent overheating, airflow blockage, and water damage, while ensuring safe operation and maintenance access. When designing or installing cable trays. Looking at installing a cable tray that runs the length of the room in an Ordinary Hazard Occupancy. The cable tray is less than 18-inches below the sprinkler. However, the cable tray may be centered directly below some. A combined experimental/analytical program was conducted to examine the adequacy of the 20-foot separation requirement, one of the requirements set forth in Appendix R of 10 CFR 50 for the fire protection of redundant safety systems that are necessary to achieve hot shutdown in nuclear power. UK electrical and fire safety standards do not prescribe a fixed minimum separation distance for roof-mounted life-safety cable trays.



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Fire Dampers should be maintained within a separate seal. Every effort should be made to keep a minimum 200mm separation to other Fire Dampers, Ducts or typical penetrating services.

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All sharp standard stopping be removed practices. END OF SECTION the cable tray, fittings, and adaptors.

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