

How to calculate the dimensions of parallel elbows for cable trays



AI Overview

Parallel elbows for cable trays are fabricated based on the tray's width, height, and bend radius, following standard tray dimensions to ensure compatibility and proper cable management.

Standard Dimensions

When fabricating parallel elbows, the key dimensions are derived from the straight cable tray sections:

- Width (W): Typically ranges from 50 mm to 600 mm for standard trays, depending on cable capacity and application .
- Height/Depth (H): Common heights are 50 mm, 70 mm, 100 mm, and 120 mm, which determine vertical stacking capacity and NEC fill compliance .
- Material Thickness: Steel trays often use 1.2 mm to 2.0 mm thickness, while aluminum or stainless steel may vary based on strength and corrosion resistance .
- Bend Radius: The elbow's bend radius should accommodate the minimum bend radius of the cables, typically 1.5 to 2 times the tray width for power and control cables .

Fabrication Considerations

- Elbow Type: Parallel elbows are usually horizontal or vertical, inside or outside, depending on the routing path. Ensure the elbow maintains the same width and hei...

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Typical Design Philosophy of Cable Trays for Power Plant

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