

How to place pulleys on cable trays

Article Overview

Install pulleys above the cable tray, anchor them securely, and use a continuous pull string to guide cables efficiently through the tray.

Step-by-Step Procedure

- **Select Pulley Locations** Place two pulley wheels above the cable tray at points where the cable path changes direction or where additional pulling force is needed. Ensure the pulleys are aligned to minimize friction and prevent cable entanglement during installation (Bill Ebberts, Enterprise Electric) .
- **Secure the Pulleys** Fasten the pulleys to structural supports such as ceiling beams or slabs. Use tie wraps or drill fasteners into the ceiling to ensure the pulley system is anchored securely. Both ends of the pulley system should be firmly fixed to prevent movement under load .
- **Set Up the Pull String** Feed the pull string through the left pulley, loop it around the right pulley, and return it to the left pulley to create a continuous loop. Tie the ends of the string together to complete the system. This allows the cable to be pulled or pushed smoothly along the tray .
- **Attach and Pull the Cable** Connect the new cable to the pull string. Pull or push the string to move the cable along the tray. Once the cable reaches its destination, release it from the string and place it into the cable tray .
- **Repeat for Additional Cables** The same pulley system can be used to install multiple cables sequentially, reducing the risk of tangling and minimizing manual effort .

Best Practices

- **Support and Load Considerations:** Ensure the cable tray and its supports can hand...

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