

Materials for High and Low Voltage Small Busbars

Article Overview

Copper and aluminum are the primary conductive materials for small busbars, with insulation materials varying by voltage level and application.

Conductive Materials

Copper is the most commonly used material for both high and low voltage busbars due to its excellent electrical conductivity, thermal performance, and mechanical strength. It is ideal for high-current applications and provides low resistance, which minimizes voltage drop and heat generation. Aluminum is also widely used, especially where weight reduction is important, such as in automotive or aerospace applications. While its conductivity is lower than copper, aluminum is lighter and more cost-effective, making it suitable for low to medium current busbars. For high-frequency or high-power converters, thicker copper or laminated busbars may be used to reduce parasitic inductance and improve current handling, particularly in systems using wide-bandgap semiconductors like SiC or GaN.

Insulation Materials

High Voltage Busbars (≥ 1 kV) require high-grade insulation to prevent electrical breakdown. Common insulation materials include:

- Epoxy resin and polyester for solid insulation
- Laminated materials such as Nomex®, Tedlar®, Mylar®, Kapton®, Ultem®, or co...

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