

Methods for fixing carbon steel cable trays

Article Overview

Carbon steel cable trays can be fixed using welding, bolting, or modern stud fastening systems, each offering different advantages in speed, strength, and corrosion protection.

Traditional Fixing Methods

1. **Welding:** Welding provides a robust and permanent attachment of cable trays to steel structures. It is highly reliable and has been used for decades in industrial installations. However, welding on coated steel may require rework to restore corrosion protection, and it demands skilled labor and proper safety precautions .
2. **Bolting:** Bolting involves drilling holes in the steel structure and securing the tray with bolts. This method is less labor-intensive than welding and requires minimal specialized equipment, though a magnetic drill may be needed for precision. Bolting allows for easier future modifications but requires access to both sides of the steel for proper installation .

Modern Stud Fastening Solutions

Hilti and other manufacturers have developed stud-based fastening systems to overcome challenges of traditional methods:

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Support methods

The tray is then attached to the bracket using either a bracket clamp (see page C35) in the case of the “L” bracket or integrated bend

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Outdoor: Hot-dip galvanized or stainless steel trays. Corrosive/High Humidity: Aluminum alloy or fiberglass

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Hilti solutions for fastening on steel

Figure 1 - Fixing of cable trays (left) and piping (right) supports to steel. Traditionally, there are two ways of fixing the above

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