

Applications of Drilling Holes in Cable Trays



Article Overview

Drilling holes in cable trays can be done safely and accurately using step drills, drill jigs, or standard twist drills, with proper templates and post-drilling finishing.

Common Methods

1. Using Splice Plates as Templates For field-cut cable trays, splice plates can serve as templates to locate hole positions. Clamp the splice plate to the tray and drill through the pre-existing holes in the plate to ensure alignment. Drill jigs or short side rails with factory-punched holes can also act as stops for consistent hole placement .
2. Step Drill Bits Step drills are ideal for thin metal trays (up to 2-3 mm thick) and plastic trays. They create clean, round holes without pulling or distorting the material, unlike standard twist drills. Step drills are particularly useful for clearance holes for cable glands .
3. Twist Drill Bits Twist drills can be used for thicker metal trays but require caution. Secure the tray, use slow RPM to prevent overheating, and consider applying coolant for plastic trays. Burrs should be removed after drilling to prevent injury and ensure proper fitting .
4. Sheet Metal Hole Punchers Manual or hydraulic sheet metal punches can produce precise holes quickly, especially for standard diameters. They are suitable for metal trays but may not work for fiber-reinforced plastic (FRP) trays .
5. Power Tools Cordless band saws or angle grinders can be used for cutting or enlarging holes, but angle grinders produce more debris and require careful handling. Band saws are preferred for low-height, thin metal trays due to reduced splatter and noise

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The solid bottom cable tray system has a disadvantage in that moisture can build up in the cable trays.

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To install the cable tray supports, first find the required elevation from the floor to the bottom of the cable tray and establish a level

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Drilling and Marking Holes for Cable Trays

Drilling Holes for splice plates must be drilled in field-cut cable trays. The most common method of locating the hole positions is to

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This method also helps you drill holes that are roughly the same height—making cable-pulling much

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