

Common Standards for Galvanized Cable Trays



Overview

This guide for engineers and installers has been developed by ABB as a practical reference regarding cable tray characteristics, installation, and requirements.

Key Takeaways

Galvanized cable trays must comply with IEC 61537, NEMA VE 1, UL 568, and specific galvanizing standards such as GB/T 13912-2020 for hot-dip coatings. General Cable Tray Standards IEC 61537 – This international standard specifies requirements for metal cable tray systems, including mechanical strength, corrosion resistance, electrical continuity, fire performance, ventilation, and installation compatibility. It applies to steel, stainless steel, aluminum, and other metallic trays, ensuring safety and durability across various environments.

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E 1 – Defines manufacturing requirements for metal cable trays (ladder, channel, wire mesh, solid bottom) and associated fittings in accordance with the National Electrical Code (NEC). It includes load/span class designations and installation guidelines.

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L 568 – Covers performance requirements for safe application of fiberglass and metal cable trays, including testing for mechanical and environmental performance.



Galvanizing Standards

Galvanized cable trays can be produced using two main processes, each with distinct standards and corrosion resistance characteristics: Electro-Galvanized (Electroplated) Trays Zinc is deposited onto steel via electrolysis. Produces a thin, bright, uniform coating with moderate corrosion resistance. Primary Standard: GB/T 26941.

1-2011 "Cable Trays – Part 1: General Requirements." Hot-Dip Galvanized Trays Steel is submerged in molten zinc, forming a zinc-iron alloy layer and a pure zinc layer. Provides thick, highly adherent coating with superior corrosion resistance, suitable for harsh environments (outdoors, coastal, heavy industry). Primary Standard: GB/T 13912-2020 "Metallic coatings – Hot dip galvanized coatings on fabricated iron and steel articles – Specifications and test methods." Coating Requirements: For tray sheet metal thickness of 1.

5–3 mm, the local zinc thickness must be $\geq 45 \mu\text{m}$, corresponding to a coating mass of $\geq 325 \text{ g/m}^2$.

Additional Considerations

Material Thickness: Side and base plates typically range from 1.5 mm to 3 mm.
Environmental Suitability: Hot-dip galvanizing is preferred for outdoor, marine, or industrial environments due to superior corrosion protection.

Compliance Verification: Manufacturers often provide CE marking or third-party certification (UL, IMQ, LCIE) to demonstrate compliance with applicable standards. In summary, galvanized cable trays must meet both general cable tray standards (IEC 61537, NEMA VE 1, UL 568) and specific galvanizing standards (GB/T 26941. 1-2011 for electro-galvanized, GB/T 13912-2020 for hot-dip galvanized) to ensure mechanical integrity, corrosion resistance, and safe installation.

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Full cable tray systems specification document

Hardware shall be zinc plated in accordance with ASTM B633 SC1 for pre-galvanized cable trays, or Chromium Zinc in accordance with ASTM F-1136-88 for hot dip galvanized cable trays.

Galvanized Cable Tray Zinc Coating Standards and Regulations

It is essential to distinguish between the two main galvanizing processes for cable trays, as their zinc coating ranges and applicable standards differ entirely:

IEC Standard for Cable Tray: Complete Technical Guide

IEC 61537 is the internationally recognized benchmark for metal cable tray systems. It applies to cable trays made of steel, stainless steel, aluminum, or

HDG Cable Tray Specification Guide

This document specifies the requirements for hot-dip galvanized (HDG) steel cable trays with self-healing zinc coating, suitable for electrical cable support systems.

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IEC 61537:2023 specifies requirements and tests for cable tray systems and cable ladder systems intended for the support and accommodation of cables and possibly other electrical equipment in

NEMA Standards Publication VE 2-2018

Attaching a channel cable tray by using the method illustrated in Figure 3-88 maintains the electrical requirements, and the bolted mechanical connection while providing a practical method for dropping

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Pre Galvanized Perforated Cable Tray

Pre galvanized perforated cable tray is specially designed and engineered with a slot pattern using pre-galvanized mild steel which is standard across the range of

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