

Explosion-proof locations for cable trays



AI Overview

Cable trays can be used in explosion-proof or hazardous locations if they comply with specific standards, contain approved cable types, and are installed with proper grounding, spacing, and protective measures.

Regulatory and Code Requirements

In North America, the National Electrical Code (NEC) permits the use of cable trays in hazardous locations, including Class I (flammable gases and vapors) and Class II (combustible dusts), provided that only approved cable types are installed in the trays. For example, Power Limited Tray Cable (PLTC), Type TC, Type MI, and Type MC cables are allowed in certain Division 2 or dust-classified areas, often requiring single-layer installation with spacing between cables. Compliance with NEC Chapter 500 series (Sections 501-505) is mandatory for wiring in these environments.

Internationally, standards such as IEC 60079-14 provide guidance for cable selection and installation in explosive atmospheres, though cables themselves are not always specifically certified; instead, cable glands and fittings must meet explosion-proof requirements.

Material and Design Considerations

The choice of cable tray material is critical in explosion-prone areas:

- Aluminum Alloy:** Lightweight, corrosion-resistant, requires anodized finish to prevent static buildup. Electrical resistance should be



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Any suitable type of wire or cable if installed in type PVC conduit, type RTRC conduit, and type HDPE encased in a concrete envelope a minimum of 50 mm (2 in.) thick and provided with not less than

Safe Cable Choices for Hazardous Locations

This cable is classified as ITC-HL (instrumentation tray cable for hazardous locations), meeting UL2250 and UL2225 listings for 300V copper

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Cables and cable glands for hazardous locations

Cable glands (cable entry devices) used in hazardous locations are intended to provide the safe connection of suitable cables to enclosures, maintaining the explosion protection and ingress

Cable Selection Guide for Hazardous Locations

Hazardous (Classified) Locations (HL) are defined as areas where fire or explosion hazards may exist due to the presence of flammable gases, vapors, dusts or fibers/flyings. The 2014 National Electrical

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When coming out of the cable tray, and the connection is less than six feet away to an end device such as a motor, cables with an ER rating can be used if they are properly supported and given adequate

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When it comes to engineering, the design must meet the criteria of the classified location. Basically, there are three techniques to avoid a fire or explosion: containment (explosion proof enclosures and

Hazardous Location Cables

Hazardous locations require specific types of cable and/or installation methods. Learn how to select the right cable type for your industrial application.

Wiring Requirements in Hazardous Locations – IAEI

This identification requirement applies to raceways, cables, cable trays, and other wiring methods used for intrinsically safe system wiring. Figure

Cable Trays In Hazardous (Classified) Locations | Cable Tray Institute

Cable Trays have been permitted in the hazardous (classified) locations in the National Electrical Code for Class I (flammable vapor and gases) since the 1978 NEC and have been used extensively in

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Explosion proof transducers and wiring must be installed according to ANSI/UL 1203-1994, Explosion-Proof and Dust-Ignition-Proof Electrical Equipment for Use in Hazardous (Classified) Locations.

Installation guide for hazardous areas

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