

Can cable trays be placed in cable trenches



Overview

In many installations, a cable tray in trench is used to organize and support the cables, ensuring they remain secure and properly arranged. This setup enhances accessibility for maintenance while preventing direct contact with soil, reducing the risk of damage over time. Cable trays are above-ground systems that support and organize cables. The biggest difference is how they're installed—trays are exposed. Understanding the differences between cable trench and cable tray systems is crucial for selecting the right solution for your installation, whether in industrial, commercial, or residential settings. Each system has unique advantages depending on factors like environment, cable type. It is standard practice here to do concrete trenches within electrical rooms (in the floor) and then do feeders between panelboards using those trenches. NEC section 300-8 does not permit.



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Since there is a cable tray in the trench, it seems obvious that the trench wasn't "designed expressly for holding wires, cables, etc", otherwise the cable tray would not be used.

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