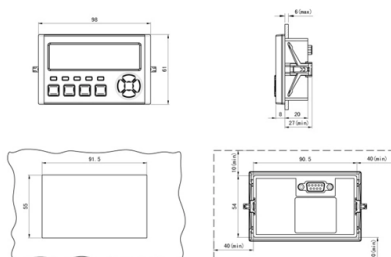


How to weld cable tray columns



Overview

Cable Tray Manual Lifting Method Statement This document provides a method statement for manual lifting and installation of cable trays for the GNPower Mari.

Key Takeaways

Cable tray support columns are welded by temporarily positioning the support, ensuring proper alignment, and using suitable welding techniques such as TIG or CMT for secure and precise joints.

Positioning and Temporary Attachment

Before welding, the welding position of the cable tray support must be carefully selected to align with the cable tray layout and structural requirements. A joint surface is typically provided on the lower plate of the support column, which is temporarily attached to the floor or base structure to maintain stability during welding. This temporary attachment improves convenience and safety, reducing the need for multiple workers to hold the support manually.

Welding Techniques

Common welding methods for cable tray supports include: Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (TIG/GTAW): Provides precise, high-quality welds with minimal spatter, suitable for stainless steel or thin-gauge materials. Cold Metal Transfer (CMT/GMAW): Offers low distortion and high precision, ideal for light-gauge materials and repetitive production welding. The choice of welding method depends on the material of the support column, thickness, and required structural strength.

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G welding is slower but produces stronger, cleaner welds, while CMT is faster and reduces heat distortion.

Structural Considerations

Cable tray support columns are often made of steel or stainless steel, sometimes with galvanization for corrosion protection. Supports may be I-beam or channel-shaped, with I-beam designs providing 15–20% more strength for beam-type loads. Proper rung spacing and alignment are critical to ensure the cable tray system can safely carry the intended load without sagging or deformation.

Safety and Standards

Ensure all welding is performed according to local electrical and structural codes. Supports must withstand mechanical loads, environmental conditions, and potential corrosion. Temporary fixtures should be removed only after the weld has cooled and achieved full strength.

Summary

To weld cable tray support columns effectively: Select the correct position and align the support with the tray layout. Temporarily attach the lower plate to the floor or base. Choose an appropriate welding method (TIG or CMT) based on material and thickness.

Ensure structural integrity and compliance with standards. Remove temporary fixtures after the weld has cooled and inspected. This approach ensures safe, durable, and precise installation of cable tray support columns while improving work efficiency and reducing labor requirements.

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