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Regulations for Fireproof Sealing of Cable Trays





Overview

This section requires proper sealing of cable and raceway penetrations through fire-resistant rated walls, partitions, floors, or ceilings.

Key Takeaways

Fireproof sealing of cable trays requires proper material selection, precise installation, and compliance with firestopping standards to prevent fire and smoke propagation.Key Requirements

1. Firestopping at Wall and Slab Penetrations Cable trays, busways, and cables passing through walls, slabs, or electrical panels must be tightly sealed with firestopping materials according to design specifications. Openings should be free of cracks or voids, and large openings require a fire-resistant backing plate before sealing. At slab penetrations, a fire-support plate should be installed, and firestopping thickness should be 20–30 mm with a waterstop of at least 50 mm at floor level . 2. Material Selection Appropriate fire protection materials include:

• Fire-rated boards

• Firestop packs

• Firestop mastic or caulks (intumescent latex or water-based)

• Fire-resistant mineral wool

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• Fire protection coatings and tapes (e.g., FLAMMOTECT-A, DG-CR 0.7) for environmental resistance Firestop packs should be installed in an orderly sequence, with gaps between packs and cables not exceeding 1 cm^2 and packing thickness not less than 24 cm . 3. Installation Procedures

• Ensure floor and wall finishes in electrical shafts are completed and shaft doors installed before fireproof sealing .

• Seal all gaps inside and around metal trunking both internally and externally.

• Cover plates should be square, evenly painted, and properly dimensioned to close openings.

• Firestop caulks and putties should be applied to seal cut edges and penetrations, preventing heat and smoke penetration . 4. Cable Tray Layout and Segregation

• Route cable trays along the shortest and straightest paths, avoiding unnecessary crossings .

• Segregate power and signal cables to minimize interference.

• Select tray materials and dimensions based on cable weight, environmental conditions, and mechanical strength requirements . 5. Compliance and Testing

• Fireproof sealing must comply with local fire safety codes and standards, such as EN 1366-3 for fire resistance testing .

• Use tested firestop systems and coatings to ensure cables remain functional during fire events, supporting reliable power and communication . 6. Maintenance and Accessibility

• Layout and positioning of firestopping should facilitate installation, inspection, and maintenance.

• Firestop devices and coatings should allow retrofitting or reuse if additional cables are installed . By following these requirements, cable tray installations can achieve effective fireproofing, preventing fire spread, protecting structural elements, and maintaining operational safety in industrial, commercial, and high-risk facilities.

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