

# The cable tray is too small to accommodate cables



## Overview

The size of the cable tray has to be suitable on account of the kind of cables and the number of cables that it will carry. Overcrowding cables or using a small tray can cause electrical interference, overheating, and poor performance. A tray that is too small will overheat and physically damage, and too large tray will drain the project budget. It is grounded on 40 years of experience in the manufacturing. In practice, cable tray dimensions are a system of interrelated measurements—width, depth, length, and material thickness—that directly affect cable fill compliance, heat dissipation, structural loading, and long-term expandability. Here in the UK, standard widths run from a slim 50mm for a handful of data runs right up to 900mm or more for the heavy-duty. Our cable tray fill calculator is designed to compute the appropriate size and capacity of cable trays. 5 inches, in a 4-inch deep cable tray.



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