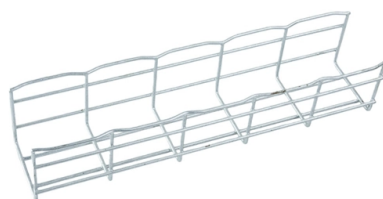


## Recommended Seismic Bracing for Moroccan Cable Trays



### Overview

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### Key Takeaways

Seismic bracing for cable trays in Morocco should use a coordinated system of lateral and longitudinal braces, strut channels, clamps, and anchors, designed according to local seismic data and international standards like IEC 61537, ASCE 7, and IBC. Key Considerations

Seismic bracing is required when cable trays carry critical power, communication, or emergency systems, are suspended above occupied areas, or feed essential infrastructure. The tray type, cable fill, route elevation, and structural attachment points must be considered before selecting braces. Load path design is critical: the bracing system must transfer forces from the tray to the building structure, preventing lateral sway, longitudinal movement, anchor pullout, or cable spill during seismic events.

#### Recommended Bracing Components

- Lateral (transverse) braces: Installed perpendicular to the tray to resist side-to-side motion.
- Longitudinal braces: Installed parallel to the tray to prevent forward/backward movement.

- Rod stiffeners and strut channels: Provide rigidity and connect the tray to structural elements .
- Clamps and hold-down guides: Secure the tray and cables, especially in trapeze or suspended installations .
- Anchors: Must be compatible with the building structure (concrete, steel, or composite) and rated for seismic loads .

#### Installation Guidelines

- Spacing: Braces are typically installed at intervals determined by tray type, cable weight, and seismic category. For example, Cablofil recommends a minimum of every 30 feet for long runs .
- Pre-drilled tabs: Facilitate attachment directly to concrete decks or structural members .
- Documentation: Record brace locations, anchor types, and component traceability for inspection and compliance .
- System integration: Use pre-approved assemblies like Eaton B-Line series with TOLCO seismic bracing for faster installation and verified performance .

#### Standards and References

- IEC 61537: Cable tray performance and testing.
- ASCE 7: Minimum design loads for buildings and other structures, including seismic forces.
- International Building Code (IBC): Provides seismic design categories and structural requirements.
- Local seismic data: Morocco's seismic zones should be referenced to determine site-specific acceleration and design category.

#### Practical Recommendations

- Conduct a site-specific seismic assessment to determine the required bracing intensity.
- Select brace components compatible with the tray type (ladder, wire mesh, or solid-bottom).
- Ensure dual-direction bracing (lateral and longitudinal) for all critical runs.
- Use pre-engineered kits or consult manufacturers for layout and installation guidance to comply with international standards .
- Maintain inspection and documentation for regulatory compliance and future maintenance. By following these guidelines, Moroccan projects can achieve robust seismic protection for cable trays, ensuring safety, continuity of critical systems, and compliance with international best practices.

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