Sealing of Civil Defense Cable Trays Penetrating Walls



Overview

FIRSTO is specifically suitable for the fire resistant ducting of cables and/or cable trays through wall and floor penetrations.

Key Takeaways

Civil defense cable trays penetrating walls should be sealed using fire-rated, water- and gas-tight modular systems to ensure safety, compliance, and maintainability.

Firestop and Penetration Sealing

Cable tray penetrations through walls or slabs must be sealed with firestopping materials to prevent fire spread and maintain structural integrity. Openings should be tightly sealed without visible cracks or voids, using materials such as fire-rated boards, firestop packs, firestop mastic, or mineral wool. For large openings, a fire-resistant backing plate is recommended before sealing.

Gaps between firestop packs and cables should not exceed 1 cm^2, and packing thickness should be at least 24 cm. Cover plates should be square, consistent, and painted evenly to close the opening effectively.

Modular Sealing Systems

Modern solutions like NOFIRNO®, SLIPSIL, and Roxtec systems provide modular, flexible sealing for cable trays and conduits. These systems are designed to: Seal single or multiple cables through the same penetration. Provide fire, water, and gas protection.

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Allow easy maintenance and cable changes without dismantling the entire seal. Be installed in walls, floors, or slabs, either before or after cable installation. These systems often use expanding rubber inserts, silicone-based sealants, or water-resistant pads to create a tight seal.

They are suitable for hazardous, wet, or outdoor environments and comply with international standards for fire and integrity protection.

Installation Best Practices

Prepare the opening: Ensure wall or slab finishes are complete and shaft doors installed. Install backing plates for large openings if required. Position cable trays and route cables according to design.

Apply firestop packs or modular inserts in an orderly sequence. Seal all gaps inside and around metal trunking completely. Verify tightness: Ensure no visible cracks or voids remain.

Maintain accessibility: Modular systems allow future cable additions or maintenance without compromising the seal.

Additional Considerations

Use non-toxic, halogen-free materials to comply with safety and environmental standards.

Ensure NEM

A or equivalent classification for outdoor or wet environments. For civil defense or critical infrastructure, select systems tested for EI 120 fire rating or higher to meet regulatory requirements. By following these guidelines and using certified modular sealing systems, civil defense cable trays can be safely and effectively sealed through walls, ensuring fire safety, water and gas tightness, and long-term maintainability.

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ZZ® 365 Fire Protection Sealant to be filled between cables, in voids between cables and ZZ® 260 Fire Protection Block and between periphery of opening and

Fireproof pillow for cable tray penetrations

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The product is certified for "small" - "medium" and "large" cable penetrations, to create a fireproof seal for cables with a diameter of up to 21 mm ("small") with a

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Our round transits are developed for use in a wide range of demanding environments, and are ideal for area efficient sealing of wall or floor penetrations.

Firestopping Requirements for Cable Trays and Wall/Slab Penetrations

Sealing shall be tight and reliable, without visible cracks or voids. For large openings, install a fire-resistant backing plate before sealing. Layout and positioning must be reasonable to

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The frame can be opened and closed repeatedly to allow for cable maintenance and additions. The sponge rubber pads are compressed around the penetrating items and can be easily cut to fit around

Cable tray sealing through walls

CSD''s sealing solutions are specifically developed to manage the unique challenges of cable tray penetrations. They provide certified fire and smoke protection while accommodating high cable

Fireproofing cable penetrations Penosil solutions

To ensure the fire-resistant sealing of cable penetration before finishing works, an intumescent acrylic should be used. FireStop Intumescent Acrylic Graphite 682 – an acrylic-based intumescent sealant

Fire rated wall | If

Cable trays should not pass through a fire rated wall because the metal tray can conduct heat through the wall and may ignite materials on the other side. However, if the cable tray does pass through a

How to effectively fire seal pipe and cable penetrations

A serious point of attention are the pipe and cable penetrations through the fire resistant walls and ceilings that divide the building into compartments. Fire and

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Firestopping has three elements: the fire-rated walls, partitions, floors, or ceilings that have been penetrated; the cables, cable trays, or conduits that make up the object creating the penetration; and

Plan, Install & Firestop Cable Penetrations

In our modern world, cabling needs are no longer limited to simple two-pair telephone wiring and 12-3 Romex type cable. The cable load in virtually any structure is growing exponentially as complex

Firestopping cable runs

Firestopping through concrete barriers, installing wall boxes and using cable trays are the most common problems in this area. Firestopping cable trays is particularly difficult because of the irregular size and

Fire Protection of Cable Trays

Cable tray through fire rated wall The most common solution for the fire protection of cable trays penetrating walls is to wrap it with insulation on both

TWRAP for Walls with Cable Tray Penetrations

This video shows how TWRAP van be used for the insulation of cable tray penetrations in fire rated walls. TWRAP is a 25mm thick foil-faced, fire protection wrap that has been engineered to provide

Cable Tray Penetration Seals

Cable Tray Penetration Seals Additional Information (Contact us to receive information in hardcopy form.) Problem: In the event of a fire, a cable tray serves as a path for the fire to move to other areas

Firestopping a cable tray penetration through an exterior concrete ...

A cable tray with (11) 500MCM 15kV cables (shown on the ground in the picture) will pass through an outdoor concrete firewall via a 36x8x6 deep opening (you can see the penetration cutout in the

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