Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System Application Guide





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Introduction

With data centers, commercial real estate, and industrial facilities evolving to meet the challenges of complex architectures, new technologies and increasing performance requirements, a robust physical infrastructure is needed to provide operational benefits to drive business results. Cable management is a crucial consideration of the physical infrastructure for optimizing system reliability, effective space utilization, and scalability. Panduit offers industry-leading cable routing systems as part of comprehensive, integrated data center solutions to effectively manage and protect high-performance communication, computing, and power cables. Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System contributes to effective space utilization and network performance, and it provides speed of deployment, structural integrity, cable protection, and ease of use.

System Overview

The Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System is composed of pathways, splices, mounting brackets, and accessories that allow the system to be configured for a wide range of applications and installed into virtually any enterprise, data center, or telco room application.

Pathways and Accessories

Wire Basket pathway sections are a welded steel mesh design that provides a high strength-to-weight ratio and are assembled via various splices, mounting brackets, and accessories. Integrated sidewalls allow for the containment of a high volume of cabling bundles.

The system is offered in three finishes – powdered coat (in black or white) and electro zinc – that provide the required level of corrosion resistance for data center and enterprise applications.



Application

The wire basket can be mounted in many different applications. The basket is very versatile and very few pieces are needed to complete various elevation changing. Because of it's versatility, it makes it very easy to be placed in various environments.

INDUSTRY AUTOMATION

- » Automotive
- » Manufacturing

• TECHNOLOGY AND AUTOMATION

- » Data Center/Colocation
- » Education
- » Enterprise
- » Financial Institutions
- » Medical
- » Telecommunications

LOGISTICS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

- » Airports
- » Bridge/Toll Authority
- » Commercial/Retail
- » Material Handling
- » Railway



Pathway Sections

Wire Basket Pathway Part Number	Height in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Length in. [mm]	Weight Ibs. [kg]
PWB2X4**	2.43 [61.6]	4.63		14.0 [6.35]
PWB4X4**	4.43 [112.4]	[117.7]		10.0 [4.581]
PWB2X6**	6.43 [163.2]			10.8 [4.899]
PWB4X6**	4.43 [112.4]	6.63 [168.4]		14.5 [6.577]
PWB6X6**	6.43 [163.2]			18.5 [8.391]
PWB2X8**	2.43 [61.6]			11.5 [5.216]
PWB4X8**	4.43 [112.4]	8.63 [219.3]		15.2 [6.895]
PWB6X8**	6.43 [163.2]			19.2 [8.709]
PWB2X12**	2.43 [61.6]		118.33 [3005.6]	14.1 [6.396]
PWB4X12**	4.43 [112.4]	12.63 [320.9]		17.9 [8.119]
PWB6X12**	6.43 [163.2]			21.8 [9.888]
PWB2X18**	2.43 [61.6]		-	17.3 [7.847]
PWB4X18**	4.43 [112.4]	18.63 [473.3]		21.2 [9.616]
PWB6X18**	6.43 [163.2]	_		25.0 [11.340]
PWB2X24**	2.43 [61.6]		-	20.6 [9.344]
PWB4X24**	4.43 [112.4]	24.63 [625.7]		24.5 [11.113]
PWB6X24**	6.43 [163.2]			28.2 [12.791]

NOTE: Replace ** With Color/Coating Option

BL = Black Powder Coated

WH = White Powder Coated

EZ = Electro Zinc

Ex: PWB2X4WH = 2" H x 4" W White Powder Coated Basket





6 Pathway Widths







Wire Basket Hardware Kits are used to secure basket sections to flat mounting surfaces on support brackets, intersection bend fittings, and flat expansion bar accessories. Bolted splices are used for end-to-end pathway connections and to physically attach mating bottom surfaces at fabricated intersections.



Wire Basket offers simplified splice options that meet the most demanding project requirements. Bolt-on splices firmly secure adjacent pathway sections and can form a UL Classified bond when installed as instructed. Innovative push-on splices offer faster installation without tools and flat expansion splice bars connect gaps between pathways and form in-line pathway width reductions.

Pathway Width	Splices Required
4"	3
6"	3
8"	3
12"	4
18"	4
24"	4

PWBSPLBL and PWBSPLEZ:

The Wire Basket Bolted Style Splice is available in black and electro zinc plated finish. This splice can be used to obtain a UL classified bond when properly applied over bare metal surfaces.

PWBPSBL and PWBPSEZ:

The push-on style splice quickly forms end-to-end connections without tools in applications that do not require the splice to form an electrical bond between pathway sections. It is available in black powder coat and electro zinc finishes.

PWBFESBL and PWBFESEZ:

The Flat Expansion Splice Bar can be used to join two pathway sections together in applications where small gaps between horizontal pathways prevent the use of PWBSPL** or PWBPS** splice components.

The Flat Expansion Splice Bar can also be used to create field fabricated end-to-end width reductions between two pathway sections.

NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black or EZ for Electro Zinc



















Right angle elbow intersections use Radius Intersection 90 Brackets to protect cables transitioning around corners and can be formed from a single pathway or fabricated using the end of two pathway sections.

Fabricated 2-Piece Right Angle Intersections



- Cut away large section of sidewall at end of each of the two pathways (Reference table to the right)
- 2. Overlap to form 90-degree elbow
- 3. Secure one PWBIBX** intersection bend fitting using four PWBHK** hardware kit pieces
- 4. Secure bottom surface and back corner using PWBSPL** bolt-on splices

	Fabricated 90° Intersections												
Pathway Width	Sidewall Sections to Remove	Bottom Sections to Remove	PWBIBX** Radius Intersection Pieces	PWBHK** Hardware Kits	PWBSPL** Splices on Bottom								
4"	2	-	-		1								
6"	3	-			1								
8"	4	-	4	4	3								
12"	4	-	1	4	5								
18"	6	-			5								
24"	7	-			5								

Formed Right Angle Intersections

Reference View: PWB2X12** Formed 90° Intersection



- Cut away large section of sidewall at least four cross wire sections from the end on each side (Reference table to the right)
- 2. Cut away one section of bottom pathway wires near middle of area where sidewall section was removed
- 3. Cut away top wire on the back side opposite the side where a large section was removed
- 4. Fold pathway on top of itself to form a 90° elbow
- 5. Install PWBIBX** with 4 PWBHK** hardware kits
- Install PWBSPL** bolt-on splices to secure bottom
- NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black, EZ for Electro Zinc, or WH for White Replace X with 4, 6, 8, 12, 18 or 24 for the desired pathway width



	Formed 90° Intersections												
Pathway Width	Sidewall Sections to Remove	Bottom Sections to Remove	PWBIBX** Radius Intersection Pieces	PWBHK** Hardware Kits	PWBSPL** Splices on Bottom								
4"	5	1			0								
6"	5	1			0								
8"	7	1	-		1								
12"	9	1	1	4	3								
18"	11	1			4								
24"	15	1			27								

Formed Tee Options

With the Wire Basket, there is the good, better, best package.

GOOD OPTION: TEE BUILD WITH HARDWARE, PWBSPL**



- 1. Cut the top and sidewalls of the two basket. (Leave one section to bend each ends of the basket)
- 2. Join the sides and the bottom of the pathway with the bolted splices, PWBSPL**.

BETTER OPTION: RADIUS INTERSECTION





	Panduit Wire Basket Tee Intersections												
Pathway Width	Sidewall Sections to Remove per Pathway	Bottom Sections to Remove Int. Pieces	PWBIBX** Radius Intersection Pieces	PWBHK** Hardware Kits	PWBSPL** Splices								
4"	2	1			1								
6"	3	1			1								
8"	5	2	2	0	1								
12"	6	2	2	0	2								
18"	8	1			3								
24"	9	2			3								





PWBHK** Hardware Kit Qty = 4

- 1. The horizontal section of the pathways need to have two open spaces on both sides of the side wall.
- 2. The vertical pathway should also have two quadrants of the pathway removed.
- Connect pieces together and align PWBIB** Intersection Bend fittings with PWBHK** hardware kits.
- 4. Install PWBSPL** Bolt-on Splices to secure bottom.

BEST OPTION: FORMED TEES





With the option, there are opportunities to mount a secondary pathway over the tee



To make a four-way cross, two sets of the tees or radius intersections



- 1. The horizontal section of the pathways need to have two open spaces on both sides of the side wall.
- 2. The vertical pathway should also have two quadrants of the pathway removed.
- 3. Radius intersection should be placed at the corners. It needs to be tightened with the hardware provided.
- 4. The top plate should be placed to cover the gaps of the pathway.
- 5. The protective sheets should go along the corner radius and tighten with fasteners and cable ties.

NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black, EZ for Electro Zinc, or WH for White Replace X with 4, 6, 8, 12, 18 or 24 for the desired pathway width



Vertical Level Changes



Vertical level changes are easily formed by cutting away sidewall sections on each side of the basket and bending the pathway to the desired angle.

- 2 Inch sidewall can be bent 90° with a 2.5 inch radius
- 4 Inch sidewall can be bent 90°
- with a 7.5 inch radius
- 6 Inch sidewall can be bent 90° with a 13 inch radius





Horizontal Sweeping Bends

Wire Basket can be field fabricated to create custom horizontal bend angles by cutting away and removing bottom and sidewall wires in one or more crosswire sections before bending the pathway to the required angle.

The smaller inside radius is secured using PWBSPL** Bolt on Splices, PWBSPL2** 2-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Plates, or a field fabricated 3-Hole Splice Plate cut from longer PWBFES** Flat Expansion Splice Bars or from PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Splice Bars. The larger outside radius of all fabricated sweeping bends are reinforced using 5-Hole Sweeping Splice Bars or PWBFES** Flat Expansion Splice Bars. Two PWBHK** Hardware Kit pieces are used to secure each flat splice component to the vertical cross wires on each side of the wire basket profile.



Example: 90° horizontal sweep requires 6 crosswire sections to be removed from a PWB4X12** basket PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar or PWBFES** Flat Expansion Bar With PWBHK** Hardware Kits









PWBSPL2** 2-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar With PWBHK** Hardware Kits



3-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar Fabricated From PWBFES** or PWBSPL5** With PWBHK** Hardware Kits

This table can be used to estimate the amount of hardware needed to fabricate various sized horizontal sweeping bends from each of the six pathway widths. Refer to the product instruction sheet for detailed instruction on how to fabricate horizontal sweeping bends.

Baskat		to	Bas Sec Cut	sket tions t Awa	s ay	F Bol	PWB t-on	SPL* -Spli	* ces	PW Cu	2-H /BSF t PW Splic	lole PL5* /BFE e Ba	* or S** ar	3-l Ba F or	Hole Ir Cu PWS PWI	Spli It Fro PL5* BFES	ice 5m * S**	PV Cu	5-H /BSF t PW Splic	lole PL5** /BFE e Ba	* or S** ir	3- Ba F or	Hole ar Cu PWS PWI	Spli It Fro PL5* 3FES	ice 5m * 5**
Part	Inside	В	end	Ang	le	В	end	Ang	le	В	end	Ang	le	В	end	Ang	le	B	end	Ang	le	В	end	Ang	le
Number	Radius	30°	45°	60 °	90°	30°	45°	60 °	90°	30°	45°	60 °	90°	30°	45°	60 °	90 °	30°	45°	60 °	90 °	30°	45°	60 °	90 °
PWB2X4**	C II	4	-	0	0		0	0	4	_	4	0	4	4		0	0	4	4	0	0		4	0	~
PWB4X4**	6		1	2	2		0	0	1	0	1	U	I.		0	2	0		1	2	2	4	4	8	6
PWB2X6**						0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4		0	0	0						0	0	0
PWB4X6**	9.25"	1	2	2	3		0	U	2		2	2	I		0	U	0	1	2	2	3	4	8	8	8
PWB6X6**						0	0	0	4	2	4	4	2	0	0	0	0					6	12	12	10
PWB2X8**						_	4	•	0		4	0	0		~	4	~					_	~	•	10
PWB4X8**	12.5"	2	2	4	4		I	U	2	0	1	U	2	2	0	4	U	2	2	4	4	8	6	8	12
PWB6X8**						0	2	0	4	0	2	0	4	4	0	8	0					12	8	24	16
PWB2X12**						4	0	0	4	4	4	0	0		0	0	~						0	10	10
PWB4X12**	18.25"	2	3	4	6		2	2	4		1	2	2		0	U	0	2	3	4	6	0	8	12	10
PWB6X12**						2	4	4	8	2	2	4	4	0	0	0	0	1				8	10	16	20
PWB2X18**						0	0	0	0	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0					10	16	20	10
PWB4X18**	22.5"	3	4	6	8		0	2	0	4	4	4	U		0	U	0	3	4	6	8	10	10	20	10
PWB6X18**						0	0	4	16	8	8	8	0	0	0	0	0					24	24	28	16
PWB2X24**						2	6	4		2	0	4	0		0	0	0					10	10	04	22
PWB4X24**	31"	4	6	8	11	2	0	4	11	2	0	4	0		U	0	0	4	6	8	11	12	12	24	22
PWB6X24**]					4	12	8	22	4	0	8	0	0	0	0	0					16	12	32	22



PWB4X4** 30 Degree Angle:

- 3-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 1 Pc
- PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 1 Pc
- PWBHK** Hardware Kit x 4 Pc



PWB18X4** 60 Degree Angle:

- PWBSPL** Bolt-On Splice x 2
- PWBSPL2 2-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 4 Pc
- PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 6 Pc
- PWBHK** Hardware Kit x 20 Pc



PWB12X4** 45 Degree Angle:

- PWBSPL** Bolt-On Splice x 2
- PWBSPL2 2-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 1 Pc
- PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 3 Pc
- PWBHK** Hardware Kit x 8 Pc



PWB24X4** 90 Degree Angle:

- PWBSPL** Bolt-On Splice x 11
- PWBSPL5** 5-Hole Sweeping Bend Splice Bar x 11 Pc
- PWBHK** Hardware Kit x 22 Pc

NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black, EZ for Electro Zinc, or WH for White



Mounting Details

Flexible mount bracket options allow the Panduit Wire Basket System to be installed in almost any configuration. Flat mounting surfaces simplify installation and allow pathway sections to safely slide over brackets as they are moved into position and baskets are secured to the brackets using two PWBHK^{**} Hardware Kit pieces per bracket.

Mount brackets should be placed within two-feet (610mm) of pathway intersections and spaced between four and eight feet apart over extended lengths where multiple basket sections are spliced together. Refer to Safe Working Load Table for more information on the amount of weight basket sections can safely carry and different support span distances.





		Safe Wo Suppor	rking Loa t Span D	ad (lb/ft) istance	
Part Number	4 Ft. Span	5 Ft. Span	6 Ft. Span	7 Ft. Span	8 Ft. Span
PWB2X4**	27	22	18	17	15
PWB2X6**	45	40	32	24	31
PWB2X8**	64	52	33	25	21
PWB2X12**	54	49	45	32	23
PWB2X18**	96	75	55	42	29
PWB2X24**	99	73	48	37	27
PWB4X4**	36	34	31	29	21
PWB4X6**	45	41	38	30	24
PWB4X8**	71	59	46	43	40
PWB4X12**	102	84	75	57	46
PWB4X18**	97	85	72	58	46
PWB4X24**	128	101	74	59	42
PWB6X6**	85	75	67	49	33
PWB6X8**	101	91	79	63	47
PWB6X12**	114	103	85	65	55
PWB6X18**	110	97	85	67	51
PWB6X24**	134	110	85	69	56





Place supports near the top and bottom of field fabricated vertical transitions and near the center of large horizontal sweeping bends.





Part Number	For Pathway Size	Threaded Rod Pitch in. [mm]	Length in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Height [Thickness] in. [mm]	PWBHK** Hardware Pieces Required	Std. Pkg. Quantity
PWBTB4**	4" Wide Pathway	7 [177.80]	8.5 [216]				1
PWBTB6**	6" Wide & Under	9 [228.6]	10.5 [266]				1
PWBTB8**	8" Wide & Under	11 [279.40]	12.5 [317.5]	1.77	1.12	2	1
PWBTB12**	12" Wide & Under	15 [381.00]	18 [457]	[45]	[28.5]	2	1
PWBTB18**	18" Wide & Under	21 [533.30]	22.5 [571.0]				1
PWBTB24**	24" Wide & Under	27 [685.80]	28.5 [725]				1
PWBTSBEZ	12" Wide & Under	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	50
PWBSCEZ	All	N/A	TBD by Contractor	1.625 [41]	Any Strut	N/A	1

Cantilever Brackets



Part Number	For Pathway Size	Length in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Height [Thickness] in. [mm]	PWBHK** Hardware Pieces Required	Std. Pkg. Quantity
PWBCB4**	4" Wide Pathway	5.0 [128]	1.97 [50]	3.54 [90]	2	1
PWBCB6**	6" Wide & Under	7.0 [178]	1.97 [50]	3.93 [100]	2	1
PWBCB8**	8" Wide & Under	8.74 [222]	1.57 [40]	3.57 [91]	2	1
PWBCB12**	12" Wide & Under	12.8 [326]	1.57 [40]	4.33 [110]	2	1
PWBCB18**	18" Wide & Under	18.7 [476]	1.57 [40]	5.51 [140]	2	1
PWBCB24**	24" Wide & Under	24.6 [626]	1.57 [40]	6.30 [160]	2	1



Wall Mount Termination Brackets

14	Part Number	For Pathway Size	Length in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Height [Thickness] in. [mm]	PWBHK** Hardware Pieces Required	Std. Pkg. Quantity	
	PWBWMW**	6", 8", 18" and 24"	6.2 [157.72]	2.12 [53.85]	3.12 [79.25]	4	2	
	PWBWMN**	4" and 12"	4.71 [119.62]	2.12 [53.85]	3.12 [79.25]	4	2	

Trapeze Hanger Brackets

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ARE	Part Number	For Pathway Size	Threaded Rod Pitch	Length in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Height [Thickness] in. [mm]	Std. Pkg. Quantity
XXX	PWBTSBEZ	12" Wide & Under	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	50
XX							

Strut Mount Clips

Part Number	For Pathway Size	Threaded Rod Pitch	Length in. [mm]	Width in. [mm]	Height [Thickness] in. [mm]	Std. Pkg. Quantity
PWBSCEZ	All	N/A	TBD By Contractor	1.625 [41] Wide Strut	Any Strut Height	50



Waterfalls/Spillovers

Bottom Waterfalls

- PWBWFW** Tool-less Wide Waterfall
- PWBWFN** Tool-less Narrow Waterfall



Application:						
Basket Width	Installation Direction	PWBWFW**	PWBWFN**			
/ "	Parallel	-	Х			
4	Perpendicular	-	Х			
6"	Parallel	-	Х			
0	Perpendicular –		X			
0"	Parallel	Х	X			
0	Perpendicular	Х	-			
10"	Parallel	Х	Х			
12	Perpendicular	Х	-			
10"	Parallel	Х	Х			
10	Perpendicular	Х	-			
04"	Parallel	Х	Х			
24	Perpendicular	Х	-			

Drop Out Kit



PWBDOK** (includes all necessary hardware)

Spillover



PWBSPJ4BL

SPECIAL NOTE



Optional accessories can be installed to the bottom back exit geometry of spillover fittings using FiberRunner FBC2X2LBL or FRBC4X4LBL barbed coupler fittings

NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black, EZ for Electro Zinc, or WH for White



Tray Liners and Divider Walls

Tray Liners

Tray liners come in two, 63 inch lengths. The clip provides electrical continuity.





The tray liner overlaps to cover the 10 foot pathway.

are to add a liner when installing smaller diameter cable such as anything under 4.5mm diameter cable.

For best practices, recommendations

Divider Wall

Divider Wall comes in two, 63 inch lengths that will be overlapped and will be tightened with the included hardware components.





To accommodate sweeps, the divider walls can be trimmed as shown below:



Articulated for Sweeping Radius



Color and Finish Specifications

Black Powder Coat (BL)

- Complies with ASTM 510
- Nominal spectrophotometer values

L	а	b
26	0.30	-0.76

White Powder Coat (WH)

- Complies with ASTM 510
- Nominal spectrophotometer values

L	а	b
92.79	-0.60	0.74

Electro Zinc Coating (EZ)

- Colorless finish that provides a smooth uniform appearance
- Complies with ASTEM A633-07

L	а	b		
92.79	-0.60	0.74		







Recommended Applications

Customers can specify a black or white powdered coat for data center applications where they want the cable pathway to match the color of the cabinets. Data centers and telco rooms commonly use electro zinc finishes throughout the enterprise based upon customer preference.

Application Type	BL	₩Н	EZ	
Data Center Construction				
Ambient lighting environment	1	2	2	
Low lighting environment		1	2	
Enterprise and office space		2	1	
Industrial applications				
Factory and automation			1	
General manufacturing			1	
Tray Liner and Divider Walls	1	2		
	1 Pri	mary recommendation	2 Secondary recommendation	

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Loading and Fill Areas



					Maximum Cable Fill By Basket Size			
Part Number	Pathway Width in. [mm]	Sidewall Height in. [mm]	Fill Area in.2 [mm2]	.23" 5.84mm	.268" 6.81mm	.32" 8.13mm	.68" 17.27mm	.95" 24.13mm
PWB2X4**	4.2 [107.2]	2 [50.8]	7.54	91	67	47	10	5
PWB2X6**	6.2 [158.0]	2 [50.8]	11.54 [7444.65]	139	102	72	16	8
PWB2X8**	8.2 [208.8]	2 [50.8]	15.54 [10025.29]	187	138	97	21	11
PWB2X12**	12.2 [310.4]	2 [50.8]	23.54 [15186.57]	283	209	146	32	17
PWB2X18**	18.2 [462.8]	2 [50.8]	35.54 [22928.49]	428	315	221	49	25
PWB2X24**	24.2 [615.2]	2 [50.8]	47.54 [30670.41]	572	421	296	65	34
PWB4X4**	4.2 [107.2]	4 [101.6]	15.1 [9742.19]	182	134	94	21	11
PWB4X6**	6.2 [158.0]	4 [101.6]	23.1 [14903.87]	278	205	144	32	16
PWB4X8**	8.2 [208.8]	4 [101.6]	31.1 [20065.56]	374	276	193	43	22
PWB4X12**	12.2 [310.4]	4 [101.6]	47.1 [30388.93]	567	417	293	65	33
PWB4X18**	18.2 [462.8]	4 [101.6]	71.1 [45873.99]	856	630	442	98	50
PWB4X24**	24.2 [615.2]	4 [101.6]	95.1 [61354.24]	1144	843	591	131	67
PWB6X6**	6.2 [158.0]	6 [152.4]	34.66 [22360.45]	417	307	215	48	24
PWB6X8**	8.2 [208.8]	6 [152.4]	46.66 [30102.27]	562	414	290	64	33
PWB6X12**	12.2 [310.4]	6 [152.4]	70.66 [45585.91]	850	626	439	97	50
PWB6X18**	18.2 [462.8]	6 [152.4]	106.66 [68811.37]	1284	945	663	147	75
PWB6X24**	24.2 [615.2]	6 [152.4]	142.66 [92038.54]	1717	1264	887	196	101

Grounding and Bonding

Bonding the Pathway

UL Classified bond, PWBSPLBL and PWBSPLEZ

Using Colored Pathway one must ensure electrical continuity between pathways by properly grounding:



PWBSPLBL and PWBSPLEZ Bolt on Splices provide a UL Classified bond when installed on areas where the paint has been removed. Powder coated baskets include a masking tape feature that can be removed to expose bare metal on each end. If the the basket is cut, the user should remove the paint from the metal, if it is not an electro zinc version.

Splicing

PWBPSBL and PWBPSEZ - Bonding jumpers for electrical continuity

Option 1: Using these splices requires a bonding jumper with a mechanical copper lug *(optional Panduit part number SBC3-C)*

Option 2: Bonding Panduit Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing can also use the GACB-2 or GACB-3





Radius Intersection

Radius intersections must be electrically bonded. As best practice, if users are not adding a PWBSPL**, users should use a SBC3-C Split Bolt.



NOTE: Replace ** with BL for Black, EZ for Electro Zinc, or WH for White



Grounding and Bonding

Complete System



Safety

Personal Protective Equipment

It is important to consider the personal protective gear when installing Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System. It is important to always have protective eye gear and work gloves to avoid any injuries. At the various sites it important to consider the use of other protective gear such as helmets and appropriate footwear to add those necessary layers of protection.



Standards

The Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System has the following approvals:

- UL listed for their suitability use as Equipment grounding conductor in accordance with sections 392.6(A) and 392.6(B) of the NFPA 70 National Electric Code with AMD 1-5 and NEMA VE1
- Colored Powdered Coated basket complies with ASTM 510
- Electro Zinc basket complies with ASTM B633 SC3, Type III



Best Practices

Selecting the Optimal Basket Size

Consider how cabling needs may change—the recommendations for TIA-569-C for 25% initial minimum fill and 50% maximum fill ratios.

Bundling Cable Inside the Basket

25% calculated fill is recommended when specifying basket size to leave room for future capacity needs.

Bundling is the preferred way to protect cables and improve organization and aesthetics while separating cables and reducing the risk of damage.

We provide diverse options and colors for hook and loop to easily streamline this task.



Sharp Edges and Burrs

The inside of the cable support system shall be free of burrs, sharp edges or projections that can damage cable insulation. Abrasive supports (e.g., threaded rod) installed within the cable fill area shall have that portion within the tray protected with a smooth, non-scratching covering so that cable can be pulled without physical damage.[†]

Best practices dictate that the installer debur the edges to ensure no sharp edges are present. For corrosive environments, painting the edges is recommended.

Adding Smaller Diameter Fiber Cable

Best practices when installing small diameter fiber cable is to place it in an enclosed pathway such as a FiberRunner system. Nevertheless, if fiber cable is being placed in a wire basket it is important to add a liner to protect cables from attenuation.



†TIA Standards Telecommunications Pathways and Space



Recycled Steel

All manufacturers have a responsibility to design environmentally considerate products. Wire Basket contains 75% recycled steel, and the benefits are as follows:

- (1) **Reduces** the use of nonrenewable resources such as coal and iron and the energy required to produce them
 - **Reduces** environmental waste and pollution
- 3 Recycled steel **does not** lose its strength when reused

Packaging and Waste Elimination

Excessive waste is common at installation sites, typically in paperboard packaging materials. Panduit is committed to mitigating such concerns by multipackaging materials to reduce waste and save installation time.

The benefits of using less packaging are as follows:

1 **Reduces** single-use plastic and landfill consumption

the customer

2 Reduces recycling costs incurred by

3 **Reduces** package removal time during installation



Design Tools for Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System

Wire Basket supports various AutoCad blocks which can be accessed with an add-on software package. The .dwg and .dwf versions are available online.



Revit is available for the Wire Basket. Click here to access the shapes.

The link provided will direct users to a "**BIMOBJECT**." Users will register at the website to get access to the many models that are available for the Wire Basket.

If any other items are needed, please reach out to techsupport@panduit.com or dc-infrastructure-support@panduit.com.



Faster Implementation, Simple Specification

Panduit Cable Routing Systems reduce installation time and reduces the risk that can be found with traditional systems. This is accomplished because there are less wires in the basket, which leads to less sharp wires being exposed that can cause injury and damage cable. Cable Management is key to optimizing system reliability, effective space use, and scalability.

Wire Basket Overhead Cable Tray Routing System provides optimal strength, flexibility, and performance for efficient deployment of overhead cabling systems.





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