

Communication Room: Cable Management, Design & Implementation



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Introduction

- Cable management is the process of supporting cables routed between two points and the products installed to aid this process.
- The purpose of cable management is to provide a pathway, increase cable organization and increase network "uptime."





Introduction Cont.

- Everyone in NETS is a "Cable Manager" and should benefit from understanding how cable is managed in our communications rooms.
- Combined 25+ years of installing cable, we work daily on design, installation, documentation, verification, M.A.C. work and the challenges associated with each.





Training Outline

- Design overview:
 - Considerations when designing a communication room; factors simplifying or complicating design.
- Product:
 - Past, present and propose overhead tray, rack infrastructure, and consumables.
- Implementation *The act of accomplishing some aim or executing some order; carrying into effect.





Design Overview

Simplifications:

- Ground-zero builds.
- Having adequate space
- Building codes, standards, and specs.
- New products.

Complications:

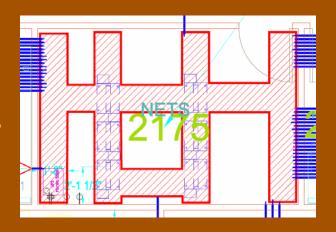
- Retrofit installations.
- Inadequate space.
- Building codes, standards, and specs.
- Cable type and size.
- Neighboring services (HVAC).
- Financial constraints

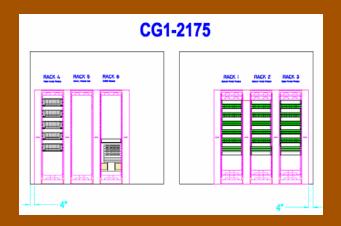




Design: Simplifications

- Ground-zero builds
- Having adequate space
- Building codes, standards and *specs.
 - Section 27 05 26: Grounding and Bonding for Comm. Systems
 - Section 27 05 28: Pathways for Comm. Systems
 - Section 27 11 16: Cabinets Racks,
 Frames and Enclosures
 - Section 27 11 23: CableManagement and Ladder Rack







New products.

^{*} Wikipedia contributors. Master Format. Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. December 5, 2008, 14:35 UTC. Available at: http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=MasterFormat&oldid=256044861. Accessed January 13, 2009.



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Design: Wrap-up

- Proper cable management design is the framework for a quality installed network.
- Early identification and planning is key to saving \$\$\$.
 - Single largest contributor to cable organization.
 - Reduces time for MAC work.
 - Accepts changing media types and sizes.
 - Scaleable.
- Questions?

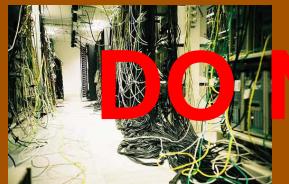


Product: Objectives

- Be familiar with the products available to manage cable within a communications room.
- Show the dangers of disregarding cable management.
- Visualize product NETS has employed past and present, and the next generation.
 - Communications rack or cabinet structures.
 - Horizontal managers, rings, spools and through-ports.
 - Adjacent vertical managers and slack receptacles.
 - Overhead or underfoot pathway, typically tray or rack.
 - Drop racks for changes in elevation (2 ft. max)
 - Radius supports, consumables and identifiers.

Product: Cable Management Challenged:



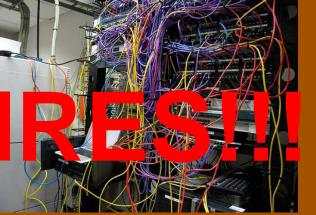


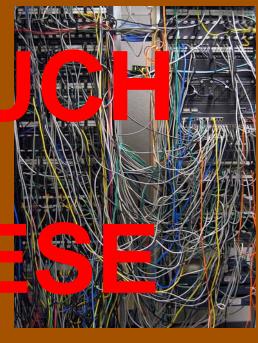














NETS Cable Management - Past





Overhead Tray:



Changes in elevation:



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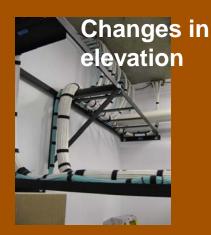


Horizontal Cable Managers

NETS Cable Management - Present









Horizontal Cable Managers:







Hydra-Cable Management

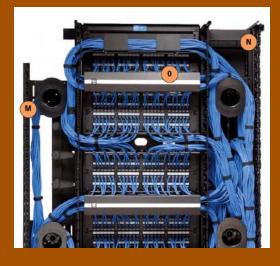
Next Generation Cable Management

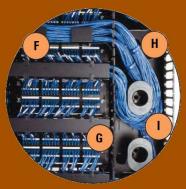


- F- Upper and Lower Jumper Trays
- **G** Horizontal Managers
- H- Consumables ties and straps
- I- Cable spools
- J- Radius drops
- **K** Vertical Cable Managers
- L- Front-to-Back Horiz. Managers
- M- Single Side Vertical Managers
- N- Double Side Vertical Managers
- O- Horizontal Managers











^{*} Chatsworth Product Families. Cable Management. Chatsworth Products Inc. December 5, 2008, 14:35 UTC. Available at:



Product: Wrap-up

- Cable management is no longer optional.
- Products are becoming more user friendly.
- Products are getting more readily available.
- Larger number of manufacturers in the cable management arena.
- Questions?

Implementation: Objectives

"How Cable Management Gets Done"



- Be familiar with the steps NETS takes when implementing a cable management system.
 - Create a room drawing.
 - Count or estimate T.O's in comm. Room.
 - Identify conduit entrance locations.
 - Establish rack layout (footprint and equipment).
 - Create a Bill-of- Material (BOM).
 - Create estimate.
 - Install.



Summary of Training

- Proper cable management is key to saving time and money, maintaining uptime and reducing energy cost.
- Dedication to design and implementation of product are the means to establishing proper cable management.
- Diligence to maintaining cable management is the responsibility of everyone touching it!



Questions and/or Comments

Thank You!!