

How to coil fusion spliced optical cables



AI Overview

Proper coiling and connecting of fusion-spliced optical cables ensures minimal signal loss, protects the splice, and maintains long-term network reliability.

Preparing and Splicing the Fiber

Before coiling, ensure the fiber is properly spliced:

- Strip the Cable:** Remove 3–5 cm of the outer jacket and carefully strip the fiber coating without bending the fiber excessively (bending radius >30 mm) to avoid microfractures.
- Clean the Fiber:** Wipe the exposed fiber with an IPA-soaked lint-free swab to remove dust and oils.
- Cleave the Fiber:** Use a precision cleaver to create a flat, perpendicular end face for optimal fusion.
- Fusion Splice:** Align the fibers in a fusion splicer and perform the splice, then slide a protective splice sleeve over the joint.

Coiling the Fiber

After splicing, proper coiling prevents stress and signal degradation:

- Maintain Minimum Bend Radius:** Single-mode fibers typically require a bend radius of at least 30 mm; exceeding this can increase attenuation.
- Use a Fiber Management Tray:** Place the spliced fiber in a tray or organizer designed for coiled fibers, forming gentle loops without kinks.
- Secure the Splice Sleeve:** Ensure the protective sleeve is positioned in the center of the coil to prevent movement or pressure on the splice.
- Label and Document:** Mark the fiber and splice location for future maintenance and troubleshooting.

Connecting the Fiber

Once coiled, the fiber can be connected to network equipment:

- Use Pigtailed or Patch Cords:** Fusion-spliced fibers are often terminated with pre-connectorized pigtails for easy connection.
- Insert into Adapter or Panel:** Place the connector into a fiber adapter or patch panel, ensuring proper alignment and minimal stress on the fiber.
- Test the Connection:** Verify signal integrity using an optical power meter or OTDR to confirm low-loss performance.

Best Practices

- Always handle fibers with care to avoid contamination or microbends.
- Keep the workspace clean and static-free; use anti-static mats and wrist straps if necessary.
- Dispose of fiber shards safely to prevent injury.
- Follow manufacturer guidelines for...

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