

Optical cable splicing sequence n



Summary of Content

The optical cable splicing sequence involves preparation, stripping, cleaning, cleaving, alignment, splicing, and testing to ensure a low-loss, high-quality fiber connection.

Step-by-Step Splicing Sequence

- **Preparation of the Splicer and Fiber Holder** Begin by thoroughly cleaning the splicer and selecting the appropriate fiber holder for the cable type (commonly 250- μm or 900- μm fibers) to ensure proper fit and stability during splicing .
- **Cable and Fiber Preparation** Open the loose tube of the fiber optic cable using a loose tube tool. Strip off the protective coating with stripping pliers, exposing the bare glass fiber. Carefully clean the fiber to remove any debris or contaminants .
- **Cleaving the Fiber** Score the fiber using a precision cleaver and break it at a 90° angle. This ensures a smooth, perpendicular end face, which is critical for minimizing signal loss and back reflection .
- **Inserting Fibers into the Splicer** Place the cleaved fibers into the splicer's fiber holders. Use the mechanical precision adjustment device to align the fiber ends accurately. Modern fusion splicers often use image processing for core alignment, reducing human error .
- **Splicing (Fusion or Mechanical)**
 - **Fusion Splicing:** The splicer generates an electric arc to thermally weld the fiber cores together, producing a permanent, low-loss joint with typical attenuation around 0.1 dB .

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