

Fiber Pigtail Splicing Procedure



Article Overview

Fiber pigtail splicing is primarily performed using fusion or mechanical splicing to connect a factory-terminated pigtail to an incoming fiber, ensuring low-loss, reliable optical connections.

Overview of Fiber Pigtails

A fiber optic pigtail is a short optical fiber with a factory-terminated connector on one end and a bare fiber on the other. The bare end is designed to be permanently spliced to the incoming fiber, while the connector end plugs into equipment, ODF ports, or splice trays. Pigtails are preferred over patch cords for permanent terminations because they combine factory-grade connector quality with field splicing flexibility.

Splicing Techniques

1. Fusion Splicing

Fusion splicing is the most common method for pigtail termination due to its low insertion loss and high reliability. The process involves:

- **Preparation:** Strip the fiber coating using specialized fiber strippers, then clean the bare fiber with lint-free wipes and 99% isopropyl alcohol.
- **Cleaving:** Use a high-precision cleaver to create a flat, 90-degree end face on both the pigtail and the incoming fiber.
- **Splicing:** Align the fibers in a fusion splicer, which uses an electric arc to melt and...

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