

How to quickly splice fiber optic cables underground



Article Overview

Underground fiber optic cables are typically spliced using fusion splicing, protected with sealed enclosures, and tested to ensure low-loss, long-term performance.

Preparation and Planning

Before splicing, ensure the underground fiber route is properly installed and accessible. Conduct a site survey to identify cable segments, access points, and potential obstacles. Use armored or industrial-grade fiber cables suitable for underground conditions, and confirm the minimum bend radius and maximum pulling tension to prevent fiber damage during installation ().

Splicing Methods

There are two main splicing methods:

- **Fusion Splicing:** The preferred method for underground cables, fusion splicing aligns and fuses fiber ends using controlled heat, creating a permanent, low-loss connection. This method ensures minimal signal attenuation and back reflection ().
- **Mechanical Splicing:** Fibers are aligned and held together mechanically. This method is faster but generally less reliable and more prone to signal loss, making it less suitable for critical underground networks ().

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