

What can be used to clean pigtail fiber



Article Overview

Use specialized fiber optic cleaners, lint-free wipes, and 99% isopropyl alcohol to safely clean pigtail fiber connectors before inspection or splicing.

Recommended Tools and Materials

- Dry cleaners: Cartridge-style or pocket-style fiber cleaners are ideal for removing dust and light debris from connector endfaces .
- Lint-free fiber wipes: Use a new section of the wipe for each pass to avoid leaving fibers behind .
- Isopropyl alcohol (99% reagent grade): For wet cleaning, apply to lint-free pads to remove oils or stubborn residues .
- One-click or pen cleaners: Compact tools for quick cleaning of SC, LC, FC, and MPO connectors .
- Cassette or reel-based cleaners: Useful for cleaning multiple connectors in sequence .
- Inspection tools: Fiberscope or microscope to verify cleanliness before mating or splicing .

Cleaning Procedure

- Inspect first: Always check the connector with a fiberscope to identify contamination .
- Dry cleaning: Press the fiber tip lightly against the cleaning surface of a cartridge or pocket cleaner. Rotate single-fiber connectors 90° during cleaning; for APC connectors, maintain the same angle as the endface .
- Wet cleaning (if needed): Moisten a lint-free pad with 99% isopropyl alcohol and g...

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