

Multimode fiber color order



AI Overview

Multimode fiber types are identified primarily by jacket color: OM1 is orange, OM2 is gray, OM3 and OM4 are aqua (sometimes violet for OM4), and OM5 is lime green.

Jacket Color Identification

OM1 (62.5/125 μm): Orange jacket; legacy fiber with lower modal bandwidth, suitable for older 10/100 Mbps networks.

OM2 (50/125 μm): Gray jacket; improved modal bandwidth (500 MHz·km @ 850 nm) compared to OM1.

OM3 (50/125 μm , laser-optimized): Aqua jacket; designed for 10 Gigabit Ethernet and higher-speed applications.

OM4 (50/125 μm , laser-optimized): Aqua jacket by default, but some manufacturers use violet to distinguish from OM3; higher modal bandwidth (4,700 MHz·km @ 850 nm) for longer 10G/40G/100G links.

OM5 (50/125 μm , SWDM): Lime green jacket; supports Short Wave Division Multiplexing for multiple channels on a single fiber pair, though modal bandwidth is similar to OM4.

Note: Always check the printed legend on the cable jacket, as some manufacturers may use non-standard colors or legacy cables may not follow the current TIA-598-C scheme.

Connector Color Coding

Multimode connectors: Typically beige for OM1/OM2 and aqua for OM3/OM4; OM5 may follow aqua or lime depending on manufacturer.

Single-mode connectors: Blue (UPC) or green (APC) to indicate polish type; do not mix with multimode connectors to avoid damage.

Fiber Strand Identification

Inside multi-fiber cables, individual fibers follow a 12-color sequence defined by TIA-598-C: Blue, Orange, Green, Brown, Slate, White, Red, Black, Yellow, Violet, Rose, Aqua. For cables with more than 12 fibers, the sequence repeats with stripe markers to maintain unique identification.

Practical Tips

Always verify printed specifications on the jacket rather than relying solely on color, especially for OM3 vs OM4 or legacy cables. Connector color helps quickly identify fiber type and polish style, reducing the risk of mode mismatch or return loss issues. High-density installations may use additional color markers or stripes to differentiate fibers in large bundles. By followi...

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Individual fiber strands within multi-fiber cables follow a standardized 12-color sequence that enables precise identification during splicing, termination,

Fiber Optic Cable Color Codes

In the center, orange cable means multimode fiber and the beige connector indicates 62.5/125 fiber. On the right, the yellow patchcord indicates singlemode

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When you crack open a multi-fiber cable, you're greeted with a rainbow of individual buffered fibers. The TIA-598 standard defines a specific 12

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TIA-598C

Twelve-Color Scheme: TIA-598C defines a twelve-color scheme for both single-mode and multimode fibers. Each color represents a specific position

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ANSI/TIA-598-C Color Code and Cable Markings for

Fiber Color Code in ANSI/TIA-598-C The ANSI/TIA-598-C color code applies to multimode fiber cables and single-mode fiber cables and provides a

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