

Optical Cable Stripping and Treatment



AI Overview

Proper optical cable stripping and treatment involve carefully removing protective coatings, cleaning, and preparing fiber ends to ensure optimal signal transmission and prevent damage.

Fiber Stripping Basics Optical fibers are typically coated with polymers such as acrylate, silicone, or polyimide to protect the glass core. For splicing or connectorization, these coatings must be removed without nicking or scratching the fiber, as even minor damage can lead to cracks and signal loss over time. Stripping is usually performed over a defined length (commonly 30–40 mm) at the fiber end, though “window stripping” may be required in the middle of the fiber for specialized applications like fiber Bragg gratings.

Stripping Techniques

- Mechanical Stripping:** Uses precision hand tools or pliers with matched blade sizes to remove coatings. These tools are designed to avoid contact with the glass core and are suitable for standard telecommunication fibers (125 μm cladding, $\sim 250 \mu\text{m}$ coated diameter) as well as specialty fibers.
- Thermal Stripping:** Applies controlled heat to soften the coating, allowing gentle removal. Adjustable temperature and timing settings help prevent fiber damage and are ideal for high-strength splices.
- Automated and Plasma-Assisted Stripping:** Fully automated systems can remove coatings up to 1200 μm in diameter without contact, ensuring consistent results and preserving fiber strength.

Layered Cable Considerations Multi-layer cables require progressive stripping: first the outer jacket, then aramid yarn, followed by buffer layers. Each layer must be stripped individually to avoid damaging underlying components, which are critical for tensile strength and connector reliability. Proper maintenance of stripping tools is essential to keep blades sharp and ensure clean, straight cuts.

Cleaning and Preparation After stripping, the fiber end should be cleaned using alcohol wipes or a suitable cleaning solution to remove debris and residue. A fiber optic cleaver is then used to create a clean, perpendicular end face. Inspection with...

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Stripping (fiber)

Stripping is the act of removing the protective polymer coating around optical fiber in preparation for fusion splicing. The splicing process begins by preparing both fiber ends for fusion, which requires

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