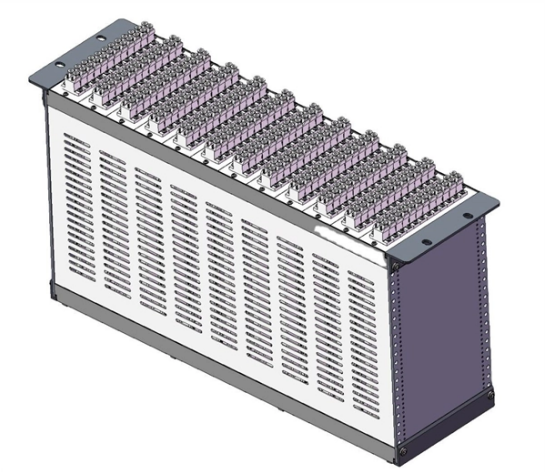
ADSS Fiber Optic Cable Splicing



Overview

Sufficient length of cable ends should allow the cable to descend the structure and enter a splicing vehicle.

Key Takeaways

ADSS fiber optic splicing primarily uses fusion splicing for permanent, low-loss connections, with mechanical splicing as a temporary or emergency solution.

Overview of ADS

S CablesADSS (All-Dielectric Self-Supporting) fiber optic cables are designed for aerial deployment alongside high-voltage power lines without metallic components, ensuring electrical insulation and self-supporting capability under wind, ice, and UV exposure. They are available in central tube and layered twist designs, optimized for different span lengths, fiber counts, and environmental conditions.

ADS

S cables can carry singlemode fibers for long-distance communication, often up to 100 km without repeaters.

Splicing Methods

Fusion Splicing

Fusion splicing is the preferred method for ADSS cables due to its low optical loss and permanent connection. The process involves: Cleaning and cleaving the fiber ends. Aligning the fibers precisely between electrodes.

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Applying an electric arc to fuse the fiber ends together. Fusion splices typically achieve losses of 0. 05 dB or less for singlemode fibers, making them ideal for utility communication systems.

Fusion splicing is especially important for gel-free ADSS cables, as it avoids the need to clean gel from the fibers, saving time during installation.

Mechanical Splicing

Mechanical splicing holds fiber ends together without permanent fusion. It is generally used as a temporary solution or in emergency repairs. While easier to perform in the field, mechanical splices have slightly higher losses and are less durable than fusion splices.

Gel-

Filled vs Gel-Free ADSS CablesGel-Filled Cables: Use gel to block moisture and keep fiber bundles grouped, which can facilitate separation during splicing when multiple fibers are in a single tube.

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Free (Dry) Cables: Use a water-blocking binder instead of gel, simplifying splicing by eliminating the cleaning step and reducing installation time. The choice between gel-filled and gel-free cables affects splicing efficiency, especially in projects with numerous splice points.

Best Practices for ADSS Splicing

Follow minimum bending radius specified by the manufacturer to prevent fiber damage. Test splices using OTDR (Optical Time-Domain Reflectometer) or power meter to measure loss and reflection at each splice point. Perform measurements in both directions to ensure accurate characterization of the fiber link.

Use proper safety procedures when working near high-voltage lines, as ADSS cables are often installed on transmission towers. ConclusionADSS fiber optic splicing relies on fusion splicing for permanent, low-loss connections, with mechanical splicing as a temporary alternative. The choice of gel-filled or gel-free cables influences splicing workflow, and adherence to proper installation and testing practices ensures reliable performance in aerial utility networks.

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ADSS Fiber Optic Cables

Sufficient length of cable ends should allow the cable to descend the structure and enter a splicing vehicle. Each splice should have at least a small storage loop to allow the splice to be moved from

ADSS fiber optic cable connection method

Once the cable has been placed and tensioned, the next step is splicing. Splicing is the process of joining two or more fibers together to create a continuous optical path. There are two main

ADSS Installation Guide

This document provides general information for installing Teldor Cables and Systems'' ADS Series ADSS (All-Dielectric Self-Supporting) fiber optic cables. Every installation is influenced by local conditions.

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