Quick Fiber Tail Insertion with Hot Fusion Tube



Overview

To terminate an optical fiber cable in the field, the fiber (either tight-buffered or loose fan-out tube) is simply stripped, cleaved, inserted into the connector and mechanically secured.

Key Takeaways

Quick fiber tail insertion using a hot fusion tube allows rapid, reliable optical fiber termination with minimal signal loss and enhanced mechanical protection.

Overview

Quick fiber tail insertion with a hot fusion tube is a method used to terminate optical fibers efficiently, combining fusion splicing with a heat-shrink protective sleeve. This technique is commonly applied in field installations, data centers, and high-density optical distribution frames, where speed, reliability, and low insertion loss are critical.

Components and Tools

The process typically involves the following components: Fiber pigtail: Pre-terminated fiber with a connector on one end. Hot fusion tube (heat-shrink splice sleeve): A small tube with a stainless steel strength member inside that protects the splice. Fusion splicer: Aligns and melts the fiber ends for a seamless connection.

Fiber cleaver: Produces a precise 90-degree cut on the fiber. Stripping and cleaning tools: Fiber strippers, lint-free wipes, and 99% isopropyl alcohol to remove coatings and debris.

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Step-by-

Step Process

Prepare the fiber: Strip the outer coating and clean the bare fiber until it is free of oils and debris. Cleave the fiber: Use a high-precision cleaver to create a flat, perpendicular end-face. Insert the fiber tail: Slide the hot fusion tube onto the fiber before splicing.

Fusion splice: Align the fiber tail with the existing fiber in the fusion splicer. The splicer melts the glass ends, creating a low-loss joint. Protect the splice: Slide the hot fusion tube over the splice and activate the splicer's internal oven to shrink the tube, forming a rigid, waterproof shield.

Advantages

Rapid installation: Reduces field termination time compared to traditional epoxy and polish methods. Low insertion loss: Fusion splicing ensures minimal signal degradation, typically 0. 01–0.

05 dB lower than mechanical splices. Mechanical protection: The hot fusion tube provides strength and environmental protection for the delicate glass joint. Reusability and reliability: Modern rapid hot melt connectors prevent fiber movement under stress, improving long-term performance.

Compatibility: Works with various connector types (SC, LC, FC) and fiber sizes (0. 9 mm, 2. 0 mm, 3.

0 mm, and ribbon fibers),.

Applications

This method is ideal for: FTTH deployments: Quick termination of drop cables. Data centers: High-density patch panels requiring fast, reliable splicing. Industrial environments: Armored or waterproof pigtails needing robust protection.

By combining precision fusion splicing with a hot fusion tube, technicians can achieve fast, durable, and low-loss fiber terminations suitable for both indoor and outdoor applications.

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Optical fiber termination methods hot welding, cold joint,

There are 3 types of optical fiber termination methods for different optical communication projects and technical requirements of the cable terminal

Rapid hot melt type optical fiber connector

What the present invention relates to is a kind of hot melt type optical fiber quick connector, belongs to the optical fiber splicing device technical field. Background technology.

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In practice, insertion loss is typically the only measurement taken for installed optical fiber links. The availability of quick mount connectors that are polished and measured for both insertion loss and

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