

How to strip optical cables longitudinally



AI Overview

Stripping optical fiber cables longitudinally requires careful, stepwise removal of the jacket, aramid fibers, and buffer coatings using specialized tools to avoid damaging the fiber.

Step-by-Step Process

1. Prepare the Cable
Determine the length of cable to strip and mark the jacket accordingly. Allow extra length for slack and connectorization (). Use a piece of shrink sleeve or tape to protect the cable at the strip point if desired ().
2. Remove the Outer Jacket
Score the outer jacket circumferentially 7–10 inches from the cable end using a hook blade or fiber jacket cutter (). Carefully bend and peel off the jacket. For some cables, a ripcord can be used to pull off the remaining jacket (). Ensure the underlying aramid fibers are not damaged during this step ().
3. Cut Aramid Yarn
Use kevlar scissors to trim the aramid fibers close to the jacket end, bundling them for easier handling (). Avoid cutting too close to the fiber to prevent stress on the core ().
4. Strip the Fiber Buffers
Use a fiber stripper with grooves matched to the fiber diameter (e.g., 900 μm and 250 μm) (). Strip the buffer in small increments (6–8 mm at a time) at a 45-degree angle to reduce stress (). If the stripper has multiple grooves, use progressively smaller grooves to remove each buffer layer without breaking the fiber ().
5. Clean the Fiber
Wipe the stripped fiber with a lint-free cloth and alcohol to remove debris (). Special fiber optic cleaners can be used in the field, but alcohol and microfiber cloths are sufficient for practice ().

Tools and Tips

- Fiber Strippers:** Ensure blades are sharp and matched to fiber diameter ().
- Kevlar Scissors:** For cutting aramid yarn without fraying ().
- Bare Fiber Gripper:** Provides a secure hold without microfractures ().

Always strip layers progressively—jacket first, then aramid yarn, then buffers (). Take small cuts and avoid excessive force to prevent fiber cracks or breakage ().

Safety and Best Practices

- Work in a clean area and dispose of fiber scraps in a marked container ().
- Avoid touching the fiber core with bare hands to pr...

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You have successfully completed this exercise when you have been able to strip the jacket and both buffer coating layers from the fiber without breaking the fiber.

Stripping Techniques For Your Fiber Optic Cable

Good fiber optic stripping techniques in your cable assembly process are crucial. See best practices for how to strip fiber optic cable buffers & jackets.

Introduction to Fiber Optics Cables – Stripping and Cleaving

Notice the difference between the two types of fiber. Stripping and cleaving optical fiber We will also learn some skills necessary for working with optical fiber. Fiber comes with a thin plastic

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Learn how to terminate fiber optic cable with connectors and splicing. Discover tools, techniques, and tips for precise termination.

The "golden rule" in stripping

Note the cable diameter and jacket thickness for each cable – Stripping cables and fibers is a delicate process. Carefully set your hand tool or machine tool to the right cable diameter and

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How To Strip Fiber Optic Cable | Instructional

In this instructional video, Bob Licari, Test Equipment Product Manager, demonstrates a simple way to strip optical fiber.

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Lesson: Stripping Optical Fiber Cable Objectives: From this lesson you should learn: How to use these tools to strip cable to the bare fiber Tools: Safety Glasses

Fiber Optic Termination: Part 4

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Fundamentals of Fiber Optic Stripping | Johnny's Tool Box

In this video, John Bruno demonstrates the fundamentals of stripping fiber optic cable.

Fiber Cable Stripping Tools: A Comprehensive Guide

Fiber cable stripping tools are essential for anyone working with fiber optics. Understanding the different types of tools, their applications, and best practices is crucial for ensuring successful installations and

Fiber and Cable Stripper – Types, Uses & Guide

Learn how to use fiber strippers, cable cutting scissors, and armored cable slitters. Discover their applications in fiber splicing, cable prep, and FTTH.

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Safety Operators familiar with electronic wires and cables may not be aware of the special features of optical fiber and components. Optical fibers are made of glass. Although such material is inherently

Does anyone know how I can strip the jacket off of a 1.8mm fibre optic ...

I work in a research hospital, and I am currently experimenting with fibre optic cable, not a lot of fun. It's an extremely brittle and frustrating material that doesn't want to cooperate at all. I need to strip the

Fiber U Lesson Plan: Basic Fiber Optic Skills Lab

In this lesson, we will identify and examine cables, then prepare them for splicing or termination by stripping the cable to expose the coated fibers. Finally we will strip

Fiber Strippers – tools, mechanical, thermal, chemical,

Fiber strippers are precision tools that reliably and cleanly remove a defined length of coating (often 30–40 mm) from a fiber end so that the bare glass is exposed

How To Terminate A Fiber Optic Cable?

1. Prepare the Fiber Cable Strip the cable: Use the fiber optic stripper to carefully remove the outer jacket of the fiber optic cable, exposing the inner fibers. Strip the buffer coating: Once the

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The fiber optic cable is protected by critical components such as corrosion-resistant and high Young's modulus phosphated steel wire and full section water-resistant structure. The fiber optic cable is

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