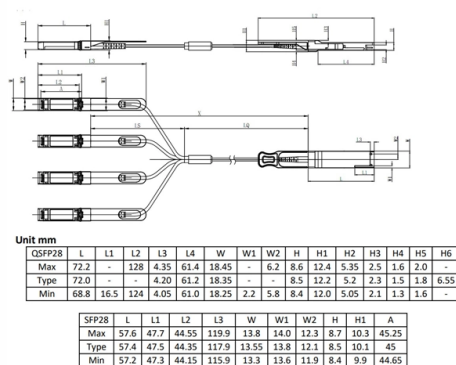


Fiber Optic Cable Quality Testing Procedure



Article Overview

Fiber optic cable quality is verified through a combination of visual inspection, insertion loss testing, OTDR analysis, and compliance with industry standards like IEC 60794.

Visual Inspection

Visual inspection is the first and most critical step. Technicians use fiber inspection microscopes or video probes to examine connector endfaces for contamination, scratches, cracks, or polishing defects. Proper inspection ensures that the fiber is clean and free from physical damage that could degrade optical performance. The process typically involves inspect-clean-inspect cycles to confirm cleanliness before and after testing .

Continuity Testing

Continuity testing verifies that each fiber core is intact and correctly mapped. This is often done using a visible light source or visual fault locator (VFL), which allows technicians to detect breaks, bends, or misrouted fibers. A visible light source can highlight faults along the fiber, making it easier to locate and document issues .

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