

Outdoor Shielded Optical Cable Models and Specifications

Article Overview

Outdoor shielded optical cables include armored, GYTA/GYTS loose tube, GYTA33 heavy armored, ADSS, and Figure-8 self-supporting models, covering 2-288 fiber cores for aerial, duct, and direct-burial applications.

Major Outdoor Shielded Cable Models

o Armored Loose Tube Cables (GYTA/GYTS)

o Features: Steel wire or steel tape armor, water-blocking gel or swellable tape, crush and rodent protection, UV-resistant PE jacket.

o Applications: Direct-burial, duct, and aerial installations.

o Fiber Count: Typically 2-288 cores.

o Advantages: High mechanical protection, moisture resistance, suitable for harsh outdoor environments .

o Heavy Armored Cables (GYTA33)

o Features: Extra-thick steel armor for extreme mechanical stress, water-blocking design, UV and temperature resistance.

o Applications: Direct-burial in high-risk areas, long-haul backbone networks.

o Fiber Count: 2-288 cores.

o Advantages: Maximum protection against rodents, crushing, and environmental hazards .

o All-Dielectric Self-Supporting (ADSS) Cables

o Features: No metallic components, self-supporting for aerial spans, designed to withstand wind and ice loads.

o Applications: Power line corridors, aerial telecom installations.

o Fiber Count: Varies, typically 2-144 cores.

o Advantages: Safe near electrical lines, lightweight, controlled sag, efficient installation .

o Figure-8 Self-Supporting Cables

o Features: Integrated messenger strand for aerial support, loose tube or ribbon fiber construction, water-blocking and UV-resistant jacket.

o Applications: Aerial installations without separate support wires.

o Fiber Count: 2-144 cores.

o Advantages: Simplifies aerial deployment, reduces installation hardware, maintains fiber integrity .

o Ribbon Cables

o Features: Multiple fibers bonded side-by-side in a flat ribbon, often with protective outer jacket.

o Applications: High-density outdoor networks, FTTH, and inter-building links.

o Fiber Count: Up to 12 fibers per ribbon, scalable to hundreds of fibers.

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- o Advantages: Maximizes fiber density, reduces latency, simplifies splicing and management .

- o Micro Cables

- o Features: Ultra-compact loose tube design, 1-2 mm diameter, high fiber packing density.

- o Applications: Long-haul networks, FTTH, and congested conduit pathways.

- o Advantages: Lightweight, space-saving, easy installation in tight ducts .

Key Considerations for Shielded Outdoor Cables

- o Environmental Durability: UV-resistant jackets, water-blocking, temperature endurance (-40°C to +70°C).

- o Mechanical Protection: Steel armor, rodent protection, crush resistance.

- o Installation Method: Direct-burial, aerial, duct, or building entry.

- o Performance: Single-mode or multimode, low attenuation, high bandwidth.

- o Customization: OEM/ODM options for fiber count, jacket material, and branding . These shielded outdoor optical cable models provide robust solutions for diverse deployment scenarios, ensuring reliable performance in harsh environmental conditions while supporting high-capacity fiber networks.

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up to 4 - 24 optical fibers in water blocked loose tube. Taped, corrugated steel tape armored (STA); polyethylene (HDPE) outer shea

Outdoor fiber optic cable, also known as exterior or armoured outdoor cable, is specifically engineered for outdoor environments. Its

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A fiber-optic cable, also known as an optical-fiber cable, is an assembly similar to an electrical cable but containing one or more

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SPECIFICATIONS The fibre cable shall contain up to 24 fibres and have an all-dielectric loose tube construction. It shall be suitable

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Outdoor fiber optic cable guide: loose tube vs tight buffer, direct burial vs aerial, UV-resistant jacket, temperature

GYTC8S - Outdoor optical cable for communication with metal reinforcing members, outdoor layer

Scope This document establishes the specification requirements for a 24 (twenty-four) fiber indoor/outdoor distribution armored fiber

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