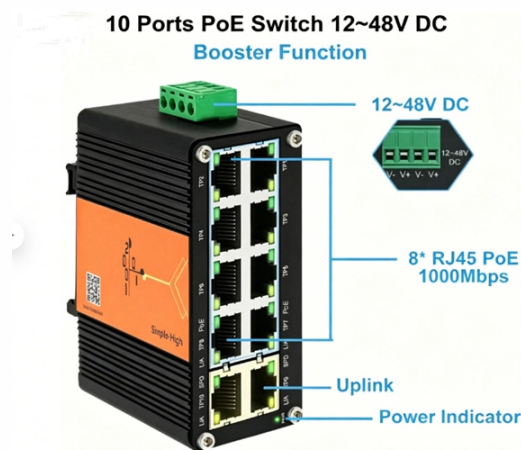


How to patch two fiber optic cables



AI Overview

Patching a fiber optic cable involves inspecting, preparing, connecting, securing, and testing the fiber to ensure minimal signal loss and reliable performance.

Step 1: Inspect the Fiber Cable Before patching, inspect all fiber connectors and cables for dust, dirt, or damage. Ensure the cable jacket and insulation are intact, as contamination or damage can reduce signal quality and transmission speed.

Step 2: Prepare the Patch Cables Strip about 3 inches of the outer jacket from each end of the patch cable. Remove approximately 1 inch of the protective coating from the fiber strands using a fiber stripper tool. Clean the exposed fiber ends with a lint-free cloth to prevent debris from affecting the connection.

Step 3: Connect the Fiber Cables Insert the stripped ends into the patch cable connectors, aligning the fiber cores precisely. Ensure the connector pins match the male and female ends. Only one fiber jumper should be used between two adapters, and the minimum bend radius should be 400mm to avoid signal loss.

Step 4: Secure the Patch Cables Slide the connectors together to create a tight connection. Use cable ties or heat shrink tubing to secure the connection. Route the cables neatly in the ODF frame or distribution box, avoiding crossovers or hanging loops. Extra cable length should be coiled on a spool without obstructing future patching.

Step 5: Label the Patch Cables Label both ends of each patch cable with machine-printed labels showing the optical path name, code, and barcode. Ensure labels are uniform, correctly spaced, and do not overlap.

Step 6: Test the Optical Path Use an optical power meter at 1490nm wavelength to test the connection. Acceptable power levels: less than -22dB at the splitter exit and less than -23dB at the user end. If no light is detected, use a visible red light source to check for misconnections. Persistent issues should be escalated to the maintenance team.

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