

Electrician maliciously cuts fiber optic cable



Article Overview

Intentionally cutting a fiber optic cable is a serious criminal act that can result in felony charges and significant service disruptions.

Legal Consequences

If an electrician maliciously cuts a fiber optic line, they can be charged with Damaging Phone, Electrical, or Utility Lines, which is often treated as a felony depending on the jurisdiction and severity of the damage. Prosecutors must prove that the act was unauthorized and intentional, and it may be considered a “wobbler” offense, meaning it could be charged as either a misdemeanor or felony. Conviction can lead to fines, imprisonment, and additional consequences such as loss of firearm rights, DNA collection, or restrictions on voting, depending on local laws (Griffin Law Office, APC) .

Technical and Operational Impact

Fiber optic cables transmit data via light pulses through ultra-thin glass cores, making them highly sensitive to physical damage. Cutting a fiber optic line can cause:

- Internet outages affecting residential and commercial users
- Telecommunications disruptions, including phone and VoIP services
- Data transmission failures for businesses relying on real-time data, cloud services, or financial transactions...

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The way the "electrician" repaired his own mistake at my home

We tested all lines, found the broken pairs, then called the vendor back to fix it. Instead of pulling new cables, they stuck a patch

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