

Fiber optic cable does not pass through a terminal box



Article Overview

A fiber optic cable may fail to pass through a terminal box due to improper routing, bend radius violations, strain on the cable, or incorrect box configuration.

Common Causes

1. Bend Radius Violation Fiber cables have a minimum bend radius, and forcing the cable through tight corners or small openings in the terminal box can cause micro-bending, increased attenuation, or even physical damage to the fiber core (Holight Optic) . 2. Improper Cable Routing or Overcrowding Terminal boxes are designed with specific entry and exit points. If the box is overcrowded or the internal routing is mismanaged, the cable may not fit or may be blocked by other fibers or splicing trays (STL Tech) . 3. Strain and Tension Issues If the cable is under tension or lacks proper strain relief, it may be difficult to feed it through the box. Overly tight cables can transfer mechanical stress to splice trays or connectors, causing alignment issues (Holight Optic) . 4. Incorrect Terminal Box Type or Configuration Using a straight-through box when a branched-type box is required, or mismatched cable diameters and gland sizes, can prevent proper insertion. Some boxes have multiple in/out ports, and selecting the wrong port can block the cable (STL Tech) . 5. Connector or Splice Obstructions Pre-installed pigtails, fusion splices, or protective cassettes inside the box may obstruct the cable path if not properly arranged. Misalignment or improper seating of these components can prevent smooth passage (Fluke Networks) .

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