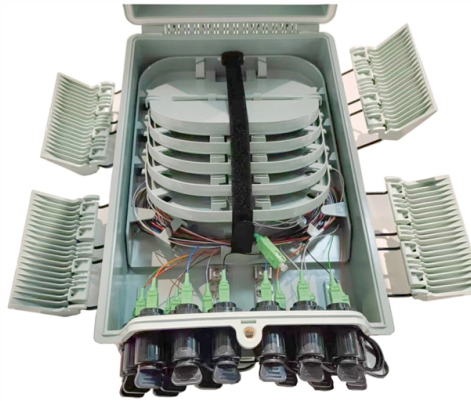


Maximum test power of optical power meter



Article Overview

Optical power meters typically measure up to +10 dBm, with specialized high-power modules reaching around +6 dBm to +20 dBm depending on the sensor and configuration.

Typical Measurement Ranges

Standard optical power meters are designed to measure very low to moderate optical powers, often ranging from -75 dBm to +10 dBm for general-purpose fiber optic testing. High-performance or high-power modules, such as those used in laboratory or industrial applications, can handle up to +6 dBm in typical CW operation, with some specialized instruments capable of measuring even higher powers when combined with appropriate detectors.

Factors Affecting Maximum Test Power

- **Sensor Type:** Photodiode sensors (e.g., InGaAs) are common for high-speed and high-accuracy measurements, while thermopile sensors are used for very high-power applications. The sensor determines the upper power limit.
- **Wavelength Range:** Optical power meters are calibrated for specific wavelength ranges, typically 750–1700 nm, and the maximum power rating can vary slightly across this spectrum.
- **Dynamic Range:** The dynamic range of the meter, which is the difference between the minimum detectable power and the maximum measurable power, affects the maximum test power. High-dynamic-range meters can measure both very weak an...

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Testing for loss requires measuring the optical power lost in a cable (including connectors, splices, etc) with a fibre optic source and

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