

Outdoor fiber optic cable bandwidth



AI Overview

Outdoor fiber optic cables can support speeds from 1 Gbps to multiple terabits per second, with bandwidth largely determined by fiber type, distance, and network equipment.

Fiber Types and Bandwidth

Single-mode fiber (SMF) is the standard for long-distance outdoor deployments. It has a small core (8–10 μm) allowing only one light mode, which minimizes signal distortion and supports extremely high bandwidth over long distances, often reaching terabit-level capacities under optimal conditions . SMF is ideal for backbones, FTTH, 5G backhaul, and intercity links. Multimode fiber (MMF) has a larger core (50–62.5 μm) that allows multiple light paths. It is suitable for shorter distances (typically under 500 meters) and can support speeds from 1 Gbps to 100 Gbps, depending on the fiber grade (OM1–OM5) and transceiver technology . MMF is often used for building-to-building or campus networks.

Outdoor Cable Construction and Performance

Outdoor fiber cables are designed to withstand environmental extremes, including UV exposure, temperature fluctuations, moisture, and mechanical stress . Common constructions include:

- Loose-tube cables: Fibers float in gel-filled or dry-block tubes, protecting against water ingress and mechanical stress. Ideal for long-distance outdoor runs.
- Armored cables: Include metallic layers for rodent and crush protection, suitable f...

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