Blow dryer on fiber optic cable



Overview

ABSTRACT This application note discusses fiber optic cable installation by blowing technique, the factors effecting blowing performance and best practices.

Key Takeaways

Using a household blow dryer on fiber optic cables is unsafe and can damage the cable; professional installation relies on controlled air pressure and temperature. Fiber optic cables are designed with delicate glass fibers and protective jackets that can become brittle or deformed if exposed to excessive heat. Professional cable installation, such as the blowing or jetting method, uses compressed air at controlled temperatures to propel the cable through conduits, ensuring the cable remains flexible and undamaged.

Temperature is a critical factor: if the cable is too cold, it may crack, and if the air is too hot, the jacket can melt or warp. Household blow dryers cannot provide the precise airflow, pressure, or temperature control required for safe fiber optic installation. Using one could overheat the cable, weaken the jacket, or break the internal fibers, leading to signal loss or permanent damage.

Instead, fiber optic cables should be installed using fiber blowers or cable blowing machines, which create a protective air cushion and apply minimal mechanical stress while maintaining proper temperature. For minor adjustments or maintenance, it is safer to allow the cable to reach room temperature naturally or use professional heating equipment designed for fiber optics. Avoid direct heat sources like blow dryers, heat guns, or open flames, as these can compromise the cable's performance and longevity.

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In summary, never use a household blow dryer on fiber optic cables. Always rely on professional installation methods and equipment to ensure the cable remains intact and fully functional.

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The process typically involves attaching a specially designed push-in or push-out device to the fiber cable, which is then connected to the blowing apparatus. Compressed air is introduced

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This document provides a method statement for fibre optic cable blowing by jetting method and splicing/testing.

EZ.BOOSTER cable blowing device

The EZ.BOOSTER is operated with compressed air from a standard small compressor to blow the cable into microducts quickly, safely and without kinking.

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Air-Assisted Installation Considerations

Corning Optical Communications field trials have confirmed that a single air-assisted device can install 1500 to 2100 meters (5000 to 7000 feet) of optical fiber cable under good conditions. Longer lengths

Fiber optic blowing machine. Using air pressure and hydraulics

Fiber optic blowing machine. Using air pressure and hydraulics to blow a fiber-optic cable through a empty conduit at over 300 ft./min. to a distance of more than 5000 feet away.

Cable blowing machine

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