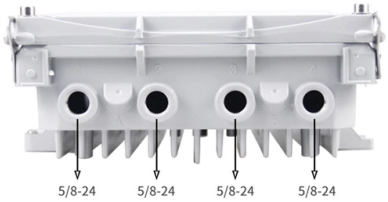
Fiji Optical Cable Blowing



Overview

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

Key Takeaways

Fiber optic cable blowing is a highly efficient method for installing optical cables into pre-installed ducts using compressed air, ideal for high-speed network deployment in Fiji.

Overview of Fiber Optic Cable Blowing

Fiber optic cable blowing, also known as fiber jetting, is a method where high-speed airflow, combined with a mechanical pushing force, propels fiber optic cables through pre-installed ducts or conduits. This technique is widely used by telecom operators and broadband providers because it reduces friction, minimizes labor costs, and allows for faster installation compared to traditional cable pulling methods.

Equipment and Tools Required

Successful cable blowing requires specialized equipment: Fiber Blowing Machine: Includes a cable drive system to feed the cable and an air control system to regulate airflow. Air Compressor: Generates high-pressure air to create an air cushion around the cable, reducing friction. Duct Clamps and Seals: Ensure airtight conditions for efficient jetting.

Pushing Device or Tractor Mechanism: Applies initial force to push the cable a few hundred meters before air is introduced. Speed and Pressure Controls: Allow real-time adjustments to prevent cable damage.

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Installation Procedure

Duct Preparation: Inspect ducts for debris, moisture, or sharp edges. Ensure the duct diameter is appropriate—neither too tight nor too loose. Cable Feeding: Push several hundred meters of cable into the duct using a mechanical pusher or tractor mechanism.

Air Injection: Introduce compressed air at the duct inlet. The air forms a cushion around the cable, allowing it to float and reducing friction with the duct walls. Monitoring: Continuously monitor air pressure, cable tension, and environmental conditions.

Excessive pressure or cold temperatures can damage the cable. Completion: Continue blowing until the cable reaches the desired length. Micro-duct cables can be installed in continuous lengths exceeding 1,000 meters depending on the route.

Advantages

Faster Installation: Air-assisted jetting allows longer cable runs with less manual effort. Reduced Friction: The air cushion minimizes contact between the cable and duct, lowering the risk of damage. Flexibility: Easy to add or replace fibers without major construction.

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Effective: Reduces labor and material costs by using pre-installed ducts.

Considerations for Fiji

Environmental Conditions: High humidity or temperature variations in Fiji may affect cable flexibility and air pressure requirements. Duct Quality: Ensure ducts are free from debris and sharp bends, especially in urban or coastal areas prone to corrosion. Cable Selection: Use low-friction cables suitable for blowing to maximize distance and minimize air pressure.

Fiber optic cable blowing is particularly suitable for Fiji's expanding broadband and telecom infrastructure, enabling efficient deployment of high-speed networks across urban and rural areas. Proper planning, skilled technicians, and adherence to safety protocols are essential for successful installation.

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

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Our patented concept employs compressed air to propel the fibre optic cable through the duct, providing a uniform distribution of pulling force along the cable length. In addition the cable is controlled by a

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