Kits, Tools, and Accessories



Fiber Optic Cable Preparation and Termination

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The Right Fiber Optic Tool for the Job

Fiber optic connectors are designed to be connected and disconnected many times without affecting the optical performance of the fiber circuit. Optimal performance can be achieved by following the correct process for termination of the fiber circuit—a task which requires the use of a wide range of specialized tooling. Glenair's extensive experience in building fiber optic interconnect cables has enabled us to select the right tools for each step in the termination and assembly process. Our Fiber Optic Termination and Test Probe Kits allow field technicians the convenience of completing final termination of precision termini on location for easy and efficient cable routing and installation. Each kit contains pin and socket polishing tools, jacket strippers, shears, scribes—literally all the tools and supplies required for ongoing termination and test of fiber optic systems. Polishing tools are also sold separately for factory use or as replacement parts in field termination kits.



Glenair Fiber Optic Toolkits contains all of the tools you will need for fiber optic termination, plus a laminated card with termination instructions.

Typical Fiber Preparation

- 1. Measure and mark cable to desired length
- 2. Place jacket stripper on mark and squeeze gently until cutter closes
- 3. Using the tool, gently pull the cut section of jacketing off the cable
- 4. Mark Kevlar at specified length
- Cut away excess Kevlar at measured mark with
- 6. Slide clear heat shrink sleeve over buffer, using it to fold Kevlar back over cable jacket
- 7. After measuring, place buffer stripper on buffer jacket and squeeze gently until cutter closes
- 8. Strip buffer in several incremental steps to avoid damaging fiber
- Clean fiber thoroughly using a lint-free, alcohol-soaked tissue





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Typical Fiber Optic Cable Termination

1. Remove the separating clip and mix the epoxy thoroughly.

- **2.** Remove syringe plunger and install needle tip
- **3.** Cut open bi-pack and squeeze epoxy into applicator
- Install plunger into filled applicator and remove air from needle
- 5. Slowly inject epoxy thru applicator until epoxy appears at the ceramic tip
- **6.** Using a twisting motion, gently insert fiber into the terminus until it bottoms

- **7.** Gently slide clear sleeve over the Kevlar, evenly distributing the Kevlar over the rear body
- **8.** Using a heat gun, shrink the sleeve over Kevlar, securing the cable to the contact assembly

9. Clean any excess epoxy from the rear body with alcohol soaked swab

- **10.** Add a small bead of epoxy to the ferrule transition
- **11.** Heat cure epoxy to appropriate cure temperature and clean with alcohol
- **12.** Cleave excess fiber from termini end







Glenair: The Fiber Optic Experts

With our depth of experience engineering fiber optic interconnect solutions, Glenair has developed all of the tools you will need for accurate fiber optic cable preparation and termination.

Visit our website at www.glenair.com for complete, easy-to-follow instruction videos for every facet of fiber optic preparation, termination, cleaning and testing.

We are experts at building made-to-order termination, test and cleaning kits. This chapter presents just our core capabilities. Consult our website or call the factory for made-to-order toolkits, training and process documentation.