

AOC Active Optical Cable Testing Standards



Article Overview

AOC testing standards encompass safety, performance, and interoperability evaluations guided by UL 2404, InfiniBand specifications, and IEEE/industry protocols to ensure reliable high-speed optical links.

Safety and Compliance Standards

Active Optical Cables are subject to safety and regulatory compliance due to their integrated electronics and optical components. The UL 2404 Outline of Investigation provides a framework for evaluating AOC assemblies, covering safety aspects such as electrical power handling, fire risk mitigation, and optical transceiver hazards . AOCs are not considered permanent wiring unless constructed with Listed cables compliant with the National Electrical Code (NEC) Articles 645, 725, and 770, ensuring safe installation in buildings . Hybrid AOCs, like USB-C variants, may carry electrical power, requiring additional safety evaluation under UL 2404.

Performance and Interoperability Testing

AOC performance testing focuses on link establishment, throughput, latency, and error rates. Key procedures include:

- Visual and physical inspection: Check connectors, endfaces, and cable jackets for scratches, dust, or damage, and maintain the manufacturer's minimum bend radius .
- Link-up verification: Connect the AOC to intended network equipment (switches, s...

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