

Complete Guide to Multimode Fiber Optic Patch Cords



Article Overview

Use multimode fiber patch cords for short-distance, high-speed connections, select the right type for your network, and consider mode conditioning for laser-based sources on legacy fibers.

Understanding Multimode Patch Cords

Multimode fiber patch cords have a larger core diameter (50/125 μm or 62.5/125 μm) than single-mode fibers, allowing multiple light paths (modes) to propagate simultaneously. They are ideal for short-distance, high-speed applications such as intra-data center links, campus networks, and building backbones, typically up to 300 meters for OM3/OM4 fibers at 10G/40G speeds . Common multimode types include OM1 (62.5/125 μm), OM2, OM3, OM4, and OM5, with OM3/OM4 being standard for modern high-speed networks .

Choosing the Right Patch Cord

- Connector Type: LC duplex is most common for modern transceivers, while SC or MPO/MTP connectors are used for multi-core or legacy systems .
- Jacket Type: PVC for basic indoor use, plenum (OFNP) for air ducts, riser (OFNR) for vertical shafts, and LSZH for low-smoke, high-safety environments .
- Distance and Speed: Match the fiber type to your network speed and distance requirements. OM3/OM4 is suitable for 10G-40G up to 300 meters, while OM1/OM2 is limited to shorter distances

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According to fiber cable modes, fiber optic patch cords can be divided into single mode and multi-mode. Single mode

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Single-mode and Multimode fiber optic patch cords

Application Since single-mode fiber patch cable requires the use of single-mode transmitters which normally are solid

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