

Fiber Optic Cable Production



Article Overview

Fiber optic cables are produced through a precise, multi-step process that transforms ultra-pure silica into high-performance optical fibers capable of transmitting vast amounts of data.

Raw Materials and Preform Creation

The production begins with high-purity silica (silicon dioxide), often combined with additives like boron, germanium, or phosphorus to optimize optical properties and durability. This silica is refined and formed into a preform, a solid glass rod several centimeters thick and up to two meters long, which serves as the foundation for the fiber. Preforms are created using techniques such as chemical vapor deposition, where silicon-based gases are burned to deposit ultra-pure glass particles that are fused into a solid rod.

Fiber Drawing

Once the preform is ready, it is placed in a vertical furnace and heated to extremely high temperatures (around 2,000–3,000°C) until the glass softens. A thin strand of glass, typically 125 microns in diameter, is drawn from the molten end of the preform. This fiber drawing process is carefully controlled using lasers and micrometers to ensure uniform diameter and optical quality.

Coating and Protection

After drawing, the fiber is coated with a protective polymer layer to prevent damage...

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