

# Single-mode 20-core optical cable

## Article Overview

A single-mode 20-core optical cable consists of 20 individual single-mode fibers designed for long-distance, high-speed data transmission, compliant with ITU G.652/G.657 standards.

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A single-mode optical fiber carries light in a single transverse mode, allowing minimal signal dispersion and enabling transmission over long distances, typically exceeding 100 km without repeaters . Each fiber has a very thin core, approximately 8-10 microns in diameter, surrounded by cladding and protective coatings . A 20-core cable bundles 20 such fibers into a single cable, which can be arranged in loose tube, ribbon, or tight-buffered constructions depending on installation requirements .

## Standards and Specifications

Single-mode fibers in these cables generally comply with:

- o ITU-T G.652: Standard for low-loss, zero-dispersion fibers around 1310 nm, suitable for 1310 nm and 1550 nm transmission windows .
- o ITU-T G.657: Bend-insensitive fibers for improved performance in tight installations .
- o Telcordia GR-20-CORE and IEC 60793-2-50: Ensuring mechanical and optical reliability . Key fiber attributes include mode field diameter, cladding diameter, core concentricity, macrobending loss, and chromatic dispersion, which are critical for maintaining signal integrity over long distances .

## Cable Construction

- o Loose Tube: Fibers are housed in gel-filled or dry tubes, suitable for outdoor and long-haul applications, providing protection against moisture and mechanical stress .
- o Ribbon: Fibers are arranged in flat ribbons, allowing high-density splicing and efficient mass fusion splicing.
- o Tight-Buffered: Fibers are individually coated for indoor or premise installations, easier handling, and direct termination . The 20-core configuration allows simultaneous transmission of multiple channels, supporting telecommunications, CATV, internet backbones, and utility networks .

## Performance and Applications

- o Long-distance transmission: Single-mode fibers minimize modal dispersion, enabling distances over 100 km without repeaters .
- o High bandwidth: Supports high-speed digital and analog signals in the 1310-1550 nm wavelength range .



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- o Durability: Advanced coatings like ColorLock(TM) enhance fiber reliability and longevity, even in harsh environments .
- o Flexibility: Bend-insensitive fibers allow installation in tight spaces without significant signal loss .

## Summary

A single-mode 20-core optical cable is ideal for high-capacity, long-distance networks requiring low attenuation, minimal dispersion, and compliance with international standards. Its construction options and bend-insensitive fibers make it suitable for both outdoor backbone and indoor distribution applications, ensuring reliable, high-speed data transmission across multiple channels.

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Single-mode fibers with small core diameters used in telecommunications for signal transmission across long distances.

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It can be used in all cable constructions, including loose tube, tight buffered, ribbon, and central tube designs. It supports long haul,

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