How to fix optical cable clamps in aerial installations



Overview

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Key Takeaways

Properly fixing optical cable clamps involves selecting the right clamp, securing it to the pole or structure, and carefully managing cable tension to prevent damage. Step 1: Select the Appropriate ClampClamp Type: For ADSS cables, choose between wedge-type, bolted, or heavy-duty bolted clamps depending on span length: short spans (100m) require heavy-duty bolted clamps. Cable Compatibility: Match the clamp to the cable's outer diameter (OD) and jacket material (PE or LSZH).

Use inserts compatible with the jacket, such as TPE for PE jackets. Tensile Strength: Ensure the clamp's rated tension exceeds 120% of the cable's maximum allowable tension (MAT) to account for wind, ice, and dynamic loads. Environmental Considerations: For coastal or high-UV areas, select corrosion-resistant materials like 316 stainless steel or UV-stabilized polymers.

Step 2: Prepare the Installation SiteSafety First: Use a body harness and safety strap when working on poles or aerial lifts. Avoid stepping on cables or enclosures, and be cautious of laser light in active fibers. Mounting Accessories: Gather pole bands, mounting hooks, stainless steel bands, and buckles as required for the clamp type.

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Step 3: Attach the Clamp to the StructureWrap the stainless steel band around the pole or tower and secure it with the buckle. Use a hand-guided banding tool to tighten and cut the band on-site for a stable, vibration-resistant connection. Ensure the clamp is positioned at the correct height and orientation to maintain the designed sag and tension profile of the cable.

Step 4: Secure the Cable in the ClampInsert the cable into the clamp carefully, ensuring the jacket is not compressed or damaged. The clamp should grip the cable firmly but gently to prevent microbends or signal attenuation. Distribute mechanical stress evenly along the cable surface to avoid localized damage.

For long spans, check that the cable is properly anchored at both ends and at intermediate supports if required. Step 5: Verify Tension and AlignmentConfirm that the cable tension is within the manufacturer's recommended limits. Avoid excessive pulling, sharp bends, or crushing forces.

Ensure the cable follows the intended aerial route without kinks or twists, and that coils near splice closures maintain the minimum bend radius. Step 6: Final InspectionCheck that all clamps, bands, and buckles are secure and corrosion-resistant. Verify that the cable is stable under expected environmental conditions (wind, ice, temperature changes) and that the installation meets network design specifications.

By following these steps, optical cable clamps can be fixed securely in aerial installations, ensuring long-term mechanical stability, protection of the fiber, and reliable network performance.

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