Urban Area Network Use of Burkina Faso OPGW Fittings Single-Mode



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Key Takeaways

OPGW cables with single-mode fibers are used in Burkina Faso's urban networks to provide high-speed data transmission while ensuring electrical grounding and lightning protection.

Overview of OPGW

An Optical Ground Wire (OPGW) is a specialized cable installed on overhead power lines that combines grounding and fiber optic communication functions. The cable contains a central tube with one or more single-mode optical fibers, surrounded by layers of steel and aluminum strands for mechanical strength and electrical conductivity. The fibers are typically ITU-T G.

652D compliant, allowing long-distance, high-speed transmission with minimal attenuation, which is ideal for urban area networks. Fittings and InstallationOPGW fittings include joint boxes, clamps, and anchoring hardware designed to secure the cable to towers or poles. Joint boxes are often equipped with pre-molded neoprene gaskets to seal cable entries and prevent environmental damage.

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The anchoring uses galvanized steel or stainless steel clamps, allowing installation on various tower types while maintaining mechanical stability. Installation follows standards such as ITU-T L. 151, which provides guidance on handling, stringing, and splicing OPGW cables to ensure proper tension, minimize abrasion, and maintain optical performance.

Mechanical and Electrical ConsiderationsOPGW cables must meet mechanical and electrical specifications to function effectively in urban environments: Rated Tensile Strength (RTS): Ensures the cable can withstand wind, ice, and tension without permanent damage.

Typical RT

S ranges from 49 kN to over 100 kN.

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Circuit Capacity: The cable acts as a ground wire during faults, conducting high currents safely.

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C Resistance: Low resistance improves grounding performance and lightning protection. Environmental Protection: Central tubes are filled with water-blocking gel, and fibers are shielded from temperature cycles and moisture.

Application in Urban Area Networks

In Burkina Faso, OPGW cables with single-mode fibers are deployed in urban areas to: Provide high-speed backbone connectivity between substations and data centers. Support utility communication systems for monitoring and control of power lines. Enable leased fiber services for telecom operators, enhancing urban broadband infrastructure.

The use of single-mode fibers ensures low transmission loss, making it suitable for long-distance urban links and future-proofing networks for higher data rates. Standards ComplianceOPGW cables and fittings adhere to international standards such as IEEE 1138, IEC 60793-1, IEC 60794-1-1, and ITU-T recommendations. Compliance ensures interoperability, safety, and durability, which is critical for urban deployments where both electrical and data transmission reliability are essential.

In summary, Burkina Faso's urban networks leverage OPGW with single-mode fibers to combine robust electrical grounding with high-speed optical communication, using fittings and installation practices that meet international standards for performance and safety.

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Optical ground wire

OverviewHistoryConstructionComparison with other methodsApplicationInstallationExternal links

An optical ground wire (also known as an OPGW or, in the IEEE standard, an optical fiber composite overhead ground wire) is a type of cable that is used in overhead power lines. Such cable combines the functions of grounding and telecommunications. An OPGW cable contains a tubular structure with one or more optical fibers in it, surrounded by layers of steel and aluminum wire. The OPGW cable is run between the tops of high-voltage electricity pylons. The conductive part of the cable serves to bond adjacent tow

Recommendation ITU-T L.151 Installation of optical ground wire cable

It deals with the factors that should be considered in determining the characteristics of this type of cable, the apparatus that should be used, the precautions that should be taken in handling the reels, and

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As telecommunications and power utility networks increasingly rely on All-Dielectric Self-Supporting (ADSS) and Optical Ground Wire (OPGW) cables, the hardware used to secure, protect,

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Due to the fact that no civil works are required and the rights of way have already been established, it is possible to minimise costs and, most importantly, the time required to begin network operation.

Types and Uses General:: Optical Groundwire and Fittings

This document discusses specifications for optical groundwires and fittings used in overhead transmission lines. It describes the types and uses of optical groundwires, outdoor joint boxes,

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- Spare parts must be provided including extra wire, anchors, suspensions, splice boxes and junction boxes. - The fibers must be single-mode and optimized for 1310nm and 1550nm wavelengths with

What is Optical Ground Wire (OPGW)?

Operators from OPGW cable cores bundle optical fibers into units and primarily install single-mode components due to their excellent transmission distances and negligible signal loss

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It is best suited to applications where the ground wire will be replaced by an identical cable due to tower limitations. Because of this, OPGW contains exposed elements made of both stainless steel and

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OPGW cable splits into two separate branches to continue along different routes. Additionally, a “drop cable” may be lowered from one of the towers to connect a nearby community or facility to the fiber

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It should be noted that the attenuation of the signal in single mode is significantly lower than in multi-mode fibers. When combined with a method of construction suitable to the high strength, high

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Typically, OPGW cables contain single-mode optical fibers with low transmission loss, allowing long-distance transmission at high speeds. The outer appearance of OPGW is similar to aluminium

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION Optical Ground Wire

1.1 SCOPE This specification covers Optical Ground Wire Cables (OPGW) for the installation on high voltage overhead power lines. The cable contains optical fibers for data transmission and telecom

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FIBRE-OPTIC OVERHEAD GROUNDWIRE (OPGW)&FODP

This section defines the minimum requirements for Dual-window Single mode (DWSM) telecommunications grade fibre optic cable. Bidders shall furnish with their bids, detailed descriptions

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