



Multi core fiber
2C Z-PLUS Fiber™ ULL
2-Core Ultra-Low Loss A_{eff}-Enlarged Pure Silica Core Optical Fiber



- **World's first mass-produced ultra-low loss^{*1)} multi core fiber**
- **Ultra-low attenuation of 0.158 dB/km and large effective area of 112 μm² with standard 125 μm cladding diameter**
- **Innovation for emerging SDM submarine and terrestrial systems**

General

Number of Cores

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| Number of Cores | 2 |
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Effective Area

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| Typical effective area at 1550 nm | 112 μm ² |
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Attenuation

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| Typical attenuation at 1550 nm | 0.158 dB/km |
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Core glass

Pure Silica

Optical Characteristics

Attenuation

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| Attenuation at 1550 nm (Individual) | ≤ 0.166 dB/km |
| Attenuation at 1550 nm (Average in total quantity) ^{*2)} | ≤ 0.162 dB/km |
| Point discontinuity at 1550 nm | ≤ 0.05 dB |

Effective Area

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| Effective area at 1550 nm | 112 ± 12 μm ² |
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Chromatic Dispersion

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| Chromatic dispersion at 1550 nm | ≤ 23 ps/nm/km |
| Chromatic dispersion slope at 1550 nm | ≤ 0.070 ps/nm ² /km |

Cable Cutoff Wavelength (λ_{cc})

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| λ _{cc} | ≤ 1525 nm |
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Polarization Mode Dispersion (PMD)

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| Individual fiber PMD ^{*3)} | ≤ 0.2 ps/r-km |
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Crosstalk

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| Crosstalk in counter-propagation at C-band ^{*4)} | ≤ -43 dB |
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Geometrical Characteristics

Glass Geometry

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| Core-cladding concentricity error | ≤ 0.8 μm |
| Cladding diameter | 125.0 ± 1.0 μm |
| Cladding non-circularity | ≤ 2.0 % |

Coating Geometry

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| Coating diameter (Natural) | 245 ± 10 μm |
| Coating diameter (Colored) | 250 ± 15 μm |
| Coating-cladding concentricity error | ≤ 12 μm |

Mechanical Characteristics

Proof Test

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| Proof stress level | 2.0% (200 kpsi = 1.43 GPa) |
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Macrobending Loss

| Bending radius | Number of turns | Wavelength | Induced Attenuation |
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| 30 mm | 100 | 1625 nm | ≤ 0.50 dB |

Packaging

Delivery Length

5 – 100 km

*1) 0.16 dB/km or under, to be applicable to transoceanic submarine systems.

*2) Average attenuation will be applied only to a batch with the total quantity of 4,000 km or more.

*3) Measured on fiber with free tension. PMD values may change when fiber is cabled. This PMD value will be achieved when cabled properly.

*4) Measured at supplying length wound on a shipping spool.

This document states a standard specification. Upon request, alternative value offerings will be available.