

# Fortex™ DT Cable

## Light Armor



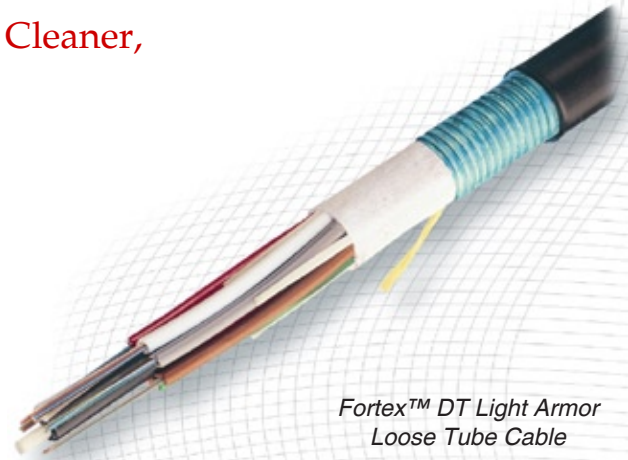
Lose The Gel With Durable, Totally Dry Cable for Cleaner, Faster Installations

### Product Description

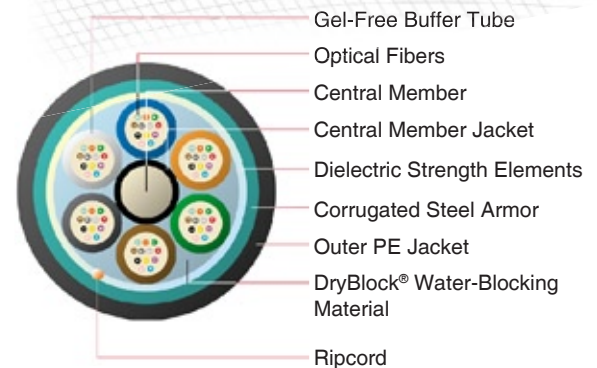
The OFS Fortex™ DT Light Armor Loose Tube Cable delivers the rugged durability and reliability essential for outside plant (OSP) use in an innovative, completely dry cable design.

To construct this cable, the optical fibers are placed in space-efficient, 2.5 mm buffer tubes that contain a specially-engineered, super-absorbent yarn that delivers water blocking “on demand”. The color-coded buffer tubes are then stranded around a dielectric central member using the reverse oscillating lay (ROL) stranding technique for easy, mid-span fiber access.

Additional dry, super-absorbent material is applied to the cable core for exceptional water-blocking performance and faster cable preparation. Dielectric strength elements and a layer of corrugated electrolytically chrome-coated steel (ECCS) armor are applied lengthwise over the cable core to provide rugged durability. Finally, a ripcord and a durable polyethylene (PE) jacket are added to complete the cable construction.



Fortex™ DT Light Armor Loose Tube Cable



### Why the Fortex DT Light Armor Cable?

As the industry's first 100% dry<sup>1</sup>, loose tube cable to meet the water-blocking requirements of ANSI/ICEA and Telcordia OSP cable standards, the Fortex DT Light Armor Cable offers all the benefits of a standard light armor loose tube cable plus it's completely dry – even inside the buffer tubes!

Unlike traditional OSP cables that use gels in direct contact with optical fibers, the Fortex DT Light Armor Cable replaces gels with a specially-designed, super-absorbent yarn in each buffer tube that provides water blocking “on demand”. By eliminating gels and filling compounds, this cable offers virtually effortless splice preparation, while keeping your tools, workspace, closures, and cabinets

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<sup>1</sup> “100% dry” indicates that no oils, gels, or flooding compounds are used to block water penetration under the fiber optic cable sheath or through the core.

### Features and Benefits

- Totally dry, gel-free cable design for cleaner, faster installations
- Easy to handle and install
- Highly durable and reliable for underground duct and lashed aerial installations (including duct-to-lashed aerial) as well as general OSP installations, including direct buried in harsh environments
- PE coated ECCS armor offers additional crush resistance and protection from rodent attack
- Smaller, more flexible buffer tubes for easier installation and routing
- Fiber counts to 288
- RDUP (formerly RUS) listed and compliant with ANSI/ICEA, Telcordia, and IEC specifications for reliable performance
- Available with OFS AllWave® Zero Water Peak (ZWP) Single-Mode, TrueWave® RS LWP Single-Mode, and Multimode Fibers.

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cleaner. The Fortex DT Light Armor Cable is also lighter in weight, making it easier to handle and less of a load on your work crew and plant infrastructure.

In addition to being completely gel-free, the Fortex DT Light Armor Cable offers the same high-performance features as OFS' traditional Light Armor Loose Tube Cable. Our flexible, craft-friendly 2.5 mm buffer tubes – among the smallest standard tubes in the industry – create far less bulk to be stored in closures and ped-

estals, and coil more easily and into tighter diameters. Plus, the Fortex DT Light Armor Cable combines this ease of handling with rugged durability and added rodent resistance. The result is a durable, reliable cable that remains lightweight, flexible, and easy to install – making it an excellent choice for a variety of OSP applications including duct, lashed aerial, and direct buried in harsh environments.

### Specifications

Fiber Count	2-60	61-72	73-96	97-120	121-144	145-216	217-240	241-288
Cable Outer Diameter in. (mm)	0.45 (11.3)	0.48 (12.2)	0.54 (13.8)	0.61 (15.4)	0.68 (17.2)	0.67 (16.9)	0.70 (17.7)	0.77 (19.5)
Cable Weight lb/kft (kgm/km)	84 (125)	95 (142)	114 (169)	142 (212)	176 (262)	153 (228)	169 (252)	202 (300)

### Performance Standard

Tested per Applicable Requirements of ANSI/ICEA S-87-640 and Telcordia GR-20-CORE Issue 2

### Handling

Minimum Bend Radius, With Load:	15 x OD*
Minimum Bend Radius, With No Load:	10 x OD
Minimum Bend Radius, Storage Coils:	10 x OD
Maximum Rated Cable Load (MRCL):	600 lbf (2700 N)
Maximum Long Term Load:	180 lbf (800 N)
Temperature	Installation: -30°C to 60°C (-22°F to 140°F) Operation: -60°C to 70°C (-76°F to 158°F) Storage: -40°C to 75°C (-40°F to 167°F)

\* Note: OD = Outer Diameter of Cable



### Fortex DT Light Armor Cable Ordering Information

Example: **AT-3BEH2YT-NNN<sup>1</sup>**

Part Number: <b>AT-</b>		Fiber <sup>2</sup>		Sheath		Core		Fiber Count	
		<i>S1</i>	<i>S2</i>	<i>SF</i>	<i>S3</i>	<i>S4</i>	<i>S5</i>	<i>S6</i>	- <i>NNN</i>
<b>S1 = Fiber Selection</b>		<b>SF = Fiber Type</b>		<b>S5 = Core Type</b>					
3 = 1310/1550 nm (AllWave® ZWP Fiber)		E = AllWave ZWP		Y = Totally Dry Loose Tube					
6 = 1550 nm (TrueWave® RS LWP Fiber)		6 = TrueWave RS LWP							
R = 850/1300 nm (Multimode)		9 = 62.5/125 µm Multimode		<b>S6 = Fibers Per Tube</b>					
		2 = 50/125 µm Multimode		T = 12 fibers					
<b>S2 = Fiber Transmission Performance</b>		<b>S3 = Sheath Construction</b>		NNN = Fiber Count = 002 to 288					
B = 0.35/0.31/0.27/0.25/0.27 dB/km (1310/1385/1490/1550/1625 nm AllWave ZWP)		H = Single Jacket, Single Armor							
2 = 0.25 dB/km (TrueWave RS LWP)		<b>S4 = Tensile Load</b>							
U = 3.4/1.0 dB/km and 200/500 MHz-km (850/1300 nm Multimode)		2 = 600 lb (2700 N)							
K = 2.5/0.7 dB/km and 500/500 MHz-km (50 µm Multimode)									

<sup>1</sup> Part Number shown is for standard AllWave ZWP attenuation and standard cable print:  
Maximum AllWave ZWP attenuation: 0.35/0.31/0.27/0.25/0.27 dB/km (1310/1385/1490/1550/1625 nm)  
Standard Print, example (Fortex DT Light Armor Cable):  
**OFS OPTICAL CABLE AT-3BEH2YT-NNN [MM-YY] [HANDSET SYMBOL] [NNN] F [SERIAL #]**

<sup>2</sup> Contact OFS Order Management for information on other cable variations, including additional fiber types, attenuation, and custom cable print.

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