

What happens if an optical fiber distribution box is struck by lightning



Overview

Cable Damage: A lightning strike can directly damage fiber optic cables, causing signal loss, equipment failure, or complete network outages. It has great impacts on communication stations and other signal circuits. For example, it will not only affect all DWDM fiber channels in short bursts, but also affect transmission directions. Fiber optic cables have good protection performance, and the metal components of cable's insulation value is so high that lightning current can not enter the cable easily. However, because fiber optic cable has strengthened core, especially the direct-buried fiber optic cable has armoring layer. Measures 1, for direct-type fiber optic cable line lightning protection: ① office grounding, the cable in the metal parts in the joint parts should be connected to the relay section of the cable to strengthen the core, moisture layer, armor layer to maintain connectivity. Also, consumer surge protectors are snake oil. They're just a circuit breaker in a power strip.



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