

NFKx-LAUNCH Launch Fiber Instruction Sheet

The NFKx-LAUNCH launch fibers are used with the OF-500 OptiFiber™ tester during OTDR tests. Using a launch fiber lets the tester measure the loss of the first connector in the cabling. You may also use a NFKx-LAUNCH fiber as a receive fiber. Using a receive fiber lets the tester measure the loss of the last connector in the cabling.

A launch fiber comes with the following:

- SC/SC adapter
- Instruction sheet
- Warranty registration card

Launch Fiber Models and Specifications

Model	Zipper Color	Specifications
NFK1-LAUNCH	Slate	62.5/125 μm multimode launch fiber, 100 m, SC/SC connectors with UPC polish
NFK2-LAUNCH	Orange	$50/125\mu m$ multimode launch fiber, 100 m, SC/SC connectors with UPC polish
NFK3-LAUNCH	Yellow	9/125 μm singlemode launch fiber, 130 m, SC/SC connectors with UPC polish

Safety Information

∆Warning

To avoid possible eye damage caused by hazardous radiation, never look directly into optical output connectors. Some sources produce invisible radiation that can permanently damage your eyes.

Using the Launch Fiber

Figure 1 shows where to connect launch and fibers for OTDR tests. Always clean all connectors before making connections.

To remove the launch and receive fibers' losses and lengths from measurements, use the tester's launch fiber compensation function. See the *OF-500 OptiFiber Users Manual* or the tester's online help for details and additional information on launch and receive fibers.

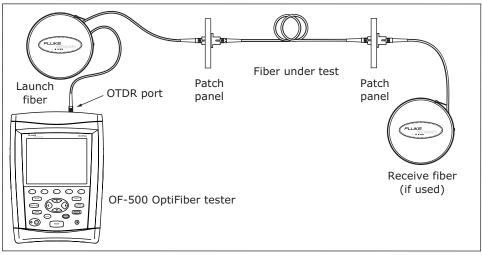


Figure 1. Launch and Receive Fiber Connections

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Maintenance

Always clean and inspect the launch fiber connectors before making connections. Use either of the following for cleaning:

- Lint-free swabs or wipes moistened with isopropyl alcohol
- Pre-moistened swabs or wipes approved for use on fiber connectors

Use a fiber microscope, such as the Fluke Networks OFTM-5350 (250X) or OFTM-5354 (400X) FiberInspector™ Video Probe, to inspect fiber endfaces for damage. If a launch fiber endface is damaged, you should replace the launch fiber as it may cause unreliable test results.

Replacement Parts

The following replacement parts are available from Fluke Networks for the NFKx-LAUNCH launch fiber. Visit the Fluke Networks website for a complete list of fiber test accessories.

Description	Fluke Networks Model or Part Number
SC/SC adapter	NF310SM
Instruction sheet	1997795

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