

Are OM3 and OM4 fiber optic cables compatible



Overview

OM3 and OM4 fibers are backward compatible. Connectors, transceivers, and equipment designed for one will generally work with the other, provided all components use the same core size (50/125 μm). Performance depends on the lowest grade. OM4 is best for 10G-100G, OM5 supports SWDM. Can I connect OS2 to OM3/OM4?

□ No — core size mismatch causes signal loss. Are LC and SC compatible?

□ No — use matching connectors or. OM3 fiber and OM4 fiber are both laser-optimized multimode fibers with 50/125 μm fiber cores, which need to meet the ISO 11801 standard. They have many things in common such as the fiber connectors and application scenarios, making them confusing to users. But one is an OM3 that caps out at 300 meters, and the other is an OM4 that can carry a 100G signal across a large warehouse. If you mix them up, your link might work today but fail randomly when traffic spikes.



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Can om3 and om4 be used together?

OM3 and OM4 fibers are compatible with each other in the sense that they can be connected and used within the same network.

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