

Technical Data Sheet

GCAF

Multi Loose Tube Cables Universal – Indoor / Outdoor A/I-DQ(ZN)H

Ordering Information

Belden European Part Numbers

Fibre type / count	108	120	132	144	
62.5/125-OM1	GCAF108	GCAF120	GCAF132	GCAF144	
50/125-OM2 BW 600/1200	GCAF208	GCAF220	GCAF232	GCAF244	
50/125-OM3	GCAF308	GCAF320	GCAF332	GCAF344	
50/125-OM2e	GCAF408	GCAF420	GCAF432	GCAF444	
50/125-OM2 BW 500/500	GCAF508	GCAF520	GCAF532	GCAF544	
50/125-OM4	GCAF608	GCAF620	GCAF632	GCAF644	
9/125 ITU G.655	GCAF708	GCAF720	GCAF732	GCAF744	
9/125 ITU G.652D-OS2	GCAF808	GCAF820	GCAF832	GCAF844	
Std. plywood reel (non-returnable)	Ø 1400 * 900 mm 120 kg				
Std. delivery length	2100 ± 100m				

Applications

- For outdoor and indoor use in structured (data) wiring systems such as (campus backbone).
- For outdoor and indoor use in networks for telecom, cable TV and/or broadcast.
- Easy to install in ducts, tunnels and trenches by means of compressed air or pulling wire.
- Suitable for direct burial.

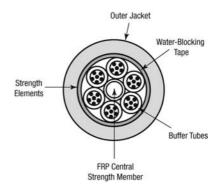
Features & Benefits

- Installation friendly dry interstices between the loose tubes.
- Predicted lifetime > 30 years.



Construction & Dimensions





Cable Specifications (construction in accordance with IEC 60794)

- 1. Dielectric central element of glass reinforced plastic (GRP), also as protection against kinks, surrounded by swelling varns
- Jelly filled (non-dripping and silicon-free) loose tubes with primary coated optical fibres (Ø 250 ± 15 μm).
 Individually colour coded optical fibres: red green blue yellow violet pink orange black grey brown white turquoise.
- 3. The loose tubes are stranded around the central element, if necessary with fillers (PE-natural), surrounded by swelling tape.
 - Colour coding of the loose tubes: 1. red 2. green rest white.
- 4. Swellable (for the longitudinal watertightness) aramid yarns as strength members.
- 5. Black UV resistant FRNC/LSNH outer jacket.

 Identification: BELDEN OFC "cable type" "number x fibre type" + date-, meter- and P/N marking.

Mechanical Data

No. of fibres	Max. 144	
Cable core	12 tubes	
Ø Central element (mm)	3.0/7.5	
Ø Loose tube (mm)	2.5	
Ø nom./max. (mm)	17.0 / 17.3	
Energy of flame (kJ/m)	6000	
Weight (kg/km)	232	



Optical Characteristics

Characteristics (cabled) Single-Mode – Matched-Cladded optical fibres according to ITU.

European Partnumber Coding, Position 5	Fibre-Type	Mode-Field /CladdingDi ameter (um)	Wave- length (nm)	Attenuation average/ max. (dB/km)	Dispersion (ps/(nm-km)	PMD (ps/km)	Cable Cut-off Wave-length (nm)
8	9/125 G.652D OS2	9.2 ± 0.4 125 ± 0.7	1310 1550	0.32 / 0.40 0.21 / 0.30	≤ 3.5 ≤ 18	≤ 0.2	≤ 1260
7	9/125 G.655	8.4 ± 0.6 125 ± 1	1550	0.25 / 0.30	3.5 – 8.5	≤ 0.1 ^A	≤ 1260

Note A- Link design value

Characteristics (cabled) Multi-Mode Graded-Index optical fibres according to IEC 60793

European Partnumber Coding,	Fibre-Type	Mode-Field Diameter (um)	Wave- length (nm)	Attenuation average/ max.	Bandwidt h	Ethe Performa		Num. Apert. (µm)	Refr. Index
Position 5		(=,	(*****)	(db/km)	(MHz•km)	1GBE	10 GBE	(μ)	
1	62.5/125	62.5 ± 2.5	850	2.7 / 3.2	≥ 200	275	33	0.275 ±	1.495
	OM1	125 ± 1	1300	0.6 / 1.1	≥ 600	550	n.a.	0.015	1.490
5	50/125	50 ± 2.5	850	2.4 / 3.0	≥ 500	600	82	0.20 ±	1.481
	OM2	125 ± 1	1300	0.7 / 1.0	≥ 500	600	n.a.	0.015	1.476
2	50/125	50 ± 2.5	850	2.3 / 2.8	≥ 600	600	82	0.20 ±	1.481
	OM2	125 ± 1	1300	0.6 / 0.9	≥ 1200	600	n.a.	0.015	1.476
4	50/125	50 ± 2,5	850	2,3 / 2,8	≥ 600	750	110	0.20 ±	1,481
	OM2e	125 ± 1	1300	0,6 / 0,9	≥ 1200	2000	na	0.015	1,476
3	50/125	50 ± 2.5	850	2.5 / 3.0	≥ 1500	900	300	0.20 ±	1.482
	OM3	125 ± 1	1300	0.5 / 1.0	≥ 500	550	n.a.	0.015	1.477
6	50/125	50 ± 2.5	850	2.5 / 3.0	≥ 6000	900	550	0.20 ±	1.482
	OM4	125 ± 1	1300	0.5 / 1.0	≥ 500	550	n.a.	0.015	1.477

A test report (attenuation) is supplied with each delivery.



Mechanical, Physical and/or Environmental Characteristics

Requirements		
Temperature range	according to IEC 60794-1-2-F1	
T	ansport/storage	-30 to + 70 °C
Ir	nstallation	-5 to + 50 °C
C	peration	-30 to + 70 °C
Pulling tension a	ccording to IEC 60794-1-2-E1	
L	ong term	≤ 4000 N
S	Short term	≤ 8000 N
Bending radii for fi	bres and tubes	>25 mm
Ir	nstallation/operation	>25 111111
Watertightness ad	ccording to IEC 60794-1-2-F5	Pass
Crush resistance a	according to IEC 60794-1-2-E3	
C	Cable	≤ 20 KN/m
Bending radii cable	e	
S	tatic according to IEC 60794-1-2-E11	15 x Ø
D	ynamic according to IEC 60794-1-2-E6	20 x Ø
Flame retardancy a	according to	
	IEC 60332-3-22 (EN 50266-2-2)	Pass
	IEC 61034 (EN 50268)	Pass
Halogen-free ad	ccording to IEC 60754-2 (EN 50267-2-2)	
С	orrosivity	pH ≥ 3.5 - µS/cm ≤ 100

Guide to installation and handling

- When laying and installing optical fibre cables it is vitally important not to exceed the specified values set for pulling tension, bending radii and temperature. The installation methods have to be in accordance with the common standards.
- To ease insertion into tubes by means of compressed air or pulling wire, certified lubricants (e.g. paraffin) may be used.
 The use of soap or similar substances as lubricants is strictly prohibited.
- If a cable needs to be fastened, constrictions > 0.3 mm must be prevented.
- The jelly filling inside the tubes can be removed using a tissue soaked in turpentine.
- It is advisable to cap the cable-ends during storage.

Options

- Cables for outdoor use.
- Non-standard cable constructions, colours, details and/or additional information regarding specifications are available on request.



Revision

Rev.	Description			Date	Init.
02	OM3+ changed to OM4			13/10/09	JW
03	OS2 added			30/11/09	JW
04	Changed energy			22/11/10	TvR
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