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ABOUT THIS MANUAL

This publication describes the Outdoor FDH 3000 432 Pole-Mount Cabinet. Also included are procedures for mounting the cabinet, installing additional splitter modules, storing the splitter output fibers, connecting the splitter output fibers to the distribution fibers, and replacing damaged components.

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Danger: Do not look into the ends of any optical fiber. Exposure to laser radiation may result. Do not assume the laser power is turned-off or that the fiber is disconnected at the other end.

Danger: Use adequate lifting equipment when moving or installing Fiber Distribution Hub cabinets. Verify that the maximum lift weight rating of the equipment is sufficient to handle the weight of the cabinet.

Danger: Do not stand under a Fiber Distribution Hub cabinet as it is being hoisted into position for mounting. A failure of the lifting equipment or apparatus could result in serious personal injury and cause significant damage to the cabinet.

Warning: Before digging, check with all local utilities for the presence of buried cables or pipes. Contact with underground cables or pipes, especially electric power cables and gas service lines, could interrupt local utility service and cause serious personal injury and extensive property damage.

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LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The acronyms and abbreviations used in this manual are detailed in the following list:

AWG American Wire Gauge
C Centigrade
F Fahrenheit
FDH Fiber Distribution Hub
FMS Fiberglass Mounting Sleeve
FTTP Fiber To The Premises
OSP Outside Plant
PMF Pad Mount Frame
PNP Plug and Play
RBR Reduce Bend Radius
RMA Return Material Authorization
1 DESCRIPTION

This section provides a description of the OmniReach Outdoor FDH 3000 432 termination pole-mount cabinet plus the cabinet specifications.

1.1 432 Pole-Mount Cabinet

The 432 pole-mount cabinet is a secure, above-ground, outdoor fiber optic distribution cabinet that is designed to hold the various optical components required for Fiber To The Premises (FTTP) distribution network applications. Designed for mounting on a utility pole, a typical 432 pole-mount cabinet is shown in Figure 1.

The interior of the 432 pole-mount cabinet consists the following primary components:

**Distribution Panels:** Provide a point for connecting the splitter output fibers with the terminated distribution cable fibers. Each panel provides mounting spaces for 72 bulkhead adapters. A maximum of six distribution panels may be mounted in the cabinet.

**Storage Panel:** Provides a temporary “parking lot” for unused splitter output fibers. Each splitter module is equipped with a connector pack that mounts in the storage panel. Up to eighteen 8-position connector packs (144 fibers total) can be mounted in the storage panel.

**Radius Limiters:** Provide a place for storing excess slack from the splitter output fibers.

**Splitter Compartment:** Provides a place for mounting up to twenty-four splitters. Unused splitter slots can be used for pass-through fibers. The splitters specified for use with the 432 pole-mount cabinet are equipped with reduced bend radius (RBR) fibers.

**Sliding Adapter Pack** – Provides a place for terminating up to 36 spare feeder cable fibers. Spare feeder cable fibers may be used as replacements for broken fibers or for signal pass-through functions.

**Grounding Lug** – Provides a point for connecting a grounding wire to the exterior (rear side) of the cabinet.

The exterior shell of the cabinet is constructed of heavy gauge aluminum and is coated with an almond-colored finish. Each cabinet is equipped with two front doors that provide full front access to the optical components. The cabinet doors are equipped with a tamper-resistant latch that includes a hasp for a padlock, stainless steel hinges, and door catches that prevent accidental closing. Access to the cabinet requires a 216B key tool (accessory) to release the latch handle. Lifting eyes are provided for hoisting the cabinet into position for mounting.

The feeder and distribution cables enter/exit the cabinet from the back. A clamp secures each cable to the inside of the cabinet and a compression fitting secures the cable to the outside of the cabinet. The compression fitting also prevents dirt and moisture from entering the cabinet at the cable entry/exit point. Heat shrink sleeving is installed over the compression fittings for additional environmental protection. GORE membrane vents are provided to release any moisture that may accumulate within the cabinet.
Figure 1. Typical 432 Pole-Mount Cabinet
The cabinet is designed for pole-mounting only. Mounting brackets for securing the cabinet to a wooden utility pole are included. The mounting brackets attach to the rear side of the cabinet. The fasteners for securing the brackets to the pole must be provided by the installer.

The cabinet is equipped with factory-installed outside plant (OSP) distribution and feeder cables. Ribbon and stranded type cables with dielectric construction are available. The cable stubs are 100 feet in length. An accessory kit is available (FD3-ACCPLCBLDWN) if downward routing of the cables is required. The specifications for the 432 pole-mount cabinet are provided in Table 1.

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Figure 2. 432 Pole-Mount Cabinet Dimensions
2 BEFORE STARTING THE INSTALLATION

This section provides general installation considerations, unpacking and inspection procedures, and lists the tools and materials required for installing the 432 pole-mount cabinet.

2.1 Installation Overview

Installation of the cabinet involves the following main tasks:

**Mounting the Cabinet** – The cabinet must be secured to a utility pole. Mounting brackets (without the fasteners) are provided with the cabinet. The OSP feeder and distribution cables must be uncoiled and routed to a separate splice enclosure (not provided) after the cabinet is mounted.

**Splitter Installation** – The cabinet may be ordered with no splitters installed or with one or two splitters installed. If additional splitters are required, they must be ordered separately. All splitter modules that are ordered separately must be installed in the splitter compartment.

**Splitter Output Fiber Connections** – Service is provided by connecting the splitter output fiber connectors to the subscriber distribution ports. Unused output fibers are temporarily “parked” in the storage panel until they are needed for service.

2.2 Unpacking and Inspection

This section provides instructions for opening the shipping boxes, verifying that all parts have been received, and verifying that no shipping damage has occurred.

Use the following procedure to unpack and inspect the cabinet and all accessories:

1. Open the shipping carton(s) and carefully unpack the cabinet and any accessories from the protective packing material.

2. Open the cabinet doors (requires 216B key tool) and check for missing ship-along parts (see installation drawing included with cabinet) or broken parts. If there are damages, contact CommScope (see Section 10) for an RMA (Return Material Authorization) and to reorder if replacement is required.
2.3 Cabinet Installation Hardware

The cabinet is shipped with various hardware parts (see Table 2) for securing the cabinet to a wooden utility pole. Verify that the parts specified are received.

Table 2. Cabinet Installation Hardware

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2.4 Tools and Materials Required for Installation

The following tools and materials are required for cabinet installation:

- Hammer
- Wire cutter
- Utility knife
- Screwdriver (flat blade)
- Tape measure
- Pen or marker
- 216B key tool (accessory - required to open cabinet door)
- Padlock (optional)
- Splicing equipment for splicing OSP feeder and distribution cables
- One large tweezers or two small flat-bladed screwdrivers
- Lifting equipment for hoisting the cabinet into position for mounting
- 5/8- or 3/4-inch through-bolt/threaded-rod (1) with nut(s) and washer(s)
- Grounding system, copper wire, and grounding clamp (per local requirements)
- Power drill
- 1/2 x 3-1/2-inch lag screws (2) and 1/2-inch flat washers (2)
- Wood boring bit (5/8- or 3/4-inch) to drill holes for through-bolt/threaded-rod
- 3/8-inch drill bit to drill holes for 1/2-inch lag screws
- Appropriately sized wrenches for through-bolt/threaded-rod nut(s) and lag screws
- Conduit for OSP feeder and distribution cables (optional)
- Fasteners and hardware to secure conduit to pole (optional)
3 MOUNTING THE POLE-MOUNT CABINET ON A UTILITY POLE

The 432 pole-mount cabinet is specifically designed for mounting on a utility pole. A pole-mount bracket kit is provided with the cabinet.

3.1 Installation Recommendations

The site chosen for the installation must conform to all local codes and any permits required must be obtained prior to the start of installation. The location must be accessible and provide adequate parking for worker and vehicle safety.

The installed cabinet must not create a visual or physical obstruction to vehicular or pedestrian traffic or block pole-climbing access. Ensure that there is sufficient space on all sides to facilitate cabinet installation. The cabinet mounting brackets must be secured to the utility pole with through-bolts/threaded rods and lag screws (not provided).

The cabinet OSP distribution and feeder cables must be routed to a splice enclosure. If necessary, the cables may be protected by installing conduit between the cabinet and splice enclosure. The cabinet is equipped with one feeder cable and either one or two distribution cables.

3.2 Grounding System Installation

Install a grounding system (not provided) that meets all local electrical codes. Check local codes for ground system installation, use of clamps, wire size, and any other grounding requirements. Typically, #6 AWG solid copper wire is used for the grounding wire. Install the grounding system near the base of the utility pole for the ground wire connection. Leave sufficient slack in the grounding wire to allow it to be routed up the pole and connected to the cabinet.

3.3 Mounting the Cabinet

Use the 216B key tool to un-latch and open the cabinet door as needed during the mounting process. Use the following procedure to mount the cabinet on a utility pole:

**Warning:** Use appropriate lifting equipment when moving or installing the cabinet. Do not stand under the cabinet as it is being hoisted into position for installation. A failure of the lifting equipment could result in serious personal injury.

1. Locate where the cabinet will be mounted on the utility pole and place the top bracket in position for mounting as shown in Figure 3.

2. Mark the location of the top bracket mounting hole on the pole.

3. Drill a 5/8- or 3/4-inch hole (equal to diameter of the through-bolt or threaded rod) into the pole at the point marked in step 2.

**Note:** When the cabinet is mounted, the top of the cabinet will be 7.35 inches (18.7 cm) above the hole for the through-bolt.

4. Secure the top bracket to the pole using a through-bolt or threaded rod, flat washer(s), locking washer(s), and nut(s). Tighten nut(s) securely.

**Note:** The fasteners specified in step 4 are not included with the cabinet and must be provided by the installer.
5. Locate the two bottom bracket mounting capscrews (shown in Figure 4) and the 7/32-inch hex key that are provided with the cabinet.
6. Use two capscrews to secure the bottom bracket to the cabinet in the specified mounting location. Tighten each capscrew securely.

7. Using appropriate lifting equipment, hoist the cabinet into position for attachment to the utility pole.

8. Hang the cabinet from the installed top bracket as shown in Figure 5. The clip plate on the back of the cabinet slips over the installed top bracket.

9. Check the cabinet to make sure it is level and adjust as needed.

10. Using the bottom bracket as a template, drill two 3/8-inch holes into the pole to a depth of at least 3-1/2 inches (see Figure 5).

11. Secure the bottom bracket to the utility pole using two 1/2 x 3-1/2-inch lag screws and two 1/2-inch flat washers. Tighten lag screws securely.

   **Note:** The fasteners specified in step 11 are not included with the cabinet and must be provided by the installer.

12. Route the feeder and distribution cables to the network splice enclosure (not provided) and splice to the appropriate network cables per local practice.
13. Route the #6 solid copper ground wire (installed in Section 3.2) up the pole to the bottom of the cabinet.

14. Insert the end of the grounding wire into the cabinet grounding lug as shown in Figure 6. The grounding lug can be used for #6 – #14 AWG wire.

15. Tighten the grounding lug set screw to 30 to 35 lbs force-inches (3.4 to 4.0 Nm) of torque.

![Figure 6. Grounding Cable Connection To Pole-Mount Cabinet](image)

16. Using a 3/16-inch hex key (accessory), remove the screws that secure each lifting eye to the cabinet.

17. Store the lifting eyes inside the cabinet and then reinstall the lifting eye screws in their original locations on either side of the cabinet.

**Note:** Remove the lifting eyes to prevent them from being used by service workers as anchor points for safety straps. The lifting eyes are not designed to support the additional weight that could be applied in the event of a fall.
4 FEEDER AND DISTRIBUTION CABLE CONFIGURATION INFORMATION

The 432 pole-mount cabinet is equipped with pre-installed OSP feeder and distribution cables. The cable stub ends must be spliced to the network feeder and distribution cables at a separate splice enclosure (not provided). The feeder and distribution stub cables are 100 feet (30.5 meters) in length. The following sections describe how the cables are configured for splicing.

4.1 OSP Feeder Cable Configuration

The feeder cable may have a fiber count of 12, 24, or 48 fibers depending on the option ordered. Within the cabinet, the outer sheath of the cable is removed to expose the optical fiber subunits. Depending on the option ordered, the cable subunits are routed to the splitter compartment and/or the sliding adapter pack. The subunits are numbered for identification and the individual fibers are color-coded for identification. Always perform a light test before splicing to verify the port location for each fiber. A diagram of the feeder cable routing is shown in Figure 7.

![Figure 7. Feeder Cable Typical Configuration](image-url)
4.2 OSP Distribution Cable Configuration

Each distribution cable has a fiber count that is a multiple of 72. Either 1 or 2 distribution cables may be present depending on the cable fiber count. Within the cabinet, the outer sheath of each cable is removed to expose the optical fiber subunits. Each subunit is fanned out into 12 individual fibers, each of which is terminated with a connector.

The fiber subunits are routed to the back of each distribution panel. Each fiber connector is connected to a specified bulkhead adapter at the rear of the panel. Depending on the option ordered, the distribution panels may be equipped with either UPC/SC or APC/SC adapters. A diagram of the distribution cable configuration is shown in Figure 8.

Designation labels are provided on the cabinet doors for recording subscriber information for each distribution panel port. The labels indicate the fiber number and cable number associated with each fiber port. The subunits are numbered for identification and the individual fibers are color-coded for identification. Always perform a light test before splicing to verify the port location for each fiber.
5 PLUG AND PLAY SPLITTER MODULE INSTALLATION

The 432 pole-mount cabinet can accommodate up to twenty-four splitter modules. Plug and play splitter modules are equipped with either one or two input connectors and up to sixty-four output fibers. The splitter modules insert into slots in the splitter compartment. Inserting a splitter into a slot connects the splitter input connector(s) to the feeder cable connector(s). The splitter output fibers may be either stored for later use or routed to the distribution panels for connection to the distribution ports.

Use the 216B key tool to un-latch and open the cabinet door as needed during the splitter installation process. Use the following procedure to install additional splitters in the cabinet:

1. Open the cabinet door and the cabinet swing frame to provide access to the splitter compartment
2. Locate the next available splitter mounting position as shown in Figure 9.
3. Remove the dust cap assembly from the selected splitter slot.

Note: Install splitters in the order shown, beginning on the left side of the splitter compartment and then working toward the right.

Figure 9. Splitter Module Mounting Slots
4. Remove the corresponding feeder cable connector(s) from the rear of the splitter compartment as shown in Figure 10.

⚠️ **Warning:** Infrared radiation is invisible and can seriously damage the retina of the eye. Do not look into the ends of any optical fiber. Do not look directly into the optical adapters or connectors. Exposure to invisible laser radiation may result. An optical power meter should be used to verify active fibers. A protective cap or hood MUST be immediately placed over any radiating adapter or optical connector to avoid the potential of dangerous amounts of radiation exposure. This practice also prevents dirt particles from entering the adapter or connector.

5. Clean the feeder cable connector(s) as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).

6. Reinstall the feeder cable connector(s) at the rear of the splitter compartment.

7. Remove the protective tape and dust cap from the splitter connector as shown in Figure 11.

8. Clean the feeder cable connector(s) as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).

9. Grasp the splitter using thumb and forefinger (see Figure 11) and gently squeeze the locking tab against the lower tab.

10. Carefully slide splitter into the mounting slot. Listen for a click to ensure full engagement.

⚠️ **Caution:** Applying excessive force to the splitter during installation can cause splitter damage. If resistance is encountered when sliding the splitter into the mounting slot, remove the splitter and verify that the splitter dust cap has been removed and that no obstructions are present.

11. Route the splitter output fibers to the storage panel. Refer to Section 6 for the fiber routing and connector pack installation procedure.
Figure 11. Splitter Installation
6 ROUTING AND CONNECTING THE SPLITTER OUTPUT FIBERS

The splitter modules are mounted at the top of the 432 pole-mount cabinet. When a splitter module is initially installed, the output fibers are routed to the storage panel located at the bottom of the cabinet. At the storage panel, the output fibers are temporarily “parked” until they are needed. Service to a subscriber is enabled by removing an unused output fiber from the storage panel, routing it to the appropriate distribution panel, and then connecting it to the subscriber port.

6.1 Storing The Splitter Output Fibers

Use the following procedure to store the splitter output fibers.

1. Following installation of a splitter module, locate an open connector pack slot in the storage panel at the bottom of the cabinet.
2. Insert the connector pack into the unused slot in the storage panel. Refer to the FDH 3000 Plug and Play Splitter Installation Guide (CommScopeP-96-087) provided with splitter modules for additional information on installing connector packs in the storage panel.
3. Use the radius limiters on the right side of the cabinet to store any excess fiber slack. Refer to Figure 12 for the routing guidelines.

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**Figure 12. Routing Splitter Output Fibers**
6.2 Enabling Service To a Subscriber

Use the following procedure to enable service to a subscriber:

1. Check the designation labels on the cabinet doors to determine the distribution panel and port number that corresponds to the address of the subscriber.

2. Locate the subscriber port on the specified distribution panel and remove both the adapter dust cap and the connector ferrule dust cap.

3. Select and remove an unused splitter output fiber from the storage panel and carefully work it free of any other fibers.

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4. Remove the ferrule dust cap from the connector and then clean the connector as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).

5. Connect the splitter output fiber connector to the subscriber port.

6. Use the radius limiters on the right side of the cabinet to store any excess fiber slack. Refer to Figure 12 for the routing guidelines.
7 PASS-THROUGH ROUTING PROCEDURE

Pass-through routing is used when it is necessary for a feeder cable optical signal to be routed directly to a distribution port. This involves connecting a patch cord between the terminated feeder cable connector and the appropriate distribution port. Because feeder cable fibers can be terminated at either the sliding adapter pack or the splitter compartment, two pass-through routing procedures are provided.

7.1 Sliding Adapter Pack Pass-Through Routing Procedure

Use the following procedure to route a jumper patch cord between the feeder cable sliding adapter pack and one of the distribution panels.

1. Open the swing frame and locate the appropriate feeder cable connector on the sliding adapter pack.

2. Pull upward on the small tab on top of the adapter pack and lift the adapter pack to the access position as shown in Figure 13.

3. Remove the feeder cable connector from the front side of the bulkhead adapter and clean the connector as specified in the Optical Fiber Connector Wet and Dry Cleaning Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159) or by locally approved procedures.

**Warning:** Infrared radiation is invisible and can seriously damage the retina of the eye. Do not look into the ends of any optical fiber. Do not look directly into the optical adapters or connectors. Exposure to invisible laser radiation may result. An optical power meter should be used to verify active fibers. A protective cap or hood MUST be immediately placed over any radiating adapter or optical connector to avoid the potential of dangerous amounts of radiation exposure. This practice also prevents dirt particles from entering the adapter or connector.

Figure 13. Adapter Pack Raised to Access Position
4. Reconnect the feeder cable connector to the bulkhead adapter.
5. Remove the dust cap from the rear side of the bulkhead adapter.
6. Obtain the optical patch cord (accessory) recommended for the pass-through connection.

**Note:** Use catalog# FPCFW-APSC-P-2.1M for APC/SC connectors.
Use catalog# FPCFW-SPSC-P-2.1M for UPC/SC connectors.

7. Remove the ferrule dust cap from one of the patch cord connectors and then clean the connector as specified in the Optical Fiber Connector Wet and Dry Cleaning Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159) or by locally approved procedures.
8. Insert the patch cord connector into the bulkhead adapter in the sliding adapter pack.
9. Slide the adapter pack down into the closed position.
10. Route the pass-through patch cord to the front side of the swing-out assembly as shown in **Figure 14**.

**Caution:** Always allow sufficient fiber length to permit routing without severe bends. Non reduced bend radius fibers may be permanently damaged if bent or curved to a bend radius of less than 1.5 inches (3.81 cm).
11. Locate the distribution panel and the optical port to which the pass-through patch cord is to be routed.

12. Refer to the procedures in Section 6.2 to route the pass-through patch cord to the distribution panel and to connect the patch cord connector to the appropriate optical port. Maintain a 1.5-inch minimum bend radius for all non reduced bend radius fiber.

13. Close swing frame when pass-through routing procedure is complete.

### 7.2 Splitter Compartment Pass-Through Routing Procedure

Use the following procedure to route a jumper patch cord between the splitter compartment and one of the distribution panels.

1. Open the swing frame and locate an open splitter mounting position.
2. Remove the dust cap assembly from the selected splitter slot.
3. Remove the feeder cable connector(s) from the rear of the splitter compartment (see Figure 10).
4. Clean the feeder cable connector(s) as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).
5. Reinstall the feeder cable connector(s) at the rear of the splitter compartment.
6. Obtain the optical patch cord (accessory) recommended for the pass-through connection.
7. Remove the ferrule dust cap from one of the patch cord connectors and then clean the connector as specified in the Optical Fiber Connector Wet and Dry Cleaning Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159) or by locally approved procedures.
8. Install the patch cord connector in the dust cap assembly as shown in Figure 15.

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9. Connect the patch cord connector(s) to the feeder cable connector(s) by inserting the dust cap assembly into the splitter slot as shown in Figure 16.
10. Locate the distribution panel and the optical port to which the pass-through patch cord is to be routed.
11. Refer to the procedures in Section 6.2 to route the pass-through patch cord to the distribution panel and to connect the patch cord connector to the appropriate optical port.
12. Close swing frame when pass-through routing procedure is complete.
Figure 15. Installing Patch Cord Connector in Dust Cap Assembly

Figure 16. Inserting Dust Cap Assembly
8 FEEDER CABLE FIBER RE-ROUTING PROCEDURE

The feeder cable fibers may be terminated by the factory at either the sliding adapter pack or at the splitter compartment. Feeder cable fibers that were terminated at the sliding adapter pack may sometime require re-termination at the splitter compartment. Use the following procedure to re-route a feeder cable fiber from the sliding adapter pack to the splitter compartment.

1. Open the swing frame and locate the sliding adapter pack.
2. Locate the feeder cable fiber that requires re-termination at the splitter compartment.
3. Pull upward on the small tab on top of the adapter pack and lift the adapter pack to the access position as shown in Figure 17.

4. Disconnect the feeder cable connector from the front side of the sliding adapter pack and place a dust cap over the connector ferrule. This will protect the connector since it will be difficult to prevent the connector from contacting other objects during the re-routing procedure.

5. Place a dust cap over the exposed bulkhead adapter and then slide the adapter pack down to the closed position.

6. Carefully unwind the feeder fiber from the radius limiters located on the bottom and on the left side of the swing-out assembly. Figure 18 shows the section of the fiber that will need to be released for re-routing. When necessary, backfeed the fiber to free the connector from the remaining fibers.

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7. When the feeder cable connector and fiber are free, pass the connector through the opening located behind the splitter compartment as shown in Figure 19.

8. Remove the ferrule dust cap from the feeder cable connector and then clean the connector as specified in the Optical Fiber Connector Wet and Dry Cleaning Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159) or by locally approved procedures.

9. Insert the feeder fiber connector into the appropriate bulkhead adapter (remove dust cap from adapter) at the rear of the splitter compartment as shown in Figure 20.

**Note:** The splitter slot should not be left empty after the feeder fiber is connected to the bulkhead adapter at the rear side of the splitter compartment. Either a dust cap assembly or a splitter should be installed in the mounting slot.

10. Route the feeder fiber over the two supports located at the top of the swing-out assembly.

11. Store the excess slack on the radius limiters located on the left side of the swing-out assembly.

12. Close the swing frame when the feeder re-routing procedure is completed.
Figure 19. Re-Routing the Feeder Cable Fiber

Figure 20. Feeder Cable Connector
9 MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR PROCEDURES

The 432 pole-mount cabinet requires no regular maintenance to insure continuous and satisfactory operation. Maintenance is limited to repairing or replacing any cabinet components that may be damaged or broken in the course of normal operation. The following sections provide procedures for repairing or replacing common cabinet components.

9.1 Painting

A brush-in-cap bottle of paint is available for touching-up nicks and scratches in the factory coat of paint. Lightly sand the area to be painted and then clean it thoroughly to remove any dirt, dust, or foreign matter. Shake the paint bottle until thoroughly mixed and then apply a light coat of paint to the damaged area using the small brush attached to the cap. Wait until the paint is dry and then apply a second coat if necessary. When finished painting, replace the paint bottle cap and tighten securely. The catalog number for the paint kit is ACE-ACC-PTALMD.

9.2 Distribution Panel Adapter Replacement

Replacement adapters are available for the distribution panels. Use the following procedure to remove and replace a damaged adapter:

1. Disconnect the splitter output connector from the front side of the broken adapter as shown in Figure 21 and install a dust cap on the connector.

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Figure 21. Adapter Removal and Replacement
2. Unlatch and fully open the cabinet swing frame to provide access to the rear side of the distribution panel.

3. Disconnect the distribution connector from the rear side of the broken adapter and install a dust cap on the connector.

**Caution:** *Use extreme care when removing a connector or an adapter from the distribution panel to avoid macro bending the adjacent fibers.*

4. Working from the rear side of the distribution panel, use a large tweezers or two small screwdrivers (blade type) to depress the two metal tabs that retain the adapter in the panel. With both tabs depressed, push forward on the adapter until it pops out of the panel.

5. Discard the damaged adapter.

6. Install the replacement adapter by inserting it into the distribution panel from the front and then pushing it toward the back until it snaps into place.

**Note:** Make sure the keyway in the replacement adapter is facing in the same direction as the keyways in the rest of the adapters installed in the distribution panel.

7. Clean the distribution and splitter fiber connectors as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).

8. Connect the distribution connector to the rear side of the replacement adapter.

9. Close the cabinet swing assembly.

10. Connect the splitter connector to the front side of the replacement adapter.

**9.3 Splitter Compartment Adapter Replacement**

Replacement adapter assemblies are available for the splitter compartment. Use the following procedure to remove and replace a damaged adapter assembly:

1. Unlatch and fully open the cabinet swing assembly to provide access to the both the front and rear side of the splitter compartment.

2. Remove the splitter or the dust cap assembly from the front side of the broken adapter assembly.

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3. Remove the feeder cable connector(s) from the rear side of the broken adapter assembly as shown in Figure 22 and install a dust cap on the connector(s).

4. Turn the thumb screw on the top of the broken adapter assembly clockwise until the adapter assembly detaches from the top of the splitter compartment.

5. Discard the damaged adapter assembly.
6. Install the replacement adapter assembly in the splitter compartment and secure it by turning the thumbscrew counter-clockwise until tight.

7. Clean the feeder cable connector(s) as specified in the Optical Fiber Systems Cleaning and Mating Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159).

8. Connect the feeder cable connector to the rear side of the replacement adapter assembly.

9. Connect the dust cap or splitter to the front side of the replacement adapter assembly.

10. Close the cabinet swing assembly.

9.4 Replacing a Damaged Fiber or Connector

A damaged fiber or connector can usually be replaced. The following describes the various replacement options.

- **Damaged Splitter Output Fiber:** Replace the splitter output fiber from the connector all the way back into the splitter. Splice a new pigtail (use only pigtails with bend-optimized fiber) to the remaining section of the old fiber within the splitter chassis. This procedure requires removing and disassembling the splitter to insert a splice chip and to perform the splice. A kit is available from CommScope. Refer to CommScopeP-96-034 for the procedure.

- **Damaged Distribution or Feeder Connector:** Replace the connector at the bulkhead adapter if just the connector alone is damaged. Use a field-installable connector replacement kit. Refer to Section 9.4.1 for the replacement procedures.
9.4.1 Splitter Output Fiber Connector Replacement

Use the following procedure to replace the connector:

1. Disconnect the damaged connector and the good connector from the adapter and install a dust cap on the good connector.

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2. Replace the damaged connector as specified in the procedures provided with the field-installable connector replacement kit.

3. Clean both connectors as specified in the Optical Fiber Connector Wet and Dry Cleaning Instructions (CommScopeP-90-159) or by locally approved procedures.

4. Reconnect the good connector and the replacement connector to the adapter.

9.5 Door Gasket Replacement

Damaged door gaskets may be replaced using the door gasket kit which includes a roll of gasket material. The ideal installation temperature for the adhesive used on the replacement gaskets is between 60 and 100 °F (16 and 38 °C). Installation is not recommended if the temperature is below 50 °F (10 °C). Remove any damaged sections of gasket material from the door. If necessary, use a citrus based adhesive cleaner to remove any adhesive that may stay attached to the door. Cut replacement lengths of gasket material from the roll as needed. Remove the paper backing to expose the adhesive and then carefully apply the replacement gasket to the door. Take care not to leave any gaps between the meeting sections of the gasket strips.

9.6 Door Replacement

Damaged cabinet doors may be replaced using the door replacement kit. Both a right door kit and a left door kit are available. Use the following procedure to remove and replace the cabinet doors:

1. Open both cabinet doors and lock them in the open position as shown in Figure 23.

2. Use a 3/8-inch nut driver to remove the locking nuts and washers that secure the door bracket slide to the bottom edge of the door as shown in Figure 24. Save the nuts and washers for reuse.

3. Use a 3/8-inch nut driver to remove the locking nuts that secure the hinges to the door. Save nuts for reuse.

- **Note:** Support the door as the last nuts are removed to prevent the door from falling.

4. Carefully lift the door away from the cabinet.
Figure 23. Door Replacement

Figure 24. Door Linkage Hardware
5. Transfer all designation information that may be recorded on the damaged door to the labels on the replacement door.

6. Place the replacement door in position for installation on the hinges.

7. Reinstall the locking nuts (saved in step 3) that secure each hinge to the door.

Note: Be sure to re-secure the grounding strap lug (see Figure 23) to the door when securing the hinges to the door.

8. Secure the door bracket slide to the bottom edge of the door using the locking nuts and washers saved in step 2.

9. Repeat process for the left door.

10. Close doors and check for proper operation.

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