

Corporate Backgrounder

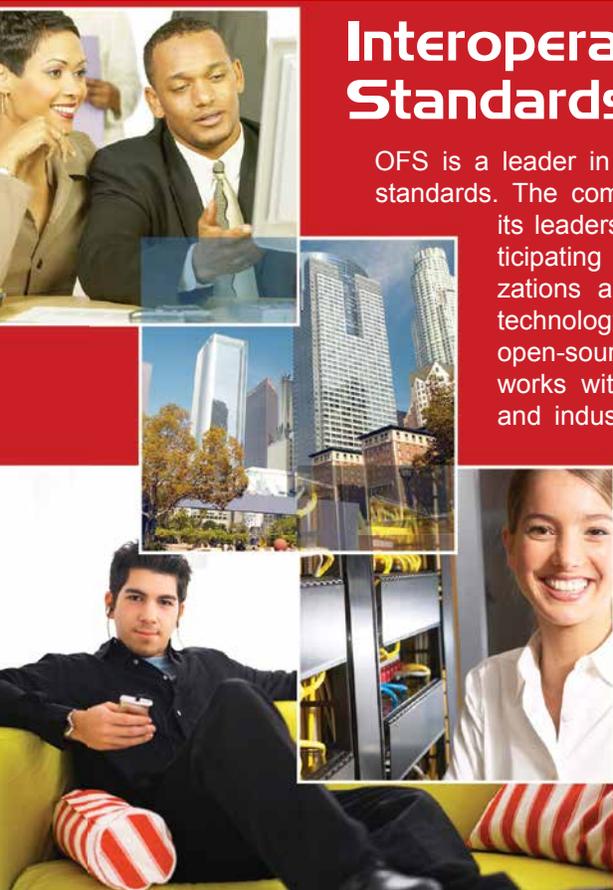
Products & Technology:

The success of OFS products for our customers is grounded in OFS Labs' relentless pursuit of innovation. OFS Labs' visionaries make voice-data-image transmissions faster, clearer, more reliable and cost-effective. Through research in optical physics, materials processing, and photonics, OFS Labs has advanced optical technology in every application served by the company.

A world-class center of excellence for optical innovations, OFS Laboratories is complemented by Furukawa's own first-rate R&D capabilities.

Interoperability & Standards:

OFS is a leader in interoperability and standards. The company demonstrates its leadership by actively participating in industry organizations and making its own technology available through open-source licensing. OFS works with standards bodies and industry organizations to lay the groundwork for interoperability throughout the fiber optic industry.



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A Furukawa Company

OFS is a world-leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of optical fiber, fiber optic cable, FTTX, connectivity and specialty photonics products and solutions for a wide variety of applications and industries, including telecommunications, medicine, industrial and military applications, geophysics, commercial aviation, and transportation, with an increasing breadth of applications each year.

OFS provides the foundation of optical networks that traverse many different applications as they link people, devices, and machines around the globe, between countries and cities, around neighborhoods, and into the homes and businesses of digital consumers.

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Bell Labs Innovations



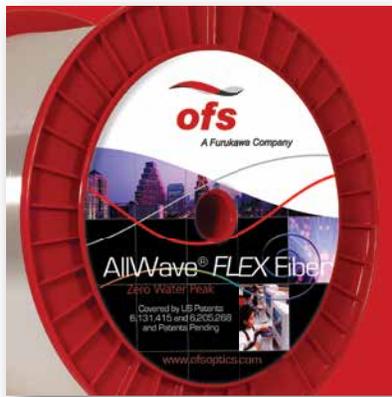
AT&T



Our proud heritage goes back as far as Alexander Graham Bell and the invention of the telephone, and include technology powerhouses such as AT&T and Lucent Technologies. Since 2001, OFS has been a part of Furukawa Electric, a global leader in optical communications.

Headquartered in Atlanta/Norcross, GA, OFS operates facilities in Avon, CT; Carrollton, GA; Somerset, NJ; and Sturbridge, MA in the USA; as well as in Denmark, Germany, Russia, and sales offices around the world.

Optical Fiber



OFS designs and manufactures state-of-the-art, application-specific fibers offering superior performance and reliability. Our products include industry-leading AllWave® FLEX Zero Water Peak (ZWP), AllWave ZWP, TrueWave® REACH Low Water Peak (LWP), TrueWave RS LWP, UltraWave™ Ocean, LaserWave® 550/300, LaserWave G+, and TrueWave SRS/XL Ocean Fibers.



Fiber Optic Cable

Our innovative optical fiber cables are the result of exceptional optical fibers protected by groundbreaking packaging that ensures superior performance and durability. The OFS portfolio includes a wide variety of totally dry, central core and loose tube, ribbon, drop, outdoor/indoor, outside plant, FTTX and premises cables. Products include Fortex™ DT, AccuRibbon® DC, DuctSaver® FX, MiDia®, PowerGuide®, LightPack®, Mini C2™, Mini LT Flat Drop, AccuDRY® and AccuFlex™ cables.



Optical Connectivity



OFS offers an extensive line of high-performance connectivity products for connecting and housing fibers in an optical network. Our products include Blue Tiger® Jumpers, attenuators, connectors, adapters, Multifiber Push-On (MPO) connector family, terminators, wall mount units, preconnectorized cables, and rack mount and combination units.



Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH)

OFS helps to fiber-connect homes, businesses, and multiple dwelling units with its FOX™ (Fiber Optics to the X) Solution and V-Linx™ Spool & Play Solution. Depending on users' unique circumstances, the company can also help optimize network designs with our OptiCost™ Modeling Services. Key FTTH products include the ORBITAL™ Fiber Management Systems, ruggedized splitters, the MPO splitter module family, optical access modules, and AllWave FLEX Jumpers and Fanouts.



Specialty Photonics



OFS Specialty Photonics supplies advanced optical fibers, including specialty multimode, specialty single-mode, rare-earth doped, polarization-maintaining and other nonstandard fibers. It also manufactures specialty cables and connectors, and other specialized products, such as high-power laser components. Its products include HCS® and PYROCOAT® brand products and technologies, TruePhase® Polarization Maintaining Fibers, and dispersion compensating modules.