

ARIA Testing Procedure

All cable assemblies and pigtails provided by ARIA Technologies, Inc. must pass rigorous standards.

Each connector is polished, cleaned, and tested in order to verify optimal signal transfer and provide low return loss* and insertion loss in accordance with Telcordia GR-326 Issue 4 requirements.

Every fiber is tested 100% for insertion loss (IL), return loss (RL)*, endface cleanliness, light transmission, and fiber breakage.

If the fiber is loaded into an enclosure, endface cleanliness, light transmission, and fiber breakage are checked again after loading.



PASS

*Return loss testing is performed for singlemode fiber only.

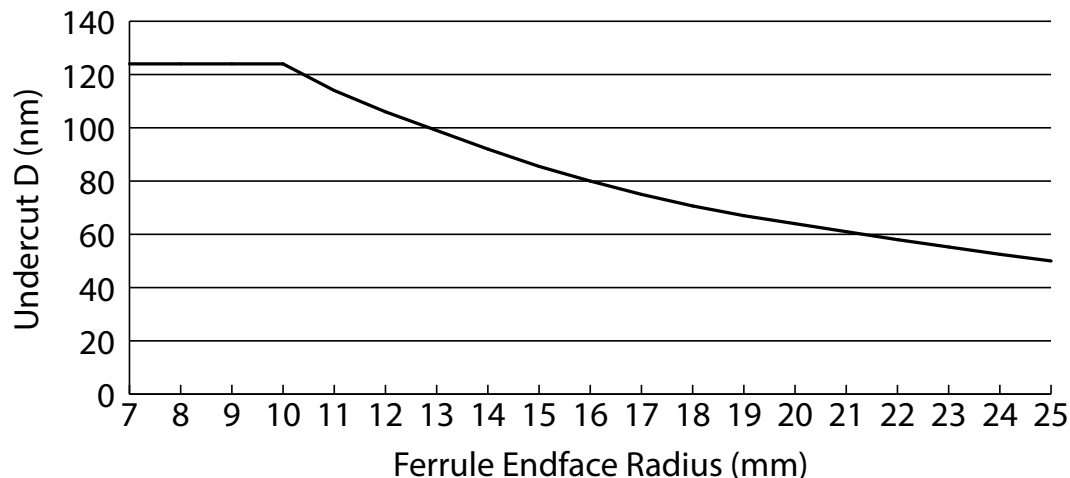
Insertion Loss (I.L.) and Return Loss (R.L.)

| Singlemode 1.25mm & 2.5mm Ferrules | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|--------|-------------|---------------|---|
| Insertion Loss | Return Loss | | Endface Geometry | | | | Clarity |
| .35dB at 1550nm (typical 0.15 dB) | UPC -55dB | APC -65dB | Radius | Apex | Height | Angle | No visible scratches or pits at 400x magnification |
| | | | 5-12mm | 0-50µm | -D to 50nm* | 8.0° +/- 0.30 | |
| | | | 7-25mm | 0-50µm | -D to 50nm* | 0.0° +/- 0.30 | UPC |

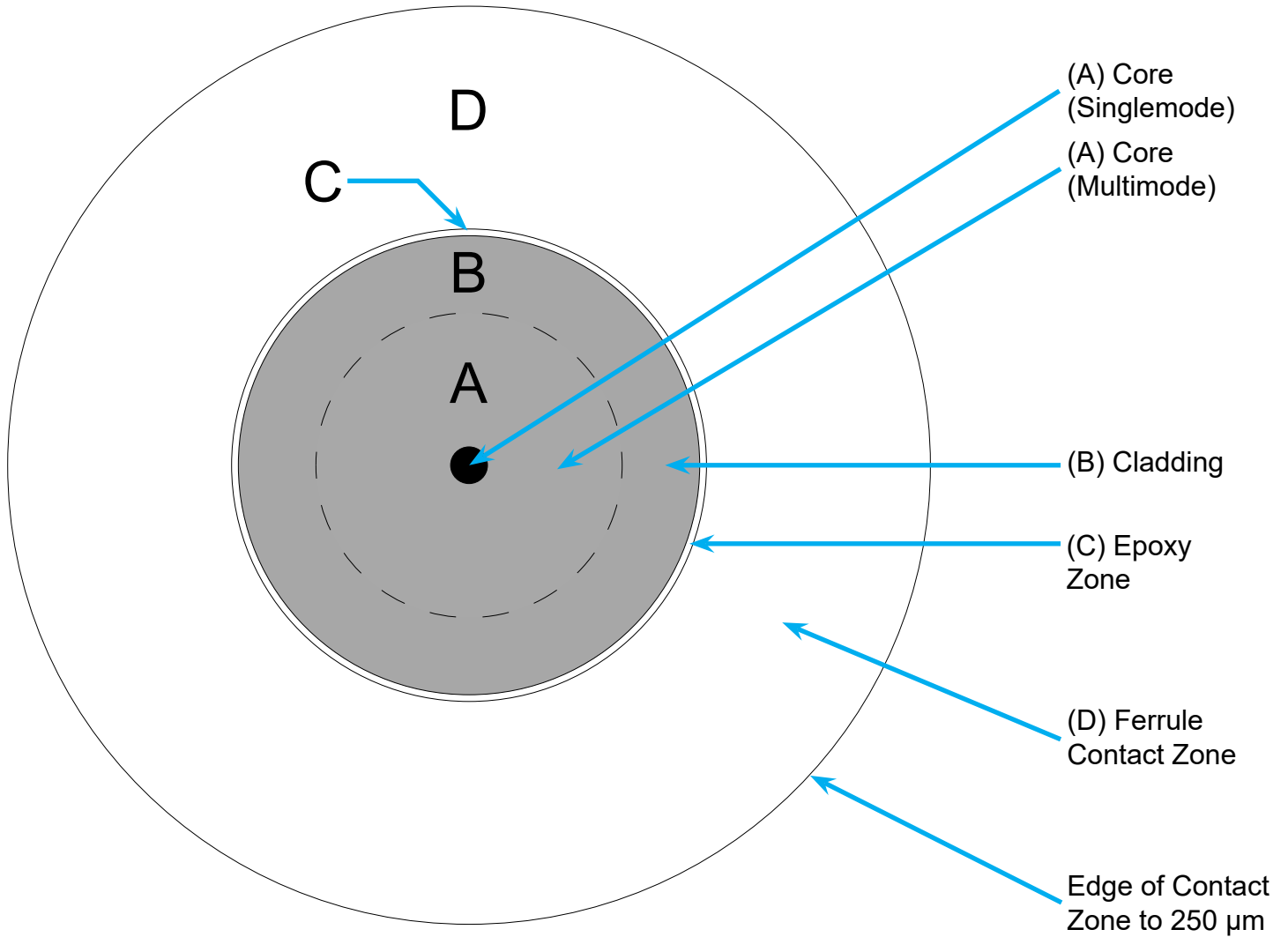
*See Telcordia GR326 Issue 4 Chart Below

| Multimode 1.25mm & 2.5mm Ferrules | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------------|--------|---------------|------------|---|
| Insertion Loss | Return Loss | | Endface Geometry | | | | Clarity |
| .35dB at 850nm (typical 0.15 dB) | No return loss testing is required | | Radius | Apex | Height | Angle | No visible scratches or pits at 400x magnification |
| | | | 7-25mm | 0-50µm | -100 to +50nm | 0.0+/-0.30 | |

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Endface Clarity



The ferrule end-face is inspected with a 400X microscope and the cleanliness requirement for each zone is given below.

| Zone | Requirement | | |
|---|-------------|------|--------|
| | Scratches | Pits | Debris |
| A: Core (Diameter = 0-25 μm) | None | None | None |
| B: Cladding (Diameter = 25-120 μm) | None | None | None |
| C: Epoxy Zone (Diameter = 120-130 μm) | None | None | None |
| D: Ferrule Contact Zone (Diameter = 130-250 μm) | None | None | None |