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Notice to the Design Engineer, please refer to the Port of Seattle, Facilities and Infrastructure standards for reference before editing this specification.

This Project Spec Document REQUIRES an approved Competition Waiver per [CPO-6](http://compass.portseattle.org/corp/legal/Documents/CPO-6%2001%2006%2010%20FINAL.pdf) for Systimax Solutions Horizontal Cabling (including optic fiber cable, patch panels, connectors, couplers, UPT copper backbone, data patch panels, blocks, wall plates, boxes, jumper/patch cords).

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1. GENERAL
   1. SUMMARY OF WORK
      1. the extent and location of “Communications Horizontal Cabling” Work is shown in the Contract Documents. This section includes the construction, test, documentation, and warranty of a fiber optic cable unshielded, twisted-pair (UTP) copper horizontal cabling and RG-11 Coaxial cable in accordance with the Contract Documents.
      2. This work specified in this Section includes installation of horizontal cabling for Port wide installations. For this work, the Contractor shall:
         1. Provide optical fiber horizontal cable and associated accessories.
         2. Provide UTP horizontal cable and associated accessories.
         3. Provide RG-11 Coaxial cabling
         4. Termination
         5. Conduct testing
      3. Definitions For Port Of Seattle Infrastructure
         1. Refer to Section 27 05 00 – Common Work Results for Communications.
      4. SCOPE OF WORK
         1. The Contractor shall provide materials and labor required to deliver a complete horizontal cable system as indicated on the Contract Drawings, schedules, and these Specifications.
         2. This work shall include, but may not be limited to, the following tasks. The Contractor shall:
            1. Provide horizontal optical fiber cable that is pre-installation tested, correctly installed and terminated, and Contractor or systems contractor tested prior to final acceptance testing by POS.
            2. Provide horizontal data and voice and audio-related copper cable that is correctly installed and terminated, and Contractor or systems contractor tested prior to final acceptance testing by POS.
            3. Provide patch panels, termination blocks, face plates and end point termination devices to enable the termination and identification of the horizontal cable system.
            4. Install Contractor-furnished cable devices and accessories, such as patch panels, in racks installed by other contracts and in racks provided by the Contractor.
         3. Label devices, cables, and ports per Section 27 05 53 – Identification and Labeling and enter data in the cable management system. The Port may elect to enter data into the Port cable management system based on data from the Contractor. This does not alleviate the Contractor from their responsibility to provide personnel to manage cable management system such as maintaining Excel spreadsheets of all necessary installed cable data.
   2. Conduct testing on horizontal cabling per Port of Seattle specifications.GOVERNING CODES, STANDARDS AND REFERENCES
      1. ICEA S-90-661 Category 3, 5, & 5e Individually Unshielded Twisted Pair Indoor Cables (with or without an Overall Shield) for use in General Purpose and LAN Communication Wiring Systems Technical Requirements
      2. TIA-440 - Optic Fiber Terminology
      3. TIA-455 - General Requirements for Standard Test Procedures for Optical Fibers, Cables, Transducers, Sensors, Connecting and Terminating Devices, and other Fiber Optic Components
      4. TIA-455-78 - FOTP-78 IEC 60793-1-40 Optical Fibres – Part 1-40: Measurement Methods and Test Procedures - Attenuation
      5. TIA-526 - Standard Test Procedures for Fiber Optic Systems
      6. TIA-568 (Set) - Commercial Building Telecommunications Cabling Standard
      7. TIA-569 - Telecommunications Pathways and Spaces
      8. TIA-598 – Optical Fiber Cable Color Coding
      9. TIA-606 – Administration Standard for the Telecommunications Infrastructure
      10. TIA-758 – Customer-Owned Outside Plant Telecommunications Infrastructure Standard
      11. NFPA 70 - National Electrical Code (NEC)
      12. NFPA 262 – Standard Method of Test for Flame Travel and Smoke of Wires and Cables for Use in Air-Handling Spaces
      13. UL 444 – Communication Cables
      14. UL 910 – Test Method for Fire and Smoke Characteristics of Electrical and Optical Fiber Cables Used in Air-Handling Spaces.
      15. UL 1666 – Standard Test for Flame Propagation Height of Electrical and Optical Fiber Cables Installed Vertically in Shafts.
      16. Washington State Department of Labor & Industries
   3. SUBMITTALS
      1. Submit materials data in accordance with of Section 01 33 00 – Submittals. Furnish manufacturers’ technical literature, standard details, product specifications, and installation instructions for all products.
      2. The Contractor shall provide the following technical submittals: If required in the scope of work in Work Authorization.
         1. Manufacturer’s complete product data and specifications, with drawings as applicable for materials furnished by the Contractor.
         2. Optical Loss Tester (OLT) - submit the OLT model number and calibration certificates prior to testing.
         3. Unshielded twisted pair (UTP) cable tester. The Contractor shall submit UTP cable tester model number and calibration certificates prior to testing.
         4. Horizontal cable test results
            1. The Contractor shall provide test results in soft copy format. The format, content, and graphic scales shall be submitted to the Resident Engineer for approval prior to performing tests.
            2. Contractor shall furnish to the Resident Engineer the licensed software required to view electronic copies of test results.
            3. Results of pre-installation optical fiber reel tests.
            4. Results of post-installation horizontal cable tests.
            5. Final testing shall use Port of Seattle cable naming convention in all test records.
            6. Test results are required to be submitted to the Port of Seattle no later than 14 days from the date of the individual test.
         5. Conduit and cable tray fill plan indicating initial cable fill percentages and the use of innerduct. The plan may be submitted by installation area if this method is more effective.
         6. Shop drawings and single-line schematic diagrams showing final device placements, cable groups, termination details and cross-connections.
         7. Contractor’s test plan for the required optical fiber and metallic (copper) cable tests.
         8. Requests for inspections and substantial completion inspection for acceptance testing by the Port-designated test contractor.
         9. Final as-built horizontal wiring drawings and documentation per Port of Seattle standards.
         10. Cable management system data entry submittals shall include:
             1. Contractor to provide as-built labeling information to Port of Seattle within two (2) weeks of project completion.
             2. Data Entry provided to the Port of Seattle: Data shall be provided in a consistent and accurate manner in a format approved by the Engineer. Data provided shall include, but not be limited to:

Tabular nomenclature data for spaces, pathways, cables and termination hardware.

Diagrammatic drawings and data for spaces, pathways, cables and termination hardware.

Status data for installation, tests, defects, and corrections.

* + 1. The Contractor shall provide the following administrative submittals:
       1. Certification that the cable will be installed by a Washington State Systimax Solutions-certified value-added reseller or installation contractor.
       2. Documentation that termination crafts-people are properly trained for optical fiber termination and testing, and high-performance data cable termination and testing. Documentation may be from a technical school, manufacturer’s school, or labor union training.
       3. Discrepancy report describing existing horizontal cable, equipment, and rack conditions that would affect the ability of the Contractor to successfully complete the work.
       4. Systimax Solutions 20-year approved warranty on the completed Systimax Solutions portions of the horizontal cable system.
       5. Warranty documentation on non-Systimax Solutions products.
  1. PROJECT CONDITIONS
     1. Verification: Obtain specific cable lengths and location of racks and equipment by field measurement and by contractor’s shop drawings after contract award. Do not vary from the routes indicated in the drawings without prior approval from the Construction Manager.
  2. QUALITY ASSURANCE
     1. Contractor Qualifications for Systimax:
        1. All Systimax fiber optic communications products , including but not limited to cables, patch panels, splice panels, splices, and connectors, shall be installed, terminated, tested and documented by a Systimax Washington Business Partner. The active Business Partner list can be located at the Systimax webpage.

You can also reach the same location by following the selection given below. [www.Commscope.com](http://www.Commscope.com); Brands; SYSTIMAX®; Support; Partners/Consultants/Alliances; Enterprise Locator (select Country, and State)

* + - 1. All Systimax® copper communications products, including but not limited to TIA-568 Category 5 or higher performance cables, patch panels, terminal blocks, and connectors, shall be installed, terminated, tested, and documented by a Systimax® Washington Business Partner. The active Business Partner list can be located at the Systimax webpage.

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* + 1. Contractor Qualifications for other manufacture sources:
       1. Manufacturer shall have a certified installer program; installers shall have valid certification from specific Manufacturer.
       2. Communication material shall have the ability to physically terminate to Systimax termination hardware to maintain existing cross connect fiber patch cord usage, architectural aesthetics and end user ergonomics established in the Port of Seattle communication rooms.
       3. Installed communication infrastructure shall provide a minimum 20 year warranty.
    2. Manufacturer’s Recommendations: Install items per manufacturer’s recommendations. Recommendations shall include, but not be limited to, cable handling, bending, and pulling requirements or limits; termination methods and materials; and use of specific tools and disposables.
    3. Tests: Perform tests as specified in Part 3 – Execution of this section.
  1. DELIVERY, HANDLING, AND STORAGE
     1. Materials shall be delivered in original packages with labels intact and identification clearly marked.
     2. Protect equipment and materials from foreign objects such as dirt, dust, paint, fumes, liquids, construction debris, and other contaminants. Protect from weather, humidity, temperature, and sunlight. Protect from physical damage.
     3. Keep dust caps in place on patch panels and replace after testing. Protect 110 blocks with masking until construction is complete.
     4. Equipment damaged prior to system acceptance shall be replaced with new at no additional cost to the Port.
     5. Port-furnished Material: Port-furnished material will be made available to the Contractor at the airport logistics site. The Contractor shall be responsible for inspection, testing, or other verification of the condition of the materials upon receipt from the Port. By accepting materials from the Port, the Contractor warrants that said materials are free from defects. Remedy for subsequent discovery of damage or defects shall be the responsibility of the Contractor.
  2. WARRANTY
     1. General: Refer to Division 1 for general warranty requirements.
     2. Systimax Solutions Extended Warranty: In addition to the general warranty requirements, the fiber optic cable and UTP copper cable and termination hardware shall have an overall Systimax Solutions Systimax manufacturer’s warranty for a period of 20 years covering the entire system as a whole. The warranty shall cover the cost of materials and labor for repair or replacement of cables and terminations due to defects in materials or installation. The Port shall receive a Systimax Solutions certificate of warranty for the project prior to final closeout.
     3. Other approved manufacturer’s warranty shall be equal to or greater than 20 years. The warranty shall cover the cost of materials and labor for repair or replacement of cables and terminations due to defects in materials or installation. The Port will expect a certificate of warranty for the project prior to final closeout.

1. PRODUCTS

A. If only one product is acceptable (single or sole source product), obtain an approved Competition Waiver and submit to the CPO Construction, Contract Administrator. The language shall read as: “Manufacturer Name, Product # XXXXX, No Equal.” Refer to CPO-6 Competition Waiver Policy for more information.

B. If a Competition Waiver is not approved or more than one product is acceptable, this section must list a minimum of 2 products plus the language “Or Approved Equal,” along with salient characteristics. Refer to CPO Construction’s Salient Characteristics Guidelines for more information.

* 1. GENERAL
     1. Horizontal cabling infrastructure shall be manufactured by Systimax Solutions; any substitutions must be approved by the Resident Engineer.
  2. UTP HORIZONTAL CABLE
     1. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, available manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
        1. Systimax Solutions; a CommsScope Inc. brand
           1. 4-pair indoor rated

Commscope/Systimax GigaSPEED XL 1071E, Cat 6 U/UTP, non-plenum, red jacket

Commscope/Systimax GigaSPEED XL 2071E, Cat 6 U/UTP, plenum, red jacket

Commscope/Systimax GigaSPEED XL 1091B, Cat 6a U/UTP, non-plenum, orange jacket

Commscope/Systimax GigaSPEED XL 2091B, Cat 6a U/UTP, plenum, orange jacket

* + - * 1. 4-pair outdoor and indoor/outdoor rated

Commscope/Systimax 1572A- Outdoor Cat 6 F/UTP, black jacket

Commscope/Systimax 1592A- Outdoor Cat 6a F/UTP, black jacket

* + - 1. 25-pair and greater outdoor rated
         1. Superior Essex MegaPic OSP
         2. Mohawk LAN-Trak OSP
         3. Or Approved Equal
    1. Description: 100-ohm, 4-pair UTP, covered with a Red thermoplastic jacket. For all different systems cabling refer to Section 27 05 53 – Identification and Labeling – Color Code requirement.
       1. Comply with ICEA S-90-661 for mechanical properties.
       2. Comply with ANSI/TIA-568-C.0 for performance specifications and Port of Seattle Cabling specifications for new installations.
       3. Comply with ANSI/TIA-568-C.2, Category 6.
       4. Listed and labeled by an NRTL acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction as complying with UL 444 and NFPA 70 for the following types:
          1. Communications, Plenum Rated: Type CMP, complying with NFPA 262.
          2. For locations not requiring plenum rated, provide CMR rating.
    2. Description: 100-ohm, 4-pair UTP, covered with a thermoplastic jacket – used at wireless access point (WAP) locations only. Coordinate cable color with owner.
       1. Comply with ICEA S-90-661 for mechanical properties.
       2. Comply with TIA/EIA-568-C.0 for performance specifications.
       3. Comply with TIA/EIA-568-C.2, Category 6A.
       4. Listed and labeled by an ETL acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction as complying with UL 444 and NFPA 262 for the following types:
          1. Communications, Plenum Rated: Type CMP, complying with NFPA 262.
  1. FIBER OPTIC CABLE
     1. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, available manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
        1. Systimax Solution; a CommsScope Inc. brand
           1. TeraSPEED singlemode fiber optic cable
  2. UTP CABLE HARDWARE
     1. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, available manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
        1. Systimax Solution; a CommsScope Inc. brand
     2. General Requirements for Cable Connecting Hardware: Comply with ANSI/TIA- 568-C.2, IDC type, with modules designed for punch-down caps or tools. Cables shall be terminated with connecting hardware of same category or higher.

Designer shall coordinate with Port of Seattle ICT Infrastructure group patch panel needs for projects in new, or existing spaces.

* + 1. Angled Patch Panel: Modular angled panels housing multiple-numbered jack units with IDC-type connectors at each jack for permanent termination of pair groups of installed cables.
       1. Number of Jacks per Field: One for each four-pair UTP cable indicated, plus spares and blank positions adequate to suit specified expansion criteria.
       2. 24-port Angled Patch Panel
          1. Systimax 360 Evolve 24-port angled patch panel
       3. 48-port Angled Patch Panel
          1. Systimax 360 Evolve 48-port angled patch panel
    2. Flat Patch Panel: Flat panels housing multiple-numbered jack units with IDC-type connectors at each jack for permanent termination of pair groups of installed cables.
       1. Number of Jacks per Field: One for each four-pair UTP cable indicated, plus spares and blank positions adequate to suit specified expansion criteria.
       2. 24-port Flat Patch Panel
          1. Systimax PatchMax 24-port flat patch panel
          2. Systimax 360 Evolve 24-port flat patch panel
       3. 48-port Flat Patch Panel
          1. Systimax PatchMax 48-port flat patch panel
          2. Systimax 360 Evolve 48-port flat patch panel
    3. Jacks and Jack Assemblies: Custom length Cat 5e 25-pair cable assemblies to be used with the Telco style panels; match connector type with the connector at the back of the panel.
    4. Patch Cords: Factory-made, four-pair cables in 48-inch (1200 mm), 72” (1800-mm), 96” (2400 mm), and 120” (3000 mm) lengths; terminated with eight-position modular plug at each end.
       1. Patch cords shall have bend-relief-compliant boots and color-coded icons to ensure Category 6 performance. Patch cords shall have latch guards to protect against snagging.
       2. Supply one patch cord for each outlet.
       3. Supply station cords in 96”(90%) and 120”(10%) lengths
       4. Supply various lengths of patch cords at the IC end as to assure a neat installation.
       5. Supply various colors for the different systems; coordinate colors with the owner.
       6. Provide add alternate price to install patch cords at one end and at both ends of the cord.
       7. Provide unit prices for each length of patch cords to be used for additional patch cords as needed.
       8. Provide unit prices to install patch cords at one end and both ends.
  1. TELECOMMUNICATIONS OUTLET/CONNECTORS
     1. Jacks: 100-ohm, balanced, twisted-pair connector; four-pair, eight-position modular. Comply with ANSI/TIA-568-C.0. Match connector type and category with the cable being connectorized.
     2. Port-connector assemblies mounted in single faceplate.
        1. Plastic Faceplate: High-impact plastic. Coordinate color with Division 26 Section 26 27 26 – Wiring Devices.
        2. Metal Faceplate: Stainless steel, complying with requirements in Division 26 Section 26 27 26 – Wiring Devices.
        3. For use with snap-in jacks accommodating any combination of UTP work area cords.
           1. Flush mounting jacks, positioning the cord at a 45-degree angle.
        4. Factory labeled by silk-screening or engraving for stainless steel faceplates.
        5. Machine printed, in the field, using adhesive-tape label.
           1. Snap-in, clear-label covers and machine-printed paper inserts.
        6. Workstation: Systimax GigaSPEED XL; MGS400 (Red) information outlet.
        7. WiFi: Systimax GigaSPEED XL; MGS600 (Orange) information outlet.
     3. Protector Blocks: used for protection of outdoor station cables.
        1. Configuration of outdoor station cable protectors:
           1. Category 6/6a, PoE (Power Over Ethernet) compliant protector.
           2. Shall comply with ANSI/TIA standards for Category 6/6a performance.
           3. Shall be UL listed.
           4. Multi-port (8-16 port in 1RU) rack mountable at the TR/TE end of the cable; single/dual port at the device location.
        2. Acceptable manufacturers:
           1. ITW Linx.
           2. Porta Systems.
           3. Emerson.
           4. Or Approved Equal.
  2. FIBER OPTIC CABLE HARDWARE
     1. Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, available manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
        1. Systimax Solution; a CommsScope Inc. brand
     2. General Requirements for Cable Connecting Hardware: Comply with ANSI/TIA- 568-C.3.
     3. Existing environments to accept:
        1. Systimax SC duplex connectors
        2. OFS 144 port, 5 RU Fiber Optic shelf, w/ (6) 24 strand adapter panels
     4. New environments/installations to accept:
        1. Systimax LC duplex connectors
        2. Commscope/Systimax SD-4U-FX, w/ (12) 12 strand 1000 style adapter panels, furnishing up to 144 strands per FOPP (or approved Commscope/Systimax equal)

1. EXECUTION
   1. GENERAL
      1. Products and materials shall be new and fit the intended purpose.
      2. Damaged or defective products and components shall be replaced by the Contractor at no additional cost to the Port.
      3. Cabling and termination hardware damaged prior to system acceptance shall be replaced by the Contractor at no additional cost to the Port.
      4. Miscellaneous materials required for a complete and operational cabling system shall be provided by the Contractor.
      5. As required, utilize necessary Fiber optic cables, patch panels, splice shelves, adapters, connectors, buffer kits, breakout kits, consumables, and accessories.
   2. SCHEDULING AND COORDINATION
      1. Scheduling of work shall be coordinated with the Construction Manager and tenant representatives to minimize impact on operations and the traveling public.
      2. Scheduling of cable installation shall be coordinated with other trades within the Contract and through the Construction Manager with trades working other projects.
   3. SURVEY AND PREPARATION
      1. The Contractor shall survey existing cable trays, conduit paths and routes, and report discrepancies and issues with the use of these for cable installation. Failure to perform this inspection and submit the report holds the Contractor at cost risk for corrective actions and schedule impacts later in the work.
      2. Contractor shall be responsible for storage of all materials until installation.
   4. INSTALLATION OF PATCH PANEL AND ASSOCIATED DEVICES
      1. The Contractor shall inspect patch panels, associated devices, and materials for compliance with these Specifications and with the Contractor’s orders.
      2. Patch panels and associated devices shall be installed according to manufacturer’s instructions.
      3. Patch panels and termination hardware shall be installed with matching mounting screws at each location.
   5. GENERAL CABLE INSTALLATION
      1. The system shall be installed to comply with all applicable standards, codes, and regulations. In general, where the specifications, drawings, standards, regulations, and codes conflict, the most stringent requirement shall apply; however, the Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager immediately of conflicts for determination of a resolution.
      2. Cables shall be installed in conduits, raceways, pull boxes, cable trays, or cable runways as shown on the Drawings. No aerial or unsupported cables are permitted unless specifically indicated on the drawings and approved by START.
         1. Refer to Section 27 05 28 – Pathways for Communications Systems.
      3. Horizontal cable shall be installed with no splices.
      4. The Contractor shall protect cables from dirt and moisture by laying cables on a clean, new ground covering.
      5. The Contractor shall inspect and clean as necessary existing and new cable trays and conduits to ensure that they are clean and free of obstructions prior to installing pull strings or pulling cable.
      6. The Contractor shall not install damaged or defective cables or components. The Contractor shall carefully inspect cable jacket for defects as cable is pulled off the reel or box.
      7. Cable Pulling:
         1. Pull cable in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations and industry-accepted practices, and within the limits of cable bend radius and pulling tension specifications.
         2. Use of pulling lubricants is not allowed on horizontal cable runs
         3. Horizontal cables shall be hand pulled as required by manufacture.
         4. Hand feed and guide cable through each 90-degree corner, through pull boxes, and as otherwise required for a free-flowing cable pull.
         5. Cable installation methods shall not exceed the cable manufacturer’s specified pull tension for the specific cable.
         6. The mechanical stress placed upon a cable during installation shall be such that the cable is not twisted or stretched, nor shall the process kink or crush the cable.
         7. A cable feeder guide shall be used between the cable reel and the face of the cable tray or conduit to protect the cable and guide it into the cable tray or conduit as it is played off the reel.
         8. The Contractor shall hand feed and guide cable through each cable tray 90-degree corner and as required for a proper, free-flowing cable pull.
         9. The Contractor shall follow the manufacturer’s installation instructions and its specifications for minimum bend radius; the bend radius shall not exceed the manufacturer’s minimum bend radius
         10. Cable fill shall not exceed BICSI standard.
      8. Station cables and tie cables used in this project shall be routed at right angles to electrical power circuits and supported in accordance with the Contract Drawings.
      9. Riser and tie cables extended between communication rooms shall use inter-floor conduit sleeves per Section 27 05 28 – Pathways for Communications Systems.
      10. Use of ceiling tiles, grid, or hanger wires for support of cables shall be prohibited. Cable shall be installed in cable tray, cable runway, conduit, hangers, hooks, or other means of approved support.
      11. Penetrations of fire zones shall be sealed to rating of the separation (1 hour, 2 hour, etc.).
      12. Routing of any metallic media cabling such as voice, data or coaxial in the same conduit as power conductors is not allowed.
      13. Cabling in ceiling interstice (i.e. - between false ceiling and structure) shall be one of the following:
          1. Riser or plenum rated when cable is installed in metallic conduit or fully enclosed metal tray. Plenum rating is optional in this case.
          2. Plenum rated when cable is installed in open tray, ventilated tray, or ladder tray, or otherwise exposed.
      14. Communication room entry
          1. Horizontal cable runs shall be routed on the lower tier of overhead ladder racking where there are multiple tiers. Contactor shall confirm these locations prior to installing cable.
          2. Optical fiber cable shall be routed from the conduit or cable tray entry point in communication rooms or equivalent spaces in the room tray system without innerduct (when transitioning into room from installed in conduit/tray), but in combed and tied bundles to the termination locations. Service loops of at least 10m in length. For communication rooms, provide a minimum of one lap around the lower cable tray.
          3. Copper cable shall be routed from the conduit or cable tray entry point in communication rooms or equivalent spaces in the room tray system without innerduct, but in combed and tied bundles to the termination locations. Service loops of at least 10m in length. For communication rooms, provide a minimum of one lap around the lower cable tray. Exception on length is the necessity to maintain Data cable limitation of 90m.
          4. Cable being routed through communications rooms shall be installed in innerduct or conduit.
      15. All strands of fiber optic cables shall be terminated to patch panels unless indicated otherwise in the drawings. All pairs of UTP copper cables shall be terminated to patch panels or 110 blocks.
      16. Fiber optic cable and UTP copper cables shall be 100% usable after installation, termination, and testing. Replace defective or damaged cables and terminations with new at no additional cost to the Port. Repair splicing of damaged cables is not permitted.
      17. Contractor shall patch WAP (Wireless Access Point) devices at “ethernet port” and “console port”.
   6. VERTICAL CABLE RUNS
      1. When possible, the Contractor shall use gravity to assist in cable pulling; cable shall be pulled from the top of the run to the bottom of the run.
      2. The Contractor shall provide sufficient tools, equipment, and manpower at required pull points to prevent damaging cables.
      3. After installation, the vertical tension on the cable shall be relieved at maximum intervals of 20’ using a split support grip or hook-and-loop straps.
   7. SERVICE LOOPS (applications outside of communication room)
      1. At the information outlet the Contractor shall provide service loops 24” in length minimum, or as indicated on the Contract Drawings, for outlet locations in back boxes.
      2. At locations using surface mount boxes, service loops shall be placed in locations indicated on the Contract Drawings or per Construction Manager’s instructions.
      3. The Contractor shall provide service loops of 36” in length minimum, or as indicated on the Contract Drawings, for “Consolidation Point” boxes.
      4. Service loops shall not be smaller than the minimum bend radius of the cable.
   8. CABLE DRESSING
      1. Cables shall be neatly dressed and routed at termination points.
      2. Cables shall be combed and each cable shall run parallel with the other cables.
      3. Bundles shall be secured with hook-and-loop strap material.
      4. Cable ties manufactured from a hard polymer material, such as plastic or nylon, shall not be used.
      5. The Contractor shall begin to bundle and strap cables within 2” of exit from conduit, and bundles shall have cable straps applied at intervals not greater than 12” for entire length of vertical and horizontal run in communications closets.
   9. CABLE TERMINATION
      1. Optical fiber cable termination
         1. Optical fiber terminations shall be made by personnel trained and certified by the manufacturer of the fiber and connectors and shall be installed using the appropriate tool kit and equipment approved by manufacture.

Edit items 2 and 3 below to match project conditions. Coordinate with START committee.

* + - 1. Existing environments to accept Systimax SC duplex connectors.
      2. New environments to accept Systimax LC duplex connectors.
      3. Optical fiber connectors shall not exceed manufacturer’s acceptable loss budget.
    1. Category 6/6a cable termination
       1. Terminated cables shall meet the required performance with no degradation due to termination.
       2. Category 6 cables shall be terminated in RJ45 female plugs or information outlets at the field ends in T568B configuration. Field termination of male ends will not be accepted, nor will it pass proper horizontal Link testing.
       3. Category 6 cables shall be terminated in patch panel units and 110-block units in T568B configuration.
  1. SEISMIC JOINT PENETRATIONS
     1. When conduit or pathway penetrates a building expansion joint, the Contractor shall furnish and install a seismic coupling.
  2. FIRE AND SMOKE PARTION PENETRATIONS
     1. The Contractor shall install cables so as to maintain the fire and smoke spread- rating of all building surfaces penetrated.
  3. FIELD QUALITY ASSURANCE
     1. The Contractor shall perform inspections per Section 27 05 00 – Common Work Results for Communications
     2. The Contractor shall perform horizontal cable testing as part of the field quality assurance for this work.
     3. The Construction Manager may arrange for interim inspections by a manufacturer’s representative as conditions deem necessary.
  4. SYSTEM PERFORMANCE
     1. Fiber Optic Cable and Terminations: The maximum attenuation of each fiber strand, not including terminations, shall be no greater than the manufacturer’s specified maximum attenuation for the cable. The maximum attenuation of a mated pair of connectors shall be no greater than the manufacturer’s specified average attenuation of a mated pair of connectors plus 0.3 dB. The maximum attenuation of a fiber strand, terminated at both ends, shall be no greater than the actual measured attenuation of the fiber strand plus the manufacturer specified average attenuation of the mated connectors plus 0.5 dB. The average attenuation of all connectors on a fully terminated cable shall be no greater than the manufacturer’s specified average attenuation of the mated connectors.
     2. UTP Copper Cable and Terminations: The UTP copper system, including cables and terminations, shall meet the requirements of TIA-568-B, including all applicable addenda and service bulletins.
  5. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR HORIZONTAL CABLING TESTING
     1. The Contractor shall provide all personnel, equipment, instrumentation, and supplies necessary to perform specified testing.
     2. Prior to testing the cable, the Contractor shall verify that the components and systems being tested have been installed in accordance with the Contract Documents.
     3. Cable testing shall be completed by the Contractor and accepted by the Resident Engineer as a condition of Substantial Completion.
     4. Test results are required to be submitted to the Port of Seattle and accepted before any network switch or network device activation will occur.
  6. HORIZONTAL CABLE TEST PLAN
     1. The Contractor shall submit a general horizontal cable test plan to the Construction Manager for review and approval 20 working days prior to the start of on-site cable installation work, and 20 working days prior to pre-installation optical fiber reel testing.
     2. The test plan shall include:
        1. Schedules for the following:
           1. Optical fiber pre-installation reel testing by the Contractor.
           2. Optical fiber terminated cable testing by the Contractor, by area.
           3. Copper cable terminated cable testing by the Contractor, by area.
           4. Release of optical fiber and copper cables for acceptance testing by the systems contractor.
        2. The test plan shall include a list of the test equipment to be used by the Contractor, including model number of sample test reports and wave forms, manufacturer training certificates for technicians operating test equipment and calibration certificates, for approval by the Construction Manager prior to the start of testing. Test equipment shall have the latest firmware upgrades installed prior to testing. Port-specified test equipment shall be as follows:
           1. Level 5 test meter, or equivalent.
           2. A Tier 1 Optical Loss Tester (OLT) shall be used to produce test results. The OLT is used to certify the fiber optical terminations as warrantable.
           3. An OTDR shall not be used to record link loss.
        3. Summary of the tests that are to be performed by the Contractor, and the test results that are to be submitted.
     3. Test results are required to be submitted to the Port of Seattle before any networkswitch or network device activation will occur.
  7. OPTICAL FIBER PRE-INSTALLATION REEL TESTING
     1. The Contractor shall compare factory test data with data obtained by conducting a pre-installation reel test as follows.
     2. The Contractor shall pre-test singlemode fiber at 1550 nm in one direction.
     3. Dual-pulse Function A fiber shall be tested at a single wavelength with two pulse widths.
     4. Two traces shall be displayed, one for each pulse width. (The short pulse provides optimal event resolution, while the longer pulse provides excellent distant measurements.)
  8. OPTICAL FIBER TERMINATED CABLE TESTING
     1. The Contractor shall test and record measurements for the following:
        1. Link loss. Testing shall consist of a bidirectional, dual wave length end to end test. The system loss measurements shall be provided at 1310 and 1550 nm.
        2. Fiber attenuation (dB/km)
        3. Splice and connector loss
        4. Reflectance and optical return loss
        5. Length
     2. Optical fiber cable shall comply with the following Singlemode standards:
        1. ANSI 2136.2
        2. EIA-440-A
        3. Fiber optic test procedure (FOTP) FOTP-8 (TIA/EIA-455-8)
        4. FOTP-61 (TIA/EIA-455-61-A)
        5. FOTP-77 (TIA/EIA-455-77)
        6. FOTP-78 (TIA/EIA-455-78A)
        7. FOTP-95 (TIA/ElA-455-95)
        8. FOTP-171 (TIA/EIA-455-171)
        9. TIA/EIA-455-B
        10. TIA/EIA-526
     3. Optical fiber cable shall comply with the following multimode standards:
        1. ANSI 2136.2
        2. FOTP-77 (TIA/ElA-455-77)
        3. FOTP-171 (TIA/EIA-455-171)
        4. TIA/EIA-568-A
  9. CATEGORY 6/6a TERMINATED CABLE TESTING
     1. The Contractor shall test and record measurements for the following:
        1. TIA Category 6 per TIA addendum #1 to TIA/EIA-568B
        2. IEEE 802.3 1000 Base-T
        3. For special systems as defined in POS Communication Design principles, IEEE 802.3 100Base-T shall be allowed.
     2. Category 6/6a terminated cable shall comply with the following standards:
        1. Category 6 per Addendum #1 to TIA/EIA-568-B
        2. ISO/IEC 11801, Class C and D
        3. ANSI INCITS 263 (TP-PMD)
        4. IEEE 802.3 (for 10BASE-T, 100BASE-TX, and 1000BASE-T)
        5. IEEE 802.5
     3. The Contractor shall use Level 5 permanent link adapters on test equipment.
     4. Refer to POS “Communications System Standards Design Principles” for Acceptance Testing.
  10. POST-INSTALLATION TESTING
      1. General: Perform post-installation tests on fiber optic cables and terminations, and on UTP copper cables and terminations as required by the Systimax Solutions Systimax or others extended warranty programs.
      2. Final testing shall use Port of Seattle cable naming convention in all test records.
      3. Third Party Testing: The Port may use an Independent Cable Test contractor for independent testing of the fiber optic cable and UTP copper system in addition to the testing required by the installation Contractor. This independent testing is not included in the Work of this contract. Coordination with the Port and the Independent Cable Test contractor is required as Work of this contract and shall be required as follows:
         1. The Contractor shall notify the Construction Manager when terminated cables have passed the tests necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Systimax Solutions extended warranty program.
         2. The Port will schedule an Independent Cable Test contractor thereafter. It is anticipated that testing by this contractor will closely follow the progress by the Contractor. The Contractor shall coordinate with and assist the Independent Cable Test contractor to the maximum extent possible.
         3. Cables and terminations found by the Independent Cable Test contractor to be damaged, defective, improperly installed, or that fail to meet performance requirements shall be remedied by the Contractor to the satisfaction of the Construction Manager and shall be retested by the Contractor to meet the Systimax Solutions extended warranty program requirements, at no additional cost to the Port.

Designer shall coordinate with START committee to determine recertification requirements. Modify, or delete entries below accordingly.

* 1. HORIZONTAL CABLING RECERTIFICATION
     1. Re-certification requirements for existing horizontal infrastructure
        1. Horizontal cabling infrastructure shall be manufactured by Commscope/Systimax, No Equal, any substitutions or variances must be approved by START committee.
        2. Products and materials shall be new and fit the intended purpose.
        3. Damaged or defective products and components shall be replaced by Contractor at no additional cost to the Port.
        4. Cabling and termination hardware damaged prior to system acceptance shall be replaced by Contractor at no additional cost to the Port.
        5. Miscellaneous materials required for a complete and operational cabling system shall be provided by the Contractor.
        6. All communication materials shall be subjected to final approval by the Port of Seattle START committee.
        7. Contractor is responsible to re-certify existing infrastructure when re-installed, relocated, and ALL existing infrastructure in immediate location to be operational prior to system acceptance, and at no additional cost to the Port.
  2. LABELING AND COLOR CODES
     1. Identification, labeling, and product color selection shall comply with Section 27 05 53 – Identification and Labeling, Section 27 05 53.13 – Communications Standard for Labeling and Nomenclature, and Section 27 05 53.23 – Port of Seattle Color Code Requirement.

1. MEASUREMENT AND PAYMENT
   1. GENERAL
      1. No separate measurement or payment will be made for the Work required by this section. The cost for this portion of the Work will be considered incidental to, and included in the payments made for the applicable bid items in the [Schedule of Unit Prices] [Lump Sum price bid for the Project].

End of Section

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