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## ELSEWEDY CABLES IN BRIEF



Elsewedy Cables was established in 1984 and is considered as one of the oldest and most successful industrial and trading business groups across the Middle East and Africa in the fields of energy, plastics and contracting. Elsewedy Cables is specialized mainly in Wires, Cables, Telecom Solutions, Electrical Products, Turnkey Projects and recently Energy Generation. The group's turnover has been rapidly rising during the past few years to reach \$ 1.5 billion in 2007, also, the production capacity is the second highest one in the region, with 125000 tons/annum, expecting 212000 tons/annum in 2008.

Although the company began as an Egyptian local manufacturer, it has branched out regionally and internationally to include 23 production facilities for cables and electrical products that are located in 12 countries (Egypt, Sudan, Algeria, Zambia, Ghana, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Libya, Slovenia, India and Malaysia), and it currently exports its wide range of high quality and safe products to more than 110 countries worldwide. Additionally, the group's outstanding human potential, which is more than 5000 employees, and its solid financial position, along with the strong geographical presence, have heavily contributed to the group's success and prosperity.

To strengthen its position world wide, and following the corporate strategy, on the one hand, Elsewedy Cables fully acquired by the end of 2007 ISKRAEMECO, a leader manufacturer of electrometers and currently the third largest player in the European market and the seventh largest globally; on the other hand, Elsewedy Cables is involved with 74% ownership jointly with Glencore International in a 850 \$US million project for the construction of a copper smelter to be located in Egypt.

Furthermore, Elsewedy Cables provides a complete portfolio of solutions and advanced technologies for sectors as diverse as the automotive and aerospace industries, railways, buildings, telecommunication and energy networks, oil and gas, submarine power systems, etc. Accordingly, Elsewedy Cables is divided in three segments in order to cover all those sectors: Wires & cables, electrical products, and turn-key projects. The group has obtained quality certificates from the most reputable laboratories, among them: ISO 9001-2000, ISO 14001, QS 9000, KEMA.



Quality and safety are so much considered. Elsewedy Cables adopted a policy that assures maximum effectiveness and efficiency through processes and systems ensuring that every aspect of each company's activity is aligned to satisfy customer needs and all other objectives without wasting effort and with the use of the full potential of every person. Our organizational philosophy believes that customer satisfaction, health, safety, environmental considerations, and business objectives are mutually dependent.

In the industrial sector, we currently supply approximately 56% of Egypt's global market share of power cables, telecommunication cables, and lighting industries. In the export sector, as part of a worldwide marketing plan, Elsewedy Cables has branches throughout Africa, Middle East, Gulf Area, Europe, and Asia. Consistently showing dramatic increases; Egypt enjoys an important number of trade agreements with most of those countries (EU Agreement, Arab Free Trade Agreement, COMESA Agreement). Nowadays, Elsewedy Cables is exporting approximately 60% of its total turnover (export value of 550 \$US million in 2006, 1 \$US billion in 2007). For that reason, the group is concentrating efforts and making investments to target market segments and countries world wide with strong growth potential, such as Europe, Asia, or Latin America, although strengthen its leadership in Africa and Middle East.

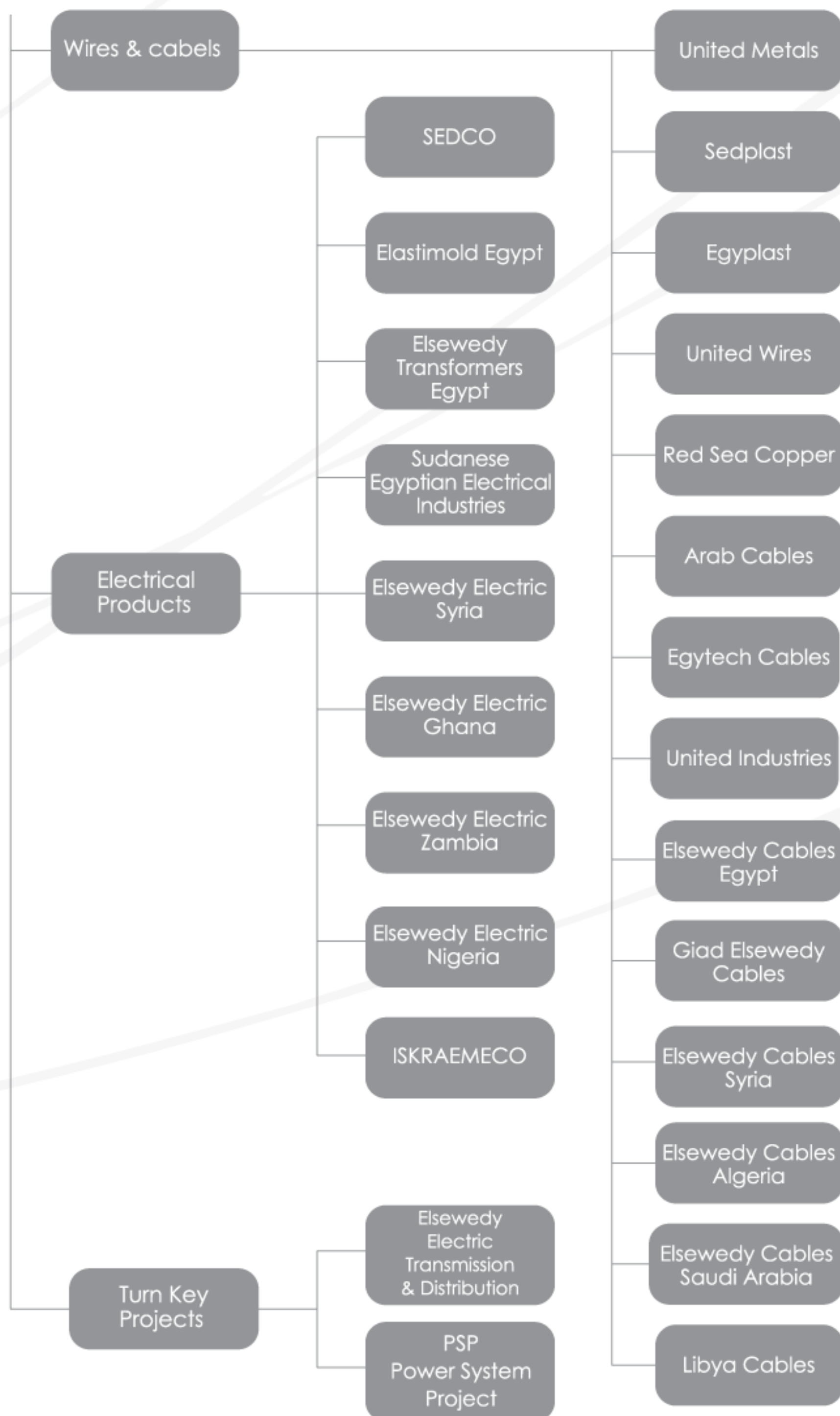
Elsewedy Cables' mission is to become world expert in cables, with a strong financial basis and technical advanced product portfolio, making it an attractive partner for all its stakeholders: Shareholders, customers, suppliers, and employees.



## GROUP HISTORY

1938	ELSEWEDY family started its business as a trader in electrical equipment.
1960	The business was developed further by turning into a distributor for the only cables manufacturer at that time.
1984	Based on their experience in that field, the Family decided to build Egypt's first private sector cables factory "ARAB CABLES".
1986	Arab cables started production, as Egypt's and the Middle East's first private sector cables supplier.
1986-96	Arab cables' capacity quadruples from around 6.000 tons of copper cables in 1986 to 30.000 tons in 1996.
1996	ELSEWEDY family established their second cables factory, "EGYTECH CABLES", which is the most advanced cables production facility in the Middle East with an annual production capacity of 30.000 tons of copper cables and 15.000 tons of aluminum cables.
	ELSEWEDY family established their first plant for producing PVC compounds and master batch for cables insulation "SEDPLAST" considered as major component for the production of cables.
1997	ELSEWEDY family established "UNITED INDUSTRIES", the company consists of three different factories specialized in the production of special cables ( first factory in Egypt), Winding Wires & Fiber Glass Poles.
	ELSEWEDY family established "ELASTIMOLD EGYPT", as a joint venture with Elastimold, a unit of Thomas & Betts, one of the leading companies worldwide in the field of cable accessories, to produce power cable joints and Modular Terminators.
1998	ELSEWEDY family Established "UNITED METALS CO." Egypt's first factory to produce High Grade Copper Rods, the main component in the production of cables conductors. The factory is considered as the largest copper rod factory in the Middle East region.
	ELSEWEDY family established "ELSEWEDY SEDCO", as the first and only factory in Africa and the Middle East producing cable accessories.
2002	ELSEWEDY CABLES their first cable factory outside Egypt "GIAD ELSEWEDY CABLES" in partnership with the Sudanese company Giad for the production of power cables, over head conductors and telephone cables.
2003	ELSEWEDY CABLES further enhances their facilities outside Egypt by establishing the "SUDANESE EGYPTIAN ELECTRICAL INDUSTRIES CO" in partnership with Sudanese electricity authority. SUDATRAF (specialized in manufacturing transformers, electrical panels & cables joint and terminators).
2004	Together ELSEWEDY CABLES Group & Italsmea company (Italy) established a joint venture for the manufactory of explosion proof electrical equipment. "Italsmea ELSEWEDY co".
2005	ELSEWEDY established the Syria's latest cables factory "ELSEWEDY CABLES SYRIA" specialized in power cables manufacturing up to 400 kv , relying on the growth in the area of: Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Palestine and all Arab countries near by.
2006	ELSEWEDY CABLES penetrated Ghana, by establishing "ELSEWEDY ELECTRIC-GHANA" the factory is specialized in Fiber Glass Road Lighting Poles manufacturing.
2007	ELSEWEDY CABLES established two new factories: 1 "ELSEWEDY CABLES SAUDI ARABIA" specialized in wires and cables. 2 "ELSEWEDY ELECTRIC SYRIA" specialized in transformers. In addition to acquisition of ISKRAEMECO Specialized in energy measurement & management systems.
2008	ELSEWEDY CABLES established two new factories: 1 "ELSEWEDY CABLES QATAR" specialized in power cables "Low & Medium". 2 "ELSEWEDY CABLES ALGERIA" specialized in power cables "Low & Medium" in addition to instrumentation cables.

## GROUP STRUCTURE





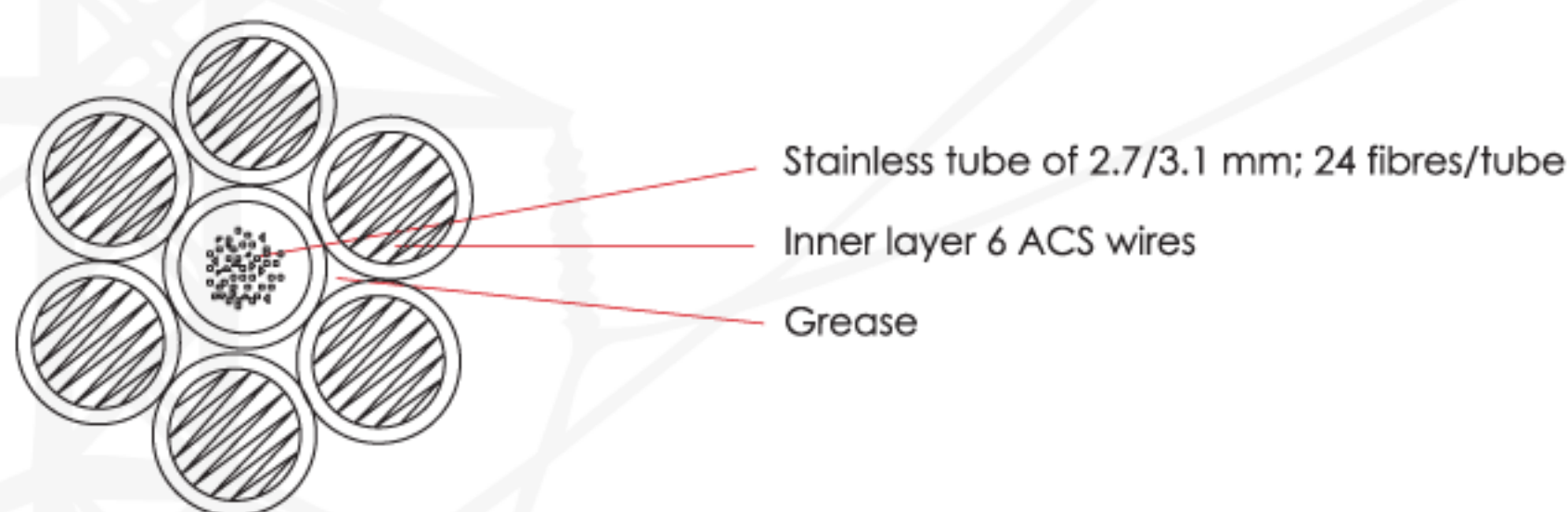
## APPLICATION

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## FEATURES

- Installation in the same way as normal ground wire with conventional machinery.
- Most reliable optic solution for fibre optic utilities.
- Best solution in old ground wire replacement and in new line constructions.
- Low cost

## CROSS SECTIONAL DIAGRAM



## CONSTRUCTION

Optical fibre	: For fibre specification see optical characteristics.	
Secondary coating tube.	: The secondary coating consists of one laser welded stainless steel tube.	
colour and for fibre counts with a coloured fibre bundle yarn.	Every fibre is uniquely identified by a fibre above 12 fibres	
	The tube is filled with a water-repellent filling compound.	
Central element	: 1 stainless steel tube	: 3.1 mm
First layer	: 6 ACS wires (20SA)	: 3.1 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Right "
Grease to BS	: The interstices of the cable core are filled with grease according EN 50182 ANNEX B figure B.1-d	

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## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Number of tubes	1	
Number of fibres / tube	24	
Cable ø	9.3	mm
Cable weight	326	kg/km
Supporting cross-section	45.29	mm <sup>2</sup>
ACS cross-section	45.29	mm <sup>2</sup>
Calculated breaking load (UTS)	54.61	kN
Modulus of elasticity	161.99	kN/mm <sup>2</sup>

Other types can be provided upon specified request.

Coefficient of thermal expansion .10 <sup>-6</sup>	13	1/K
Permissible tensile stress acc.		
Everyday stress	192.9	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum tensile stress	506.4	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Endurance tensile stress	868.2	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Nominal short-time current IEC 724 at		
Initial/Final temperature 200 °C (initial 50 °C)	3.26	kA, 1 s.
D.C. resistance at 20 °C	1.87	Ω/km
Transport, storage, operation	- 40 to + 80	°C
Installation	- 10 to + 50	°C

## OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS (CABLED MAX. VALUES)

Fibre type	Single mode			
Acc. to specification	ITU-T G.652			
Mode field diameter	9.2 ± 0.5			µm
Cladding diameter	125 ± 1			µm
Coating diameter	245 ± 10			µm
Wavelength	1310	1285-1330	1550	nm
Attenuation coefficient	0.38	0.40	0.25	dB/km
Dispersion	-	3.5	18.0	ps/nm.km
PMD		0.5		ps.km <sup>-1/2</sup>

## FIBRE COLOURING

Fibre No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fibre colour	Blue	Orange	Green	Brown	Grey	White
Fibre No.	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fibre colour	Red	Black	Yellow	Violet	Rose	Turquoise

Customised colouring upon request

## BINDER YARN COLOURING

Fibre bundle	1	2
Yarn colour	Blue	Orange

## TESTING AND INSPECTION

Testing will comprise the following:

Optical characteristics (each cable length)	Attenuation (Single mode at 1310 / 1550nm)
Mechanical characteristics	Diameter of cable
Electrical characteristics	DC resistance
Visual inspection of cable	Colouring / markings of fibres / tubes

The mechanical characteristics and visual inspection shall be carried out with a frequency of 1 out of 10 drums, starting with the first drum. The first drum shall always be checked when the quantity is less than 10 drums.

Certified test results are provided upon request.

If testing and inspection to be carried out by third parties is required, such parties will be nominated and paid by the Purchaser.

## PACKING

Standard length	≥ 3000	m
Length tolerance	+/-100, we reserve the right to deliver up to a maximum of 10 % of the ordered quantity in shorter lengths with a minimum of 2000 m / drum.	m
Sealing of cable ends	To prevent ingress of moisture the cable ends are sealed with heat shrinkable end caps.	
Protection / Packing	The reel shall be lagged with strong wooden battens so as to prevent the OPGW from damage in ordinary handling and shipping.	

Other types can be provided upon specified request.



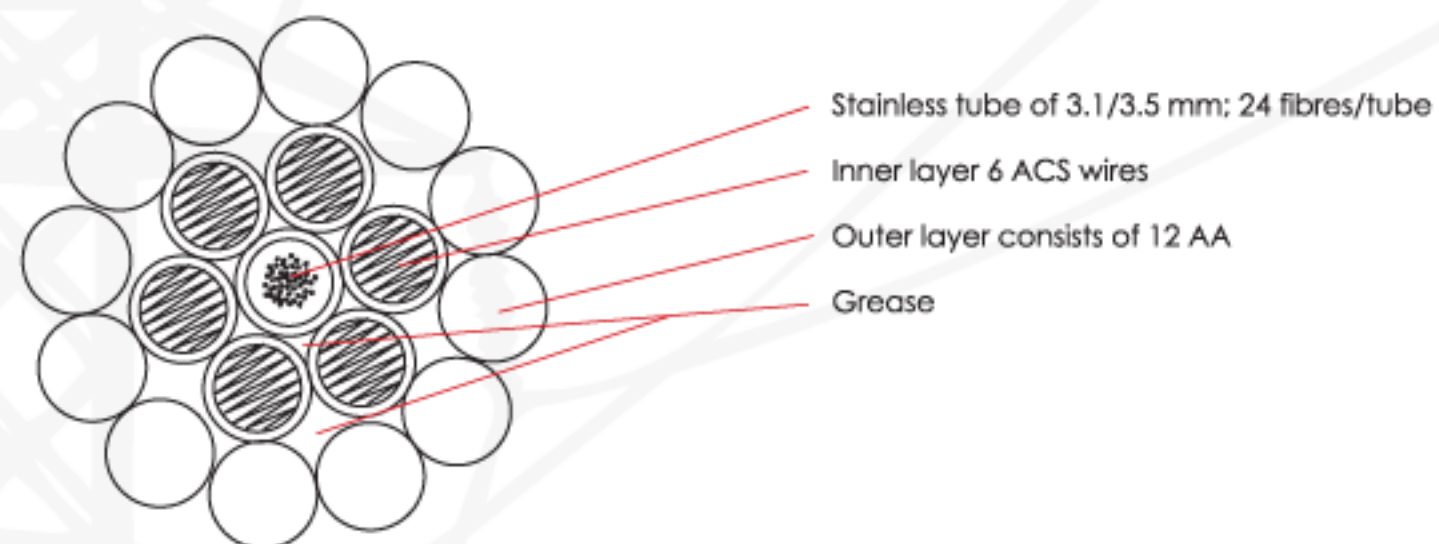
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## CONSTRUCTION

Optical fibre	: For fibre specification see optical characteristics.	
Secondary coating tube.	: The secondary coating consists of one laser welded stainless steel	
and for fibre counts fibre bundle yarn.	Every fibre is uniquely identified by a fibre colour above 12 fibres with a coloured	
Central element	The tube is filled with a water-repellent filling compound.	
First layer	: 1 stainless steel tube	: 3.5 mm
	: 6 ACS wires (20SA)	: 3.52 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Left "
Second layer	: 12 aluminium alloy (AA) wires	: 3.52 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Right "
Grease to IEC	: The interstices of the cable core are filled with grease according 1089 ANNEX C figure C.2	

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## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Number of tubes	1	
Number of fibres / tube	24	
Cable ø	17.58	mm
Cable weight	749	kg/km
Supporting cross-section	175.17	mm <sup>2</sup>
AA cross-section	116.78	mm <sup>2</sup>
ACS cross-section	58.39	mm <sup>2</sup>
Calculated breaking load (UTS)	104.4	kN
Modulus of elasticity	92.0	kN/mm <sup>2</sup>
Coefficient of thermal expansion .10 <sup>-6</sup>	17.13	1/K
Permissible tensile stress acc.		
Everyday stress (16%)	95.3	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum tensile stress	242.3	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Endurance tensile stress	415.4	N/mm <sup>2</sup>

Other types can be provided upon specified request.

Nominal short-time current IEC 724 at		
Initial/Final temperature 30 / 200 °C	16.1	kA, 1 s.
D.C. resistance at 20 °C	0.24	Ω/km
Transport, storage, operation	- 40 to + 80	°C
Installation	- 10 to + 50	°C

### OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS (CABLED MAX. VALUES)

Fibre type	Single mode		
Acc. to specification	ITU-T G.652.B		
Mode field diameter	9.2 ± 0.5		µm
Cladding diameter	125 ± 1		µm
Coating diameter	245 ± 10		µm
Wavelength	1310	1285-1330	1550
Attenuation coefficient	0.34	0.40	0.21
Dispersion	-	3.5	17.5
PMD		0.2	

### FIBRE COLOURING

Fibre No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fibre colour	Blue	Orange	Green	Brown	Grey	White
Fibre No.	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fibre colour	Red	Black	Yellow	Violet	Rose	Turquoise

Customised colouring upon request

### BINDER YARN COLOURING

Fibre bundle	1	2
Yarn colour	Blue	Orange

### TESTING AND INSPECTION

Testing will comprise the following:

Optical characteristics (each cable length)	Attenuation (Single mode at 1310 / 1550nm)
Mechanical characteristics	Diameter of cable
Electrical characteristics	DC resistance
Visual inspection of cable	Colouring / markings of fibres / tubes

The mechanical characteristics and visual inspection shall be carried out with a frequency of 1 out of 10 drums, starting with the first drum. The first drum shall always be checked when the quantity is less than 10 drums.

Certified test results are provided upon request.

If testing and inspection to be carried out by third parties is required, such parties will be nominated and paid by the Purchaser.

### PACKING

Standard length	≥ 3000	m
Length tolerance	+/-100, we reserve the right to deliver up to a maximum of 10 % of the ordered quantity in shorter lengths with a minimum of 2000 m / drum.	
Sealing of cable ends	To prevent ingress of moisture the cable ends are sealed with heat shrinkable end caps.	
Protection / Packing	The reel shall be lagged with strong wooden battens so as to prevent the OPGW from damage in ordinary handling and shipping.	

Other types can be provided upon specified request.



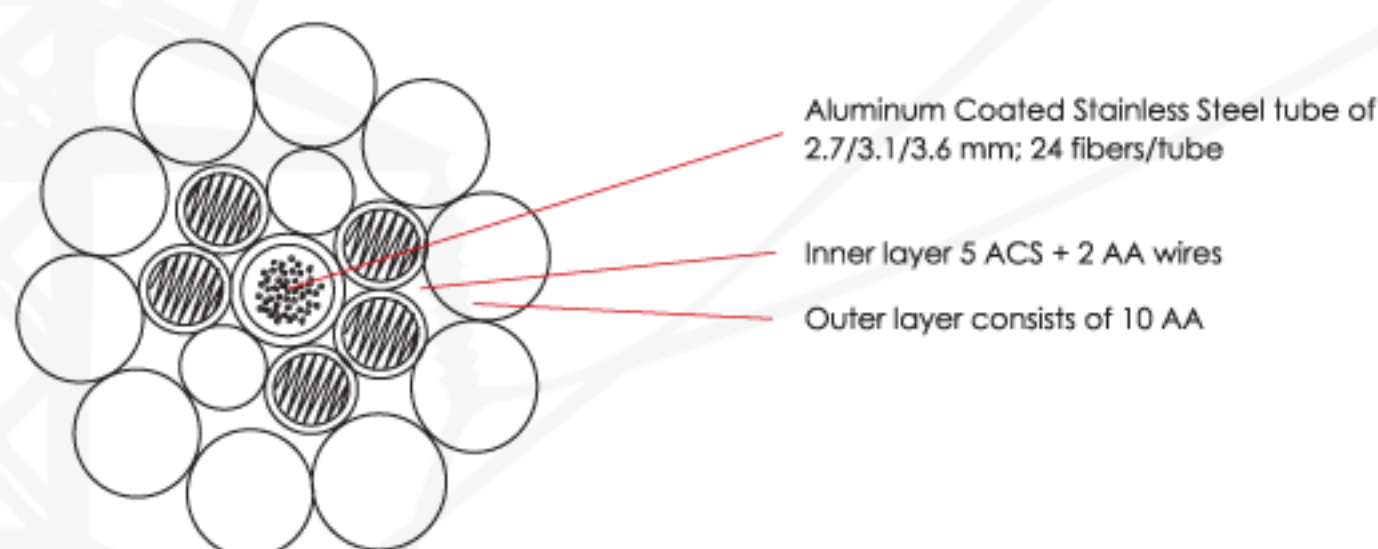
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Central element	The tube is filled with a water-repellent filling compound.	
First layer	: 1 Aluminium Coated stainless steel tube	: 3.6 mm
	: 5 ACS wires (20SA)	: 2.75 mm
	: 2 aluminium alloy (AA) wires	: 2.75 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Left "
Second layer	: 10 aluminium alloy (AA) wires	: 3.9 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Right "

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**TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Number of tubes	1	
Number of fibres / tube	24	
Cable ø	16.9	mm
Cable weight	589	kg/km
Supporting cross-section	161.04	mm <sup>2</sup>
AA cross-section	131.34	mm <sup>2</sup>
ACS cross-section	29.70	mm <sup>2</sup>
Calculated breaking load (UTS)	74.43	kN
Modulus of elasticity	76.58	kN/mm <sup>2</sup>
Coefficient of thermal expansion .10 <sup>-6</sup>	19.10	1/K
Permissible tensile stress acc.		
Everyday stress (16%)	73.90	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum tensile stress	194.10	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Endurance tensile stress	332.80	N/mm <sup>2</sup>

Other types can be provided upon specified request.

Nominal short-time current IEC 724 at		
Initial/Final temperature 20 / 200 °C	16.23	kA, 1 s.
D.C. resistance at 20 °C	0.23	Ω/km
Transport, storage, operation	- 40 to + 80	°C
Installation	- 10 to + 50	°C

### OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS (CABLED MAX. VALUES)

Fibre type	Single mode		
Acc. to specification	ITU-T G.652.B		
Mode field diameter	9.2 ± 0.5		µm
Cladding diameter	125 ± 1		µm
Coating diameter	245 ± 10		µm
Wavelength	1310	1285-1330	1550
Attenuation coefficient	0.34	0.40	0.21
Dispersion	-	3.5	17.5
PMD		0.2	

### FIBRE COLOURING

Fibre No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fibre colour	Blue	Orange	Green	Brown	Grey	White
Fibre No.	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fibre colour	Red	Black	Yellow	Violet	Rose	Turquoise

Customised colouring upon request

### BINDER YARN COLOURING

Fibre bundle	1	2
Yarn colour	Blue	Orange

### TESTING AND INSPECTION

Testing will comprise the following:

Optical characteristics (each cable length)	Attenuation (Single mode at 1310 / 1550nm)
Mechanical characteristics	Diameter of cable
Electrical characteristics	DC resistance
Visual inspection of cable	Colouring / markings of fibres / tubes

The mechanical characteristics and visual inspection shall be carried out with a frequency of 1 out of 10 drums, starting with the first drum. The first drum shall always be checked when the quantity is less than 10 drums.

Certified test results are provided upon request.

If testing and inspection to be carried out by third parties is required, such parties will be nominated and paid by the Purchaser.

### PACKING

Standard length	≥ 3000	m
Length tolerance	+/-100, we reserve the right to deliver up to a maximum of 10 % of the ordered quantity in shorter lengths with a minimum of 2000 m / drum.	
Sealing of cable ends	To prevent ingress of moisture the cable ends are sealed with heat shrinkable end caps.	
Protection / Packing	The reel shall be lagged with strong wooden battens so as to prevent the OPGW from damage in ordinary handling and shipping.	

Other types can be provided upon specified request.



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## APPLICATION

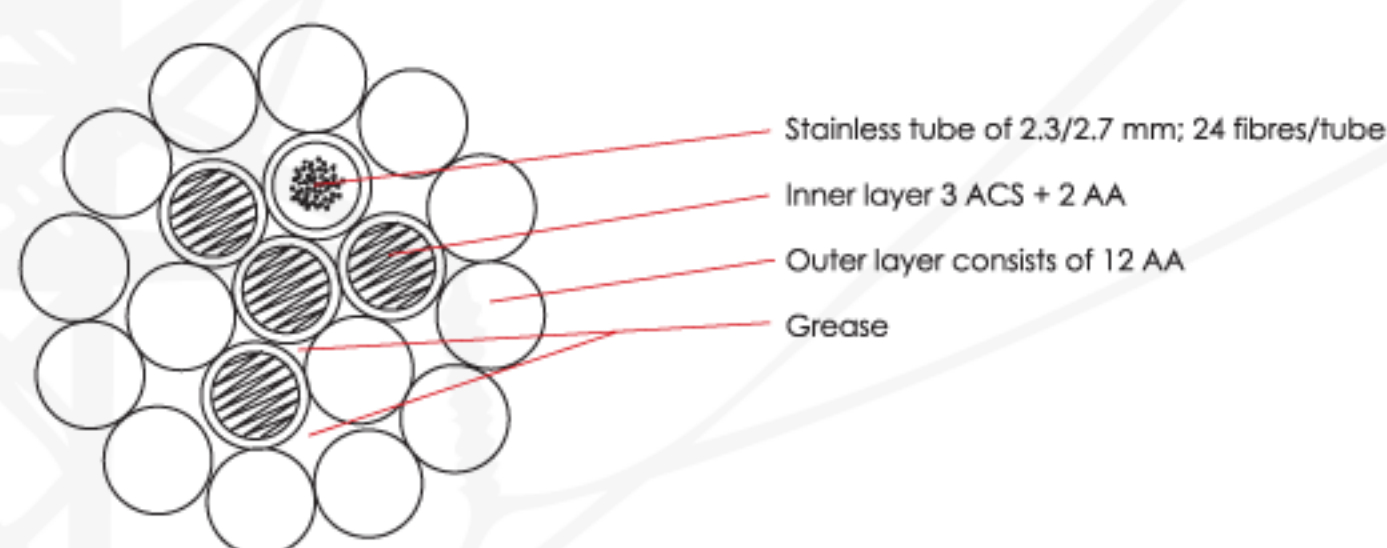
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The tube is filled with a water-repellent filling compound.

Central element	: 1 ACS wires (20SA)	: 2.75 mm
First layer	: 1 stainless steel tube	: 2.7 mm
	: 3 ACS wires (20SA)	: 2.75 mm
	: 2 aluminium alloy (AA) wires	: 2.75 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Left "
Second layer	: 12 aluminium alloy (AA) wires	: 2.75 mm
	: Direction layer	: "Right "
Grease to IEC	: The interstices of the cable core are filled with grease according 1089 ANNEX C figure C.2	

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## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Number of tubes	1	
Number of fibres / tube	24	
Cable Ø	13.75	mm
Cable weight	412	kg/km
Supporting cross-section	106.9	mm <sup>2</sup>
AA cross-section	83.15	mm <sup>2</sup>
ACS cross-section	23.67	mm <sup>2</sup>
Calculated breaking load (UTS)	53.1	kN
Modulus of elasticity	80.67	kN/mm <sup>2</sup>
Coefficient of thermal expansion .10 <sup>-6</sup>	18.54	1/K
Permissible tensile stress acc.		
Everyday stress	79.5	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Maximum tensile stress	208.6	N/mm <sup>2</sup>
Endurance tensile stress	357.5	N/mm <sup>2</sup>

Other types can be provided upon specified request.

Nominal short-time current IEC 724 at		
Initial/Final temperature 40 / 200 °C	14.0	kA, 0.5 s.
D.C. resistance at 20 °C	0.360	Ω/km
Transport, storage, operation	- 40 to + 80	°C
Installation	- 10 to + 50	°C

### OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS (CABLED MAX. VALUES)

Fibre type		Single mode	
Acc. to specification		ITU-T G.652	
Mode field diameter		9.2 ± 0.5	µm
Cladding diameter		125 ± 1	µm
Coating diameter		245 ± 10	µm
Wavelength	1310	1285-1330	1550
Attenuation coefficient		0.38	0.40
Dispersion		-	3.5
PMD		0.5	

### FIBRE COLOURING

Fibre No.	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fibre colour	Blue	Orange	Green	Brown	Grey	White
Fibre No.	7	8	9	10	11	12
Fibre colour	Red	Black	Yellow	Violet	Rose	Turquoise

Customised colouring upon request

### BINDER YARN COLOURING

Fibre bundle	1	2
Yarn colour	Blue	Orange

### TESTING AND INSPECTION

Testing will comprise the following:

Optical characteristics (each cable length)	Attenuation (Single mode at 1310 / 1550nm)
Mechanical characteristics	Diameter of cable
Electrical characteristics	DC resistance
Visual inspection of cable	Colouring / markings of fibres / tubes

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### PACKING

Standard length	≥ 3000	m
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Sealing of cable ends	To prevent ingress of moisture the cable ends are sealed with heat shrinkable end caps.	
Protection / Packing	The reel shall be lagged with strong wooden battens so as to prevent the OPGW from damage in ordinary handling and shipping.	

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## OPGW INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

### INTRODUCTION

We as (Elsewedy Cables) one of the most advanced and leading cables manufacturer in the Middle East & Africa has a great history in engineering, implementing and managing major fiber optic networks in Egypt thanks to our well established partnership with our principles all over the world. Our major business partner is DRAKA NKF TELECOM (Netherlands) for producing Optical Ground Wires (OPGW). Due to the necessity of having OPGW, we decide to start to produce, instal and maintain the OPGW by doing the relenat servcice on turn-key bases.

Elsewddy Cables frame, mainly, outlines the OPGW & Optical fiber cables in an evolved, innovated, state-of-the Art and latest technology Modules. The advanced Technology provided reflects wide latitude of matching and conformity with the supper design and luxury planning.

Generally, Elsewedy Cables follows the customer's specification to meet the stated requirements. We are offering our inhouse produced OPGW cables as, a perfect match solution to the required specifications with much more features to serve the advanced telecommunication application through optical fibers..

Furthermore, we cover the customer's scope of supply completely with state-of ñthe art technology of OPGW, optical fiber cables, fittings and accessories to fullfil the projects turn-key activities.

### INSTALLATION OF OPGW CABLES

Important factors to be taken into account during stringing  
The general method of installation is shown in Figure 2.

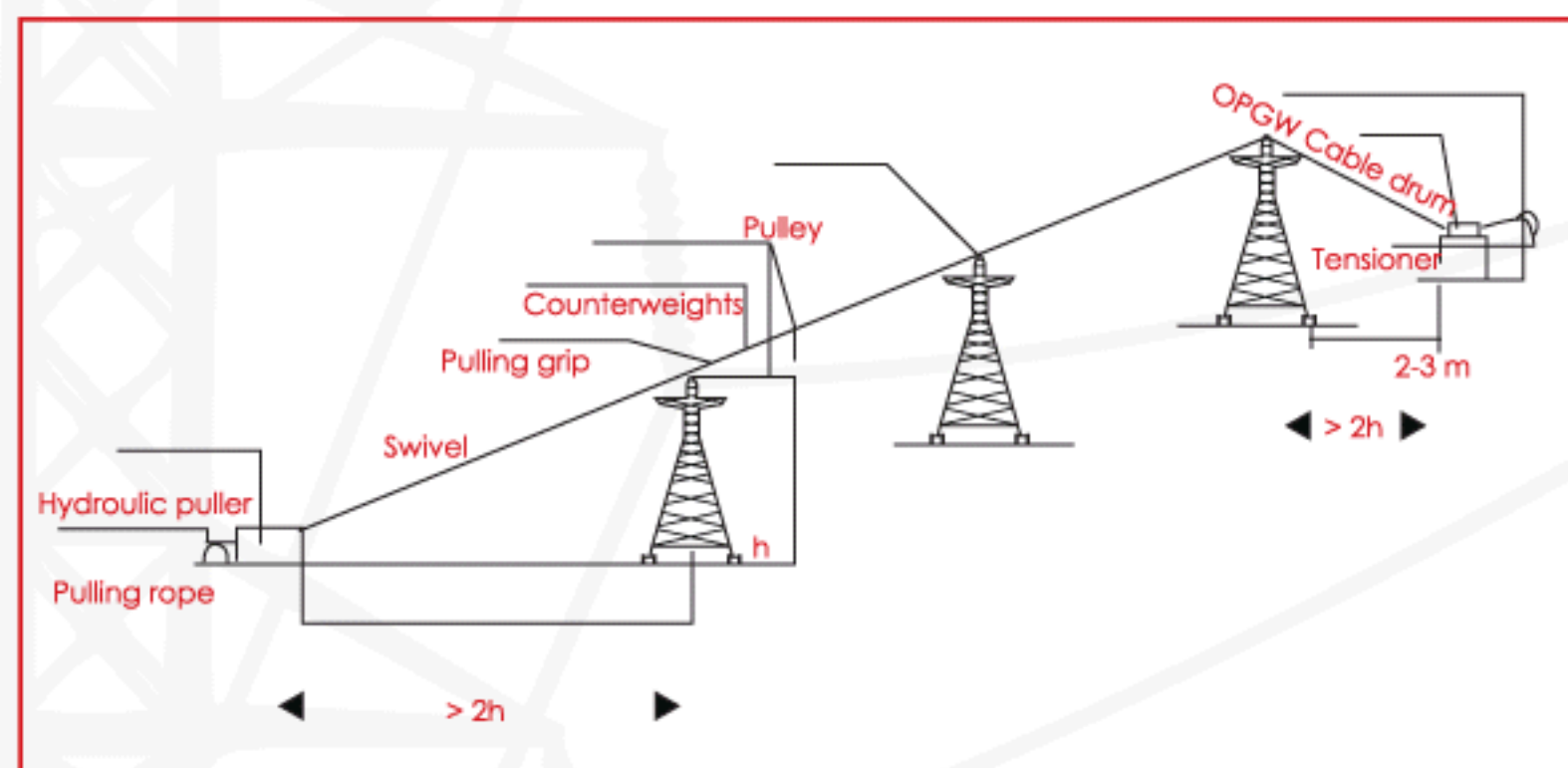


Fig. 2

As a rule, one drum at a time of OPGW cable is installed. In case of any difficulties, the Egytech Cables El Sewedy supervisors have to be contacted. He will give the correct guidelines to proceed with the OPGW cable installation.

Please refer to figure 3 to 7 to see the installation tools, components and elements.



Fig. 3: Swivel



Fig. 4: Pulley



Fig. 5: Pulling grip



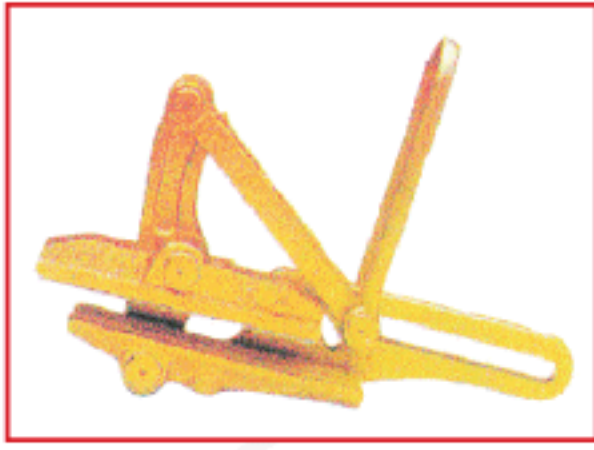


Fig. 6: Clamp



Fig. 7: Pulling Rope

## 1 BASIC CONTROLS

Strict controls must be established during installation to ensure that it is performed correctly, without excess tension, twist of the OPGW, unsuitable compression, regulating a correct sagging. Neither the fibers nor the Fibers tube (Stainless Steel Tube or Aluminum Tube) will be damaged.

The tensioner and the puller should be placed at a distance from the first tower pulley which is equivalent to at least twice the height of the pulley (see figure 2 and figure 8).



Location of tensioner and drum  
Fig. 8

Intermediate control points should be established, with the necessary precautions that are required at critical points during installation (beginning/end of drum, angles, etc.).

During installation, the OPGW cable should not strike nor graze any objects other than the pulleys.

No obstacles must prevent the pulleys from rotating in the correct way.

The minimum bending / twisting radius must be controlled during all installation operations. Please refer to figure 9 for anti – twisting devices.



Fig. 9

Ensure that the metal part of the pulleys do not make contact with the cable to prevent it from being damaged.



## 2 STRINGING SPEED

The maximum permissible stringing speed is 40 meters per minute. It always depends on the stringing conditions and must be reduced to avoid damages to the optical fibers, the aluminum tube and the OPGW cable.

## 3 PULLING TENSION

The recommended pulling tension shall be lower than 1.5 times the weight (kg) of 1 km OPGW cable length.

## 4 MINIMUM BENDING RADIUS

The minimum bending radius is in the whole situations as follows:

- |                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| • on tensioner reels  | 40 times the cable diameter |
| • during installation | 400 mm                      |
| • after installation  | 20 times the cable diameter |

Please refer to figure 10 for puller / tensioner machines and figure 11 to see the Ground connection of the OPGW cable at the tensioner outlet.

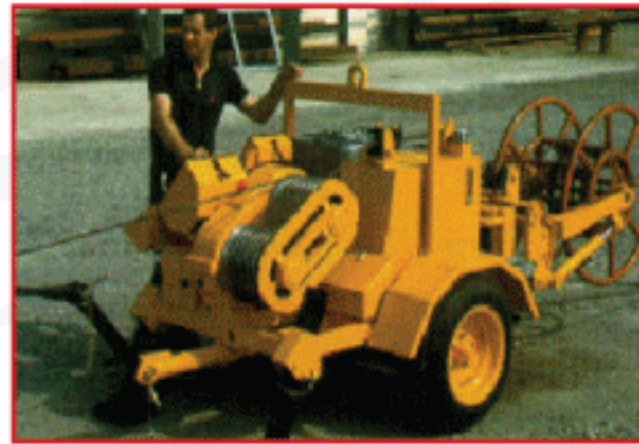


Fig. 10

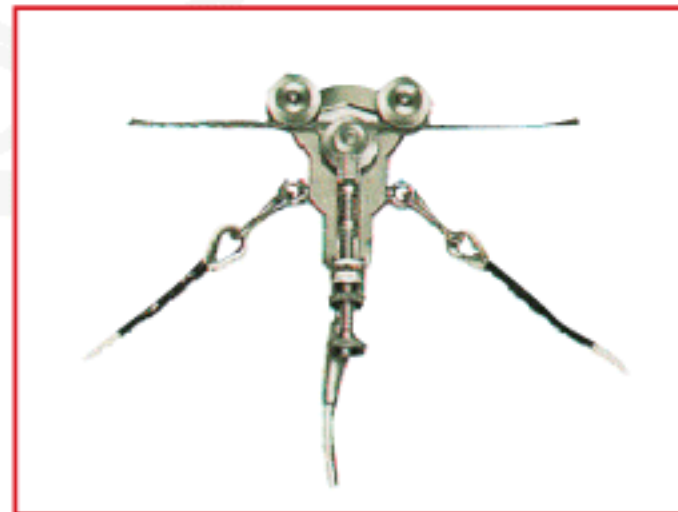


Fig. 11

## 5 COMMUNICATIONS DURING STRINGING

The personnel located at the puller, the tensioner, the pulley crossings and the cable ends are in communication at all times by communication system.

## 6 SAGGING OF THE CABLE

Generally, the methods used to obtain the correct sag values of the OPGW cables are the same used for conventional ground wire cables. The specific recommendations are as follows:

Pulling is performed by a preformed fitting or tension clamp (in intermediate spans) or with the pull jacket at the end.

Sagging of the cable and fittings installation are always performed after stringing. At this time, the attachment fittings are also installed to prevent damage to the OPGW cable.



The installer is responsible for any damage to the OPGW cable that may occur due to failure caused by incorrect application of the previous points.

If the tension and sags are different from the expected values, the stringing or sagging should be halted. The Egytech Cables supervisor and the project leader will be consulted in order to safely continue the installation operations.

## **7 INSTALLATION OF FITTINGS AND ACCESSORIES**

The fittings: tension clamps, suspensions, earthing clamps, dampers, etc. should be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and using the appropriate tools.

## **8 PERSONNEL TRAINING**

All personnel who participate in the installation of the OPGW cable should be informed of handling problems and installation procedures for the OPGW cable.

It is responsibility of the installer to assure the correct instruction to the whole personnel involved in the installation works.

## **9 SUPERVISION**

The supervisor designated by Egytech Cables El Sewedy will be responsible for ensuring compliance with all of the points indicated in this document as well as all required standards applicable to the specific installation.

The supervisor will communicate to Egytech Cables El Sewedy any non-conformity detected in the cable or cable installation procedures.

If a situation occurs that is not covered in the present installation procedure, whenever this occurs with an OPGW cable, the Supervisor will determine whether or not the action is correct.

The supervisor will request the installer to provide a descriptive list of the components to be used for installation. Moreover, he will verify that these components are sufficient and adequate.

## **10 SPLICES**

After the stringing of the OPGW and the optical measurements done after installation, the fibers inside OPGW cable will be spliced.

## **11 TRANSMISSION TEST DURING THE INSTALLATION PHASES**

Prior to as well as during the installation phases, the transmission characteristics of the fibre optic cables are verified in order to ensure proper installation and be sure that the final tests are within the specified range of tolerances.

## **12 MEASUREMENTS BEFORE OPGW CABLE INSTALLATION**

Prior to OPGW cable installation, each optical fibre is verified using OTDR.

The attenuation values recorded are registered in "Attenuation test during installation phase"

document and saved on an electronic diskette. This computer register is kept by Egytech Cables El Sewedy.

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## **13 SPLICES MEASUREMENT**

After splicing, each joint is optically verified using OTDR in order to ensure that the attenuation values are within the required margins.



The attenuation values recorded are registered in a document, "Splice attenuation test" and are also saved on an electronic diskette. This computer register is kept by EGYTECH CABLES EL SEWEDY. It is suitably identified and referenced.

#### 14 MEASUREMENTS AFTER INSTALLATION

After the cable has been installed, and prior to the splices, each of the cable fibers are verified once again using OTDR.

#### 15 FINAL ACCEPTANCE TEST

After installation, a final measurement of the transmission characteristics is done and the values are duly recorded. A copy of this document is submitted to the customer.

These measurements are also recorded and kept by EGYTECH CABLES EL SEWEDY.

#### 16 HEALTH & SAFETY

The supervisor designated by EGYTECH CABLES EL SEWEDY is responsible for compliance with the general Health and Safety standards for EGYTECH CABLES EL SEWEDY or the requirements stipulated by contract, if any.

#### 17 ENVIRONMENT

##### 17.1 WITHDRAWAL OF SPECIAL WASTE (TOXIC AND DANGEROUS)

If any type of special waste such as oil, grease, solvents, saturation of gloves or rags, etc. are produced during cable installation, proceed as follows:

- Place in heavy-duty carboys or steel drums, indicating what type of waste it is.

##### 17.2 WITHDRAWAL OF NON-SPECIAL OR INERT WASTE

- If there are excess materials or waste such as aluminum, optical fiber, plastic, wood, iron, etc., whenever possible, this should be sent to an authorized recycler or a controlled dumping ground.
- Regardless of the amount, the waste should never be abandoned. Moreover, the area should be cleaned when the work is finished.



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