

# Optical: Multi-fiber Push On (MPO)

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## Info

- MPO cables are typically 12 strands of singlemode or multimode fiber housed within a single jacket or trunk (other fiber counts are available). It has its own IEC spec.
- MTP is a brand name that falls within the MPO spec
- FS has a good [polarity how to](#) on their website (some of the below images came from FS)

## Hardware

### Optics

- 40G QSFP+ can have the ability to breakout into 4x10G interfaces
- See [FlexOptix PLR4](#)/QSFP+ 10G LR optics
- Juniper QSFP+ 10G LR breakout RX/TX mapping
  - interface 0 transmits on fiber strand #1 and receives on fiber strand #12

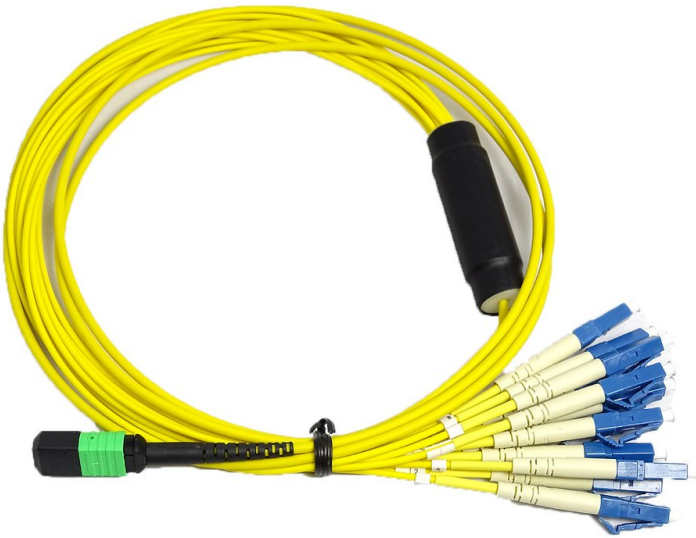
Strand	Router Interface	Interface Rx/Tx
1	0	Tx0 (Transmit)
2	1	Tx1 (Transmit)
3	2	Tx2 (Transmit)
4	3	Tx3 (Transmit)
5	Unused	Unused
6	Unused	Unused
7	Unused	Unused
8	Unused	Unused
9	3	Rx3 (Receive)
10	2	Rx2 (Receive)
11	1	Rx1 (Receive)
12	0	Rx0 (Receive)

### Cables

Description	Image
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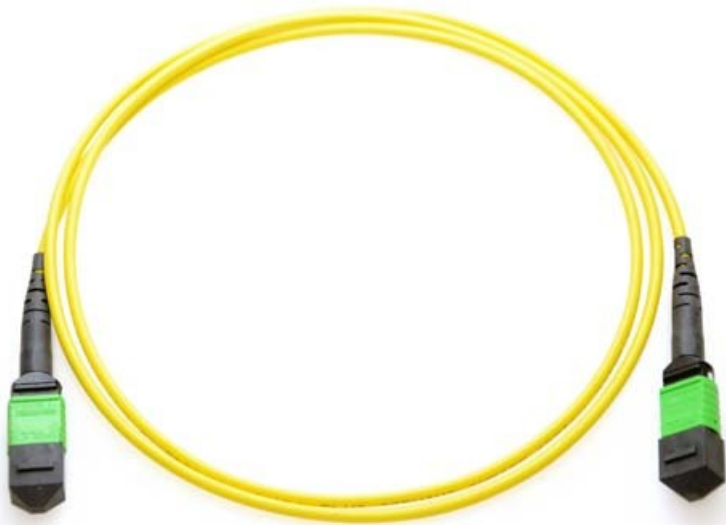
Example

SM APC MPO to SM UPC LC breakout cable

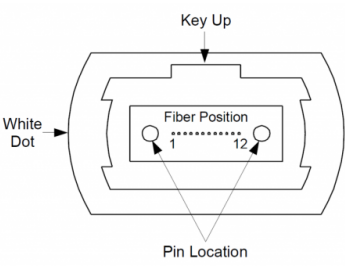
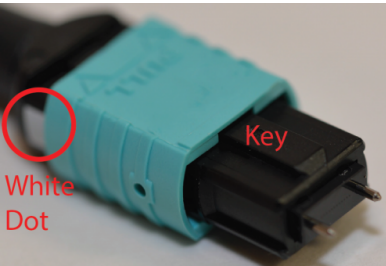


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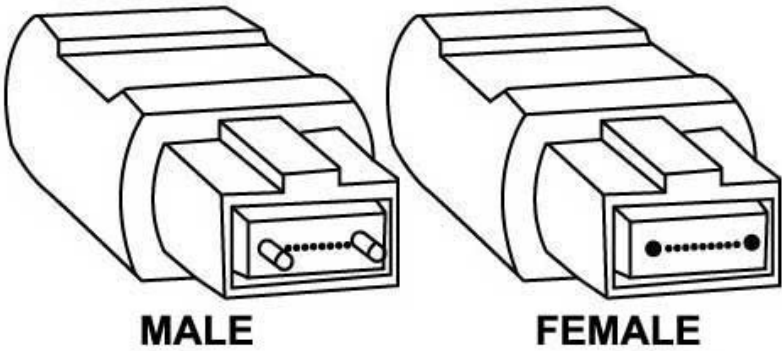


Key



Male vs Female

Coupled connectors must be matched male/female



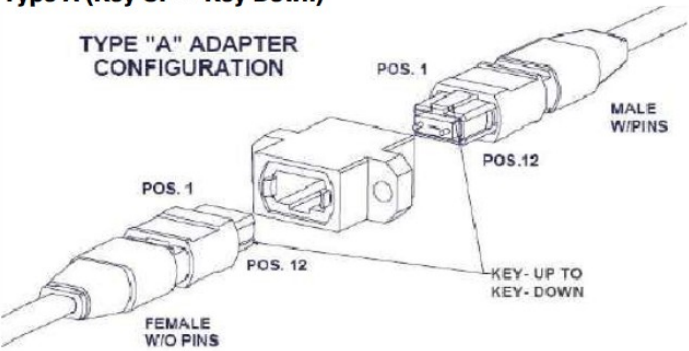
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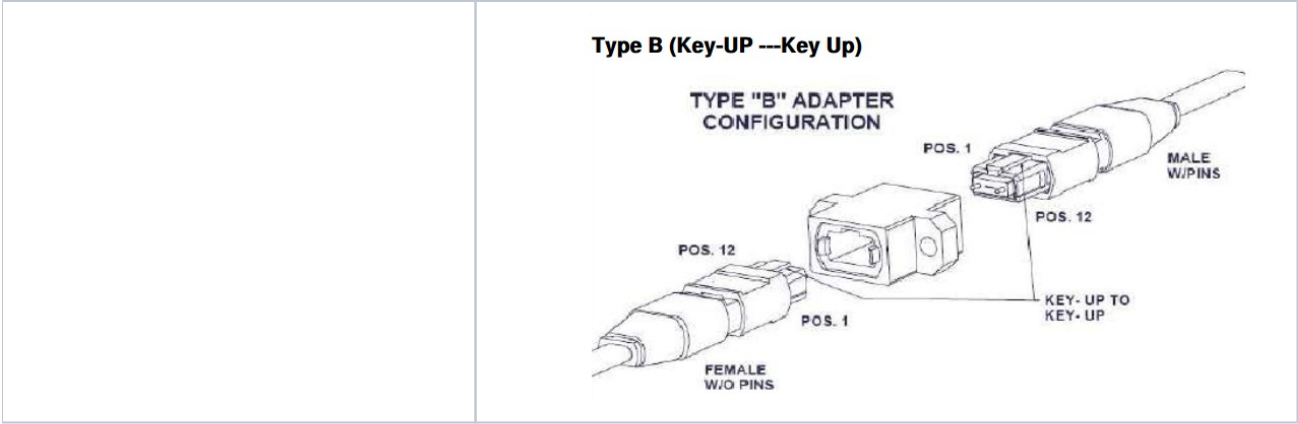


Couplers

**Type A (Key UP ---Key DOWN)**

**TYPE "A" ADAPTER CONFIGURATION**





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Note: Type B/Method B seems to be the standard cable type

Hardware	Requires	Notes
PLR4	MPO/MTP APC Female	Method B/Type B cable to connect MPO breakout boxes to PLR4
MPO QSFP+ 4x10G to LC Breakout Box	MPO/MTP APC Female	Method B/Type B cable to connect MPO breakout boxes to PLR4

To help item creation:

End A Type	Male/Female (M/F)	APC/UPC	End Z Type	Male/Female (M/F)	APC/UPC	Cable Type	Number of Fiber Strands (F)	Cable Length
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Example:  
MPO F APC to MPO F APC Type A 12F 6m = MPO Female pinned APC to MPO Female pinned APC Type A 12 strands 6 meters