SECTION 27 0553 - IDENTIFICATION FOR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS

Revise this Section by deleting and inserting text to meet Project-specific requirements.

This Section uses the term "Architect" or “Engineer.” Change this term to match that used to identify the design professional as defined in the General and Supplementary Conditions.

Verify that Section titles referenced in this Section are correct for this Project's Specifications; Section titles may have changed.

Delete hidden text after this Section has been edited for the Project.

1. GENERAL
   * + 1. RELATED DOCUMENTS
          1. The Contractor's attention is specifically directed, but not limited, to the following documents for additional requirements:

The current version of the *Uniform General Conditions for Construction Contracts*, State of Texas available on the web site of the Texas Facilities Commission.

The University of Houston’s Supplemental General Conditions and Special Conditions for Construction.

The University of Houston’s *Network Infrastructure Design Standards* (available at <https://uh.edu/infotech/services/computing/networks/network-infra-standards/>).

* + - 1. SUMMARY
         1. Section Includes:

Revise subparagraph(s) below to suit Project.

Documentation practices and requirements for Communications Systems

Required submittals

Approved manufacturers and parts

Detailed label requirements with examples

* + - * 1. This section defines the requirements for labeling telecommunications infrastructure as described on the Drawings and/or required by these Specifications.
      1. PREINSTALLATION MEETINGS
         1. Preconstruction Conference: Conduct conference at [**Project site**] <**Insert location**>. The Contractor and the Facilities Project Manager lead the meeting. The UIT Project Manager must be invited to the Preinstallation meetings.

Copy subparagraph below and edit for each activity required for preconstruction conference.

<**Insert activity**>.

* + - 1. SUBMITTAL ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS
         1. Follow the *Submittal Administrative Requirements* as statedin *Section 01 3300 Submittal Procedures*. For submittals to UIT, use electronic format only.
      2. ACTION SUBMITTALS
         1. None.
      3. INFORMATIONAL SUBMITTALS
         1. Product Data: For each type of product.
         2. Samples: For each type of label and sign to illustrate composition, size, colors, lettering style, mounting provisions, and graphic features of identification products.
         3. Identification Schedule:

Outlets: Scaled drawings indicating location and proposed designation.

Backbone Cabling: Riser diagram showing each Network Facility, backbone cable, and proposed backbone cable designation.

Racks: Scaled drawings indicating location and proposed designation.

* + - * 1. Patch Panels: Enlarged scaled drawings showing rack row, number, and proposed designations.
        2. Maintain telecommunications infrastructure records in a computer spreadsheet or database. PDF is not acceptable. Prepare a record for each backbone cable. The record shall show the cable name, describe the origin point, and destination point of the cable. The cable record shall record what services and/or connections are assigned to each cable pair or strand.
        3. Provide a complete and accurate set of As-built Drawings. In the As-built Drawings, record the identifiers for major infrastructure components including the pathways, spaces and wiring portions of the infrastructure, which may have separate drawings if warranted by the complexity of the installation or the scale of the Drawings.
      1. QUALITY ASSURANCE
         1. Identification and administration work described in this section shall comply with the latest applicable requirements as outlined in *Section 27 0500 Communications General Provisions*.
      2. TELECOMMUNICATIONS ADMINISTRATION
         1. All UH facilities shall apply and maintain a system for documenting and administering the telecommunications infrastructure.
         2. UH maintains a campus-wide labeling scheme for voice and data outlets and patch panels.

1. PRODUCTS

The paragraph and subparagraphs in this Article demonstrate the line spacing format for subparagraphs not subordinate to the preceding subparagraph.

* + - 1. PARTS AND MANUFACTURERS
         1. Refer to *Section 01 2500 Substitution Procedures* for variations from approved manufacturers or parts. **Obtain written approval from University Information Technology Network Services (UITNS) before requesting a substitution for work covered by *Division 27 Communications.***
         2. Network Facility Copper, Fiber, and Coax Backbone Cable Labels

Panduit #LS7-75NL-1

Brady #WML-1231-292

* + - * 1. Network Facility Copper, Fiber, and Coax Horizontal Cable Labels

Panduit #LS7-75NL-1

Brady #WML-317-292

* + - * 1. Work Area Copper, Fiber, and Coax Riser Cable Labels

Panduit #LS7-75NL-1

Brady #WML-317-292

* + - * 1. Patch Panel Labels

Panduit #LS7-38-1

Brady #CL-111-619

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1. EXECUTION
   * + 1. LABEL CHARACTERISTICS, STANDARDS AND CONVENTIONS
          1. Labels shall meet the legibility, defacement, exposure and adhesion requirements of UL 969 *Standard for Marking and Labeling Systems*.
          2. The labeling scheme shall meet or exceed the requirements of ANSI/TIA-606-C.
          3. Label materials shall meet all applicable fire codes.
          4. Labels shall be resistant to environmental factors (such as moisture, heat and ultraviolet light) and have a life span equal to or greater than that of the labeled item.
          5. All labels shall be preprinted or generated by a computer or mechanical device. Handwritten labels are not acceptable, except as described in the instructions for labeling faceplates.
          6. Outside plant labels shall remain waterproof even when submerged.
          7. Other types of labels, such as tie-on labels, may be used. However, the label must be appropriate for the environment in which it is used, and must be used in the manner intended by the manufacturer.
       2. LABELING PROCEDURES
          1. To be consistent with applicable standards and industry practices, labeling and color coding shall be applied to all telecommunications infrastructure components. A label shall carry a unique identifier that denotes a specific component. Color coding shall allow personnel to quickly identify how the component is used in the overall telecommunications infrastructure of the facility. Infrastructure to be labeled includes:

Copper and fiber optic outside plant cable, risers, horizontal (station) and patch cables.

Racks, cabinets and patch panels.

* + - * 1. Visibility and durability

Select size, color and contrast of all labels that will assure that the identifiers are easily read.

Labels should be visible during the installation and normal maintenance of the infrastructure.

Where insert-type labels are used, provide a clear plastic cover over the label.

For labels applied directly to a cable, apply a clear vinyl wrapping over the label and around the cable to permanently affix the label.

* + - 1. LABEL INFORMATION CONTENT
         1. Fiber Optic Cable: Outside Plant (OSP)

At each end

Far-end building number and name (or standard abbreviation, if insufficient space)

Single-mode or Multimode

Strand count

At points where cable enters/exits tunnel or conduit (place label within 12 – 36 inches of tunnel or conduit, or nearest point that is clearly visible)

Building number and name at both ends (with the network uplink end first)

Strand count

Along the length at 100-foot intervals, or nearest point that is clearly visible

Building number and name at both ends (with the network uplink end first)

Strand count

* + - * 1. Fiber Optic Termination Panels: OSP

At each end

Far-end building number and name

Single-mode or Multimode

Strand count

Additional instructions

Use both machine printed labels AND manufacturer’s color coding on ferrules to denote single-mode fiber or multimode fiber

Yellow = Single-mode

Orange = Multimode

On each separate 6 or 12-strand panel insert, place a factory label with the panel number

On each strand’s termination, place a factory label, or installer-applied machine-printed label with the strand number for that cable

If there is a factory supplied label for the door or cover, use it to record cable numbers and strand number

* + - * 1. Fiber Optic Cable: Risers

At each end (Entrance Facility and its interconnecting equipment or Intermediate Distribution Frame (IDF))

Far-end Entrance Facility, equipment or IDF room number

Single-mode or Multimode

Strand count

Note: Sometimes a small building or facility may be fed from a primary building and treated as equipment to the primary building. In such cases, label the riser cable (may require an OSP-rated cable) as described here.

* + - * 1. Fiber Optic Termination Panels: Risers

At each end

Far-end Entrance Facility, equipment or IDF room number

Single-mode or Multimode

Strand count

Additional instructions

On each separate 6- or 12-strand panel insert, place a factory label with the panel number

On each strand’s termination, place a factory label, or installer-applied machine-printed label with the strand number for that cable

* + - * 1. Copper Cable: OSP or Feeder

At each end

Far-end building number and name

Pair count

At points where cable enters/exits the tunnel or conduit (place label within 12 – 36 inches of tunnel or conduit, or nearest point that is clearly visible)

Building number and name at both ends (with the network uplink end first)

Pair count

Along the length at 100-foot intervals (or nearest point that is clearly visible), and at every turn in a location

Building number and name at both ends (with the network uplink end first)

Pair count

Protector block at each end

Cable number (supplied by UITNS)

Far-end building number and name

Pair count

* + - * 1. Copper Cable: Risers

At each end (Entrance Facility and its interconnecting equipment or IDF)

Far-end Entrance Facility, equipment or IDF room number

Pair count

* + - * 1. Copper Termination Panels: Risers

At each end

Far-end Entrance Facility, equipment or IDF room number

At the point where individual pairs are terminated

Label every fifth pair point

* + - * 1. Horizontal (Station) Cable — Fiber Optic or Copper

At each end (behind the faceplate and on the patch panel)

Far-end equipment or IDF room number

Cable number (shall match the number on the patch panel and faceplate)

On the faceplate

Mark with an ultra-fine tip, black, permanent Sharpie®, then cover with a machine printed label

Room number: upper left corner of the plate

Cable number: directly below (preferred) or next to the jack

If fiber optic, also specify Single-mode or Multimode

At the equipment or IDF patch panel

Cable number

Room number: below the cable number

Note: In the Network Facilities (NFs), after the first panel has been filled (1-48), label additional panels in continuous sequence (49-96, etc.).

* + - * 1. Patch Cables — Fiber Optic or Copper

At each end

Source and destination

* + - * 1. Wireless Access Points (WAPs) and Associated Jacks

WAP

Label each WAP in a visible area on the device, to be readable from the ground with no magnification

IDF number

MAC address (last 6 digits)

AP number

EXAMPLE:  NF-300 C4:99:46 AP-48

Jack

Label WAP jacks on the ceiling grid

IDF number

Jack number

* + - * 1. Cameras

To be labeled with these elements, separated by hyphens:

IDF number

Patch panel id

Number of the nearest room/door

EXAMPLE:  109-B19-113

Onscreen labeling

Room name and/or number or object viewed (shall match camera schedule and schematics)

* + - * 1. Network Video Recorders (NVRs)

Label on the inside of the front cover panel

The host name = building number-building name-NVR series number as a single word. Example: 405 ERP NVR 1

The host IP address.

Configuration requirements

Do not change the default admin login credentials until final testing and acceptance by UITNS and Campus Safety are completed.

Host name (see above)

DNS Server addresses = 172.21.12.1 and 172.21.12.17

Enable time sync to ns1.uh.edu

* + - * 1. Circuit Breaker Panels and Electrical Outlets

All telecommunications circuits are to be clearly labeled on circuit breaker panels and the circuit id number to be on the face plate of the outlet in the NFs.

* + - 1. EXAMPLES
         1. Fiber Labeling (see Fiber Labeling Illustration and example, below)

There shall be three areas labeled on each fiber panel:

Above the individual columns on label panel

Above the letters on each column

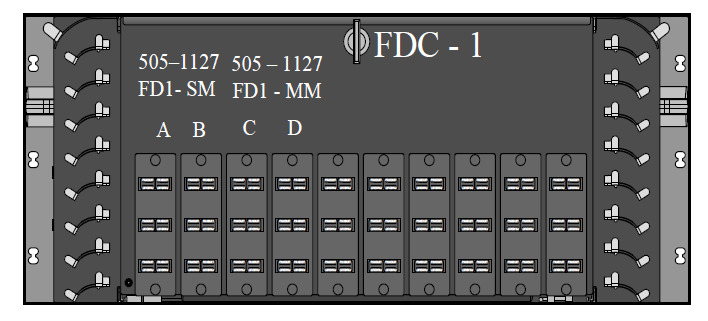
First line: Destination building number - Destination NF room number

Second line: Destination fiber distribution cabinet - fiber type

On each line in each column, individual labels for each fiber port

Destination panel - Destination fiber port - Destination color

Fiber Labeling Illustration



Typical Fiber Colors and Pair Designation

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Blue: Bl | Orange: O | Red: R | Black: B |
| Green: G | Brown: Br | Yellow: Y | Violet: V |
| Slate: S | White: W | Cyan: C | Rose: Ro |

Fiber Labeling Example

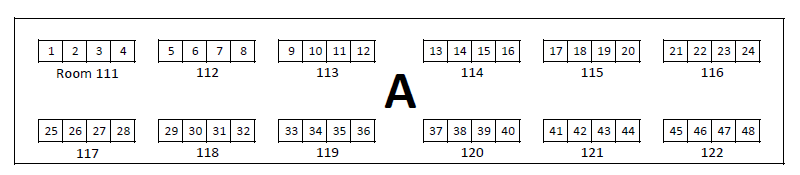
|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 505-1127 | Label the front of each fiber optic distribution box with FD-sequence number.  EXAMPLE: FD1 |
| A |
| A1-Bl |
| A2-O |
| A3-G |

* + - * 1. Copper Labeling (see Copper Labeling Illustration, below)

Each patch panel will have an alphanumeric designation

Jack: each jack number on the patch panel will be determined by room number along with the panel and port designation as shown.

Copper Labeling Illustration

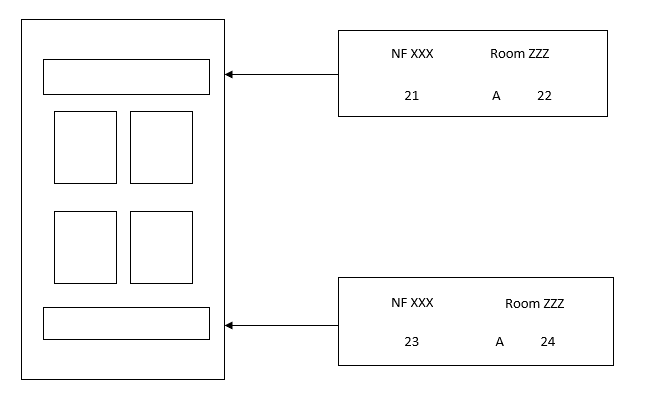


* + - * 1. Office Faceplates (see Office Faceplate Labeling Illustration, below)

First line: NF room number and the room number of the communications outlet

Second line: first jack number followed by the panel letter followed by the second jack number

Office Faceplate Labeling Illustration



* + - * 1. Patch Cords

Panel number — Jack number — Switch number — Port number

Label each end of the cable

Patch Cord Example

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| A23-SW1- P11-17 |

* + - * 1. Racks

Label the top of each rack with the rack number

Rack Example

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| Rack 1 |

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