

Section 27100- TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Part 1 - General

- 1.1 The scope of this project includes providing all material and labor to install a complete telecommunication system. The systems shall include riser cables, station wiring, terminations, and termination devices.
- 1.2 In any case where the specifications or drawings are not perfectly clear to contractors submitting a proposal, it is the responsibility of the contractor to obtain clarification from UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering. The drawings are diagrammatic and are not complete in every detail. The contractor shall be responsible for determining how to perform all indicated work included in the scope of the project and shall not make any additional charges for any work or material required for a complete installation. The drawings and specifications are complementary, and what is called for on one shall be binding as if called for by both.

1.3 General Requirements

- 1.3.1 Codes & License Compliance: The completed installation shall be in compliance with all applicable electrical and fire codes and ordinances, the Williams-Steiger Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, and University Standards.
- 1.3.2 Telecommunications contractor must have a current L67 Low Voltage Communications Systems license, and have held the license for a minimum of 4 years, and be Panduit Certified. Only contractors approved by UITS-Infrastructure Engineering will be permitted to perform telecommunications installation work on campus.
- 1.3.3 New & Listed Materials: All materials shall be new and shall be listed as being suitable for the purpose by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. or equivalent testing agency known to and approved by the University.
- 1.3.4 Workmanship: All work shall be executed according to these specifications in a workmanlike manner and shall present a neat mechanical appearance when complete.
- 1.3.5 Quality Assurance: At least one person directly employed by the prime contractor shall be on site daily to monitor the daily activities of workers to assure the quality of the work performed.
- 1.3.6 Acceptance Inspection: All work must pass functional and workmanship inspections prior to acceptance. The contractor shall make all required corrections, at no additional cost, before the system is put into service.
- 1.3.7 Clean up & Repair: Contractor shall be responsible for clean up and repair of job site. Damaged false ceilings, pencil or chalk marks, hand prints, gouges and tool makers, plaster dust, etc. shall be repaired, cleaned, removed, or painted as required. Penetrated fire barriers shall be resealed in an approved manner.
- 1.3.8 Submittal: (2 copies required). Complete materials lists, manufacturer's literature, required drawings, and other required information shall be submitted for approval no less than 10 working days before such materials are required to be ordered for the work. UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering must approve submittal prior to starting the installation.
- 1.3.9 Guarantee: Upon completion of the work and acceptance by the University, the contractor shall submit his warranty effective for one year guaranteeing to replace without additional cost to the University any work or material which is found to be defective within the warranty period.
- 1.3.10 As-Built Drawings & Documents: The contractor shall maintain daily up to date specifications and drawings. The contractor shall submit to UITS-Infrastructure Services a complete set of As-Built drawings showing the location and identification number of all jacks installed as part of the project. As-Built drawings shall be submitted in both hard-copy and AutoCAD format.
- 1.3.11 Changes: No changes shall be made from the work as called for by these specifications and drawings, except by a written order approved by UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering.
- 1.3.12 Splicing: All cable splicing must be done by a qualified cable splicer, with a minimum of 5 years experience splicing large pair count copper cables. The cable splicer's name and qualifications must be submitted to UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering for verification and approval prior to any splicing work. Provide a minimum of 48 hours advance notice to UITS-Infrastructure Services

- prior to performing any splicing to existing campus cabling infrastructure.
- 1.3.13 Grounding for telecommunications systems and equipment shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the most recent version of the National Electrical Code, and with The University of Arizona DSS Manual Specification Section 16450.
 - 1.3.14 Equipment shall be installed in such a manner that it does not impede the spray pattern of fire sprinkler heads.

Part 2 - Description of Work

2.1 Telecom Room Build-Out:

- 2.1.1 Vertical cable runs are to be supported at a maximum of 5 ft. centers. Horizontal cable runs are to be supported at a maximum of 3 ft. centers.
- 2.1.2 Horizontal station cable terminations shall be marked with final University room numbers. Obtain entry cable and riser cable pair count information from UITS Infrastructure Services Engineering.
- 2.1.3 Metal closed loop D-rings (2, 4, and 6 inch as required) shall be installed in quantities sufficient to produce an orderly quality cable and wire installation for vertical runs within telecommunications rooms (note that D-rings are not an acceptable means of horizontal cable support). Distributing posts are not acceptable.
- 2.1.4 Cables shall be routed in such a way as to minimize interference with cross connect wiring and future equipment additions. D-rings shall be utilized to route cable away from the top and bottom of the terminal blocks. Entrance cable shall be routed to and terminated to the bottom group of termination blocks. Horizontal distribution cables shall be routed to and terminated to the top group of termination blocks.
- 2.1.5 Cable management D-rings, brackets, and horizontal and vertical cable managers shall be installed to maintain an orderly appearance for cable or wires running between backboards or to common equipment.
- 2.1.6 Riser cable splice cases are not considered part of a TTB, and shall be located so as not to interfere with backboards or common equipment.
- 2.1.7 All wall mounted equipment shall be securely fastened to the TTB/DTB. Suspension by connection to other equipment is not acceptable.
- 2.1.8 Complete telecommunication room layout drawings shall be included as part of the project submittal. Layout shall be designed to allow all four walls of the telecommunications room to be used for mounting telecommunications equipment.
- 2.1.9 Equipment racks, cable runway and other conductive equipment shall be grounded with a minimum #6 AWG connection to the ground bus in each telecom room.
- 2.1.10 When ceiling distribution systems are used, design the closets with adequate conduit or openings through beams or other obstructions into the accessible ceiling space.
- 2.1.11 Provide a No. 6 AWG minimum ground wire in each closet. Terminate ground wire to a 6 inch copper buss bar which has provisions for additional ground connections. Terminate ground wire to a 6 inch copper buss bar which has provisions for additional ground connections.
- 2.1.12 Line all walls with 3/4 inch, 4 ft. X 8 ft. A-C grade plywood. Plywood shall be treated on all sides with at least two coats of fire resistant paint (white).
- 2.1.13 Provide fire stops for cable tray system and riser system as required by code. Putty type fire stop material is to be used as required for all conduits and sleeves. Pillow type fire stops are only acceptable for cable tray penetrations.

2.2 Entrance Cabling:

- 2.2.1 Copper entrance cabling shall be PE-39, Type ANMW, ASP, filled, direct burial, 24 AWG solid conductor, with REA color code.
 - 2.2.1.1 Splice cases and/or closures shall be provided as required, with prior-approval by submittal required. Provide transition splice to non-filled cable prior to building entrance termination.
 - 2.2.1.2 Copper entrance cabling shall be provided with station protectors installed in accordance with NEC 800 requirements.
 - 2.2.1.3 Ground entrance cable shield to an approved provable ground as close to the entrance as possible in accordance with NEC requirements.

- 2.2.1.4 Terminal blocks shall be permanently marked with pair count numbers for entry cable terminations.
- 2.2.2 Optical Fiber Entrance Cable: Entrance cables shall be loose tube gel-free, interlocking armored cables, indoor/outdoor riser rated, singlemode 8.2/125 Micron, 900 Micron buffered with a minimum LED bandwidth 1500/500 Mhz*km. Entrance fiber shall be terminated on a rack mount enclosure.
- 2.2.3 Outside plant optical fiber backbone cables shall be single armor, double jacket, gel-free, with strand count and type as specified in the project plans and/or specifications.
- 2.2.3.1 Ground entrance cable shield to an approved provable ground as close to the entrance as possible in accordance with NEC requirements.
- 2.2.4 All fiber optic connectors shall be ST ceramic tip type.
- 2.2.5 All fiber optic cable splicing shall be done using the fusion splice method.

2.3 Riser Cabling:

- 2.3.1 Fiber Optic Riser Cable shall be OFNR or OFNP, tight buffered. Multimode shall be 62.5/125 micron, with minimum guaranteed gigabit Ethernet performance distance of 300m at 850nm and 550m at 1300nm. Singlemode shall be 8.2/125 micron, 900 micron, with maximum attenuation of 1.0dB/km at 1310nm and 0.75dB/km at 1550nm. All singlemode optical fiber cable shall use Corning SMF28e glass. Terminate on a rack mounted enclosure.
- 2.3.2 Multi-pair copper riser cable shall be shielded, type ARMM, 24AWG, solid conductor, Cat. 3 rated, terminated on 110 blocks.
- 2.3.3 Four pair copper riser cable shall be Cat. 6 rated, as specified for Cat. 6 station cabling, terminated on patch panels.

2.4 Station Wiring:

- 2.4.1 Provide a quad frame for each outlet, with blank inserts provided for unused openings. HORIZONTAL STATION WIRING MUST BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH EIA/TIA-568B HORIZONTAL WIRING DISTANCE SPECIFICATIONS. The maximum horizontal cable length shall be 90 meters (295 ft). This is the cable length from the mechanical termination of the media in the telecommunications closet to the telecommunications outlet in the work area. The distance maximum includes all wiring that is part of the horizontal wiring. Provide 12 in. of cable slack at each outlet, plus an additional 10 ft. of slack in the telecommunications room, neatly arranged in a loop above (not on) the TTB.
- 2.4.2 Station wiring and termination equipment shall be rated Category 6 for all new construction, or in existing facilities where the predominant cabling is Category 6. In existing facilities where the predominant cabling is Category 5e or older, Category 5e wiring and termination equipment shall be provided unless specifically noted otherwise in the project plans and/or specifications.
- 2.4.3 Station cable shall be 4 pair, solid conductor, REA color code, plenum rated, UL Listed type "CMP" w/FEP insulation. Cable must comply with EIA/TIA 568B. NOTE: Cables not having FEP insulation on all four pairs are not acceptable.
- 2.4.4 Outlet jack shall be an eight position modular jack meeting the specifications of FCC Regulations Part 68.500. All jacks shall be wired according to the T568B wiring schematic.
- 2.4.5 Station cable must not be spliced. Cable runs are to be direct home runs to the IDF and shall not pass through any other station outlet box. The cable bend radius for station cabling shall not be less than four times the outside diameter of the cable.
- 2.4.6 Install cables in conduit, and raceways as specified and supplied and installed by the electrical contractor. All conduits and sleeves shall have insulated bushings installed to protect wire and cables from damage. Installed cables shall not be bundled together.
- 2.4.7 Station cable and wiring shall comply with EIA/TIA 568B, standards. (UTP Category 6 or 5e)
- 2.4.8 Install and terminate fiber optic cable station cabling where specifically indicated in the project plans and/or specifications.

2.5 Wiring Practices:

- 2.5.1 Station cables shall terminate on a rack mounted patch panel, in a single unified field (no separate voice and data fields). Terminations performed in existing locations without patch panels may utilize 110 style terminations unless the project plans and/or specifications specifically require patch panel installation.
- 2.5.2 Cable and wire above ceiling shall be run parallel or perpendicular to the walls. Diagonal runs will not be accepted. Riser cables shall be run parallel to riser system. Do not install cables in close proximity to fixtures or equipment that may cause RFI or EMI. To reduce the effects of EMI, the following minimum distances shall be adhered to:
 - 5" from power lines of 2kVA or less.
 - 18" from high voltage lighting (including fluorescent).
 - 39" from transformers, motors, and power lines of 5kVA or greater
- 2.5.3 Cables and wire shall not be attached to conduit, pipes, ceiling grid/hanger wire, light fixture hangers, HVAC duct work, etc.
- 2.5.4 All horizontal UTP cable shall be pulled by hand. During pulling operation, an adequate number of workers shall be present to allow cable observation at all points of raceway entry and exit, as well as the point at which cable is "payed out" from the box or reel, and around corners.
- 2.5.5 Pull cables in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and ANSI/IEEE C2 Standards. Manufacturer recommendations shall be part of cable submittal. Recommended pulling tensions and bend radius shall not be exceeded. Any cables bent or kinked to radius less than recommended dimensions are not allowed and shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.
- 2.5.6 Cables that show signs of being bent or kinked beyond recommendations then straightened are also not allowed and shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.
- 2.5.7 Cables that show damage to the jacket in any manner shall be replaced at no expense to the owner.
- 2.5.8 Cable and wire above ceiling shall be suspended from approved hangers as required and be routed as close to upper ceiling as practical. Supports shall be installed at a maximum of 3 ft. centers using metal "J" hooks or other supports meeting or exceeding Category 5e installation requirements. "D" rings shall not be installed as a means of horizontal cable support
- 2.5.9 Cables shall not be installed in a manner such that they rest upon ceiling tiles, mechanical equipment, and shall not be tie-wrapped to conduit or piping.

2.6 Raceway Requirements:

- 2.6.1 Conduit fill: In new installations, conduit fill shall not exceed 50%. In retrofit installations, conduit fill may exceed 50% provided that the necessary pulling tension does not exceed the cable rating, and that compression of the cable jacket does not occur.
- 2.6.2 All conduits and sleeves must have UL approved insulated end bushings installed prior to installation of cables or station wire.
- 2.6.3 All riser sleeves/conduits and penetrations of fire rated partitions shall be fire stopped using approved methods and materials.
- 2.6.4 All cables shall be installed in compliance with manufacturers pull tension and bend radius specifications.
- 2.6.5 Station cable (voice & data), shall have individual pair twists preserved to point of termination. Cable jacket and inter-pair twists shall be continuous to within ½" of termination. Cables should not be routed in tightly cinched bundles. Avoid over-tensioning or twisting cable during installation.
- 2.6.6 Wall boxes shall be flush mounted, standard metal 4 inch square, deep type, with a single gang plaster ring. Conduit from the wall box shall be concealed and stubbed out above accessible ceiling, to riser closet, or to the telecommunications cable tray. Conduit shall be 1" minimum. Conduit end shall be fitted with a UL approved insulated bushing.
- 2.6.7 Any additional service requirements that will not operate over the standard University building telephone/data wiring shall use a completely separate conduit and wall outlet.

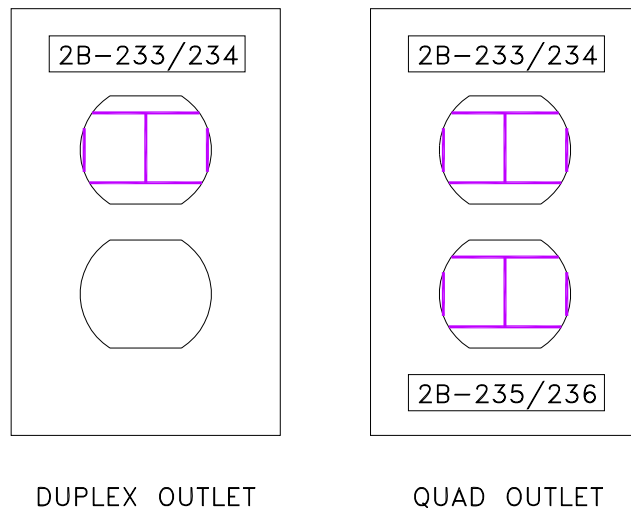
2.7 Cable Tray

- 2.7.1 Cable trays are for the containment of telecommunications cables and shall be installed in accordance with applicable electrical codes. Cable tray shall be bonded to ground.

- 2.7.2 System shall be designed and installed to allow accessibility for adds, moves, and changes.
- 2.7.3 A standard prefabricated ladder type cable tray consisting of solid side panels and side rails connected by individual transverse members, or an approved wire basket type tray shall be used. Ladder type trays shall use standard prefabricated elbows, reducers, crossovers, tees, and elevation change tray sections as required.
- 2.7.4 Trays may be supported by cantilever brackets, trapeze, or individual rod suspension. Supports shall be installed on five foot centers maximum. A support shall be placed within two feet on each side of any connection to a fitting. Center hung supports shall be used only with prior approval from UITS Infrastructure Services Engineering.
- 2.7.5 The inside of the cable tray shall be free of burrs, sharp edges, and projections that can damage cable insulation.
- 2.7.6 A minimum of 12 inch access headroom shall be provided and maintained above the complete cable tray system. Cable trays must have adequate side access for initial cable installation and for future cable adds, moves, and changes.
- 2.7.7 Cable tray "tees" and 90's shall have wide radius junctions.
- 2.7.8 Care should be taken to ensure that other building components do not restrict access to the cable tray.
- 2.7.9 Cable tray shall be level and have supports if required to prevent horizontal movement.
- 2.7.10 System shall be designed and installed to allow compliance with EIA/TIA-568B horizontal wiring distance standards.

2.8 Labeling:

- 2.8.1 All labels shall be machine generated (printer or handheld label machine).
- 2.8.2 All cables shall be permanently identified at both ends.
- 2.8.3 The labeling for outlets shall consist of three components: (1) a unique sequential numeric designation for each jack/cable, (2) an alpha-numeric designation for the telecommunications room serving the outlet, and (3) the final University room number. At the station end, the faceplate of each outlet shall be labeled with the alpha-numeric telecommunications room identifier, plus the sequential numeric jack/cable identifier, as shown on the diagram below. At the telecommunications room end, the patch panel shall be labeled with the final University room number, plus the sequential jack/cable identifier. A label with the sequential jack/cable identifier shall be applied to each end of the station cable within 6 inches of the termination.



Faceplate Labeling Diagram

- 2.8.4 Fiber optic riser cables shall be labeled utilizing a unique sequential numeric designation for each strand within a given building. Couplers and coupling panels shall be grouped by type of fiber,

adjacent to each other either vertically or horizontally depending on make up of LIU, with a designation indicating "SM" for single mode and "MM" for multimode. Each LIU in an IDF shall be labeled with the unique numeric strand designations, and labeled with the originating end Equipment/BET Room designation (alpha-numeric identifier). The LIU(s) in the Equipment/BET Rooms shall be labeled with the unique numeric strand designations, plus each group of fibers shall be labeled with the remote end IDF Room designation (alpha-numeric identifier).

- 2.8.5 Prior approval of final labeling scheme must be received from UITS Infrastructure Services Engineering. Labels shall be applied at the time of cable acceptance testing.

Part 3 - Products

3.1 Materials List:

All items not specifically covered in these specifications must have the concurrence of the University UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering Department before placement or implementation.

- 3.1.1 Approved station cables are: Belden 7882A Cat. 6, Berk-Tek LanMark1000 Cat. 6, Superior Essex DataGain Cat. 6. Cable jacket shall be violet in color.
- 3.1.2 Copper Riser Termination blocks: rack mount, Cat. 5e, Panduit #P110B100R2
- 3.1.3 Connecting blocks: Cat. 5e: Panduit P110CB4, P110CB5; Cat. 6: Panduit GPCB4
- 3.1.4 Patch panels for station cabling: angled modular patch panels, Panduit #DPA24688TGY (24 port), Panduit #DPA48688TGY (48 port).

- 3.2.1 Telephone/Data outlets: Cat. 6: Panduit CF1064EI frame, with CMBEI blank modules and CJ688TGVJL jacks. All jacks shall be violet in color.
- 3.2.2 Outlet cover plate: all cover plates shall be stainless steel, Pass & Seymour #SS8 (single gang), #SS82 (double gang).
- 3.2.3 Wall telephone outlet: Panduit, KWP6P stainless steel phone plate with Giga-TX style CAT 6 keystone jack module
- 3.2.4 Surface mount jack enclosure- use for bluelight phone jacks, wireless access points: Panduit #CBX2.
- 3.2.5 Blank cover plate: Pass & Seymour #SS14 (single gang), #SS24 (double gang). NOTE: Blank telephone style cover plate shall not be used.

- 3.3.1 Fire Stop – sleeves shall be STI EZ-Path, Wiremold FlameStopper, or prior approved equivalent. Caulks and sealants shall be as manufactured by STI, 3M, Nelson, or approved equivalent.
- 3.3.2 Cable shield connector: 3M Scotchlock #4460, 4460-S
- 3.3.3 Bonding & Ground cable/wire: Ground Wire - No.6 AWG minimum, Bonding Cable - No.6 AWG rated Flexible braid with eyelets. Insulated ground wire shall have insulation that is green in color.
- 3.3.4 Splice case filling compound, re-enterable type: 3M 4442.
- 3.3.5 Heat Shrink Tubing: Highly Flame Resistant, semi rigid, polyvinylidene fluoride (Kynar).
- 3.3.6 Cable Ties: Plenum type where required by code – Panduit hook and loop type.
- 3.3.7 Cross connect wire: Cat. 5e, 2 pair, 24 awg, solid, copper, REA color code, polyethylene or PVC insulation.

- 3.4.1 Fiber Optic enclosures: All associated hardware shall be provided, including ground clamp, labels, vertical troughs, horizontal troughs, connector panels, blank panels, etc.
- 3.4.2 Fiber Optic Connector: ST type with ceramic tip 3M 6100 (MM), 3M 8100 (SM)
- 3.4.3 Rack mount optical fiber enclosures for entrance cable applications shall be Panduit #FT124MC with CMSTEI and CMSTZBU adapters
- 3.4.4 Rack mount optical fiber enclosures for riser cable applications shall be Panduit FRME Series, with FAP6WST (multimode) and FAP6WSTZ (singlemode) adapter panels.
- 3.4.5 Optical fiber riser cable shall be Corning Cable Systems MIC series, Optical Cable Corp. DX series, or Commscope Premises Riser Distribution series.
- 3.4.6 Optical fiber outside plant cable installed in tunnels, duct banks, or aerial construction shall be gel free, Corning Cable Systems Altos Armor series.

- 3.4.7 Optical fiber building entrance cable shall be Corning Cable Systems FREEDM series, gel free with interlocking armor.
- 3.5.1 Surface raceway: Steel or aluminum only. Wiremold 2400 or approved equal is the minimum size acceptable; larger sizes may be required based on the size and number of cable and jacks to be accommodated.
- 3.5.2 "D" Rings: Lucent 13A (2 in.), 13B (4 inc.), 13C (6 in.) Note: for use in telecom rooms for vertical cable management only.
- 3.5.3 Cable hangers: Caddy Category 5 CableCat "J" hangers.
- 3.5.4 Approved wire basket type cable trays are Cablofil EZTray and GS Metals Flextray.
- 3.5.5 Cable runway: 12" minimum gray tubular steel, with associated mounting, support, junction, and splice hardware. Chatsworth Products Inc. #10250-12 or equal.
- 3.6.1 Two post equipment racks: provide 7 ft. x 19" freestanding steel equipment rack, B-Line #SB-506-084-U-TG or approved equal.
- 3.6.2 Vertical cable managers: freestanding equipment racks shall be provided with 7' high, double-sided cable managers 6" or 10" as indicated on the drawings, Chatsworth MCS Series, or approved equal.
- 3.6.3 Horizontal cable managers shall be provided as shown on the drawings. High capacity cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHAEF4. Standard size cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHF1. Small cable managers shall be Panduit #NCMHF1.
- 3.6.4 Blank filler plates for equipment racks shall be Panduit #CPAF1BLY, provided one per freestanding equipment rack as indicated on the drawings.
- 3.6.5 Four post equipment racks shall be 7 ft. high, 19" EIA width, 29" depth, Chatsworth #50120-X03.

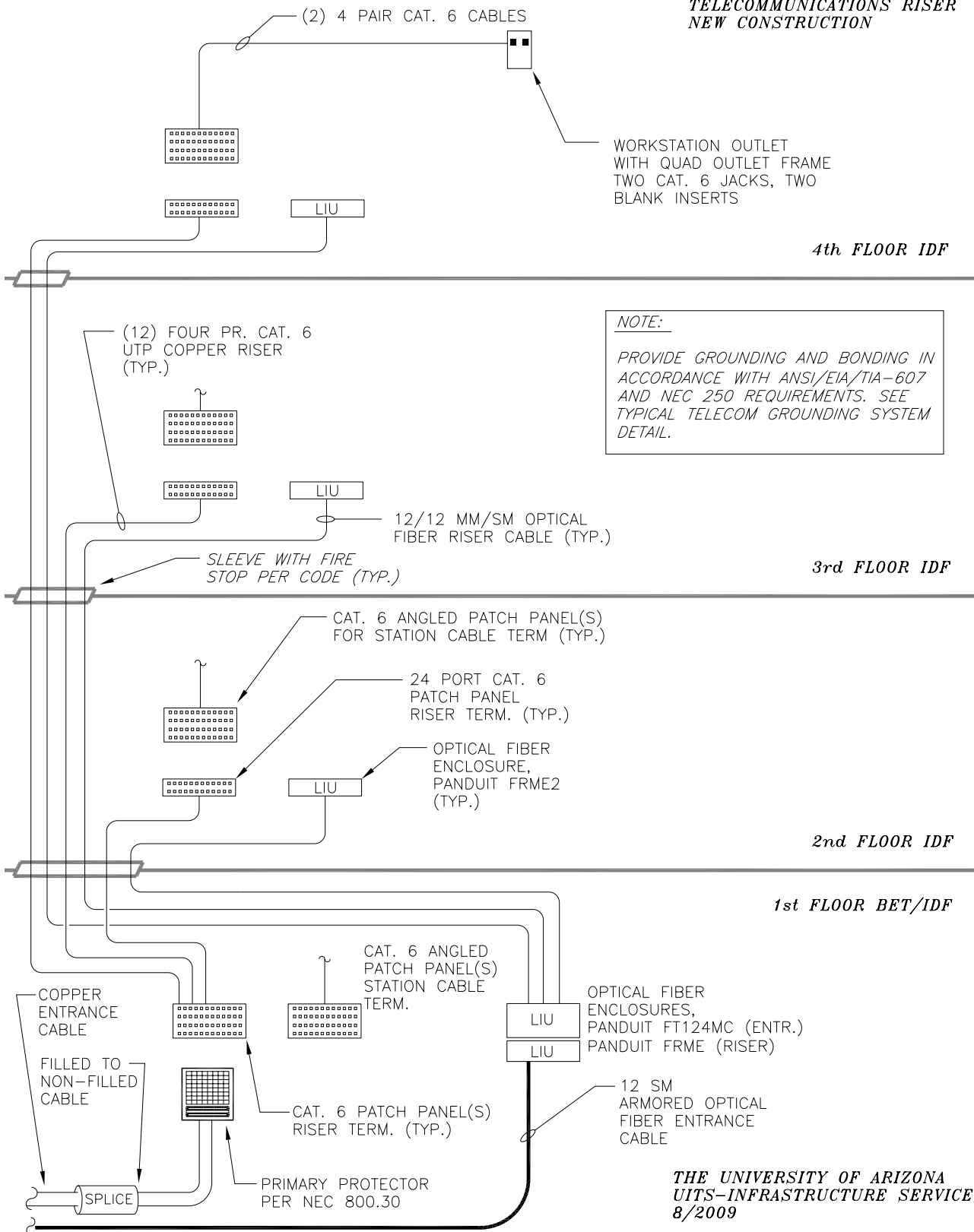
Part 4 - Acceptance Testing

- 4.1 End-to-end testing of all cable pairs, optical fiber strands, and coax cables shall be performed after completion of installation and termination. UTP Category 6 station wiring shall be in compliance with the EIA/TIA 568B standard. Cat. 6 systems shall be tested to Level III accuracy. Labels shall be applied at the time acceptance testing is performed.
- 4.2 Cable testing shall be performed using Fluke DTX series test equipment.
- 4.3 Copper station cable tests shall be "Permanent Link" tests, performed with the appropriate test adapters/cords. "Basic Link" and "Channel" tests are not acceptable.
- 4.4 End-to-end attenuation testing of each optical fiber strand shall be made using an optical power meter and optical light source. Multimode fibers shall be tested at 850 and 1300nm. Singlemode fibers shall be tested at 1310 and 1550nm. Attenuation tests shall be performed in both directions.
- 4.5 UITS-Infrastructure Services Engineering must approve test documentation. Documentation shall be submitted in Fluke LinkWare Database electronic format.
- 4.6 Test result documentation shall indicate the final cable/outlet number assigned to each item tested, as well as identify the project and the telecommunications room serving each item tested. The test result submittal shall be organized by telecommunications room, with the test results in sequential order based on jack id. Test results that are incomplete or that are not organized in sequential order will not be accepted.

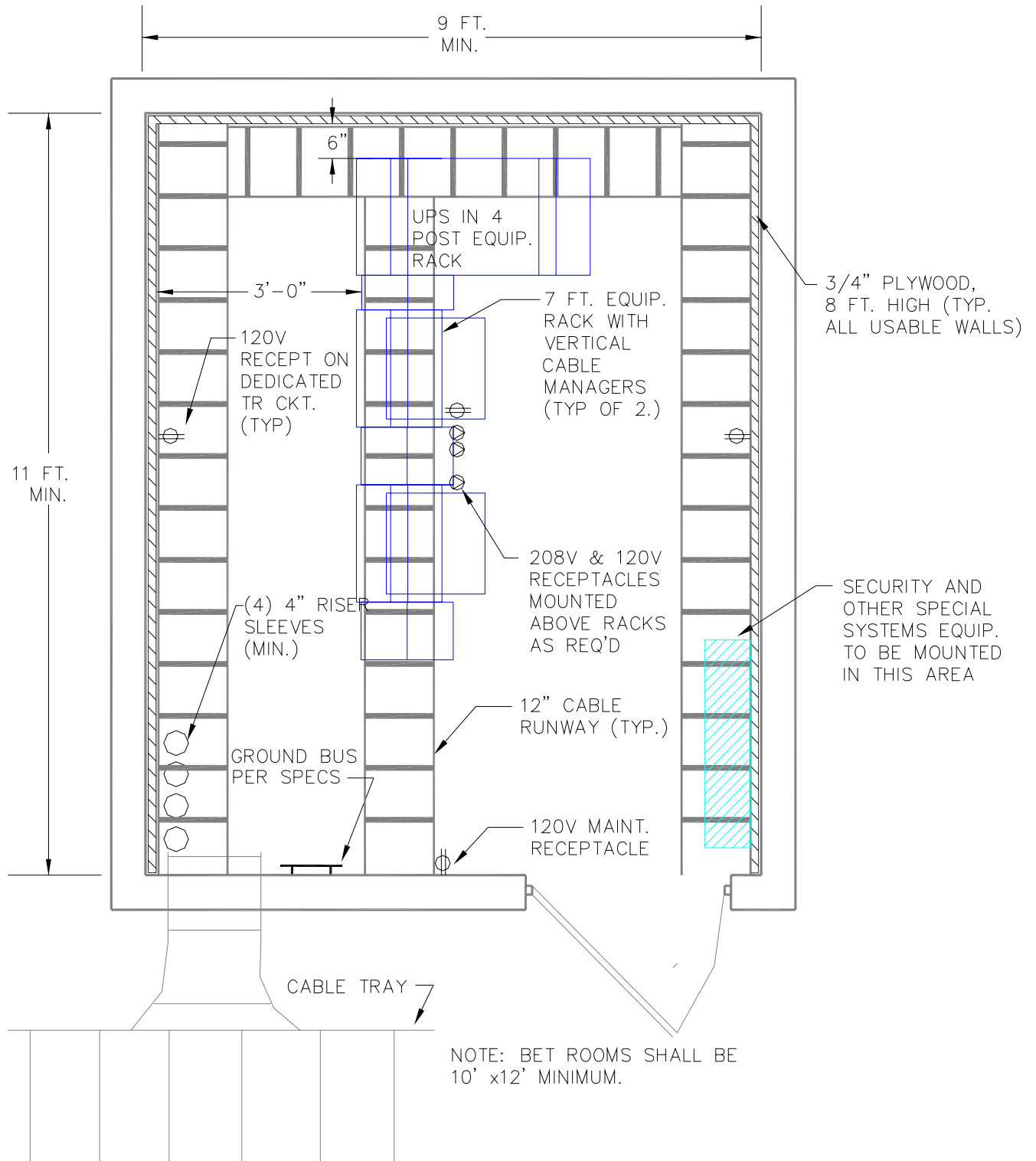
Part 5 – Demolition

- 5.1 All abandoned telecommunications cables within a project's boundaries shall be completely removed back to the termination block, including multi-pair cabling, coaxial Ethernet cabling, and station cabling.
- 5.2 Tele/data outlets shown on demolition drawings to be removed shall be removed completely including outlet and wiring to the originating IDF termination point. Termination labels shall be revised to reflect all changes.

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 NEW CONSTRUCTION**

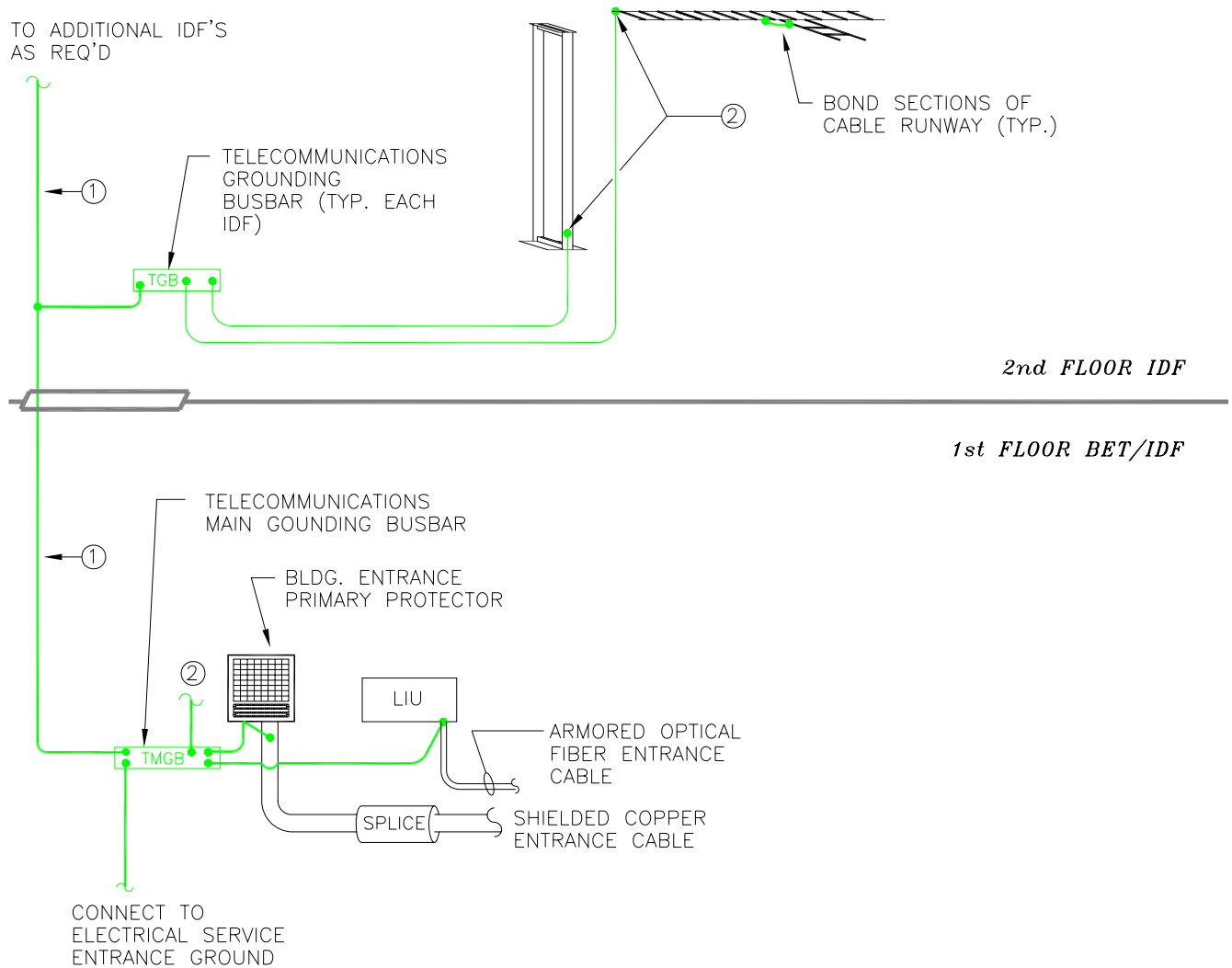


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TYPICAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS ROOM

TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUNDING SYSTEM



- KEYNOTES
- ① TELECOMMUNICATIONS BONDING BACKBONE. SIZE PER ANSI J-STD-607A; #4 AWG MINIMUM.
 - ② BOND TO EQUIPMENT RACKS, CABLE RUNWAY, CABLE TRAY, SHIELDED CABLE, ETC. #6 AWG MINIMUM, TYP. OF ALL IDF'S AND BET

NOTE:
 GROUNDING AND BONDING SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ANSI/EIA/TIA-607 AND NEC 250 REQUIREMENTS.