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**FIBRE OPTIC CONNECTOR INTERFACES –  
Part 7: Type MPO connector family**

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## FIBRE OPTIC CONNECTOR INTERFACES – Part 7: Type MPO connector family

### 1 Scope

This part of IEC 1754 defines the standard interface dimensions for type MPO family of connectors.

### 2 Description

The parent connector for type MPO connector family is a multiway plug connector characterized by a rectangular ferrule normally 6,4 mm × 2,5 mm which utilizes two pins of 0,7 mm diameter as its alignment. It is applicable to a joint of multiple fibres up to 12 fibres by arraying them between two pin-positioning holes in the ferrule. The connector includes a push-pull coupling mechanism and a ferrule spring loaded in the direction of the optical axis. The connector has a single male key which may be used to orient and limit the relative position between the connector and the component to which it is mated.

Connector interfaces are configured using a female plug without pins, a male plug with pins fixed and an adaptor as shown in figure 1. The female plug is intermateable with the male plug.

Connector interfaces with different numbers of optical datum targets will intermate and will correctly align the lower defined numbers of optical datum targets.

### 3 Interfaces

This standard contains the following standard interfaces.

Interface 7-1: MPO female plug connector angled interface – Push/pull

Interface 7-2: MPO male plug connector angled interface – Push/pull

Interface 7-3: MPO adaptor interface – Push/pull

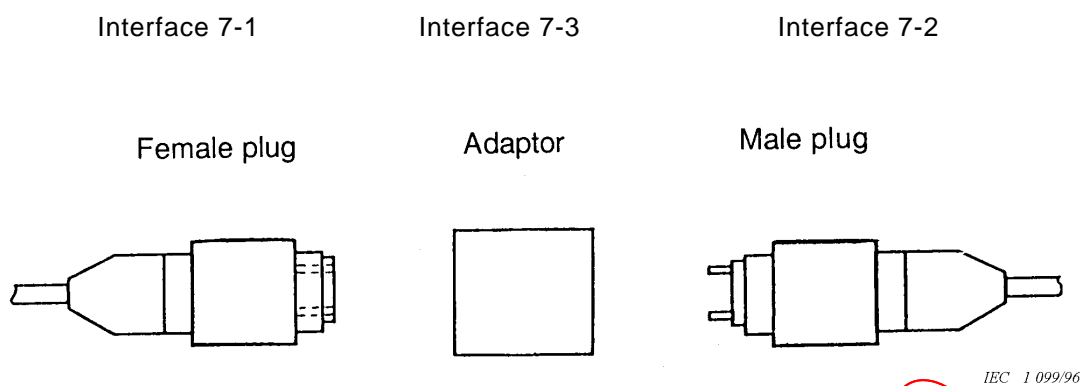


Figure 1 – MPO connector configurations

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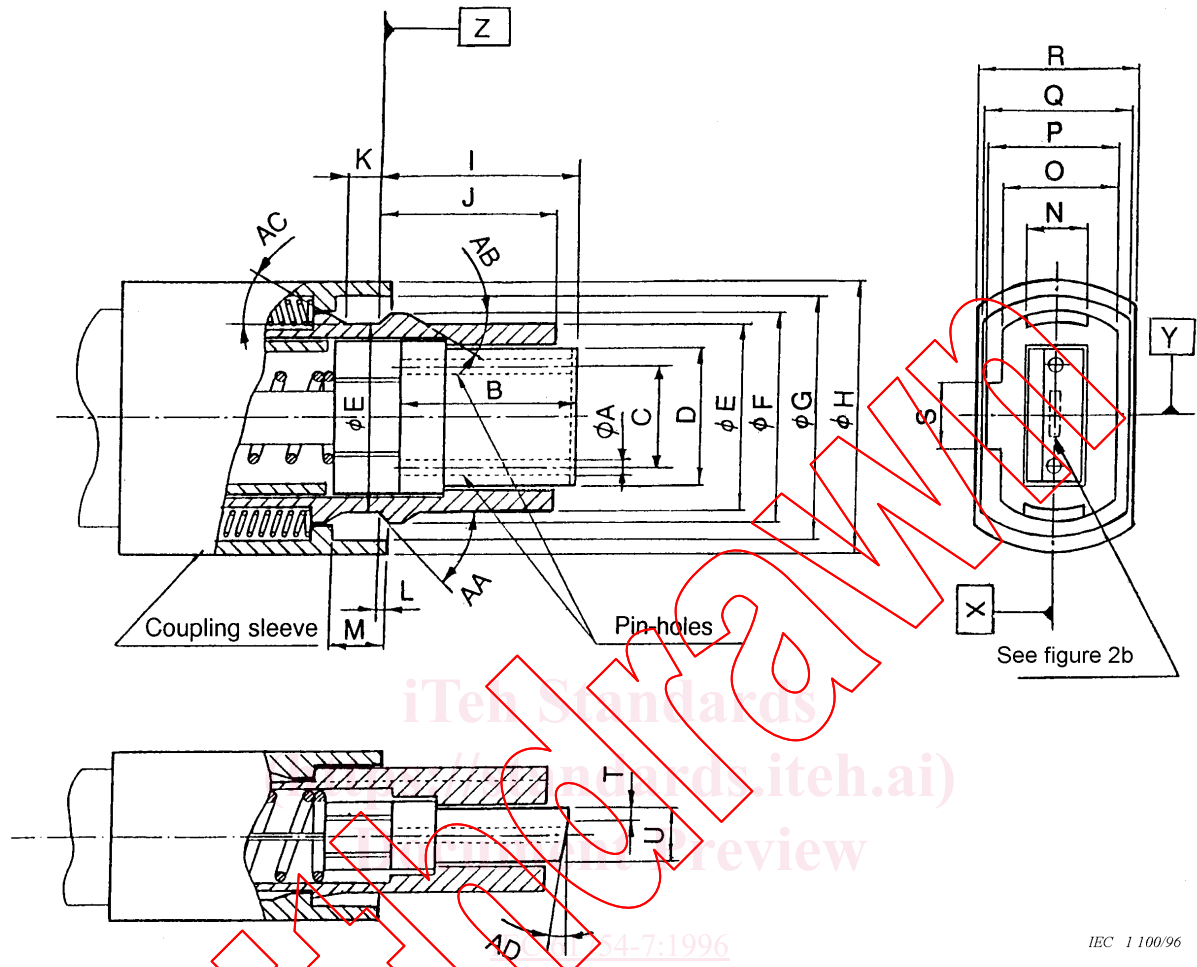


Figure 2a – MPO female plug connector angled interface



Table 1a – Dimensions of the MPO female plug connector angled interface

Reference	Dimensions		Notes
	Minimum	Maximum	
A	0,699 mm	0,701 mm	1
B	7,9 mm	8,1 mm	
C	4,597 mm	4,603 mm	2
D	6,3 mm	6,5 mm	
E	8,34 mm	8,54 mm	
F	9,49 mm	9,59 mm	
G	10,85 mm	11,05 mm	
H	12,19 mm	12,59 mm	
I	8,8 mm	9,2 mm	3
J	7,9 mm	8,1 mm	
K	1,4 mm	–	
L	0,2 mm	0,8 mm	4 and 5
M	2,4 mm	2,6 mm	
N	2,8 mm	3,0 mm	
O	4,89 mm	4,99 mm	
P	5,59 mm	5,69 mm	
Q	5,7 mm	–	
R	–	7,7 mm	
S	2,9 mm	3,1 mm	
T	–	0,8 mm	
U	2,4 mm	2,5 mm	
AA	42°	45°	
AB	–	45°	
AC	–	45°	
AD	7,5°	8,5°	

**NOTES**

- Each pin-hole shall accept a gauge pin as shown in figure 2c to a depth of 5,5 mm with a maximum force of 1,7 N. In addition, two pin-holes of a plug shall accept a gauge as shown in figure 2d to a depth of 5,5 mm with a maximum force of 3,4 N.
- Dimension C is defined as the distance between two pin-hole centres.
- Dimension I is given for a fibre endface centre of a plug end when not mated. It is noticed that a ferrule is movable by a certain axial compression force, and therefore the dimension I is variable. Ferrule compression force shall be 7,8 N to 11,8 N when a position of the fibre endface from the datum Z is in the range of 8,2 mm to 8,4 mm.
- Coupling sleeve shall be movable by a certain axial compression force. Dimension L is given for a coupling sleeve end when not mated. Coupling sleeve compression force shall be 2,9 N to 6,9 N when a position of the coupling sleeve endface from datum Z is in the range of 0 to 0,1 mm.
- An adaptor coupling part shall be unlocked by a left-direction movement of a coupling sleeve, when it is separate from an adaptor. When the coupling sleeve is moved for unlocking, a position of the coupling sleeve endface shall be larger than 2,0 mm in the left direction from the datum Z.

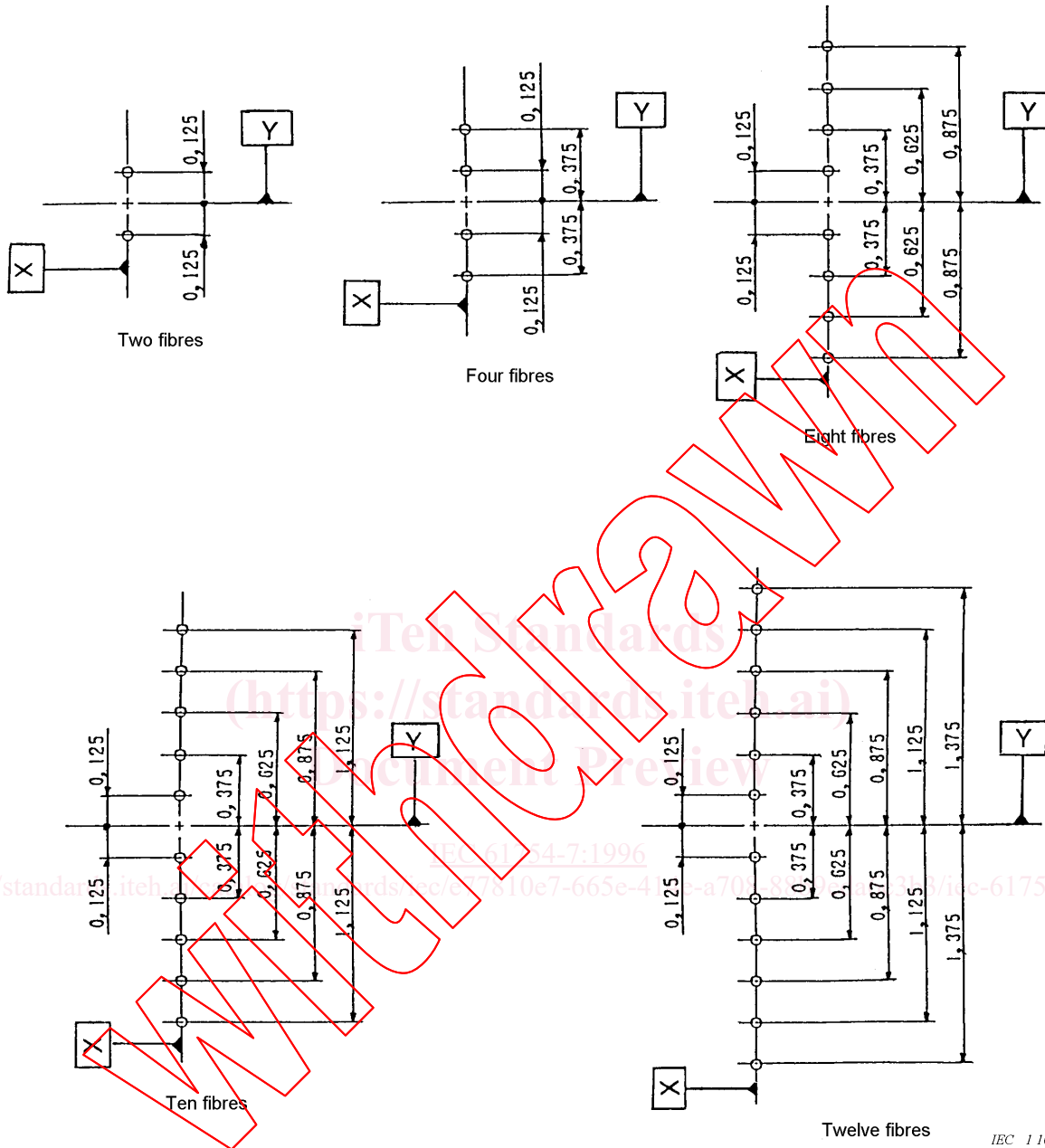


Figure 2b – Optical datum target location diagrams

NOTE – The optical datum target location diagram is shown in the figure. Here, datum X is defined as the line passing through two pin-hole centres, and datum Y is defined as the line perpendicular to datum X and passing through the midpoint of two pin-hole centres.