

# External Laser Small Form Factor Pluggable (ELSFP) Optical Connectors >

Supporting co-packaged optics (CPO) solutions for next-generation data center connectivity, the ELSFP Optical Connector system provides a complete solution for efficiently delivering power from an external laser source (ELS) to an optical chip connection, improving reliability and supporting field servicing. The blind-mate connection between the host and the pluggable module provides a durable, compact optical connection that together with electrical connections minimizes space requirements, enhances reliability and optimizes scalability.

## ADVANTAGES AND FEATURES

### Supports high-density CPO implementation

The compact form factor enables complex fiber connections from the front or rear panel to within the host system, efficiently delivering optical power to CPO systems and providing next-generation scalability and reach for data centers.

### Minimizes sourcing challenges

The ELSFP Optical Connector is an Optical Internetworking Forum (OIF) compliant CPO technology-supporting design that simplifies connectivity to external laser sources and improves reliability. Intermate ability enables use with other OIF ELSFP-compliant solutions and reduces supply chain risks.

Fiber Count per Port	Up to 12 (MT ferrule)
Fiber Type	Polarization maintaining (PM) or singlemode (SM)
Validation	OIF, RoHS, REACH, GR 468, GR 1435, GR 1217 (6.3.3), TIA-604-5, IEC-61754-7-1

### Enables scalable deployment of next-generation architectures

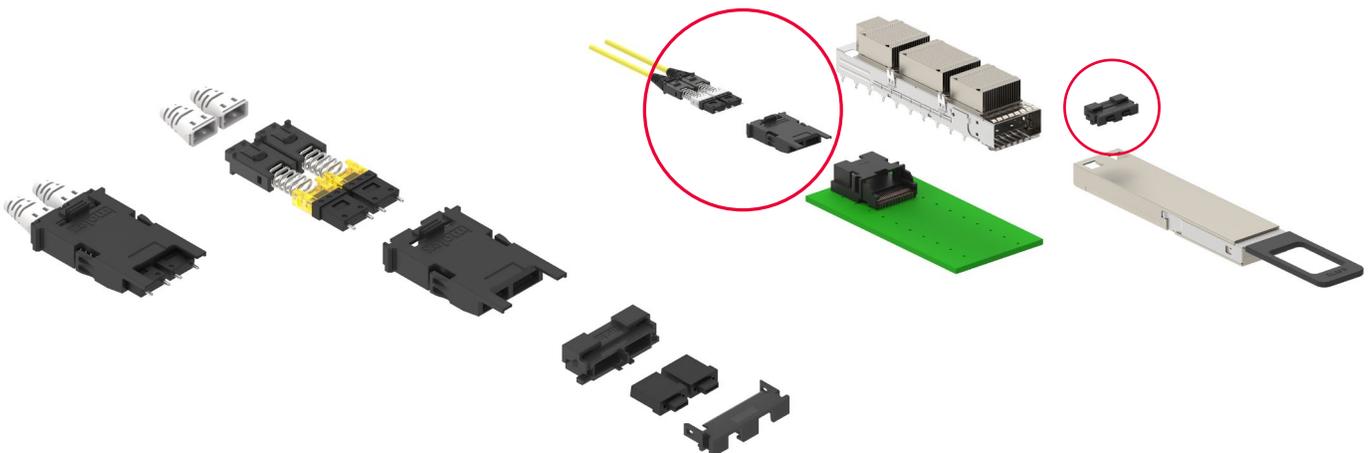
The blind-mate, pluggable-module fiber interface streamlines upgrades and expansions, minimizing barriers to CPO implementation.

### Simplifies ELS optical connectivity

The ELS pluggable module houses high-power continuous-wave lasers coupled to CPO optical engines via optical fibers, reducing routing challenges and cabling complexity.

### Streamlines design and integration work

The ELSFP system uses an OIF-defined interface to provide known electrical, thermal and mechanical characteristics, simplifying testing and accelerating deployment time.



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## MARKETS AND APPLICATIONS

### Networking

Backend networks  
High-density networking systems  
Switches

### Servers and Storage

AI and machine-learning systems  
Application-specific integrated circuits (ASICs)  
Fiber optic data centers  
Graphics-processing units  
Hyperscale data center installations

### Telecommunications

High-performance computing systems



*Switches*



*Hyperscale Data Center Installations*



*High-Performance Computing Systems*

## SPECIFICATIONS

### Reference Information

Packaging: Bag  
Designed in: Millimeters  
RoHS: Yes  
Low Halogen: Yes  
REACH: Yes  
OIF: Yes  
Validation: GR 468, GR 1435, GR 1217 (6.3.3), TIA-604-5, IEC-61754-7-1

### Optical

Ferrule Type: 12-fiber low-loss MT  
Number of Ferrules: One or two (MT)  
Fiber Type: PM or SM  
PM Fiber Count per Port: Up to 12  
Optional SM Pass-Through Fiber Count per Port: Up to 12

### Mechanical

Cable Types: Bare fiber or round cable  
Durability (min.):  
Cages/connectors—100 cycles  
Modules—50 cycles

### Physical

Relative Humidity (max.): 85%  
Expected Service Temperature: +65°C  
Operating Temperatures: -5 to +70°C  
Storage Temperatures: -55 to +85°C

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