

HPE Active Optical Cables QuickSpecs

HPE Active Optical Cables provide high-speed, energy-efficient connectivity across multiple HPE server families using the common XXXXXX-X21 SKU structure.

HPE Active Optical Cables deliver lightweight, extended-reach optical links for ProLiant, Synergy, Apollo, Cloudline, and Integrity systems—ideal for high-bandwidth data center workloads.

Overview



XXXXXX-**X21** is SKU designation formed by a common six digit part number and a -**X21** suffix that identifies a SKU that is available across multiple server family lines. Refer to the table below to find the SKU suffix that applies to the specific server product line this option can be ordered with.

-B21	-H21	-K21
COMPUTE Server Line	SPECIALIZED COMPUTE Server Line	STORAGE Server Line
HPE Cloudline CL2100/CL2200/CL2800/CL3100/C L4100/CL5200/CL5800 Servers HPE Composable Cloud for ProLiant DL HPE ProLiant BL460c/BL660c Servers HPE ProLiant DL20/DL160/DL180 Servers HPE ProLiant DL325/DL360/DL380/DL385/DL560/ DL580 Servers HPE ProLiant DX360/DX380 Servers HPE ProLiant MicroServer HPE ProLiant for Microsoft Azure Stack HPE ProLiant ML30/ML110/ML350 Servers HPE Synergy 480/660 Systems HPE D2220sb/D2500sb Storage Blade	HPE Apollo 35/40/70 Systems HPE Apollo 2000/6000 Servers HPE Converged System 300/500/700/750 HPE Edgeline Systems and Servers HPE Integrity BL860c i6/BL870c i6/BL890c i6 Server Blades HPE Integrity MC990 X Server HPE Integrity rx2800 i6 Server HPE Integrity Superdome HPE ProLiant DX170r/DX190r, DX2000 Servers HPE SGI 8600 System HPE Solutions for SAP HANA (TDI)	HPE Apollo 4200 Gen9/Gen10 Servers HPE Apollo Systems for BlueData Software HPE Apollo 4510 Gen10 System HPE D3000/D6020/D8000 Disk Enclosures HPE Scalable Object Storage with Scality RING HPE SimpliVity 2600 HPE SimpliVity 325/380 Gen10 HPE Storage File Controllers HPE StoreEasy 1460/1560/1650/1660/1860 Disclaimer: This may not be a complete listing of applicable servers

Overview

Models

HPE 100Gb QSFP28 to QSFP28 7m Active Optical Cable

845410-B21

HPE 100Gb QSFP28 to QSFP28 15m Active Optical Cable

845414-B21

Service and Support

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- An assigned HPE team
- Modular and fully personalized engagement
- Enhanced Incident Management experience with priority access
- Digitally enabled and AI driven customer experience

<https://www.hpe.com/services/completecure>

Service and Support

HPE Tech Care Service

HPE Tech Care Service is the operational support service experience for HPE products. The service goes beyond traditional support by providing access to product specific experts, an AI driven digital experience, and general technical guidance to not only reduce risk but constantly search for ways to do things better. HPE Tech Care Service delivers a customer-centric, AI driven, and digitally enabled customer experience to move your business forward. HPE Tech Care Service is available in three response levels. Basic, which provides 9x5 business hour availability and a 2-hour response time. Essential which provides a 15-minute response time 24x7 for most enterprise level customers, and Critical which includes a 6-hour repair commitment where available and outage management response for severity 1 incidents.

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Service and Support

Defective Media Retention

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Service and Support

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- Save on TCO, align costs to business
- Scale quickly, meet unpredictable demand
- Simplify IT operations across your data centers and clouds

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For more information

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Technical Specifications

HPE 100Gb QSFP28 to QSFP28 7m Active Optical Cable (845410-B21)	Connectivity	Length	22.97 ft. (7 m)
	Physical characteristics	Weight	.33 lb. (0.15 kg), Fully loaded the cable with a QSFP28 transceiver at each end of the cable
	Environment	Operating temperature	32°F to 158°F (0°C to 70°C)
		Operating relative humidity	0% to 85%, noncondensing
		Non-operating/ Storage temperature	–40°F to 185°F (–40°C to 85°C)
		Non-operating/ Storage relative humidity	0% to 85%, noncondensing
		Altitude	up to 10,000 ft. (3 km)
		Notes	3.5 watts maximum per cable end
	Electrical characteristics		
	Notes	<p>Electrical Properties</p> <p>Cable Characteristic Impedance: Non-conductive</p> <p>Crosstalk between pairs: 26 dB max</p> <p>Time delay: 1.57 nsec/ft o BER: 10-15 max</p> <p>Physical Properties</p> <p>Cable Diameter: 3 mm</p> <p>Minimum Cable Bend Radius: 25 mm</p>	
Services	<p>Refer to the Hewlett Packard Enterprise website at: https://www.hpe.com/us/en/integrated-systems/bladesystem.html for details on the service-level descriptions and product numbers.</p> <p>For details about services and response times in your area, please contact your local Hewlett Packard Enterprise sales office.</p>		

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Summary of Changes

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16-Feb-2026	Version 6	Changed	New branding applied to document
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02-Dec-2019	Version 3	Changed	SKUs designation information updated
05-Feb-2018	Version 2	Added	Recommended and Extended to Transceivers and Cables were added
25-Sep-2017	Version 1	New	Initial version

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