

VisiFault™

Visual Fault Locator

Instruction Sheet

The VisiFault Visual Fault Locator (VFL) is a visible light source that helps you trace optical fibers, check fiber continuity, and find faults such as breaks, bad splices, and tight bends in fiber optic cable.

Safety Information



Warning: Class 2 Laser

To avoid possible eye damage caused by hazardous radiation

- **Never look directly into the VFL's output (item ① in Figure 1). Momentary exposure to the VFL's output will not damage your eyes; however, direct, long-term exposure is potentially hazardous.**
- **Cover the VFL's output with the dust cap when the VFL is not in use.**
- **Do not open the case (except to open the battery cover to change the batteries); no user-serviceable parts are inside.**
- **Do not modify the VFL.**
- **Do not magnify or otherwise modify the laser output. Use only approved connectors and adapters.**
- **Do not use controls, adjustments, or procedures not documented or approved by Fluke Networks.**

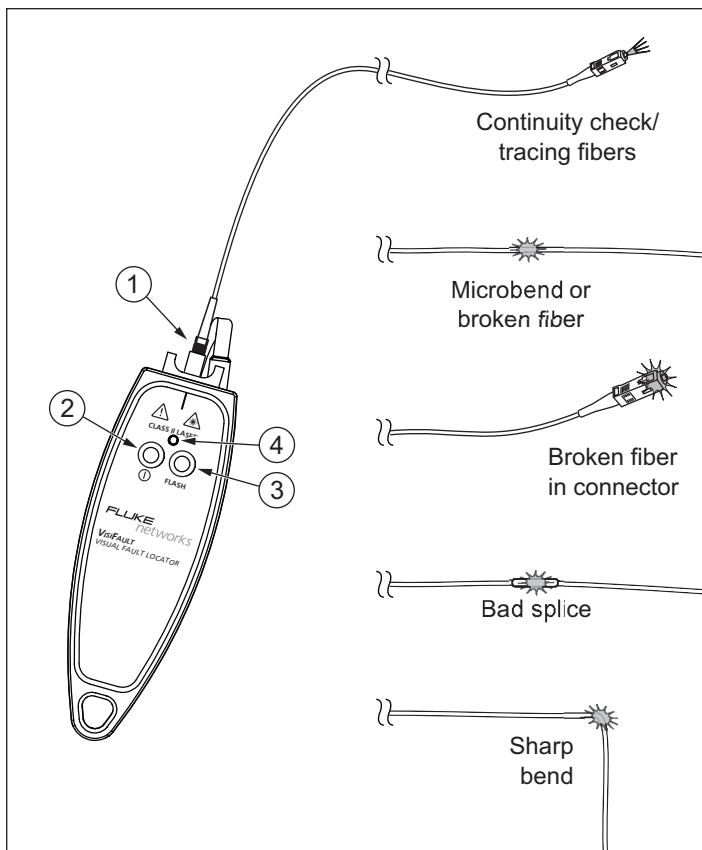
Using the Visual Fault Locator

To use the VFL, refer to Figure 1 and do the following:

- 1 Remove the VFL's dust cap; then clean the VFL's output adapter and the connector on the fiber to be tested.
- 2 Plug the fiber optic connector into the VFL's output (①).
The VFL's universal fiber adapter accepts connectors with 2.5 mm ferrules (SC, ST, or FC). For 1.25 mm ferrules, use the optional 1.25 mm universal adapter.
- 3 Press the ① key (②) to turn on the VFL.
- 4 To toggle between continuous and flashing modes, press the **FLASH** key (③). The status LED (④) indicates the VFL's output status.
- 5 Turn off the VFL before disconnecting it from the fiber. Replace the dust cap.

Tips: View the VFL's light indirectly by holding a white card or paper in front of the VFL output or the fiber connector emitting the light.

The VFL's light may not be visible through thick or dark-colored cable sheaths or connector dust caps.



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Figure 1. Using the Visual Fault Locator

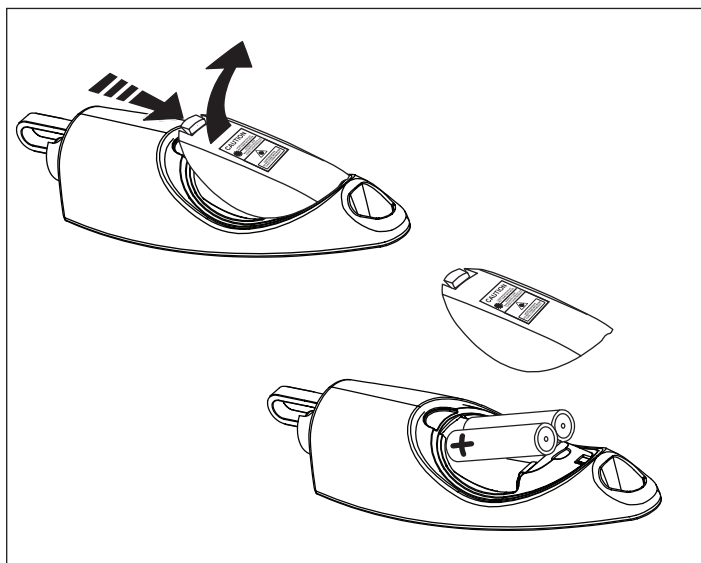
Accessory

Description	Fluke Networks Model Number
2.5 mm to 1.25 mm universal adapter	NF-380

Maintenance

Clean the case with a soft cloth dampened with water or water and a mild soap. Do not use abrasives, solvents, or alcohol.

If the VFL's light is dim or does not turn on, replace the batteries as shown in Figure 2.



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Figure 2. Replacing the Batteries

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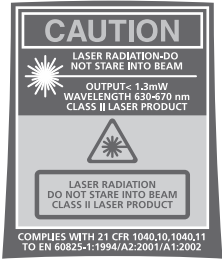
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Specifications

Laser type and classification	635 nm (nominal) laser diode, Class 2
Fiber compatibility	Multimode and singlemode
Output port	Universal adapter for connectors with 2.5 mm ferrules
Output	Continuous or flashing (2 Hz)
Output power	< 1.3 mW
Range	3 km on multimode fiber 4 km on singlemode fiber
Temperature and humidity ranges	Operating: 0 °C to 40 °C RH 95% (10 °C to 35 °C) Storage: -20 °C to +60 °C RH 95% (10 °C to 35 °C)

Vibration and shock	2 g, 5 Hz-500 Hz; 1 m drop
Altitude	3000 m
Battery type and life	2 AA alkaline; 80 hours typical in continuous mode
Dimensions and weight	6.2 in x 2 in x 1.3 in (157 mm x 52 mm x 33 mm) 5.7 oz (162 g)
Safety	<p>CSA C22.2 No. 1010.1: 1992, EN 61010-1, CE</p> <p>Laser safety label is on the back of the VFL.</p> <p>Complies with 21 CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11 except for deviations pursuant to Laser Notice No. 50, dated July 26, 2001</p>



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