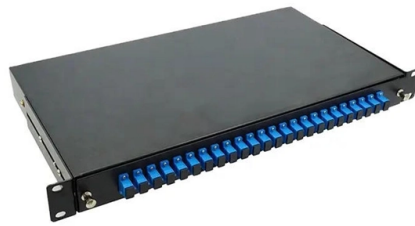


Network rack installation depth requirements



Overview

For modern deployments, we recommend minimum 24" depth for floor racks and 20" for wall-mount cabinets. Selecting an ideal location for the rack is critical due to increased heat generation from modern equipment: A cabinet or rack must belong to one of the following types: Standard 19-in. four-post EIA cabinet or rack, with mounting posts that conform to English universal hole spacing per section 1 of ANSI/EIA-310-D-1992. See Reference Perforated Cabinet. Whether you're upgrading existing infrastructure or building from. We'll follow the essential phases of any successful deployment: Pre-Installation Planning, Physical Rack Setup, and Equipment Mounting & Cable Management. The success of your server rack installation hinges on meticulous planning. Options include 24", 36", 42", 48", and 59". Plan for power density and cooling—modern setups can exceed 8kW per rack.



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The distance between the outside face of the front mounting post and the outside face of the back mounting post should be 26 to 32 in. (66 to 81 cm) to allow for rear-bracket installation.

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The cabinet or rack must also meet the following requirements: Have the following minimum vertical rack space per chassis: 1 rack unit (RU), equal to 1.75 inches (4.4 cm).

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