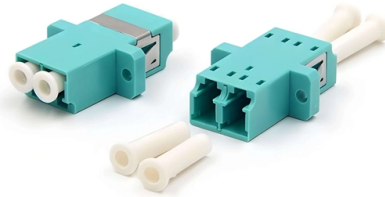


Core Switch Installation Rack



Article Overview

Proper core switch rack installation ensures safety, optimal airflow, and reliable network performance.

Planning and Preparation

Before installation, review the switch installation guide for your specific model (HP, Cisco, Aruba, etc.) to understand power, cooling, and mounting requirements . Identify a central location in the rack that meets cable distance requirements for connections to access switches and other network devices . Ensure the rack is stable, leveled, and capable of supporting the switch weight, using leveling jacks or stabilizers if available .

Mounting Hardware

- Rack ears and screws: Usually included with the switch; attach to the switch chassis .
- Cage nuts: Required for square-hole racks; use a cage nut tool for safe installation .
- Screwdriver: Magnetic tip recommended for tight spaces.
- Additional tools: A level for alignment, Velcro straps for cable management, and a second person to assist with heavy switches .

Placement Considerations

- Airflow: Ensure front-to-back or side-to-side ventilation is unobstructed. Leave at least 1U of space above and below for optimal cooling

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* EoR Switch = End of Row -- Use this switch to terminate uplink connections from all the ToR switches in the aisle.

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