InfraStruXure™ for Wiring Closets and Computer Rooms: Site Preparation, Site Planning, and Installation

InfraStruXure for Wiring Closets and Computer Rooms is an integrated power, rack, air, and management architecture consisting of standard, plug-and-play components. This architecture allows for fast, easy, hassle-free installation and helps eliminate the “chaos” within an IT environment by providing a foundation for your critical IT equipment that fosters organization, ease-of-use, and control.

This guide summarizes how to install your InfraStruXure System. For detailed installation, operation, and maintenance instructions, see the documentation included with each component in your system.

Contact your APC representative or visit the APC website (www.apc.com) for a complete list of InfraStruXure System options and additional documentation.

Before installing or operating any InfraStruXure System components, read the safety instructions and warnings included in each component’s manual.
System Components

Rack

NetShelter® VX Enclosure
NetShelter VX Open Frame
NetShelter 4-Post Open Frame
NetShelter 2-Post Open Frame

Power

Smart-UPS® 1500VA, 2200VA, 3000VA, 5000VA
Smart-UPS RT 3000VA, 5000VA, 7500VA, 10,000VA
Symmetra® RM 2–6kVA
Symmetra LX 4–8kVA, 8–16kVA

Power distribution

Basic Rack PDUs
Metered Rack PDUs
Switched Rack PDUs
**Management**

- InfraStruXure System Manager
- Environmental Management System
- Building Management System Integration Card
- Network Management Card
- Environmental Monitoring Card

**Air**

- NetworkAIR® Portable Air Conditioner
- Rack Air Distribution Unit
- Rack Air Removal Unit

**Rack accessories**

The following rack accessories are offered by APC for InfraStruXure Systems:

- Keyboard drawers
- Keyboards
- Rack-mounting hardware
- Rack fan systems
- Security devices
- Shelving
- Stabilization plates and brackets
- Shielding troughs and cable ladders
- Blanking panels
- Grounding kits
- Rack PDU mounting brackets

**Services**

The following service packages are offered by APC for InfraStruXure Systems:

- Installation and Start-Up Services
- Pre-Installation Consulting
- Extended Warranties
- On-Site Service
- Preventative Maintenance
- Battery Refresh Programs
- Network Integration for APC Software
- Remote Monitoring Service
Site Preparation

Verify the shipment

Ensure that all labeled pallets and boxes match your purchase order. Do not unpack the pallets and boxes until you are ready to install the system.

Environmental requirements

⚠️ Batteries can be permanently damaged if installed in a system that is not being used. Store battery modules at an ambient temperature below 25°C (77°F).

Select a site that is temperature-controlled, clean, dry, and free of conductive contaminants, and that meets the following specifications:

- **Temperature**: 0 to 40°C (32° to 104°F)
- **Relative humidity**: 0–95% non-condensing
- **Elevation above mean sea level**: 0–3000 m (0–10 000 ft)

Consider the heat dissipation ratings of equipment to determine cooling requirements. Additional cooling equipment may be required. Heat dissipation ratings of common InfraStruXure System UPS types are listed in the table.

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<tr>
<th>UPS</th>
<th>BTU/hr</th>
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<td>Smart-UPS 1500 RM</td>
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<td>Batteries charging</td>
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<td>0.377</td>
<td>Smart-UPS 2200 RM</td>
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<td>Symmetra LX (4–8kVA)</td>
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<td>300</td>
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<td>1.895</td>
<td>Smart-UPS 3000 RM</td>
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<td>Batteries charged</td>
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<td>Batteries charged</td>
<td>5U</td>
<td>0.018</td>
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<td>Symmetra LX (8–16kVA)</td>
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<td>Batteries charging</td>
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<td>2U Batteries charged</td>
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<td>430</td>
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<td>Batteries charged w/transformer</td>
<td>1708</td>
<td>0.500</td>
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**Access and ventilation requirements**

Consult the NEC and your local codes for additional requirements.

![Diagram of rack or enclosure dimensions](image)

**Weight considerations**

Ensure that the floor and sub-floor can support the total weight of the system when the enclosures are concentrated on the leveling feet. If you are placing equipment on a raised floor, consult the flooring manufacturer for loading requirements before installing equipment.

Decide what equipment will be installed in your racks and enclosures. Do not exceed the maximum capacity listed in the table.

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<th>Rack or Enclosure</th>
<th>Maximum Capacity</th>
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<tr>
<td>NetShelter VX Enclosure</td>
<td>2000lb (907kg)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NetShelter VX Open Frame</td>
<td>2000lb (907kg)</td>
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<tr>
<td>NetShelter 4-Post Open Frame</td>
<td>1000lb (454kg)</td>
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<td>NetShelter 2-Post Open Frame</td>
<td>750lb (340kg)</td>
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Electrical requirements and safety

Consult your UPS and power distribution manuals for detailed electrical requirements and installation instructions.

Consult the NEC and local codes for requirements other than those listed in the manual included with your products.

The UPS contains internal batteries and may present a shock hazard even when disconnected from the branch circuit (mains). See the safety information in your UPS manual for more information.

Electrical input

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Product</th>
<th>Connection Method</th>
<th>Connection Type</th>
<th>Voltages Supported</th>
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<tr>
<td>Symmetra 2–6kVA†</td>
<td>Hard-wired</td>
<td>40A, 2-pole (external); #10 AWG (6mm²)</td>
<td>208, 240</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Cord-connected</td>
<td>NEMA L6-30P</td>
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<tr>
<td>Symmetra LX 4–8kVA</td>
<td>Hard-wired</td>
<td>50A, 2-pole (external); #6 AWG (25mm²)</td>
<td>208, 240</td>
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<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>4-wire (G+L2+N+L1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Symmetra LX 8–16kVA</td>
<td>Hard-wired</td>
<td>100A, 2-pole (external); #3 AWG (25mm²)</td>
<td>208, 240</td>
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<td>4-wire (G+L2+N+L1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Smart-UPS 1500</td>
<td>Cord-connected</td>
<td>NEMA 5-15P</td>
<td>120</td>
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<td>Smart-UPS 2200</td>
<td>Cord-connected</td>
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<td>Smart-UPS 3000</td>
<td>Cord-connected</td>
<td>NEMA L5-30P</td>
<td>120</td>
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<td>Smart-UPS 5000</td>
<td>Cord-connected</td>
<td>NEMA L6-30P</td>
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† The specifications apply to units with and without a step-down transformer.
## Electrical output

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<td>Symmetra RM 2–6kVA</td>
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<tr>
<td>Symmetra RM 2–6kVA</td>
<td>(12) NEMA 5-20R</td>
<td>120, 208</td>
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<td>with step-down transformer</td>
<td>(2) NEMA L6-20R</td>
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<td>Symmetra LX 4–8kVA</td>
<td>(2) L14-30R</td>
<td>220, 240</td>
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<td>(4) L5-20R</td>
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<td>(1) Hard Wire 3-wire (2PH+N+G)</td>
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<td>Symmetra LX 8–16kVA</td>
<td>(4) L14-30R</td>
<td>220, 240</td>
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<td>(8) L5-20R</td>
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<td>Smart-UPS 1500</td>
<td>(6) NEMA 5-15R</td>
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<td>(2) NEMA L6-20R</td>
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Emergency Power-Off (EPO)

A licensed electrician must connect the emergency power-off (EPO) device.

If required by local or national codes, you must connect the EPO (to disable output power in an emergency) either as internally powered for use with non-powered switch circuits, or externally powered for use with +24 VDC-powered switch circuits. The EPO circuit must be a Class 2 (UL and CSA standard) and SELV (IEC standard) circuit, isolated from all primary circuitry. For instructions on wiring, see the installation section included with your UPS.

The connection of the UPS to the EPO requires one of the following cable types:

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<tr>
<th>Cable</th>
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<tr>
<td>CL2</td>
<td>Class 2 cable for general use.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CL2P</td>
<td>Plenum cable for use in ducts, plenums, and other spaces used for environmental air-flow.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CL2R</td>
<td>Riser cable for use in a vertical run in a shaft from floor to floor.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CLEX</td>
<td>Limited use cable for use in dwellings and in raceways.</td>
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APC offers an Emergency Power Off System (EPW9) for your InfraStruXure System. Contact your APC sales representative, or go to the APC Web site (www.apc.com) for more information.
Site Planning

The following are sample configurations you can use to plan the layout of your computer room. Actual number of racks supported may be less than shown depending upon the actual load per rack. The specified spacings are the minimum requirements. Check your local and national codes for additional requirements.

**Smart-UPS 1500VA**

Set up to two NetShelter VX enclosures and one UPS.

**Smart-UPS 2200VA or 3000VA**

Set up to three NetShelter VX enclosures and one UPS.

**Smart-UPS 5000VA or Symmetra RM (2–6 kVA)**

Set up to four NetShelter VX enclosures and one UPS.
Symmetra LX (4–8kVA)

**One Row.** Three NetShelter VX enclosures, and one UPS, or four NetShelter VX enclosures, one UPS and one Rack PDU Extender.

![Diagram of One Row configuration]

**Parallel Rows.** Set up two short, parallel rows. Run APC Cable Ladders between the rows. Two NetShelter VX enclosures, one UPS and one Rack PDU Extender, or two NetShelter VX enclosures, two Rack PDU Extenders, and one UPS.

![Diagram of Parallel Rows configuration]

**Adjacent Short Rows.** Set up four short, adjacent rows using four NetShelter VX enclosures, three Rack PDU Extenders, and two UPSs.

![Diagram of Adjacent Short Rows configuration]
**Symmetra LX (4–16 kVA)**

**Parallel rows.** Set up three short, parallel rows, using twelve NetShelter VX enclosures, one UPS, and two Rack PDU Extenders. Run APC Cable Ladders between the rows.

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**Adjacent short rows.** Set up three short, adjacent rows using twelve NetShelter VX enclosures, one UPS, and two Rack PDU Extenders. Run APC Cable Ladders between the rows.

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**One row.** Set up one long row using twelve NetShelter VX enclosures, one UPS, and two Rack PDU Extenders.
Basic Installation Procedures

Unpack racks and enclosures

Unpack the racks and enclosures included with your shipment according to the unpacking instructions in the rack or enclosure manual.

⚠️ Note
Search all boxes and packaging to make sure they are empty before discarding.

Assemble racks and enclosures

Orient the racks and enclosures in the planned location (see “Site Planning” on page 9), and make any necessary adjustments to the enclosures that are needed for your location.

If you have enclosures as part of your system. Each row should include one enclosure with side panels. The other enclosures should be expansion enclosures without side panels.

1. Place the enclosure with side panels at the end of the row, and remove the side panel that will be adjacent to an expansion enclosure. Place the side panel that you have removed on the expansion enclosure at the end of the row.

2. Join adjacent enclosures.

See the manual included with your enclosures for instructions.
3. Level the enclosures.

Leveling feet are attached under the enclosure at the corners. The leveling feet can help provide a stable base if the selected floor space is uneven, but cannot compensate for a badly sloped surface. To level the enclosure:

a. Fit the 14-millimeter end of the open-ended wrench (provided) to the hex head just above the round pad on the bottom of a leveling foot. Turn the wrench clockwise to extend the leveling foot until it makes firm contact with the floor.

b. Repeat step a for each of the remaining leveling feet.

c. Use a level to determine which feet need further adjustment to level the enclosure. Adjust as necessary.

**Install the UPS**

Follow the installation procedures in the manual included with your UPS.

Use two people to install the UPS.

Install the UPS in the bottom of the selected rack or enclosure. (See “Site Planning” on page 9 for suggestions.) If you have a Symmetra RM UPS, install the power and battery modules after you install the UPS in the rack.
Basic Installation Procedures

Install the Cord-Connected PDU

The Cord-Connected PDU is used primarily with the Symmetra 4-8kVA and 8-16kVA UPSs, and the NetShelter VX Enclosures. Install it in the bottom 2U behind the rear vertical mounting rails.

Follow the procedures in the instruction sheet included with your Rack PDU Extender.

Install the Step-down Transformer

The Step-Down Transformer is used with the Symmetra 2–6 kVA or Smart-UPS 5000. It can be installed in the same enclosure as your UPS, or in an enclosure with a Rack PDU Extender.

Follow the procedures in the manual included with your Step-Down Transformer.

Install Rack PDUs

See the manual included with your Rack PDUs for detailed safety and installation instructions.
Install vertical APC Rack PDUs in the rear of a NetShelter VX Enclosure, in the cable channel directly behind the rear vertical mounting rails. You can install the Rack PDU in one of two ways: using toolless mounting pegs (provided) or the mounting brackets (sold separately).

You can mount two Rack PDUs on one side of the enclosure by using the toolless mounting method.

1. Slide the mounting pegs into the holes located in the channel in the rear panel of the enclosure.

2. Snap the Rack PDU into place by pushing it downward until it locks into position.

**Install optional equipment in the enclosures**

See the manual included with your InfraStruXure optional equipment for detailed safety and installation instructions.
Basic Connection Procedures

Overview

The diagrams in this section illustrate typical configurations. Your configuration may vary. If you have questions, consult the user manual of each component, visit the APC website (www.apc.com), or contact Customer Support at a number on the back cover of this manual. The diagrams are only a guide as to what steps you will need to take.

⚠️ Caution

Do not use only these diagrams to connect your equipment. Read and follow the safety and connection instructions in the manual included with your UPS and power distribution equipment.

Smart-UPS 1500VA, 2200VA, 3000VA

![Diagram of Smart-UPS system with NetShelter VX, Rack PDU, and NEMA 5-15 Plugs]
Symmetra RM 2–6kVA UPS

- Step-Down Transformer with NEMA L6-30 plug
- Rack PDU with NEMA L6-20 plug (AP7620 or AP7830)

Symmetra LX 4–16 UPS

- Rack PDUs with NEMA L6-20 plugs (AP7620 or AP7830)
- Rack PDU Extender with NEMA L6-30 plug
**Connect Rack PDUs to the UPS**

Route the Rack PDU power cords to the UPS through the bottom of the enclosures, using the holes in the enclosures’ vertical posts. Plug each power cord into an outlet on the UPS, Step-Down Transformer, or Rack PDU Extender. The diagram shows vertical Rack PDUs; however, you can use any APC Rack PDUs with plugs that match your UPS, Step-Down Transformer, or Rack PDU Extender outlets. See “Electrical requirements and safety” on page 6 for information on the outlet type of each UPS.

**Connect UPS Batteries**

The Smart-UPS models are shipped with the batteries installed; however, you must make the necessary connections to energize the batteries before the UPS will operate.

Ensure that the battery modules in the Symmetra RM or Symmetra LX UPS are seated properly.

See the manual included with your UPS for detailed safety and installation instructions.

**Configure APC management devices**

Your InfraStruXure System for computer rooms can be managed through the APC Network Management Card or through the InfraStruXure System Manager.

If you have an InfraStruXure System Manager as part of your system, connect each Network Management Card to the InfraStruXure System Manager hub using CAT5 network cables, and configure the InfraStruXure System Manager.

See the manual included with your InfraStruXure System Manager for quick configuration instructions, and see the on-line help on the InfraStruXure System Manager’s interface for more information on managing the system.

If you do not have an InfraStruXure System Manager as part of your system, configure the network settings of each Network Management Card in your system.

See the manual included with your Network Management Card for quick configuration instructions and the supporting documentation on the CD for more detailed information.
**Warranty**

**InfraStruXure Standard Warranty**

APC warrants that all components of the InfraStruXure system will be free from defect in material and workmanship for a period of two years from the date of start up when start up has been performed by APC authorized service personnel*. If assembly services are included in the original purchase and are also performed by APC authorized service personnel, APC offers an additional year of warranty at no additional charge. In the event that the system fails to meet the foregoing warranty, APC shall repair or replace, at its sole discretion, any such defective parts. Under this warranty, APC will ship all parts to your site at no cost to be available for you the next business day after APC is notified of this requirement. If you choose to upgrade the system to include an on site contract, APC offers modular service packages to match your needs.

Each point product incorporated into the system has a separate factory warranty that is applied when sold as a standalone unit. When incorporated into an InfraStruXure solution, the unit will be covered by the InfraStruXure warranty. In cases where one warranty favors the customer over the other, the stronger of the two warranties will take precedence.

*All warranties are null and void unless installation and startup are performed by authorized APC Global Services service centers.

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  - [www.apc.com/support/](http://www.apc.com/support/)
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