



Site Planning and Maintenance Records

This section includes a site planning checklist and maintenance records to use when installing the switch.



Note For information about how to query the switch for configuration information, see the [Cisco NX-OS Fundamentals Configuration Guide](#).

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Site Preparation Checklist

Planning the location and layout of your equipment rack or wiring closet is essential for successful switch operation, ventilation, and accessibility. The following table lists the site planning tasks that we recommend completing before installing the Cisco MDS 9396T Switch.

Consider heat dissipation when sizing the air-conditioning requirements for an installation.

Table 1: Site Planning Checklist

Task No.	Planning Activity	Verified By	Time	Date
1	Space evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Space and layout• Floor covering• Impact and vibration• Lighting• Maintenance access			

Task No.	Planning Activity	Verified By	Time	Date
2	Environmental evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambient temperature • Humidity • Altitude • Atmospheric contamination • Air flow 			
3	Power Evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input power type • Power receptacles¹ • Receptacle proximity to the equipment • Dedicated circuit for power supply • Dedicated (separate) circuits for redundant power supplies • UPS² for power failures 			
4	Grounding evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circuit breaker size • CO ground (AC-powered systems) 			
5	Cable and interface equipment evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cable type • Connector type • Cable distance limitations • Interface equipment (transceivers) 			

Task No.	Planning Activity	Verified By	Time	Date
6	Electromagnetic interference (EMI) evaluation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distance limitations for signaling • Site wiring • RFI³ levels 			

1. Verify that the power supply installed in the chassis has a dedicated AC source circuit.

2. UPS = uninterruptible power supply.

3. RFI = radio frequency interference.

Contact and Site Information

Use the following worksheet to record contact and site information.

Table 2: Contact and Site Information

Contact person	
Contact phone	
Contact E-Mail	
Building/site name	
Data center location	
Floor location	
Address (line 1)	
Address (line 2)	
City	
State	
Zip code	
Country	

Chassis and Network Information

Use the following worksheets to record chassis and network information.

Contract Number :

Chassis Serial Number:

Product Number:

Switch IP address	
Switch IP netmask	
Host name	
Domain name	
IP broadcast address	
Gateway/router address	
DNS address	
Modem telephone number	