



## Prepare for Installation

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This chapter provides preinstallation information, such as recommendations and requirements that must be met before installing your platform. Before you begin, inspect all items for shipping damage. If anything appears to be damaged or if you encounter problems installing or configuring your platform, contact customer service.

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## Standard Warning Statements

This section describes the warning definition and then lists core safety warnings grouped by topic.



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**Warning**

Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with standard practices for preventing accidents. Read the installation instructions before using, installing or connecting the system to the power source. Use the statement number provided at the end of each warning statement to locate its translation in the translated safety warnings for this device.

Note: SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS Statement 1071

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## General Safety Warnings



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**Warning**

Read the installation instructions before you connect the system to its power source. Statement 1004

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**Warning** Ultimate disposal of this product should be handled according to all national laws and regulations. Statement 1040



**Warning** Installation of the equipment must comply with local and national electrical codes. Statement 1074



**Warning** Power cable and AC adapter - When installing the product, please use the provided or designated connection cables/power cables/AC adaptors. Using any other cables or adapters could cause a malfunction or a fire. Electrical Appliance and Material Safety Law prohibits the use of certified cables (that have the 'UL' shown on the code) for any other electrical devices than products designated by Cisco. The use of cables that are certified by Electrical Appliance and Material Safety Law (that have 'PSE' shown on the code) is not limited to Cisco-designated products. Statement 371



**Warning** Only trained and qualified personnel should be allowed to install or replace this equipment. Statement 1030



**Warning** This product relies on the building's installation for short-circuit (overcurrent) protection. Ensure that the protective device is rated not greater than 20A. Statement 1005



**Warning** This unit may have more than one power supply connection. All connections must be removed to de-energize the unit. Statement 1028



**Warning Restricted Area**

This unit is intended for installation in restricted access areas. A restricted access area can be accessed by skilled, instructed or qualified personnel. Statement 1017



**Warning** Use copper conductors only. Statement 1025



**Warning** This equipment must be grounded. Never defeat the ground conductor or operate the equipment in the absence of a suitably installed ground conductor. Contact the appropriate electrical inspection authority or an electrician if you are uncertain that suitable grounding is available. Statement 1024



**Warning** Hazardous voltage or energy is present on the backplane when the system is operating. Use caution when servicing. Statement 1034



**Warning** Class 1 laser product. Statement 1008



**Warning** Class 1 LED product. Statement 1027



**Warning** Class I and Class 1M Laser  
Invisible Laser Radiation. Do not expose users of telescopic optics. Class 1/1M Laser Products. Statement 1055



**Warning** Invisible laser radiation may be emitted from the end of the unterminated fiber cable or connector. Do not view directly with optical instruments. Viewing the laser output with certain optical instruments (for example, eye loupes, magnifiers, and microscopes) within a distance of 100 mm may pose an eye hazard. Statement 1056



**Warning** To prevent personal injury or damage to the chassis, never attempt to lift or tilt the chassis using the handles on modules (such as power supplies, fans, or cards); these types of handles are not designed to support the weight of the unit. Statement 1032



**Warning** To prevent the system from overheating, do not operate it in an area that exceeds the maximum recommended ambient temperature of: 40 degrees C. Statement 1047



**Warning** To reduce risk of electric shock and fire, a readily accessible two-poled disconnect device must be incorporated in the fixed wiring. Statement 1022



**Warning** Blank Faceplates and Cover Panels  
Blank faceplates and cover panels serve three important functions: they reduce the risk of electric shock and fire; they contain electromagnetic interference (EMI) that might disrupt other equipment; and they direct the flow of cooling air through the chassis. Do not operate the system unless all cards, faceplates, front covers, and rear covers are in place. Statement 1029



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**Warning** Hazardous network voltages are present in WAN ports regardless of whether power to the unit is OFF or ON. To avoid electric shock, use caution when working near WAN ports. When detaching cables, detach the end away from the unit first. Statement 1026



**Warning** Before opening the unit, disconnect the telephone-network cables to avoid contact with telephone-network voltages. Statement 1041



**Warning** Do not use this product near water; for example, near a bath tub, wash bowl, kitchen sink or laundry tub, in a wet basement, or near a swimming pool. Statement 1035



**Warning** Never install telephone jacks in wet locations unless the jack is specifically designed for wet locations. Statement 1036



**Warning** No User-Serviceable Parts  
No serviceable parts inside. To avoid risk of electric shock, do not open. Statement 1073



**Warning** Hazardous network voltages may be present in interface ports regardless of whether power to the unit is OFF or ON. To avoid electric shock, before servicing, disconnect cables from the following ports.



**Warning** Avoid using a telephone (other than a cordless type) during an electrical storm. There may be a remote risk of electric shock from lightning. Statement 1038



**Warning** To report a gas leak, do not use a telephone in the vicinity of the leak. Statement 1039



**Warning** Connect the Chassis to Earth Ground

To reduce the risk of electric shock, the chassis of this equipment needs to be connected to permanent earth ground during normal use. Statement 0445



**Warning** High touch/leakage current – Permanently connected protective earth ground is essential before connecting to Telecommunication Network. Statement 343



**Warning** Power Terminals, Replace Cover

Hazardous voltage or energy may be present on power terminals. To reduce the risk of electric shock, always replace cover when terminals are not in service and be sure uninsulated conductors are not accessible when cover is in place. Statement 1086



**Warning** Instructed person is someone who has been instructed and trained by a skilled person and takes the necessary precautions when working with equipment.

Skilled person/Qualified personnel is someone who have training or experience in the equipment technology and understand potential hazards when working with equipment. Statement 1089



**Warning** Only skilled person should be allowed to install, replace, or service this equipment. Refer to statement 1089 for description of skilled person. Statement 1090



**Warning** Only instructed person or skilled person should be allowed to install, replace, or service this equipment. Refer to statement 1089 for description of skilled person. Statement 1091



**Warning** This equipment is suitable for installations utilizing the insert CBN. Statement 7013



**Warning** This equipment is suitable for installation in network telecommunications facilities. Statement 8015



**Warning** This equipment is suitable for installation in locations where the NEC applies. Statement 8016

## Safety Recommendations

Follow these guidelines to ensure general safety:

- Never attempt to lift an object that might be too heavy for you to lift by yourself.
- Keep the chassis area clear and dust-free during and after installation.
- If you remove the chassis cover, place it in a safe place.
- Keep tools and chassis components away from walk areas.
- Do not wear loose clothing that may get caught in the chassis. Fasten any tie or scarf and roll up sleeves.
- Wear safety glasses when working under conditions that might be hazardous to your eyes.
- Do not perform any action that may create a hazard to people or makes equipment unsafe.

## Safety with Electricity



### Warning

This unit might have more than one power supply connection. All connections must be removed to de-energize the unit. Statement 1028



### Warning

Avoid Servicing Outdoor Connections During an Electrical Storm

Avoid using or servicing any equipment that has outdoor connections during an electrical storm. There may be a risk of electric shock from lightning. Statement 1088



### Warning

Installation Instructions

Read the installation instructions before using, installing or connecting the system to the power source. Statement 1004

Follow these guidelines when working on equipment powered by electricity:

- Locate the emergency power-off switch in the room in which you are working. If an electrical accident occurs, you can quickly turn off the power.
- Disconnect all power before doing the following:
  - Installing or removing a chassis
  - Working near power supplies
- Look carefully for possible hazards in your work area, such as moist floors, ungrounded power extension cables, frayed power cords, and missing safety grounds.
- Do not work alone if hazardous conditions exist
- Never assume that power is disconnected from a circuit. Always check
- Never open the enclosure of the internal power supply

- If an electrical accident occurs to another person, proceed as follows:
  - Use caution; do not become a victim yourself
  - Turn off power to the device
  - If possible, send another person to get medical aid. Otherwise, assess the condition of the victim and then call for help
  - Determine if the person needs rescue breathing or external cardiac compressions; then take appropriate action

In addition, use the following guidelines when working with any equipment that is disconnected from a power source but has telephone wiring or other network cabling connections:

- Never install telephone wiring during a lightning storm
- Never install telephone jacks in wet locations unless the jack is specifically designed for it
- Never touch uninsulated telephone wires or terminals unless the telephone line is disconnected at the network interface
- Use caution when installing or modifying telephone lines
- Remove power cables from all installed power supplies before opening the chassis

## Prevent Electrostatic Discharge Damage

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage equipment and impair electrical circuitry. It can occur if electronic printed circuit cards are improperly handled and can cause complete or intermittent failures. Always follow these ESD prevention procedures when removing and replacing modules:

- Ensure that the router chassis is electrically connected to the ground.
- Wear an ESD-preventive wrist strap, ensuring that it makes good skin contact. Connect the clip to an unpainted surface of the chassis frame to channel unwanted ESD voltages safely to ground. To guard against ESD damage and shocks, the wrist strap and cord must operate effectively.
- If no wrist strap is available, ground yourself by touching a metal part of the chassis.



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**Caution** For the safety of your equipment, periodically check the resistance value of the anti-static strap. It should be between 1 and 10 megohms (Mohm).

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## General Site Requirements

This section describes the requirements your site must meet for the safe installation and operation of your router. Ensure that the site is properly prepared before beginning installation. If you are experiencing shutdowns or unusually high errors with your existing equipment, the guidelines provided in this section can also help you isolate the cause of failures and prevent future problems.

## General Precautions

Observe the following general precautions when using and working with your Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms:

- Keep your system components away from radiators and heat sources, and do not block cooling vents.
- Do not spill food or liquids on your system components, and never operate the product in a wet environment.
- Do not push any objects into the openings of your system components. Doing that can cause fire or electric shock by shorting out interior components.
- Position system cables and power supply cables carefully. Route system cables and the power supply cable and plug so that they cannot be stepped on or tripped over. Be sure that nothing else rests on your system component cables or power cable.
- Do not modify power cables or plugs. Consult a licensed electrician or your power company for electrical modifications at your site. Always follow your local and national wiring rules.
- If you turn off your system, wait at least 30 seconds before turning it on again to avoid system component damage.

## Site Selection Guidelines

Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms require specific environmental operating conditions. Temperature, humidity, altitude, and vibration can affect the performance and reliability of the router. The following sections provide specific information to help you plan for the proper operating environment.

## Site Environmental Requirements

Environmental monitoring in the router protects the system and components from damage caused by excessive voltage and temperature conditions. To ensure normal operation and avoid unnecessary maintenance, plan and prepare your site configuration before installation. After installation, ensure the site maintains the required environmental characteristics.

**Table 1: Router Environmental Tolerances**

Environmental Characteristic	Minimum	Maximum
Steady State Operating	0° C	40° C (40° C at 10,000 feet)
Short Term <b>Note</b> Applies only to C8300-2N2S-4T2X 6T NEBS version	-5° C	(55° C at 6,000 feet)
Storage	-40° C	+70° C
Humidity operating (noncondensing)	10%	90%
Humidity nonoperating (noncondensing)	5%	95%

Environmental Characteristic	Minimum	Maximum
Altitude operating: over allowable temperature range (0 to 40° C)	–500 feet	10,000 feet
Altitude, nonoperating: over allowable temperature range	–500 feet	60,000 feet
Thermal shock non-operating with 12 mins	–40° C	+70° C

## Physical Characteristics

Be familiar with the physical characteristics of the Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms to assist you in placing the system in the proper location.

For more information on the physical characteristics of Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms, refer to the [datasheet](#) for the Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms.

## Rack Requirements

The Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms include brackets for use with a 19-inch rack or, if specified in your order, optional larger brackets for use with a 23-inch rack.

The following information can help you plan your equipment rack configuration:

- Allow clearance around the rack for maintenance.
- Enclosed racks must have adequate ventilation. Ensure that the rack is not congested, because each device generates heat. An enclosed rack should have louvered sides and a fan to provide cooling air. Heat generated by equipment at the bottom of the rack can be drawn upward into the intake ports of the equipment above it.
- If the chassis is installed on slides, check the position of the chassis when it is seated in the rack.

## Router Environmental Requirements

Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms can be placed on a desktop or installed in a rack. The location of your router and the layout of your equipment rack or wiring room are extremely important considerations for proper operation. Equipment placed too close together, inadequate ventilation, and inaccessible panels can cause malfunctions and shutdowns, and can make maintenance difficult. Plan for access to both front and rear panels of the router.

When planning your site layout and equipment locations, refer to the General Site Requirements section. If you are currently experiencing shutdowns or an unusually high number of errors with your existing equipment, these precautions and recommendations may help you to isolate the cause of failure and prevent future problems.

- Ensure that the room where your router operates has adequate air circulation. Electrical equipment generates heat. Without adequate air circulation, ambient air temperature may not cool equipment to acceptable operating temperatures.
- Always follow the ESD-prevention procedures to avoid damage to equipment. Damage from static discharge can cause immediate or intermittent equipment failure.

- Ensure that the chassis cover and module rear panels are secure. All empty network module slots, interface card slots, and power supply bays must have filler panels installed. The chassis is designed to allow cooling air to flow within it, through specially designed cooling slots. A chassis with uncovered openings permits air leaks, which may interrupt and reduce the flow of air across internal components.
- Baffles can help to isolate exhaust air from intake air. Baffles also help to draw cooling air through the chassis. The best placement of the baffles depends on the airflow patterns in the rack. You can find the best placement by experimenting with different configurations.
- When equipment installed in a rack (particularly in an enclosed rack) fails, try operating the equipment individually. Power off other equipment in the rack (and in adjacent racks) to allow the router under test maximum cooling air and clean power.

## Power Guidelines and Requirements

Check the power at your site to ensure that you are receiving clean power (free of spikes and noise). Install a power conditioner if necessary.

The AC power supply includes the following features:

- Autoselects either 110 V or 220 V operation.
- All units include a 6-foot (1.8-meter) electrical power cord. (A label near the power inlet indicates the correct voltage, frequency [only AC-powered systems], and current draw for the unit.)

For additional information on the power requirements, refer to the Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms [datasheet](#).

## Network Cabling Specifications

The following sections describe the cables required to install your Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms:

### Console Port Considerations

This device includes an asynchronous serial console port. You access to the device locally using a console terminal connected to the console port. This section discusses important cabling information that you must consider before connecting the device to a console terminal.

Flow control paces the transmission of data between a sending and a receiving device. Flow control ensures that the receiving device can absorb the data sent to it before the sending device sends more data. When the buffers on the receiving device are full, a message is sent to the sending device to suspend transmission until the data in the buffers is processed. Console terminals send data at speeds slower than the speeds modems do; therefore, the console port is ideally suited for use with console terminals.



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**Note** Cisco Catalyst 8300 Series Edge Platforms have both EIA/TIA-232 asynchronous (RJ-45) and USB 5-pin mini Type B, 2.0 compliant serial console ports. Shielded USB cables with properly terminated shields are recommended.

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## EIA/TIA-232

Depending on the cable and the adapter used, this port appears as a DTE or DCE device at the end of the cable. At a time, only one port can be used.

The default parameters for the console port are 9600 baud, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, and no parity. The console port does not support hardware flow control.

## USB Serial Console

The USB serial console port connects directly to the USB connector of a PC. The console port does not support hardware flow control.



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**Note** Always use shielded USB cables with a properly terminated shield.

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The default parameters for the serial console port are 9600 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, and 1 stop bit.

No special drivers are needed for Mac OS X or Linux. At a time, only one console port can be active. When a cable is plugged into the USB console port, the RJ-45 port becomes inactive. Conversely, when the USB cable is removed from the USB port, the RJ-45 port becomes active.

Baud rates for the USB console port are 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, and 115200 bps.

### USB Console OS Compatibility

- Mac OS X version 10.5.4
- Redhat / Fedora Core 10 with kernel 2.6.27.5-117
- Ubuntu 8.10 with kernel 2.6.27-11
- Debian 5.0 with kernel 2.6
- Suse 11.1 with kernel 2.6.27.7-9



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**Note** The Micro-USB type B serial port can be used as an alternative to the RJ-45 console port. For Windows operating systems earlier than Windows 7, you must install a Windows USB device driver before using the USB console port.

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## Prepare for Network Connections

When setting up your device, consider distance limitations and potential electromagnetic interference (EMI) as defined by the applicable local and international regulations.



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**Danger** To avoid electric shock, do not connect safety extra-low voltage (SELV) circuits to telephone-network voltage (TNV) circuits. LAN ports contain SELV circuits, and WAN ports contain TNV circuits. Some LAN and WAN ports both use RJ-45 connectors. Statement 1021

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## Ethernet Connections

The IEEE has established the Ethernet IEEE 802.3 Standards. The devices support the following Ethernet implementations:

- 1000BASE-T—1000 Mb/s full-duplex transmission over a Category 5 or better unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) cable. Supports the Ethernet maximum length of 328 feet (100 meters).
- 100BASE-T—100 Mb/s full-duplex transmission over a Category 5 or better unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) cable. Supports the Ethernet maximum length of 328 feet (100 meters).
- 10BASE-T—10 Mb/s full-duplex transmission over a Category 5 or better unshielded twisted-pair (UTP) cable. Supports the Ethernet maximum length of 328 feet (100 meters).

## Required Tools and Equipment for Installation and Maintenance



### Warning

Only trained and qualified personnel should be allowed to install, replace, or service this equipment. Statement 1030



### Warning

Instructed and Skilled Person Definitions

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You need the following tools and equipment to install and upgrade the router and its components:

- ESD-preventive cord and wrist strap
- Number 2 Phillips screwdriver

- Phillips screwdrivers: small, 3/16-in. (4 to 5 mm) and medium, 1/4-in. (6 to 7 mm)
  - To install or remove modules
  - To remove the cover, if you are upgrading memory or other components
- Screws that fit your rack
- Wire crimper
- Wire for connecting the chassis to an earth ground:
  - AWG 6 (13 mm<sup>2</sup>) wire for NEBS-compliant chassis grounding
  - AWG 14 (2 mm<sup>2</sup>) or larger wire for NEC-compliant chassis grounding
  - AWG 18 (1 mm<sup>2</sup>) or larger wire for EN/IEC 60950-compliant chassis grounding
- For NEC-compliant grounding, an appropriate user-supplied ring terminal, with an inner diameter of 1/4 in. (5 to 7 mm)

In addition, depending on the type of modules you plan to use, you might need the following equipment to connect a port to an external network:

- Cables for connection to the WAN and LAN ports (dependent on configuration)
- Ethernet hub or PC with a network interface card for connection to an Ethernet (LAN) port.
- Console terminal (an ASCII terminal or a PC running HyperTerminal or similar terminal emulation software) configured for 9600 baud, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no flow control, and no parity.
- Modem for connection to the auxiliary port for remote administrative access (optional).
- Data service unit (DSU) or channel service unit/data service unit (CSU/DSU) as appropriate for serial interfaces.
- External CSU for any CT1/PRI modules without a built-in CSU.

