



Install hardware

Cluster and storage switches

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Install the 9336C-FX2 storage switch

Follow this procedure to install the Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 storage switch.

What you'll need

- Access to an HTTP, FTP or TFTP server at the installation site to download the applicable NX-OS and reference configuration file (RCF) releases.
- Applicable NX-OS version, downloaded from the [Cisco Software Download](#) page.
- Applicable licenses, network and configuration information, and cables.
- Completed [cabling worksheets](#).
- Applicable NetApp cluster network and management network RCFs downloaded from the NetApp Support Site at mysupport.netapp.com. All Cisco cluster network and management network switches arrive with the standard Cisco factory-default configuration. These switches also have the current version of the NX-OS software but do not have the RCFs loaded.
- Required switch documentation. See [Required documentation](#) for more information.

Steps

1. Rack the cluster network and management network switches and controllers.

If you are installing your...	Then...
Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 in a NetApp system cabinet	See Install switch in NetApp cabinet for instructions to install the switch in a NetApp cabinet.
Equipment in a Telco rack	See the procedures provided in the switch hardware installation guides and the NetApp installation and setup instructions.

2. Cable the cluster network and management network switches to the controllers using the completed cabling worksheets.
3. Power on the cluster network and management network switches and controllers.

What's next?

Go to [Configure Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 storage switch](#).

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Steps

1. Perform an initial configuration of the cluster network switches.

Provide applicable responses to the following initial setup questions when you first boot the switch. Your site's security policy defines the responses and services to enable.

Prompt	Response
Abort Auto Provisioning and continue with normal setup? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . The default is no.
Do you want to enforce secure password standard? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . The default is yes.
Enter the password for admin.	The default password is "admin"; you must create a new, strong password. A weak password can be rejected.
Would you like to enter the basic configuration dialog? (yes/no)	Respond with yes at the initial configuration of the switch.
Create another login account? (yes/no)	Your answer depends on your site's policies on alternate administrators. The default is no .
Configure read-only SNMP community string? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Configure read-write SNMP community string? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Enter the switch name.	The switch name is limited to 63 alphanumeric characters.
Continue with Out-of-band (mgmt0) management configuration? (yes/no)	Respond with yes (the default) at that prompt. At the mgmt0 IPv4 address: prompt, enter your IP address: ip_address.
Configure the default-gateway? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . At the IPv4 address of the default-gateway: prompt, enter your default_gateway.
Configure advanced IP options? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.

Prompt	Response
Enable the telnet service? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Enabled SSH service? (yes/no)	Respond with yes . The default is yes. <div>  <p>SSH is recommended when using Cluster Switch Health Monitor (CSHM) for its log collection features. SSHv2 is also recommended for enhanced security.</p> </div>
Enter the type of SSH key you want to generate (dsa/rsa/rsa1).	The default is rsa .
Enter the number of key bits (1024-2048).	Enter the number of key bits from 1024 to 2048.
Configure the NTP server? (yes/no)	Respond with no . The default is no.
Configure default interface layer (L3/L2)	Respond with L2 . The default is L2.
Configure default switch port interface state (shut/noshut)	Respond with noshut . The default is noshut.
Configure CoPP system profile (strict/moderate/lenient/dense)	Respond with strict . The default is strict.
Would you like to edit the configuration? (yes/no)	You should see the new configuration at this point. Review and make any necessary changes to the configuration you just entered. Respond with no at the prompt if you are satisfied with the configuration. Respond with yes if you want to edit your configuration settings.
Use this configuration and save it? (yes/no)	Respond with yes to save the configuration. This automatically updates the kickstart and system images. <div>  <p>If you do not save the configuration at this stage, none of the changes will be in effect the next time you reboot the switch.</p> </div>

2. Verify the configuration choices you made in the display that appears at the end of the setup, and make sure that you save the configuration.
3. Check the version on the cluster network switches, and if necessary, download the NetApp-supported version of the software to the switches from the [Cisco software download](#) page.

What's next?

Optionally, you can [install a Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 switch in a NetApp cabinet](#). Otherwise, go to [Prepare to install NX-OS and RCF](#).

Install a Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 switch in a NetApp cabinet

Depending on your configuration, you might need to install the Cisco Nexus 9336C-FX2 switch and pass-through panel in a NetApp cabinet. Standard brackets are included with the switch.

What you'll need

- For each switch, you must supply the eight 10-32 or 12-24 screws and clip nuts to mount the brackets and slider rails to the front and rear cabinet posts.
- You must use the Cisco standard rail kit to install the switch in a NetApp cabinet.



The jumper cords are not included with the pass-through kit and should be included with your switches. If they were not shipped with the switches, you can order them from NetApp (part number X1558A-R6).

Required documentation

Review the initial preparation requirements, kit contents, and safety precautions in the [Cisco Nexus 9000 Series Hardware Installation Guide](#).

Steps

1. Install the pass-through blanking panel in the NetApp cabinet.

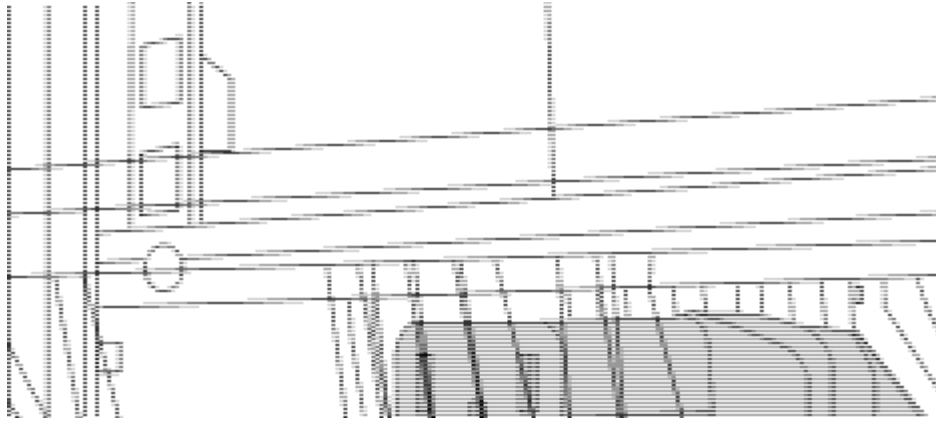
The pass-through panel kit is available from NetApp (part number X8784-R6).

The NetApp pass-through panel kit contains the following hardware:

- One pass-through blanking panel
- Four 10-32 x .75 screws
- Four 10-32 clip nuts
 - a. Determine the vertical location of the switches and blanking panel in the cabinet.

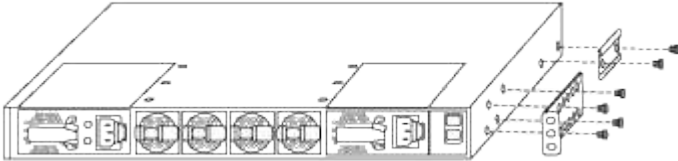
In this procedure, the blanking panel will be installed in U40.

- b. Install two clip nuts on each side in the appropriate square holes for front cabinet rails.
- c. Center the panel vertically to prevent intrusion into adjacent rack space, and then tighten the screws.
- d. Insert the female connectors of both 48-inch jumper cords from the rear of the panel and through the brush assembly.

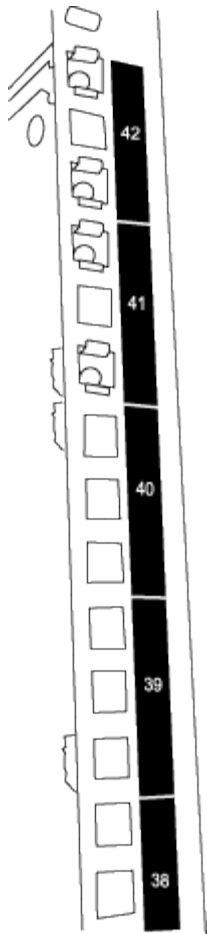


(1) Female connector of the jumper cord.

2. Install the rack-mount brackets on the Nexus 9336C-FX2 switch chassis.
 - a. Position a front rack-mount bracket on one side of the switch chassis so that the mounting ear is aligned with the chassis faceplate (on the PSU or fan side), and then use four M4 screws to attach the bracket to the chassis.



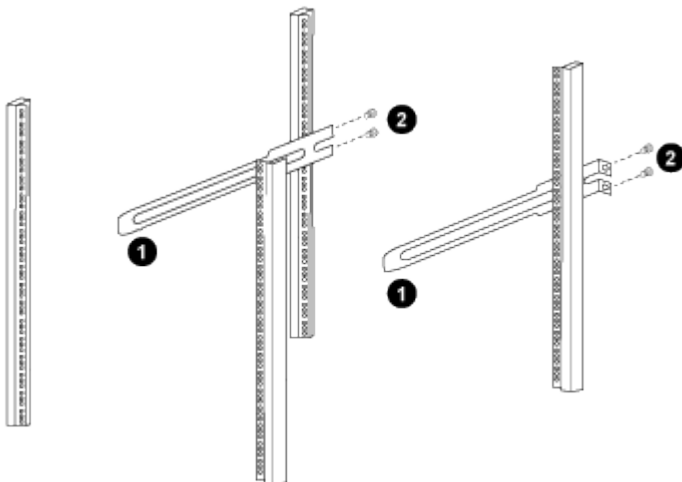
- b. Repeat step 2a with the other front rack-mount bracket on the other side of the switch.
 - c. Install the rear rack-mount bracket on the switch chassis.
 - d. Repeat step 2c with the other rear rack-mount bracket on the other side of the switch.
3. Install the clip nuts in the square hole locations for all four IEA posts.



The two 9336C-FX2 switches will always be mounted in the top 2U of the cabinet RU41 and 42.

4. Install the slider rails in the cabinet.

- a. Position the first slider rail at the RU42 mark on the back side of the rear left post, insert screws with the matching thread type, and then tighten the screws with your fingers.



(1) As you gently slide the slider rail, align it to the screw holes in the rack.

(2) Tighten the screws of the slider rails to the cabinet posts.

- b. Repeat step [4a](#) for the right side rear post.

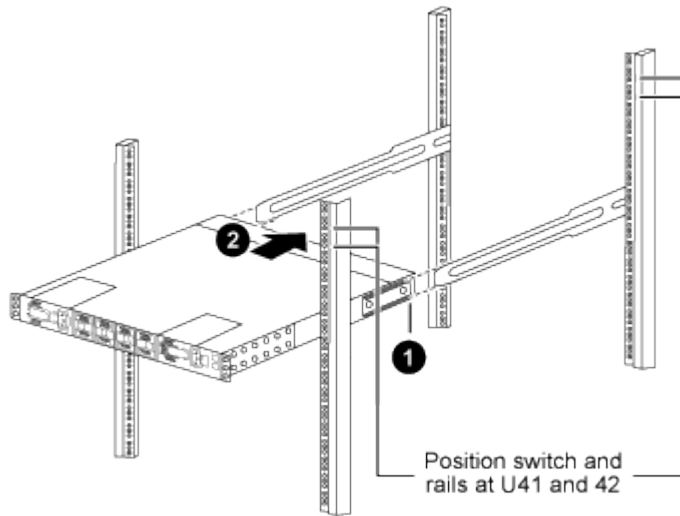
c. Repeat steps 4a and 4b at the RU41 locations on the cabinet.

5. Install the switch in the cabinet.



This step requires two people: one person to support the switch from the front and another to guide the switch into the rear slider rails.

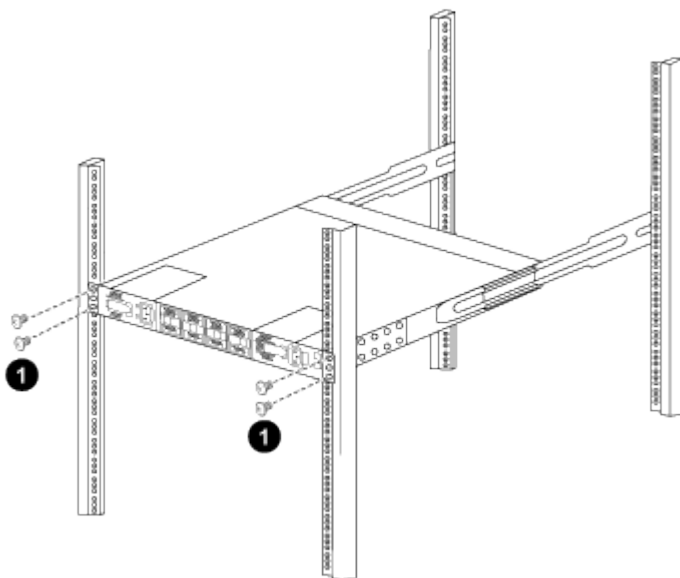
a. Position the back of the switch at RU41.



(1) As the chassis is pushed toward the rear posts, align the two rear rack-mount guides with the slider rails.

(2) Gently slide the switch until the front rack-mount brackets are flush with the front posts.

b. Attach the switch to the cabinet.



(1) With one person holding the front of the chassis level, the other person should fully tighten the four rear screws to the cabinet posts.

c. With the chassis now supported without assistance, fully tighten the front screws to the posts.

d. Repeat steps 5a through 5c for the second switch at the RU42 location.



By using the fully installed switch as a support, it is not necessary to hold the front of the second switch during the installation process.

6. When the switches are installed, connect the jumper cords to the switch power inlets.

7. Connect the male plugs of both jumper cords to the closest available PDU outlets.



To maintain redundancy, the two cords must be connected to different PDUs.

8. Connect the management port on each 9336C-FX2 switch to either of the management switches (if ordered) or connect them directly to your management network.

The management port is the upper-right port located on the PSU side of the switch. The CAT6 cable for each switch needs to be routed through the pass-through panel after the switches are installed to connect to the management switches or management network.

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