

# Setting Up the i2000/i4000 Series Platform

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# Platform Overview

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## About i2000/i4000 Series models

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The i2000/i4000 Series platform is a powerful system that is designed specifically for application delivery performance and scalability.

For more information, please see the data sheet at [www.f5.com/pdf/products/big-ip-platforms-datasheet.pdf](http://www.f5.com/pdf/products/big-ip-platforms-datasheet.pdf).

## About the platform

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Before you install this platform, review information about the controls and ports located on both the front and back of the platform.

On the front of the platform, you can use the LCD touchscreen to view information about, manage, and reset the system. You can also use the front-panel LEDs to assess the condition of the system.



**Figure 1: Front view of the i2000 Series platform**

1. 10/100/1000-BaseT capable management port
2. Hi-Speed USB port
3. Console serial port
4. Serial (hard-wired) failover port
5. 1GbE SFP ports (4)
6. 10GbE SFP+ ports (2)
7. Indicator LEDs
8. 2.2 inch LCD touchscreen



**Figure 2: Front view of the i4000 Series platform**

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7. Indicator LEDs
8. 2.2 inch LCD touchscreen

The back of the i2000/i4000 Series platform includes one power supply, one power blank, and a chassis ground terminal.



**Figure 3: Back view of the i2000/i4000 Series AC-powered platform**

1. Power input panel 1 (AC power receptacle)
2. Power blank
3. Chassis ground terminal



**Figure 4: Back view of the i2000/i4000 Series DC-powered platform**

1. Power input panel 1 (DC terminal)
2. Power blank
3. Chassis ground terminal

## Hardware included with the platform

This platform includes all of the hardware components listed here.

Quantity	Hardware
1 or 2	Power cables (black), AC power only, per platform configuration. Might include multiple power cable types if product is delivered outside of the US/Canada. By default, these platforms include one power supply and power cable: i2000/i4000 Series.
2	DC ring terminals, DC power only. By default, these platforms include one power supply and two ring terminals: i2000/i4000 Series.
1	RJ45 to RJ45 failover cable, CAT 5 crossover (blue)
1	RJ45 to DB9 console port cable (beige)
1	RJ45F to RJ45M rolled adapter (beige)
1	Quick-install rail kit
2	Rail lock brackets
4	M3 x 6mm flathead screws, black with patch
2	#8-32 pan head screws, steel zinc

## Peripheral hardware required

For each platform, you might need to provide additional peripheral hardware. If you plan to remotely administer the system, it would be helpful to have a workstation already connected to the same subnet as the management interface.

Type of hardware	Description
Network hubs, switches, or connectors to connect to the platform network interfaces	You must provide networking devices that are compatible with the network interface ports on the platform. You can use 1000/10000-Megabit Ethernet switches.
External USB CD/DVD drive or USB flash drive	<p>You can use any USB-certified CD/DVD mass storage device or a USB flash drive for installing upgrades and for system recovery.</p> <hr/> <p><i>Note: External CD/DVD drives must be externally powered.</i></p>
Serial console	<p>You can remotely manage the platform by connecting to a serial console terminal server through the console port.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Important:</b> <i>In the event that network access is impaired or not yet configured, the serial console might be the only way to access the unit. You should perform all installations and upgrades using the serial console, as these procedures require reboots, in which network connectivity is lost temporarily.</i></p>
Management workstation on the same IP network as the platform	You can use the default platform configuration if you have a management workstation set up.



# Platform Installation

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## About installing the i2000/i4000 Series platform

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After you have reviewed the hardware requirements and become familiar with the i2000/i4000 Series platform, you can install the unit into a 19-inch rack.

**Important:** Before you install this platform, review the environmental guidelines to make sure that you are installing the platform into a compatible rack and in the appropriate environment.

**Note:** F5<sup>®</sup> recommends that you keep all original packaging, in case you need to repackage and ship the platform later.

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## About the quick-install rails

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The quick-install rails are optimized for installation into square hole cabinets, but can be installed in other cabinet styles, such as round hole cabinets, using the screws provided. The rails are easily converted to mount to either cabinet style.



**Figure 5: Quick-install rails**

For information about installing the platform using the quick-install rails, see the instruction guide provided by the manufacturer, which is included with the rail hardware.

**Caution:** Be sure that the rotating mount brackets located on the ends of the rails are locked into place on both sides of the platform when installing the quick-install rails.

After installing the platform, secure the chassis to the rack with the rail lock brackets that are provided.

## Quick-install rail kit hardware

When you are installing with the quick-install rail kit, use these components.

Quantity	Hardware
2	Quick-install rails
2	#8-32 pan head screws, steel zinc

Quantity	Hardware
8	#8-32 thumb screws (from rail kit, use only when installing into a round hole rack)
2	Rail lock brackets
4	M3 x 6mm flathead screws, black with patch (threadlock) (for rail lock brackets)

### Install the rail lock brackets

Be sure that the rails are installed onto the chassis before you install the rail lock brackets.

The rail lock brackets secure the platform to the rack when you are using the quick-install rail kit.

1. Use a #1 Philips screwdriver to attach the rail lock brackets to each side of the unit using two of the black M3 x 6mm flathead screws that are provided with the kit.

Use 5 inch-pounds (0.6 Newton-meters) of torque on these screws.



2. Slide the unit into the rack.
3. Use a #2 Philips screwdriver to secure the rail lock brackets to the rack on each side of the unit using one of the #8-32 pan head screws that are provided with the kit.  
Use 14 to 16 inch-pounds (1.6 to 1.8 Newton-meters) of torque on these screws.

### About grounding the platform

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You must ground the platform after you install it in a rack. The chassis ground lug is located on the back of the platform.

Do not secure multiple bonding or grounding connectors with the same bolt. The grounding connectors do not need to be removed to perform service or installation procedures. You can connect other bonding or grounding conductors to a grounding connector provided a reliable bond between the connector and the equipment is not disturbed during installation, service, or maintenance of the platform.

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**Important:** All grounding cable terminal lugs must meet appropriate safety standards.

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**Note:** The platform must be grounded to a common bonding network (CBN).

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Figure 6: Chassis ground lug

## Connect the ground lug to the ground terminal

You must provide these components to properly ground the chassis:

- Crimping tool
- Single ring ground terminal lug
- One 12 AWG copper wire long enough to reach from the chassis to the common bonding network (CBN)

After the unit is installed in the rack and before you provide power to the system, you need to connect the grounding hardware.

1. Remove the M5 Keps nuts from the ground lug on the back of the chassis.
2. Attach a ground ring terminal to the 12 AWG copper ground wire.
3. Install the ground ring terminal onto the chassis ground terminal.
4. Secure the ground ring terminal with the M5 Keps nuts.
  - Use 18 to 24 inch-pounds (2.0 to 2.7 Newton-meters) of torque on these Keps nuts.
5. Connect the ground wire to a common bonding network (CBN).

## Connect the cables and other hardware

After you have installed the unit into the rack, connect the cables and other hardware.

**Important:** *In the event that network access is impaired or not yet configured, the serial console might be the only way to access the unit. You should perform all installations and upgrades using the serial console, as these procedures require reboots, in which network connectivity is lost temporarily.*

1. If you are using the default network configured on the management interface, connect an Ethernet cable to the management port.

**Note:** *For EMI compliance, shielded cables are required for the management port, and the shield must be grounded at both ends.*

2. Connect the console port to a serial console server. Depending on which F5<sup>®</sup> system you have and the console network to which you are attaching, you can use either the supplied RJ45 to DB9 console port cable or the RJ45F to RJ45M rolled serial adapter to connect the system to a serial console.
  - Connect the RJ45 to DB9 console port cable to the console port on the system.

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**Note:** The default baud rate and serial port configuration is 19200/8-N-1.

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- Connect the RJ45F to RJ45M rolled serial adapter to the console port if you are connecting the system to a serial console server with a standard CAT5 cable, and then connect the CAT5 cable to the adapter. The adapter provides the appropriate pinout connection to your equipment. For information about cable and connector pinout specifications, see *F5 Platforms: Accessories* at [support.f5.com/kb/en-us/products/big-ip\\_ltm/manuals/product/f5-plat-accessories.html](http://support.f5.com/kb/en-us/products/big-ip_ltm/manuals/product/f5-plat-accessories.html).



**Figure 7: The RJ45F to RJ45M rolled serial (pass-through) adapter (CBL-0143-00)**

3. Connect power to installed power supplies:

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**Note:** Be sure to route the power cords away from the fan tray so that the cords do not impede access to it.

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- For AC-powered systems, connect an auto locking power cable to the power input panel on all installed power supplies, and then connect the cable to the power source.

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**Note:** Not all country-specific power cables include a locking feature.

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**Note:** To remove the locking power cord, pull one or both of the power cord locking tabs away from the power supply.

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- For DC-powered systems, connect a DC cable to each power supply and then connect the cable to your DC mains power source.

4. If you plan to set up device service clustering (DSC<sup>®</sup>) with hard-wired failover capacity, connect the serial failover cable to the FAILOVER port on each unit.

For more information about configuring failover, see *BIG-IP<sup>®</sup> Device Service Clustering: Administration* at [support.f5.com](http://support.f5.com).

You can now assign a management IP address to the system, and then license and provision the software.

Optionally, you should run the `QKView` utility. This utility collects configuration and diagnostic information about your system into a single file that you can provide to F5 Technical Support to aid in troubleshooting. For more information, see [support.f5.com/csp/article/K12878](http://support.f5.com/csp/article/K12878).

## Configure a management IP address using the LCD

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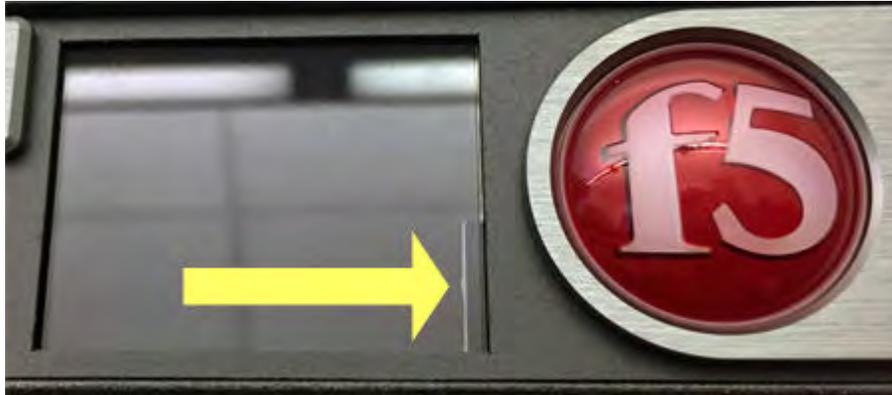
You can use the touchscreen LCD to configure the management IP address. With the management IP address, you can access the Configuration utility to configure other aspects of the product, such as the product license, VLANs, and trunks.

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*Note:* When using the LCD to configure the unit, be sure to use the **Commit** option to save all settings.

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1. (Optional) Remove the protective film from the LCD panel using the small cutout on the lower right corner of the film.



2. Touch the screen to activate the LCD menus.



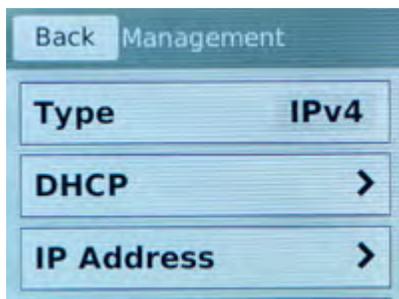
3. Tap **Setup**.

The Setup screen displays.



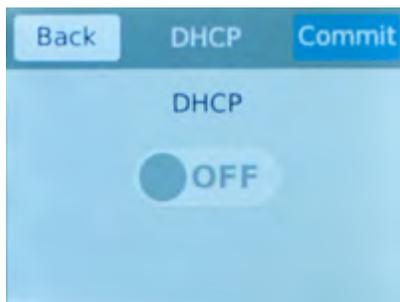
4. Tap **Management**.

The Management screen displays.



5. For the **Type** setting, tap to select either **IPv4** or **IPv6**.
6. If you are using IPv4, you can configure the management IP address using DHCP:
  - a) Tap **DHCP**.

The DHCP option displays.



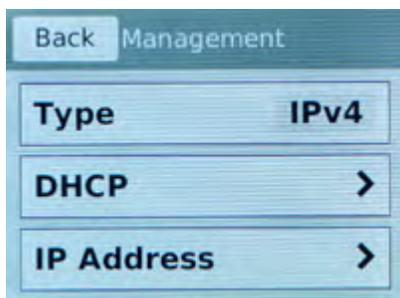
- b) Tap to set the DHCP option to **ON**.
  - c) Tap **Commit** to save your changes.
7. If you are using IPv6 and/or IPv4, you can configure the management IP address manually:

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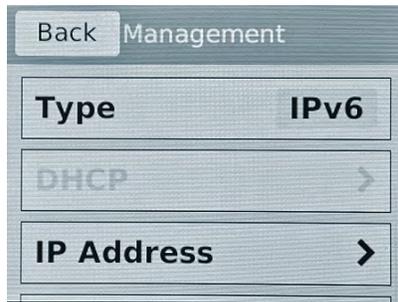
*Note: As of BIG-IP software version 14.0, you can configure your system to be managed concurrently from an IPv4 and an IPv6 address.*

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- a) Tap **DHCP**.  
The DHCP screen displays.
  - b) Make sure that the DHCP option is set to **OFF**.  
If the DHCP option was set to **ON**, tap **OFF**, and then tap **Commit** to save the change.
  - c) Tap **Back** to return to the Management screen.  
If you selected IPv4, this screen displays:



If you selected IPv6, this screen displays:

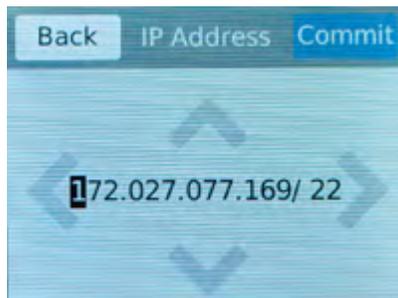


- d) Tap **IP Address**.

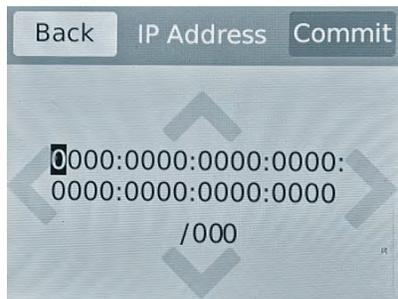
The IP Address screen displays.

- e) Use the left, right, up, and down arrows to configure the management IP address and the length of the routing prefix for the IPv4 or IPv6 management IP address.

For an IPv4 address, this screen displays:



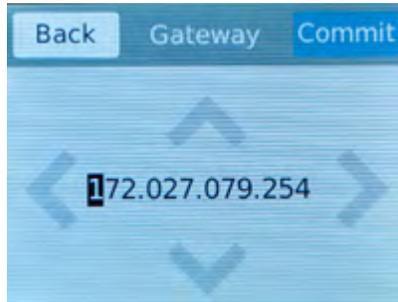
For an IPv6 address, this screen displays:



- f) Tap **Commit** to save your changes.
- g) On the Management screen, swipe to scroll down and tap **Gateway**.



- h) Use the left, right, up, and down arrows to configure the default route for the management interface.



- i) Tap **Commit** to save your changes.

You can now access the browser-based Configuration utility using the IP address that you configured.

## License the platform

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Once the management IP address is configured for the platform, you can use the Configuration utility to license the appropriate F5<sup>®</sup> software.

1. Using a Web browser, navigate to the management IP address that you assigned to the platform.

Use this format where `<mgmt_ip_address>` is the management IP address that you assigned:

`https://<mgmt_ip_address>`

For example, type an IPv4 management IP address like this: `https://192.168.0.22`. For an IPv6 management address of `2001:0DB8::f5f5/64`, type the address like this: `https://`

`[2001:0DB8::f5f5]`.

2. Type `admin` as the user name and `admin` as the password.

If this is the first time you have accessed the Configuration utility, the first screen you see is the Introduction screen.

3. Click **Next** to view the License screen.

4. Follow the instructions in the Configuration utility to license the platform.

For more information about licensing your platform, see *BIG-IP System: Essentials* at [support.f5.com](http://support.f5.com).

# Environmental Guidelines

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## General environmental and installation guidelines

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The i2000/i4000 Series platform is an industrial network appliance that is designed to be mounted in a standard 19-inch EIA rack.

Follow these guidelines to adhere to safety precautions:

- Install the rack according to the manufacturer's instructions and check the rack for stability before placing equipment in it.
- Build and position the rack so that after you install the platform, the power supply and the vents on both the front and back of the unit remain unobstructed. The platform must have adequate ventilation around the unit at all times.
- Although not required, a 1U space between units makes it easier for you to remove the unit from the rack in the event that the unit requires service. A 1U space between units also provides additional cable routing options.
- Leaving at least 100 mm of space from the front panel of the unit to the rack front or rack door provides enough room for you to route the cables without excessive bending or insulation damage.
- A shelf or similar supportive structure is required to support the unit if only one person is installing the unit.
- Do not plug the unit into a branch circuit shared by more electronic equipment than the circuit is designed to manage safely at one time.
- Route and secure power cords so that they do not obstruct removal of the fan tray.

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**Important:** *This product is sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). FS<sup>®</sup> recommends that you use proper ESD grounding procedures and equipment when you install or maintain the unit.*

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**Caution:** *Customers should not attempt to replace batteries. There is a risk of explosion if a battery is replaced with an incorrect type. Field technicians should dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.*

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**Attention :** *Il y a risque d'explosion si la batterie est remplacée par une batterie de type incorrect. Mettre au rebut les batteries usagées conformément aux instructions.*

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## Chassis rack-mount spatial requirements

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The i2000/i4000 Series platforms ship with a rack mount kit to help install the system more easily. This kit requires that the rack or cabinet has certain clearances and spacing, as shown here.

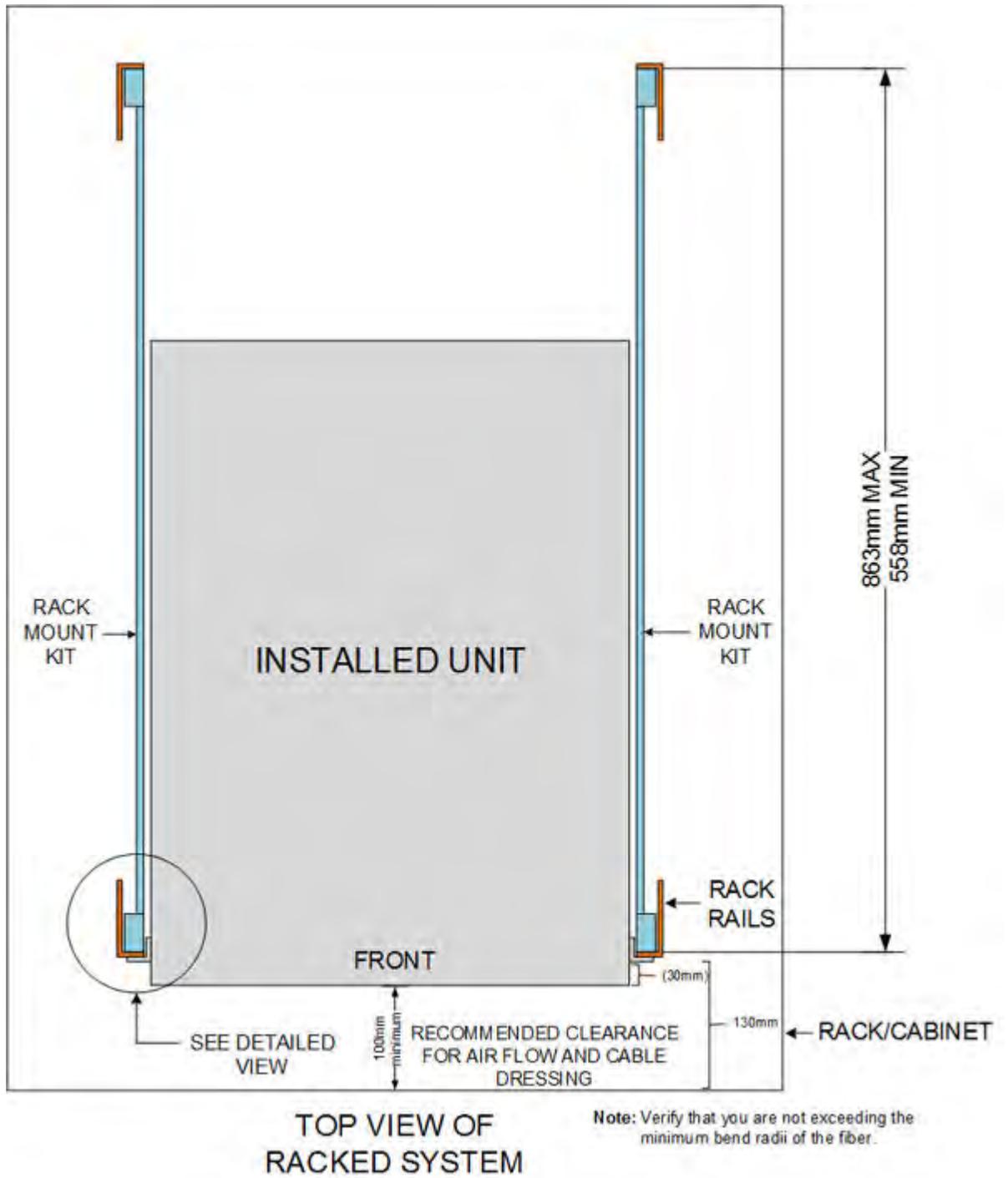


Figure 8: Rack mounting spatial requirements for the i2000/i4000 Series platform

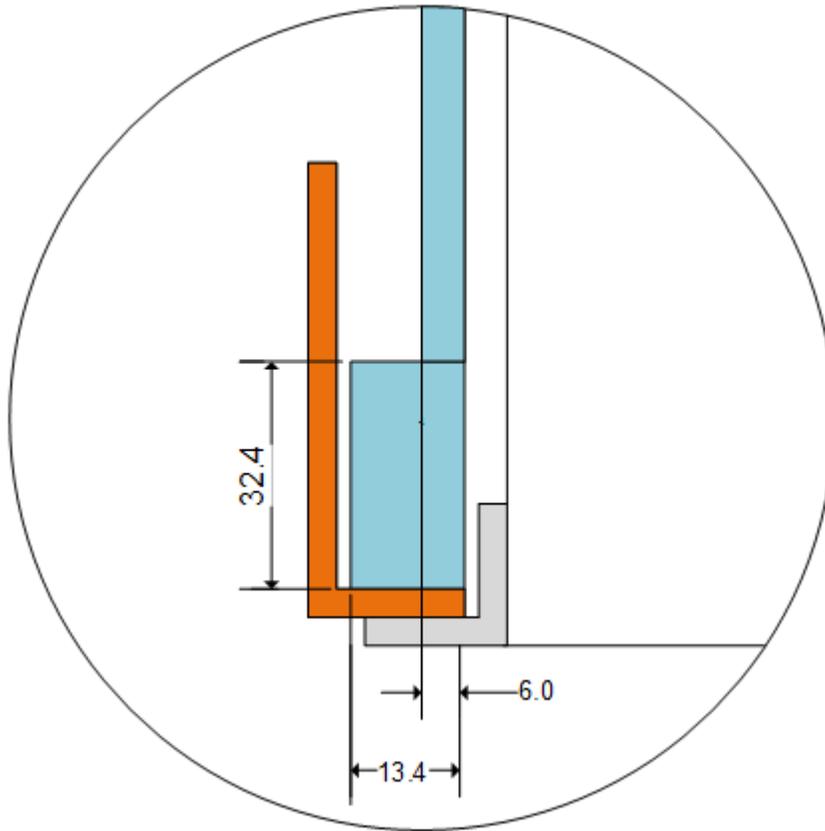


Figure 9: Detailed view of rack mounting spatial requirements

## Guidelines for power supplies

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All iSeries platforms support either single or dual power supplies. When your system includes dual power supplies, both supplies must be of the same type. To verify this, make sure that the supplies have matching base part numbers (PWR-XXXX). You can find the base part number printed on the label on top of the individual power supply.

**Note:** The full part number is a nine digit number (PWR-XXXX-YY). The base part number is seven digits and must match, but the suffix (-YY) does not need to match.

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Figure 10: Example of label to check PWR-XXXX part number

If you cannot read the base part number, ensure that the pull handles are both in a horizontal orientation and that the sheet metal on the power cord face for each supply has the same perforation shapes.

When you add or replace a power supply unit in your system, be sure to verify the supply's features and that the PWR-XXXX part numbers match to ensure that you have the correct supply.

## Guidelines for AC-powered equipment

An AC-powered installation must meet these requirements:

- Use a 15 amp external branch circuit protection device to install the unit.
- Use one power feed for each individual power supply.

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**Important:** The platform must be installed in a RESTRICTED ACCESS LOCATION, such as a central office or customer premises environment.

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**Note:** The power cables included with this unit are for exclusive use with this unit and should not be used with other electrical appliances.

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**Note:** These guidelines apply to STATIONARY PLUGGABLE EQUIPMENT TYPE A with simultaneous multiple connections to the AC MAINS SUPPLY:

- The building installation shall provide a means for connection to protective earth; and
  - The equipment is to be connected to that means; and
  - A SERVICE PERSON shall check whether or not the socket-outlet from which the equipment is to be powered provides a connection to the building protective earth. If not, the SERVICE PERSON shall arrange for the installation of a PROTECTIVE EARTHING CONDUCTOR from the separate protective earthing terminal to the protective earth wire in the building.
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**Caution:** High leakage current. Earth connection essential before connecting supply.

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## Guidelines for DC-powered equipment

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A DC-powered installation must meet these requirements:

- Use a 15 amp external branch circuit protection device to install the unit.
- For permanently connected equipment, incorporate a readily accessible disconnect in the fixed wiring.
- Use only copper conductors.
- Cabling for the system must be grounded on both sides.
- Use one power feed for each individual power supply.

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**Caution:** *Install DC-powered equipment only in restricted access areas, such as dedicated equipment rooms, equipment closets, or similar locations.*

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**Avertissement :** *Installer le matériel alimenté par courant continu uniquement dans des zones à accès réglementé, telles que des salles de matériel, des armoires de matériel ou tout emplacement similaire.*

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## Platform airflow diagram

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When you install the platform into a rack, it is important to understand the unit's airflow direction so that you can ensure proper cooling.

The platform employs a negative pressure fan system, which draws cold air in from the front of the chassis.

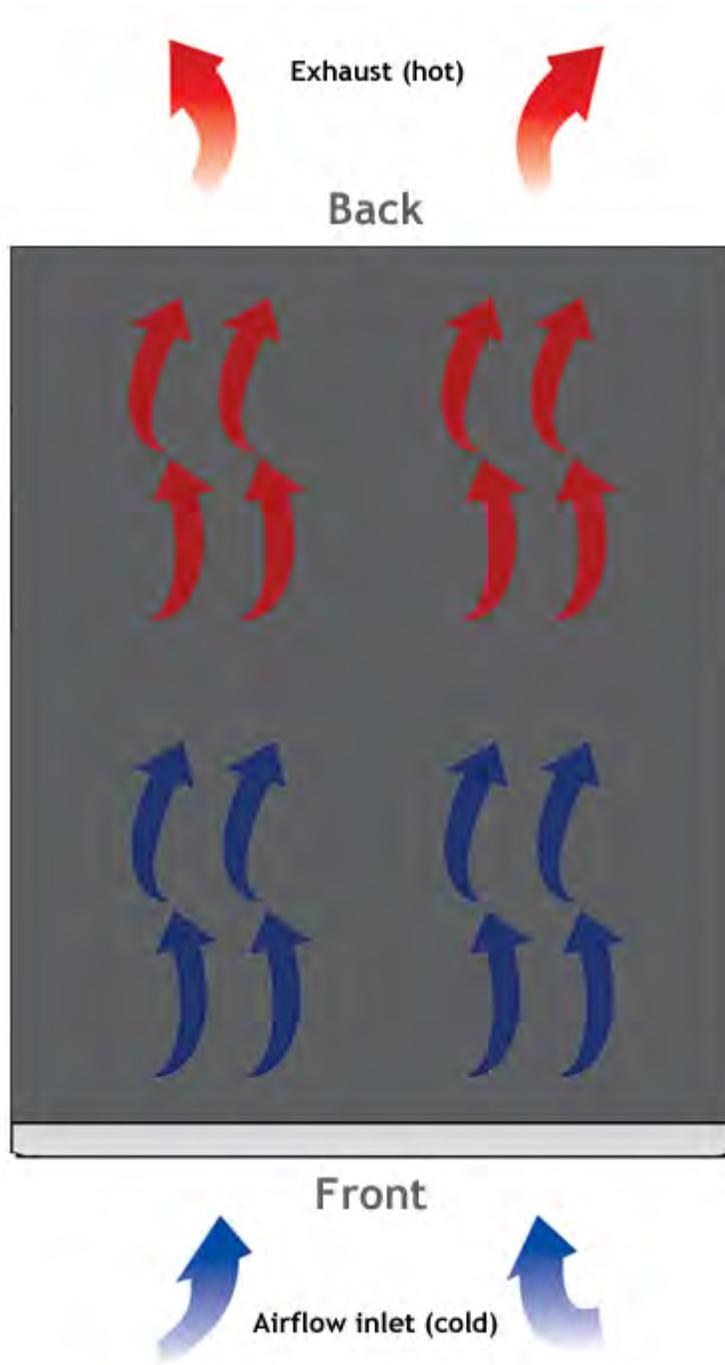


Figure 11: Airflow in iSeries platforms

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