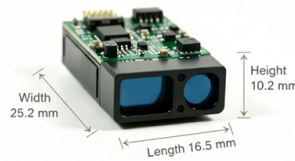


Standard Size of Finished Data Center Power Distribution Boxes



AI Overview

Data center power distribution boxes typically range from compact rack-mounted PDUs to floor-mounted cabinets, with capacities from 16A to 400A and dimensions designed to fit standard IT racks or small-to-mid-sized facilities.

Rack-Mounted PDUs Rack-mounted PDUs (rPDUs) are the most common type in modern data centers. They are designed to fit within standard 19-inch server racks and vary in height from 1U to 3U depending on the number of outlets and monitoring features. Input capacities typically range from 16A to 60A, supporting voltages from 120V to 415V AC. High-density models may include switched or metered outlets for remote control and monitoring of individual devices, while basic models focus on reliable power delivery without monitoring capabilities (Technology movers, Vertiv).

Floor-Mounted Power Distribution Cabinets For larger power requirements, floor-mounted distribution cabinets are used. These units can handle up to 400A inputs and provide multiple poles (up to 84 in some models) in a compact footprint, often around 24 inches wide by 12 inches deep for small-to-mid-sized data centers. They are designed to fit through standard doorways and elevators for installation and can deliver 50–300 kVA of power depending on the configuration (Vertiv).

Electrical Standards and Configurations Data center PDUs and distribution boxes follow regional and international standards. Typical low-voltage configurations include 400V/230V (50 Hz) in Europe, 480V/277V (60 Hz) in North America, and 415V/240V (50 Hz) in Asia-Pacific regions. They are designed for three-phase AC systems, often with 3-wire or 4-wire designs, and include over-current protection devices to handle short-circuit and overload conditions safely (Lorisweb, GBC Engineers).

Summary Rack-mounted PDUs: 19-inch width, 1U–3U height, 16A–60A input, 120V–415V AC. Floor-mounted cabinet...

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