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Notes, Cautions, and Warnings



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CAUTION: A CAUTION indicates potential damage to hardware or loss of data if instructions are not followed.



/ WARNING: A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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About this Guide

This document is intended as a Quick Start Guide to get new systems up and running and ready for configuration. For complete installation and configuration information, refer to the following documents:

Documentation	Z9000
Hardware installation and power-up instructions	Installing the Z9000 System
Software configuration	FTOS Configuration Guide for the Z9000
Command line interface	FTOS Command Reference for the Z9000
Latest updates	FTOS Release Notes for the Z9000 System

Installing the Hardware

This guide assumes all site preparation has been performed before installing the chassis.

Installing the Z9000 Chassis in a Rack or Cabinet

To install the Z9000 system, Dell Force 10 recommends that you complete the installation procedures in the order presented below.

Always handle the system and its components with care. Avoid dropping the Z9000 chassis or its field replaceable units.

For proper ventilation, position the Z9000 chassis in an equipment rack (or cabinet) with a minimum of five inches (12.7 cm) of clearance around exhaust vents. When two Z9000 systems are installed near each other, position the two chassis at least 5 inches (12.7 cm) apart to permit proper airflow. The acceptable ambient temperature ranges are listed in the *Environmental Parameters* section.



handling the Z9000 and its components. As with all electrical devices of this type, take all necessary safety precautions to prevent injury when installing this system. Electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage can occur if components are mishandled.

Attach Mounting Brackets

The Z9000 is shipped with mounting brackets (rack ears) and required screws for rack or cabinet installation. The brackets are enclosed in a package with the chassis.

Step	Task
1	Take the brackets and screws out of their packaging.

Step	Task
2 Attach the brackets to the sides of the chassis on either side, u screws for each bracket.	
	Attach the bracket so that the "ear" faces to the outside of the chassis.
	I/O side Rack/Cabinet Rack/Cabinet

Install chassis into rack or cabinet

Step	Task
1	Dell Force10 recommends that one person hold the Z9000 chassis in place while a second person attaches the brackets to the posts.
2	Attach the bracket "ears" to the rack or cabinet posts, using two screws for each bracket. Ensure the screws are tightened firmly. The example here shows the mounting on the I/O side, but either side can be used.

Attach a Ground Cable

Use a single M4x0.7 screw for attaching a ground cable to the chassis. The cable itself is not included. Dell Force10 recommends a 6AWG one-hole lug, #10 hole size, 63" spacing (not included in shipping) to properly ground the chassis. The one-hole lug must be a UL recognized, crimp-type lug.



NOTE: The rack installation ears are not suitable for grounding.



CAUTION: Grounding conductors must be made of copper. Do not use aluminum conductors.



NOTE: Coat the one-hole lug with an anti-oxidant compound prior to crimping. Bring any un-plated mating surfaces to a shiny finish, and coat with an anti-oxidant prior to mating. Plated mating surfaces must be clean and free from contamination.

Step	Task
1	Take the (1) M4x0.7 screw from the package.
2	Cut cable to desired length. Cable length must facilitate the proper operation of fault interrupt circuits. Dell Force10 recommends using the shortest cable route allowable.
3	Attach the one-hole lug to the chassis as shown, using the supplied screw with captive internal tooth lock washer. The screw should be torqued to 20 in-lbs.
	Grounding point 4 AGG/4.10G GSFP+ ports
4	Attach the other end of the ground cable to a suitable ground point. The rack installation ears are not a suitable grounding point.

Install the QSFP+ Optics

The Z9000 has 32 QSFP+ optical ports. For supported optics, refer to http://www.force10networks.com/products/specifications.asp.



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MARNING: Follow all warning labels when working with optical fibers. Always wear eve protection when working with optical fibers. Never look directly into the end of a terminated or unterminated fiber or connector as it may cause eye damage.

Step	Task
1	Position the optic so it is in the correct position. (The optic has a key that
	prevents it from being inserted incorrectly.

Step	Task
2	Insert the optic into the port until it gently snaps into place.
	NOTE: Both rows of QSFP+ ports require that the 40G optics be inserted with the tabs facing up.

Splitting QSFP Ports to SFP+ Ports

The Z9000 supports splitting a single 40G QSFP port into four 10G SFP+ ports using one of the supported breakout cables.

You must enter the **stack-unit portmode** command for the system to recognize the port type change. For example: **stack-unit** *stack-unit* **port** *number* **portmode quad**

- *stack-unit*: Enter the stack member unit identifier of the stack member to reset. Range: 0-11
- number: Enter the port number of the 40G port to be split. Range: 0-31

Important Points

- Splitting a 40G port into 4x10G port is supported only on a standalone unit.
- Split ports cannot be used as stack-link to stack a Z9000.
- Split ports Z9000 unit cannot be a part of any stacked system.
- The unit number with the split ports must be the default (stack-unit 0). This can be verified using the **show system brief** command. If the unit ID is different than 0, then it must be renumbered to 0 before ports are split, by entering in EXEC mode: **stackunit** *id* **renumber** 0
- The quad port must be in a default configuration before it can be split into 4x10G ports. The 40G port is lost in the running-configuration when the port is split, so be sure the port is also removed from other L2/L3 feature configurations.
- The system must be reloaded after issuing the CLI for the change to take effect.

Install the Solid State Drive

The Z9000 includes a Solid State Drive (SSD) that acts as another storage device. The SSD is shipped installed with the Z9000 system, and is located in a slot on the lower-right area on the I/O side.

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Power Up Sequence

Supply Power and Power Up the System

Dell Force 10 recommends re-inspecting your system prior to powering up. Verify that:

- The equipment is properly secured to the rack and properly grounded.
- The equipment rack is properly mounted and grounded.
- The ambient temperature around the unit (which may be higher than the room temperature) is within the limits specified for the Z9000.
- There is sufficient airflow around the unit
- The input circuits are correctly sized for the loads and that sufficient overcurrent protection devices are used.
- All protective covers are in place.



NOTE: A US AC power cable is included in the shipping container for powering up an AC power supply. All other power cables must be ordered separately.



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When the chassis powers up, the fans come on at high speed. The fan speed slows as the system boots up.

The SYS LED does not light up until the boot-up sequence is complete. When the boot-up is complete, the SYS LED is steadily lit green.

AC Power

Connect the plug to each AC power connector, making sure that the power cord is secure.

As soon as the cable is connected between the Z9000 and the power source, the chassis is powered-up; there is no on/off switch.

DC Power

To connect the plug to the DC power connector, follow the steps below:

Step	Task
1	Remove the small plastic cover from the DC connectors.
2	Ensure that the power source is turned off. Do not attach the DC cable to the DC connectors while the power source is on.
3	Attach the connectors to the PSUs, making sure that the connections are secure.
4	Replace the plastic cover over the DC connectors.

As soon as the cable is connected between the Z9000 and the power source, the chassis is powered-up; there is no on/off switch.

Fans

The Z9000 comes from the factory with 1 power supply and 4 fan modules installed in the chassis. The fan modules are hot-swappable, if 2 or more fans are installed and running.

The fan speed increases and decreases automatically based upon the system's state and temperature. The switch never intentionally turns off the fans. Use the **show logging** command to see the log messages.

Z9000 Specifications

Chassis Physical Design

Parameter	Specifications
Height	3.48 inches (8.8 cm)
Width	17.32 inches (44.0 cm)
Depth	24.00 inches (61.00 cm)
Rack clearance required	Front: 5-inches (12.7 cm) Rear: 5-inches (12.7 cm)
Thermal dissipation	2654 BTH/h (270W)

Environmental Parameters

Parameter	Specifications
Temperature	32° to 104°F (0° to 40°C)
	-40° to 158°F (-20° to 70°C)
Maximum altitude	No performance degradation to 10,000 feet (3,048 meters)
Relative humidity	10 to 85% non-condensing

AC Power Requirements

Parameter	Specifications
Nominal Input Voltage	100 to 240 VAC, 50/60 Hz
Maximum AC Power Supply Input Current	8.00 A @ 100/120VAC 4.00 A @ 200/240 VAC
Maximum System Power Input	789 W

DC Power Requirements

Parameter	Specifications
Nominal Input Voltage	36 to 72 VDC
Maximum Power Supply Input Current	2.8A @ 36 VDC 1.85 A @ 72 VDC
Maximum System Power Input	360 W

Power Supplies

The Z9000 is designed to support two hot-swappable power supplies.



NOTE: If using a single PSU, you must install a blank plate in the other PSU slot. Dell Force 10 recommends using PSU0, if installing only one power supply.



WARNING: To prevent electrical shock, make sure the Z9000 is grounded properly. If you do not ground your equipment correctly, excessive emissions may result. Use a qualified electrician to ensure that the power cables meet your local electrical requirements.



WARNING: Electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage can occur if components are mishandled. Always wear an ESD-preventive wrist or heel ground strap when handling the Z9000 and its components.



CAUTION: Remove the power cable from the modules prior to removing the module itself. Power must not be connected prior to insertion in the chassis.



MARNING: Prevent exposure and contact with hazardous voltages. Do not attempt to operate this system with the safety cover removed.



CAUTION: Be sure that the DC power source is turned OFF before attaching the cables to the DC connectors on the Z9000.

Install a New DC Power Supply

The power supply modules should slide into the slots smoothly. Do not force a module into a slot. This may damage the power supply or the Z9000 chassis.



Step	Task
1	Take the power supply unit out of the shipping box.
2	Remove the small plastic cover over the DC cable connectors. Do not throw the cover away; you will replace it when installation is complete.
3	Ensure that the DC power source is turned OFF.
4	Using the grab handle, slide the unit into the power supply bay.
5	Tighten the securing screw on the side of the PSU.
6	Attach power cables.
7	Replace the small plastic cover over the DC cable connectors.
8	Turn the DC power source ON.

Installing the Software

Navigating CLI Modes

The FTOS prompt changes to indicate the CLI mode. You must move linearly through the command modes, with the exception of the end command which takes you directly to EXEC Privilege mode; the exit command moves you up one command mode level.

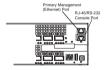
Console Access



NOTE: You must have a password configured on a virtual terminal line before you can Telnet into the system. Therefore, you must use a console connection when connecting to the system for the first time.

Serial Console

The RJ-45/RS-232 console port is labeled on the Z9000 chassis. It is in the upper right-hand side, as you face the I/O side of the chassis.



Step Task

- 1 Install an RJ-45 copper cable into the console port.
- 2 Connect the other end of the cable to the DTE terminal server.

Step	Task
3	Terminal settings on the console port cannot be changed in the software and are set as follows:
9600 baud rate	
	No parity
	8 data bits
	1 stop bit
	No flow control

Accessing the RJ-45 console port with a DB-9 adapter

You can connect to the console using an RJ-45 to RJ-45 rollover cable and an RJ-45 to DB-9 female DTE adapter to a terminal server (for example, PC). Table 2-1 lists the pin assignments.

Table 2-1. Pin Assignments Between the Console and a DTE Terminal Server

Z-Series Console Port	RJ-45 to RJ-45	Rollover Cable	RJ-45 to DB-9 Adapter	Terminal Server Device
Signal	RJ-45 Pinout	RJ-45 Pinout	DB-9 Pin	Signal
RTS	1	8	8	CTS
NC	2	7	6	DSR
TxD	3	6	2	RxD
GND	4	5	5	GND
GND	5	4	5	GND
RxD	6	3	3	TxD
NC	7	2	4	DTR
CTS	8	1	7	RTS

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Default Configuration

A version of the Dell Force 10 Operating System (FTOS) is pre-loaded onto the chassis, however the system is not configured when you power up for the first time (except for the default hostname, which is Force 10). You must configure the system using the Command Line Interface (CLI).

Configure Layer 2 (Data Link) Mode

Use the **switchport** command in INTERFACE mode to enable Layer 2 data transmissions through an individual interface. The user can not configure switching or Layer 2 protocols such as spanning tree protocol on an interface unless the interface has been set to Layer 2 mode.

Step	Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
1	Enable the interface.	no shutdown	INTERFACE
2	Place the interface in Layer 2 (switching) mode.	switchport	INTERFACE

To view the interfaces in Layer 2 mode, use the **show interfaces switchport** command in the EXEC mode.

Configure a Host Name

The host name appears in the prompt. The default host name is Force10.

- Host names must start with a letter and end with a letter or digit.
- Characters within the string can be letters, digits, and hyphens.

To configure a host name:

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Create a new host name.	hostname name	CONFIGURATION

Access the System Remotely

You can configure the system to be accessed remotely by Telnet. The Z-Series has a dedicated management port and a management routing table that is separate from the IP routing table.

Step	Task
1	Configure an IP address for the management port.
2	Configure a management route with a default gateway.
3	Configure a username and password.

Configure the Management Port IP Address

Assign IP addresses to the management ports in order to access the system remotely.



NOTE: Assign different IP addresses to each RPM's management port.

Step	Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
1	Enter INTERFACE mode for the Management port.	interface ManagementEthernet slot/port	CONFIGURATION
2	Assign an IP address to the interface.	ip address ip-address/mask	INTERFACE
3	Enable the interface.	no shutdown	INTERFACE

Configure a Management Route

Define a path from the system to the network from which you are accessing the system remotely. Management routes are separate from IP routes and are only used to manage the system through the management port.

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Configure a management route to the network from	management route ip-address/mask gateway	CONFIGURATION
which you are accessing the system.		

Configure a Username and Password

Configure a system username and password to access the system remotely.

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Configure a username and password to access the system remotely.	username username password [encryption-type]	CONFIGURATION

Configure the Enable Password

The EXEC Privilege mode is unrestricted by default. Configure a password as a basic security measure. There are two types of enable passwords:

- enable password stores the password in the running/startup configuration using a DES encryption method.
- enable secret is stored in the running/startup configuration in using a stronger, MD5 encryption method.

Dell Force10 recommends using the enable secret password.

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Create a password to access EXEC Privilege mode.	enable [password secret] [level level] [encryption-type] password	CONFIGURATION

Create a Port-based VI AN

The Default VLAN as VLAN 1 is part of the system startup configuration and does not require configuration. To configure a port-based VLAN, you must create the VLAN and then add physical interfaces or port channel (LAG) interfaces to the VLAN.

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Configure a port-based VLAN.	interface vlan vlan-id	CONFIGURATION



NOTE: After you create a VLAN, you must assign interfaces in Layer 2 mode to the VLAN to activate the VLAN.

Use the **show vlan** command in the EXEC privilege mode to view the configured VLANs.

Assign Interfaces to a VLAN

To view just the interfaces that are in Layer 2 mode, enter the **show interfaces switchport** command in the EXEC privilege mode or EXEC mode.

To tag frames leaving an interface in Layer 2 mode, you must assign that interface to a port-based VLAN to tag it with that VLAN ID. To tag interfaces, use these commands in the following sequence:

Step	Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
1	Access the INTERFACE VLAN mode of the VLAN to which you want to assign the interface.	interface vlan vlan-id	CONFIGURATION
2	Enable an interface to include the IEEE 802.1Q tag header.	tagged interface	INTERFACE

Use the **untagged** command to move untagged interfaces from the Default VLAN to another VLAN:

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Step	Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
1	Access the INTERFACE VLAN mode of the VLAN to which you want to assign the interface.	interface vlan vlan-id	CONFIGURATION
2	Configure an interface as untagged. This command is available only in VLAN interfaces.	untagged interface	INTERFACE

Assign an IP Address to a VLAN



NOTE: An IP address cannot be assigned to the Default VLAN, which, by default, is VLAN 1. To assign another VLAN ID to the Default VLAN, use the default vlan-id vlan-id command.

Task	Command Syntax	Command Mode
Configure an IP address and mask on the interface.	ip address <i>ip-address mask</i> [secondary]	INTERFACE

Connecting the Z9000 to the Network

Once you have completed the hardware installation and software configuration, you can connect to your company network by following your company's cabling requirements.



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