



Cisco RF Gateway 10 Quick Start Guide

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Objective

This document includes procedures for installing and removing the Cisco RF Gateway 10 (RFGW-10) Universal Edge Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (UEQAM) components that are shipped with the Cisco RFGW-10 platform. This document also includes technical specifications and troubleshooting information.

Audience

This document is intended for field service engineers who are familiar with Cisco products and headend cable installation procedures.



Warning

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

Overview

The Cisco RF Gateway 10 (RFGW-10) is a Carrier Class Universal Edge Quadrature Amplitude Modulation (UEQAM) platform that offers concurrent support for Standard and High Definition Digital Broadcast Television, Switched Digital Video (SDV), Video on Demand (VoD), and DOCSIS/Modular CMTS services.

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM is a chassis based product that is based on open standards with superior performance, capacity, power consumption, ease of management and scalability. All components of the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM are designed for high availability including dual Supervisor and Ethernet switching line cards, 1:N Universal Edge QAM line cards, dual Timing and Control line cards, dual load balancing and load sharing DC PEM and integrated RF switching modules.

The Cisco RFGW-10 is targeted to the Cable Operators worldwide, and is optimized for operators requiring carrier class high availability solutions and wanting to collapse video and data over cable EQAM systems into common platform. A collapsed Universal EQAM architecture achieves the following business benefits; EQAM resource utilization gains, cost efficiencies, rack space optimization, reduced cost and complexity of management, and high availability for all services. The Cisco RFGW-10 is part of the Cisco's Cable ecosystem, and is fully integrated and tested as part of the Cisco Digital Broadband Delivery System (DBDS) video solution and Cisco uBR10012 DOCSIS 3.0 and Modular CMTS solution.

The Cisco RFGW-10 is a centralized switching architecture leveraged from the Cisco® Catalyst® 4500 Series switches. The Cisco RFGW-10 is a 13RU Carrier class, modular chassis designed for providing front to back airflow and system level redundancy. All chassis components are hot-swappable and redundant. The chassis supports “wire-once” cabling for RF line cards and an integrated dual-zone RF switch matrix. The supervisor engine provides non-blocking, robust Layer 2-4 switching with the addition of wire-speed 10-Gigabit Ethernet uplinks, 136Gbps capacity and 102mpps packet throughput.

The Cisco RFGW-10 system is a UEQAM that supports both upstream and downstream RF cards over a frequency range of 5MHz – 1.2GHz. The initial line card release is a UEQAM downstream card that supports the DOCSIS (1.0/2.0/3.0), the EURODOCIS, and J-DOCSIS specifications. Additionally, the card supports High Definition Digital Broadcast Television, Switched Digital Video (SDV), Video on Demand (VoD) video delivery.

Based on the Cisco IOS networking software, the Cisco RFGW-10 supports advanced switching and routing features. The platform supports full upgradeability, ensuring investment protection as software enhancements and industry standards continue to evolve.

Cisco RF Gateway 10 Components

The front-side components include the supervisor cards, RF line cards, and the front panel LCD. The rear-side components include the fan assembly, RF Switch cards (coaxial terminations), Timing, Communication, and Control (TCC) (DOCSIS Timing Interface (DTI) Clock) cards, and the DC PEM modules.

All components (excluding the LCD) are hot-swappable and field replaceable. A fully configured system will operate with a single DC PEM installed; the second PEM is required for power supply redundancy and power load sharing.

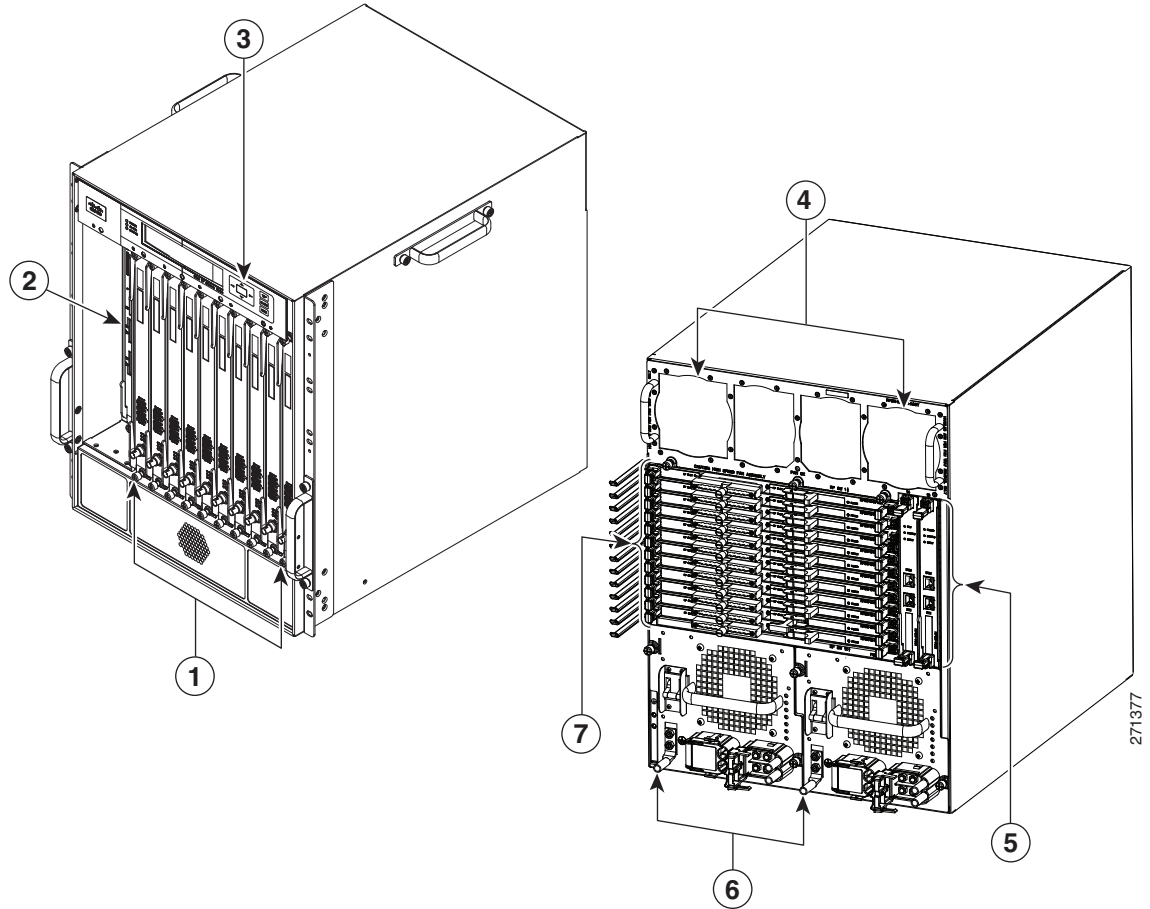


Note

Proper configuration of the DC PEM requires that both the external power connections, Input 1 and Input 2, are connected to the external power source and the GND connections are connected to the Earth GND. Input 1 and Input 2 on the DC are *not* redundant power inputs. If only one of the inputs is connected to the external power, the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM will not power on correctly.

Figure 1 shows the location of the front-side and the rear-side system components for the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM.

Figure 1 Cisco RF Gateway 10 chassis components - Front and Rear View



1	Universal RF line card slots	5	TCC / DTI card slots
2	Supervisor card slots	6	DC PEM modules
3	LCD/Push button panel	7	RF Switch Cards/Coaxial cable termination slots
4	Fan assembly		—

Preparing the Site for Installation

Do not unpack the chassis until you are ready to install it. Keep the chassis in the shipping container to prevent accidental damage until you determine an installation site.

Before you install the Cisco RFGW-10, review the following:

- The environmental conditions your installation site must meet to maintain normal operation.
- The power requirements that must be in place at your installation site.
- The cabling requirements for your installation site.

- Rack-mounting requirements.
- The equipment required to install the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM.

For more details on site preparation, refer to “Preparing Your Site for Installation” chapter in the *Cisco RF Gateway 10 Hardware Installation Guide*.

Installing the Cisco RFGW-10 Chassis

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM is shipped with all ordered (configured) components installed in the chassis. A fully configured Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM (configured for redundancy support, including 10 RF line cards) weighs approximately 275 lbs. The chassis alone weighs 91 lbs. The chassis with the fan tray, TCC cards, and all RF switch cards weighs 138 lbs. It is not recommended that the Cisco RFGW-10 system be installed with all components in the system.

In a fully loaded chassis, the removable components (modules, line cards) weigh approximately 184 lbs. To enable two people to install the system safely, we recommend that the following components be removed from the chassis before installing the chassis in the rack:

- Fan assembly (13.0 lbs— optional, it is recommended to leave this installed)
- DC power supplies (15.5 lbs each)
- Supervisor cards (5.5 lbs each)
- TCC cards (2.0 lbs each)
- RF switch cards (2.5 lbs— optional, given the quantity and total weight contribution of these cards)
- RF line cards (9.5 lbs each)



Caution

You must use a hydraulic lift or forklift to move a fully populated chassis.

Installation Methods

Rack-mounting is the preferred method of installation for the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM. You can mount the chassis:

- Front mount or mid mount
- In a 19 inch wide (standard), four-post equipment rack or two-post, using the rack-mount brackets in the accessory kit



Note

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM usually ships fully loaded. It is recommended that you remove the components from the chassis to make the chassis lighter for your rack installation. It is recommended to remove the two DC PEMs, the two Supervisor Cards, and the 10 Universal RF Line Cards.

General Rack Installation Guidelines

When planning your rack installation, consider the following guidelines:

- The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM requires a minimum of 13 rack units (22.75 inches or 577.85 mm) of vertical rack space. Measure the proposed rack location before mounting the chassis in the rack.
- Before using a particular rack, check for obstructions (such as a power strip) that could impair rack-mount installation. If a power strip does impair a rack-mount installation, remove the power strip before installing the chassis, and then replace it after the chassis is installed.
- Allow sufficient clearance around the rack for maintenance. If the rack is mobile, you can push it back near a wall or cabinet for normal operation and pull it out for maintenance (installing or moving cards, connecting cables, or replacing or upgrading components). Otherwise, allow 36 inches (914.4 mm) of access to remove field replaceable units.
- Maintain a minimum clearance of 4 inches (101.6 mm) on the front and the rear of the chassis for the cooling air inlet and exhaust ports, respectively. Avoid placing the chassis in an overly congested rack or directly next to another equipment rack; otherwise, the heated exhaust air from the other equipment can enter the inlet air vents and cause a high temperature condition inside the router.



Caution

To prevent chassis overheating, never install a Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in an enclosed room that is not properly ventilated or air conditioned.

- Always install the heavier equipment in the lower half of the rack to maintain a low center of gravity to prevent the rack from falling over.
- Install and use the cable-management brackets included with the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM to keep the cables organized and out of the way of the cards and processors. Ensure that the cables from the other equipment already installed in the rack do not impair access to the cards or require you to disconnect cables unnecessarily to perform equipment maintenance or upgrades.
- Install rack stabilizers (if available) before you mount the chassis.
- Provide an adequate chassis ground (earth) connection for your Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM chassis.

shows the weight and dimensions of the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM.

Table 1 Physical Characteristics of Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM

Characteristic	Description
Height	13RU (22.75 in / 577.85mm)
Width	17.48 in. (444mm) with rack-mounts
Depth	Overall depth including card handles, UCH2 cable holders, power supply handles: 24.93 inches (633.2mm) Depth from the front rack-mount bracket including card handles, UCH2 cable holders, power supply handles: 24.13 inches (612.9mm) Depth from the front rack-mount bracket including rear RF cable management bracket 26 inches (660mm)
Weight of fully configured chassis	275 lbs (125 kg - with RF line card and two DC PEMs)

Rack-mounting a Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM can be installed in either front mount or mid mount configuration. The chassis rack-mounting flanges must be secured directly to the chassis before lifting it into the rack. For installing the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM rack-mount brackets, go to:

- [Chassis Front Rack-mount Brackets Installation, page 11](#)
- [Chassis Mid-Mounted Rack-Mount Bracket Installation, page 12](#)

Verifying Rack Dimensions

Before you install the chassis, measure the space between the vertical mounting flanges (rails) on your equipment rack to verify that the rack conforms to the measurements shown in [Figure 2](#).

- Step 1** Mark and measure the distance between the two holes on the left and right mounting rails. The distance should measure 18.31 inches \pm 0.06 inches (46.5 cm \pm 0.15 cm).

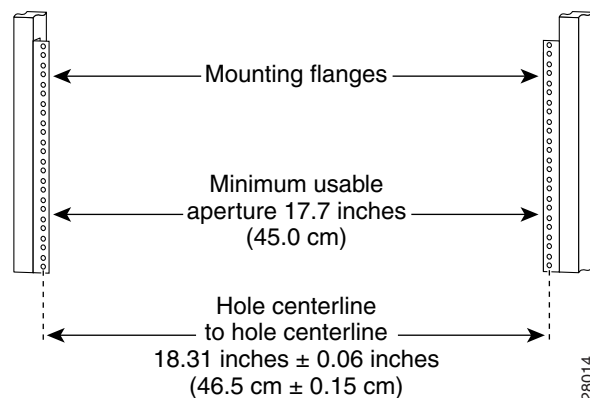


- Note** Measure the pairs of holes near the bottom, middle and top of the equipment rack to ensure that the rack posts are parallel.

- Step 2** Measure the space between the inner edges of the left front and right front mounting flanges on the equipment rack.

The space must be at least 17.7 inches (45 cm) to accommodate the chassis, which is 17.25 inches (43.8 cm) wide and fits between the mounting posts on the rack.

Figure 2 Verifying Equipment Rack Dimensions



Installing the Chassis Installation Brackets

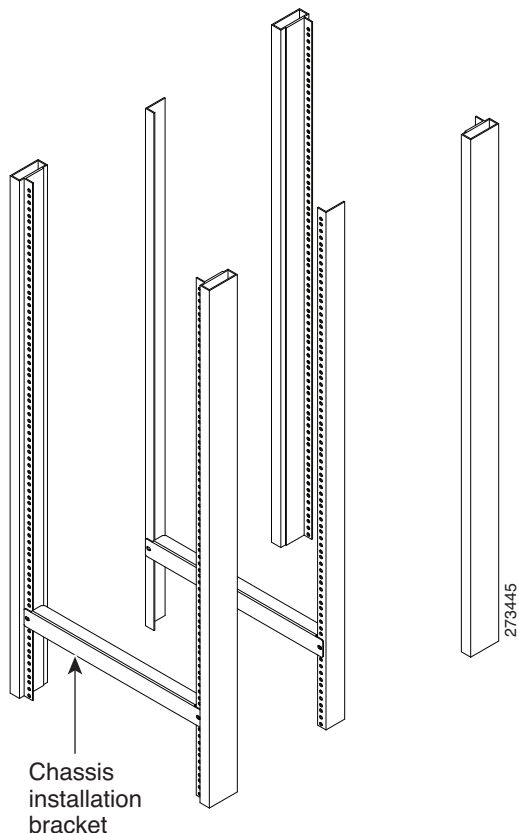
Each chassis is shipped with two chassis installation brackets in the accessory kit. These brackets are to aid in installing a chassis into a 19 inch rack and used as a support base to vertically position and set the chassis before the rack-mount screws are installed.

To install the chassis installation brackets into a rack, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1** Determine where in the rack you want the chassis to be mounted. If you are mounting more than one chassis in the rack, then start from the bottom up or the center of the rack. Install the chassis installation bracket where the chassis bottom will be positioned vertically in the rack.
 - Step 2** Secure the chassis installation bracket to the front rails with the rack-mount screws.
 - Step 3** If there is a second internal rack rail, which is not more than 20 inches from the front rail, you can position the second installation bracket to act as a rear support for the chassis during installation.

Figure 3 shows the brackets attached in a rack.

Figure 3 Chassis Installation Bracket



Note

After the chassis is installed and secured to the rack, the chassis installation brackets can be removed from the rack. The brackets are not needed for supporting the chassis when all the rack-mount screws are installed.

Installing the Chassis Installation Handles

This section explains how to attach the chassis installation handles to the chassis.

Before installing the chassis in the rack, it is recommended that you install a chassis lifting handle to each side of the chassis to aid in lifting the chassis onto the rack.

**Note**

It is recommended to install the two side chassis installation handles while unpacking to aid in moving the chassis off the palette. (See [Figure 4](#)).

**Note**

Chassis installation handles should not be installed if the chassis is to be mid mounted.

To install the chassis installation handles on a Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM, complete the following steps:

Step 1

Locate the two M5 threaded holes on the upper center of each side of the chassis that align with the handle captive screws.

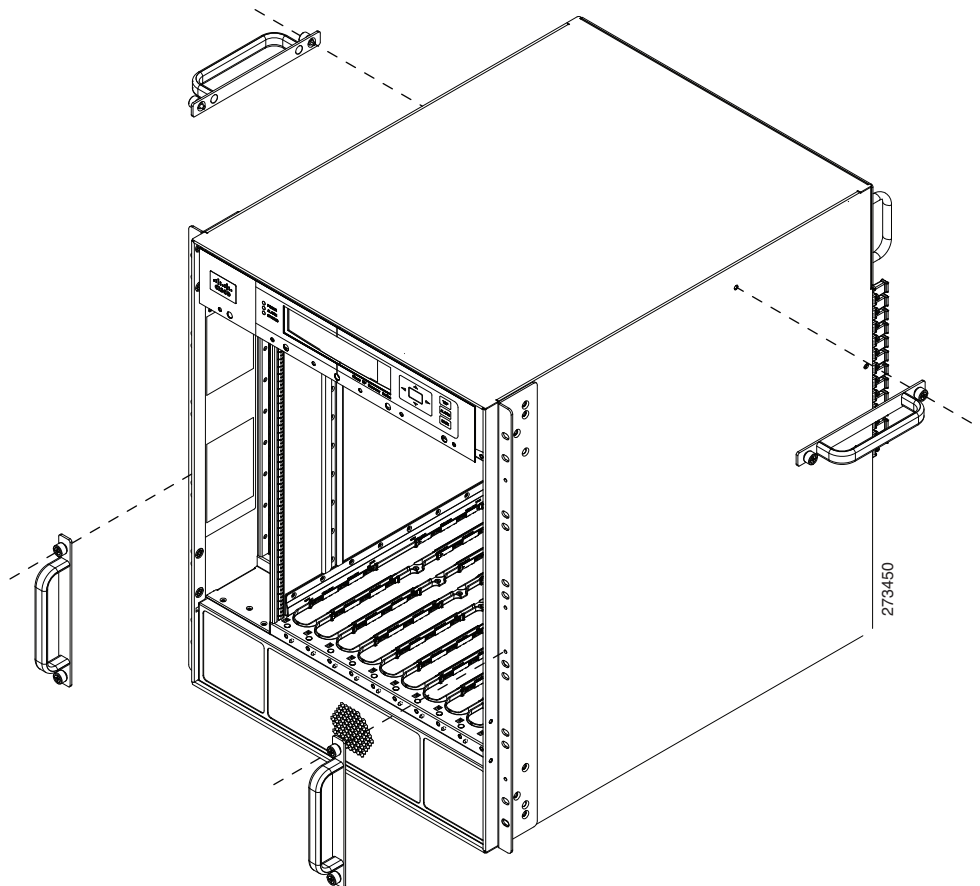
Step 2

Install the two chassis installation handles on either side of the chassis and tighten the captive screws.

**Caution**

Ensure that the captive screws are secured tightly prior to loading the handles to prevent injury or damage to the chassis.

Figure 4 *Attaching the Chassis Installation Handles to the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM*



After the chassis rack-mount brackets are installed, additional handles can be installed onto the front of the rack-mount brackets. The rack-mount brackets allow a low and high installation of the handles onto the bracket depending on the chassis installation (low or high in the rack).

Attaching the Chassis Rack-mount Brackets

This section explains how to attach the front and the mid rack-mount brackets to the chassis. Before installing the chassis in the rack, you must install the rack-mount brackets on each side of the chassis.



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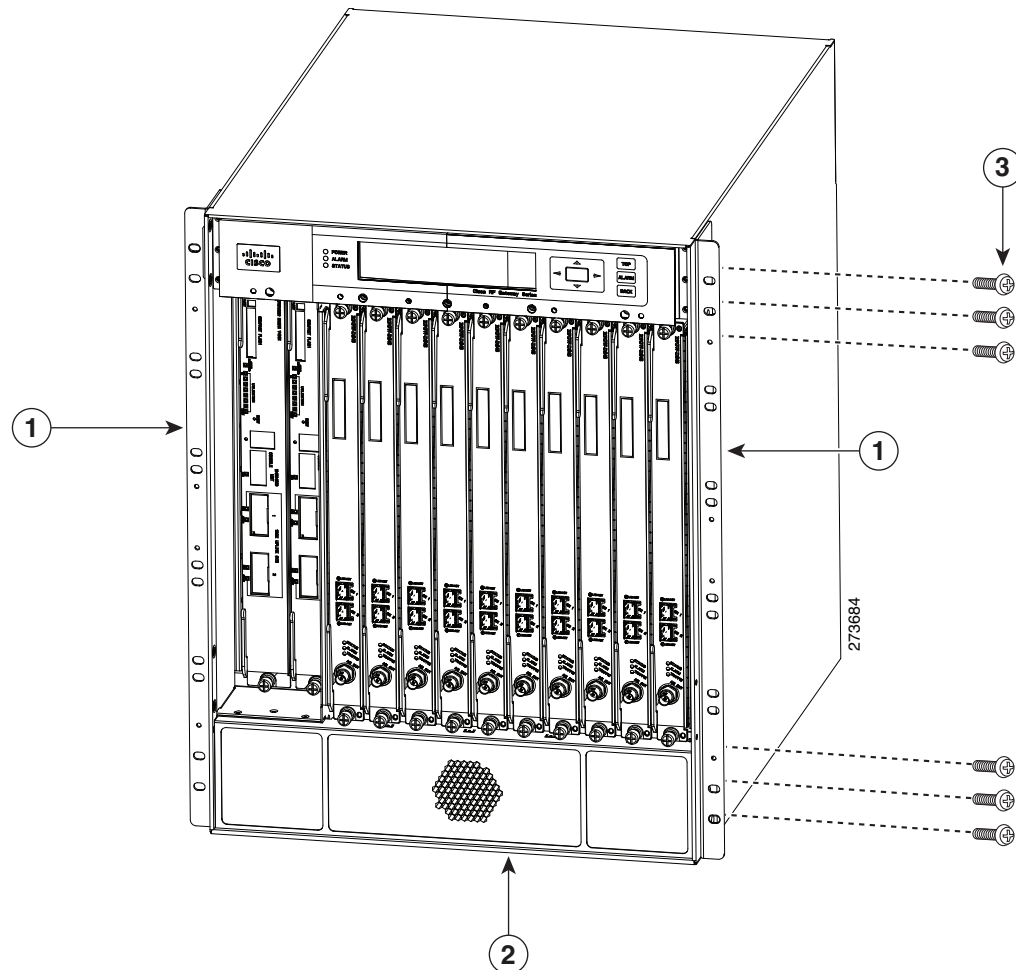
The rear RF cable management bracket is installed on the chassis after you install the chassis rack-mount brackets and mount the chassis in the rack.

Chassis Front Rack-mount Brackets Installation

To install the front rack-mount brackets on a Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM, complete the following steps:

- Step 1** Locate the threaded holes on the front sides of the chassis that align with the holes in the rack-mount bracket. Ensure that you hold the front rack-mount bracket with the ear and holes facing outward and towards the front of the chassis (see [Figure 5](#)).
- Step 2** Install all six M5 undercut flat head screws (provided in the accessory kit) to secure each of the rack-mounting bracket to the chassis. Three screws are installed on each end of the rack-mounting bracket.
- Step 3** Repeat [Step 1](#) through [Step 2](#) on the other side of the chassis.
- Step 4** Install the chassis in the rack. To install the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in the rack, go to [Installing the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in a Rack](#), page 13.

Figure 5 Attaching the Front Rack-mount Brackets



1	Front rack-mount bracket	3	Front rack-mount bracket screws
2	Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM Chassis		—

Chassis Mid-Mounted Rack-Mount Bracket Installation

If you are rack-mounting the chassis using a mid-mounted configuration, then it provides for the chassis being recessed in the rack or installed in a two-post rack.



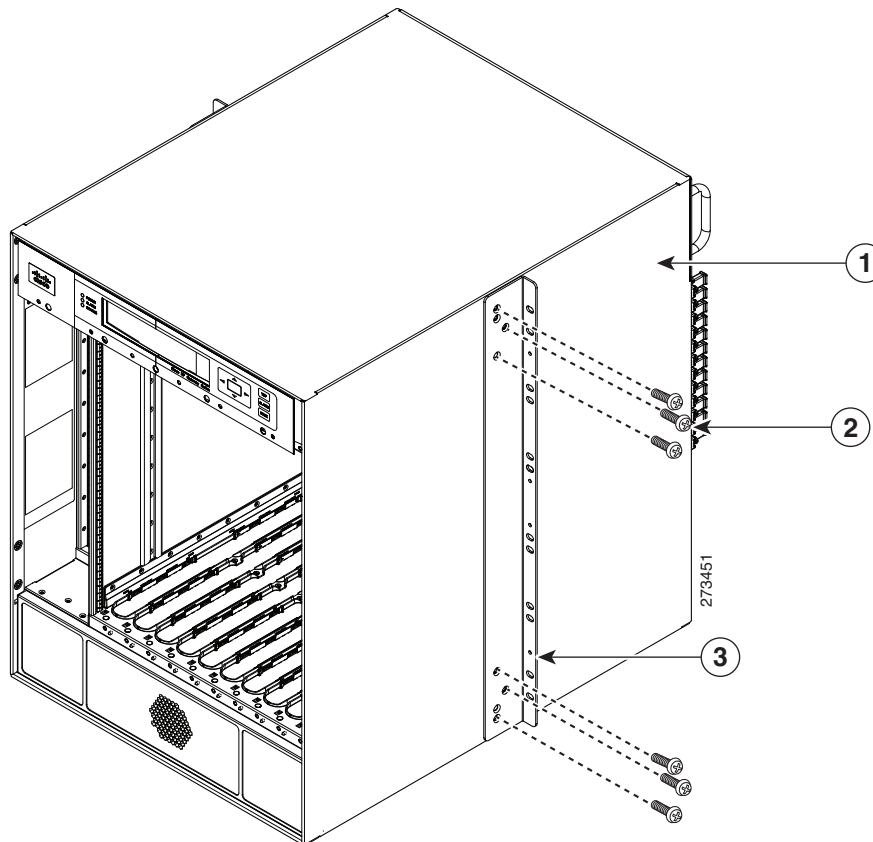
Note

Chassis installation handles cannot be installed if the chassis is to be mid-mounted.

To install the rack-mount brackets for a mid-mounted configuration on a Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM, complete the following steps:

- Step 1** Locate the threaded holes on the middle sides of the chassis that align with the holes in the rack-mount bracket. Ensure that you hold the front rack-mount bracket with the ear and holes facing outward and towards the rear of the chassis (see [Figure 6](#)).
- Step 2** Install all the six M5 undercut flat head screws (provided in the accessory kit) to secure each of the rack-mounting bracket to the chassis. Three screws are installed on each end of the rack-mounting bracket.
- Step 3** Repeat [Step 1](#) through [Step 2](#) on the other side of the chassis.
- Step 4** Install the chassis in the rack. To install the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in a rack, go to [Installing the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in a Rack, page 13](#).

Figure 6 Attaching the Rack-Mount Brackets for Mid-Mount Configuration to the Cisco RFGW-10 Chassis



1	Cisco RFGW-10 Chassis	3	Rack-mount bracket
2	Rack-mount screws		—

Installing the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM in a Rack

After installing the rack-mount brackets, the installation handles on the chassis, and the installation brackets in the rack, mount the chassis by securing the rack-mount brackets to the two posts or mounting strips in the rack. Because the rack-mount brackets supports the weight of the entire chassis, be sure to use at least four rack-mount screws on each side to fasten the two rack-mount brackets to the rack posts.



Warning

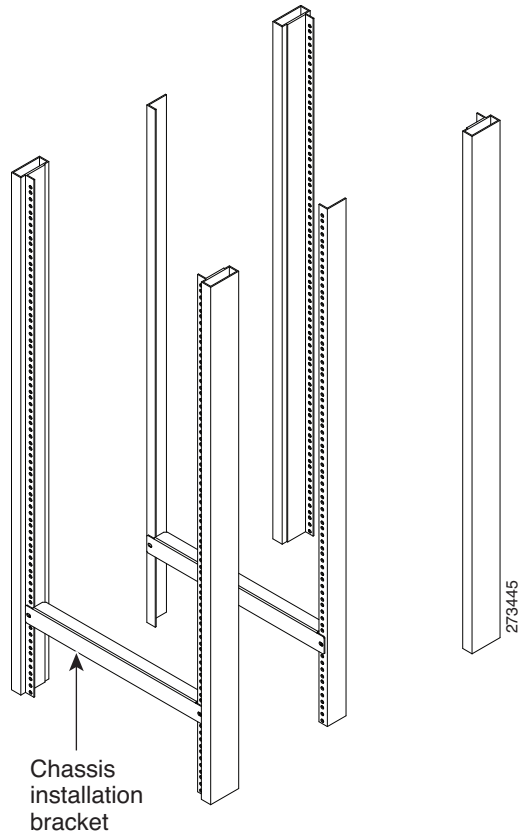
To prevent bodily injury when mounting or servicing this unit in a rack, you must take special precautions to ensure that the system remains stable. The following guidelines are provided to ensure your safety:

- **This unit should be mounted at the bottom of the rack if it is the only unit in the rack.**
- **When mounting this unit in a partially filled rack, load the rack from the bottom to the top with the heaviest component at the bottom of the rack.**
- **If the rack is provided with stabilizing devices, install the stabilizers before mounting or servicing the unit in the rack.** Statement 1006

To install the chassis in the rack, complete the following steps:

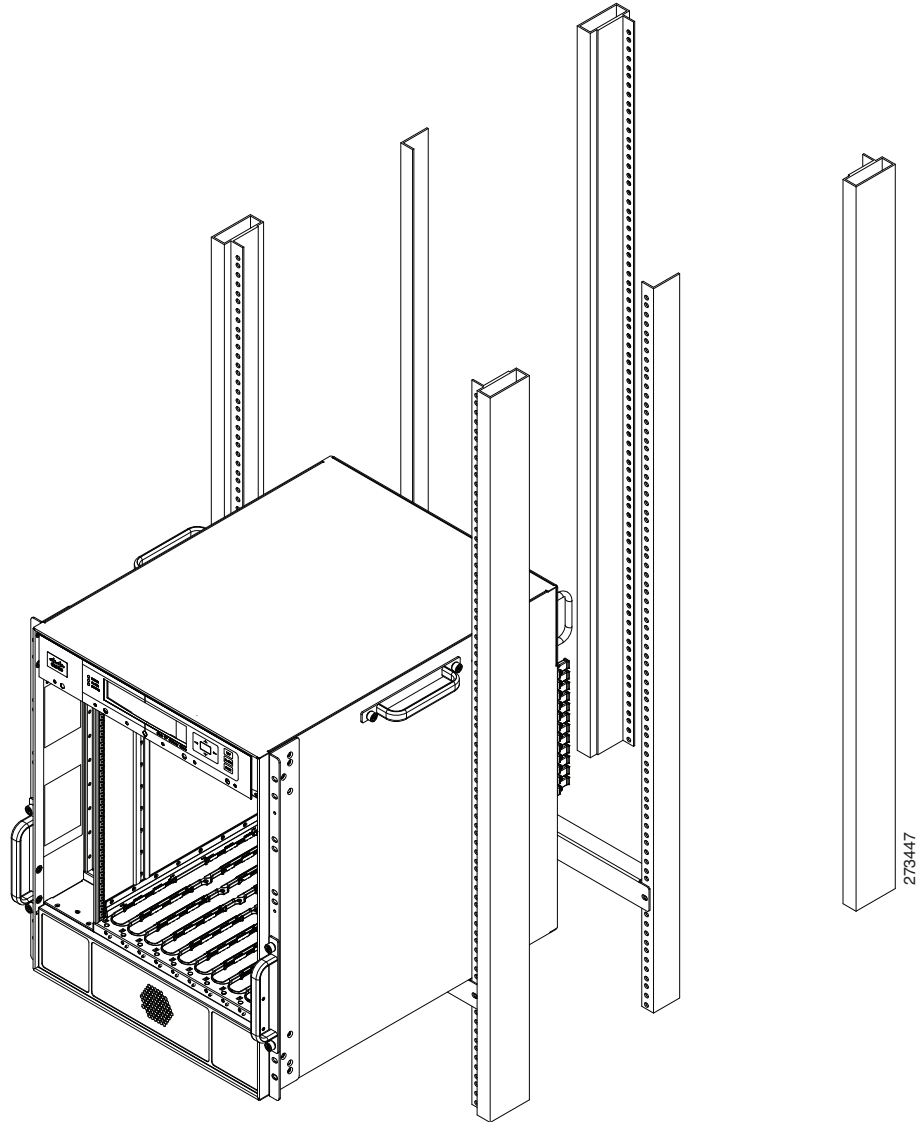
- Step 1** On the chassis, ensure that all the screw fasteners on the installed components are securely tightened.
- Step 2** Ensure that your path to the rack is unobstructed. If the rack is on wheels, ensure that the brakes are engaged or that the rack is otherwise stabilized. See the section on the types of racks you can use to install the chassis.
- Step 3** (Optional) Install the chassis installation brackets into the rack to help support the chassis during installation. If you use the brackets, this will help support the chassis while you secure it to the rack.

Figure 7 Chassis Installation Bracket



- Step 4** With two people, lift the chassis (partially unloaded) into position between the rack posts and rest it on the chassis installation bracket.

Figure 8 Positioning the Chassis on the Chassis Installation Bracket



Step 5 Remove the side chassis installation handles and slide the chassis into position in the rack.

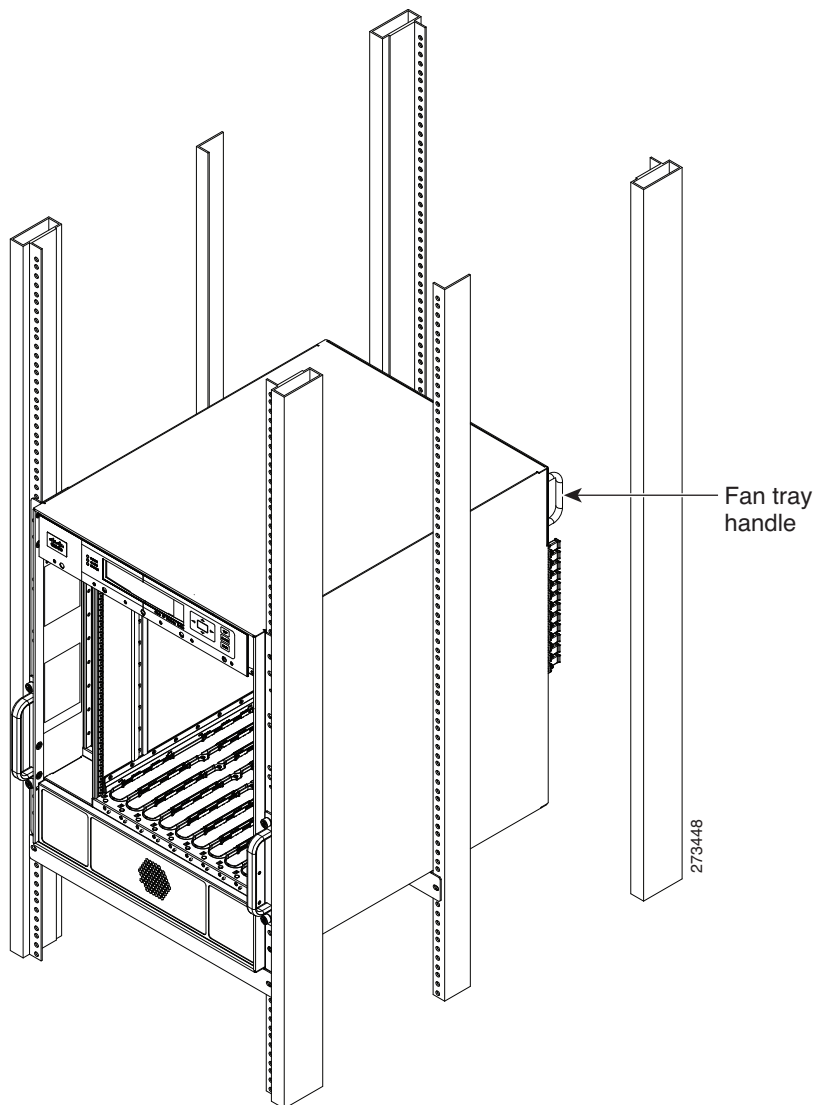


Note

If you have the chassis installation handles installed on the front rack-mount rails they can be used to aid in sliding the chassis into the rack. Additionally, the fan tray handles can be used during the rack installation process.

Step 6 Position the chassis until the rack-mounting flanges flush against the mounting rails on the rack.

Figure 9 Positioning the Chassis on the Rack



- Step 7** Hold the chassis in position against the mounting rails and follow these steps:
- a. Insert a bottom screw into the rack-mount ear on each side and use a hand-held screwdriver to tighten the screw to the rack rail.



Tip

In the next step, insert the top screw diagonally from the bottom screw that you just attached. This helps in keeping the chassis in place.

- b. Insert a top screw into each side rack-mount bracket and tighten the screw to the rack rail.
- c. Insert a minimum of four screws per bracket on both sides of the chassis.

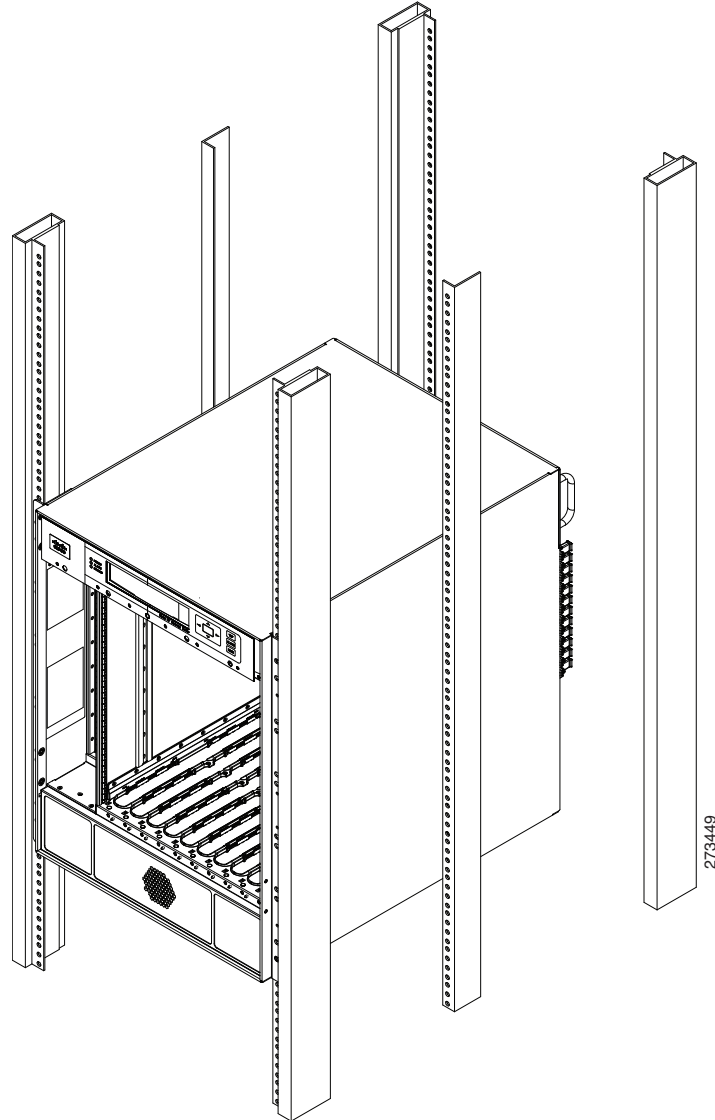


Note

If you are using the chassis installation handles on the front rack-mount brackets, you must first remove the handles to install the fourth screw.

- Step 8** Ensure that all screws on each side rack-mount brackets are tightened to the equipment rack then the chassis installation brackets can be removed from the rack.

Figure 10 *Securing the Side Rack-Mount Brackets*

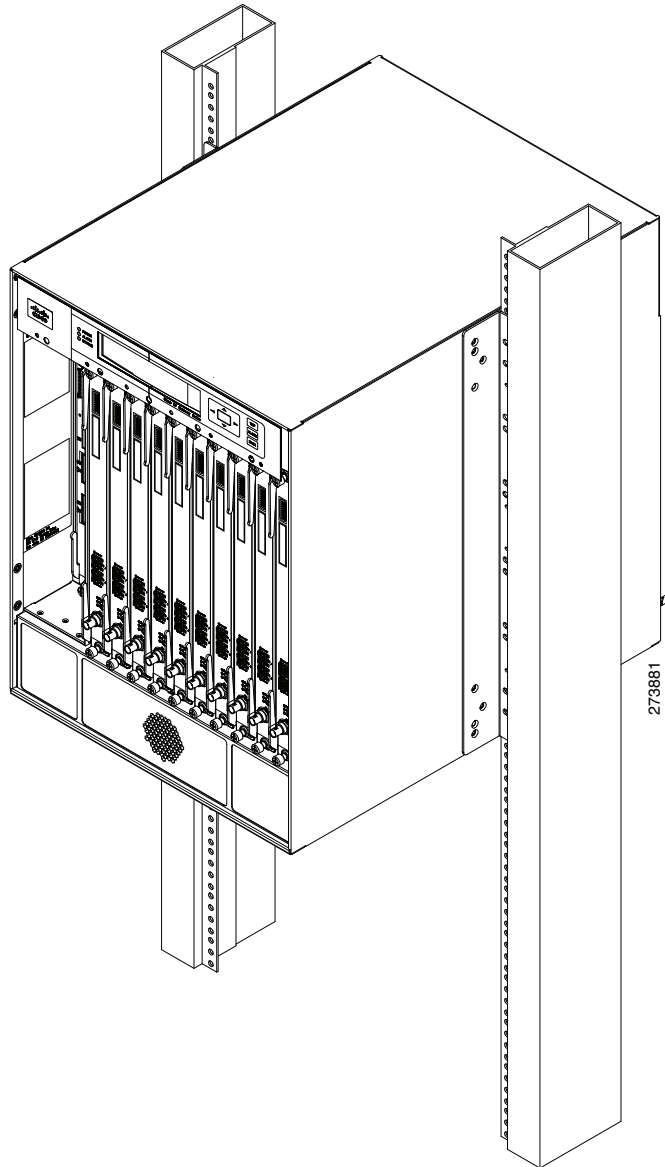


You can install your Cisco RFGW-10 chassis in a two-post rack (see [Two-Post Rack Installation Mid-Mounted, page 18](#)) or a four-post rack.

Two-Post Rack Installation Mid-Mounted

The Cisco RFGW-10 chassis can be installed in a two-post 19 inch rack either as a front mount or a mid-mount.

Figure 11 *Installing the Cisco RFGW-10 in a Two-Post Equipment Rack*



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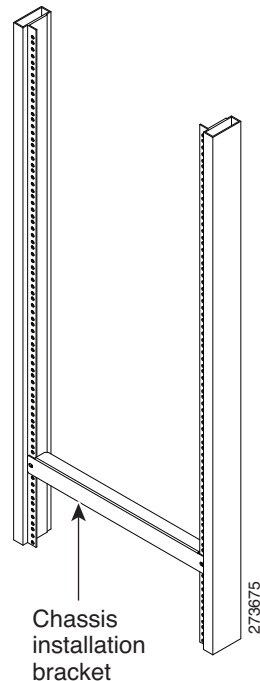
If you are using a two-post rack, secure the rack to the floor surface to prevent tipping and avoid bodily injury and component damage.

Step 1

On the chassis, ensure that all the screw fasteners on the installed components are securely tightened.

- Step 2** Ensure that your path to the rack is unobstructed. If the rack is on wheels, ensure that the brakes are engaged or that the rack is otherwise stabilized. See the section on the types of racks you can use to install the chassis.
- Step 3** (Optional) Install the chassis installation bracket into the rack to help support the chassis during installation. If you use the bracket, this will help support the chassis while you secure it to the rack.

Figure 12 Chassis Installation Bracket



- Step 4** With two people, lift the chassis (partially unloaded) into position between the rack posts and rest it on the chassis installation bracket.
- Step 5** Position the chassis until the rack-mounting flanges flush against the mounting rails on the rack.
- Step 6** Hold the chassis in position against the mounting rails and follow these steps:
- a. Insert a bottom screw into the rack-mount ear on each side and use a hand-held screwdriver to tighten the screw to the rack rail.



Tip

In the next step, insert the top screw diagonally from the bottom screw that you just attached. This helps to keep the chassis in place.

- b. Insert a top screw into each side rack-mount bracket and tighten the screw to the rack rail.
 - c. Insert a minimum of four screws per bracket on both sides of the chassis.
- Step 7** Ensure that all the screws on each side of the rack-mount brackets are tightened to the equipment rack before the chassis installation bracket is removed from the rack.

Connecting the Chassis to Ground

Connecting the Cisco RFGW-10 chassis to the earth ground is required for all installations. The earth ground connections located on the faceplate of each DC PEM must be connected to the earth ground. For installations requiring NEBS certification, a dedicated double hole lug chassis ground connection point is provided in the lower left corner on the rear of the chassis.



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.

Recommended Tools and Supplies

Table 1 lists the recommended tools and supplies.

Table 2 *Recommended Tools and Supplies*

Quantity	Description	Comments
1	Number 2 Phillips screwdriver	—
1	Wire-stripping tool	—
1	Crimping tool	This tool must be large enough to accommodate the girth of the grounding lug when you crimp the grounding cable into the lug.
1	2-hole chassis grounding lug	Included in the accessory kit. The 90 degree grounding lug has two M5 holes spaced 0.63 in center to center. If the lug from the accessory kit is misplaced, use an alternate lug (for example, Panduit LCD6-10AF-L or Pencom EL1048).
1	Grounding wire	6 AWG (16 mm ²) The length of the grounding wires depends on the location of your chassis within the site and its proximity to proper grounding facilities.
2	Two M5 (metric) phillips head screws	Included in the accessory kit for use to attach the chassis ground to the chassis.
1	Antistatic mat and ESD-wrist strap	—
10	2-hole Power Supply Lugs	Included in the accessory kit. Lugs are for power and ground to the DC PEM. Panduit LCD4-14AF-L, 2-hole, M6, 90 degree, 4 AWG wire, 0.63 spacing.
5	Power supply wire	4 AWG (25 mm ²)
1	10 mm socket wrench	This is used for securing the M6 nuts on the PS DC inputs and ground terminals.

The unit "mm" stands for milli meter.

Connecting Cables on the Cisco RFGW-10

This section describes how to do the cabling in the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM.

Power and Ground Connections

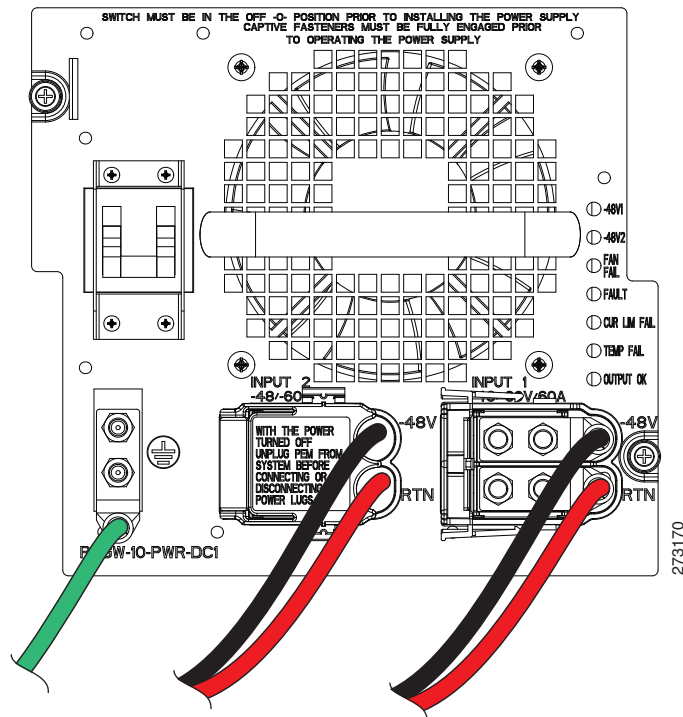
Each DC PEM has an earth ground connection and two DC power input connections (Input 1 and Input 2). Both external DC inputs must be connected as shown in [Figure 13](#). Input 1 and Input 2 are individual power inputs. Both power inputs on the PEM must be wired to external power for the Cisco RFGW-10 to operate properly. If both inputs are not connected to external power, the Cisco RFGW-10 will not power on.



Caution

The exposed portions of the power lugs *must* be covered with heat shrink tubing prior to installation.

Figure 13 DC PEM Faceplate



Connect the Console and Management Ports

Each Supervisor card has an Ethernet console and a 10/100 management port for connection to a console.



Note

To meet FCC requirements, Ferrite clamps are recommended for both the console and the auxiliary cables for the supervisor cards. The ferrites should be placed as close as possible to the RJ-45 connectors on the supervisor card. These ferrites are included in the accessory kit.

Console Port

The console port provides local administrative access to the router and its command-line interface (CLI).

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- Step 1** Connect one end of the RJ-45 crossover cable to the RJ-45 port (labeled CONSOLE) on the supervisor.
- Step 2** Connect the other end of the cable to the appropriate port on the PC or terminal to complete the console port cable connection.
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Management Port

The management port provides an Ethernet port to a LAN for a 10BASE-T and 100BASE-T connection for network management.

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- Step 1** Connect one end of the RJ-45 Ethernet cable to the RJ-45 port (labelled Management on the supervisor card).
- Step 2** Connect the other end of the cable to the appropriate port on the PC or console to complete the management port cable connection.
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Cabling the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM

The following tools are required for the Cisco RFGW-10 coaxial termination:

- Universal cable holders (UCH2)
- T-10 TORX driver tool
- ¼" flat head screwdriver
- MCX terminated RF cables



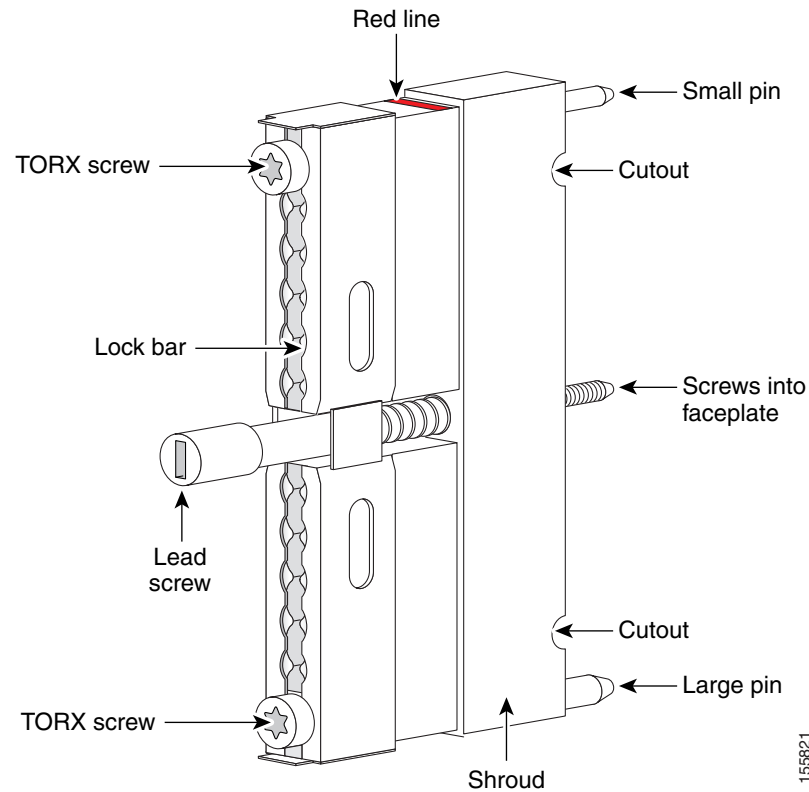
Note

You can buy either the preconfigured cable bundles from Cisco or the customized cable solutions from third party vendors. The preconfigured cable bundles from Cisco comprise of 10 MCX terminated RF cables connected to UCH2. The 12 preconfigured cable bundles are required to fully connect the Cisco RFGW-10 chassis.

**Note**

The following instructions describe the connection process for the customized RF cables and the maintenance of the Cisco preconfigured cable bundles.

Figure 14 **Universal Cable Holder UCH2**



The T-10 TORX driver tool and a 1/4-inch flathead screwdriver are used to remove and install the cable bar clamp on the UCH, and loosen the line card captive screws.

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM coaxial cable interface uses 75-ohm precision miniature video cable bundled cables terminated to 75-ohm MCX connectors. The cables come in bundles of five that will fit into the provided rear RF cable management bracket.

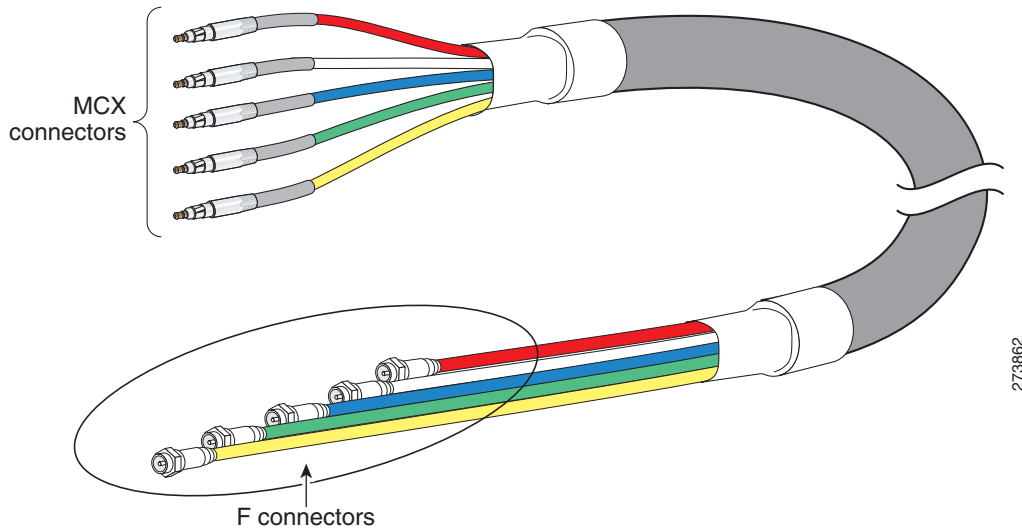
**Note**

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM coaxial termination must use quad-shielded 75-ohm precision miniature video cable.

**Note**

Other bundle types exist for quad-shielded 75-ohm precision miniature video cable but only the five bundle will fit into the provided cable management bracket and allow for easy removal of the RF Switch Cards.

Figure 15 5-Bundle Quad-Shielded Cable with MCX Connectors



Caution

The Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM must be used with UCH for all cable connections to the RF Switch Card. Failure to use the UCH may cause permanent damage to the line card connectors, resulting in low or no RF output in the downstream or low or no RF input in the upstream.

Note

The cable used with the dense connector UCH must be 75-ohm precision miniature video cable.

Part Numbers

Table 2 lists the part numbers for the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM RF Switch cards, cable kits, cables, and connectors.

Table 3 Part Numbers

Description	Part Numbers
Cisco RFGW-10 RF switch line card	RFGW-10-RFSW1
Cisco Cable kit (3m MCX to F cables) 10 Quad-shielded RF cables, preconnected UCH2 header, RFGW/3G60 to HFC, 3m. 12 Cable kits required for Cisco RFGW-10 Chassis.	CAB-RFGW3G60QTIME, Cisco Systems, Inc.
Individual Universal Cable Holder (UCH2)	CAB-520-MULT-UCH2, Cisco Systems, Inc.
Universal Cable holder for MCX connectors, qty 3 pcs	

Note

Do not use shrink tubing with quad-shielded MCX Connectors.

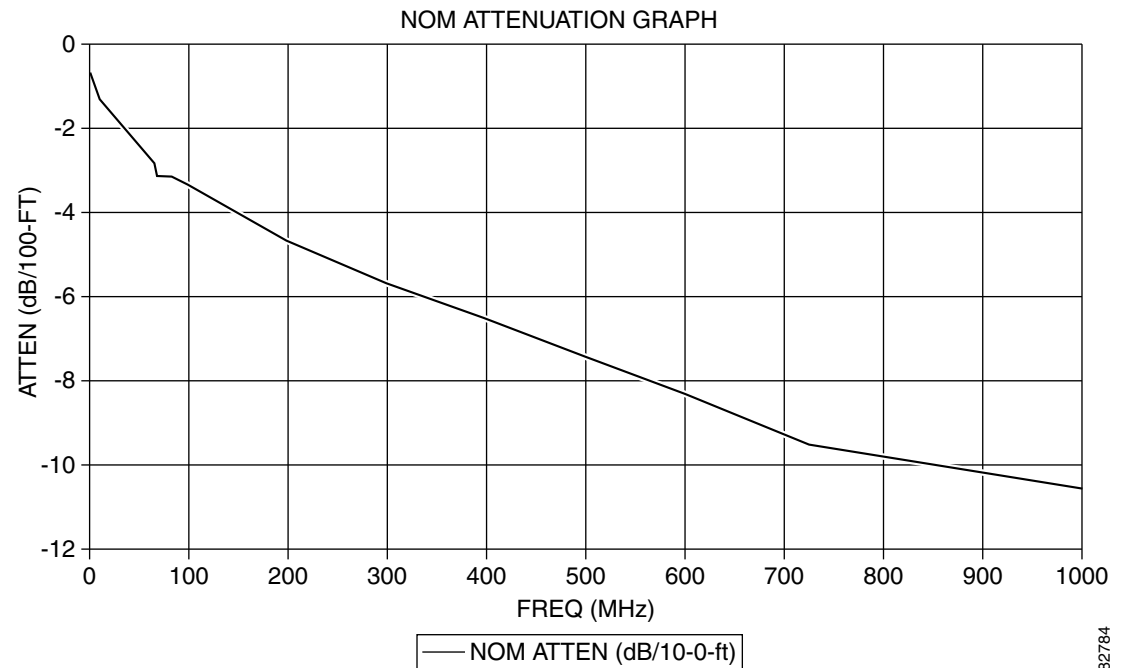
Nominal Attenuation

Table 3 shows the nominal attenuation for specified cable lengths.

Table 4 *Nominal Attenuation for a 75-Ohm Miniature Headend Coaxial Cable*

MHz	dB/100 ft	MHz	dB/100 ft	MHz	dB/100 ft
1	0.39	71	3.06	270	5.40
3.58	0.78	88	3.16	360	6.20
5	0.92	100	3.33	540	7.70
7	1.08	135	3.81	720	9.47
10	1.43	143	3.92	750	9.59
67.5	2.83	180	4.38	1000	10.50

Figure 16 *Nominal Attenuation Graph for 75-Ohm Miniature Headend Coaxial Cable*



Installing the UCH on the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM RF Switch Card

**Caution**

The UCH must be used for all cable connections to the RF switch line card. Failure to use the UCH may cause permanent damage to the line card connectors, resulting in low or no RF output in the downstream and low or no RF input in the upstream.

To install the UCH, complete the following steps:

Step 1

Position the UCH red line to the red line on the RF switch card (left side see [Figure 17](#)).

Step 2

Align the end pins on the UCH with the pin holes in the faceplate.

**Caution**

While replacing the UCH, be careful not to bend the cables in the holder at right angles.

Step 3

While holding the UCH and the cables in place on the faceplate, use your fingers to tighten the lead screw. If the UCH and cables do not set securely in place on the faceplate, wiggle the holder to set the connectors.

Step 4

Use the flathead screwdriver to tighten the lead screw. Turn the lead screw clockwise until it no longer turns (10 in-lbs, maximum torque 15 in-lbs).

**Caution**

Torquing the lead screw to more than the maximum of 20 in-lbs can cause the lead screw to fail.

**Note**

For the UCH2, as you turn the lead screw clockwise, the outer shroud on the UCH moves to cover the red line on the top and the black line on the bottom of the UCH. The half circles on the edge of the shroud close as the shroud fits down over the UCH. Full engagement is indicated by visible metal-to-metal contact between the UCH and the faceplate (check the half circle cutouts).

Figure 17 *Aligning the UCH with the RF switch card Dense Connector Ports*

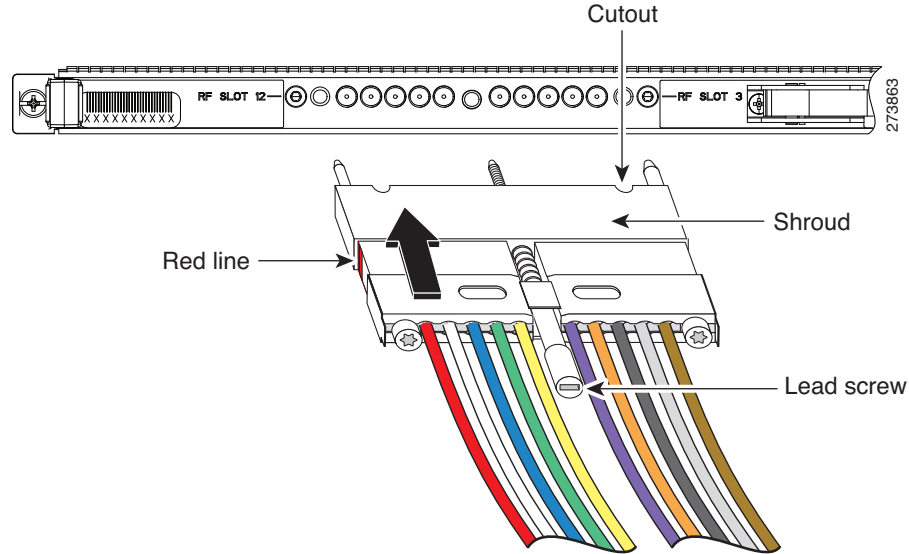
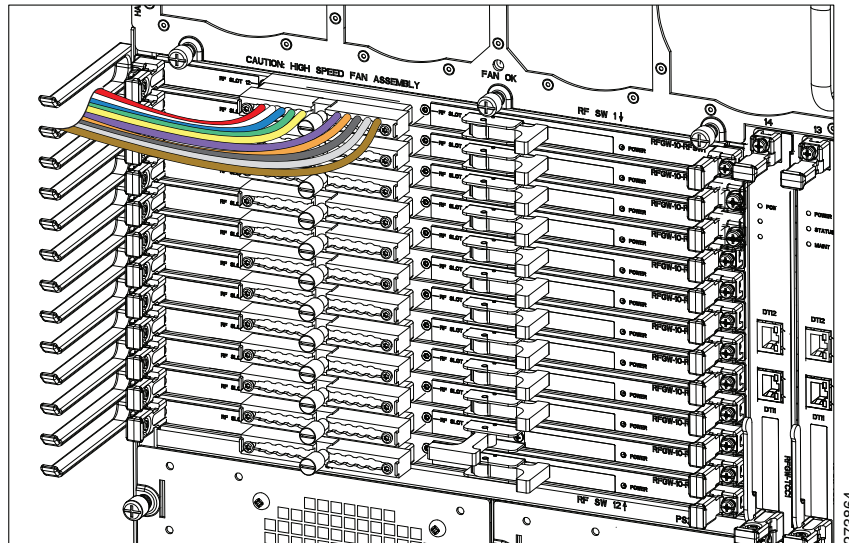


Figure 18 *Installing the UCH on the Faceplate*



Step 5 Repeat steps 1 through 4 for the remaining 11 UCH to RF switch card interconnects.



Note

The RF switch cards connect orthogonally across all Universal RF line cards in the system picking up one connector off each card. It is required to install all the 12 UCH to all the 12 RF switch cards so that the coaxial cables can be connected even if only one RF line card is installed in the system.

Installing or Replacing the Cables in the UCH2

This section describes how to install and replace the UCH2 cables. The UCH2 universal cable holders must be used with the Cisco RFGW-10 RF switch line cards. The UCH is designed to stabilize the cables and hold them in place.

Tools and Equipment

The tools listed below are designed to help you remove and install the cables in the UCH2.

- T-10 TORX driver tool—Removes the cable clamp bar


Note

Do not use heat-shrink wrap on quad-shielded cables.

- Cables—75-ohm quad-shielded precision miniature video cable, bonded foil 1855 type (reference YR50386 and YR52310)

Installing Cables

Cisco cables are color-coded for easy reference and installation. The cable color corresponds to a specific port on the card.

See [Table 4](#) for a list of the cable ports and its associated cable color for a five bundle quad-shielded cabling. The table includes a column for you to define ports and color definitions.


Note

Other color options for precision miniature video coaxial cables may be available with the RF cabling vendors. You can use any cable color combination but [Table 4](#) is the reference color configuration.

Table 5 RF Switch Universal Cable Holder Reference Color Coding

RF Switch Line Card Port	Cable Color	RF Switch User Defined
RFSW Slot 12	Red	
RFSW Slot 11	White	
RFSW Slot 10	Blue	
RFSW Slot 9	Green	
RFSW Slot 8	Yellow	
RFSW Slot 7	Violet	
RFSW Slot 6	Orange	
RFSW Slot 5	Black	
RFSW Slot 4	Gray	
RFSW Slot 3	Brown	

To replace cables or install new cables in an UCH2, complete the following steps:

- Step 1** Use the T-10 TORX driver tool to loosen the lock bar on the side where the cable is installed.
- Step 2** Use a flathead screw driver as a lever to slide open the lock bar (if needed).
- Step 3** Remove the ESD cap from a cable (see [Figure 19](#) and [Figure 20](#)) and place it in the hole in the UCH2. (See [Figure 21](#).) Use [Table 4](#) to determine the correct color and location for each colored cable.

Figure 19 Removing an ESD Cap from a MCX connector

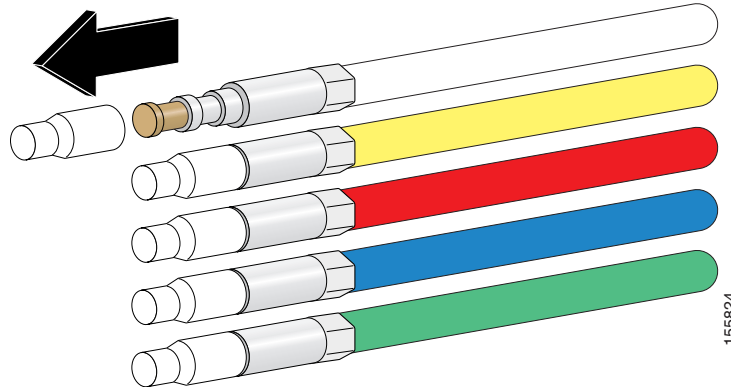
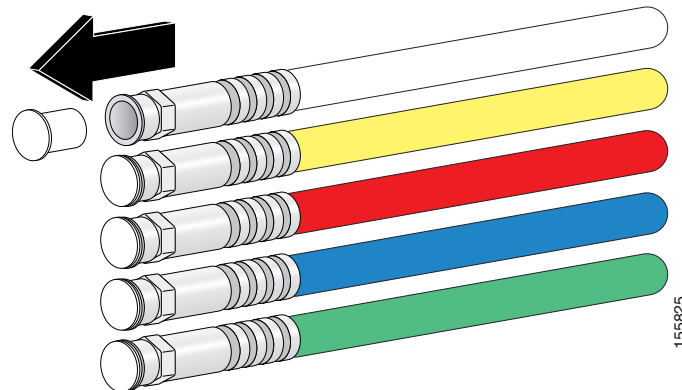
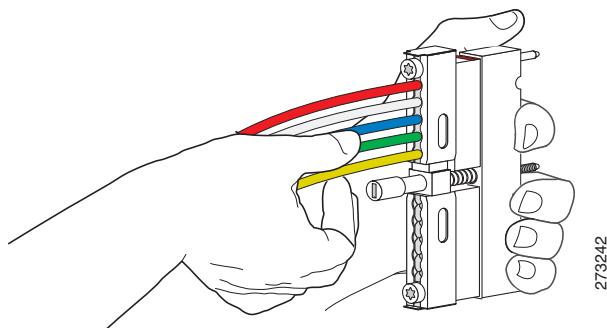


Figure 20 Removing an ESD Cap from an F connector



- Step 4** Insert and wiggle the connector into the hole.

Figure 21 **Placing Cables in the UCH2**

**Note**

The cables fit loosely in the holes, and are not locked into place until the lock bar is closed (Step 6).

Step 5

Repeat Step 3 and Step 4 for the remaining cables you are installing.

**Note**

Make sure the cables are aligned correctly and inserted completely otherwise the slide bar will not close.

Step 6

Slide the lock bar close completely, and use the T-10 TORX driver tool to tighten the screws clockwise (torque 10 in-lbs, 1.13 Newton meters (Nm)). The locking bar is completely closed when they are interlocked with the metal by the lead screw.

**Note**

Clamp bar maximum torque 15 in-lbs (1.70 Nm)

Troubleshooting the RF Switch Card Installation

Check the following:

- Verify that the captive screws are secure.
- Verify that the card is properly seated in the chassis.
 - Release the captive screws.
 - Use the handle on the front of the RF switch card to disconnect the midplane connectors.
 - Slide the card partially out of the chassis and then slide it back in, making sure that it is properly seated in the midplane.
 - Tighten the captive screws.
- Verify that the UCH is secured in place on the faceplate.
 - Check if the lead screw is secure.

**Note**

The recommended maximum torque that should be applied to a lead screw is 15 in-lbs (1.69 Nm).

- Verify that the connectors are properly seated in the ports on the faceplate.
 - Verify that no cables are broken at the connector.

- Verify that the cables are properly secured in the UCH.
- Verify that all the MCX connectors are protruding the same distance out of the UCH.

**Note**

Use the MCX to F connector adapter provided in the accessory kit to easily adapt the MCX connection for testing the cables.

- Verify that the lock bar on the UCH2 is in place and tightened.

Connecting the DTI Connections

Each TCC card has two DTI RJ-45 connectors that support an input from a DTI server (the TCC is a DTI client). These are redundant input connections designed to support link redundancy.

Powering on the Cisco RFGW-10

After all network interfaces and coaxial cables are connected, perform a visual check of all connections and ensure the following:

- All captive screws on all line cards and modules should be tightened to 6-8 in-lbs.

**Note**

The system will *not* power on unless the captive screws on the DC PEM are fully engaged.

- The ejector levers on every card are in the locked position.
- All the cables are connected (power, data link, network, Ethernet).

**Note**

The system will not power on correctly unless *both* power inputs (Input 1, Input 2) are connected to the external power source.

- The console terminal or modem is cabled and turned on.
- A compact flash card is installed in the supervisor card.

You are now ready to power on the system for the first time using the following procedure.

-
- Step 1** Verify that each DC PEM is turned off (0).
- Step 2** Remove the tape from the circuit breaker switch handle.
- Step 3** Turn on power at the power supply that is supplying the DC power for the chassis.
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Verifying External DC Power Source Connections

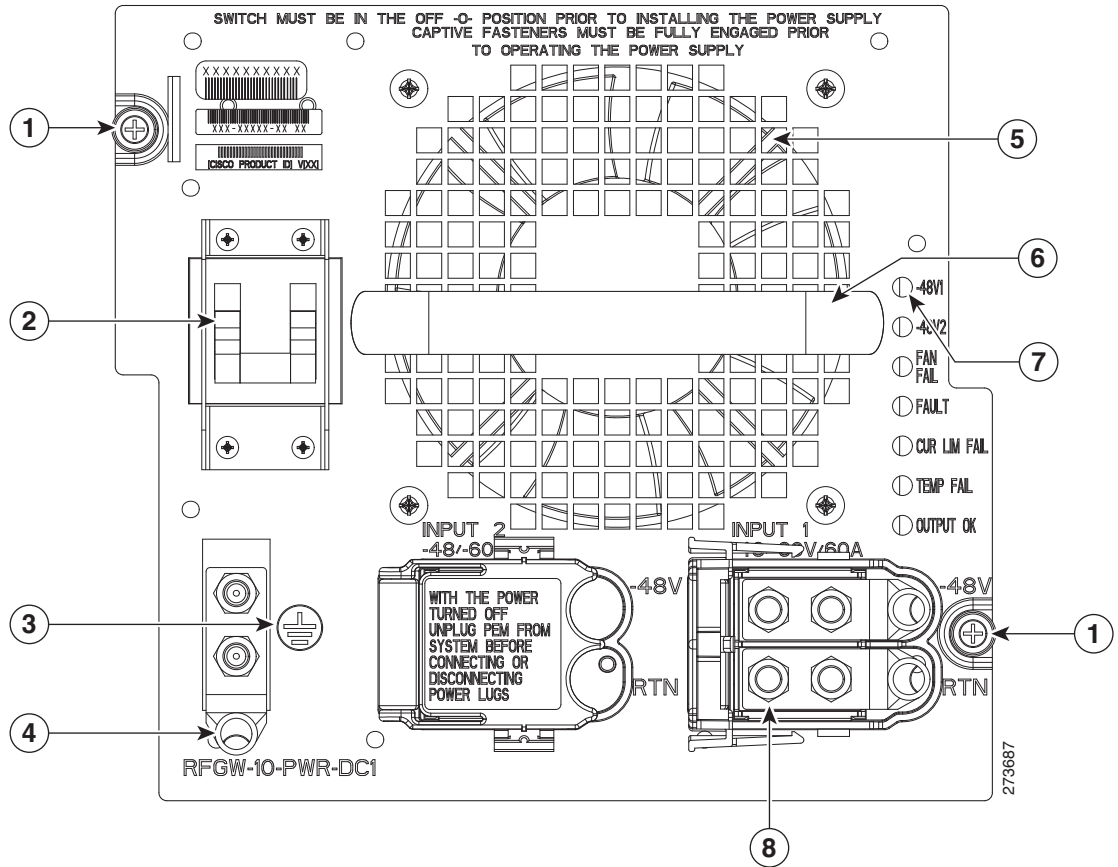
After turning on the external DC power source, verify that –48V1 and –48V2 LEDs are green (all other LEDs on the PEM should be off). If either of these LEDs is off or the FAULT LED is red, proceed as follows:

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- Step 1** Turn off the external DC power source.
- Step 2** Verify that the wiring from the external power source to the two power inputs (Input 1 and Input 2) is connected correctly.
- Step 3** Measure the input voltage from the external power source at the –48 V1 and –48 V1 RTN terminals.
-

Verifying Basic System Power

- Before the chassis power is turned on, the –48V1 LED and –48V2 LED should be green. This indicates that both DC inputs for each PEM are wired correctly to the external power source.
- Power on the chassis by switching the PEM breaker switch to the on position. At this point the OUTPUT OK LED on the DC PEM should be green.
- The fan assembly should turn on. When power is provided to the chassis, the fans in the fan assembly module initially operate at high speed. If all four fans are operating correctly, and if the temperature of the chassis is in the nominal operating range, the fans slow down to their normal operating speed.
- The OK LED on the fan assembly module should be green, indicating that all fans in the blower are operating properly. You should be able to feel the air blowing out of the upper rear of the chassis.

Figure 22 DC PEM LEDs



1	DC PEM captive screws	5	Fan
2	DC PEM On (I) /Off (O) switch	6	DC PEM handle
3	Earth grounding symbol	7	DC PEM LEDs
4	DC PEM earth ground lug	8	DC PEM terminal and plastic cover



Note

With both the DC PEMs installed, both need to be operating with breaker switches on and OUTPUT OK LED on. If one PEM is not operational, it is recommended that either the PEM be removed from the system or the power input cables be removed to limit power supply Conductive Emissions (FCC conductive Emission Requirements).

When the power-on sequence is complete, the supervisor card begins to initialize the line cards.

Configuring the Cisco RFGW-10 at Startup

This section describes how to configure the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM the first time.

Entering the Initial Configuration Information

To set up the Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM, you need to assign an IP address and other configuration information necessary for the switch to communicate with the local routers and the Internet. The minimal configuration provided here does not cover feature configuration.

Basic Configuration Using the Setup Facility

The first time you power on a Cisco RFGW-10, the setup facility starts. You can also initiate the facility by running the setup command in privileged EXEC mode. This facility helps you enhance a default configuration that already exists on the Cisco RFGW-10. The setup facility uses a question-and-answer sequence called the System Configuration Dialog to walk you through the configuration.

You do not have to configure the interfaces immediately; however, you cannot enable the interfaces or connect them to any networks until you have configured them.



Tip

Basic configuration setup is often used as a quick way to achieve network connectivity, allowing you to retrieve a configuration file from a TFTP server.

System Configuration Dialog

Use the System Configuration Dialog to help you perform a basic configuration. Proceed through the dialog by answering questions and then pressing the ENTER key. In most cases, you can get additional information by entering a question mark (?).

Throughout the dialog, default values are shown in square brackets ([]).

To cancel the configuration dialog, press CTRL-C, or you can let the dialog help you perform one of two configuration types:

- Basic configuration setup configures only enough connectivity for management of the system.
- Extended configuration setup asks you to configure each interface and is not appropriate for configuring the Cisco RFGW-10. You can run the setup facility any time you are at the enable prompt (#) by entering the setup command.

Configuring the System Using the System Configuration Dialog

To perform a basic configuration using the System Configuration Dialog, follow this procedure:

- Step 1** The dialog starts by asking if you want to continue with the configuration dialog. Enter **Yes**. To return to the enable prompt, enter **No**.


```
--- System Configuration Dialog ---
Continue with configuration dialog? [yes/no]: yes
```

- Step 2** Enter **Yes** to perform a basic management setup. Enter **No** to perform an extended configuration setup.

- Would you like to enter basic management setup? [yes/no]: **yes**
- Step 3** Specify a hostname. The hostname becomes part of the Cisco IOS prompt.
- Enter host name [Router]: **my-router**
- Step 4** Specify a secret password. It appears in encrypted form in the configuration file.
- Enter enable secret: **my_secret**
- Step 5** Specify the enable password. It is used if you did not assign a secret password.
- Enter enable password: **my_password**
- Step 6** Specify the password to use for Telnet sessions.
- Enter virtual terminal password: **my_vt**
- Step 7** At the Configure System Management prompt, enter **No**.
- Configure System Management? [yes/no]: **no**
- Step 8** If you want to access the router using SNMP, enter **Yes** at the prompt:
- Configure SNMP Network Management? [yes]: **yes**
- Step 9** Specify an SNMP community string.
- Community string [public]: **public**

Using Configuration Mode to Configure Your Switch

To configure your switch from configuration mode, use the following procedure:

-
- Step 1** Connect a console terminal to the console interface of your supervisor card.
- Step 2** After a few seconds, you will see the user EXEC prompt (*Switch>*). Now, you may want to enter privileged EXEC mode, also known as enable mode. Type **enable** to enter enable mode:
- ```
Switch> enable
```
-  **Note** You must be in enable mode to make configuration changes.
- 
- The prompt will change to the enable prompt (**#**):
- ```
Switch#
```
- Step 3** At the enable prompt (**#**), enter the **configure terminal** command to enter global configuration mode:
- ```
Switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Switch(config)#
```
- Step 4** At the global configuration mode prompt, enter the **interface** *type slot/interface* command to enter interface configuration mode:
- ```
Switch(config)# interface fastethernet 5/1
Switch(config-if)#
```
- Step 5** In either of these configuration modes, enter changes to the switch configuration.
- Step 6** Enter the **end** command to exit configuration mode.
- Step 7** Save your settings.
-

Your switch is now minimally configured and can boot with the configuration you entered. To see a list of the configuration commands, enter **?** at the prompt or press the **help** key in configuration mode.

Configuring a Default Gateway



Note The switch uses the default gateway only when it is not configured with a routing protocol.

Configure a default gateway to send data to subnets other than its own when the switch is not configured with a routing protocol. The default gateway must be the IP address of an interface on a router that is directly connected to the switch.

To configure a default gateway, perform this procedure:

Step 1 Configure a default gateway.

```
Switch(config)# ip default-gateway IP-address
```

Step 2 Verify that the default gateway is correctly displayed in the IP routing table.

```
Switch# show ip route
```

This example shows how to configure a default gateway and how to verify the configuration:

```
Switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Switch(config)# ip default-gateway 172.20.52.35
Switch(config)# end
3d17h: %SYS-5-CONFIG_I: Configured from console by console
Switch# show ip route
Default gateway is 172.20.52.35
```

Host	Gateway	Last Use	Total Uses	Interface
ICMP redirect cache is empty				

Configuring a Static Route

If your Telnet station or SNMP network management workstation is on a different network from your switch and a routing protocol has not been configured, you might need to add a static routing table entry for the network where your end station is located.

To configure a static route, use this procedure:

Step 1 Configure a static route to the remote network.

```
Switch(config)# ip route dest_IP_address mask {forwarding_IP | vlan vlan_ID}
```

Step 2 Verify that the static route is displayed correctly.

```
Switch# show running-config
```

This example shows how to use the **ip route** command to configure a static route to a workstation at IP address 171.10.5.10 on the switch with a subnet mask and IP address 172.20.3.35 of the forwarding router:

```
Switch# configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.
Switch(config)# ip route 171.10.5.10 255.255.255.255 172.20.3.35
Switch(config)# end
```

Controlling Access to Privileged EXEC Commands

The procedures in these sections let you control access to the system configuration file and privileged EXEC commands.

Setting or Changing a Static Enable Password

To set or change a static password that controls access to the enable mode, enter the enable password command:

```
Switch(config)# enable password password
```

This example shows how to configure the enable password “lab” in privileged EXEC mode:

```
Switch# configure terminal
Switch(config)# enable password lab
```

Using the enable password and enable secret Commands

To provide an additional layer of security, particularly for passwords that cross the network or that are stored on a TFTP server, you can use either the **enable password** or **enable secret** commands. Both commands configure an encrypted password that you must enter to access the enable mode (the default) or any other privilege level that you specify.

We recommend that you use the **enable secret** command.

If you configure the **enable secret** command, it takes precedence over the **enable password** command; the two commands cannot be in effect simultaneously.

To configure the switch to require an enable password, issue either of the following commands:

```
Switch(config)# enable password [level level] {password | encryption-type
encrypted-password}
```

The above command establishes a password for the privileged EXEC mode.

```
Switch(config)# enable secret [level level] {password | encryption-type
encrypted-password}
```

The above command specifies a secret password that is saved using a nonreversible encryption method.



Note

If the **enable password** and **enable secret** commands are both set, you must enter the secret password.

When you enter either of these password commands with the **level** option, you define a password for a specific privilege level. After you specify the level and set a password, give the password only to the users who need to have access at this level. Use the **privilege level** configuration command to specify commands accessible at various levels.

If you enable the **service password-encryption** command, the password you enter is encrypted. When you display the password with the **more system:running-config** command, the password displays the password in encrypted form.

If you specify an encryption type, you must provide an encrypted password—an encrypted password you copy from another Cisco RFGW-10 UEQAM configuration.



Note

You cannot recover a lost encrypted password. You must clear NVRAM and set a new password.

Setting or Changing a Privileged Password

To set or change a privileged password, enter the **password** command:

```
Switch(config-line)# password password
```

Configuring FastEthernet1 Port

The supervisor includes an out of band management Ethernet port on the front panel known as “fa1”. This FastEthernet port on the management supervisor is enabled using the following command in the ROMMON mode:

```
fa1Enable=1
```

This enables the management port after reload. When the interface is enabled, it is available via Cisco IOS.

```
interface FastEthernet1
ip address 10.5.30.183 255.255.255.0
speed auto
duplex auto
```

To disable this port, **fa1Enable** should be set to zero in the ROMMON mode.



Caution

The FastEthernet port is not intended for heavy traffic load. The “fa1” port is directly connected to the Central Processing Unit (CPU) and hence, the traffic on this port adversely affects the CPU’s performance. Do not use this port for data traffic under any circumstance. The CPU is an easy target for Denial-of-Service attacks through this port. You must ensure that the “fa1” port is restricted to management traffic only when you build your network topology.



Note

If the “fa1” port is enabled, the system displays a warning message during bootup.

Troubleshooting the Cisco RFGW-10

The following section provides troubleshooting tips that you can use to verify your system setup.

Before You Call for Technical Assistance

If you are unable to solve the problem easily, contact a Cisco customer service representative for assistance and further instructions. See the [“Related Documentation” section on page 39](#). Provide the representative with the following information:

- Date you received the chassis
- Chassis serial number
- Type of software and release number
- Brief description of the problem you are having

- Brief explanation of the steps you have taken to isolate and resolve the problem
- Maintenance agreement or warranty information

Verifying Normal Startup Sequence

The LEDs indicate all system states in the startup sequence. By checking the state of the LEDs, you can determine when and where the system failed in the startup sequence.

When you start up the system by turning the power supply switch to the ON (I) position, the following should occur:

1. Fans: The fans will start operating. The FANS OK LED on the fan assembly module will come on GREEN.
2. DC PEM: The -48V1 LED, -48V2 LED, and OUTPUT OK LED will all come on GREEN to indicate that the power supply is connected correctly to the DC PEM for the chassis.



Note

Both DC power inputs (Input 1 and Input 2), MUST be connected to an external power source for correct operation.

3. TCC card: The POWER LED will come on GREEN. The STATUS LED is blank until the IOS is fully booted in the chassis. When the IOS is booted, the STATUS LED will be GREEN if the TCC is the primary (active) card or will be ORANGE if the TCC is in redundant (backup) mode. The MAINT LED is ORANGE at power up and will transition to GREEN when the IOS is fully booted.
4. Supervisors: When the power is turned on, the STATUS LED will be ORANGE. When the IOS boots up, the STATUS LED will turn GREEN if the supervisor is the primary (active) card or it will be ORANGE if the supervisor is in redundant (backup) mode. The UTILIZATION LEDS will be GREEN on the primary card and blank for the redundant (backup) card.
5. RF Line Cards: At power on, the STATUS, ALARM, and TRAFFIC LEDs will be blank. As the card slot is initialized, the STATUS LED will transition from YELLOW to GREEN, the ALARM LED will remain blank, and the TRAFFIC LED will eventually turn GREEN.



Note

If a line card slot is configured as a redundant slot, the STATUS LED will turn BLUE.

6. RF Switch Card: The RF Switch POWER LED will be GREEN when the chassis power is turned on.
7. LCD Display: The LCD display will be blank. The LCD display information (IOS image release, Date, and so on) will not appear until the system IOS is completely up on the chassis.

Related Documentation

- Cisco RF Gateway 10 Hardware Installation Guide
http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/cable/rf_gateway/installation/guide/rfgw10_hig.html
- Cisco RF Gateway 10 Command Reference Guide
http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/cable/rf_gateway/command/reference/RFGW-10_Book.html
- Cisco RF Gateway 10 Software Configuration Guide
http://www.cisco.com/en/US/docs/cable/rf_gateway/feature/guide/rfgw_scg.html

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