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Preface

Purpose of This Manual

The purpose of this manual is to assist in the planning and preparation for installation of the HP250 Computer System, Models 30, 40, and 50. For information on the Model 26, see "HP250 Model 26 Site Preparation and Installation Guide."

The information and specifications will help you decide where to locate the system, how to prepare the environment, what to do for receiving and unpacking, and what you must have ready when the Hewlett-Packard Customer Engineer comes to install the system.

Hewlett-Packard has made an intensive design effort to make the HP 250 System adaptable to the typical office environment. It is not economically feasible to provide for operation in all possible environments. This Guide is designed to simplify the site preparation process by presenting the various specifications so that they will be understood by a first-time computer user. Each specification is explained with details on the reason for the requirement and the person responsible for its implementation.

You are responsible for scheduling, planning, and preparing a suitable site for installation of an HP 250 Computer System. Hewlett-Packard site planning representatives are available for consultation on planning physical requirements of the installation.

How This Manual Is Organized

The manual is a reference for site preparation of the HP 250 Computer System. Various planning aids are provided to smooth your planning and installation. The major parts of the manual are:

An "Introduction" outlining your responsibilites for preparing for your HP 250 System, Hewlett-Packard's responsibilites to you for assistance, a timeframe for setting up your system, and the people you may look to for assistance.

"Preparing for Installation" including floor plans, power specifications, atmospheric considerations, connecting cables, communication configurations, and system shipping weights.

"Providing Other Necessities" such as media storage, record protection, computer supplies, and ready phone access to assistance which are an integral part of preparing for and operating a computer.

"When Your System Arrives" discusses the final preparation for system arrival, coordinated deliveries, how to check for damage and schedule installation, unpacking the cartons, and the arrival date of your HP 250.

An "Appendix" containing a pre-installation worksheet, site completion checklist, and HP 250 Space Planning Kit to aid you in preparing your HP 250.

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

Customer Responsibilities HP Services What Should I Do Next? Where Do I Go for Help?

Customer Responsibilities

Space and Environment

The HP 250 system has been designed for the office environment and no extensive preparation is required. However, the customer is responsible for providing suitable space and environment for the complete system. Specifications for all requirements are given in Chapter 2.

Approvals

The HP 250 Office Computer Series has the following regulatory approvals:

Safety:

- UL 114, Office Appliances & Business Equipment
- UL 478, Data Processing Equipment
- CSA C22.2 No. 154, Data Processing Equipment

RFI:

- HP 45260A, FTZ License No. C-032/81
- HP 250/35, FTZ License No. C-013/78
- HP 2649D-050, FTZ License No. C-106/76

Data Communications:

 Germany, United Kingdom, Australia, France, Belgium, Finland, Switzerland, Sweden

Note: U.S.A. does not require regulatory approval.

Local Codes

In some localities, special codes and regulations may exist for the installation of computer sites. It is your responsibility to ensure that the requirements of all local laws, regulations, and codes for mechanical, building, and electrical distribution systems have been complied with for the site prior to the system delivery.

Data Communications Equipment

When data communications equipment, such as modems and connecting cables, is required, you are responsible for ordering and installing the communications equipment.

Selection of Principal Operator

You should appoint someone to be the Principal Operator. This person is responsible for system operation, maintenance, and scheduling. Initially, the Principal Operator is responsible for monitoring site preparation schedules, ordering computer supplies, and scheduling training for users of the system. In the process, the Principal Operator should become familiar with the HP 250 System and be ready to start its operation when the system is installed.

HP Services

Site Planning Visit

Upon Hewlett-Packard's receipt of the purchase order for your computer system, your HP Customer Engineer (CE) will contact you to arrange an on-site meeting with your Principal Operator and your electrician. At that meeting, site planning and preparation requirements will be discussed.

As one part of the site preparation service, the Customer Engineer will evaluate the power source and electrical wiring at the site. Normally, an isolated-ground dedicated circuit is required. In some cases, additional equipment may be necessary—such as one or more HP 35030A Power Line Conditioners, depending on the number of peripherals.

Site Verification

The HP Customer Engineer will call you before installation and check on the progress of site preparation. On the day of installation, the CE will check that the site has been prepared according to this Guide and verify that the site is suitable. There should be no problem with acceptance if this Guide is followed. Sites failing to meet verification requirements, causing installation delays long enough to require a second visit, are subject to additional service charges. HP provides services during warranty and under a maintenance agreement if the specified requirements are met.

System Installation

When your system arrives, your HP Customer Engineer will install it on a mutually-agreedupon date. Refer to Chapter 4 for the tasks performed.

What Should I Do Next?

The following guidelines describe general site planning. The suggested schedule is a summary of the HP 250 Pre-Installation Worksheet found in Appendix A-1. It should be used to monitor the progress of site preparation so that the site is complete when the system is delivered. Since the time from placing an order to actual delivery is flexible, the suggested schedule should be compressed or expanded accordingly.

There are two items that require several weeks lead time. They are: (1) arranging for an electrician to do electrical wiring and (2) placing orders for any needed data communications equipment. HP suggests that the suppliers of those services be contacted as soon as possible after order placement.

Six Weeks Before Installation

- 1. Assign a person (Principal Operator) to be responsible for the successful installation and operation of your HP 250 system.
- 2. Select the location for your HP 250 Computer System. Your HP Customer Engineer will schedule a site planning visit with you and answer any questions about site preparation.
- 3. Plan the physical arrangement of the system and furniture.
- 4. Order consumable supplies, including flexible discs or tape cartridges for system backups.

Two Weeks Before Installation

1. Schedule the date for installation of the HP 250 System with your local HP 250 Customer Engineer.

At System Delivery

- 1. Inspect each component shipment as it is delivered.
- 2. Call the HP CE office when all equipment has arrived.
- 3. Have all of the equipment at the site location where it is to be installed before the HP CE arrives.

At System Installation

1. Have your Principal Operator present to assist and advise the HP Customer Engineer throughout the installation process.

The remainder of this manual provides you with the information needed to complete the planning and preparation process. If you require any assistance, contact your local HP Sales Representative.

Where Do I Go for Help?

Local Hewlett-Packard People Who Can Help You

To assist you in understanding the Hewlett-Packard organization, descriptions are given of the HP people who will contact you. Each member of the HP team is a well-trained expert, dedicated to seeing that you get the maximum benefit from your HP 250.

Sales Representative — The HP Sales Representive is your primary contact. Your Sales Representative coordinates HP resources to ensure successful delivery and installation of your system. Later, when you need additional system capabilities or staff training, your Sales Representative is the person to call.

Customer Engineer (CE)—The Customer Engineer is an expert in computer and peripheral equipment service—with the tools, parts, and know-how to install and maintain your HP 250. You will meet your local CE during the site planning visit and installation of your computer. In addition, an HP Maintenance Agreement for hardware can be purchased which provides hardware maintenance, repair, and problem diagnosis by CEs. **Systems Engineer (SE)**— The Systems Engineer is a technical specialist in all HP 250 subsystems and the programming language. Your local SE organization provides training courses and technical consulting on your system's language, utility programs, data base management, and system performance. The HP 250's Customer Support Service plan (CSS) provides for software consulting and problem diagnosis by SEs.

For System or Software Purchased from a Third Party

Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or System House—If you have purchased an HP 250 computer system and/or applications software from a third party, that party will provide consultation services on system operation and applications software (programs). In this situation, a Maintenance Agreement for hardware and CSS for standard HP software is available from Hewlett-Packard.

The Experts

Unless you are an electrician and a computer engineer, you need the assistance of an electrican, a Hewlett-Packard (HP) Customer Engineer, and an HP Systems Engineer. These experts provide you with the technical knowledge necessary for your HP 250 site preparation and maintenance. Table 1-1 summarizes the technical tasks which may require expert assistance and lists the expert capable of providing that assistance.

Table 1-1. When You Need an Expert

A summary of experts on technical assistance. Each of these tasks is discussed in further detail in Chapter 2.

If you need	Call your
Line voltages measured	Electrician
Power line frequencies measured and recommendations for improvements made	HP Customer Engineer (HP CE)
Safety and isolated ground connections verified	Electrician
Advice on correct circuit breakers and wire sizes	Electrician
Power line noise levels measured	HP CE
Neutral-ground voltages measured during installation	HP CE
Verification that your mainframe outlets (those used for floor cleaners, etc.) are on separate circuits from your HP 250	Electrician
Recommendations about lightning protection	HP CE
Measurements and recommendations on radiated interference	HP CE
Answers to your questions concerning modems and modem options	HP Systems Engineer (SE)
Know which modems your HP 250 System supports	HP SE

At this time, you should know who your HP Customer and Systems Engineers are; if you do not, contact your Hewlett-Packard Regional Sales Office, Sales Representative, or independent supplier for assistance.

CHAPTER 2

Preparing for Installation

Floor Plan HP 250 Power Requirements Sources of Electrical Interference Atmospheric Considerations Interconnecting Cables and Power Cords Communications System Size and Weight

Floor Plan

You need to select a location to satisfy immediate and future requirements. You may want to select your computer site so that you can add more equipment as your needs expand.

HP recommends that you prepare a floor plan of your own HP 250 site showing the location and arrangement of your equipment. Provide enough space for people to work efficiently and for servicing equipment. The "Space Planning Kit," located in Appendix A-3, can help you plan the physical layout of your HP 250 site. The kit contains views of all of the HP 250 equipment and a grid layout.

HP 250 Power Requirements

One of the most important considerations is the system electrical power requirements. HP 250 power requirements for all systems are:

Line voltage Single Phase 100/120/220/240V,

+5%-10%.	
Nominal	Range
100 120	90 to 105
220 240	198 to 231 216 to 252

- Line 50 Hz or 60 Hz, ±3.5% (±0.2% for 264X terminals or 2649D Remote 250) (±1% when writing IBM-format flexible discs).
- Separate circuit
 breakers
 Available current cannot exceed
 75% of circuit breaker rating.
- Safety and reference (isolated) ground
 Required protection of operating personnel and for system
 reference.

- Power Power transients and line interference less than specified transients value for HP 250 System
- Neutralground voltage
 Less than 1.0 volts RMS at each outlet with system components installed and powered on.

Why Power Requirements Are Important

The following section explains the purpose and function of the power requirements listed above. Included here are the people capable of assisting you in meeting these requirements.

a. Line Voltage — The AC line voltage at the wall outlet is a function of the local power utility and your building power distribution. A local power utility is required to provide a certain voltage range at the cusic mer meter. The voltage drop inside a building is related to the wiring from the meter to the wall outlet.

Supplied voltages outside of the operating range of the system can cause intermittent system errors or shutdown. Low voltage is usually the problem and is probably caused by inadequate wiring.

Your electrician can make measurements and determine if the proper wire sizes are used.

b. Frequency — Frequency is normally a function of the local power utility. In rare instances, power may be supplied by a motor-generator set within your building. Shifts in frequency can cause intermittent system errors or CRT display jitter.

Your HP Customer Engineer can measure the power line frequency and make a recommendation if improvements are needed.

c. Separate Circuit Breakers (Dedicated

Circuits)— There are two reasons for requiring separate circuit breakers for your computer. The first is to ensure that no other electrical devices are connected to the same circuit to prevent unnecessary tripping of a circuit breaker. For example, in your own kitchen, if you brew coffee in an automatic coffee maker (12 amperes) at the same time as you are making toast in a toaster (10 amperes), you would trip the circuit breaker if both appliances are on the same circuit.

The second reason for dedicated circuits is to ensure that there is sufficient power to run the system. Lack of separate circuit protection and inadequate wiring cause low voltage (insufficient power) and can cause intermittent system operation, e.g., system crashes, disc errors.

Circuit breakers are rated in amperes. In the U.S.A., typical circuit breakers are 15 or 20 amperes. The ampere load in each individual circuit breaker should allow a margin for startup and surge currents drawn by the system. Refer to Table 2-1 to determine the number of circuit breakers.

Use this table to calculate your HP 250 System's power requirements. Depending on the configuration (component combination) you

use, the power requirements differ between systems. Have your electrician double check your calculations.

HP 250 Machine Type	Model	(A) Amperage Drawn (depends upon local voitage)				(B) Multiply by Number	(C) Total Machine
		Local V 100V	oltage:	220V	240V	of Machines	Amperage $(A) \bullet (B) = (C)$
Mainframe	Model 30,40, 50 System Unit (incl. 2622D)	3.7	3.1	1.6	1.5		
-	Model 35 System Unit	3.4	2.8	1.5	1.4		
Disc Drive	7908P	5.2	4.3	2.3	2.1		
	7906H	7.7	6.4	3.5	3.2		
	7911P/7912P	8.4	7.0	4.0	3.5		
Terminal	2621A	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2		
	2621P	1.4	1.2	0.6	0.6		
	2622D	1.2	1.0	0.5	0.5		
	264X	1.6	1.3	0.7	0.7		
	2649D	1.3	1.1	0.7	0.6		
	3075A/3076A/ 3077A	0.9	0.75	0.41	0.375		
	3081A with 92922A	0.6	0.5	0.27	0.25		
	39800A	0.24	0.2	0.11	0.1	· · ·	
Printer	2601A	1.6	1.3	0.8	0.7		
	2602A	1.0	0.9	0.5	0.5		
	2608A	13.0	10.8	5.9	5.4		
	2631B	1.8	1.5	0.8	0.7		
	2563A	6.0	5.0	2.7	2.5		
	2687A	8.4	7.0	3.82	3.5		
	2932A	3.0	2.5	1.36	1.25		
	2933A	3.0	2.5	1.36	1.25		
	2934A	3.0	2.5	1.36	1.25		
	82905B	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.4	· · · · ·	
Plotter	7220C/T	1.3	1.1	0.6	0.6	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	7221C /T	1.3	1.1	0.6	0.6		
	7225B	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.5		
	7470A	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1		

Table 2-1.	Worksheet for	Power	Requirement	Calculations
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HP 250 Computer System total amperage

Plus 35% for start-up and surge current

Total amperage with protection _

Note: Where multiple circuits are needed to provide the required total amperage protection, consult local electrical codes to determine the appropriate circuit breaker sizes and load distribution (maximum breaker in the United States is 20 Amps; in Canada, 15 Amps).

The electrical wiring diagram in Figure 2-1 shows wiring for a U.S.A. 120V–20A circuit breaker with isolated ground receptacles. Specifications for wire sizes in Figure 2-1 are predicated on the maximum size breaker being 20 amperes (U.S.A.). Canada uses 15 amperes. Equivalent wiring diagram for other countries is shown in Figure 2-2 for 220 or 240 volt input and isolated ground. This figure shows typical circuit breaker or fuse and wire size for countries other than the U.S.A. and Canada. All sizes are based on the input voltage being 220 or 240 volts.

Your electrician will advise you on correct circuit breakers and wire sizes.

d. Safety and Reference (Isolated) Ground-

- The green-wire ground serves the dual function of safety and reference ground. As a

safety ground, this wire meets requirements for any electrical equipment as protection for the user. As a reference ground, the green wire acts as the electronic base point for the computer.

The green-wire ground is connected to the metal frame of each system component to protect an operator against equipment malfunction, and make the equipment resistant to a catastrophic event such as a lightning strike. To preserve this protection, do not plug the system into wall outlets that have no ground connections. Be sure that the green ground wire is connected from the outlet to the distribution sub-panel where the circuit breaker is installed.

An HP 250 operating as a total system requires interface communication between the mainframe and all peripherals. As a result, all items within the system (except workstations or terminals connected via current loop or through



Figure 2-1. Electrical Circuit Diagram (U.S.A. and Canada)

modems) must have a common (single point) system reference ground. Otherwise, erroneous signals can be generated between devices and cause intermittent system failures. Furthermore, the system isolated ground must be "quiet," i.e., other electrical devices such as copying machines, arc welders and air-conditioning motors cannot be connected to the computer system ground. Therefore, the computer system ground is electrically separate back to the main building entrance earth ground.

To meet the requirements for safety and reference ground, the ground wires for all of the outlets used by the computer and peripheral equipment must be connected to the same ground bar (separated from the neutral) at the distribution sub-panel. A single ground wire should run from the distribution sub-panel to structural steel, ground rod (must be bonded to building entrance earth ground), building entrance earth ground connection, or an already-installed computer system ground (see Figure 2-1 or 2-2). Conduit must not be used for computer system ground return, and all ground conductors must be insulated.

HP 250 computer and peripherals are equipped with three-conductor power cords which, when connected to appropriate power receptacles, ground the individual components of the system. Figure 2-3 shows the various U.S.A. and international power cords offered with the system.

Have your electrician verify that the safety/ reference ground is connected properly.



Figure 2-2. Electrical Circuit Diagram (Other Countries)

e. Power Line Transients — Heavy electrical loads from nearby machinery or equipment, i.e., elevators or electric welders, can cause intermittent system errors even if that equipment is on a different circuit breaker. For those conditions, you must provide a separate, completely independent circuit with isolated ground and circuit breaker coming directly from the main building power source. In extreme cases of severe electrical noise, it may be necessary to install an isolation or power line conditioning transformer.

Your HP Customer Engineer can measure the power line noise level (see Figure 2-4), and make the appropriate recommendation if power line improvement is needed.

f. Neutral-Ground Voltage — If the neutralground voltage is greater than 1V RMS, this is an indication of (1) inadequate wire size,



Figure 2-3. Power Cords

(2) absence of ground wire, (3) poor building distribution ground, or (4) imbalance of phases on a 3-phase power distribution system. The result can be intermittent system errors or system shutdown.

Your HP Customer Engineer will measure the neutral-ground voltage during installation. If the voltage exceeds the specification, your electrician can determine which of the four conditions is the problem, and rectify the situation appropriately.



Figure 2-4. Allowable Transient and Surge Voltage Amplitudes

Sources of Electrical Interference

Convenience Wall Outlets

Power outlets for building maintenance equipment (vacuum cleaners, floor buffers, etc.) must be wired on a circuit breaker separate from the computer. Connect the green ground wire for these outlets to the normal building distribution ground (not computer system ground). If a separate circuit breaker and separate grounding is not provided, operation of janitorial equipment can induce electrical noise and cause abnormal operation of the computer system.

Your electrician can verify that maintenance outlets are on separate circuits.

Lightning

In some geographic areas it may be advisable to install lightning protection for personnel and the computer. In the U.S.A., the installation of lightning arrestors on power and communication lines is described in the National Electrical Code, Article 280. The principles of lightning protection and personnel safety are given in the lightning protection code contained in the NFPA Handbook.

Your HP Customer Engineer may recommend lightning protection equipment for some geographic areas.

Radiated Interference

Radiated interference causes a variety of problems in computer systems. Most commonly, disc read/write errors can occur because of the interference. The most common sources of radiation are airports, which have communications and radar installations, business two-way radio transmitters, or broadcast radio/TV transmitters. Hand-held transceivers (i.e., "walkie-talkies") produce the same effect as radio stations when used in or near computer equipment and should therefore be prohibited from the areas in which computer equipment is installed. Additionally, a microwave link is sometimes aimed from adjacent buildings—this presents trouble for the computer system if it is installed in the transmission path.

HP 250 Computer Systems are designed to withstand levels of radiation up to 0.5 volt/meter over a frequency range of 14 kHz to 1 GHz.

If you think there could be a problem with radiated interference at your site, call your HP CE about making interference measurements. You may need the assistance of an outside consultant for recommendations on shielding the system from external interference.

Atmospheric Considerations

Flammable Materials

Fundamental safeguards for the computer system include a location within a building that will be away from outside sources of potential damage. The HP 250 System should not be installed or operated in an environment where there is a hazard of fire or explosion due to the existence of highly flammable gases, flammable volatile liquids, or combustible dust in the area.

Airborne Contaminants

Temperature and humidity control does not eliminate disc problems if the environment you work in is unclean. Airborne contaminants and particles of a certain size and hardness may scratch either the coating on the disc or the drive head and cause premature wear on the disc, resulting in data errors. Some of the most common contaminants are dust, smoke, ashes, eraser crumbs, and bread crumbs. Solvent vapors, such as those from liquid spirit duplicating equipment and wet process copiers, can soften disc coatings over a period of time. To prevent excessive wear, avoid bringing these contaminants into contact with your computer.

Temperature and Humidity

Operating temperature and humidity requirements are shown in Figure 2-5.

Avoid extremes in relative humidity. High humidity levels can cause improper feeding and stacking of printer paper or improper operation of disc drives. Low humidity levels aggravate problems of static electricity and cause excessive flexible disc wear.

Carpeting can be a source of static electricity, especially in dry and cold climates. Static discharge can often be reduced significantly by a humidifier. Other ways to minimize static discharge are using mats (with ground strap) in front of the system or treating the carpet with anti-static spray. Spray is not recommended, however, because it finds its way into the system intake filter and coats the circuitry. If spray is used, it should be applied while the system is turned off.

The HP 250 Computer System is air cooled, with fans bringing cool air into the system, circulating it, and exhausting heated air from the rear of the system into the room. Remember to place each system component at least 1 meter (3 ft.) from a wall to allow heated air to exhaust properly. Table 2-2 will help you calculate the total system heat output of your particular configuration.



Figure 2-5. Temperature and Humidity Requirements

HP 250 Machine Type	Watts	BTU/hr	Multiply By Number of Machines	Equals Total Heat Output per Machine Type
HP 250 Model 30, 40, 50 (incl. 2622D)	275	940		
7906H Disc Drive	550	1880		
7908P Disc Drive	370	1260	·	
7911/7912P Disc Drive	700	2593		
2631B Printer	150	510		
2601 Printer	120	410		
2602A Printer	90	315		· ·
2608A Printer	850	2900		
2563A Printer	230	784		
2687A Printer	840	2864		
2932A Printer	225	768		
2933A Printer	225	768		
2934A Printer	225	768		· ·
82905B Printer	100	341		
2621A Terminal	40	140		
2621P Terminal	90	300		
264X Terminal	100	341	· ·	
2649D Workstation	100	341		
2622D Workstation	65	220		
3075A/3076A/3077A Data Capture Terminals	90	307		
3081A Data Capture Terminal with 92922A Adapter	45	154		
39800A Bar Code Reader	25	85		
7220C/T Plotter	100	341		
7221C/T Plotter	100	341		**************************************
7225B Plotter	70	240		
7470A Plotter	25	85		

 Table 2-2.
 Calculation of Heat Output by Machine Type

Your HP 250 System Heat Dissipation

Total

As a guideline for the temperature environment, Figure 2-6 indicates the temperature rise in the area you select, depending upon the room size and the system heat output. Determine the new office temperature by adding the existing office temperature and the temperature rise taken from the graph. (Readings for existing temperatures should be taken near the floor in the approximate area where the equipment will be located.)

The system will operate most reliably if the room temperature is maintained between 20–30 degrees Celsius (68–86 degrees Fahrenheit). Mechanical parts fail primarily by wearing out, but, due to the physics of semiconductors, higher operating temperatures considerably increase failure rate of electronic circuitry. The statistics of semiconductor failure show that if you were to operate the system continually in a room temperature of 32 degrees Celsius (90 degrees Fahrenheit), you would have 25% more component failures than if operated at 25 degrees Celsius (76 degrees Fahrenheit).

If the building air conditioning is turned down or off on weekends, and you intend to use your system, we recommend you check the temperature and humidity of the computer site to determine whether the operating specifications are exceeded. If the specifications are exceeded, you should provide auxiliary air conditioning to prevent system shutdown or damage to equipment.

You can purchase an inexpensive thermometer and humidity gauge at a hardware or department store to determine the temperature and humidity environment of your site.





Interconnecting Cables and Power Cords

General Information

Data cables connect the HP 250 to all of its peripheral equipment. When planning the physical layout of your HP 250 site, consider the functional and aesthetic effects of the routing of these cables, and locations of wall outlets for power cords.

In general, cables should not be routed across entrances, aisles, or traffic paths or under carpeting. In these areas, cables can be a safety hazard, or damage to the wiring can occur. Remember, due to cable routing, the distance separating the external equipment from the computer will be less than the lengths of the data cables.

The U.S.A. and Great Britain power cords are 2.29 meters (7.5 ft.) in length. All other power cord lengths are 2 meters (6.5 ft.). EXTENSION CORDS FOR POWER MUST NOT BE USED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. They cannot provide enough power to the system and can be a safety hazard.

All of the cables and power cords enter and exit from the rear of the equipment. Therefore, it is favorable to locate the equipment along walls where power outlets are easily accessible and where interconnecting cables will be out of the way.

HP-IB Cables

The Hewlett-Packard Interface Bus (HP-IB) provides a means by which system components communicate with each other. It is analogous to a party line telephone syste. *n* in which several people share a single line. In the HP 250 System, the HP-IB cables connect the disc memory devices and printers with the System Processing Unit (SPU). In Figure 2-7, you can determine how much cable is shipped with your particular system configuration. (You do not have to locate your system components in the same physical locations as shown in the examples.) The figure also shows the recommended configurations.

Communications

Either a direct hardwired connection or telephone equipment (asynchronous or synchronous modem) is used for communication between terminal equipment and the computer. The following information will help you plan and install your communications equipment. Also remember that you must have all communications equipment and extension cables installed before the system installation date if the complete system installation is to be accomplished on the day requested.

Asynchronous Serial Interface (ASI)

The Asynchronous Serial Interface (ASI). HP Product 45120A/B, is capable of communicating with supported terminals. printers, and plotters via an RS-232-C data link, using either a direct hardwired connection or modems. The EIA RS-232-C standard defines the mechanical/electrical characteristics for devices which can connect to the ASI interface. The standard does not specify the protocol (handshaking sequences, control line use, or control character sequences). Hewlett-Packard supports operation of the RS-232-C data link only with the specific devices, modems, and modem options shown in Figure 2-8. Any changes in supported modems and options are reported in the Configuration Guide which is available from your HP Sales Representative.

Device	External length of cable supplied (meters)		
HP 250			
System Unit	0 HP	2932A Printer	
HP 7906H Disc	2 HP	2933A Printer	
HP 7908P Disc	2 HP	2934A Printer	
HP 7911P/7912P Disc	1 HP	2563A Printer	
HP 2631B Printer	2		
HP 2608A Printer	2		

Recommended Configurations: (Disregard any devices you do not have, but keep the devices in the order shown.)



- Note Other configurations are possible. However, this configuration is the most reliable, especially in larger configurations. (If you have a 2608A printer, it should be the outside printer.)
 - The specific cable lengths between any two devices can be determined by you as long as the total cable length on the system does not exceed that supplied with the system peripherals. (For the HP 2932A, 2933A, and 2934A, the HP-IB cable must be obtained separately. Assume 2 meters of cable for each when computing maximum cable length for your system.) If you need more cable length, contact your HP Customer Engineer to ensure that the additional cable length conforms to HP-IB specifications.
 - Do not connect two HP-IB cables together. For example, if you need a twometer cable between devices, use one two-meter cable. Do not connect two one-meter cables together.

Figure 2–7. HP-IB Cabling Configuration



Must order for 2933A Must order for 2934A



262X Terminal Connected to ASI with Current Loop Connection

Note: Self-test switch should be in normal position.

Open

If you locate an HP 262X or 264X terminal further than 15 meters (50 ft.) from the computer without using a modem, a current loop connection can be used for distances up to 1 kilometers (0.6 mile). Refer to Figure 2-9 or 2-10 for details on making the cable and all required connections. If you should need to fabricate your own data communications three-wire cable, refer to Figure 2-11 for details on making the cable and all required connections. This particular cable configuration is not supported by HP.



Figure 2-10. ASI Current Loop Connections (264X Terminals)



Item	HP Part No.	Description	Alternate Source
RS-232 Connector Kit	5061-2405	Includes male and female RS-232 Connectors (1 each)	
264X PCA Hood Connector Kit	5061-1340	Includes one 25-pin Connector	
262X Connector Kit	5061-2412	Includes one 50-pin Connector	Amphenol 57-30500
Connector Cable	8120-1950	12 conductor, shielded	U.L. style 2560
	8120-2398	16 conductor, shielded	U.L. style 2560

Note to Installer: On HP 250 Computer, port switch configuration is



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

or jumper configurations 1-10 are A's on RS-232 Connector Board Assembly.

Attaching Terminals to the HP 250

To attach a supported terminal or workstation to the HP 250, switches (straps) located on interface boards inside the terminal (except for the 262X series where the settings are selected from the keyboard) must be set to specific positions. Refer to the individual terminal reference manuals for specific instructions on how to set these switches. Table 2-3 lists the correct switch settings for all currently supported terminal types.

Terminal	E	Setting	
	Keyboard interface board 02640-60123		Strap A-H closed strap J-N closed strap P-X closed strap Y open strap Z closed all others closed.
		Standard asynchronous communication interface 02640-60086	No strapping
2640B, 2645A, 2647A, 2648A, 2649D	I/O interface board (use one of these three)	General purpose asynchronous communication interface 02640-60089*	Strap A9 closed strap A10 closed strap A11 closed strap CBE closed strap NOSB closed all others open.
		Extended asynchronous communication interface 02640-60143*	Strap A9 closed strap A10 closed strap A11 closed strap CBE closed strap NOSB closed all others open.
2621A/P	Programmable configuration parameters	(Set from keyboard)	Baud rate, =<9600 parity: none (0) duplex: full straps: bcgHxZ handshake: Etx HZ: 50 or 60 Start Col: 1 Return: Cr.

Table 2-3. Terminal Switch Settings

*Also used for current loop.

Asynchronous Modems for ASI

The HP 250 ASI supports only the modems with the defined straps and options listed in Table 2-4. Because the actual connection and control of an RS-232-C data link can be and is broadly interpreted, HP can support only those modems which we have tested. If you have questions concerning modems or modem options, please contact your local HP Systems Engineer (SE).

Table 2-4. HP Supported Asynchronous Modems

Data Set	Baud Rate	Type of Line
Bell 103J	300 Baud	Switched, Full Duplex
Bell 212A	300/1200 Baud	Switched, Full Duplex

Required feature configurations for the Bell 103J Data Set follow:

Bell 103J Data Set

Feature	Required Configuration
Receive space disconnect	Yes
Send space disconnect	Yes
Loss of carrier disconnect	Yes
CC indication	Early
CB and CF indications	Common
CC indication for analog loopback	On
Fail safe of CN circuit	Off
Automatic answer	Yes
Common grounds	Yes

Required feature configurations for the Bell 212A Data Set follow:

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A2	Disconnect options	
	a.2. Send space (OUT)	Yes
	b.1. Receive space IN	Yes
	c.1. Loss of carrier (IN)	Yes
B3	With automatic answer	Yes
C6	EIA interface and ground	
	a.1. DSR (CC) indication for analog loop (ON)	Yes
	b.1. CTS (CB) and DCD (CF) indication (COMMON)	Yes
	c.1. Signal ground to frame connection (IN)	Yes
	d.2. Answer mode indication (CE) (OFF)	Yes
	e. Interface speed indication (OUT)	Yes
	f. Speed control (HS button)	Yes
	g. Interface controlled Remote Digital Loop (OUT)	Yes
	h. CN and TM Test Mode Assignments — CN Pin 18 + TM Pin 25	Yes
D8	Modes of operation	
	a.1. 1200 baud asynchronous start/stop	Yes
	b.2. Character length—10 bit	Yes
	c.1. Transmitter timing—internal	Yes
	d.2. Speed mode—dual (1200 or 300)	Yes
	e.1. Receiver responds to digital loop (IN)	Yes
	f.2. Interface speed indications (OUT)	Yes
E10	Make busy/analog loop	
	(CN) circuit disabled (OUT)	Yes

Bell 212A Data Set





Intelligent Network Processor

The Intelligent Network Processor (INP) communicates with other computers via a synchronous data link using either a direct hardwired connection or modems. The EIA RS-232-C and RS-366 standards define the mechanical/electrical characteristics for devices which can connect to the INP interface. The standards do not specify the protocol (handshaking sequences) control line use, or control character sequences. Hewlett-Packard supports operation of the RS-232-C and RS-366 data links with the devices, modems, and modem options shown in Figure 2-12.

Synchronous Modems and Auto Call Units for INP/250

The INP/250 supports only the the HP and Bell modems with the defined straps and options listed below. Because the actual connection and control of an RS-232-C or RS-366 data link can be broadly interpreted, HP can only support those modems which we have tested. If you have any questions concerning modems or modem options, contact your local HP SE. Use the information in Table 2-5 to order and install your modems and cables.

Modem/ACU	Bit Rate	Type of Line	Line Conditioning
HP 37230A	2400/4800	Twisted Pair	None
(Short Haul)	9600/19200 bps		
Bell 201C	2400 bps	Public (Switched)	C2 or C4
Bell 208A	4800 bps	Private (Leased)	None
Bell 208B	4800 bps	Public (Switched)	None
Bell 209A	9600 bps	Private (Leased)	D1
Bell 801C-L2	Autocall	Public (Switched)	None

Table 2-5.	HP	Supported	Syn	chronous	Modems	and	Automatic	Calling	Units
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Required feature configurations for the modems and automatic calling units (ACU) are the following:

Bell 201C Data Set (Switched)

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A1	Transmitter internally timed	Yes
B3	Without 801 Automatic Calling Unit	Optional
B4	With 801 Automatic Calling Unit	Optional
C5	EIA interface	Yes
D8	With automatic answer	Yes
E9	Automatic answer permanently wired	Optional
E10	Automatic answer key-controlled	Optional
	Grounding	AA to AB

Bell 208A Data Set (Leased)

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A1	Transmitter internally timed	Yes
B3	Continuous carrier	Yes
C6	Continuous Request To Send	Yes
D7	One second holdover used	Yes
E10	Without new sync	Yes
F11	CC ON when analog loop is present	Yes
—	Grounding	AA to AB

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A1	Transmitter internally timed	Yes
B3	Without 801 Automatic Calling Unit	Optional
B4	With 801 Automatic Calling Unit	Optional
C 6	CC ON when analog loop is present	Yes
D8	With automatic answer	Yes
E9	Desk mounting	Either
E10	Rack or cabinet mounting	Either
	Grounding	AA to AB

Bell 208B Data Set (Switched)

Bell 209A Data Set (Leased)

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A1	Transmitter internally timed	Yes
C6	Slaved Transmitter timing by receiver	Out
D8	Elastic store out	Yes
E9	Continuous carrier	Yes
F12	Continuous Request To Send	Yes
	Data Set Ready circuit	CC off
	Grounding	AA to AB
	With or without alternate service	Either

Bell 801C-L2 Auto Call Unit (Switched)

Option	Feature	Required Configuration
A2	Signal ground not connected to frame ground	Yes
B4	Call terminated through data set after DSS on	Yes
C5	ACR timer stopped DSS on	Yes
D8	ACR timing interval specified by customer 1. 7 seconds 2. 14–15 seconds 3. 25–28 seconds	Yes 25–28 seconds

System Size and Weight

Table 2-6 shows the weights of all available system components. Use the crated weights and dimensions to determine where you will uncrate and transport the components in the building. The weight column is used to determine floor loading on the site that you have selected.

		Crated Weight	Crated Dimensions			
Component	Weight		Height	Width	Depth	
HP 250 Model 30/40/50 System Unit	59 kg (130 lb)	86 kg (190 lb)	889 mm (35 in.)	1016 mm (40 in.)	610 mm (24 in.)	
2631B Serial Printer	23 kg (50 lb)	30 kg (65 lb)	787 mm (31 in.)	635 mm (25 in.)	1016 mm (40 in.)	
2608A	101 kg	144 kg	889 mm	991 mm	1016 mm	
Line Printer	(222 lb)	(317 lb)	(35 in.)	(39 in.)	(40 in.)	
2601A	27 kg	33 kg	737 mm	737 mm	457 mm	
Printer	(60 lb)	(72 lb)	(29 in.)	(29 in.)	(18 in.)	
2602A	17 kg	23 kg	686 mm	660 mm	356 mm	
Printer	(37 lb)	(50 lb)	(27 lb)	(26 in.)	(14 in.)	
2563A	34 kg	38 kg	274 mm	600 mm	450 mm	
Printer	(75 lb)	(84 lb)	(10.75 in.)	(23.6 in.)	(17.71 in.)	
2687A	68 kg	72 kg	305 mm	510 mm	499 mm	
Printer	(150 lb)	(159 lb)	(12 in.)	(20 in.)	(19.6 in.)	
2932A / 2933A / 2934A Printers	20.4 kg (45 lb)	23.2 kg (51 lb)	185 mm (7.28 in.)	600 mm (23.9 in.)	365 mm (14.3 in.)	
82905B	5.5 kg	8.6 kg	534 mm	483 mm	534 mm	
Printer	(12 lb)	(19 lb)	(21 in.)	(19 in.)	(21 in.)	
2621A	16 kg	19 kg	533 mm	635 mm	660 mm	
Terminal	(36 lb)	(42 lb)	(21 in.)	(25 in.)	(26 in.)	
264X	23 kg	25 kg	533 mm	610 mm	660 mm	
Terminals	(50 lb)	(56 lb)	(21 in.)	(24 in.)	(26 in.)	

Table 2-6 System Component Shipping Weights and Dimensions

		Created	Crated Dimensions			
Component	Weight	Weight	Height	Width	Depth	
7906H	74 kg	121 kg	1016 mm	838 mm	1041 mm	
Disc Drive	(164 lb)	(267 lb)	(40 in.)	(33 in.)	(41 in.)	
7908P	73 kg	105 kg	660 mm	965 mm	940 mm	
Disc Drive	(160 lb)	(230 lb)	(26 in.)	(38 in.)	(37 in.)	
7911P/7912P	85 kg	118 kg	914 mm	914 mm	660 mm	
Disc Drive	(188 lb)	(260 lb)	(36 in.)	(36 in.)	(26 in.)	
2622D	23 kg	30 kg	533 mm	610 mm	610 mm	
Workstation	(50 lb)	(65 lb)	(21 in.)	(24 in.)	(24 in.)	
2649D	23 kg	25 kg	533 mm	610 mm	660 mm	
Workstation	(50 lb)	(56 lb)	(21 in.)	(24 in.)	(26 in.)	
7220C/T	29 kg	30 kg	787 mm	660 mm	432 mm	
Plotter	(63 lb)	(65 lb)	(31 in.)	(26 in.)	(17 in.)	
7221C /T	24 kg	25 kg	711 mm	660 mm	406 mm	
Plotter	(53 lb)	(56 lb)	(28 in.)	(26 in.)	(16 in.)	
7225B	12 kg	14 kg	559 mm	533 mm	330 mm	
Plotter	(26 lb)	(30 lb)	(22 in.)	(21 in.)	(13 in.)	
7470A	6.1 kg	12.6 kg	1295 mm	1219 mm	838 mm	
Plotter	(13.5 lb)	(28 lb)	(51 in.)	(48 in.)	(33 in.)	
3075A	6.6 kg	8.7 kg	260 mm	275 mm	420 mm	
Terminal	(14.4 lb)	(19.1 lb)	(10.2 in.)	(10.8 in.)	(16.5 in.)	
3076A/3077A	10.6 kg	12.7 kg	550 mm	440 mm	190 mm	
Terminals	(23.5 lb)	(27.9 lb)	(21.7 in.)	(17.3 in.)	(7.5 in.)	
3081A	1.5 kg	2 kg	300 mm	180 mm	45 mm	
Terminal	(3.3 lb)	(4.4 lb)	(12 in.)	(7 in.)	(1.8 in.)	
92922A	4.5 kg	5.5 kg	145 mm	355 mm	215 mm	
Adapter	(10 lb)	(12.1 lb)	(5.7 in.)	(14 in.)	(8.5 in.)	
39800A	2 kg	3 kg	71 mm	260 mm	189 mm	
Bar Code	(4.4 lb)	(6.6 lb)	(2.8 in.)	(10.25 in.)	(7.4 in.)	

Table 2-6 (continued) System Component Shipping Weights and Dimensions

CHAPTER 3

Providing Other Necessities

Media Storage Protection of Valuable Records Computer Supplies Telephone

Media Storage

Provide storage for disc cartridges, tape cartridges, and flexible discs in or near the area where work is performed. These items will require a clean, dust-free area. The magnetic media storage environment should be similar to that of the computer (e.g., not exposed to extremes of heat or cold). Extreme humidity or temperature differences in the working and storage areas may alter the size of the media when they are moved from one area to the other. This rapid change results in warping, the most frequent cause of problems.

If working and storage areas cannot be kept at the same relative humidity and temperature, allow ample time (typically one hour or more) for the media to achieve a moisture and temperature balance with the system room atmosphere before using the media. The maximum rate of temperature change for the media must not exceed 20 degrees Celsius per hour.

The data on magnetic media can be erased by magnetic fields, so do not place your magnetic media near such fields. Magnetic fields are found in power generating equipment such as motors, alternators, transformers, and data processing equipment such as disc drives. Hence, do not place disc cartridges, tape cartridges, or flexible discs on top of disc drives.

Protection of Valuable Records

Safety precautions are suggested because the investment represented by the equipment, installation, and data deserves appropriate protection. Safeguards should be taken to protect vital data such as business records, magnetic media, or other information that is either very expensive or impossible to duplicate. Duplicate or master records should be maintained from which the necessary information can be taken to resume operation quickly in case of an accident. Copies of vital data should be stored well away from the computer area, normally in some type of fireproof storage. A regular updating program is necessary to maintain the value of such duplicate data storage.

Since you are making a valuable investment, you should investigate the possibility of procuring some type of electronic data processing insurance. Various forms can cover both hardware and software.

Computer Supplies

The computer supplies most important to reliable operation of your system are the disc media. HP seeks to provide the best possible total disc performance through extensive testing, selection, and control over all the critical components that make up HP disc products. Understandably, Hewlett-Packard cannot cover warranty for damage sustained by disc drive heads or media when non-HP media are used.

You should order your computer supplies at the time indicated on the Pre-Installation Worksheet (see Appendix A-1). Necessary items for your system include printer ribbon, printer paper, and tape cartridges. Talk with your HP Sales Representative about a complete list of supplies. For information about computer supplies, consult the HP Computer Supplies Catalog.

Telephone

A telephone with a long cord should be located near the HP 250 to allow consultation with the HP Customer Engineer or Systems Engineer about a problem while working on the unit.

CHAPTER 4

When Your System Arrives

Preparation for System Arrival Coordinated Deliveries Check for Shipping Damage Schedule the Installation Unpack the Cartons System Installation Day

Preparation for System Arrival

The complete HP 250 Computer System you ordered will be installed by an HP Customer Engineer.

Some preparatory steps are required by you before the actual day of installation. A description of "Coordinated Deliveries" is given below as information so that you know what to expect about equipment arrival. "Check for Shipping Damage" by following the instructions below for a course of action if damage does occur. You should call your local HP Customer Engineering office when you are ready to "Schedule the Installation." General instructions follow on how to "Unpack the Cartons." Each carton or crate has its own specific instructions for unpacking. On "System Installation Day," the HP Customer Engineer checks and verifies the computer site environment, turns on the power and runs diagnostics, installs the HP 250 system software, and ensures that the complete system is operating properly.

Coordinated Deliveries

Peripheral equipment made by Hewlett-Packard for the HP 250 is delivered directly to you from the location at which it is made. Hewlett-Packard coordinates the shipment of equipment from all locations so that all of your order arrives at approximately the same time. In some cases, factors beyond the control of Hewlett-Packard may cause delivery dates to vary. If you do not receive your entire order within a two-week period, notify the local HP Sales Representative, who will trace your order and complete delivery.

Check for Shipping Damage

As each shipment arrives, check the carrier's "Bill of Lading" carefully to make sure that every item shipped by HP has been delivered. If there are missing items, notify the carrier immediately.

Before unpacking any equipment, inspect all containers for signs of damage that might have occurred during shipment. Some typical signs of shipping damage are dents, scratches or cuts, or water marks. If any damage is found, note on the bill of lading that there is "Apparent damage—subject to inspection" and arrange for both the carrier's representative and the local HP Customer Engineer to be present when that item is unpacked.

Regardless of the circumstances, the HP Customer Engineer will take immediate action to replace any damaged parts without waiting for the settlement of claims.

Schedule the Installation

Once your complete system has been delivered, call the local HP sales and service office to set an installation date. On this date, your HP Customer Engineer installs your system.

Unpack the Cartons

The cartons can be unpacked whenever it is convenient for you to do so; however, it is preferable to unpack the system on the day of installation. The HP Customer Engineer will supervise the unpacking to assure that all individual system components have been shipped. (The system installation cannot be performed until the complete system has arrived.) Instructions for unpacking the cartons are shipped with the HP 250 and each of its peripherals; unpacking instructions are attached to the outside of the cartons.

Locate the packing list (invoice) for each carton or crate that you unpack and ascertain that you have received every item on the packing list. If something is missing, contact your HP Sales Representative immediately.

System Installation Day

On the installation day, your HP Customer Engineer performs the verification and installation. He or she

 Verifies that the site has been prepared according to the Guide.

- Visually inspects all system components.
- Interconnects the HP products.
- Performs turn-on procedures and makes all electronic and mechanical adjustments.
- Executes standard HP diagnostics and tests.
- Demonstrates how to start up and power down the system.
- Explains back-up procedures, preventive maintenance, and printer operation.

APPENDIX A

HP 250 Pre-Installation Worksheet HP 250 Space Planning Kit Site Completion Checklist

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HP 250 Pre-Installation Worksheet

Pre-Installation Activities

Timing	Activity	Date
6 weeks Before Installation	Select the location for your HP 250. Use the Site Preparation Guide and Checklist to satisfy the physical requirements and to ensure that the site is ready when your HP 250 arrives.	
	Assign a person to assume responsibility as the HP 250 Principal Operator.	
	Plan the physical arrangement of your HP 250 and its supporting furniture. The Space Planning Kit allows you to plan the details before your system arrives.	
	Order supplies that will be required for uninterrupted operation of your HP 250 (printer paper and ribbons, flexible discs, tape cartidges, disc pack, etc.).	
2 weeks Before Installation	Schedule a date for the installation of your HP 250 with the local HP Customer Engineer. The date can be tentative based on the delivery dates received from HP or the companies transporting your equipment.	
At System Delivery	Inspect each shipment as it is delivered. Note dates and comments in the Shipment Schedule (A-2). Notify the HP Customer Engineer when your complete order has been delivered.	
System Installation	Arrange for the Principal Operator to be present to assist and advise the Customer Engineer throughout the installation process. After the computer is installed and tested, the CE will help make your computer operational by providing instruction and assistance.	

Comments

HP 250 Pre-Installation Worksheet (continued)

Shipment Schedule

Equipment Name	Scheduled Ship Date	Arrival Date	Comments
HP 250 System Unit			
Printer			
Terminal			
Workstation			
Disc Drive			
Plotter			
Data Capture Terminal			
Bar Code Reader			

HP 250 Space Planning Kit

top views of the system components (see A-5) are drawn to scale and can be used for designing the floor plan of your HP 250. When cut out and used on a scale drawing of your computer site, the models can be moved about to help determine the best room arrangement. The next page is a sheet of grid paper drawn to the same scale. It can be used to prepare the scale drawing of your proposed HP 250 site.

Instructions

1. On the grid sheet, draw the room (walls, electrical outlets, immovable objects, etc.) in which you plan to locate the HP 250. The

- 2. Cut out the models required to represent the HP 250 system that you ordered. Include the office furniture that you will use.
- 3. Move the models of your system about on the grid to determine the best room arrangement. (Don't forget to allow room for maintenance in front and back of system and disc[s].
- 4. Cabling is required between the HP 250 and each peripheral. Mark each cable's path and indicate its necessary length.

Space Planning Grid Sheet



(1/4 in. = 1 ft.)

(6.35 mm = 304.8 mm)

Cut out the models required to represent the HP 250 system that you ordered. Include the office furniture that you will use.



Site Completion Checklist

This checklist can be used to monitor the status of any work needed on the site selected for your HP 250. Requirements are listed first. These items must be completed before the HP 250 can be installed by the HP Customer Engineer. The additional items are not requirements, however, they are considerations which should not be overlooked when planning and preparing the site for your HP 250.

	Work Required	Work Scheduled	Work in Progress	Completed
Items Required Before Installation			-	•
The size of the site meets the requirements of the system ordered. (Size requirements can be determined with the "HP 250 Space Planning Kit.")				
The electrical power required is available and the wall outlets are in the proper locations.				
All wall outlets are properly grounded.				
Separate circuit breakers of the proper rating are installed.				
Modems and RS-232 extension cables are installed.				Х.
The temperature is within the required operating range.				
If required, air conditioning equipment is installed and operating.				
The humidity is within the required operating range.				
If required, humidifiers/dehumidifiers are installed and operating.				
Additional Items to Be Considered				

The storage area for system supplies is complete.		
The furniture for users of the system is available at the site.		
A telephone is installed at the site.		
If the site is carpeted, anti-static measures have been taken.		
Additional wall outlets for office equipment and janitorial maintenance are installed (separate circuits from the HP 250 system).		

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