



## H-Series Hardware

# Installing and setting up the H-series storage nodes

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## Start here: choosing your installation and setup experience



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You can choose from different content formats to guide you through the installation and setup of your hardware.

If needed, before you begin the installation and setup of your new system, you can familiarize yourself with the process by reviewing the *Installation and setup high-level workflow*.

[\*Installation and setup high-level workflow\*](#)

The following content formats are available:

	Installation and setup poster Step-by-step instructions with links to additional content in an easy-to-use visual format. <a href="#"><i>NetApp H-Series Element Storage Nodes Installation and Setup Instructions</i></a>
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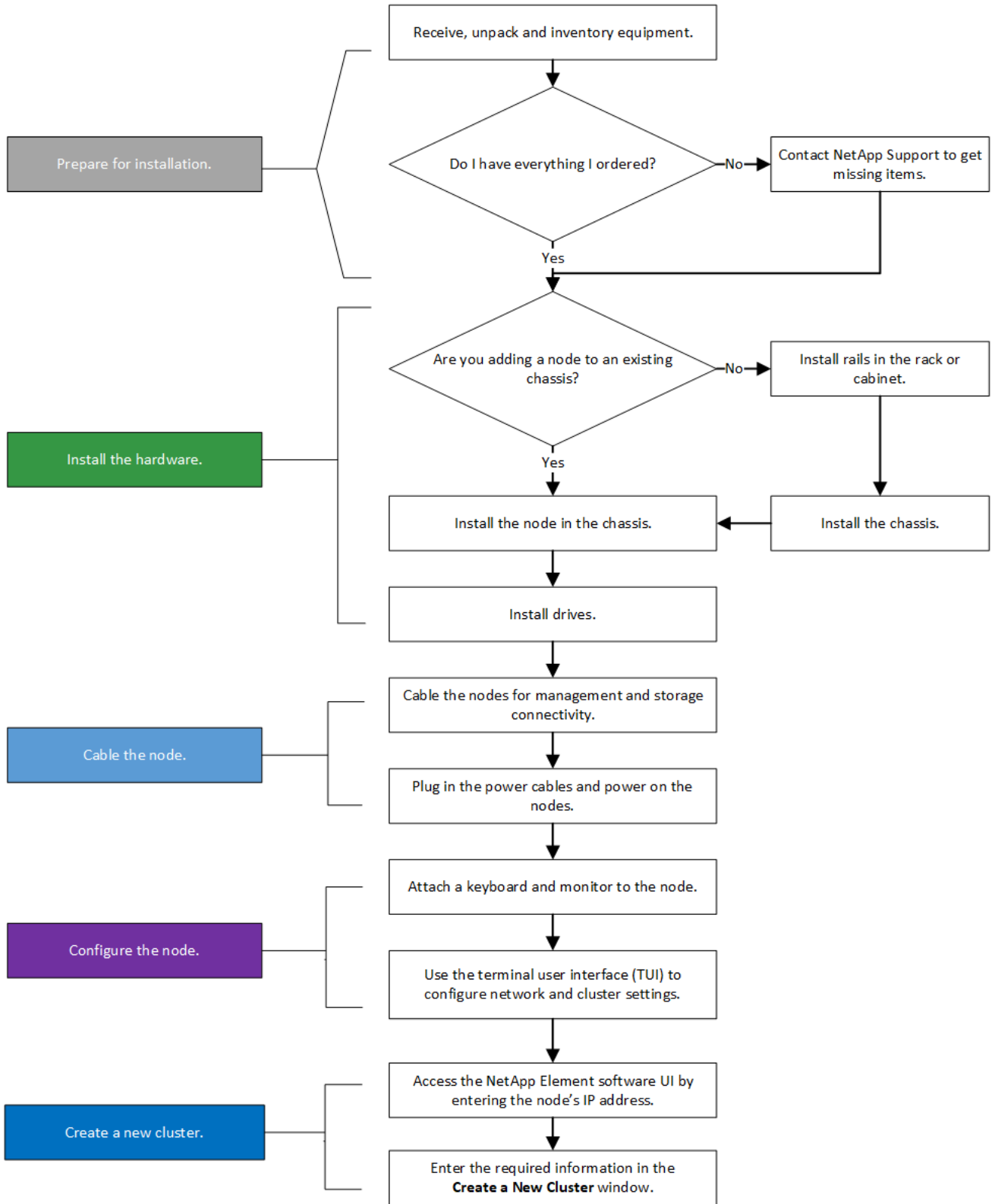
## Installation and setup high-level workflow

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Before you begin the installation and setup of your new system, you can familiarize yourself with the installation process.

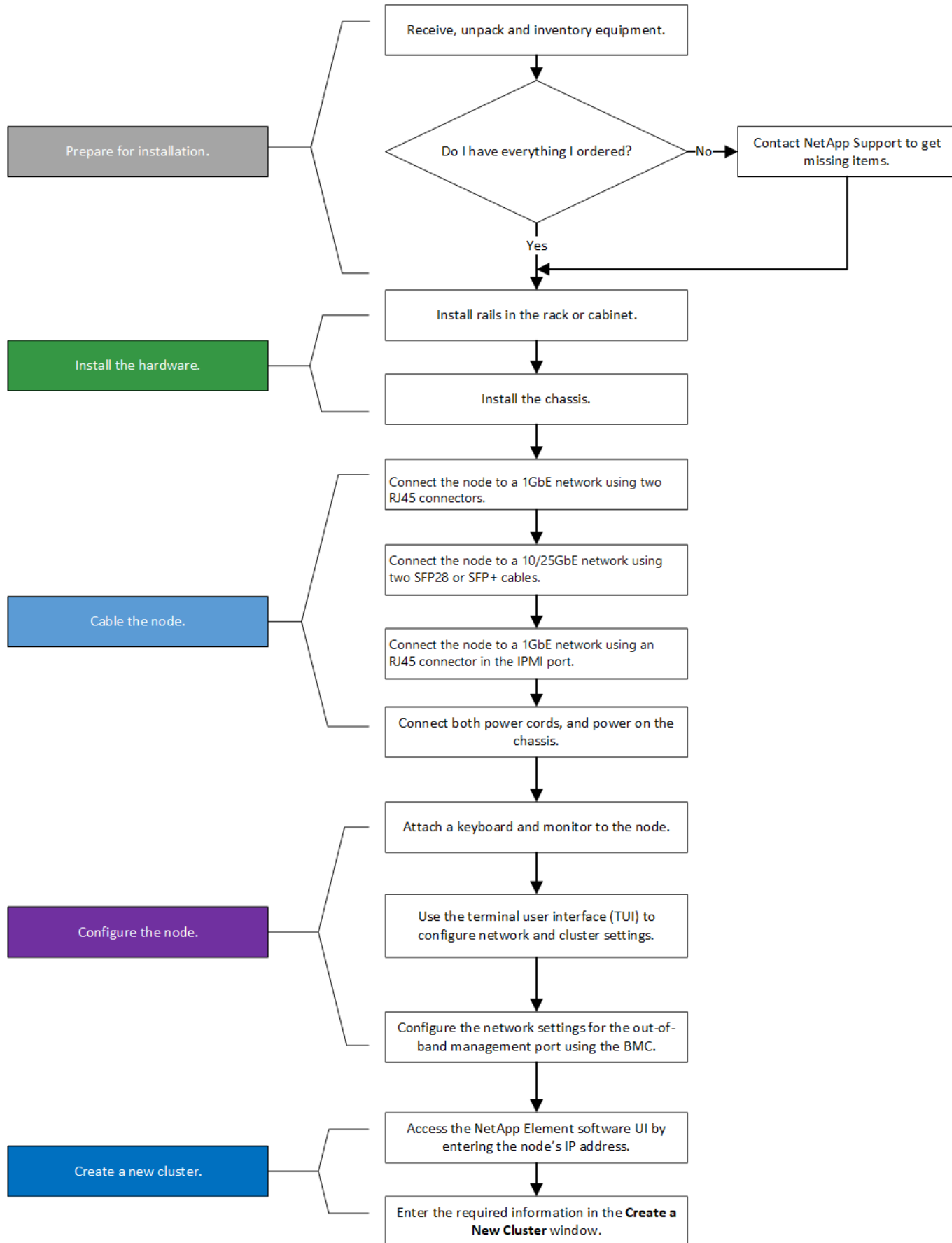
### **H410S installation workflow**

The following workflow provides a high-level overview of the installation process for H410S nodes:



### **H610S installation workflow**

The following workflow provides a high-level overview of the installation process for H610S nodes. The terms "node" and "chassis" are used interchangeably in the case of H610S, because node and chassis are not separate components.



## Installation and setup poster

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You can use the poster to install and set up your storage nodes. The poster provides step-by-step instructions with links to additional content in an easy-to-use visual format.

*[NetApp H-Series Element Storage Nodes Installation and Setup Instructions](#)*



## Installation and setup guide

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You can use this guide to install and set up your new system. You can find step-by-step instructions with links to additional content, and cabling illustrations. The instructions apply to all H-series storage nodes that you can use in your SolidFire all-flash storage installation.

### Preparing for installation

Before you install your system, you must inventory the hardware that was shipped to you, and contact NetApp Support if any of the items are missing.

#### Before you begin

You must provide the following at your site:

- Rack space for the system. You would install an H410S storage node in a two rack unit (2U), four-node chassis. An H610S node (or chassis) needs one rack unit (1U) rack space.
- Cables of the following types:
  - SFP28/SFP+ direct-attach cables or transceivers
  - CAT5e or higher cables with RJ45 connector
- A keyboard, video, mouse (KVM) switch to configure your system
- USB stick (optional)

#### Steps

1. Unpack the contents of the boxes.
2. Inventory the hardware you received.

If you are setting up a new 2U, four-node installation, the box includes the following hardware:

- Chassis
- Bezel
- Slide rail kit
- Drives
- Nodes
- Power cables (two per chassis)

**Note:** The hardware that is shipped to you is dependent on what you order. The above list is only an example of what you will find in the box. If you order H610S storage nodes, the drives will come installed in the chassis.

### Installing the hardware

You must install your system in a four-post rack or cabinet, as applicable.

#### About this task

Steps 1 and 2 do not apply if you are adding a new node to an existing two rack unit (2U), four-node chassis.

#### Steps

1. Install the rails in a four-post rack or cabinet.  
[Installing rails for H-Series nodes](#)
2. Install the chassis.



**Attention:** Use caution while lifting the hardware and installing it into the rack.

- An empty two rack unit (2U), four-node chassis weighs 54.45 lb (24.7 kg) and a node weighs 8.0 lb (3.6 kg).
- An H610S chassis weighs 40.5 lb (18.4 kg).

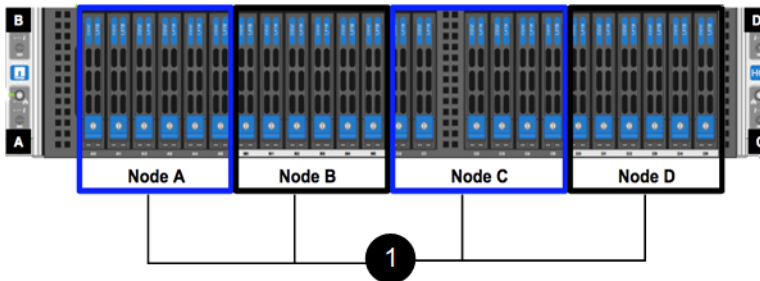
**Note:** If you are installing H610S nodes, you can skip steps 3 and 4.

3. Install H410S nodes in the chassis.

The following figure is an example of a chassis with four nodes installed:



4. Install drives.



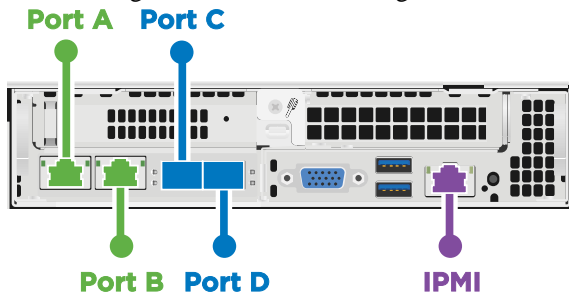
<b>1</b>	Six drives for each storage node in a four-node storage chassis.
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5. Cable the storage nodes.

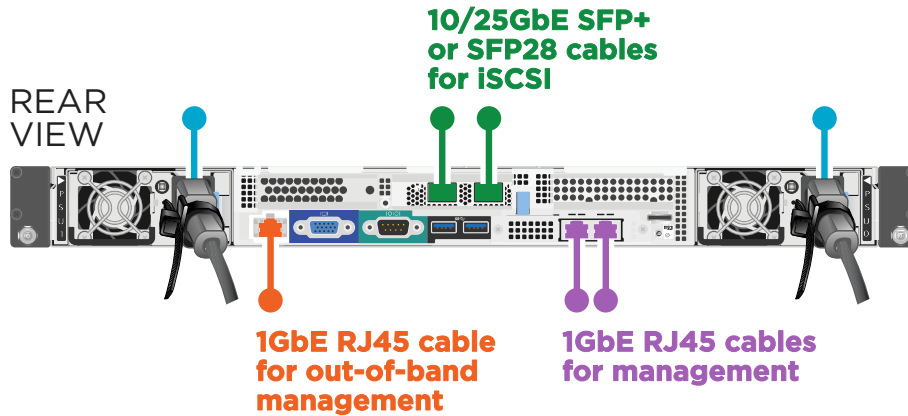


**Attention:** If the airflow vents at the rear of the chassis are blocked by cables or labels, it can lead to premature component failures due to overheating.

- Cable configuration for H410S storage node:



- Connect two CAT5e or higher cables in ports A and B for management connectivity.
- Connect two SFP28/SFP+ cables or transceivers in ports C and D for storage connectivity.
- (Optional, recommended) connect a CAT5e cable in the IPMI port for out-of-band management connectivity.
- Cable configuration for H610S storage node:

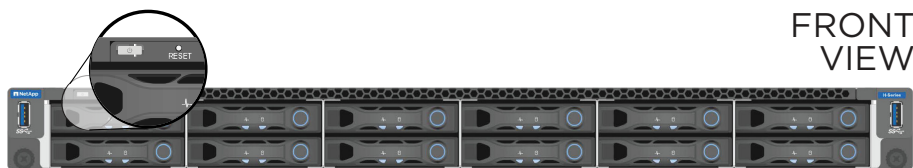


- Connect the node to a 10/25GbE network using two SFP28 or SFP+ cables.
  - Connect the node to a 1GbE network using two RJ45 connectors.
  - Connect the node to a 1GbE network using an RJ-45 connector in the IPMI port.
  - Connect both power cables to the node.
6. Connect the power cords to the two power supply units per chassis and plug them into 240V PDU or power outlet.
- Note:** This step applies only to H410S nodes installed in a 2U, four-node chassis. This step does not apply if you are adding a new node to an existing chassis.
7. Power on the nodes.

- H410S nodes: It takes approximately six minutes for the node to boot.



- H610S nodes: It takes approximately five minutes and 30 seconds for the node to boot.



## Configuring the node

After you rack and cable the hardware, you are ready to configure your new storage resource.

### Before you begin

You have powered on the node.

### Steps

1. Attach a keyboard and monitor to the node.
2. In the terminal user interface (TUI) that is displayed, configure the network and cluster settings for the node by using the on-screen navigation.

**Note:** You must get the IP address of the node from the TUI. You need this when you add the node to a cluster. After you save the settings, the node is in a pending state, and can be

added to a cluster. See the NetApp Element Software Setup Guide for configuration instructions.

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3. Configure out-of-band management using the Baseboard Management Controller (BMC).

This steps applies only to H610S nodes.

- a. Use a web browser and navigate to the default BMC IP address: 192.168.0.120
- b. Log in using the following default credentials:
  - User name: **root**
  - Password: **calvin**
- c. From the node management screen, navigate to **Settings > Network Settings**, and configure the network parameters for the out-of-band management port.

*How to access BMC and change IP address on H610S*

## Creating a new cluster

After you add the storage node to your installation and configure the new storage resource, you are ready to create a new storage cluster

### Steps

1. From a client on the same network as the newly configured node, access the NetApp Element software UI by entering the node's IP address.
2. Enter the required information in the **Create a New Cluster** window.

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- [\*NetApp HCI Documentation Center\*](#)
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