SatRack™

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**SatRack<sup>TM</sup>** 

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# **Introducing SatRack**

Designed for Electronic News
Gatherers and Media Professionals
operating across the globe, SatRack
is a lightweight solution that can be
hand carried on commercial airlines
as checked luggage. For those who
need delicate electronic and satcom
equipment to be quickly deployable
and available immediately, SatRack
saves time and avoids additional
baggage charges.

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# **Overview**

SatRack's novel and patented design is available in standard sizes of 3U, 4U and 5U versions with a 480 or 610mm deep, ultra-lightweight welded aluminium floating frame and is fully compatible with all 19-inch rack-mountable equipment. (Also available for 9.5-inch racks.) This design offers an exceptional strength-to-weight ratio and equipment panel fixing rails located at both ends of the frame allow for flexible mounting of kit.

The 4U x 480 mm (internal) chassis depth rack weighs only 8 kg, and with weight restriction for checked baggage on commercial airlines set at 23kg (without premium) up to a maximum of 32kg, this allows an additional 15-24kg of equipment to be carried.

To protect equipment against shock and vibration, the chassis is mounted on eight cylindrical elastomeric anti-vibration mounts. These are set at a 45° angle to offer optimum shock resistance during handling and transit conditions, regardless of orientation.

SatRack's thermo-formed honeycomb polypropylene (HPP) body shell has a high strength-to-weight ratio and is highly resistant to crushing. CP Cases' thermo-forming process does not crimp the HPP, but instead gives the angled edges longitudinal strength and rigidity with a stacking capability of 100kg. The component parts of the shell are joined with a mortice and tenon joint and then secured with bifurcated rivets, which secure themselves in the shell wall, helping to maintain the structural integrity of SatRack.

The HPP body shell is encased within a 3mm high-density polyethylene (HDPE) foam jacket that helps to insulate the rack and offers cushioning to create a 'carry-friendly' piece of ruggedised luggage. HDPE foam has a closed cell structure and is alkaline and oil resistant in addition to be highly resistant to the elements.

The chassis is supplied with stainless steel caged nuts to easily secure equipment. Optional support shelves and equipment restraint systems are available for additional fixing security.

The chassis is suspended in a lightweight 10mm rigid honeycombed polypropylene outer shell with angled elastomeric antivibration mounts. These provide 40mm of 'sway-space' between the chassis and outer shell and are available in various grades to give alternative suspension characteristics to suit specific payloads.

The nylon outer cover is abrasion and weather resistant and will not tear or rot, while integrated ventilation panels help to keep equipment cool during operation in warmer climates with protective, Velcro-fastened cover flaps for transportation. The outer bag can have an external label holder and several units can be stacked and secured with optional tensionable straps. The unique design combined with an attention to detail provides the lightest, strongest, toughest rack system available.

## Half size and customised 9.5-inch Racks

The 9.5-inch version of SatRack offers all the advantages and benefits of its bigger brother but in a more compact format. This is perfect for microwave amplifiers and other forms of electronic support equipment, such as test apparatus and telecommunications units. As with all CP Cases' products, both SatRack formats can be customised to fit requirements.





# **SatRack Features**

### SatRack

SatRack is fully customisable to suit individual requirements and CP Cases' extensive experience in designing and manufacturing ruggedised OEM cases and containers means we are able to provide practical solutions for unique applications, when a case or an extremely tough container is required for deployment, transport or storage.



## IATA Weight & **Size Guidelines**

Checked baggage is accepted according to weight and size. Each piece must weigh no more than 32 kilos (70lb) and measure no more than 158cm (62 inches) adding the dimensions: height + width + length. This 'piece concept' was designed for flights to, from and within Canada and USA, but has been adopted by major carriers worldwide. SatRack 3U x 480mm chassis depth weighs only 8kg allowing 24kg of equipment to stay inside the limit. It also meets the dimensional requirement.

Convenience Quickly and easily deployable equipment



Caged Nuts Aluminium chassis is supplied with stainless steel captive M6 caged nuts allowing easy fitting of equipment

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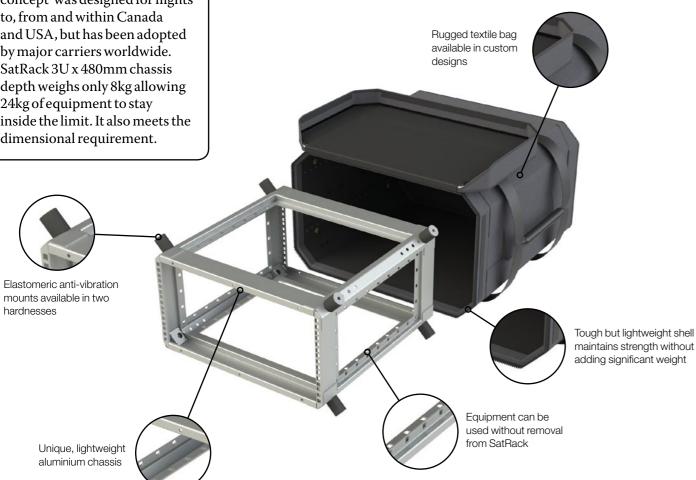
Robustness Heavy duty flag stitching around handles resists tearing under strain

19 Size Fully compatible with all 19inch rack-mountable equipment and is also available with a half rack chassis width (9.5-inch)

Suspension Chassis is suspended by eight cylindrical elastomeric anti vibration mounts that provide 40mm of 'swayspace' between the rack and body shell

Weight Light and robust

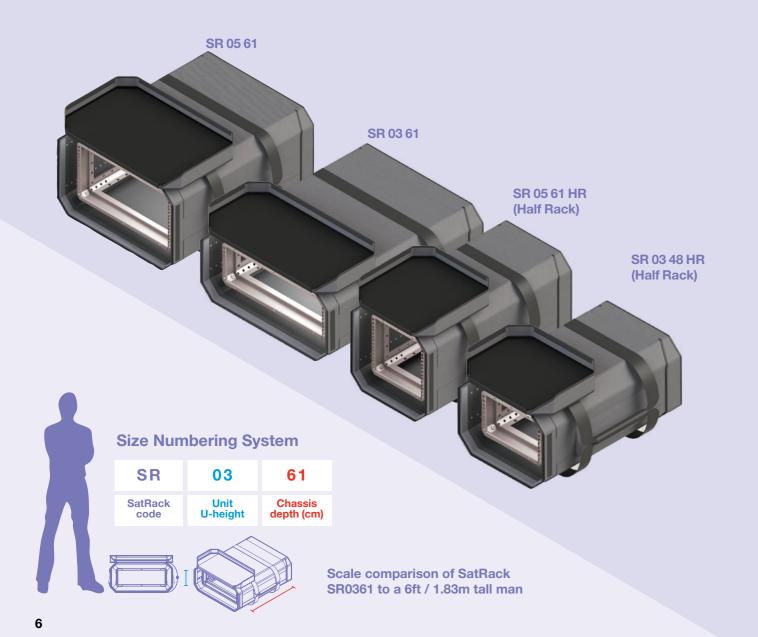
**Zipped Lids** Fully-protected zipped lids at front and rear can be hinged through 270° to lie flat on the rack body and allow full access to equipment





# **Size List and Numbering**

Part Number	External mm			U-Height	Chassis Depth	Vol	Wt	NSN
	Н	D	W			m³	kg	
SR0348	285	610	600	3	480	0.10	7.9	8145-99-360-1780
SR0361	285	737	600	3	610	0.12	8.5	8145-99-367-2000
SR0448	329	610	600	4	480	0.12	8.6	8145-99-667-7131
SR0461	329	737	600	4	610	0.14	9.2	8145-99-241-7272
SR0548	374	610	600	5	480	0.14	9.3	8145-99-244-0895
SR0561	363	737	600	5	610	0.16	9.9	8145-99-740-5436
SR0348HR	285	610	387	3	480	0.07	6.5	8145-99-702-7359
SR0361HR	285	737	387	3	610	0.08	7.1	8145-99-398-1037
SR0448HR	329	610	387	4	480	0.08	6.9	8145-99-726-3010
SR0461HR	329	737	387	4	610	0.09	7.5	8145-99-372-9316
SR0548HR	374	610	387	5	480	0.09	7.3	8145-99-507-3562
SR0561HR	374	737	387	5	610	0.11	8.0	8145-99-990-9004



# **SatRack Accessories**

## **Wheels and Trolley Handle** SRW001 (1293.5g) SRT001 (1424g) Robust 'roller-Telescopic handle and wheel kit Detachable, folding, blade' wheels and platform a telescopic handle make SatRack fully man-portable. A detachable trolley means the transport system can be removed if necessary.



# Air Management & Climate Control

12V axial fans, with filters, holder and protective louver panels, can be added to facilitate ventilation and cool internals. Available in two sizes.

SRF01 (295.5g) 120mm x 120mm x 25mm



SRF02 (195.5g)



**Fixings** 

M6 Stainless Steel

Screw (pack of 12)

Cage Nut and Panel

92.5mm x 92.5mm x 25mm

SR03S/BK for 3U SatRack SR04S/BK for 4U SatRack SR05S/BK for 5U SatRack

**Protective Skirts** 

For protection against the ingress of rain

under operational conditions with the

lid removed, a flexible rubber skirt can be fitted between the outer casing and

the internal rack frame. It is important to

ensure that equipment front panels are

watertight to prevent water entry.





## Labelling

Labelling options include engraved metal, back printed, non-scratch polycarbonate and write-on/ wipe-off labels, and document holders.

Available on request





# **Fixed Support Rails**

Fixed rails can be user fitted to 480mm and 610mm deep frames to support heavy/deep equipment, in addition brackets and fixings can be designed and supplied for installing non 19 inch equipment within the rack frame.

AASR48 for 480mm chassis (370g) AASR61 for 610mm chassis (519.5g)





# AA423 (170.5g)





# Other CP Products and Services

### COOL-Collar™



COOL-Collar is a thermoelectric air conditioning unit for Amazon 19-inch racks that utilises the patented Amazon lip and silicone gasket to create an airtight and waterproof seal to allow the unit to function in extreme conditions. Where a greater cooling requirement is needed, two Cool Collars with AC units can be fitted to both the front and rear of the rack.

Units are available up to 5000 BTU (1465 watts) which can be fitted to 12U racks and Collars.

Thermoelectric air conditioners use the Peltier cooling effect and have no moving parts, except for axial fans to circulate the air.

Depending on the total weight of the payload, an Amazon rack with a Cool Collar extension can be tilted and wheeled as a complete unit.

The COOL-Collar can also be attached to a rack without an AC unit installed, to extend the maximum depth that can be used to 800 mm.

COOL-Collar is available for all Amazon rack sizes (4-12U) and can be fitted with accessories including stowage pouches, wheel kits, pressure relief valves and humidity indicators.

# COOL Portable Air Conditioning®



In a world where organisations are working in remote locations with typical temperatures ranging from >35°C in the day to <-10°C at night, CP Cases' range of COOL Portable Air Conditioning units has been designed to provide a simple, effective solution to the issue of transportable air cooling for essential equipment in a simple, customisable rack-mounted system.

Utilising CP Cases' Amazon Rack and ERack systems and build processes, COOL systems are robust, easy to set up and use, and enhance the operating effectiveness of the equipment or environment they are used in.

Either of these rack systems are ideal for housing and transporting communication, encryption, surveillance or other electronic equipment, the addition of COOL Portable Air Conditioning provides the temperature control required to protect sensitive components from damaging heat, dust, moisture and corrosion – and most importantly, failure in the field.

Standard and customisable systems are available, in both Thermoelectric and Vapour Compression Cycle air conditioning formats, to deliver a solution for cooling equipment in an array of mission critical situations.

## Amazon Cases & Racks™



Created with one thing in mind, Amazon Cases and Racks give the ultimate protection to valuable and essential equipment during transport anywhere in the world.

Ideal for defence, marine, security, aerospace, oil and gas, satellite and telecommunication applications worldwide, Amazon Cases and Racks deliver exceptional strength to weight and are suitable where delicate or valuable equipment needs to be transported or stored safely.

Amazon Cases and Racks have a unique patented design that offers a tough, lightweight, customisable system that can be tailored to the client's requirements and individual needs.

## ERack™



ERack is a lightweight, 19-inch ruggedised aluminium electronic transit rack, specifically designed for commercial and military applications when protection against physical, climatic and electromagnetic hazards are required, and where weight,

strength and portability are critical issues.

ERack benefits from patented new technology; the external container has an innovative folded rim design, which eliminates the edge extrusion and makes the case stronger, lighter and more resistant to ingress by water and dust. The internal chassis frame is supported by special mounts that protect against shock. ERack is up to 30% lighter than other rack cases in its class.

## **Aluminium Cases**



A triumph of strength and style, CP Cases aluminium cases protects their contents even under severe impact and are tougher, lighter and more resilient than traditional designs in laminated plywood.

CP Cases aluminium cases are the ideal balance between style and protection. Made from 2mm rigidised aluminium, cases are constructed without an edge corner weld to prevent seam splitting and the pre-pressed corners add extra strength and exceptional resistance to drop damage.

The inter-locking lid/body seal, with an integrated neoprene rubber gasket, protects contents against rain, dirt, dust and other environmental hazards.

# **Rugged Textiles**



CP Cases manufactures a wide range of bags and covers for Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs), to provide a cost effective and practical solution for moving, deploying and protecting equipment and instrumentation. Products are widely

used in the medical, defence, electronics and broadcast industries for a variety of applications.

Whether protecting expensive broadcast equipment from rain showers at Wimbledon, to sales presentation packs for artificial knee joints, or operational bags for aircraft testing equipment; CP Cases can provide a solution. The design team draws on years of experience with protective textiles to create the most cost-effective bag for your needs.

## **Custom Solutions**



CP Cases' design team can create a solution for any application that you or your products require.

Designers are equipped with state-of-the-art capabilities and have extensive experience in diverse manufacturing processes including rotomoulding, blow moulding and injection moulding, vacuum forming,

precision sheet metal work and traditional craft skills in a wide range of materials.

# **Foam Engineering**



CP Cases can create foam protection systems to meet exacting project requirements for colour, multi-layering and special properties, by a variety of processes, including high speed CNC routing, laminating, drilling,

blocking and hand sculpting. Calculating which density and composition of foam to use and the exact thickness required to produce the desired deceleration on impact, ensures the best protection possible.

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### **About CP Cases**

CP Cases designs and manufactures high-performance, protective cases and racks used for transport, operation and storage of essential equipment in commercial and military applications.

Many of our products are accredited to MIL-STD-810F, rated IP65 and carry NATO stock numbers. With over 40 years' of expertise in producing cases, 19-inch rack solutions and rugged textile products, CP Cases has an unparalleled range of in-house skills and knowledge with materials and processes, including rotationally moulded products, plastic fabrication, aluminium, laminated plywood, HPP, textiles and CNC foam machining.

Full Capability Statement available on request.

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