Standard Features and General Specifications

Model PSE12
Air-cooled acoustic server rack enclosure v7.8

Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro enable deployment of servers and network hardware directly in the office workspace, doing away with the need for dedicated computer rooms. They combine extreme noise reduction and very high thermal capacity with exceptional reliability and a truly all-inclusive, plug-and-play specification. A host of unique, installer-friendly features ensure quick and easy systems deployment and their office-quality appearance blends seamlessly into almost any office environment.

Physical capacity: 12 rack spaces
Noise reduction: 18.5 dB
Max. recommended thermal load: 1.2 kW (4,100 BTU / hr)
Integrated power distribution: 7 x surge-protected outlets
Power consumption: 19 Watts

Please note that standard Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro as shown herein are not suitable for use with blade servers. Please contact your Kell representative about alternative Kell solutions for deployment of these types of devices.

Pictured here in Kell Systems Light Oak effect laminate finish. A wide range of laminate and real wood finishes are available.

Kell laminate-finish ComputerVault Pro have doors and tops that are easy for the user to interchange, so if a unit needs to be relocated to a different office, the look of the cabinet can easily be updated.
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<td><strong>External dimensions:</strong></td>
<td>Height 750 mm / 29.5” x Width 750 mm / 29.5” x Depth 1130 mm / 44.5”</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Weight:</strong></td>
<td>119 kg / 262 lbs</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Physical rack capacity:</strong></td>
<td>12 x EIA 1¾” / 44.5 mm rack spaces</td>
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<td>4-post rack, fully EIA-compliant, with fixed rear posts and adjustable front posts</td>
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<td>Rack depth 800 mm / 31.5”, adjustable down to 720 mm / 28.3”</td>
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<td>(option for baying kit to link cabinets together, part code BK12)</td>
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<td><strong>Extra internal cabinet depth:</strong></td>
<td>Forward of the front rack posts: 100 mm / 4” space for front frame cabling/patching</td>
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<td>Rearward of the rear rack posts: 60 mm / 2” except where fan modules intrude</td>
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<td><strong>Floor space requirements:</strong></td>
<td>Individual cabinets are designed to be pushed back flush against a wall. An air space of 200 mm / 8” on both sides of the cabinet is essential for normal operation.</td>
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<td><strong>Baying cabinets together:</strong></td>
<td>Baying kit option available. The easy-to-fit baying kit maintains the soundproof seal but opens adjacent cabinets onto each other internally.</td>
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<td>Special notes on baying:</td>
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<td>1: Unlike single cabinets, bayed cabinets cannot be pushed fully back against a wall. Air space of 100 mm / 6” behind the cabinet is essential for normal operation.</td>
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<td>2: Baying PSE12 cabinets together reduces the maximum recommended thermal load in each cabinet from 1.2 kW to 1 kW.</td>
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<td>3: In bayed cabinets, it is essential that the thermal load is distributed evenly between the cabinets.</td>
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<td><strong>Cooling system:</strong></td>
<td>1 x Kell Systems ultra-low-noise exhaust fan module</td>
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<td>1.2 kW maximum recommended total thermal load (or 4,100 BTU / hr)</td>
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<td><strong>Power consumption:</strong></td>
<td>19 Watts total power consumption by the PSE12 itself, including cooling system</td>
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<td><strong>Noise of PSE12 itself:</strong></td>
<td>40.5 dBA total noise generated by unit, measured 1.0 m / 39” in front of the cabinet</td>
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<td><strong>Noise reduction:</strong></td>
<td>18.5 dBA broadband noise reduction, measured 1.0 m / 39” in front of the cabinet (HP and Dell servers used as noise source in noise reduction measurements)</td>
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<td><strong>Mobility:</strong></td>
<td>4 x heavy duty castor-type wheels</td>
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<td>Front wheels have 360° rotation for steerability</td>
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<td>Rear wheels have fixed front-to-back motion for stability</td>
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<td><strong>Rear and side access:</strong></td>
<td>Detachable rear side panels, left and right, for installation and maintenance access</td>
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<td>Detachable rear fan module backplane gives completely open rear rack access</td>
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<td><strong>Cable management:</strong></td>
<td>70mm / 2.75” width full-height vertical cable trays to each side of front of rack</td>
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<td>70mm / 2.75” width full-height vertical cable trays to each side of middle of rack</td>
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<td>70mm / 2.75” width full-height vertical cable trays to each side of rear of rack</td>
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<td>(see product guide page 19, figure &quot;Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro plan section&quot;)</td>
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<td>Option for heavy duty cable management ladders to front of rack for larger scale network cabling applications, part code VCM12</td>
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<td><strong>Dust filtering:</strong></td>
<td>Optional air intake dust filters, part code DF12</td>
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Internal power distribution:
All power outlets in Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro feature surge protection

UK & Europe: 7 x IEC 320 C13 (10 A / 220/240 V) sockets, arranged vertically
USA/Canada: 7 x US 3 pin sockets, arranged vertically
Rest of world: 7 x IEC 320 C13, arranged vertically, unless specified otherwise

Power input connection:
All PSE12 have power input via an IEC 320 C14 (male) trailing lead for connection to an in-rack UPS, and an extension cable for connection to a wall outlet. User may choose the preferred way to connect. The extension cables are configured as follows:

UK: IEC C13 female trailing socket to standard UK 3-pin plug
Europe: IEC C13 female trailing socket to Schuko 3-pin plug
USA/Canada: IEC C13 female trailing socket to standard US 3-pin plug
Custom: IEC C13 female trailing socket to any user-specified 3-pin plug

Grounding/Earthing:
All equipment installed within a ComputerVault Pro should have conventional grounding/earthing via power cables, but unlike conventional metal-case cabinets, the PSE12 has no requirement for additional grounding/earthing in the form of ground strapping or pipe earthing etc. The cabinet shell is constructed entirely from non-conductive materials and the rack is completely isolated from outside contact.

Anti-static measures:
No anti-static measures are required in a PSE12 installation. The rack has full electrical isolation and is not susceptible to static build up that can originate in conventional metal racks by contact with artificial carpet or other flooring materials.

Door locking:
Key operated lock
Option for high security code-entry lock, part code CEL1

Standards compliance:


Acoustic foams meet or exceed UL94-HF1 ‘Standard for Tests for Flammability of Plastic Materials for Parts in Devices and Appliances’, (USA) and acoustic barrier materials meet UL94-V0 (USA). Multi-layer composite acoustic materials meet UL94-V0 (USA) and UL94-V2 (USA). Flammability ratings meet or exceed requirements in BS 60950-1:2002 'Information Technology Equipment - Safety' and harmonized international equivalent standards EN60950-1:2001 and IEC60950-1:2001.

Delivery:
All PSE12 are designed to pass through a standard-size doorframe and are normally delivered fully assembled and ready to use. PSE12 can be broken down into component parts where access conditions are constrained. Please consult your Kell Systems representative for details of delivery options in your area.

Warranty:
1 year general warranty against defective workmanship, inclusive of parts and labour
3 years warranty on fan systems up to and inclusive of free replacement
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Noise reduction performance

**Server noise attenuation:** 18.5 dBA broadband noise reduction, measured 1.0 m / 39” in front of the cabinet (Representing 90% perceived noise reduction)

**Practical explanation:**

The field of acoustics is not an area familiar to many IT managers and therefore the following guidelines are offered.

“dBA” is the common measurement unit used to quantify Sound Pressure Level (SPL), which is technical terminology for “how loud things are”. As usual with these things, there’s no need for the end user to fully understand dBA. The things that matter are how many or how few of them there are, and what that means in the real world. For reference, here are some widely-accepted examples of SPL ratings that are relevant when installing servers in the workplace:

- 50 dBA: Background noise in an average office, without speech
- 55 dBA: Background noise in a busy office, without speech
- 60 dBA: Normal conversational speech
- 45 to 50 dBA: Typical noise from fully integrated or cassette-type building air conditioning
- 62 dBA: Typical noise from portable air conditioners
- 65 dBA: Typical noise from 4 x low form factor servers with average CPU loads
- 68 dBA: Typical noise from 8 x low form factor servers with average CPU loads

(every doubling of the number of servers leads to a 3 dBA increase in the total noise level)

In order for an installation to become unobtrusive in an office environment, the noise from the servers and other hardware in the installation must be reduced to the level of the general office background noise. At such reduced levels, the human brain perceives the noise from the servers as part of the overall background noise, and it will go unnoticed on a day-to-day basis, in much the same way that the hum from most built-in office air conditioning systems do.

The following tables give a guide to how this is achieved by the use of Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro enclosures.
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Thermal performance of Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro

The effect to server operating conditions, provided that Kell Systems thermal loading and installation guidelines are adhered to, is so slight as to be insignificant.

To understand how effective the ComputerVault Pro thermal management system is, please consider the following example of a Kell v7.8 PSE18 enclosure's impact to server CPU temperatures, under normal "office" environmental conditions, compared to operation of those same servers in free space.

Test conditions:

Equipment used:

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<td><strong>Kell unit</strong></td>
<td>Model PSE18 v7.8, maximum recommended thermal load 1.2 kW</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Server 1</strong></td>
<td>HP Proliant DL380 G4 2U rack-mount server with 2 x 3.2 GHz Intel Xeon processors</td>
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<td><strong>Server 2</strong></td>
<td>HP Proliant DL380 G4 2U rack-mount server with 2 x 3.2 GHz Intel Xeon processors</td>
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<td><strong>Server 3</strong></td>
<td>HP Proliant ML370 G4 5U rack-converted server with 2 x 3.2 Intel Xeon GHz processors</td>
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Incidental hardware also present in PSE18 during example test:

- APC Smart-UPS 3000 VA 3U rack-mount UPS
- 3 x Netgear network switches
- 2 x 1U climate monitoring devices

Test and measurement method

CPU temperature measurements were taken using HP Systems Insight Manager software

Continuous CPU loads were generated using BurnInTest software by Passmark

Room ambient temperature measurements were taken by recording the average reading of 2 x digital thermometers

Room ambient air temperature

The test room air temperature was maintained at a constant 24°C / 75°F (+/- 0.5°C) throughout the test period (equivalent to a moderately warm office).

Procedure used in example tests

1) In the first instance the entire outer shell of the PSE18 was removed, and the CPU temperatures were recorded at "idle" (running but not processing client tasks) in free air space. Removing the cabinet casing created thermal conditions identical to those in a conventional open-frame rack, or with servers not rack-mounted but resting on surfaces.

2) Identical and continuous processing loads, generated by the test software, were applied to all six CPUs simultaneously, such that utilisation in all CPUs was increased in steps from "idle" to 20%, 40%, 60%, 80% and 100%. After each step change in CPU loading, CPU temperatures were allowed to stabilise for one hour, and then the operating temperature of each of the six CPUs was measured/recorded using the server manufacturer's own software.

3) The outer shell of the PSE18 was then fully reinstated, and the above test procedure was replicated.

The following results were recorded (please see graphical records on page 16 of this document):

The average increase in CPU temperature attributable to the PSE18, versus free space operation, was +3.2°C

The electrical consumption of the combined systems, with all CPUs at 100% utilisation continuously, was 1.076 kW.
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Thermal capacity (measurements from example scenario detailed on page 15 of this document)
Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro external views

PSE12

Rear

Front

1130mm / 44.5"  750mm / 29.5"

PSE18

1130mm / 44.5"  750mm / 29.5"

1015mm / 40.4"

PSE24

1130mm / 44.5"  750mm / 29.5"

PSE38

1130mm / 44.5"  750mm / 29.5"

1090mm / 76.7"
Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro side sections

Please note reduction in internal cabinet depth in some rack units due to triangular protrusion of Kell exhaust fan module. Very deep servers or other such hardware must be installed above or below Kell fan modules.

Dimension key:

a) 775 mm / 30.5"

b) 800 mm / 31.5"

c) 860 mm / 33.5"

d) 1010 mm / 39.5"

e) Indicates soundproofed cable entry / exit pathway (acoustic materials not shown). The cable port is large enough to accommodate several hundred Ethernet cables and has a removable top cover. The design is such that pre-terminated patch panels can be installed effortlessly, with no need for de-termination and re-termination. The model PSE38 has an option for a second such cable port in the top of the cabinet, for use where cables run in ceilings.
Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro plan section, common to all ComputerVault Pro

**Air paths**

**FRONT**

- 750mm / 29.5"
- 605mm / 23.8"
- 297mm / 11.7"
- 450mm / 17.7"
- 460mm / 18.1"

**REAR**

- 625mm / 24.6"
- 630mm / 24.6"
- 1120mm / 44.5"
- 425mm / 16.7"
Kell Systems ComputerVault Pro rack planning guidelines

Please note the following guidelines for best installation and operation of hardware in a Kell ComputerVault Pro. Specific cabinet sizes are shown for illustration purposes below, but the principles extend to all ComputerVault Pro sizes.

Figure 1: distribution of thermal load

Avoid clustering **hot-running devices** such as servers, dense RAID arrays and large VoIP switches in one part of the rack. Distribute the thermal load evenly up and down the rack such that each Kell fan module supports an equal amount of the thermal load, or as close to it as possible. The cabinet shown in this example is the model PSE24, which has 2 x fan modules. Models PSE12 and PSE18 each have 1 x fan module, and model PSE38 has 3 x fan modules.

Figure 2: selecting the best location for very deep servers

Each fan module has a triangular metal section protruding slightly into the cabinet (please also see side section drawings on page 17 of this document). This does not create an issue for installation of most equipment, but to allow for ample cabling space to the rear, deep servers are generally best installed in the rack spaces above and below these triangular metal protrusions.

Figure 3: baying cabinets together

When the optional baying kit is used to link cabinets together, the rear sections of the cabinets are open to each other as shown here.

Figure 4: distribution of thermal load in bayed cabinets

When installing hardware in bayed units, distribute **hot-running devices** evenly between the cabinets as shown. Also see notes in figure 1 above.
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Kell Systems has pioneered the design and manufacture of Portable Server Environments (PSEs), the first complete solution for deployment of servers and network hardware directly in the office workplace. Kell PSEs are an award-winning new concept and a very real, self-contained alternative to building computer rooms. Kell PSEs are exported throughout the world and are installed in locations from Bali to Bratislava and from Hawaii to Hong Kong.

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