Installation Guide

10/100Mbps Unmanaged Switch

TL-SF1016/TL-SF1016DS
TL-SF1024/TL-SF1024D
TL-SF1048
About this Installation Guide

This Installation Guide describes the hardware characteristics, installation methods and the points that should be attended to during the installation. This Installation Guide is structured as follows:

Chapter 1 Introduction.
This chapter describes the external components of the switch.

Chapter 2 Installation.
This chapter illustrates how to install the switch.

Chapter 3 Lightning Protection.
This chapter illustrates how to prevent lightning damage.

Chapter 4 Connection.
This chapter illustrates how to do the physical connection of the switch.

Appendix A Troubleshooting.

Appendix B Specifications.

Audience

This Installation Guide is for:
Network Engineer  Network Administrator

Conventions

• Some models featured in this guide may be unavailable in your country or region. For local sales information, visit http://www.tp-link.com.

• The figures in Chapter 2 to Chapter 4 are for demonstration purposes only. Your switch may differ in appearance from that depicted.

• This Guide uses the specific formats to highlight special messages. The following table lists the notice icons that are used throughout this guide.

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<td>!</td>
<td>Remind to be careful. A caution indicates a potential which may result in device damage.</td>
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<td>📝</td>
<td>Remind to take notice. The note contains the helpful information for a better use of the product.</td>
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Related Document

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http://www.tp-link.com
Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 Product Overview

TL-SF1016/TL-SF1016DS/TL-SF1024/TL-SF1024D/TL-SF1048 switch provides 16/24/48 10/100Mbps Auto-Negotiation RJ45 ports. Each port of the TL-SF1016/TL-SF1016DS/TL-SF1024/TL-SF1024D/TL-SF1048 supports auto MDI/MDI-X function, eliminating the need for crossover cables or Uplink ports. The switch is Plug-and-Play and any port can be simply plugged into a server, a hub or a switch, using straight cable or crossover cable.

The TL-SF1016/TL-SF1016DS/TL-SF1024/TL-SF1024D/TL-SF1048 16/24/48-port 10/100Mbps Fast Ethernet Switch provides you with a low-cost, easy-to-use, high-performance, seamless and standard upgrade to improve your old network to a 100Mbps network. It will boost your network performance up to full duplex data transfer.

1.2 Appearance

- Front Panel

The front panel of TL-SF1016 is shown as the following figure.

Figure 1-1  Front Panel of TL-SF1016

The front panel of TL-SF1016DS is shown as the following figure.

Figure 1-2  Front Panel of TL-SF1016DS
The front panel of The TL-SF1024 is shown as the following figure.

The front panel of The TL-SF1024D is shown as the following figure.

The front panel of The TL-SF1048 is shown as the following figure.

**LEDs**

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<th>Status</th>
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<tr>
<td>Power</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>The switch is powered on</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The switch is powered off or power supply is abnormal</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Flashing</td>
<td>Power supply is abnormal</td>
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<tr>
<td>Link/Act</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>A device is linked to the corresponding port</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Flashing</td>
<td>Data is being transmitted or received</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>There is no device linked to the corresponding port</td>
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**10/100Mbps RJ45 Port**

Designed to connect to the device with a bandwidth of 10Mbps or 100Mbps. Each has a corresponding 10/100Mbps LED.

**Rear Panel**

The rear panel of the switch is shown as the following figure.

![Rear Panel](image)

**Grounding Terminal**

The switch already comes with lightning protection mechanism. You can also ground the switch through the PE (Protecting Earth) cable of AC cord or with Ground Cable. For detailed information, please refer to Chapter 3 Lightning Protection.

**Power Socket**

Connect the female connector of the power cord here, and the male connector to the AC (Alternating Current) power outlet. Please make sure the voltage of the power supply meets the requirement of the input voltage.

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**Caution:**

Please use the provided power cord.
Chapter 2 Installation

2.1 Package Contents

Make sure that the package contains the following items. If any of the listed items is damaged or missing, please contact your distributor.

- One Switch
- One Power Cord
- Two mounting brackets and the fittings
- This Installation Guide

2.2 Safety Precautions

To avoid any device damage and bodily injury caused by improper use, please observe the following rules.

- Safety Precautions
  - Keep the power off during the installation.
  - Wear an ESD-preventive wrist strap, and make sure that the wrist strap has a good skin contact and is well grounded.
  - Use only the power cord provided with the switch.
  - Make sure that the supply voltage matches the specifications indicated on the rear panel of the switch.
  - Ensure the vent hole is well ventilated and unblocked.
  - Do not open or remove the cover of the switch.
  - Before cleaning the device, cut off the power supply. Do not clean it by the waterish cloth, and never use any other liquid cleaning method.
Site Requirements

Temperature/Humidity

Please keep a proper temperature and humidity in the equipment room. Too high/low humidity may lead to bad insulation, electricity leakage, mechanical property changes and corrosions. Too high temperature may accelerate aging of the insulation materials and can thus significantly shorten the service life of the device. For normal temperature and humidity of the device, please check the following table.

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<th>Environment</th>
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<th>Humidity</th>
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<td>Operating</td>
<td>0℃ to 40℃</td>
<td>10% to 90%RH Non-condensing</td>
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<tr>
<td>Storage</td>
<td>-40℃ to 70℃</td>
<td>5% to 90%RH Non-condensing</td>
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Clearness

The dust accumulated on the switch can be absorbed by static electricity and result in poor contact of metal contact points. Some measures have been taken for the device to prevent static electricity, but too strong static electricity can cause deadly damage to the electronic elements on the internal circuit board. To avoid the effect of static electricity on the operation of the Switch, please attach much importance to the following items:

- Dust the device regularly, and keep the indoor air clean.
- Keep the device well grounded and ensure static electricity has been transferred.

Electromagnetic Interference

Electronic elements including capacitance and inductance on the device can be affected by external interferences, such as conducted emission by capacitance coupling, inductance coupling, and impedance coupling. To decrease the interferences, please make sure to take the following measures:

- Use the power supply that can effectively filter interference from the power grid.
- Keep the device far from high-frequency, strong-current devices, such as radio transmitting station.
- Use electromagnetic shielding when necessary.
Lightening Protection

Extremely high voltage currents can be produced instantly when lightning occurs and the air in the electric discharge path can be instantly heated up to 20,000°C. As this instant current is strong enough to damage electronic devices, more effective lightning protection measures should be taken.

- Ensure the rack and device are well earthed.
- Make sure the power socket has a good contact with the ground.
- Keep a reasonable cabling system and avoid induced lightning.
- Use the signal SPD (Surge Protective Device) when wiring outdoor.

**Note:**
For detailed lightning protection measures, please refer to Chapter 3 Lightning Protection.

Installation Site

When installing the device on a rack or a flat workbench, please note the following items:

- The rack or workbench is flat and stable, and sturdy enough to support the weight of 5.5kg at least.
- The rack or workbench has a good ventilation system. The equipment room is well ventilated.
- The rack is well grounded. Keep the power socket less than 1.5 meters away from the device.

### 2.3 Installation Tools

- Phillips screwdriver
- ESD-preventive wrist wrap
- Cables

**Note:**
These tools are not provided with our product. If needed, please self purchase them.
2.4 Product Installation

■ Desktop Installation

To install the device on the desktop, please follow the steps:

1. Set the device on a flat surface strong enough to support the entire weight of the device with all fittings.

2. Remove the adhesive backing papers from the rubber feet.

3. Turnover the device and attach the supplied rubber feet to the recessed areas on the bottom at each corner of the device.

   Figure 2-1 Desktop Installation

■ Rack Installation

To install the device in an EIA standard-sized, 19-inch rack, follow the instructions described below:

1. Check the grounding and stability of the rack.

2. Secure the supplied rack-mounting brackets to each side of the device with supplied screws, as illustrated in the following figure.

   Figure 2-2 Bracket Installation
3. After the brackets are attached to the device, use suitable screws (not provided) to secure the brackets to the rack, as illustrated in the following figure.

Figure 2-3  Rack Installation

**Caution:**
- Please set 5 to 10cm gaps around the device for air circulation.
- Please avoid any heavy thing placed on the device.
- Please mount devices in sequence from the bottom to top of the rack and ensure a certain clearance between devices for the purpose of heat dissipation.
Chapter 3  Lightning Protection

3.1  Cabling Reasonably

In the actual network environment, you may need cable outdoors and indoors, and the requirements for cabling outdoors and indoors are different. A reasonable cabling system can decrease the damage of induced lightning to devices.

Note:
It’s not recommended using Ethernet cables outdoors. When cabling outdoors, please use a signal lightning arrester.

- Requirements for Cabling Outdoors
- Aerial cabling without safeguard is not allowed.

- It’s not allowed cabling down the building to connect network devices in different floors.

- Outdoor cables should be buried and paved to the indoor through basement. A piece of steel wire should be paved underground along the pipe and connected to the lightning protection terminal of the building for shielding. Before connecting the cable to the device, install a signal lightning arrester on the corresponding port.

- When an aerial cable is set up, the cable should be through a metal pipe (15m long at least) before coming into the building. The two ends of this metal pipe should be grounded. Before connecting the cable to the device, install a signal lightning arrester on the corresponding port.

- It’s not necessary to pave STP cables through pipes. The shielded layer of STP cable should be well grounded. Before connecting the cable to the device, install a signal lightning arrester on the corresponding port.
### Requirements for Cabling Indoors

When cabling indoors, keep a certain distance away from the devices that may cause high-frequency interferences, such as down-conductor cable, powerline, power transformer and electromotor.

- The main cable should be paved in the metal raceway of the access shaft. When cabling, keep the loop area formed by the cable itself as small as possible.
- Requirements for the distance between Ethernet cable and other pipelines are shown in the table.

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<th>Other Pipelines</th>
<th>Ethernet Cable</th>
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<td>Min Parallel Net Length L (mm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Down-conductor</td>
<td>1000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PE</td>
<td>50</td>
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<tr>
<td>Service pipe</td>
<td>150</td>
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<tr>
<td>Compressed air pipe</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td>Thermal pipe (not wrapped)</td>
<td>500</td>
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<td>Thermal pipe (wrapped)</td>
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<td>Gas pipe</td>
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The two diagrams below demonstrate parallel net length and parallel-overlapping net height.

![Diagram](image)

**Note:**
The above minimum net length/height is required when metal raceway is not used. If any requirements cannot be met, you can add a steel tube or metal raceway for shielding.

- Requirements for the distance between Ethernet cable and high-power electric devices are in following tables.

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<td>Parallel cabling</td>
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<td>One is in the grounded metal raceway or metal pipe</td>
<td>70</td>
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<td>The both are in the grounded metal raceway or metal pipe</td>
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<tr>
<td>Cable</td>
<td>Pave Way</td>
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<td>2 to 5kVA powerline</td>
<td>Parallel cabling</td>
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<td>&gt;5kVA powerline</td>
<td>Parallel cabling</td>
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<td>Transformer room</td>
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<tr>
<td>Elevator tower</td>
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<td>Air-conditioner room</td>
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### 3.2 Connect to Ground

Connecting the device to ground is to quickly release the lightning over-voltage and over-current of the device, which is also a necessary measure to protect the body from electric shock.

In different environments, the device may be grounded differently. The following will instruct you to connect the device to the ground in two ways, connecting to the grounding bar or connecting to the ground via the power cord. Please connect the device to ground in the optimum way according to your specific operation environment.

- **Connecting to the Ground via the Power Supply**

If the device is installed in the normal environment, the device can be grounded via the PE (Protecting Earth) cable of the AC power supply as shown in the following figure.

![Connecting to the Ground](image)
**Note:**
- The figure is to illustrate the application and principle. The power plug you get from the package and the socket in your situation will comply with the regulation in your country, so they may differ from the figure above.
- If you intend to connect the device to the ground via the PE (Protecting Earth) cable of AC power cord, please make sure the PE (Protecting Earth) cable in the electrical outlet is well grounded in advance.

### Connecting to the Grounding Bar

**Use the grounding bar**

If the device is installed in the Equipment Room, where a grounding bar is available, you are recommended to connect the device to the grounding bar as shown in the following figure.

*Figure 3-5  Connecting to the Grounding Bar*

![Grounding Bar Diagram](image)

1. Switch (Rear Panel)
2. Grounding Terminal
3. Ground Cable
4. Grounding Bar

**Note:**
The grounding bar and the ground cable are not provided with our product. If needed, please self purchase them.

### Equipotential Bonding

Equipotential Bonding is the practice of intentionally electrically connecting all earthed systems to the same grounding grid or connecting the grounding grids of all the earthed systems together through the ground or overground metal so as to create an earthed equipotential zone. When lightning occurs, the high voltage produced by lightning current in all systems will meanwhile exist in their ground cables, and thus all ground cables have the same electrical potential and basically eliminate the electric strikes between the systems.
The figure below illustrates how to practice equipotential bonding in a network.

Figure 3-6  Equipotential Bonding

When equipotential bonding, please note that the cable should be copper wrapped Kelly with its area being \( 6\text{mm}^2 \) at least. The shorter cable the better, and use a grounding bar to establish an equipotential bonding point.

**Note:**
The equipotential bonding cable and ground cable are not provided with our product. If needed, please self purchase it.

**Use Lightning Arrester**

Power lightning arrester and signal lightning arrester are used for lighting protection.

Power lightning arrester is used for limiting the voltage surge due to a lightning. If an outdoor AC power cord should be directly connected to the device, please use a power lightning arrester.

**Note:**
Power lightning arrester is not provided with our product. If needed, please self purchase it.

Signal lightning arrester is used to protect RJ45 ports of the device from lightning. When cabling outdoors, please install a signal lightning arrester before connecting the cable to the device.

When purchasing or using a signal lightning arrester, please observe the following rules:

- The port rate of the signal lightning arrester should match the rate of the desired port on the device. If it is not matched, this signal lighting arrester will not work. Purchase a standard lightning arrester.
- Install signal lightning arrester near the protected device and connect it to the ground via a shorter ground cable.

Figure 3-7  Equipotential Bonding

Note:
Signal lightning arrester is not provided with our product. If needed, please self purchase it.
Chapter 4 Connection

4.1 Ethernet Port

Connect a Ethernet port of the switch to the computer by RJ45 cable as the following figure shows.

Figure 4-1 Connecting the RJ45 Port

4.2 Verify Installation

After completing the installation, please verify the following items:

- There are 5 to 10cm of clearance around the sides of the device for ventilation and the air flow is adequate.
- The voltage of the power supply meets the requirement of the input voltage of the device.
- The power socket, device and rack are well grounded.
- The device is correctly connected to other network devices.

4.3 Power On

Plug in the negative connector of the provided power cord into the power socket of the device, and the positive connector into a power outlet as the following figure shows.

Figure 4-2 Connecting to Power Supply
4.4 Initialization

After the device is powered on, it begins the Power-On Self-Test. A series of tests run automatically to ensure the device functions properly. During this time, its LED indicators will respond as follows:

- All of the LED indicators will flash momentarily for one second, which represents a resetting of the system.
- The Power LED indicator will light up.
Appendix A  Troubleshooting

Q1. Why is the Power LED not lit?

The Power LED should be lit up when the power system works normally. If the Power LED worked abnormally, please try the following:

1. Make sure that the power cable is connected properly, and the power contact is normal.
2. Make sure the voltage of the power supply meets the requirement of the input voltage of the switch.

Q2. Why is the Link/Act LED not lit while a device is connected to the corresponding port?

Please try the following:

1. Make sure that the cable connectors are firmly plugged into the switch and the device.
2. Make sure the connected device is turned on and works normally.
3. Try to change the connected device’s transmission speed and duplex mode.
4. The cable must be less than 100 meters long (328 feet).
## Appendix B Specifications

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<td>IEEE 802.3x Flow Control</td>
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FCC STATEMENT

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1) This device may not cause harmful interference.
2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment.

CE Mark Warning

This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference, in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

Safety Information

- When product has power button, the power button is one of the way to shut off the product; when there is no power button, the only way to completely shut off power is to disconnect the product or the power adapter from the power source.
- Don’t disassemble the product, or make repairs yourself. You run the risk of electric shock and voiding the limited warranty. If you need service, please contact us.
- Avoid water and wet locations.
BSMI Notice

安全諮詢及注意事項

1) 請使用原裝電源供應器或只能按照本產品注明的電源類型使用本產品。
2) 清潔本產品之前請先拔掉電源線。請勿使用液體、噴霧清潔劑或濕布進行清潔。
3) 注意防潮，請勿將水或其他液體潑灑到本產品上。
4) 插槽與開口供通風使用，以確保本產品的操作可靠並防止過熱，請勿堵塞或覆蓋開口。
5) 請勿將本產品置放於靠近熱源的地方。除非有正常的通風，否則不可放在密閉位置中。
6) 請不要私自打開機殼，不要嘗試自行維修本產品，請由授權的專業人士進行此項工作。
7) 此為甲類資訊技術設備，于居住環境中使用時，可能會造成射頻擾動，在此種情況下，使用者會被要求採取某些適當的對策。

この装置は、クラスA情報技術装置です。この装置を家庭環境で使用すると電波妨害を引き起こすことがあります。この場合には使用者が適切な対策を講ずるよう要求されることがあります。

Industry Canada Statement

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Explanation of the symbols on the product label

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<td>AC voltage</td>
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<td>室内</td>
<td>Indoor use only.</td>
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<td>RECYCLING</td>
<td>This product bears the selective sorting symbol for Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). This means that this product must be handled pursuant to European directive 2012/19/EU in order to be recycled or dismantled to minimize its impact on the environment. User has the choice to give his product to a competent recycling organization or to the retailer when he buys a new electrical or electronic equipment.</td>
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