

MODULAR DRAWERS - SAVE SPACE

Provide for Easier Inventories & Accurate Order Picking

Anyone who has worked in a small parts storage room knows that conventional storage shelving wastes too much space! You can see that by looking at all the air space above, around and behind the parts & bins that are sitting on the shelves. What may **not** be immediately apparent is that standard storage shelving also gives limited visibility for the items on the upper & lower shelves, and poor lighting in the rear of all the shelf locations. This can lead to errors in picking parts orders, ergonomic problems accessing parts on the upper and lower shelves and difficulties and delays in getting accurate inventories.

Now there is an easy to implement and cost effective solution to these problems. The concept, pioneered by the Canadian company, Rousseau Metal, consists of a set of modular parts drawers that can be added directly into your existing shelving units. The drawers are mount on custom designed brackets that are designed to fit your specific brand of shelving. These drawer units provide a high-density storage area in the optimum ergonomic viewing & picking range. This can save between 50% and 70% of the space that was wasted with conventional shelving storage. Storing twice as many small parts in the same space (in your existing shelving units!) allows you to adjust the shelf spacing above and below the drawers, providing the most efficient storage for bigger items above, smaller items at eye level and heavier items below the drawer units.

Beside the obvious space savings, there are several other advantages of the drawer system concept. First of all, the drawers are fully extendable for 100% visibility of all parts. This makes for fast order picking and for quick & accurate inventory counts. The drawers are available from 3" to 14" deep with divider systems that allow for custom sized compartments to fit each group of parts exactly. This protects the parts from damage and prevents them from mixing with other parts.

In addition to the standard features of most drawer systems, there are many options that allow you to configure the system to your specific requirements. The shelf mounting brackets are available in heights from 18" to 50" high, allowing a wide variety of drawer choices, including roll-out open tray shelves for bulkier items. The system is fully modular so the drawers can be rearranged or moved to another shelving unit with ease. Locking bars are also available for most brands of shelving that allow you to lock all the drawers in shelving unit with a key or padlock.

Adding a large drawer system is a significant investment and one you should only need to make **once** in the life of your company! Since this system will become an integral part of your storage and picking operation, you want a system that will last. The most important construction feature to keep in mind is the quality of the drawer bearings and support hardware. There are a few companies that provide independent test results for their drawer

systems. It is critical to review the most current test results and factor this into your decision when selecting a vendor.

So, now you know that you don't need to **buy** more space, you can **create it** by adding a modular drawer system to your existing shelving units!

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