Installation Instructions

SLC 500™ Modular Chassis

(Catalog Numbers 1746-A4, -A7, -A10, and -A13 Series B)

English Section

What's in this Publication

Use this publication as a guide when installing an SLC 500 modular chassis.

Installation

Reference

For additional installation information, see the *SLC 500 Modular Style User Manual*, publication 1747-UM011.

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ATTENTION 	Identifies information about practices or circumstances that can lead to personal injury or death, property damage, or economic loss.
IMPORTANT	Identifies information that is critical for successful application and understanding of the product.

Prepare for Installation

Make sure you have these items.

M4 or M5 (#10 or #12) Hardware

- phillips screw and star washer (or SEM screw — phillips screw with attached star washer) for chassis mounting tabs

This chassis:	Has:
1746-A4	4 mounting tabs
1746-A7	4 mounting tabs
1746-A10	6 mounting tabs
1746-A13	8 mounting tabs

- phillips screwdriver
- drill

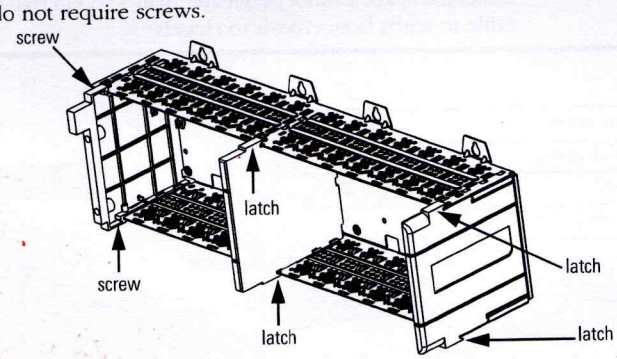
Documentation

For your:

- processor or I/O adapter module
- power supply
- communication modules and/or I/O modules

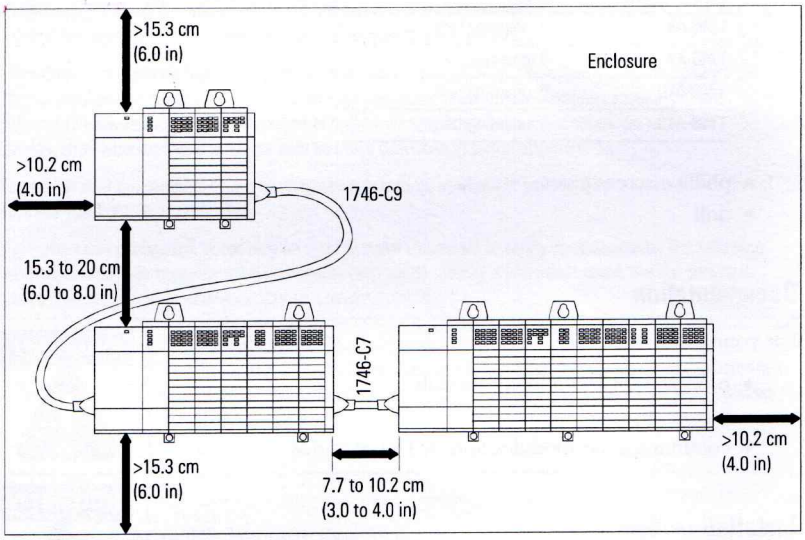
Installation Note

The power supply support panel (left end panel) has screws as indicated in the illustration below. The center and right end panels are held in position by a molded latch and do not require screws.



Allow Sufficient Mounting Space

IMPORTANT Make sure you meet these minimum spacing requirements. Up to three SLC chassis can be connected (for a maximum of 30 I/O slots).



IMPORTANT When vertically connecting two 1746-A13 chassis with a 1746-C9 cable, the space cannot be greater than 15.3 cm (6.0 in) for the cable to reach from chassis to chassis.

For dimensions of:	See page:
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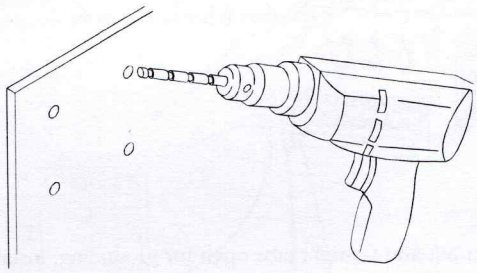
Install Your Chassis

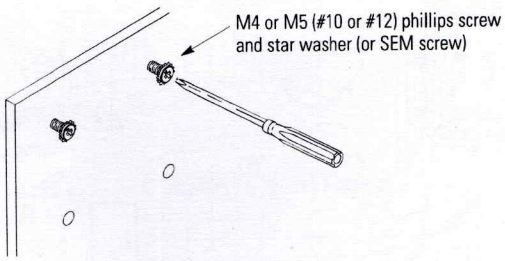
1. Drill holes in the back panel of the enclosure for chassis mounting tabs.

ATTENTION

Be careful of metal chips when drilling mounting holes for the SLC chassis. Do not drill holes above an SLC chassis if a processor and I/O modules are installed.



2. Install the hardware for the top mounting tabs.



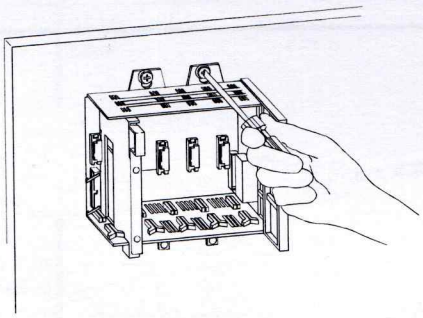
TIP

Scrape paint off the back panel for an electrical connection between the chassis and back panel.

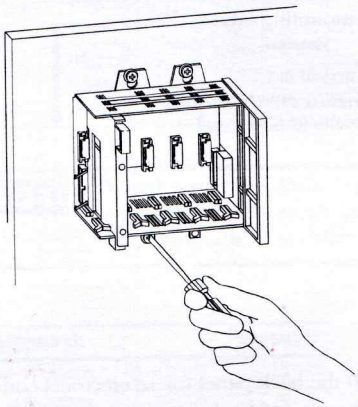
3. Slide the chassis over the installed hardware and tighten the screws.

ATTENTION

If the chassis mounting tabs do not lay flat before the screws are tightened, use additional washers as shims so that the chassis will not be warped by tightening the screws. Warping a chassis could damage the backplane and cause poor connections.



4. Leaving far-left and far-right tabs open for grounding, install the remaining tab hardware (for a four-slot chassis, leave both tabs open).



Ground Your Chassis

To properly ground your I/O chassis:	See page:
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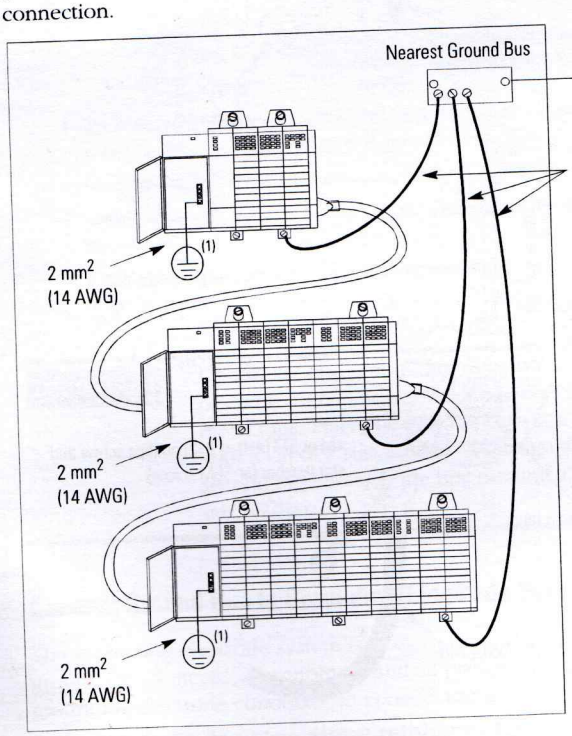
Verify Grounding Configuration

This figure shows you how to run ground connections from the chassis to the ground bus. Use a ground bus because it reduces the electrical resistance at the connection.



Preferred Grounding Method.

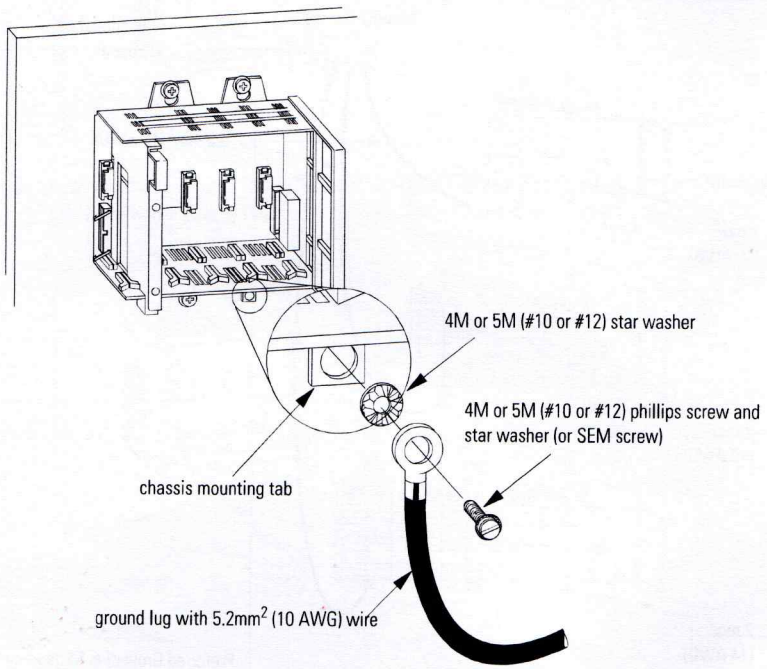
TIP (1) Keep wire length as short as possible.

Install a Central Ground Bus

Each enclosure must contain a central ground bus. The ground bus is the common connection for each chassis within the enclosure and the enclosure itself. If you have not already installed a central ground bus, see the *Industrial Automation Wiring and Grounding Guidelines*, publication 1770-4.1.

Connect Equipment Grounding Conductor

IMPORTANT Use the following information, along with the installation manual for your programmable controller, to functionally ground the chassis.



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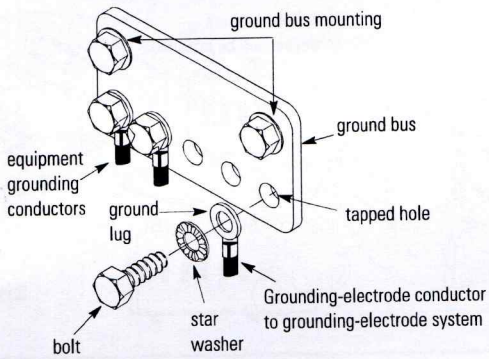
Connect Equipment Grounding Conductor to Ground Bus

Connect an equipment grounding conductor directly from each chassis to an individual bolt on the ground bus.



- use 2.54 cm (1in) copper braid or **5.2 mm2 (10 AWG)** copper wire to connect each chassis, the enclosure, and a central ground bus mounted on the back-panel
- use a steel enclosure to guard against electromagnetic interference (EMI)
- make sure the enclosure door viewing window is a laminated screen or a conductive optical substrate (to block EMI)
- install a bonding wire for electrical contact between the door and the enclosure; do not rely on the hinge

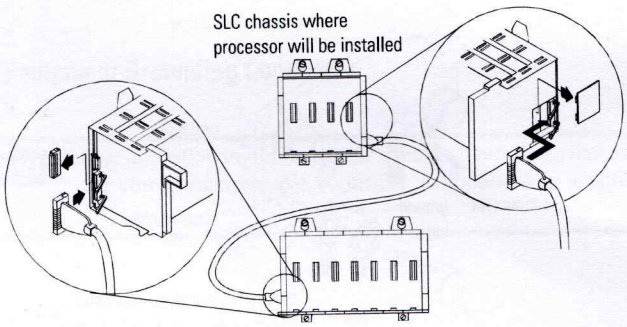
IMPORTANT Do not lay one ground lug directly on top of the other; this type of connection can become loose **due to compression** of the metal lugs. Place the first lug between a star washer and a nut with a captive star washer. After tightening the nut, place the second lug between the first nut and a second nut with a captive star washer.

Connect Ground Bus to Grounding-Electrode System

The grounding-electrode system is at earth-ground potential and is the central ground for all electrical equipment and ac power within any facility. Use a grounding-electrode conductor to connect the ground bus to the grounding-electrode system. Use at **minimum 8.3 mm^2 (8 AWG)** copper wire for the grounding-electrode conductor to guard against EMI. The National Electrical Code specifies safety requirements for the grounding-electrode conductor.

Install the Chassis Interconnect Cable (optional)

To connect up to three chassis together (for a maximum of 30 I/O slots), install the chassis interconnect cable before attaching your power supply.



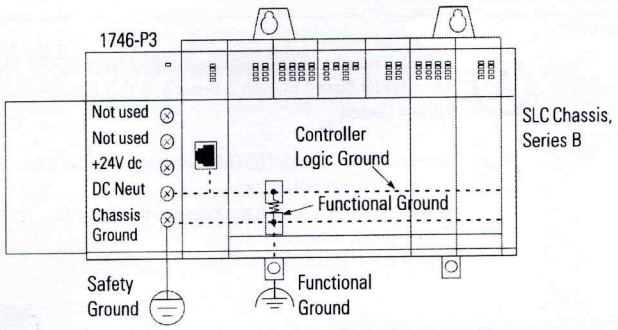
Install Your I/O Modules and Attach Your Power Supply

Use the installation instructions/user manuals for your modules to install them into the chassis. Use the installation instructions for your power supply to attach it to your chassis.

ATTENTION

- Keep the connector plug on the left side-connector of the chassis if you are not connecting chassis together.
- Remove the protective label from the top of the power supply before applying power.

IMPORTANT Series B chassis have a 1M Ω resistor between logic ground and chassis ground. When using a 1746-P3 power supply, follow the grounding instructions provided with the power supply to avoid unwanted potentials across the logic ground of the SLC processor.



Specifications

SLC Chassis, Series B			
1746-A4	**1746-A7**	**1746-A10**	**1746-A13**
dimensions (with tabs) -W x H x D			
17.7 x 17.1 x 14.5 cm (7.1 x 6.8 x 5.8 in)	28.2 x 17.1 x 14.5 cm (11.3 x 6.8 x 5.8 in)	39.7 x 17.1 x 14.5 cm (15.9 x 6.8 x 5.8 in)	50.2 x 17.1 x 14.5 cm (20.1 x 6.8 x 5.8 in)
approximate weight (without modules)			
0.75 kg (1.7 lbs)	1.1 kg (2.4 lbs)	1.45 kg (3.2 lbs)	1.9 kg (4.2 lbs)
maximum backplane current			
5.1V dc @ 10A; 24V dc @ 2.88A	5.1V dc @ 10A; 24V dc @ 2.88A	5.1V dc @ 10A; 24V dc @ 2.88A	5.1V dc @ 10A; 24V dc @ 2.88A
module slots			
4	7	10	13
type of mount			
panel mount	panel mount	panel mount	panel mount
operating conditions			
operating temperature: 0°C to +60°C (+32°F to +140°F) storage temperature: -40°C to +85°C (-40°F to +185°F) relative humidity: 5 to 95% (without condensation)			

Specifications (continued)

certification

UL Listed Industrial Control Equipment, certified for US and Canada
UL Listed for Class 1 Division 2, Group A, B, C, D Hazardous Locations, certified for US and Canada

European Union 89/336/EEC EMC Directive, compliant with
EN 50082-2 Industrial Immunity
EN 61326, Meas./Control/Lab., Industrial Requirements
EN 61000-6-2, Industrial Immunity
EN61000-6-4, Industrial Emissions

Australian Rediocommunications Act, compliant with :
AS/NZS 2064, Industrial Emissions
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Hazardous Location Considerations

This equipment is suitable for use in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, D, or non-hazardous locations only. The following WARNING statement applies to use in hazardous locations.

WARNING

EXPLOSION HAZARD

- Substitution of components may impair suitability for Class I, Division 2.
- Do not replace components or disconnect equipment unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be non-hazardous.
- Do not connect or disconnect components unless power has been switched off or the area is known to be non-hazardous.
- All wiring must comply with N.E.C. article 501-4(b).