Case Notes

# Motherboard Size

A. ATX - 12" by 9.6"  
 B. Micro-ATX - 9.6" x 9.6"

C. Mini-ATX - 6.7" x 6.7"

D. Some cases can fit more than 1 size

2. Size Category - Listed in order from biggest to smallest

A. Full Tower - Servers

B. Mid Tower

C. Mini-Tower

D. Desktop - Horizontal

E. SFF (Small Form Factor)

3. Tool-free Design - no tools required

4. Drive Bays

A. 5.25" - Optical Drives

B. 3.5" - Traditional Hard Drives

C. 2.5" - Solid State Drive

D. Removable Plates

5. I/O Shield - Comes with Case

6. CPU Cooling Cutaway

7. Standoffs

A. Brass screws that keep the motherboard off the bottom of your case

B. Pre-drilled holes allow the case to fit ATX or Micro-ATX mobos.

8. PSU Mounts

A. Power Supply Units (PSU) come in 2 sizes.

B. ATX and SFX (Small Form Factor)

9. Fan Mounts

A. Used to place after market fans

B. Fans come in different sizes so order the right one.

10. Drive Stealthing

A. Purely aesthetic

B. Optical drives will hide behind a panel, except when open.

C. "Slot Loading" - Like a CD player in a car.

11. Cable Management

A. Additional cutouts on bottom of case to tuck in cables.

B. Can improve air flow and help with cooling.

12. Front I/O Ports

A. Default - 2 USB, Microphone and headphone

B. More USB ports or additional audio ports