

IBM @server BladeCenter JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card enables SAN booting of BladeCenter JS20 servers

Overview

The IBM @server BladeCenter™ JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card interconnects BladeCenter JS20 servers with Fibre Channel-attached storage to deliver a high-performance, highly manageable SAN. The dual-port (2 Gb per port) card enables SAN booting, which can significantly reduce the risk of extended system outages that occur in direct-attached storage environments.

The IBM JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card also provides support for AIX®. It replaces the IBM HS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card for connecting JS20 blades to Fibre Channel-attached storage.

Key prerequisites

BladeCenter Server

Planned availability date

August 27, 2004

At a glance

The IBM @server BladeCenter JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card furnishes:

- Single Fibre Channel controller with dual port capable of 2 Gbps link speeds
- SAN boot support, enabling high-density, highly available, flexible, and recoverable systems
- Support for AIX

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- Call the IBM Support Center at 800-IBM-SERV (426-7378) or
- Request technical information via the Personal Computing Division Web site at http://www.ibm.com/pc/support

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IBM eServer® BladeCenter™ J20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card (73P6112)

Technical information

Physical specifications

Approximate height: 112 mm (4.4 in)
Approximate width: 260 mm (10.2 in)
Approximate depth: 29 mm (1.14 in)

Operating environment

Temperature: 10° to 35°C (50° to 95°F)
Relative humidity: 8% to 80% noncondensing

Agency approvals

USA: UL

CAN: CNL (CSA or cUL)

Germany/Europe: CE Mark (Safety, TUV, EN60 950)
Laser Safety: 21 CFR Subchapter J as Class 1 laser

Laser Safety: 21 CFR Subchapter J as Class 1 device / IEC 825-1/EN 60825-1

ENERGY STAR-compliant: No

Hardware requirements: Available adapter slot on the eServer BladeCenter JS20 and a Fibre Channel switch module or Optical Passthru Module in the BladeCenter. The Fibre Channel Expansion Card is supported on the:

System name	Machine type	Model
BladeCenter JS20	8842	21X

Software requirements

- AIX 5L V5.2 with the 5200-04 Recommended Maintenance Package
- Red Hat RHEL V3 Update 3
- SUSE LINUX™ Enterprise Server 8 for pSeries® with Fibre Channel Expansion Card device driver V6.07.02, or later
- Latest JS20 system firmware located at

http://www.ibm.com/pc/support

No support for SUSE LINUX Enterprise Server 9 for pSeries

Compatibility: Some configurations may not be compatible.

Limitations: AIX limitations:

- No direct-attached storage (An intervening Fibre Channel switch is required between the IBM JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion card and attached storage.)
- No support for attaching tape devices

No support for fast fail

No support for dynamic tracking

No support for MPIO

Planning information

Customer setup: Yes

Cable orders required: No

Installation time: Approximately 20 minutes

Packaging: One box containing:

JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card

Installation publication

License agreementPublications CD

Safety flyer

Packaging dimensions/weight: Single box

Height: 130 mm (5.12 in)
Depth: 40 mm (1.57 in)
Width: 275 mm (10.8 in)
Weight: 1.8 kg (4 lb)

Security, auditability, and control

This product uses the security and auditability features of host hardware, software, and application software.

Terms and conditions

Field-installable	Yes
Customer setup	Yes
Warranty period ¹	1 year
Service type	CŘU²
Maintenance agreement	No
Optional upgrade	No
Licensed programs	Yes

Note: Programs included with this product are licensed under the terms and conditions of the License Agreements that are shipped with the feature or option.

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Accessing IBM online services

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	Prices	
Description	Part number	IBM list price ³
JS20 Fibre Channel Expansion Card	73P6112	\$999

³ IBM price; does not include tax or shipping and is subject to change without notice. Reseller prices may vary.

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