

Introduction to system furniture components

The selection of a furniture type or manufacturer should consider all potential work place settings. Most furnishings are offered as families of components. They match individual items to the function that is required while preserving an aesthetic similarity. Analyzing existing inventories is extremely important prior to any selection exercise. In most cases, some aspect of the existing environment can be re-used if costs, schedules and the degree of disruption is acceptable.

The following components are the building blocks for all of the individual settings listed in the Workplace Solutions Library. Combinations and types of products will change for the different work styles. Some tools may be added to support interactivity such as guest seating or shared work surfaces. Similarly other components will be used to facilitate concentrated activities where visual disruption must be minimized. A list is included at the end of this section. Each work style configuration also lists its most likely components.