

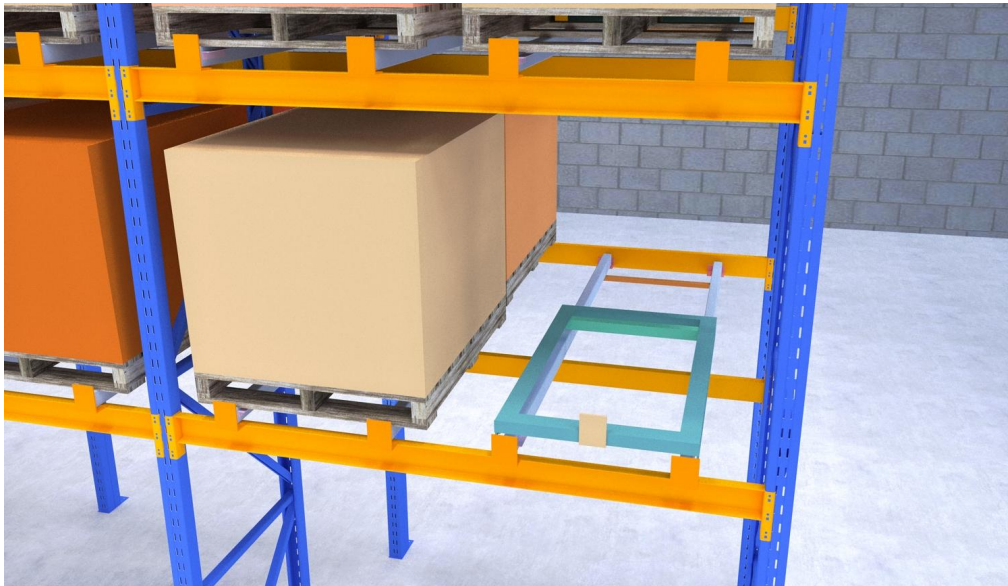
ADVANTAGES OF PUSHBACK RACK CONFIGURATION

Pushback racks carry a number of important advantages that are making them increasingly popular. They increase density from anywhere between 30 - 75% vs. standard selective racking. Pushback racks can be designed to go as much as six pallets deep. This system, then, is ideal for operations where there are at least two or more pallets of the same SKU. This density greatly increases space utilization and cost efficiency when calculating your warehousing overhead.

When the pallet at the pick face is picked, the system uses gravity to automatically bring the next pallet to the pick face, with all the other pallets behind following as well.

It is a reliable system, with proven designs that work consistently well over the years, without maintenance. It is especially recommended for heavy pallets.

It does not require special material handling equipment to service.

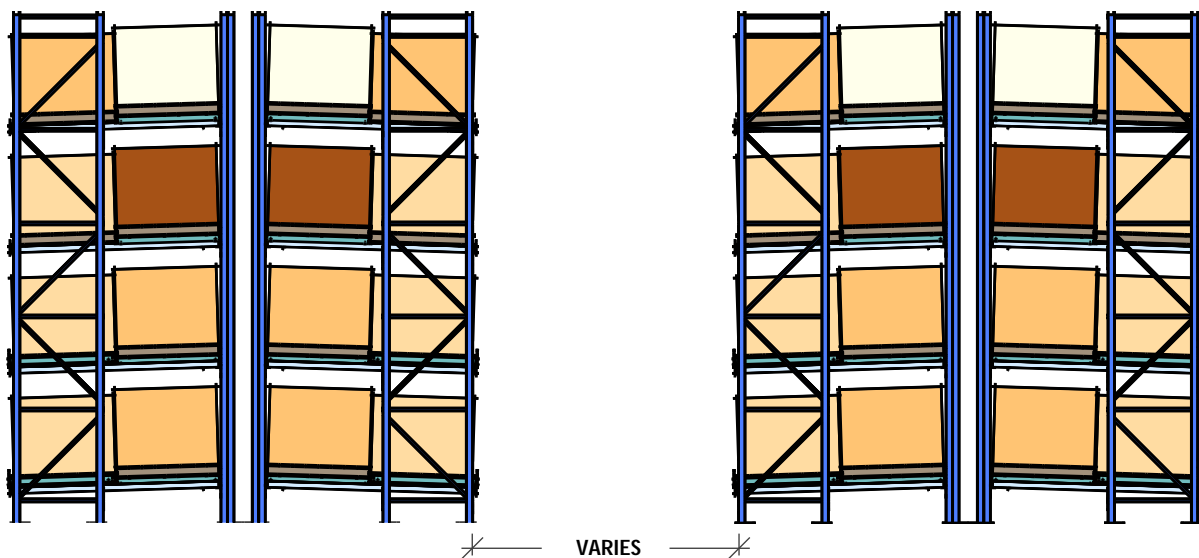


Pushback racks are serviced by stand up "reach" trucks or many different types of three or four wheel "counterbalance" trucks. The aisles can vary from narrow (120") to standard (144 - 156").





STANDARD TWO DEEP PUSHBACK CONFIGURATION



The aisle width for pushback is adapted to the forklift (MHE) being used, therefore can vary from 115" to as wide as 168".

DISADVANTAGES OF PUSHBACK RACK CONFIGURATION

Pushback racks are substantially more expensive than standard selective or double deep racking. The investment required can often be up to four times or more the cost of standard racking.

Pushback racks are not suitable when there are a small number of pallets per SKU. It is most recommended when there are between two and six pallets or more of the same SKU.

Pushback racks will require special components when used in a fridge or freezer application.

It requires a greater degree of skill on the part of the installer to correctly install pushback racks.

Pushback racks are not well suited to applications that require FIFO (first in, first out stock rotation) as they are rather FILO.





MERITON PLANNING SERVICES

Deciding whether VNA is the answer to your space requirement may require the help of expert planning consultants. Meriton draws on many years of experience in storage system planning to help our clients plan their next move, upgrade or reorganization. Our technical service reps are highly qualified for meeting clients in their facility and going over their needs. They bring back the data our planning department needs to do the analysis required in each situation.

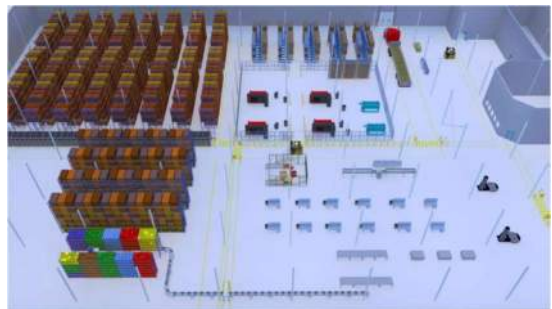
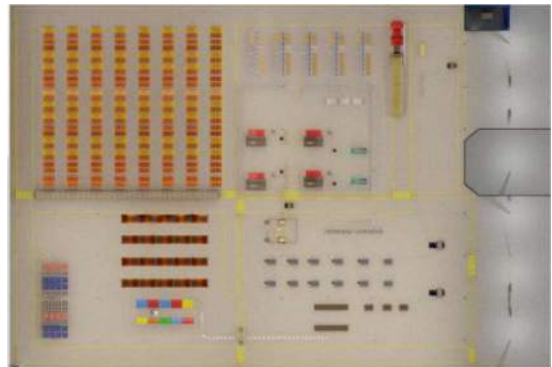
Meeting a Meriton technical rep is the first step in analyzing if the VNA storage system is appropriate for your needs.

YOUR BUILDING, YOUR OPERATION, YOUR GOALS

Meriton will take your building plans, the data behind your storage and material handling needs, and your objectives for growth and operational efficiency. Our storage system experts will do an in-depth study to determine what the best solution, keeping in mind your medium to long term goals.

Our recommendation will give not only the information needed to build your business case, but will also provide a road map to reach the next milestones in your journey.

Look to Meriton as your partner in reaching your strategic growth objectives.



**WHERE OUR NUMBER ONE GOAL IS TO
FIT THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PALLETS
INTO YOUR WAREHOUSE.**