

Flex System FC3171 8 Gb SAN Switch



The complexity and diversity in your data center is rising. You are facing the problem of selecting the correct infrastructure pieces for your company's requirements, and deploying them in the most efficient manner. Trying to create and deploy IT capabilities to keep up with their organization's demands is becoming increasingly difficult. This leads to inefficiencies in time, higher costs and added risk. You need to be able to manage the diverse workloads in your data center today, and be ready run the workloads of tomorrow.

With over \$50B of existing Fibre Channel SAN infrastructure in the market today, new solutions will need the ability to seamlessly integrate into that available wealth of equipment. The Flex System™ FC3171 8 Gb SAN Switch and FC3171 8 Gb SAN Pass Thru provides an integrated, simple connection to existing SAN fabrics and storage. Based on QLogic's proven Fibre Channel expertise, these switch modules set up quickly

and are easy to manage. These high performance integrated switch solutions minimize time and risk, supporting faster access to your data faster and quicker and better business decisions.

The Flex System FC3171 8 Gb SAN Switch is an ideal solution when connecting directly to Fibre Channel-based storage. It is easy to deploy and manage using management appliance or Qlogic tools. The SAN Switch provides the full management, enhanced security and zoning capabilities found with a SAN fabric. Full featured and cost effective, it provides high performance connectivity to your existing SAN environment.

The Flex System FC3171 8 Gb SAN Pass Thru is ideal for clients looking to connect to external SAN switch. The transparent mode reduces management and interoperability complexities.



Flex System FC3171 8 Gb SAN Switch and Pass Thru Features

- Enhanced N_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) capability across 14 ITEs
- Auto-StreamGuard to guarantee streaming data operations
- Call home email notification
- Port Aggregation—combine ports to increase bandwidth
- Automatic fail-over pre-configured for peace of mind

Why Flex System?

The Flex System is designed to provide a high performance, cost-effective LAN and SAN connectivity to the client's existing network. Integrated and optimized for virtualization, this solution provides a simple, risk-free solution to the client's IT requirements. Leveraging QLogic's vast expertise in Fibre Channel networking.

For more information

To learn more about the Flex System FC3171 8 Gb SAN Switch, please contact your Lenovo representative or Business Partner, or visit the following website:
ibm.com/systems/flex/networking/fibrechannel.html

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