

# Buying New Hardware - The Cautious Warning

Do note that this page make come across passive aggressive, but we aim to do this to get the point across. Many time and time again clients completely ignore this information so take note!

We are going to make this crystal clear to all clients before anyone goes we didn't warn them... before ordering hardware, please ask one of the team, especially management, about the specifications and configurations of them.

Do not order a system off your own back as you don't know the implications of ordering them and what they are needing in order to run your network. We know how systems go together and what is needed for them, the right hardware you need and any other features.

There are many reasons behind not ordering straight away, such as:

- You might get stuck in a commitment with a provider like OVH which you cannot remove under any circumstances. Another offer of another server being much more affordable and reasonable for the hardware you are getting will appear sooner or later.
- A host's private internal bandwidth for your extended project. Some systems from said providers don't come with the additional features, like Game systems and Advance systems from OVH. Game doesn't, Advance does.
- Using Hetzner's rescue system instead of installing an OS on the order. During configuration, you can change the RAID settings, hostname and much more on the configuration editor before installing the OS.
- You can even get yourself in a problem where you can't get a refund from the provider due to commitment or other such "offers" which draw you in but "scam" you out in the long run such as special offers where if you actually work out the cost monthly instead of paying 12 months *monthly*, you realize that it's better to do monthly.

We will not repeat this again. **DO NOT** order until you have discussed the appropriate system and hardware for your operations. Don't make the same mistakes others do. Time is money.

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