
Conference Tables

Q1. What size conference table do I need for my room?

A: Use this calculation: subtract 6 feet from both the room's length and width (3 feet of clearance per side), and that gives you the maximum table footprint. For a 12'x16' room, the maximum table is approximately 6'x10' (72"x120"). Then plan seating using 24" to 30" of table edge per person. A 10-foot table comfortably seats 10 people. Remember to account for the table legs/base, which can affect the usable edge at the ends of rectangular tables.

Q2. How wide should a conference table be?

A: Standard conference table width is 42" to 54", with 48" being the most common. At 42", across-table conversation feels natural and documents or laptops can reach center-table without awkward stretching. At 54" and beyond, the table starts to feel like a formal boardroom — appropriate in some contexts but less so for casual working meetings. Boat-shaped tables are often slightly wider at the center (up to 54") and narrower at the ends (36" to 40").

Q3. Do conference tables come with chairs included?

A: Most conference tables are sold without chairs — table and chair pricing are separate. Some retailers offer bundle pricing for coordinated table-and-chair sets, which can simplify purchasing and ensure the pieces match in height and style. When buying separately, confirm that your chairs' seat height works with your table height — standard is 30" table / 18" to 19" seat height. We can help price both in a single order.

Q4. Can I add power outlets to an existing conference table?

A: Yes — surface-mount and grommet-mounted power modules can be added to most existing conference tables. Grommet-mounted units require cutting a hole (typically 2" to 3" in diameter) in the table surface; surface-mount units clamp or screw to the edge without cutting. Quality aftermarket power modules include 2 to 4 outlets and USB ports and cost \$40 to \$150 depending on features. For a table without existing grommets, surface-mount units are the cleanest no-cut solution.

Q5. What is a modular conference table and do I need one?

A: A modular conference table is composed of two or more sections that connect to form the full table. Benefits: individual sections can be moved through standard doorways (major advantage for upper floors or narrow hallways), the configuration can be adjusted or expanded, and sections can be separated for multi-use room configurations. Trade-offs: seams between sections are visible, assembly requires connection hardware, and the full table is slightly less rigid than a single-piece top. If your room is hard to access or may need reconfiguration, modular is worth the trade-off.

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