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Here's the deal — a computer desk isn't just any desk with a computer on it. It's a workstation specifically built for computer use, and the differences are real. We're talking about a desk with enough depth (at least 24 inches) so your monitor isn't shoved in your face, grommets built into the surface to tame cable chaos, and a keyboard tray setup so your wrists aren't at a bad angle all day. Good news: computer desks come in all sizes and styles — from compact 48-inch straight desks for small bedrooms to big L-shaped setups for serious home offices. At [FindOfficeFurniture.com](https://www.findofficefurniture.com), we've got the whole range. Give us a call at 888-719-4960 if you want help narrowing it down.

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Good question — the bottom line is that "office desk" is a big umbrella. It covers everything from executive desks to reception counters. A computer desk is a specific kind of office desk that's built for one thing: working at a computer for hours at a time. That means it has the right depth (at least 24 inches) so your monitor isn't cramping your eyes, grommets to run cables through the surface, and provisions for a keyboard tray so your wrists are in the right position. A lot of general office desks look great but weren't designed with computer ergonomics in mind — they may be too shallow, lack grommets, or have no keyboard tray option. If you're at a screen most of the day, go specific. [FindOfficeFurniture.com](https://www.findofficefurniture.com) at 888-719-4960 can walk you through exactly what to look for.

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Here's a simple way to think about it: a writing desk is for writing; a computer desk is for computing — and those are two different activities with different requirements. Writing desks are typically shallow (18–24 inches deep), clean-surfaced, and minimal — great for a journal, a sketchpad, or a laptop you just want to set down. Computer desks are deeper (minimum 24 inches, ideally 27–30 inches), have grommets for cable routing, often have a keyboard tray, and are built to hold monitors, towers, and gear without wobbling. If you try to use a writing desk as a full computer workstation, your monitor will be too close, your cables will be a mess, and you'll probably develop neck or wrist issues. Skip the compromise — [FindOfficeFurniture.com](https://www.findofficefurniture.com) has computer desks starting at practical price points. Call 888-719-4960.

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What size computer desk do I need?

The answer depends on what you're putting on it, and what your room can fit. Here's a quick sizing guide: single monitor (up to 27") — go with a 48-inch desk and at least 24 inches of depth. Dual monitors — you want 60 inches wide and at least 27 inches of depth. Three screens or an ultrawide? Think 72 inches wide and 28–30 inches deep. Don't forget the room side of this: you need 36–48 inches behind the desk for your chair to roll back comfortably, and clear walking space on the sides. Good news — most people find that going one size up from their first instinct is the right call. Bigger desks don't feel too big; too-small desks feel cramped every single day. Call us at 888-719-4960 and we'll size it up with you.

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What depth computer desk do I need for dual monitors?

For dual monitors, don't go shallower than 27 inches — and honestly, 28–30 inches is the sweet spot. Here's why it matters: two monitors on standard stands sit 6–8 inches back from the rear edge. On a 24-inch desk, that puts the screens only 16–18 inches from your face — closer than the recommended 20–26 inches. Your eyes will feel it after a few hours. On a 28–30-inch desk, the screens land right in the comfortable zone. The good news is that most desks in the 60-inch-wide range (which you need for two monitors anyway) also tend to come in 27–30-inch depths, so the sizing usually works together. Questions? [FindOfficeFurniture.com](https://www.findofficefurniture.com) at 888-719-4960.

Q6 What is a keyboard tray and do I need one?

A keyboard tray is a pull-out platform mounted under your desk that puts your keyboard lower than the desk surface — and here's the deal, that lower position is where your keyboard actually belongs. Standard desks are 29–30 inches tall, which was designed for writing with a pen. Typing at that height means most people end up with their shoulders raised or wrists cocked up — and that leads to strain over time. A keyboard tray drops the surface to roughly 26–28 inches, which is where your elbows naturally want to be when typing. Do you need one? If your desk doesn't have one and you're typing for hours a day, yes, it's worth it. Many computer desks come with one included, and others have an accessory tray option. Ask us at 888-719-4960.

Q7 What is the best computer desk for a small room?

Small room, no problem — you just have to be smart about it. The best bet for tight spaces is either a compact straight desk in the 48–55 inch range or a corner desk that nestles into a room corner and uses space that would otherwise be wasted. A few things not to compromise on, even in small rooms: keep the depth at 24 inches minimum (you need that for monitor distance), and make sure whatever you pick has cable management built in so you're not fighting cord chaos in a space where there's no room to hide it. Corner desks are a great value for small rooms — same surface area as a bigger straight desk, half the wall space required. Browse our small-space options at FindOfficeFurniture.com or call 888-719-4960.

Q8 How much weight can a computer desk hold?

Here's the bottom line on weight capacity: most standard computer desks hold 100–150 lbs, which is fine for a typical single-monitor setup. If you're running two monitors, a desktop tower, and speakers, you want to be in the 150–200 lb range. For serious gaming setups with multiple large monitors and a full tower, look for 200–300 lbs or more. The practical way to do this: add up your equipment weights (most monitors are 15–25 lbs each, a desktop tower is 15–50 lbs), and then pick a desk that's rated at least 20% above that total. Also worth noting — how the weight is spread matters. A heavy monitor arm clamped to one edge puts more stress on that point than the overall weight rating implies. Questions on a specific setup? Call 888-719-4960.

Q9 What cable management options are available on computer desks?

Good news — computer desks have come a long way on cable management. Here's what to look for: grommets in the desk surface (round holes with plastic liners, usually 2–3 inches wide) that let you drop cables from the top to the back of the desk; a cable tray or basket underneath that catches the bundle and routes it neatly to a power strip; and ideally, a way to mount the power strip to the underside of the desk so the only cord hitting the floor is one. Some desks have all of this built in. Others have grommets but no tray, so you'd add the tray as an accessory. At minimum, don't buy a computer desk without at least one grommet — managing cables over the edge of a grommet-free desk is a daily annoyance. See the options at FindOfficeFurniture.com or call 888-719-4960.

Q10 Can I use a computer desk for standing, and what should I look for?

Absolutely — and honestly, if you're at a computer for 6–8 hours a day, a sit-stand desk is one of the better investments you can make. Electric height-adjustable desks go from seated height (around 28–30 inches) to standing height (around 45–48 inches) with the push of a button. What to look for: make sure the height range actually covers your body's needs at both positions (very tall or short people need to check this), confirm the motor weight rating handles your monitors and tower, and look for cable management that moves with the desk — some cheap sit-stand desks don't account for how cables behave when the

surface rises and falls. The bottom line: you don't have to stand all day for this to be worth it. Even alternating 30 minutes seated and 30 minutes standing makes a real difference. Call 888-719-4960.

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