

Clean Up Your Act!

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As summer vacations end and America collectively gets back to business, it's time for working professionals to consider how they can maximize career success throughout the upcoming year. Far too many well-intentioned business people work in cramped and cluttered conditions, which can actually undermine one's ability to be efficient and effective on the job. For many, order and organization are keys to eliminating visual distractions - and enhancing productivity - in a workspace.

With this in mind, here are a few suggestions for a clutter-free workspace:

CORDLESS KEYBOARD AND MOUSE

A great way to eliminate frustrating and unsightly cable clutter from your work space is to toss out that standard keyboard

and mouse, and replace them with the sleek and cordless LX 300 Desktop set from Logitech. This high-tech duo has been ergonomically designed with the user's comfort and sanity in mind. Logitech's wireless keyboard makes typing an effortless task, and their optical mouse ensures that you'll never have to deal with a misbehaving navigation ball again!

VELCRO® WRAPS

Keep a few Velcro® ONE-WRAP® cable wraps handy for a quick organizational fix that will hold it all together and not just cords and wires. Sure, they're fantastic for keeping the computer cables neatly bundled, but these adjustable, reusable ties, which come in a range of fun colors, are also perfect for cinching together pens, dry erase markers and other small objects that tend to clutter a desk.



ANIMAL CLIPS™

Make your workspace a fun place with Animal Clips that not only make the space more friendly and inviting, but also hold everything from computer cords to pencils. From dogs and elephants to monkeys and hippos, there is an entire zoo worth of cute and quirky creatures to choose from with 30 different designs, you're sure to find one that makes you smile.

LABEL PRINTERS

Wonder no more exactly who owns what tape dispenser, calcula-





tor or box of pens, There's nothing like a label printer to clear up the confusion! Convenient, easy-to-use handheld labelers like the Brother P-Touch® PT-80 and the best-selling DYMO® RhinoPRO 5000 make it snap to print durable, professional looking labels for identifying everything from files to lunchboxes!

CORD CONTROLLERS

For just a few dollars, that wire octopus behind the computer can be easily gathered and shielded with split wire loom

flexible and durable polyethylene corrugated tube with a split down the side where you enter your multi-cable bundle. If you have to add another wire later on, you can easily slip it into the split wire loom along with the others without removing the entire bundle.

CABLE/DEVICE MANAGERS

Readily lift these items off the floor and put them safely out of harm's way with cable management products such as the Cable-Safe™ Complete Cable Manager - an extremely effective and inexpensive way to loop, tie and hang cabling, wiring and other items such as power adapters, power strips, hubs, modems and other small devices off the floor. It not only removes the clutter from the floor and desktop, it also reduces hazards from snags, trips or liquid spills.

SURGE PROTECTORS

Keep those computers, printers and routers powered and protect them from power surges at the same time. One product for doing just that is the PowerSquid™ Computer/Telephone Surge Protector. This power supply/surge suppressor combo features a creative and super-functional design that works great in dorm rooms and other tight spaces. The computer/telephone PowerSquid easily accommodates bulky adapters, and even includes telephone/DSL line protection.



Exceptional optical performance comes naturally.

Nothing is more treasured in field termination than exceptional optical performance. The secret to UniCam® Pretium™-Performance Connectors is inside - a laser-cleaved, factory-polished fiber stub that ensures outstanding connectivity in a no-epoxy/ no-polish (NENP) connector. UniCam Pretium-Performance Multimode Connectors offer 0.1 dB insertion loss. And UniCam Pretium-Performance Single-Mode Connectors enable 0.2 dB insertion loss. That's exceptional optical performance in less than a minute per fiber, from the most widely deployed NENP connector on the market. Customer-focused innovation is second nature at Corning. www.corning.com/cablesystems/cbls



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WIRELESS ROUTERS

These days, it is almost impossible to complete projects for work without going online. Find out how fast and convenient home Internet use can be with a Linksys Wireless-G Network Router with SpeedBooster. This little wonder supports 2.4 GHz at 54 Mb/s, transmits at a 100-150 foot range, and allows for signal wall penetration, so you can stay connected anywhere in the house. If you or your kids never study without a laptop, find out how incredible it is to move your notebook computer from the desk to the couch to the kitchen table, all without having to drag network cables around!

HOOKS & HANGERS

3M Innovation™ Cord Clips are a perfect, non-permanent solution to

help organize a workspace. With a variety of colors to choose from, you can even color-code the space for multiple users. ■

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