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## CableOrganizer.com Reveals the 10 Commandments of Cable Management

*Ten simple cable management “dos” and “don’ts” for home and office cords that are safe, organized, and easy to identify.*

**Fort Lauderdale, FL, July 7, 2011** – Give a cable an inch, and it’ll take a mile. Like people, cables and wires tend to run wild and get into some messy situations if they’re not subject to a few rules and regulations every now and then. It’s time to lay down the law with a little cable management.

“Cable management lets you decide how your power cords and computer cables are going to ‘behave,’” notes Christina Hansen, a Product Specialist with CableOrganizer.com. “When you manage cables, you get to decide how they’re arranged, how visible you want them to be, and how easy they’ll be to access. But while you’re the one in control, it’s still best to follow a few basic cable management guidelines to make sure that your wire organizing project is safe, goes smoothly, and gives you the end result you’re looking for.”

CableOrganizer.com gets you prepared to tackle your cable organizing project with the 10 Commandments of Cable Management:

### **I. Thou Shalt Always Measure First**

Every home and office is different from the next, so be sure to measure carefully before each cable management project you undertake. Proper measurement saves time and frustration by ensuring that you’ll have plenty surface raceway (<http://cableorganizer.com/cable-raceway/>) or wire loom (<http://cableorganizer.com/wire-loom/colored-loom.html>) on hand to protect each cable run, so you won’t need to halt mid-project to wait for more to arrive.

### **II. Thou Shalt Never Exceed Fill Capacity**

Never overstuff cable trays or wire duct (<http://cableorganizer.com/surface-raceways/>) with cables. By exceeding fill capacity, you run the risk of crush-related attenuation, insulation damage, crosstalk, and even overheating and fire. While professional installers should consult TIA/EIA, NEC and/or manufacturers’ guidelines for product-specific fill capacity specs, you don’t need to be as exacting if you’re simply harnessing home theater or workstation cords with split wire loom or braided sleeving (<http://cableorganizer.com/black-colored-pet/>). Just gather your cables together, measure the diameter of the bundle, and select a product whose diameter is slightly greater than that.

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### **III. Thou Shalt Keep Cords Away from Children and Pets**

Kids and cables are best kept apart, and pets and cords just don't mix. For parents and pet owners, cable management means lifting cords up and out of reach to prevent electrocution and strangulation hazards. Self-stick cord clips (<http://cableorganizer.com/adhesive-cord-clip/>) are a cheap and effective solution for routing loose cables up and around doorframes or affixing them to furniture, and the Cable Turtle (<http://cableorganizer.com/cable-turtle/>) lets you coil up extra-long window treatment cords until they're safely out of grabbing range.

### **IV. Thou Shalt Not Over-Tighten Cable Ties**

Cable ties are cheap, effective and easy to use, but when over-tightened, they can damage cable insulation and inhibit proper signal transmission. Prevent yourself from going overboard with Mille-Ties (<http://cableorganizer.com/mille-tie/>), a unique, ultra-flexible breed of cable ties which automatically stop themselves from ratcheting tighter once they've reached their ideal tension. Cable tie tensioning and cutoff tools (<http://cableorganizer.com/cable-tie-guns/>) can also be a big help; they quickly tighten standard cable ties to a safe tension, and then automatically trim off the ends.

### **V. Thou Shalt Eliminate Tripping Hazards**

Floor-level cables have a real knack for snagging the feet of unsuspecting pedestrians. Nix the risk of trip-and-fall accidents with cord covers, which can be found in styles that work for any setting. Flexible floor cord covers (<http://cableorganizer.com/cord-covers/standard-cord-protectors.html>) are perfect for covering cables in low-traffic areas, while Rubber Ducts (<http://cableorganizer.com/rubber-ducts/>) offer traction and protection in situations with moderate-volume pedestrian traffic. Wish you could make your cords cling to carpet? SafCord Cord Covers (<http://cableorganizer.com/safcord/>) secure cables to loop-style, commercial and Berber carpets without messy adhesive, and offer the ultimate in low-profile safety.

### **VI. Thou Shalt Not Exceed the Bend Radius**

"Bend radius" is the degree to which a cable can bend before it begins to lose signal. When managing copper and fiber optic network cables, one of the most important factors is to ensure that a safe bend radius is maintained, so that the network can perform at the highest level possible. Products like the Neat Patch (<http://cableorganizer.com/neat-patch/>) horizontally mount onto the rear of server racks to route patch cables and manage excess length, all while maintaining a healthy bend radius.

### **VII. Thou Shalt Prevent Gadgets from Cluttering Surfaces While They Charge**

Cell phones, iPods, PDAs and portable video games have a way of taking over kitchen counters, dresser tops and tables when charging time rolls around. Reclaim the space that's rightfully yours with a gadget- and wire-corralling charging station (<http://cableorganizer.com/charging-station/>) that will give your cell phone, iPod<sup>™</sup> and other devices a designated place to chill while they repower, as well as conceal charger cords.

### **VIII. Thou Shalt Not Settle for Tangled Earbud Cords**

You'd think that a compact little MP3 player would make for a nice, tidy way to take your music with you, but "tidy" goes right out the window as soon as loose earbud cords start tying themselves in knots. Enter the earPod (<http://cableorganizer.com/ear-pod/>), an equally compact plastic case that lets you wind cords around the outside and store earpieces in the protected inner chamber. Whether you toss it into your purse, briefcase, backpack or pocket, your earbuds will re-emerge neat and organized every time.

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## **IX. Thou Shalt Label**

From networks to home theaters, cable organization just isn't complete if cables aren't properly labeled. Labeling helps to isolate cables for less-frustrating troubleshooting and maintenance, and takes the confusion out of reconnecting cables to the proper ports. To get the job done, you'll need a label printer (<http://cableorganizer.com/label-printer/>). Depending on your needs, choose a light-duty model for labeling cords around the house, or a professional-grade unit that can tackle hundreds of network patch cords without breaking a sweat.

## **X. Thou Shalt Use Grommets to Protect Cable Pass-Throughs**

Sometimes the easiest way to get cables where they have to go is to cut access holes in a desktop, cabinet, or server enclosure to run them through. Whether the holes are made in wood, plastic or metal, the edges are oftentimes rough, and can pose an abrasion threat to cable insulation. Grommets (<http://cableorganizer.com/grommets/>) pop into pass-through openings to neatly buffer the edges, create a gentler path for cables, and leave your desk or cabinet with a clean and polished appearance.

CableOrganizer.com offers thousands of cable management products and supplies for home, office, commercial and industrial applications, all of which can be found at <http://cableorganizer.com/>.

## **About CableOrganizer.com**

Founded in February 2002 and headquartered in Fort Lauderdale, FL, CableOrganizer.com is a premier cable and wire management-related product vendor. The company provides companies, organizations and individuals around the globe with 24/7/365 access to an extensive array of high-quality products and information resources through its convenient online storefront. In addition to <http://CableOrganizer.com>, the company also owns and operates <http://CableOrganizer.fr>, which is operated out of Rennes, France. CableOrganizer.com also publishes "On the Wire," a free monthly electronic newsletter with a considerable multi-national opt-in circulation base. Among other honors, CableOrganizer.com is continually named among *Inc. Magazine's* Inc. 500 and 5,000 and *Internet Retailer* magazine's "Top 500." CableOrganizer.com also ranked on DiversityBusiness.com's list of "Top 500 Women Owned Businesses in the U.S." and was named among the *South Florida Business Journal's* "Best Places to Work."

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