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Subject: Re: Ethernet Hubs

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Caveman wrote on Sat, 18 December 2010 10:22As far as you're concerned switches and hubs are the same thing. Switches are a more adv. version so if you can find one of those use that, if not a hub will work just fine.

By the way you need to make sure the hub/switch you install has its own IP.

A very quick google search led me to a few sites that explained everything you need to know.

Edit:

Unless you're moving large files from one computer to another then any 10/100 mbit hub will work. No point on having a 1gigabit hub for internet if your connection is only 10mb.

Hubs are barely sold anymore, which really is a good thing. They are incredibly bad for the network connection, in the sense that it can easily get congested.

Switches or hubs don't need an IP address, they are < level 2 of the OSI model, thus don't work with the IP layer. They do have a mac address, but this is pretty much guaranteed to be different (unless some manufacturer makes a huge fuckup like nvidia once did).

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