

# TERMINOLOGY

## Adjustable Beam Pallet Racking

A system of upright frames connected by horizontal beams to provide pallet storage levels, which can be adjusted vertically.

**1**

**Bay**

A Module between upright frames

**2**

**Run**

A series of bays connected lengthways

**3**

**Single Sided Run**

Single depth of rack, usually accessible on one side only

**4**

**Double Sided Run**

Two runs built back to back

**5**

**Levels**

Number of storage levels in height

**6**

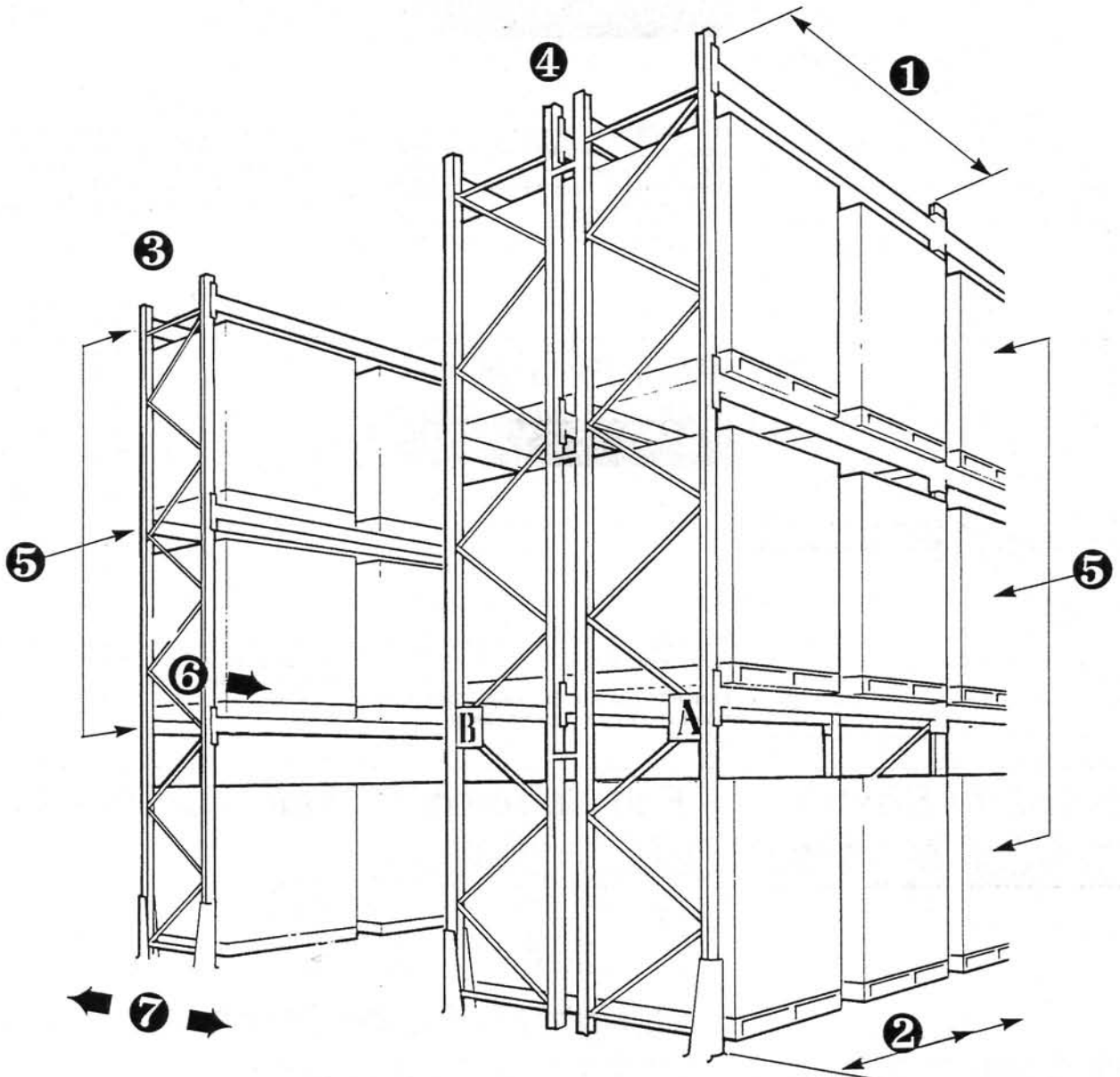
**Aisle**

Space giving access to picking or loading faces

**7**

**Gangway**

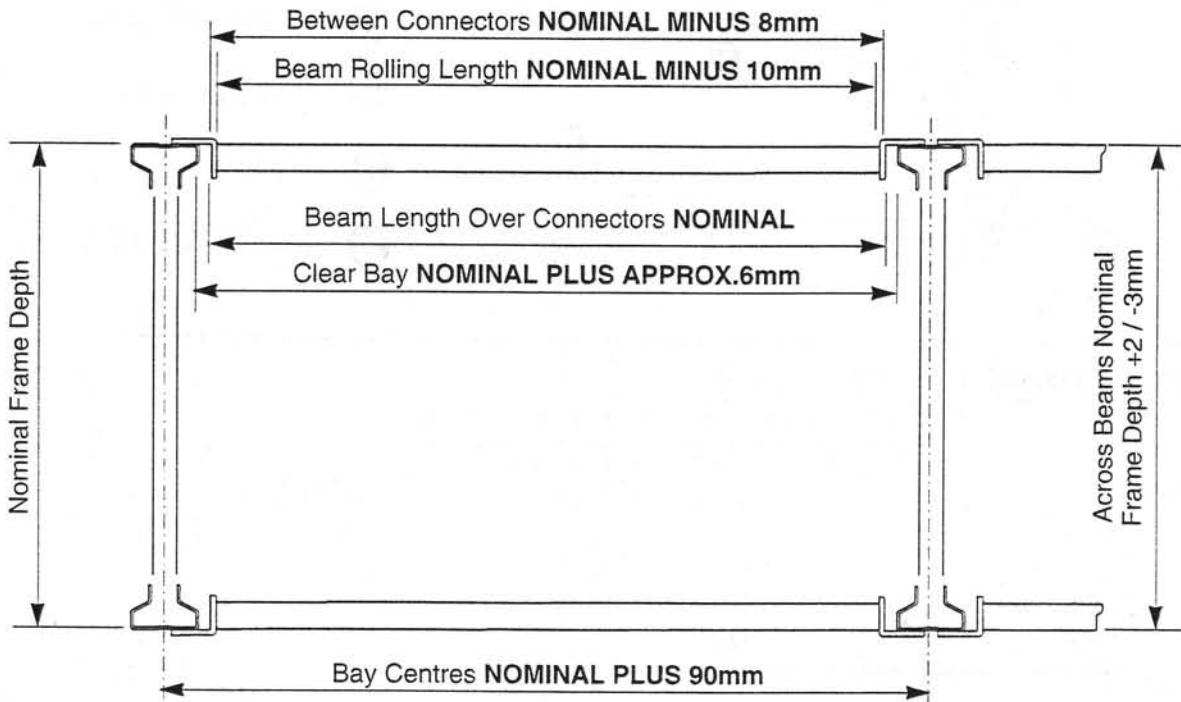
Space for movement of transport but not giving access to picking or loading faces



# OVERALL DIMENSIONS

It is essential to specify the dimensions shown below correctly in order to prevent design errors.

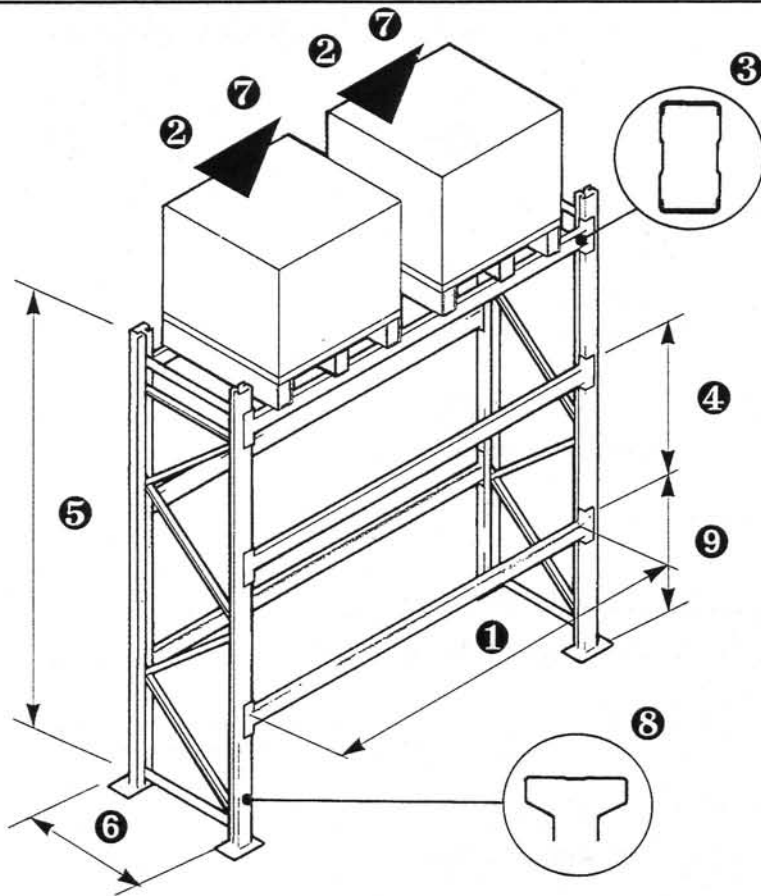
## Plan View of Bay



**Note :**

Beam length over connectors Nominal	=	Dimensions shown in price list and Loading Tables
Nominal Frame Depth	=	Dimensions shown in price list and Loading Tables
Tolerance on beams	+ -	0mm 2mm
Tolerance on frame (depths)	+ -	2mm 2mm

# DESIGN ELEMENTS

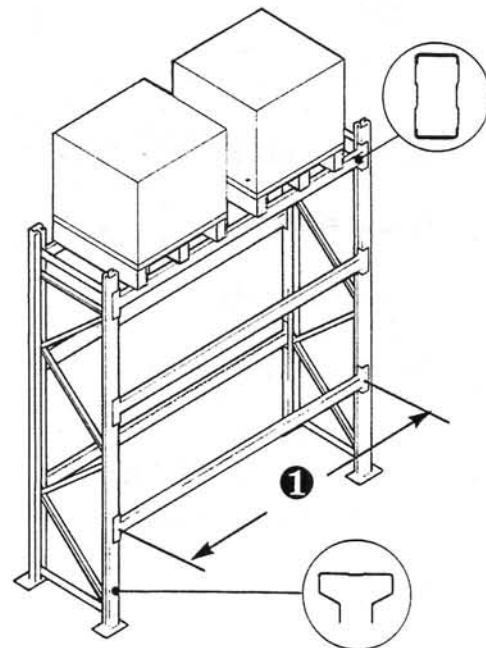
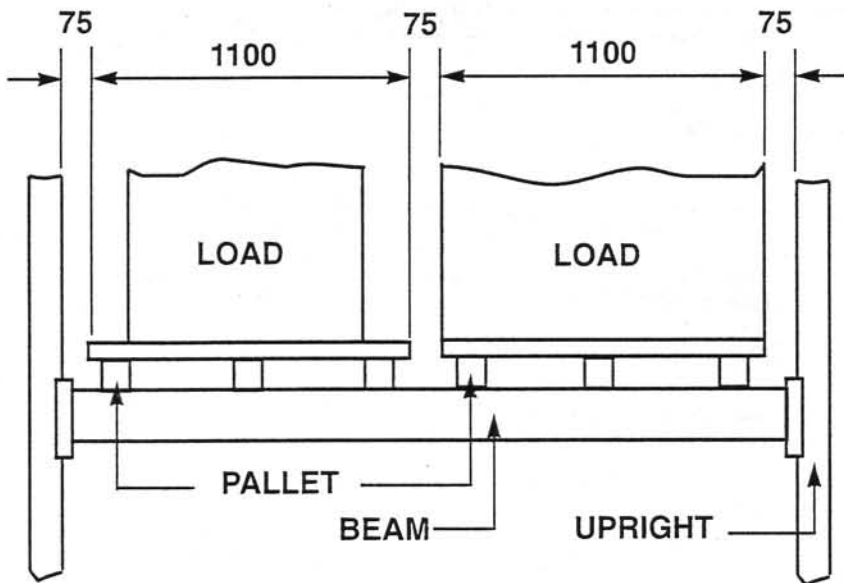


## DESIGN ELEMENTS

- ① Beam Length
- ② Load on beam
- ③ Beam Type
- ④ Beam Pitch
- ⑤ Height of Frame
- ⑥ Depth of Frame
- ⑦ Load on Frame
- ⑧ Frame Type
- ⑨ First Beam Level

### ① Beam Length

Beam length is calculated from the size of pallets or load (whichever is greater) with the addition of a 75mm minimum working clearance. Refer to SEMA "Recommended Practice for the use of static racking" for clearances see example below.



#### Worked Example

$$75\text{mm} + 1100\text{mm} + 75\text{mm} + 1100\text{mm} + 75\text{mm} = 2425\text{mm}$$

## 2 Load on Beam

Load on beam is calculated from the total weight of load and pallets.

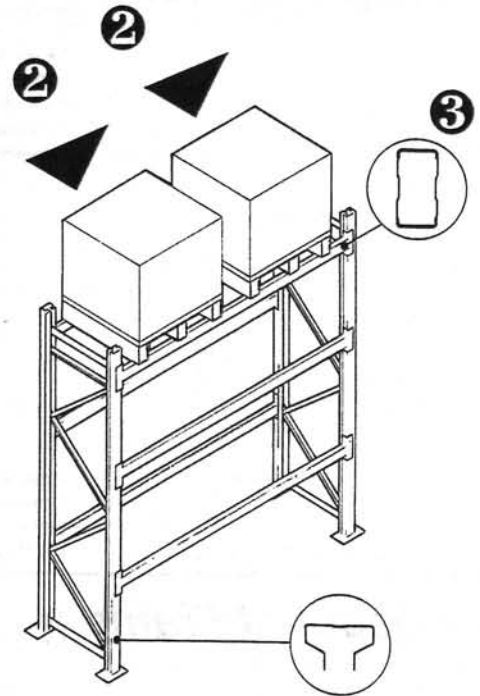
## 3 Beam Type

Beam type is dependant on load and span. Using this information a beam can be selected from the tables on page 13.

### Note on Point Loads

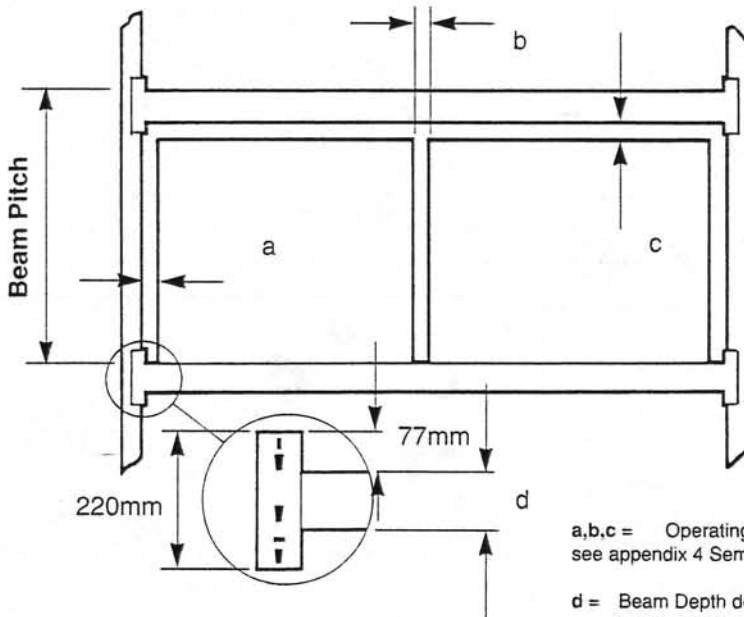
Point Loads in excess of five can be considered uniformly distributed.  
(Pallets are usually assumed to impose a Uniformly Distributed Load.)

For point loads of less than six always add one extra point load to represent the approximate equivalent uniformly distributed load when calculating total beam load.



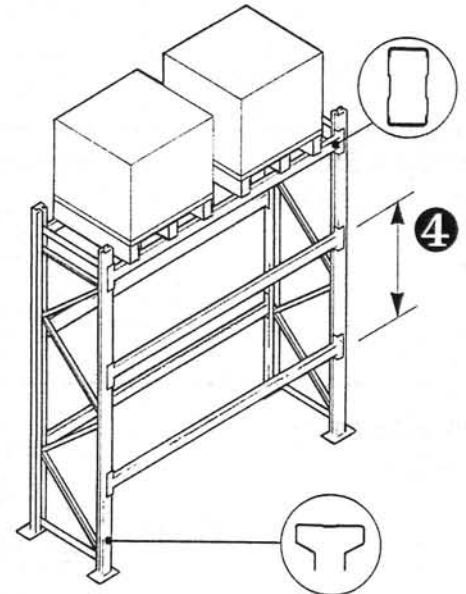
## 4 Beam Pitch

Beam pitch is always in increments of 75mm.  
(Beams can be welded in 5mm increments from standard position)



a,b,c = Operating Clearance  
see appendix 4 Sema codes.

d = Beam Depth depends on the total load of pallet/pallets, see loading tables for correct beam specification.



**Recommended minimum Operating Clearance for beams.**

Beam height	Clearance
0m – 3m	= 75mm*
3m – 6m	= 100mm
6m – 9m	= 125mm
9m – 12m	= 150mm

**Note:** Beam Height = Height from floor to top of beam.

\* Minimum Clearance may be considered when truck as rising cab

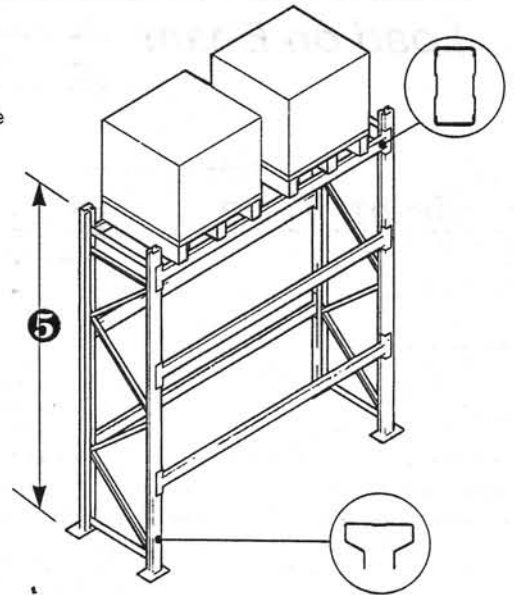
# DESIGN ELEMENTS

## 5 Height of Frame

The height of the frame is dependent on the beam pitch x number of levels.

Frame height must be an increment of 150mm. A minimum allowance of 75mm must be allowed above top beam level, if necessary rounding up to a standard available height.

**Note:** Where future height extension to racks is possible or planned, master frames should be specified. i.e. 1650, 2250, 2850. etc.



## 6 Depth of Frame

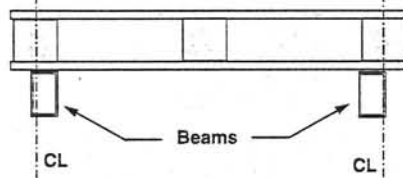
The frame depth is dictated by the type and size of pallet being used.

The standard practice for commonly used pallets is shown below.

### Four Way Entry

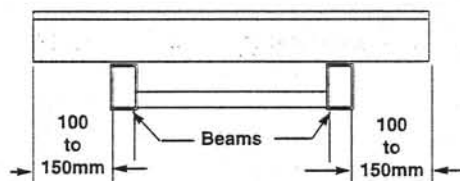
As close as possible to centre line of end pallet blocks.

**Note:** Beams must never be positioned under unsupported perimeter base board



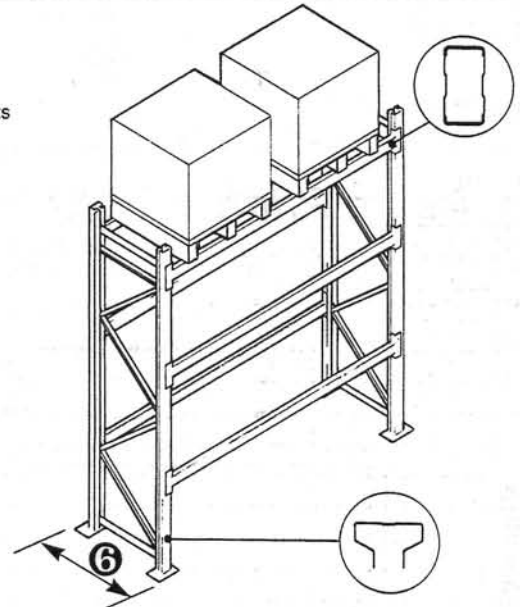
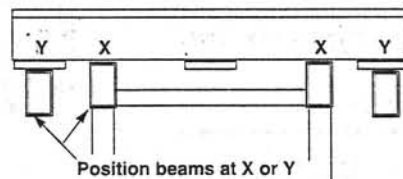
### Two Way Entry (Non reversible)

( Non reversible)



### Two Way Entry (Standard)

(Standard)



## 7 Load on Frame

The load on the frames is equal to the total load carried in the bay.

## 8 Frame Type

The frame type is dependant on the total load and beam pitch. Using this information a suitable frame can be selected from the loading tables

