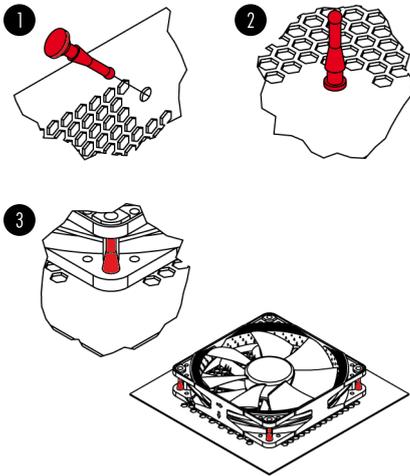


## Installation

If you replace an existing 40mm fan with the NF-A4x10 in devices such as storage or network solutions, it is usually best to use the screws (or other mounting mechanism) used for the original fan.

When installing the NF-A4x10 as a case fan, you can either use the supplied mounting screws or silicone anti-vibration mounts. In order to install the fan using the silicone mounts, please first pull the silicone mounts through the mounting holes of the case. Then put the fan onto the silicone mounts and pull them through the mounting holes of the fan:



## Cleaning and Maintenance

Fans inside computer cases tend to accumulate dust over longer periods of usage. In order to maintain maximum performance, please clean your fans regularly using a duster, slightly moist tissue or canned air. Please be careful not to use too much force in order to prevent any damage to the fan. Please don't use a vacuum cleaner as this may apply excessive force to the fan. In order to ensure flawless operation over many years of usage, the NF-A4x10's premium grade SSO2 bearing is fully sealed to prevent the entering of fine dust particles. Please note that the fan is not designed to be taken apart by the user. Removing the impeller from the frame will break the sealing of the bearing and results in a loss of warranty.

## Connection

The NF-A4x10 features a standard 3-pin fan connector. However, please note that the fan can also be connected to 4-pin mainboard fan headers. If you would like to connect the fan to a 2-pin fan header, please use the supplied 3-2-pin adaptor (NA-AC2). Please note that there are different types of 2-pin connectors, so it is possible that the supplied adaptor doesn't fit. In this case, please use the supplied OmniJoin adaptor set as described below. Note that the NF-A4x10 features an integrated polarity protection so there's no risk of damaging the fan due to reversed polarity. However, the fan will not work when it is connected the wrong way around, so please make sure that it is connected correctly when using 2-pin connections.

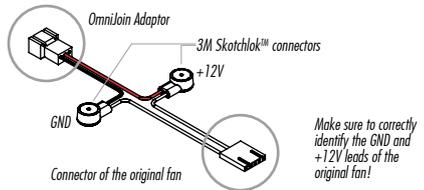
The NF-A4x10 features a short 20cm primary cable in order to help you minimise cable clutter in typical applications. If you need a longer cable, please add the supplied 30cm extension (NA-EC2).

The NF-A4x10 comes with a Low-Noise Adaptor (NA-RC10) that allows you to reduce the fan speed from 4500 to 3700rpm in order to achieve even quieter operation.

## Using the OmniJoin adaptor set

The supplied OmniJoin adaptor set allows you to easily connect the NF-A4x10 to proprietary fan headers if you want to replace a 40mm fan in devices such as network or storage solutions.

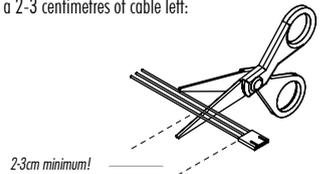
Please first identify the individual leads of the OmniJoin adaptor and the original fan. The OmniJoin adaptor uses black for ground (GND) and red for +12V. The black lead of the adaptor has to be matched with the original GND lead and the red adaptor cable with the original +12V lead. Many fan cables use the same colours as the OmniJoin adaptor, but please note that there is no guarantee for this, so make sure to correctly identify the GND and +12V leads of the original fan. Please refer to the manual that came with the device or contact the device manufacturer if in doubt.



After you've identified the individual leads, please proceed with the following steps to install the OmniJoin adaptor:

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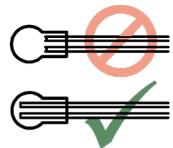
Cut off the connector of the fan that was originally used in the device. Make sure not to cut the cable directly at the connector, there should be least a 2-3 centimetres of cable left:



Note that it is not necessary to remove the insulation from the cables.

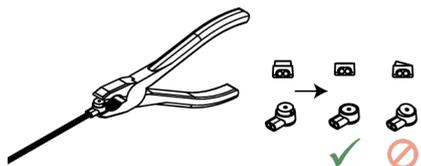
### Step 2

Then take one of the supplied 3M Skotchlok™ connectors and insert the GND lead of the original cable and the black lead of the OmniJoin adaptor into the two holes of the Skotchlok™ connector. Make sure that both leads are fully inserted and pushed all the way back.



### Step 3

Then use flat nose pliers to push down the white button of the Skotchlok™ connector. Make sure that the button is not jammed and pushed all the way down. If the button is jammed, push it down from both sides of the Skotchlok™ connector using the flat nose pliers.



Repeat Step 2 and 3 for the +12V lead.

After you've fixed the original fan's cable to the OmniJoin adaptor using the Skotchlok™ connectors, simply connect the NF-A4x10 to the adaptor in order to use it in your device.



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