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**Remote Multideck Refrigeration:** the motor is 'remote' to the case. The motor 'condensing unit' is mounted outside on a wall or floor connected to the case by refrigerant pipe-works.

**Plug-in or 'Integral' Multideck Refrigeration:** means that the motor is built-in (usually located under the base shelf) and there are no other outside parts (except for electric supply).

**Pros and Cons of Remote multideck v's Plug-In Multidecks:**

**Cost:** Remote cabinets typically cost a lot more to buy than a plug-in unit as (when done properly) they require professional installation.

**Heat:** Remote units remove heat emissions and expel them outside. Plug-in units emit heat within the shop. *Exceptions: Heat from plug-in units can be welcome during cold seasons.*

**Noise:** Remote units produce lower noise levels indoors, plug-in unit noise will be within the shop. *Exceptions: Noise from remote units outside can lead to complaints from neighbors. In such instances an EHO officer can order a retailer to remove the unit, if a complaint is upheld.*

**Planning approval** may be required for outdoor remote units which can be expensive and time consuming. When in doubt always obtain planning permission before choosing a remote unit.

**Energy:** Remote units typically use less energy than plug-in fridges. *Exception: Poorly installed remote units can be very costly to run. Also see REGAL Integral Low-Front and ECA approved.*

**Reliability:** Life-cycle are typically longer with remote units compared to plug-in units, however well maintained plug-in multidecks can be very reliable. Always read suppliers maintenance guides and ensure units are maintained properly.

**Display:** Remote models usually have larger display area. *Exception: Low-front plug-in units have been developed by some manufacturers which have the same display area as remote cabinets. See Fridgeland REGAL Multideck Range*

**General:**

Buy a warranty based on its conditions NOT its length. Extended warranties can have lots of exclusions be tied to expensive service contracts. Often a good 12-month warranty without such clauses can be better.

Avoid buying placing a plug-in multideck in an unsuitable location: Where the unit cannot ventilate properly (front, and top). Most multidecks will not work in conditions exceeding 25 Deg C / 60% relative humidity. Do not place in direct sunlight and/or draughts.

Ensure you have manufacturers guidelines concerning maintenance. Failure to properly maintain a multideck will invalidate any warranty and service calls will be chargeable. In particular ensure you clean the condenser at least once a month or as often as required.

Insure stock. If a unit fails the supplier will not compensate for loss stock or loss of business.

If you need a high amount of display area choose a 'Low-front' multideck. The low-front will give you at least one additional shelf.

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