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Expandable modular rack design

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Erweiterbares modulares Gestelldesign

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Abstract (en)  
An expandable rack (20) for supporting and/or storing articles and/or article housing structured and arranged to transition from a collapsed position to an extended position is disclosed. The rack (20) is suitable for use in a confined space such as the interior of a vehicle. The rack comprises a plurality of substantially vertical support posts (22,24,26,28) and a plurality of foldable substantially horizontal frame members (56A,56B;58A,58B;60A,60B) that are pivotally connected between adjacent substantially vertical support posts. The horizontal frame members are moveable from a collapsed folded position, that is adjacent to and substantially vertical along a vertical support post, to an extended unfolded position, that is substantially perpendicular to the support post. The expandable rack (20) can comprise integral fasteners. A pallet mounted expandable rack system and a method for deploying an expandable rack within a vehicle are also disclosed.

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