## APPENDIX C

## Preventing ESD Damage

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage occurs when electronic cards or components are improperly handled and can result in complete or intermittent failures.

Always use an ESD-preventive wrist or ankle strap and ensure that it makes good skin contact. Connect the strap to one of the following:

- ESD wrist strap connector (see Figure C-1 for the connector location)
- Any unpainted surface on the chassis



**Caution** Periodically check the resistance value of the antistatic strap. The measurement should be between 1 and 10 megohms (Mohms).

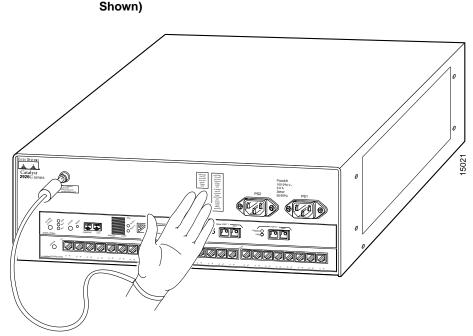


Figure C-1 ESD Wrist Strap Connector Location (Catalyst 2926G Series Switch Shown)

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