

Dell™ Inspiron™ 8500

# Owner's Manual



# Notes, Notices, and Cautions



**NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your computer.



**NOTICE:** A NOTICE indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.



**CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

## Abbreviations and Acronyms

For a complete list of abbreviations and acronyms, see the *Tell Me How* help file (see page 104).

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## **CAUTION: Safety Instructions**

Use the following safety guidelines to help ensure your own personal safety and to help protect your computer and working environment from potential damage.

### **General**

- Do not attempt to service the computer yourself unless you are a trained service technician. Always follow installation instructions closely.
- If you use an extension power cable with your AC adapter, ensure that the total ampere rating of the products plugged in to the extension power cable does not exceed the ampere rating of the extension cable.
- Do not push objects into air vents or openings of your computer. Doing so can cause fire or electric shock by shorting out interior components.
- Do not store your computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a carrying case or a closed briefcase, while the computer is turned on. Restricting airflow can damage the computer or cause a fire.
- Keep your computer away from radiators and heat sources. Also, do not block cooling vents. Avoid placing loose papers underneath your computer; do not place your computer in a closed-in wall unit or on a bed, sofa, or rug.
- Place the AC adapter in a ventilated area, such as a desk top or on the floor, when you use it to run the computer or to charge the battery. Do not cover the AC adapter with papers or other items that will reduce cooling; also, do not use the AC adapter inside a carrying case.
- The AC adapter may become hot during normal operation of your computer. Use care when handling the adapter during or immediately after operation.
- Do not allow your portable computer to operate with the base resting directly on exposed skin for extended periods of time. The surface temperature of the base will rise during normal operation (particularly when AC power is present). Allowing sustained contact with exposed skin can cause discomfort or, eventually, a burn.
- Do not use your computer in a wet environment, for example, near a bath tub, sink, or swimming pool or in a wet basement
- If your computer includes an integrated or optional (PC Card) modem, disconnect the modem cable if an electrical storm is approaching to avoid the remote risk of electric shock from lightning via the telephone line.

## **CAUTION: Safety Instructions (*continued*)**

- To help avoid the potential hazard of electric shock, do not connect or disconnect any cables or perform maintenance or reconfiguration of this product during an electrical storm. Do not use your computer during an electrical storm unless all cables have been disconnected and the computer is operating on battery power.
- If your computer includes a modem, the cable used with the modem should be manufactured with a minimum wire size of 26 American wire gauge (AWG) and an FCC-compliant RJ-11 modular plug.
- Before you open the memory module/Mini PCI card/modem cover on the bottom of your computer, disconnect all cables from their electrical outlets and disconnect the telephone cable.
- If your computer has both a modem RJ-11 connector and a network RJ-45 connector, which look alike, make sure you insert the telephone cable into the RJ-11 connector, not the RJ-45 connector.
- PC Cards may become very warm during normal operation. Use care when removing PC Cards after their continuous operation.
- Before you clean your computer, disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet. Clean your computer with a soft cloth dampened with water. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners, which may contain flammable substances.

### **Power**

- Use only the Dell-provided AC adapter approved for use with this computer. Use of another AC adapter may cause a fire or explosion.
- Before you connect the computer to an electrical outlet, check the AC adapter voltage rating to ensure that the required voltage and frequency match the available power source.
- To remove the computer from all power sources, turn the computer off, remove the battery pack, and disconnect the AC adapter from the electrical outlet.
- To help prevent electric shock, plug the AC adapter and device power cables into properly grounded power sources. These power cables may be equipped with 3-prong plugs to provide an earth grounding connection. Do not use adapter plugs or remove the grounding prong from the power cable plug. If you use a power extension cable, use the appropriate type, 2-prong or 3-prong, to mate with the AC adapter power cable.
- Be sure that nothing rests on your AC adapter's power cable and that the cable is not located where it can be tripped over or stepped on.

## **CAUTION: Safety Instructions (*continued*)**

- If you are using a multiple-outlet power strip, use caution when plugging the AC adapter's power cable into the power strip. Some power strips may allow you to insert the plug incorrectly. Incorrect insertion of the power plug could result in permanent damage to your computer, as well as risk of electric shock and/or fire. Ensure that the ground prong of the power plug is inserted into the mating ground contact of the power strip.

### **Battery**

- Use only Dell™ battery modules that are approved for use with this computer. Use of other types may increase the risk of fire or explosion.
- Do not carry a battery pack in your pocket, purse, or other container where metal objects (such as car keys or paper clips) could short-circuit the battery terminals. The resulting excessive current flow can cause extremely high temperatures and may result in damage to the battery pack or cause fire or burns.
- The battery poses a burn hazard if you handle it improperly. Do not disassemble it. Handle a damaged or leaking battery pack with extreme care. If the battery is damaged, electrolyte may leak from the cells and may cause personal injury.
- Keep the battery away from children.
- Do not store or leave your computer or battery pack near a heat source such as a radiator, fireplace, stove, electric heater, or other heat-generating appliance or otherwise expose it to temperatures in excess of 60°C (140°F). When heated to excessive temperatures, battery cells could explode or vent, posing a risk of fire.
- Do not dispose of your computer's battery in a fire or with normal household waste. Battery cells may explode. Discard a used battery according to the manufacturer's instructions or contact your local waste disposal agency for disposal instructions. Dispose of a spent or damaged battery promptly.

## **CAUTION: Safety Instructions (*continued*)**

### **Air Travel**

- Certain Federal Aviation Administration regulations and/or airline-specific restrictions may apply to the operation of your Dell computer while you are on board an aircraft. For example, such regulations/restrictions may prohibit the use of any personal electronic device (PED) that has the capacity for intentional transmission of radio frequency or other electromagnetic signals while on an aircraft.
  - In order to best comply with all such restrictions, if your Dell portable computer is equipped with Dell TrueMobile™ or some other wireless communication device, please disable this device before you board the aircraft and follow all instructions provided by airline personnel with regard to such device.
  - Additionally, the use of any PED, such as a portable computer, may be prohibited in aircraft during certain critical phases of flight, for example, takeoff and landing. Some airlines may further define the critical flight phase as any time the aircraft is below 3050 m (10,000 ft). Please follow the airline's specific instructions as to when the use of a PED is allowed.

### **EMC Instructions**

Use shielded signal cables to ensure that you maintain the appropriate EMC classification for the intended environment. For parallel printers, a cable is available from Dell. If you prefer, you can order a cable from Dell at its worldwide website at [www.dell.com](http://www.dell.com).

Static electricity can harm electronic components inside your computer. To prevent static damage, discharge static electricity from your body before you touch any of your computer's electronic components, such as a memory module. You can do so by touching an unpainted metal surface on the computer's input/output panel.

### **California Residents**

**WARNING:** Handling the cord on this product, or cords associated with accessories sold with this product, will expose you to lead, a chemical known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. ***Wash your hands after handling the cord.***

# When Using Your Computer

Observe the following safe-handling guidelines to prevent damage to your computer:

- When setting up the computer for work, place it on a level surface.
- When traveling, do not check the computer as baggage. You can put your computer through an X-ray security machine, but never put your computer through a metal detector. If you have the computer checked by hand, be sure to have a charged battery available in case you are asked to turn on the computer.
- When traveling with the hard drive removed from the computer, wrap the drive in a nonconducting material, such as cloth or paper. If you have the drive checked by hand, be ready to install the drive in the computer. You can put the hard drive through an X-ray security machine, but never put the drive through a metal detector.
- When traveling, do not place the computer in overhead storage compartments where it could slide around. Do not drop your computer or subject it to other mechanical shocks.
- Protect your computer, battery, and hard drive from environmental hazards such as dirt, dust, food, liquids, temperature extremes, and overexposure to sunlight.
- When you move your computer between environments with very different temperature and/or humidity ranges, condensation may form on or within the computer. To avoid damaging the computer, allow sufficient time for the moisture to evaporate before using the computer.



**NOTICE:** When taking the computer from low-temperature conditions into a warmer environment or from high-temperature conditions into a cooler environment, allow the computer to acclimate to room temperature before turning on power.

- When you disconnect a cable, pull on its connector or on its strain-relief loop, not on the cable itself. As you pull out the connector, keep it evenly aligned to avoid bending any connector pins. Also, before you connect a cable make sure both connectors are correctly oriented and aligned.
- Handle components with care. Hold a component such as a memory module by its edges, not its pins.
- When preparing to remove a memory module from the system board or disconnect a device from the computer, turn off the computer, remove any battery installed in the battery bay or module bay, disconnect the AC adapter cable, and then wait 5 seconds before proceeding to help avoid possible damage to the system board.

## When Using Your Computer (*continued*)

- Clean the display with a soft, clean cloth and water. Apply the water to the cloth; then stroke the cloth across the display in one direction, moving from the top of the display to the bottom. Remove moisture from the display quickly and keep the display dry. Long-term exposure to moisture can damage the display. *Do not* use a commercial window cleaner to clean your display.
- If your computer gets wet or is damaged, follow the procedures on page 111. If, after following these procedures, you confirm that your computer is not operating properly, contact Dell (see page 150 for the appropriate contact information).

### Ergonomic Computing Habits



**CAUTION:** Improper or prolonged keyboard use may result in injury.



**CAUTION:** Viewing the display or external monitor screen for extended periods of time may result in eye strain.

For comfort and efficiency, observe the ergonomic guidelines in the *Tell Me How* help file when setting up and using your computer. To access the help file, see page 104.

This portable computer is not designed for continuous operation as office equipment. For extended use in an office, it is recommended that you connect an external keyboard.

### When Working Inside Your Computer

Before removing or installing memory modules, Mini PCI cards, or modems, perform the following steps in the sequence indicated.



**NOTICE:** The only time you should ever access the inside of your computer is when you are installing memory modules, a Mini PCI card, or a modem.



**NOTICE:** Wait 5 seconds after turning off the computer before disconnecting a device or removing a memory module, Mini PCI card, or modem to help prevent possible damage to the system board.

- 1 Shut down your computer and turn off any attached devices.
- 2 Disconnect your computer and devices from electrical outlets to reduce the potential for personal injury or shock. Also, disconnect any telephone or telecommunication lines from the computer.
- 3 Remove the main battery from the battery bay and, if necessary, the second battery from the module bay.



## When Using Your Computer (*continued*)

- 4 Ground yourself by touching any unpainted metal surface on the back of the computer.

While you work, periodically touch the I/O panel to dissipate any static electricity that might harm internal components.

### Protecting Against Electrostatic Discharge

Static electricity can harm electronic components inside your computer. To prevent static damage, discharge static electricity from your body before you touch any of your computer's electronic components, such as a memory module. You can do so by touching an unpainted metal surface on the computer's I/O panel.

As you continue to work inside the computer, periodically touch an I/O connector to remove any static charge your body may have accumulated.

You can also take the following steps to prevent damage from electrostatic discharge (ESD):

- When unpacking a static-sensitive component from its shipping carton, do not remove the component from the antistatic packing material until you are ready to install the component. Just before unwrapping the antistatic packaging, be sure to discharge static electricity from your body.
- When transporting a sensitive component, first place it in an antistatic container or packaging.
- Handle all sensitive components in a static-safe area. If possible, use antistatic floor pads and workbench pads.



### Battery Disposal

Your computer uses a lithium-ion battery and a reserve battery. For instructions about replacing the lithium-ion battery in your computer, refer to the section about replacing the battery in your Dell computer documentation. The reserve battery is a long-life battery, and it is very possible that you will never need to replace it. However, should you need to replace it, see page 49 for instructions.

Do not dispose of the battery along with household waste. Contact your local waste disposal agency for the address of the nearest battery deposit site.



SECTION 1

# A Tour of Your Computer

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Front View

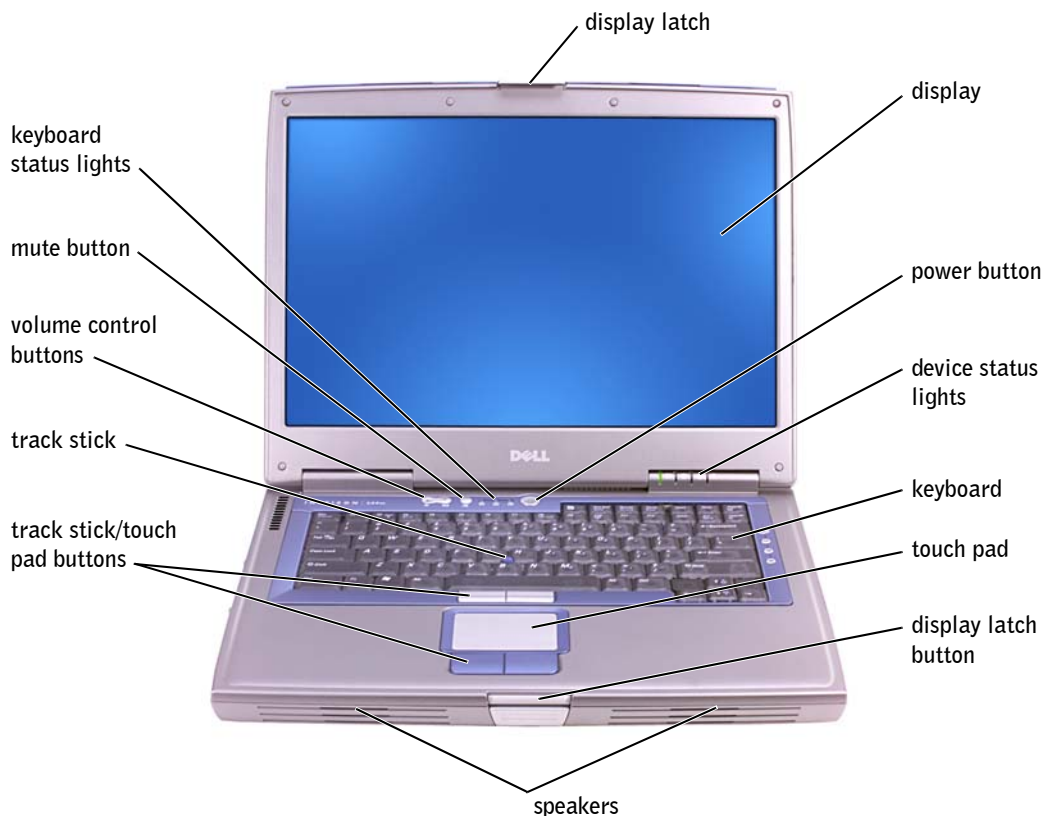
Left View

Right View

Back View

Bottom View

## Front View



**DISPLAY LATCH** — Keeps the display closed.

**DISPLAY** — For more information about your display, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

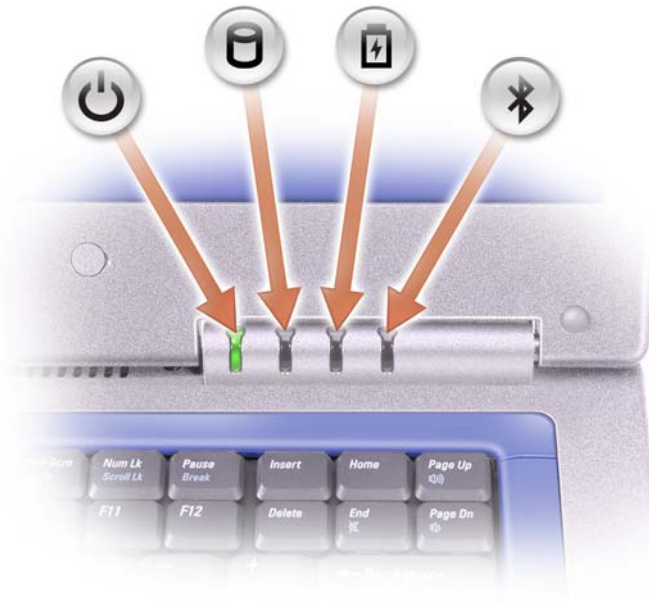
**POWER BUTTON** — Press the power button to turn on the computer or to enter or exit a power management mode.



**NOTICE:** To avoid losing data, turn off your computer by performing a Microsoft® Windows® shutdown rather than by pressing the power button.

If the computer stops responding, press and hold the power button until the computer turns off completely (which may take several seconds).

## DEVICE STATUS LIGHTS




Turns on when you turn on the computer and blinks when the computer is in a power management mode.



Turns on when the computer reads or writes data.






**NOTICE:** To avoid loss of data, never turn off the computer while the  light is flashing.



Turns on steadily or blinks to indicate battery charge status. If it is off, you may not have a battery in your computer.




Turns on when Bluetooth™ is enabled. To enable or disable Bluetooth, press  .


**NOTE:** Bluetooth is an optional feature on your computer, so the  icon turns on only if your ordered Bluetooth with your computer. For more information, see the documentation that came with your Bluetooth wireless technology.

If the computer is connected to an electrical outlet, the  light operates as follows:

- Solid green: The battery is charging.
- Flashing green: The battery is almost fully charged.

If the computer is running on a battery, the  light operates as follows:

- Off: The battery is adequately charged (or the computer is turned off).
- Flashing orange: The battery charge is low.
- Solid orange: The battery charge is critically low.

**KEYBOARD** — The keyboard includes a numeric keypad as well as the Microsoft® Windows® logo key . For information on supported keyboard shortcuts, see page 62.

**TOUCH PAD** — Touch pad and touch pad buttons provide the functionality of a mouse. See page 65 for more information.

**DISPLAY LATCH BUTTON** — Press this button to release the display latch and open the display.

**SPEAKERS** — To adjust the volume of the integrated speakers, press the volume control buttons or volume control keyboard shortcuts. For more information, see page 64.

**TOUCH PAD BUTTONS** — Touch pad buttons provide the functionality of a mouse. See the *Tell Me How* help file for more information. To access the help file, see page 104.




**VOLUME CONTROL BUTTONS** — Press these buttons to adjust the volume.

**MUTE BUTTON** — Press this button to turn off the volume.

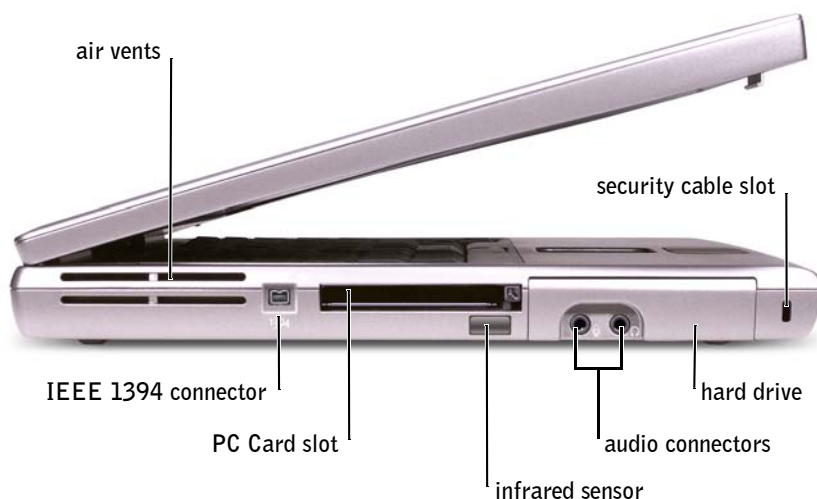
## KEYBOARD STATUS LIGHTS



The green lights located above the keyboard indicate the following:

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|  | Turns on when the numeric keypad is enabled. |
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|  | Turns on when the uppercase letter function is enabled. |
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|  | Turns on when the scroll lock function is enabled. |
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## Left View



**NOTE:** The computer turns on the fan when the computer gets hot. Fan noise is normal and does not indicate a problem with the fan or the computer.

**AIR VENTS** — The computer uses an internal fan to create airflow through the vents, which prevents the computer from overheating.

**CAUTION:** Do not block, push objects into, or allow dust to accumulate in the air vents. Do not store your computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a closed briefcase, while it is running. Restricting the airflow can damage the computer or cause a fire.

**IEEE 1394 CONNECTOR (4-PIN)** — Use to attach devices supporting IEEE 1394 high-speed transfer rates, such as some digital video cameras.

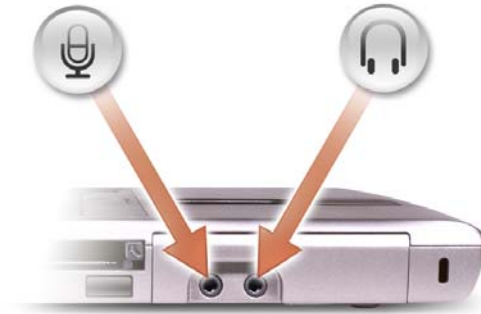
**PC CARD SLOT** — Supports one PC Card, such as a modem or network adapter. The computer ships with a plastic blank installed in the slot. For more information, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

**INFRARED SENSOR** — Lets you transfer files from your computer to another infrared-compatible device without using cable connections.


When you receive your computer, the sensor is disabled. You can use the system setup program to enable the sensor (see page 148). For information on transferring data, see the Windows Help and Support Center (see page 104), or the documentation that came with your infrared-compatible device.




## AUDIO CONNECTORS



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Attach headphones or speakers to the  connector.

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Attach a microphone to the  connector.

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**HARD DRIVE** — Stores software and data.

**SECURITY CABLE SLOT** — Lets you attach a commercially available antitheft device to the computer. For more information, see the instructions included with the device.




**NOTICE:** Before you buy an antitheft device, ensure that it will work with the security cable slot.



## Right View



**SECURITY CABLE SLOT** — Lets you attach a commercially available antitheft device to the computer. For more information, see the instructions included with the device.

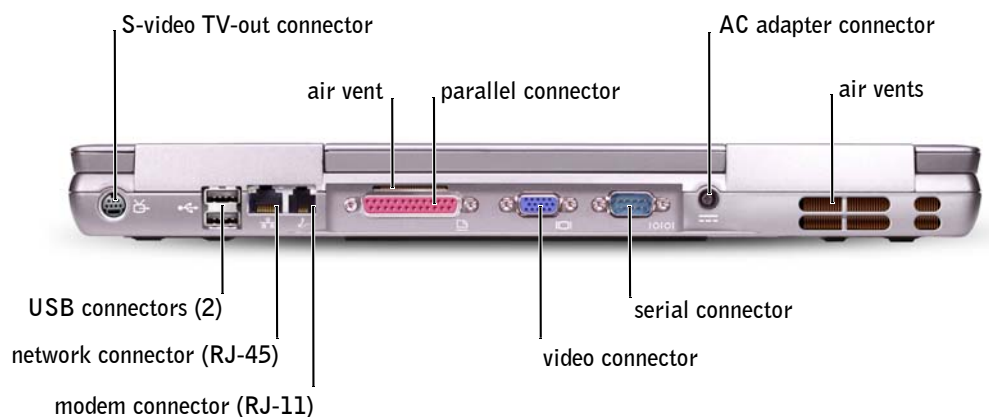
 **NOTICE:** Before you buy an antitheft device, ensure that it will work with the security cable slot.



**MODULE BAY** — You can install devices such as an optical drive or Dell Travellite™ module in the module bay. For more information, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

**DEVICE LATCH RELEASE** — Releases a device. For more information, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

## Back View

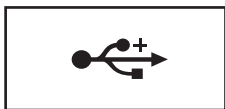


## S-VIDEO TV-OUT CONNECTOR



Connects your computer to a TV. Also connects digital audio capable devices using the TV/digital audio adapter cable. For more information, see page 76.

## USB CONNECTORS (2)



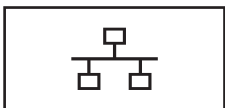
Connect USB devices, such as a mouse, keyboard, or printer. You can also connect the optional floppy drive directly to a USB connector using the optional floppy-drive cable, as shown below.



## NETWORK CONNECTOR (RJ-45)



**NOTICE:** The network connector is slightly larger than the modem connector. To avoid damaging the computer, do not plug a telephone line into the network connector.



Connects the computer to a network. The green and yellow lights next to the connector indicate activity for both wired and wireless network communications.

For information on using the network adapter, see the online network adapter documentation supplied with your computer.

## MODEM CONNECTOR (RJ-11)



To use the internal modem, connect the telephone line to the modem connector.

For additional information on using the modem, see the online modem documentation supplied with your computer.

**AIR VENT** — The computer uses an internal fan to create airflow through the vents, which prevents the computer from overheating.

## PARALLEL CONNECTOR



Connects a parallel device, such as a printer.

## VIDEO CONNECTOR



Connects an external monitor. For more information, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

## SERIAL CONNECTOR



Connects serial devices, such as a mouse or handheld device.

**AC ADAPTER CONNECTOR** — Attach an AC adapter to the computer.



The AC adapter converts AC power to the DC power required by the computer. You can connect the AC adapter with your computer turned either on or off.



**CAUTION:** The AC adapter works with electrical outlets worldwide. However, power connectors and power strips vary among countries. Using an incompatible cable or improperly connecting the cable to the power strip or electrical outlet may cause fire or equipment damage.



**NOTICE:** When you disconnect the AC adapter cable from the computer, grasp the connector, not the cable itself, and pull firmly but gently to avoid damaging the cable.

**AIR VENTS** — The computer uses an internal fan to create airflow through the vents, which prevents the computer from overheating.

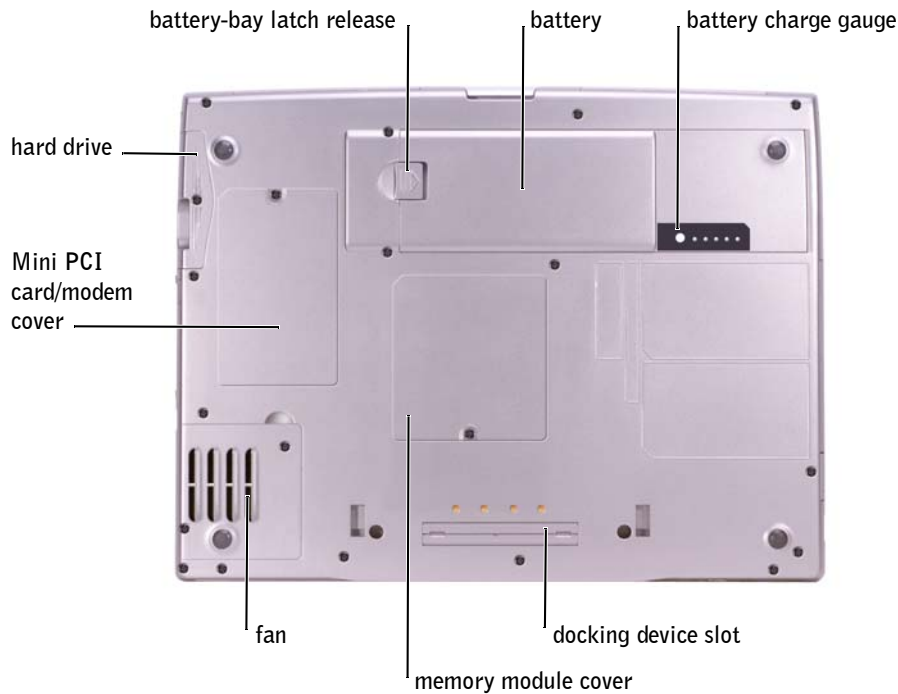


**NOTE:** The computer turns on the fan when the computer gets hot. Fan noise is normal and does not indicate a problem with the fan or the computer.



**CAUTION:** Do not block, push objects into, or allow dust to accumulate in the air vents. Do not store your computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a closed briefcase, while it is running. Restricting the airflow can damage the computer or cause a fire.

## Bottom View



**HARD DRIVE** — Stores software and data.

**MINI PCI CARD AND MODEM** — Covers the compartment that contains the optional modem and optional Mini PCI card. See page 128.

**BATTERY-BAY LATCH RELEASE** — Releases the battery. See page 47.

**BATTERY** — When a battery is installed, you can use the computer without connecting the computer to an electrical outlet. See page 47.

**BATTERY CHARGE GAUGE** — Provides information on the battery charge. See page 46.

**MEMORY MODULE COVER** — Covers the compartment that contains the memory modules. See page 124.

**DOCKING DEVICE SLOT** — Lets you attach your computer to a docking device. See the documentation that came with your docking device for additional information.

**FAN** — The computer uses an internal fan to create airflow through the vents, which prevents the computer from overheating.



**NOTE:** The computer turns on the fan when the computer gets hot. Fan noise is normal and does not indicate a problem with the fan or the computer.



**CAUTION:** Do not block, push objects into, or allow dust to accumulate in the air vents. Do not store your computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a closed briefcase, while it is running. Restricting the airflow can damage the computer or cause a fire.



SECTION 2
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# Setting Up Your Computer

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Connecting to the Internet

Modem and Internet Connection Problems

Transferring Information to a New Computer

Setting Up a Printer

Printer Problems

Setting Up the Docking Device to Connect to a Network

Power Protection Devices

Turning Off Your Computer



**NOTE:** ISPs and ISP offerings vary by country.

## Connecting to the Internet

To connect to the Internet, you need a modem or network connection and an Internet service provider (ISP), such as AOL or MSN. Your ISP will offer one or more of the following Internet connection options:

- Dial-up connections that provide Internet access through a phone line. Dial-up connections are considerably slower than DSL and cable modem connections.
- DSL connections that provide high-speed Internet access through your existing phone line. With a DSL connection, you can access the Internet and use your phone on the same line simultaneously.
- Cable modem connections that provide high-speed Internet access through your local cable TV line.

If you are using a dial-up connection, connect a telephone line to the modem connector on your computer and to the telephone wall jack before you set up your Internet connection. If you are using a DSL or cable modem connection, contact your ISP for setup instructions.

### Setting Up Your Internet Connection

To set up an AOL or MSN connection:

- 1 Save and close any open files, and exit any open programs.
- 2 Double-click the **MSN Explorer** or **AOL** icon on the Microsoft® Windows® desktop.
- 3 Follow the instructions on the screen to complete the setup.

If you do not have an **MSN Explorer** or **AOL** icon on your desktop or if you want to set up an Internet connection with a different ISP:

- 1 Save and close any open files, and exit any open programs.
- 2 Click the **Start** button and click **Internet Explorer**.  
The **New Connection Wizard** appears.
- 3 Click **Connect to the Internet**.

- 4 In the next window, click the appropriate option:
  - If you do not have an ISP and want to select one, click **Choose from a list of Internet service providers (ISPs)**.
  - If you have already obtained setup information from your ISP but you did not receive a setup CD, click **Set up my connection manually**.
  - If you have a CD, click **Use the CD I got from an ISP**.

5 Click **Next**.

If you selected **Set up my connection manually**, continue to step 6. Otherwise, follow the instructions on the screen to complete the setup.

- 6 Click the appropriate option under **How do you want to connect to the Internet?**, and then click **Next**.
- 7 Use the setup information provided by your ISP to complete the setup.

If you cannot connect to the Internet but have successfully connected in the past, the ISP might have a service outage. Contact your ISP to check the service status, or try connecting again later.



**NOTE:** If you do not know which type of connection to select, contact your ISP.

## Modem and Internet Connection Problems



**NOTICE:** Connect the modem to an analog telephone wall jack only. Connecting the modem to a digital telephone network damages the modem.



**NOTICE:** Modem and network connectors look similar. Do not plug a telephone line into the network connector.

**CHECK THE TELEPHONE WALL JACK** — Disconnect the telephone line from the modem and connect it to a telephone. Listen for a dial tone. Ensure that you have touchtone telephone service. Try connecting the modem to a different telephone wall jack.

Slow connection speeds can be caused by telephone noise as well as by telephone line or network conditions. Contact your telephone company or network administrator for more information.

**CONNECT THE MODEM DIRECTLY TO THE TELEPHONE WALL JACK** — If you have other telephone devices sharing the line, such as an answering machine, fax machine, surge protector, or line splitter, then bypass them and use the telephone line to connect the modem directly to the telephone wall jack.

**CHECK THE CONNECTION** — Verify that the telephone line is connected to the modem.

**CHECK THE TELEPHONE LINE** — Try using a different telephone line. If you are using a line that is 3 m (10 ft) or more in length, try a shorter one.

**IRREGULAR DIAL TONE** — If you have voice mail service, you might hear an irregular dial tone when you have messages. Contact your telephone company for instructions on restoring a dial tone.

**TURN OFF CALL WAITING (CATCH-PHONE)** — See your telephone directory for instructions on deactivating this feature. Then adjust the dial-up networking connection properties.

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Click **Printers and Other Hardware**, click **Phone and Modem Options**, click the **Dialing Rules** tab, and then click **Edit...**
- 3 In the **Edit Location** window, ensure that **To disable call waiting, dial:** is checked, and then select the proper code as listed in your telephone directory.
- 4 Click **Apply** and click **OK**.
- 5 Close the **Phone and Modems Options** window.
- 6 Close the **Control Panel** window.

**VERIFY THAT THE MODEM IS COMMUNICATING WITH WINDOWS** —

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Click **Printers and Other Hardware** and click **Phone and Modem Options**.
- 3 Click the **Modems** tab.
- 4 Click the COM port for your modem.
- 5 Click **Properties**, click the **Diagnostics** tab, and then click **Query Modem** to verify that the modem is communicating with Windows.

If all commands receive responses, the modem is operating properly.



**NOTE:** If you can connect to your Internet service provider (ISP), your modem is functioning properly. If you are sure that your modem is working properly and you still experience problems, contact your ISP.

## Transferring Information to a New Computer

The Microsoft® Windows® XP operating system provides a Files and Settings Transfer wizard to move data from the source computer to the new computer. You can move data such as:

- E-mails
- Toolbar settings
- Window sizes
- Internet bookmarks

You can transfer the data to the new computer over a network or serial connection, or you can store it on a removable medium, such as a writable CD or floppy disk.

To prepare the new computer for the file transfer:

- 1 Click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs**→ **Accessories**→ **System Tools**, and then click **Files and Settings Transfer Wizard**.
- 2 When the **Files and Settings Transfer Wizard** welcome screen appears, click **Next**.
- 3 On the **Which computer is this?** screen, click **New Computer** and click **Next**.
- 4 On the **Do you have a Windows XP CD?** screen, click **I will use the wizard from the Windows XP CD** and click **Next**.
- 5 When the **Now go to your old computer** screen appears, go to your old or source computer. *Do not* click **Next** at this time.

To copy data from the old computer:

- 1 On the old computer, insert the Windows XP *Operating System* CD.
- 2 On the **Welcome to Microsoft Windows XP** screen, click **Perform additional tasks**.
- 3 Under **What do you want to do?**, click **Transfer files and settings**.
- 4 On the **Files and Settings Transfer Wizard** welcome screen, click **Next**.
- 5 On the **Which computer is this?** screen, click **Old Computer** and click **Next**.
- 6 On the **Select a transfer method** screen, click the transfer method you prefer.
- 7 On the **What do you want to transfer?** screen, select the items you want to transfer and click **Next**.

After the information has been copied, the **Completing the Collection Phase** screen appears.

- 8 Click **Finish**.

To transfer data to the new computer:

- 1 On the **Now go to your old computer** screen on the new computer, click **Next**.

- 2 On the **Where are the files and settings?** screen, select the method you chose for transferring your settings and files and click **Next**.

The wizard reads the collected files and settings and applies them to your new computer.

When all of the settings and files have been applied, the **Finished** screen appears.

- 3 Click **Finished** and restart the new computer.

## Setting Up a Printer



**NOTICE:** Complete the operating system setup before you connect a printer to the computer.

See the documentation that came with the printer for setup information, including how to:

- Obtain and install updated drivers.
- Connect the printer to the computer.
- Load paper and install the toner or ink cartridge.
- Contact the printer manufacturer for technical assistance.

### Printer Cable

Your printer connects to your computer with either a USB cable or a parallel cable. Your printer may not come with a printer cable, so if you purchase a cable separately, ensure that it is compatible with your printer. If you purchased a printer cable at the same time you purchased your computer, the cable may arrive in the computer box.

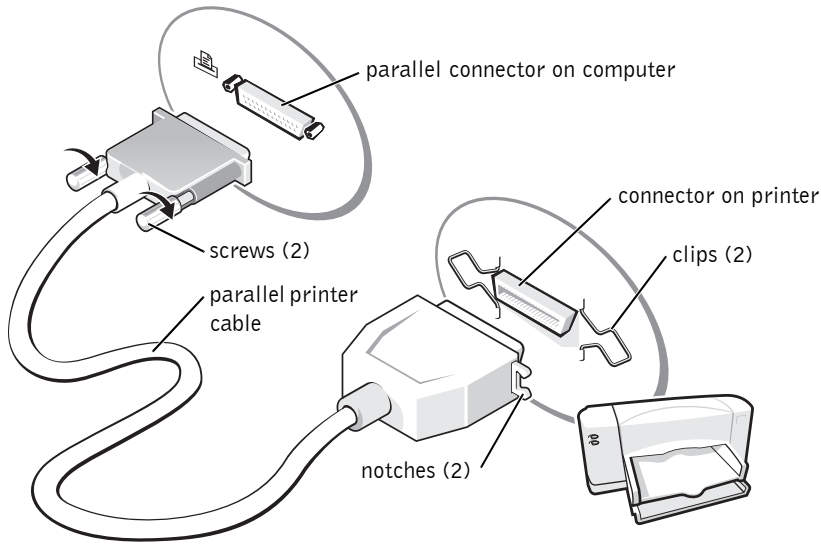
### Connecting a Parallel Printer

- 1 Complete the operating system setup, if you have not already done so.
- 2 Turn off the computer (see page 42).



**NOTICE:** For best results, use a 3-m (10-ft) or shorter parallel cable.

- 3 Attach the parallel printer cable to the parallel connector on the computer and tighten the two screws. Attach the cable to the connector on the printer and snap the two clips into the two notches.



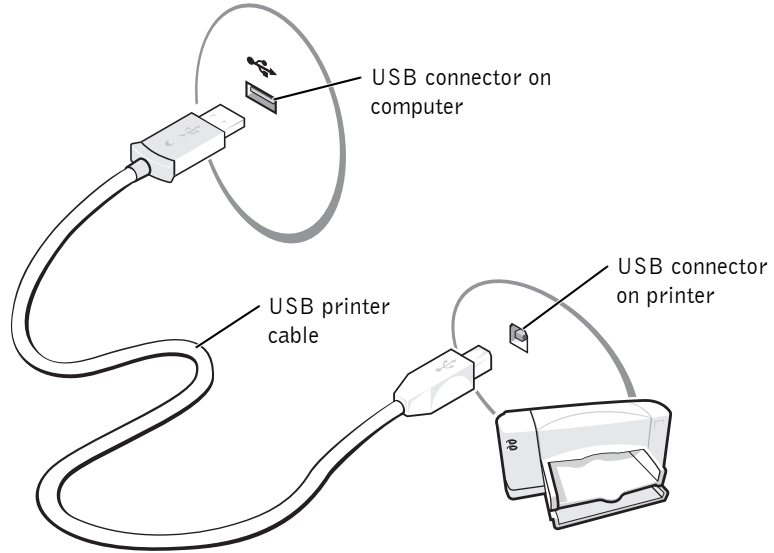
- 4 Turn on the printer and then turn on the computer. If the **Add New Hardware Wizard** window appears, click **Cancel**.
- 5 Install the printer driver if necessary. See the documentation that came with your printer.

### Connecting a USB Printer

- 1 Complete the operating system setup if you have not already done so.
- 2 Install the printer driver if necessary. See the documentation that came with your printer.
- 3 Attach the USB printer cable to the USB connectors on the computer and the printer. The USB connectors fit only one way.



**NOTE:** You can connect USB devices while the computer is turned on.



## Printer Problems

**CHECK THE PRINTER CABLE CONNECTIONS** — Ensure that the printer cable is properly connected to the computer (see page 38).

**TEST THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET** — Ensure that the electrical outlet is working by testing it with another device, such as a lamp.

**ENSURE THAT THE PRINTER IS TURNED ON** — See the documentation supplied with the printer.


### VERIFY THAT WINDOWS® RECOGNIZES THE PRINTER


- 1 Click the Start button.
- 2 Click Control Panel.
- 3 Click Printers and Other Hardware.
- 4 Click View installed printers or fax printers. If the printer model is listed, right-click the printer icon.
- 5 Click Properties, and then click the Ports tab.
- 6 Ensure that the Print to the following port(s): setting is LPT1 (Printer Port).


**REINSTALL THE PRINTER DRIVER** — See page 113.



# Setting Up the Docking Device to Connect to a Network

 **NOTICE:** Do not install a network adapter or a network adapter/modem combination PC Card until you complete the docking device setup.

 **NOTICE:** To prevent serious operating system problems, do not connect your computer to a docking device until the Windows operating system setup on the computer is complete.

 **NOTE:** A network adapter is also referred to as a network interface controller (NIC).

A docking device allows you to more fully integrate your portable computer into a desktop environment.

For instructions and details on setting up a docking device, refer to the documentation that came packaged with the device.


## Power Protection Devices


Several devices are available to protect against power fluctuations and failures:


- Surge protectors
- Line conditioners
- Uninterruptible power supplies (UPS)

### Surge Protectors


Surge protectors and power strips equipped with surge protection help to prevent damage to your computer from voltage spikes that can occur during electrical storms or following power interruptions. The level of protection is usually commensurate with the cost of the surge protector. Some surge protector manufacturers include warranty coverage for certain types of damage. Carefully read the device warranty when choosing a surge protector. A device with a higher joule rating offers more protection. Compare joule ratings to determine the relative effectiveness of different devices.

 **NOTICE:** Most surge protectors do not protect against power fluctuations or power interruptions caused by nearby lightning strikes. When lightning occurs in your area, disconnect the telephone line from the telephone wall jack and disconnect your computer from the electrical outlet.


 **NOTE:** To ensure maximum battery operating time, connect only your computer to a UPS. Connect other devices, such as a printer, to a separate power strip that provides surge protection.

 **NOTE:** As an alternative to turning off your computer, you can set your computer to enter standby or hibernate mode.

Many surge protectors have a telephone jack for modem protection. See the surge protector documentation for modem connection instructions.


 **NOTICE:** Not all surge protectors offer network adapter protection. Disconnect the network cable from the network wall jack during electrical storms.

## Line Conditioners

 **NOTICE:** Line conditioners do not protect against power interruptions.


Line conditioners are designed to maintain AC voltage at a fairly constant level.

## Uninterruptible Power Supplies

 **NOTICE:** Loss of power while data is being saved to the hard drive may result in data loss or file damage.

A UPS protects against power fluctuations and interruptions. UPS devices contain a battery that provides temporary power to connected devices when AC power is interrupted. The battery charges while AC power is available. See the UPS manufacturer documentation for information on battery operating time and to ensure that the device is approved by Underwriters Laboratories (UL).

## Turning Off Your Computer

 **NOTICE:** To avoid losing data, turn off your computer by performing a Microsoft® Windows® operating system shutdown, as described next, rather than by pressing the power button.

- 1 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, click the **Start** button, and then click **Turn Off Computer**.
- 2 In the **Turn off computer** window, click **Turn off**.

The computer turns off after the shutdown process finishes.

SECTION 3
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# **Using Batteries and Module Bay Devices**

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Using a Battery

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Removing and Installing Devices While the Computer Is  
Turned Off


Removing and Installing Devices While the Computer Is  
Running


# Using a Battery

## Battery Performance

 **NOTE:** Batteries for portable computers are covered only during the initial one-year period of the limited warranty for your computer (see page 163).

 **NOTE:** The module bay in your computer supports a second battery. The Dell D/Bay does not support a second battery.

 **NOTE:** It is recommended that you connect your computer to an electrical outlet when writing to a CD.

 **NOTE:** You can conserve battery life by setting the Maximum Power Savings option for your graphics card. For more information, see the documentation that came with your graphics card.


Use a battery to power the computer when it is not connected to an electrical outlet. One battery is supplied as standard equipment in the battery bay.


Battery operating time varies depending on operating conditions. With average usage, you may expect from 3 to 4 hours from a single fully charged battery. You can install an optional second battery in the module bay to significantly increase operating time. For more information about the second battery, see page 52.


Operating time is significantly reduced when you perform operations including, but not limited to, the following:

- Using optical drives, especially DVD and CD-RW drives
- Using wireless communications devices, PC Cards, or USB devices
- Using high-brightness display settings, 3D screen savers, or other power-intensive programs such as 3D games
- Running the computer in maximum performance mode


You can check the battery charge before you insert the battery into the computer. You can also set power management options to alert you when the battery charge is low.

 **CAUTION:** Using an incompatible battery may increase the risk of fire or explosion. Replace the battery only with a compatible battery purchased from Dell. The lithium-ion battery is designed to work with your Dell™ computer. Do not use a battery from other computers with your computer.

 **CAUTION:** Do not dispose of batteries with household waste. When your battery no longer holds a charge, call your local waste disposal or environmental agency for advice on disposing of a lithium-ion battery. See page 17.



 **CAUTION:** Misuse of the battery may increase the risk of fire or chemical burn. Do not puncture, incinerate, disassemble, or expose the battery to temperatures above 65°C (149°F). Keep the battery away from children. Handle damaged or leaking batteries with extreme care. Damaged batteries may leak and cause personal injury or equipment damage.

## Checking the Battery Charge

The Dell QuickSet battery meter, Microsoft® Windows® power meter window and  icon, the battery charge gauge, and the low-battery warning provide information on the battery charge.

For more information about checking the charge on the second battery, see page 52

### Dell QuickSet Battery Meter

Press   to display the QuickSet Battery Meter.

The **Battery Meter** screen displays status, charge level, and charge completion time for the primary and second batteries in your computer.

In addition, when your computer is connected to a docking device (docked), the **Battery Meter** screen includes a **Dock Battery** tab, which displays the charge level and current status of the docking device battery.

The following icons appear in the **Battery Meter** screen:



- The computer or docking device is running on battery power.
- The battery is discharging or idle.




- The computer or docking device is connected to an electrical outlet and running on AC power.
- The battery is charging.




- The computer or docking device is connected to an electrical outlet and running on AC power.
- The battery is not inserted, discharging, idle, or charging.




**NOTE:** It is recommended that you connect your computer to an electrical outlet when writing to a CD.

For more information about QuickSet, right-click the  icon in the taskbar and click **Help**.

### Microsoft Windows Power Meter

The Windows power meter indicates the remaining battery charge. To check the power meter, double-click the  icon on the taskbar. For more information on the **Power Meter** tab, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

If the computer is connected to an electrical outlet, a  icon appears.

### Charge Gauge

Before you insert a battery, press the status button on the battery charge gauge to illuminate the charge-level lights. Each light represents approximately 20 percent of the total battery charge. For example, if the battery has 80 percent of its charge remaining, four of the lights are on. If no lights appear, the battery has no charge.

### Health Gauge

The battery operating time is largely determined by the number of times it is charged. After hundreds of charge and discharge cycles, batteries lose some charge capacity, or battery health. To check the battery health, press and hold the status button on the battery charge gauge for at least 3 seconds. If no lights appear, the battery is in good condition, and more than 80 percent of its original charge capacity remains. Each light represents incremental degradation. If five lights appear, less than 60 percent of the charge capacity remains, and you should consider replacing the battery. See page 142 for more information about the battery operating time.

### Low-Battery Warning




**NOTICE:** To avoid losing or corrupting data, save your work immediately after a low-battery warning. Then connect the computer to an electrical outlet, or install a second battery in the module bay. If the battery runs completely out of power, hibernate mode begins automatically.

A low-battery warning occurs when the battery charge is approximately 90 percent depleted. The computer beeps once, indicating that minimal battery operating time remains. During that time, the speaker beeps periodically. If two batteries are installed, the low-battery warning means that the combined charge of both batteries is approximately 90 percent depleted. The computer enters hibernate mode when the battery charge is at a critically low level. For more information on low-battery alarms, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

## Charging the Battery

When you connect the computer to an electrical outlet or install a battery while the computer is connected to an electrical outlet, the computer checks the battery charge and temperature. If necessary, the AC adapter then charges the battery and maintains the battery charge.

If the battery is hot from being used in your computer or being in a hot environment, the battery may not charge when you connect the computer to an electrical outlet.

The battery is too hot to start charging if the  light flashes alternately green and orange. Shut down the computer, disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet and allow the computer and the battery to cool to room temperature. Then connect the computer to an electrical outlet to continue charging the battery.

For more information on resolving problems with a battery, see page 51.

## Removing a Battery

For more information about removing the second battery, see page 52.



**CAUTION:** Before performing these procedures, turn off the computer, disconnect it from the electrical outlet, and disconnect the modem from the telephone wall jack.



**NOTICE:** If you choose to replace the battery with the computer in standby mode, you have up to 90 seconds to complete the battery replacement before the computer shuts down and loses any unsaved data.

- 1 Ensure that the computer is turned off, suspended in a power management mode, or connected to an electrical outlet.



**NOTE:** The AC adapter charges a completely discharged battery in approximately 1 hour with the computer turned off. Charge time is longer with the computer turned on. You can leave the battery in the computer as long as you like. The battery internal circuitry prevents the battery from overcharging.

- 2 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
- 3 Slide and hold the battery-bay (or module-bay) latch release on the bottom of the computer, and then remove the battery from the bay.



### **Installing a Battery**

Rotate the battery into the bay until the latch release clicks.

For more information about installing the second battery, see page 52.

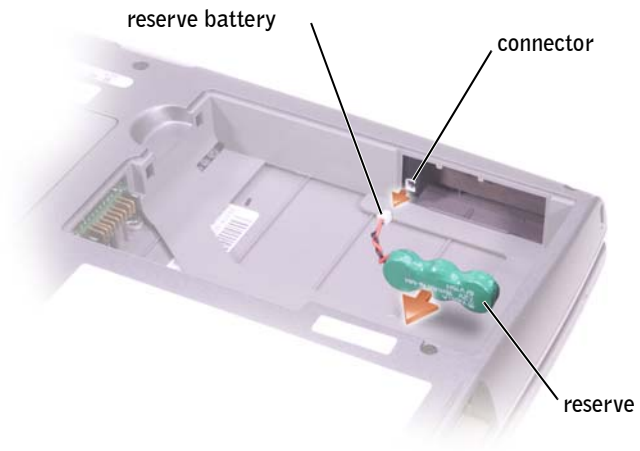


## Removing and Installing a Reserve Battery

- 1 Remove the battery (see page 47).
- 2 Remove the reserve battery cover.



- 3 Pull the reserve battery out of its compartment, and disconnect the reserve battery cable from the connector.



- 4** Connect the reserve battery cable to the connector in the reserve battery compartment.
- 5** Place the reserve battery in the compartment, and replace the reserve battery cover.



## Storing a Battery

Remove the battery when you store your computer for an extended period of time. A battery discharges during prolonged storage. After a long storage period, recharge the battery fully before you use it.

## Power Problems

**CHECK THE POWER LIGHT** — When the power light is lit or blinking, the computer has power. If the power light is blinking, the computer is in standby mode—press the power button to exit standby mode. If the light is off, press the power button to turn on the computer.

**CHECK THE BATTERY TEMPERATURE** — If the battery temperature is below 0° C (32° F), the computer will not start up.

**CHARGE THE BATTERY** — The battery charge may be depleted.

- 1 Reinstall the battery.
- 2 Use the AC adapter to connect the computer to an electrical outlet.
- 3 Turn on the computer.

**CHECK THE BATTERY STATUS LIGHT** — If the battery status light flashes orange or is a steady orange, the battery charge is low or depleted. Connect the computer to an electrical outlet.

If the battery status light flashes green and orange, the battery is too hot to charge. Turn off the computer (see page 42), disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet, and then let the battery and computer cool to room temperature.

If the battery status light rapidly flashes orange, the battery may be defective. Contact Dell (see page 150).

**TEST THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET** — Ensure that the electrical outlet is working by testing it with another device, such as a lamp.

**CHECK THE AC ADAPTER** — Check the AC adapter cable connections. If the AC adapter has a light, ensure that the light is on.

**CONNECT THE COMPUTER DIRECTLY TO AN ELECTRICAL OUTLET** —

Bypass power protection devices, power strips, and the extension cable to verify that the computer turns on.

**ELIMINATE POSSIBLE INTERFERENCE** — Turn off nearby fans, fluorescent lights, halogen lamps, or other appliances.

**ADJUST THE POWER PROPERTIES** — See the *Tell Me How* help file or search for the keyword *standby* in the Help and Support Center. To access the help file, see page 104.

**RESEAT THE MEMORY MODULES** — If the computer power light turns on but the display remains blank, reseat the memory modules (see page 124).

## About the Module Bay



**NOTE:** You can only use D-Family modules in the module bay.



**NOTE:** All devices that you install in the module bay, except a second battery, can also be installed in the Dell D/Bay.



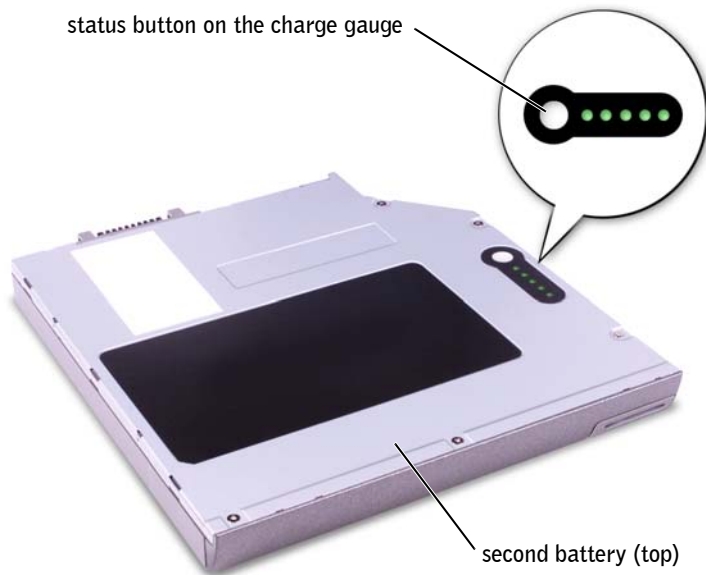
**NOTE:** You do not need to install the device screw unless you want to secure the module inside the computer for security purposes.

You can install devices such as a floppy drive, CD drive, CD-RW drive, DVD drive, CD-RW/DVD drive, DVD+RW, Dell TravelLite™ module, second battery, or second hard drive in the module bay.

Your Dell™ computer ships with an optical drive installed in the module bay. However, the device screw is not installed in the optical drive but packaged separately. When you install your device in the module bay, you can install the device screw.

## Checking the Charge on the Second Battery

Before you install a second battery, press the status button on the battery charge gauge to illuminate the charge-level lights. Each light represents approximately 20 percent of the total battery charge. For example, if the battery has 80 percent of its charge remaining, four of the lights are on. If no lights appear, the battery has no charge.



## Removing and Installing Devices While the Computer Is Turned Off

Your computer ships with an optical drive installed in the module bay. However, the device screw is not installed in the optical drive but packaged separately. When you install your device in the module bay, you can install the device screw.

**NOTE:** If the device screw is not installed, you can remove and install devices while the computer is running and connected to a docking device (docked).

**NOTE:** You do not need to install the device screw unless you want to secure the module inside the computer for security purposes.

### If the Device Screw Is Not Installed

**NOTICE:** To prevent damage to devices, place them in a safe, dry place when they are not installed in the computer. Avoid pressing down on them or placing heavy objects on top of them.

- 1 Press the device latch release.



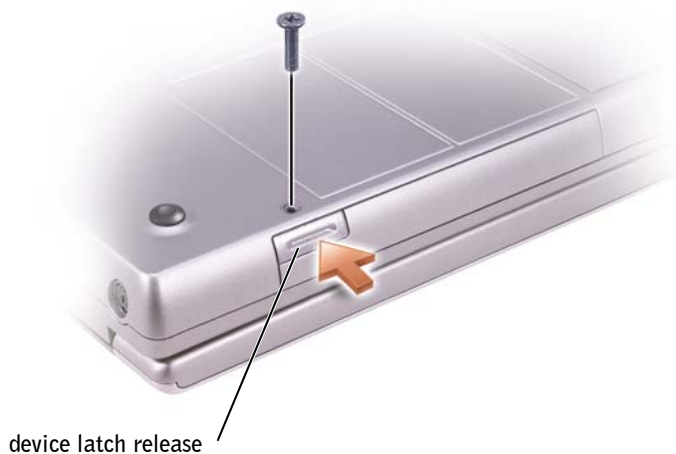
- 2 Pull the device out of the module bay.



- 3 Insert the new device into the bay, and push the device until you feel a click.

## If the Device Screw Is Installed

- 1 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer (see page 42).
  - 2 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
- NOTICE:** To prevent damage to devices, place them in a safe, dry place when they are not installed in the computer. Avoid pressing down on them or placing heavy objects on top of them.
- 3 Close the display and turn the computer over.
  - 4 Use a #1 Phillips screwdriver to remove the device screw from the bottom of the computer.
  - 5 Press the device latch release.



- 6 Pull the device out of the module bay.



**NOTICE:** Insert devices into the module bay before you dock and turn on the computer.

- 7 Insert the new device into the bay, and push the device until you feel a click.
- 8 Replace the device screw.
- 9 Turn on the computer.

## Removing and Installing Devices While the Computer Is Running

**NOTE:** If the device screw is not installed, you can remove and install devices while the computer is running and connected to a docking device (docked).

Your computer ships with an optical drive installed in the module bay. However, the device screw is not installed in the optical drive but packaged separately. When you install your device in the module bay, you can install the device screw.



## If the Device Screw Is Not Installed

- 1 Double-click the **Safely Remove Hardware** icon on the taskbar.
- 2 Click the device you want to eject.

**NOTICE:** To prevent damage to devices, place them in a safe, dry place when they are not installed in the computer. Avoid pressing down on them or placing heavy objects on top of them.

- 3 Press the device latch release.

**NOTE:** You do not need to install the device screw unless you want to secure the module inside the computer for security purposes.



- 4 Pull the device out of the module bay.



- 5 Insert the new device into the bay, and push the device until you feel a click.

Windows XP automatically recognizes the new device.

- 6 If necessary, enter your password to unlock your computer.

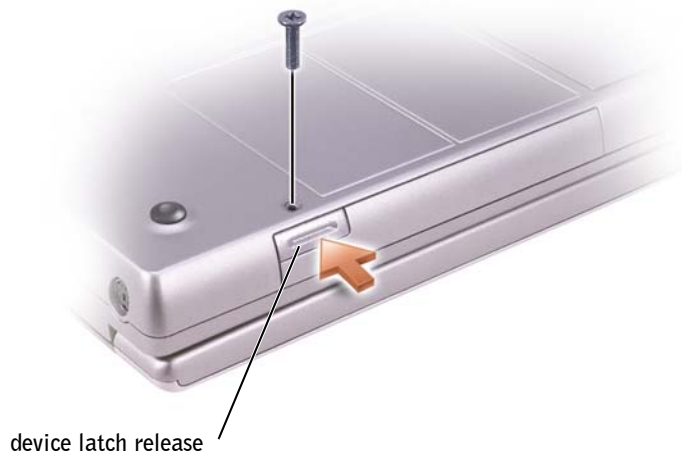
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- 1 Double-click the **Safely Remove Hardware** icon on the taskbar.
- 2 Click the device you want to eject.
- 3 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.



**NOTICE:** To prevent damage to devices, place them in a safe, dry place when they are not installed in the computer. Avoid pressing down on them or placing heavy objects on top of them.

- 4 Use a #1 Phillips screwdriver to remove the device screw from the bottom of the computer.
- 5 Press the device latch release.



- 6** Pull the device out of the module bay.



- 7** Insert the new device into the bay, push the device until you feel a click, and replace the screw.  
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- 8** If necessary, enter your password to unlock your computer.



SECTION 4

# Using the Keyboard and Touchpad

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Numeric Keypad

Keyboard Shortcuts

Touch Pad

Customizing the Touch Pad


Touch Pad or Mouse Problems

External Keyboard Problems

Unexpected Characters

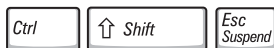
## Numeric Keypad



The keypad numbers and symbols are marked in blue on the right of the keypad keys. To type a number or symbol, ensure that the keypad is enabled, and press **Fn** and the desired key. The  light indicates that the keypad is active.

## Keyboard Shortcuts

### System Functions



Opens the **Task Manager** window



Enables and disables the numeric keypad



Enables and disables the scroll lock

## Battery



Displays the Dell™ QuickSet Battery Meter

## CD or DVD Tray



Requires Dell QuickSet to function. Ejects the tray out of the drive.

## Display Functions



Switches the video image to the next display in the following sequence: the integrated display only, the integrated display and an external CRT monitor simultaneously, an external CRT monitor only, the integrated display and an external DVI monitor simultaneously, external DVI monitor only, and external CRT monitor and external DVI monitor simultaneously.



Increases brightness on the integrated display only (not on an external monitor).



Decreases brightness on the integrated display only (not on an external monitor).

## Radios (Including Wireless Networking and Bluetooth™)





Enables and disables radios, including wireless networking and Bluetooth







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














Activates the power management mode of your choice. You can program this keyboard shortcut on the **Advanced** tab in the **Power Options Properties** window.

### Speaker Functions

If no sound comes from the speakers, press   and adjust the volume.

 	Increases the volume of the integrated speakers and external speakers, if attached
 	Decreases the volume of the integrated speakers and external speakers, if attached
 	Enables and disables the integrated speakers and external speakers, if attached

### Microsoft® Windows® Logo Key Functions

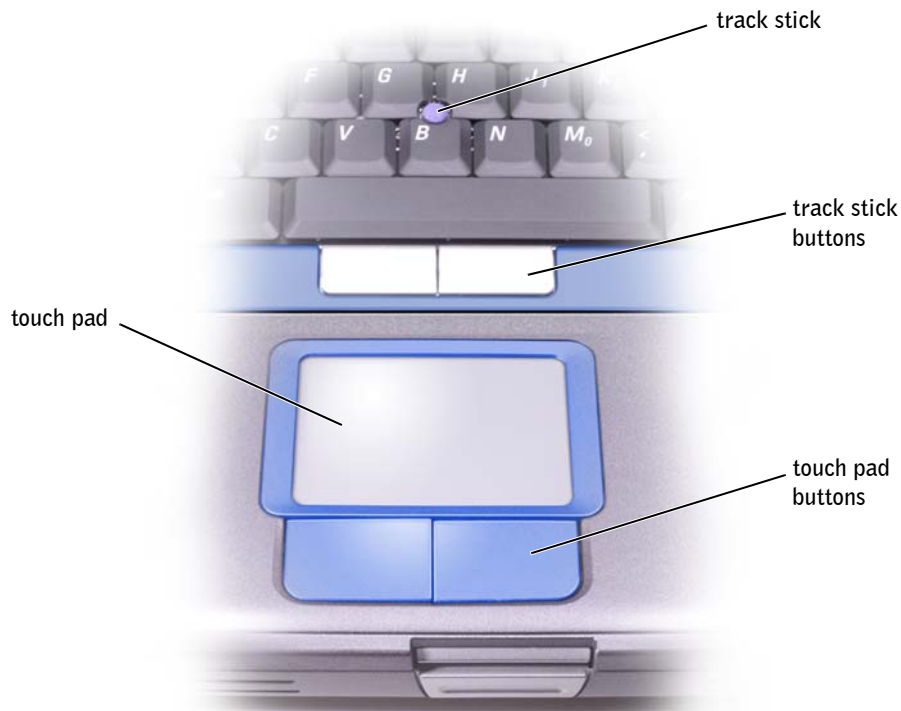
 	Minimizes all open windows
  	Maximizes all windows
 	Runs Windows Explorer
 	Opens the <b>R</b> un dialog box
 	Opens the <b>S</b> earch <b>R</b> esults dialog box
  	Opens the <b>S</b> earch <b>R</b> esults- <b>C</b> omputer dialog box (if the computer is connected to a network)
 	Opens the <b>S</b> ystem <b>P</b> roperties dialog box

To adjust keyboard operation, such as the character repeat rate, open the Control Panel, and click **Printers and Other Hardware**.



# Touch Pad

The touch pad detects the pressure and movement of your finger to allow you to move the cursor on the display. Use the touch pad and touch pad buttons as you would use a mouse.



- To move the cursor, lightly slide your finger over the touch pad.
- To select an object, lightly tap once on the surface of the touch pad or use your thumb to press the left touch-pad button.
- To select and move (or drag) an object, position the cursor on the object and tap down-up-down on the touch pad. On the second down motion, leave your finger on the touch pad and move the selected object by sliding your finger over the surface.

- To double-click an object, position the cursor on the object and tap twice on the touch pad or use your thumb to press the left touch-pad button twice.

## Customizing the Touch Pad

You can disable the touch pad or adjust their settings by using the **Mouse Properties** window.

- 1 Open the Control Panel and double-click the **Mouse** icon.
- 2 On the **Mouse Properties** window:
  - Click the **Device Select** tab to disable the touch pad.
  - Click the **Pointer** tab to adjust touch pad settings.
- 3 Select the desired settings and click **Apply**.
- 4 Click **OK** to save the settings and close the window.

## Touch Pad or Mouse Problems

### CHECK THE TOUCH PAD SETTINGS —

- 1 Click the **Start** button, click **Control Panel**, and then click **Printers and Other Hardware**.
- 2 Click **Mouse**.
- 3 Try adjusting the settings.

### TO VERIFY THAT THE PROBLEM IS WITH THE MOUSE, CHECK THE TOUCH PAD —

- 1 Shut down the computer (see page 42).
- 2 Disconnect the mouse.
- 3 Turn on the computer.
- 4 At the Windows desktop, use the touch pad to move the cursor around, select an icon, and open it.

If the touch pad operates correctly, the mouse may be defective.

**REINSTALL THE TOUCH PAD DRIVER** — See page 113.

# External Keyboard Problems

**CHECK THE KEYBOARD CABLE** — Shut down the computer (see page 42). Disconnect the keyboard cable and check it for damage.

If you are using a keyboard extension cable, disconnect it and connect the keyboard directly to the computer.

## **CHECK THE EXTERNAL KEYBOARD** —

- 1 Turn off the computer, wait 1 minute, and turn it on again.
- 2 Verify that the numbers, capitals, and scroll lock lights on the keyboard blink during the boot routine.
- 3 From the Windows® desktop, click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs**, point to **Accessories**, and click **Notepad**.
- 4 Type some characters on the external keyboard and verify that they appear on the display.


If you cannot verify these steps, you may have a defective external keyboard.

## **TO VERIFY THAT THE PROBLEM IS WITH THE EXTERNAL KEYBOARD, CHECK THE INTEGRATED KEYBOARD** —

- 1 Turn off the computer.
- 2 Disconnect the external keyboard.
- 3 Turn on the computer.
- 4 From the Windows desktop, click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs**, point to **Accessories**, and click **Notepad**.
- 5 Type some characters on the external keyboard and verify that they appear on the display.

If the characters appear now but did not with the external keyboard, you may have a defective external keyboard. Contact Dell (see page 150).

# Unexpected Characters

**DISABLE THE NUMERIC KEYPAD** — Press  to disable the numeric keypad if numbers are displayed instead of letters. Verify that the numbers lock light is not lit.



**NOTE:** When you attach an external keyboard, the integrated keyboard remains fully functional.



## SECTION 5

# Using CDs, DVDs, and Other Multimedia

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Using CDs and DVDs

CD or DVD problems

Sound and Speaker Problems

Copying CDs

Connecting a Television to the Computer

## Using CDs and DVDs

For information about using CDs and DVDs in your computer, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

## CD or DVD problems




**NOTE:** Because of different worldwide file types, not all DVD titles work in all DVD drives.

### If you cannot play a CD, CD-RW, or DVD

High-speed CD drive vibration is normal and may cause noise. This noise does not indicate a defect with the drive or the CD.

#### ENSURE THAT THE CD IS SNAPPED ONTO THE SPINDLE.

**ENSURE THAT MICROSOFT® WINDOWS® RECOGNIZES THE DRIVE** — In Windows XP, click the **Start** button and click **My Computer**. In other operating systems, double-click **My Computer**. If the drive is not listed, perform a full scan with your antivirus software to check for and remove viruses. Viruses can sometimes prevent Windows from recognizing the drive. Insert a bootable disk and restart the computer. Verify that the  light is blinking, indicating normal operation.

**TRY ANOTHER DISC** — Insert another disc to eliminate the possibility that the original disc is defective.

**ADJUST THE WINDOWS VOLUME CONTROL** — Double-click the speaker icon in the lower-right corner of your screen. Ensure that the volume is turned up and that the sound is not muted.

**IDENTIFY THE DISC THAT IS NOT PLAYING** — If you have one CD, CD-RW, or DVD in the fixed drive device and one in the module bay device:


- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **My Computer**.
- 2 Double-click the drive letter of the device that you are verifying.

#### REINSTALL THE DRIVE

- 1 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer.
- 2 If the drive is installed in the module bay, remove the drive. See page 52 for instructions.  
If the drive is a fixed drive, review "Check the drive for errors" on page 109.
- 3 Reinstall the drive.
- 4 Turn on the computer.

**CLEAN THE DRIVE OR DISC** — See the *Tell Me How* help file for instructions. To access the help file, see page 104.

**CHECK THE DRIVE FOR ERRORS** — If the drive is a fixed drive:

- 1 Remove the hard drive and floppy drive.
- 2 Insert the *Drivers and Utilities* CD for your computer and turn on the computer.
- 3 Verify that the  light is blinking, indicating normal operation.

### **If you cannot eject the CD, CD-RW, or DVD drive tray**

- 1 Ensure that the computer is turned off.
- 2 Straighten a paper clip and insert one end into the eject hole at the front of the drive; push firmly until the tray is partially ejected.
- 3 Gently pull out the tray until it stops.

### **If you hear an unfamiliar scraping or grinding sound**

- Ensure that the sound is not caused by the program that is running.
- Ensure that the disk or disc is inserted properly.

### **If the CD-RW drive stops writing**

**DISABLE STANDBY MODE IN WINDOWS BEFORE WRITING TO A CD-RW** — Search for the keyword *standby* in Windows *Help*. To access the help file, see page 104.

**CHANGE THE WRITE SPEED TO A SLOWER RATE** — See the help files for your CD creation software.

**EXIT ALL OTHER OPEN PROGRAMS** — Exiting all other open programs before writing to the CD-RW may alleviate the problem.

## **Sound and Speaker Problems**

### **If you have a problem with integrated speakers**

**ADJUST THE WINDOWS® VOLUME CONTROL** — Double-click the speaker icon in the lower-right corner of your screen. Ensure that the volume is turned up and that the sound is not muted. Adjust the volume, bass, or treble controls to eliminate distortion.

**ADJUST THE VOLUME USING KEYBOARD BUTTONS** — Use the keyboard buttons to ensure that the volume is turned up and that the sound is not muted.

**REINSTALL THE SOUND (AUDIO) DRIVER** — See page 113.

### **If you have a problem with external speakers**

**CHECK THE SPEAKER CABLE CONNECTIONS** — See the setup diagram supplied with the speakers.



**NOTE:** The volume control in some MP3 players overrides the Windows volume setting. If you have been listening to MP3 songs, make sure that you did not turn the player volume down or off.



**NOTE:** Ensure that you follow all copyright laws when you create CDs.



**NOTE:** The information in this section also applies to using Easy CD Creator Basic with a DVD+RW or a DVD+R drive.

**TEST THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET** — Ensure that the electrical outlet is working by testing it with another device, such as a lamp.

**ENSURE THAT THE SPEAKERS ARE TURNED ON** — See the setup diagram supplied with the speakers.

**ADJUST THE WINDOWS VOLUME CONTROL** — Double-click the speaker icon in the lower-right corner of your screen. Ensure that the volume is turned up and that the sound is not muted. Adjust the volume, bass, or treble controls to eliminate distortion.

**TEST THE SPEAKERS** — Plug the speaker audio cable in to the line-out connector on the computer. Ensure that the headphone volume control is turned up. Play a music CD.

**RUN THE SPEAKER SELF-TEST** — Some speaker systems have a self-test button on the subwoofer. See the speaker documentation for self-test instructions.

**ELIMINATE POSSIBLE INTERFERENCE** — Turn off nearby fans, fluorescent lights, or halogen lamps to check for interference.

**REINSTALL THE SOUND (AUDIO) DRIVER** — See page 113.

## Copying CDs

This section applies only to computers that have a CD- or DVD-recording device.

The information in this section is based on the Roxio Easy CD Creator Basic documentation that came with your computer. See the following section, "Using Easy CD Creator Basic," for instructions on how to locate that documentation.

To burn CDs, you need to use CD-burner software. Roxio Easy CD Creator Basic is your computer's CD-burner software. The software includes the following project programs that enable you to record specialty CDs for different types of uses:

- DirectCD allows you to format a blank CD-R or CD-RW disc so that you can use Microsoft® Windows® Explorer to drag and drop data files to the CD-RW drive. You can use a DirectCD-formatted CD-RW disc like another hard drive on your computer because CD-RW discs are fully rewritable (CD-R discs can be used with DirectCD, but that media type has overwriting limitations—see "Using Blank CD-R Discs or Blank CD-RW Discs" for recording media differences).
- MusicCD allows you to burn custom music CDs.



- DataCD allows you to copy a variety of your documents, such as spreadsheet or accounting files, to a CD for permanent storage.
- Disc Copier allows you to make a backup copy of almost any type of CD. This program allows you to make a copy of a CD for everyday use so that you can archive and save the original copy. (Disc Copier is titled "CD Copier" in some versions of Roxio CD Creator Basic.)

All four project programs are available on the Easy CD Creator Basic **Select a Project** menu screen. To view the **Select a Project** menu screen, click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs→ Roxio Easy CD Creator**, and then click **Project Selector**.



**NOTE:** Some music and game CDs are copy-protected. If you have a CD that cannot be copied, you must use the original CD for everyday use.

## Using Easy CD Creator Basic

See the Easy CD Creator Basic documentation for instructions on how to use the program, information about different recording techniques, and CD media limitations. The Easy CD Creator Basic documentation is located in the Microsoft® Windows® Help and Support Center (see page 104). The documentation is also provided on the Roxio reinstallation CD, which is included with your computer. Each Easy CD Creator Basic project program also has thorough online help files.

## Using Blank CD-R Discs or Blank CD-RW Discs

Your CD-RW drive writes to two different types of recording media—CD-R and CD-RW discs. Use blank CD-R (CD-Recordable) disks to record music or permanently store data files. After creating a CD-R disc, you cannot write to that disc again without changing your method of recording (see the Roxio documentation for more information). Use blank CD-RW (CD-ReWritable) discs when you want to write, erase, rewrite, and update your files onto CDs.

## Helpful Tips

- You must use the Easy CD Creator Basic project programs to copy and record all music and data CDs. You can use Windows Explorer to drag and drop files to a CD-R or CD-RW disc only after you first use DirectCD to format the disc.
- You must use CD-R discs to burn music CDs that you want to play in regular stereos. CD-RW discs do not play in most home or car stereos.

- If you want to copy files from the Internet or files from a floppy or Zip drive, copy those files to your hard drive first, and then burn your CD. Your CD-RW drive requires a steady stream of data to properly record. Direct Internet downloads, floppy drives, and Zip drives may not be able to provide a steady data stream to your CD-RW drive.
- Music MP3 files can be played only on MP3 players or on computers that have MP3 software installed.
- Ensure that you set the sampling rate to at least 128 Kbps when you burn MP3 files to a CD. Otherwise, recording errors may occur.
- Do not burn a blank CD-R or CD-RW disc to its maximum capacity; for example, do not copy a 650-MB file to a 650-MB blank CD. The CD-RW drive needs 1 or 2 MB of the blank CD to finalize the recording.
- Use a blank CD-RW disc to practice CD recording until you are familiar with CD recording techniques. If you make a mistake, you can erase the CD-RW disc and try again. You can also use blank CD-RW discs to test music file projects before you record the project permanently to a blank CD-R disc.
- See the Roxio support website at [support.roxio.com](http://support.roxio.com) for additional helpful tips.

## How to Copy a CD



**NOTE:** If you have a DVD/CD-RW combo drive and you experience recording problems, first check for available software patches at the Dell Support website at [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com) and if necessary, the Roxio support website at [support.roxio.com](http://support.roxio.com).

The procedure assumes that your computer is equipped with a single CD-RW drive (without an additional CD drive). If your computer is equipped with both types of drives, see the Roxio documentation for instructions on how to copy CDs from a CD drive to a CD-RW drive.

- 1 Click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs**→ **Roxio Easy CD Creator**, and then click **Project Selector**.

The **Select a Project** window appears.

- 2 Click **Disc Copier**. (Disc Copier is titled "CD Copier" in some versions of Easy CD Creator Basic.)

The **Disc Copier** window appears and displays your CD-RW drive in the **Copy from** and the **Record to** lists.

- 3 Insert the source CD that you want to copy into the CD-RW drive.

The Disc Copier project program briefly checks the source CD in the CD-RW drive to ensure that it is a readable CD.

- 4 Click **Copy**.

Depending on the size of the files that are being copied, the copy process may take a few minutes.

- 5 After the source CD is copied, remove the source CD from the CD-RW drive tray.

The CD-RW drive tray opens automatically after the source CD is copied.

- 6 Insert a blank CD into the CD-RW drive and close the tray.

The recording starts automatically.

- 7 After the recording completes, click **OK**.

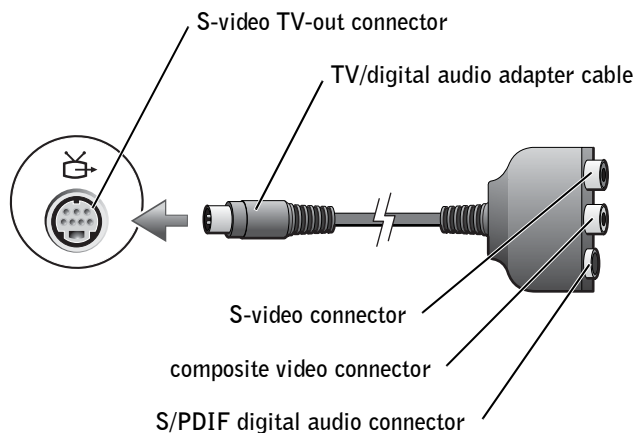


**NOTE:** You must use CD-R discs to burn music CDs that you want to play in regular stereos. CD-RW discs do not play in most home or car stereos.

## Connecting a Television to the Computer

**NOTE:** Video and audio cables for connecting your computer to a television are not included with your computer. Cables may be purchased at most consumer electronics stores.

Your computer has an S-video TV-out connector that, together with the included TV/digital audio adapter cable, enables you to connect the computer to a television and/or stereo audio device. The TV/digital audio adapter cable provides connections for S-video, composite video, and S/PDIF digital audio.



For televisions and audio devices without support for S/PDIF digital audio, you can use the audio connector on the side of the computer to connect the computer to your television or audio device.

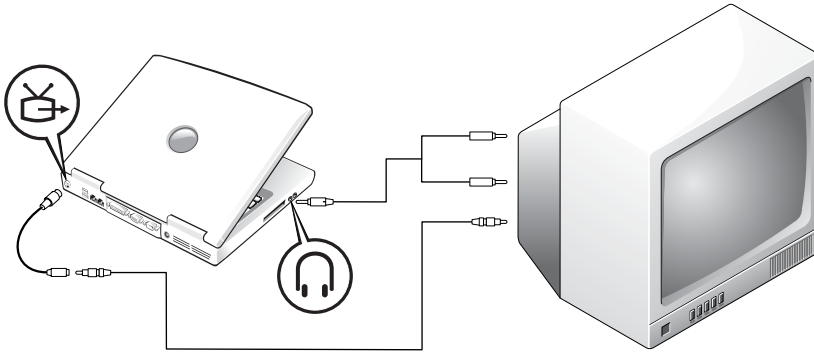
It is recommended that you connect video and audio cables to your computer in one of the following combinations:

**NOTE:** Diagrams for each connection combination appear at the beginning of each subsection to help you determine which method you should use.

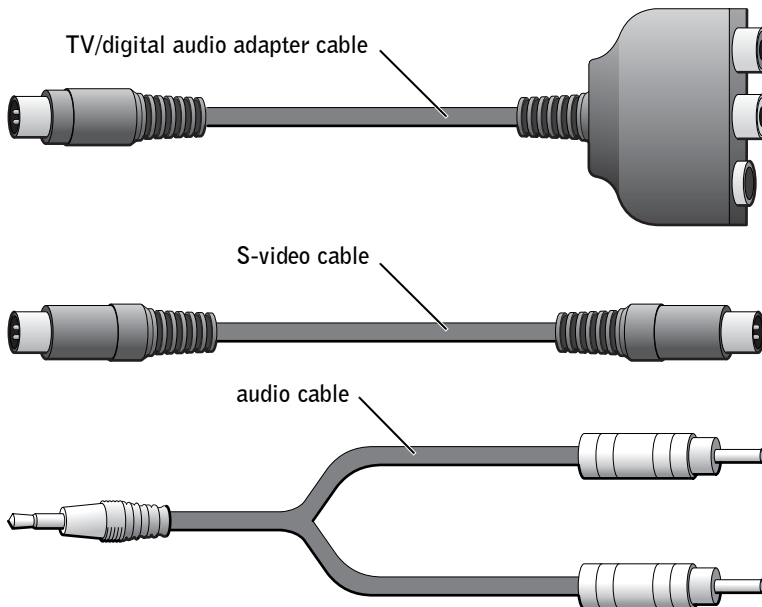
- S-video and standard audio
- S-video and digital audio
- Composite video and standard audio
- Composite video and digital audio

When you complete the cable connection, see page 84 to ensure that the computer recognizes and works properly with the television. Additionally, if you are using S/PDIF digital audio, see page 85.

## S-Video and Standard Audio



Before you begin, ensure that you have the following cables:

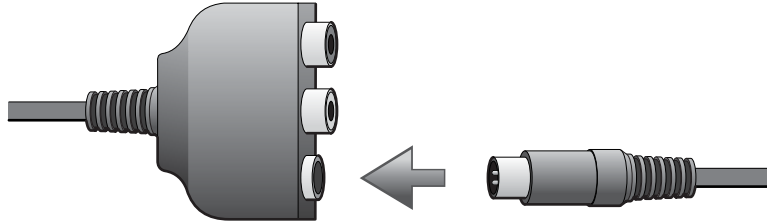


- 1 Turn off the computer and the television and/or audio device you want to connect.

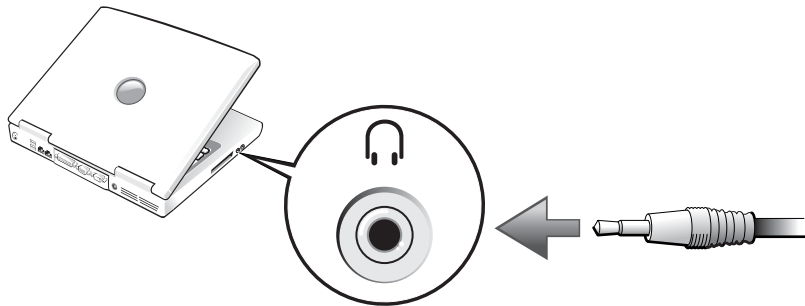


**NOTE:** You can connect an S-video cable directly to the S-video connector on the computer (without the video adapter cable) if your television or audio device supports S-video but not S/PDIF digital audio.

- 2 Connect the TV/digital audio adapter cable to the S-video TV-out connector on your computer.
- 3 Plug one end of the S-video cable in to the S-video connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.

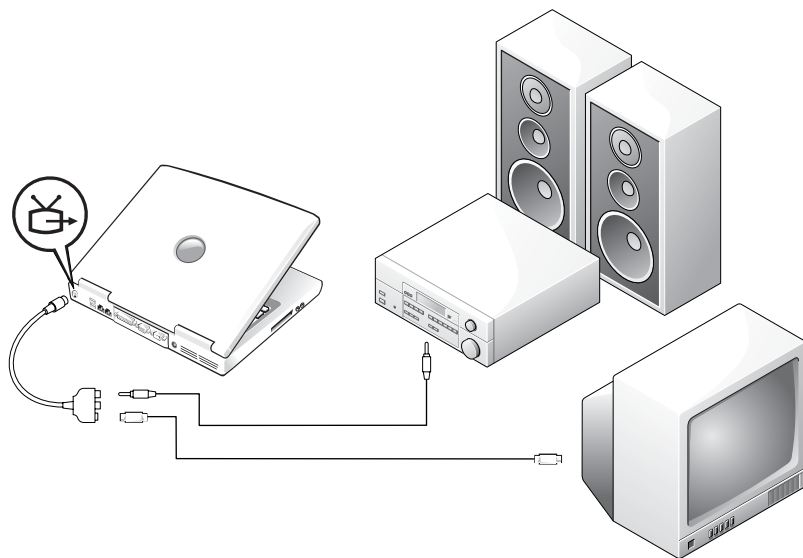


- 4 Plug the other end of the S-video cable in to your television.
- 5 Plug the single-connector end of the audio cable in to the headphone connector on your computer.

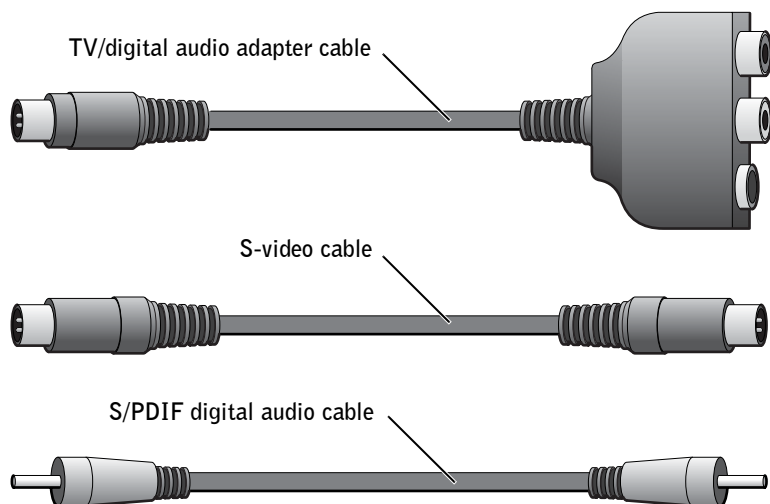


- 6 Plug the two RCA connectors on the other end of the audio cable in to the audio input connectors on your television or other audio device.
- 7 Turn on the television and any audio device you connected, and then turn on the computer.
- 8 See page 84 to ensure that the computer recognizes and works properly with the television.

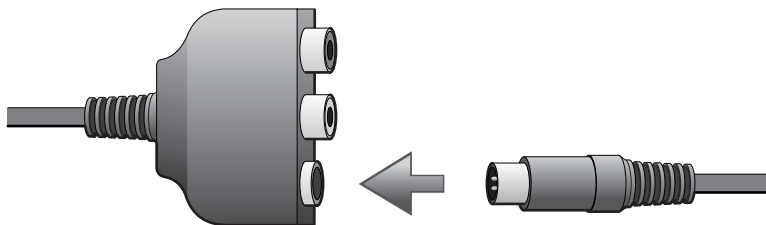
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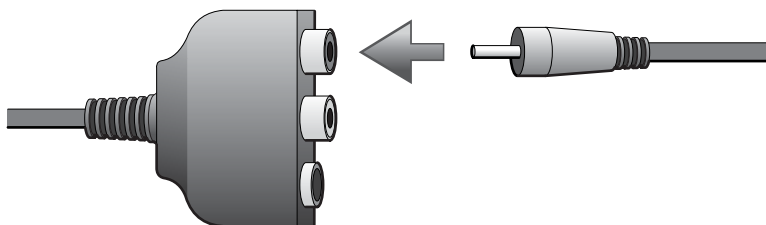
Before you begin, ensure that you have the following cables:



- 1 Turn off the computer and the television and/or audio device you want to connect.
- 2 Connect the TV/digital audio adapter cable to the S-video TV-out connector on your computer.
- 3 Plug one end of the S-video cable in to the S-video connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.



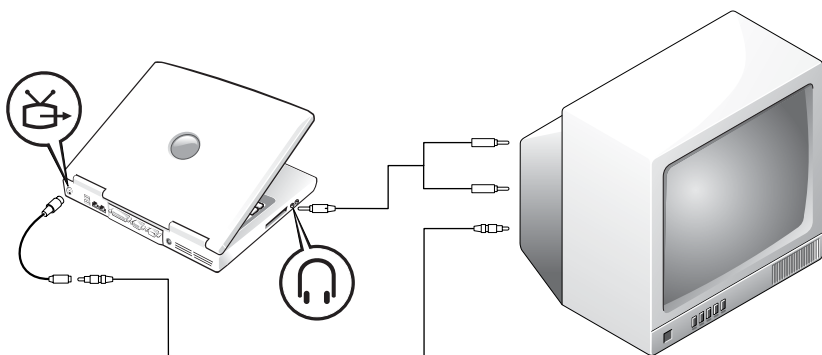
- 4 Plug the other end of the S-video cable in to the S-video connector on the television.
- 5 Plug one end of the S/PDIF digital audio cable in to the digital audio connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.



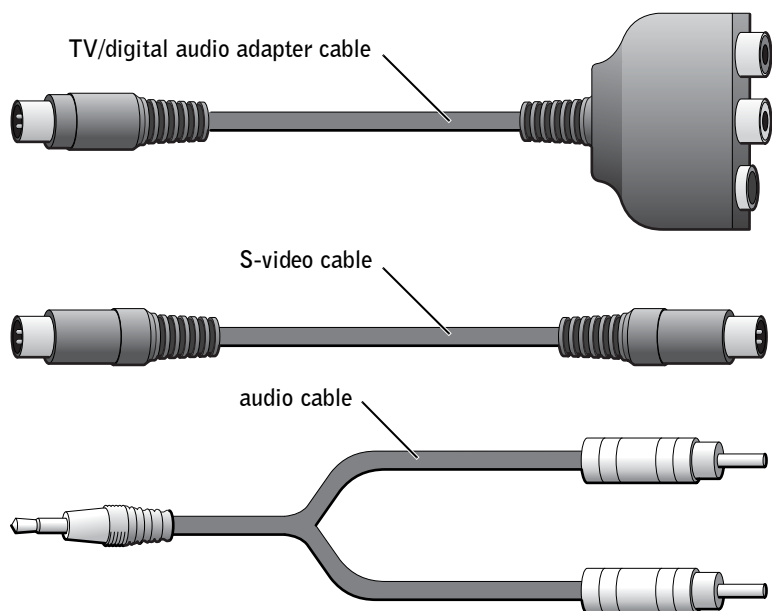
- 6 Plug the other end of the S/PDIF digital audio cable in to the audio input connector on your television or other audio device.



## Composite Video and Standard Audio

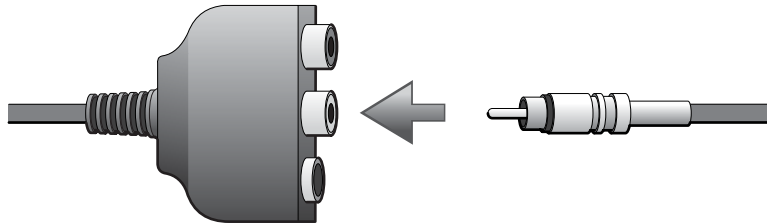


Before you begin, ensure that you have the following cables:

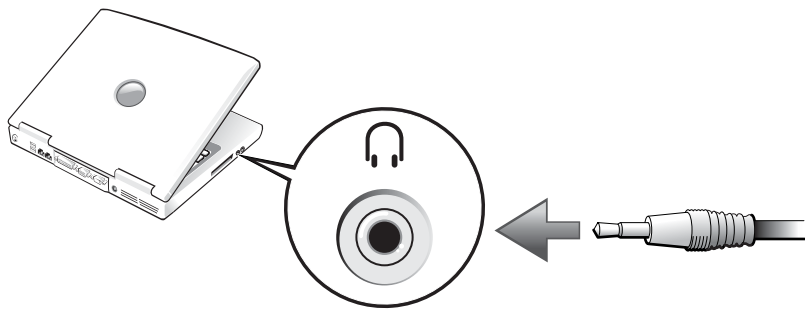


- 1 Turn off the computer and the television and/or audio device you want to connect.
- 2 Connect the TV/digital audio adapter cable to the S-video TV-out connector on the computer.

- 3 Plug one end of the composite video cable in to the composite video connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.

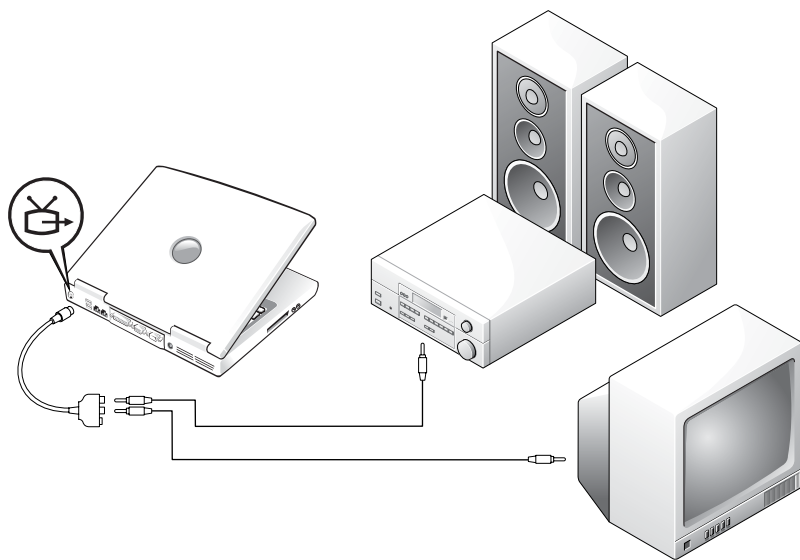


- 4 Plug the other end of the composite video cable in to the composite video connector on the television.
- 5 Plug the single-connector end of the audio cable in to the headphone connector on the computer.

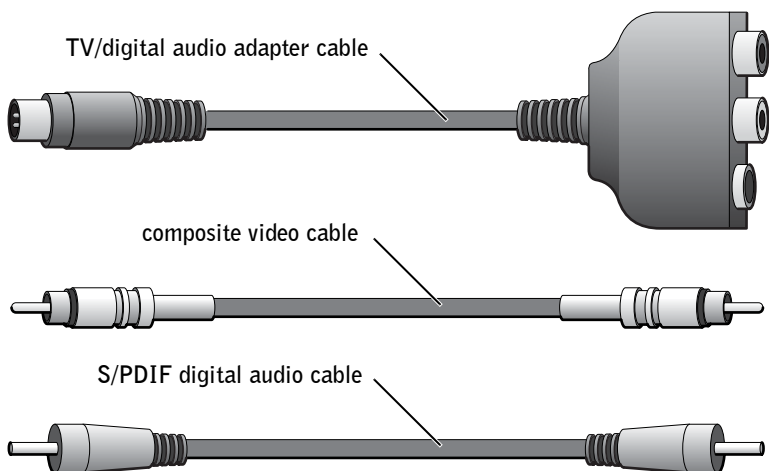


- 6 Plug the two RCA connectors on the other end of the audio cable in to the audio input connectors on your television or other audio device.

## Composite Video and Digital Audio

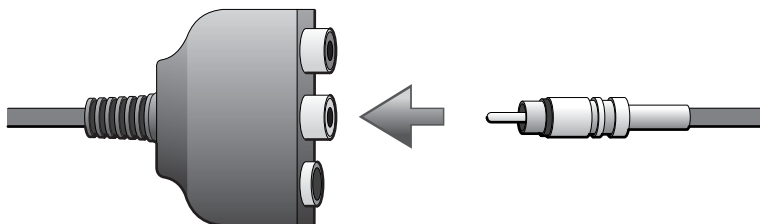


Before you begin, ensure that you have the following cables:

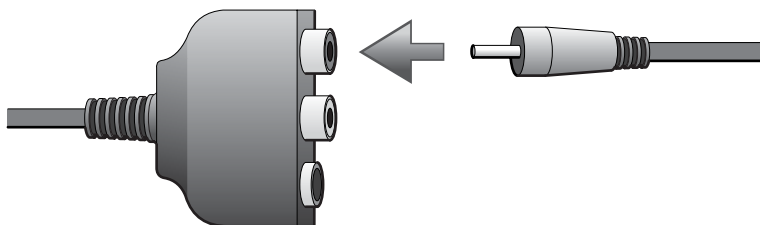


- 1 Turn off the computer and the television and/or audio device you want to connect.

- 2 Connect the TV/digital audio adapter cable to the S-video TV-out connector on the computer.
- 3 Plug one end of the composite video cable in to the composite video connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.



- 4 Plug the other end of the composite video cable in to the composite video connector on the television.
- 5 Plug one end of the S/PDIF digital audio cable in to the S/PDIF audio connector on the TV/digital audio adapter cable.



- 6 Plug the other end of the digital audio cable in to the S/PDIF connector on your television or other audio device.

## Enabling the Display Settings for a Television

### ATI Video Controller

- 1 Click the **Start** button and then click the **Control Panel** icon.
- 2 Double-click the **Display** icon, click the **Settings** tab, and then click **Advanced**.
- 3 Click the **Displays** tab.
- 4 Click the upper-left corner of the **TV** button to enable the television.

- 5 To play a DVD on the television, click the small "primary" button (resembles a bull's-eye) at the bottom-left under the **TV** picture.
- 6 Click **Apply**.
- 7 Click **Yes** to keep the new settings.
- 8 Click **OK**.

DVD video is visible only on the display that is set to primary. While the DVD is playing, the DVD player window on your computer display is blank or (if the DVD player window is set to full-screen mode) the entire computer display screen is blank.



**NOTE:** Various programs access the hardware in different ways. You may or may not need to click the primary button for operations other than playing DVDs.

### **NVIDIA Video Controller**

- 1 Open the **Control Panel** window.
- 2 Click the **Start** button and then click the **Control Panel** icon.
- 3 Double-click the **Display** icon, click the **Settings** tab, and then click **Advanced**.
- 4 Click the **TwinView** tab.
- 5 Click the **Clone** button to enable the television.
- 6 Click **Apply**.
- 7 Click **OK** to confirm the settings change.
- 8 Click **Yes** to keep the new settings.
- 9 Click **OK**.



**NOTE:** Ensure that you properly connect the television before you enable the display settings.

### **Enabling S/PDIF Digital Audio**

To enable Dolby Digital 5.1 audio for DVD playback, see page 85.

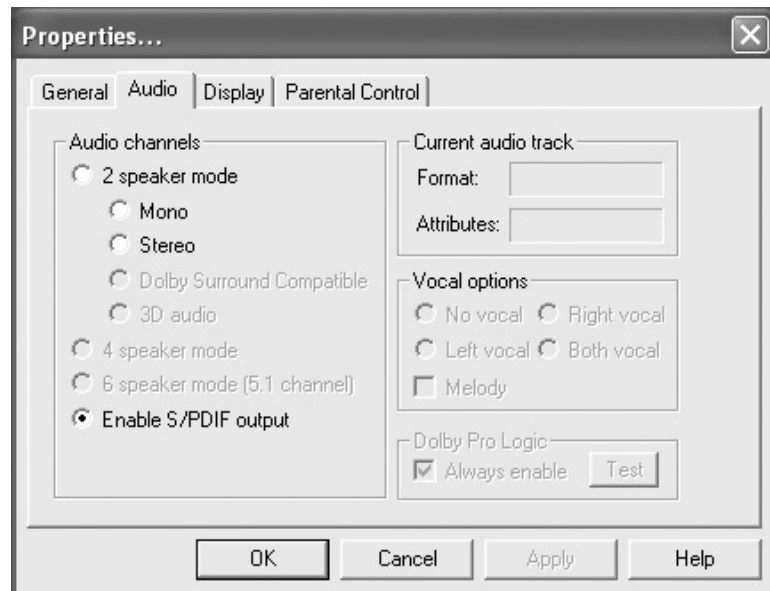
### **Enabling Dolby Digital 5.1 Audio for DVD Playback**

If your computer has a DVD drive, you can enable Dolby Digital 5.1 audio for DVD playback.

- 1 Double-click the **InterVideo WinDVD** icon on the Windows desktop.




- 2 Insert a DVD into the DVD drive.  
If the DVD begins playing, click the stop button.
- 3 Click the Properties (wrench) icon.
- 4 Click the **Audio** tab.
- 5 Click **Enable S/PDIF output**.
- 6 Click **Apply**.

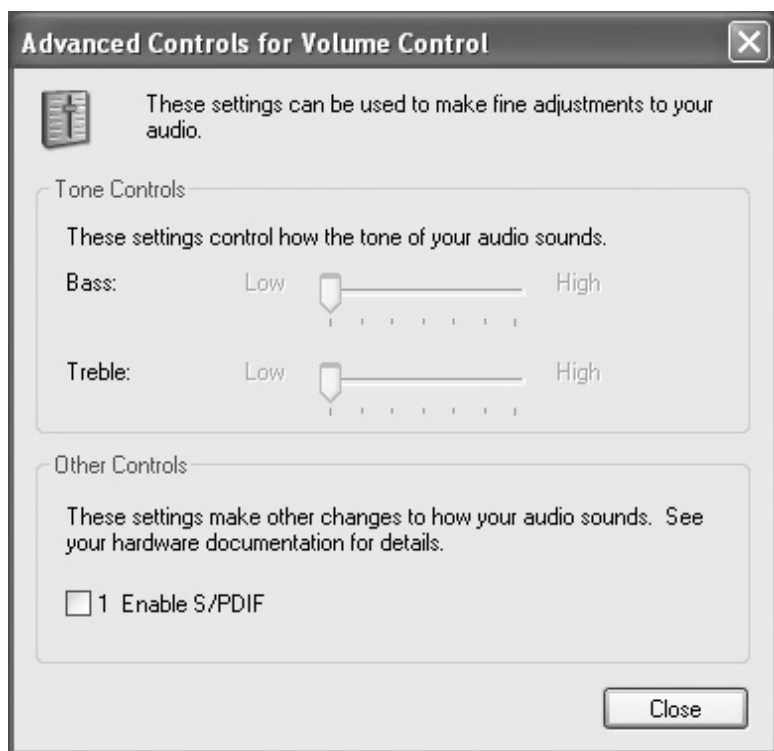


- 7 Click **OK**.

## Enabling S/PDIF in the Windows Audio Driver

- 1 Double-click the speaker icon in the Windows notification area.
- 2 Click the **Options** menu and then click **Advanced Controls**.
- 3 Click **Advanced**.

 **NOTE:** Enabling S/PDIF in Windows disables the sound from the headphone connector.



- 4 Click **Enable S/PDIF**.
- 5 Click **Close**.
- 6 Click **OK**.





SECTION 6
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# Setting Up a Home and Office Network

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Connecting to a Network Adapter

Network Setup Wizard

Network Problems


Connecting to Wireless Local Area Networks


## Connecting to a Network Adapter

Before you connect your computer to a network, the computer must have a network adapter installed and a network cable connected to it.

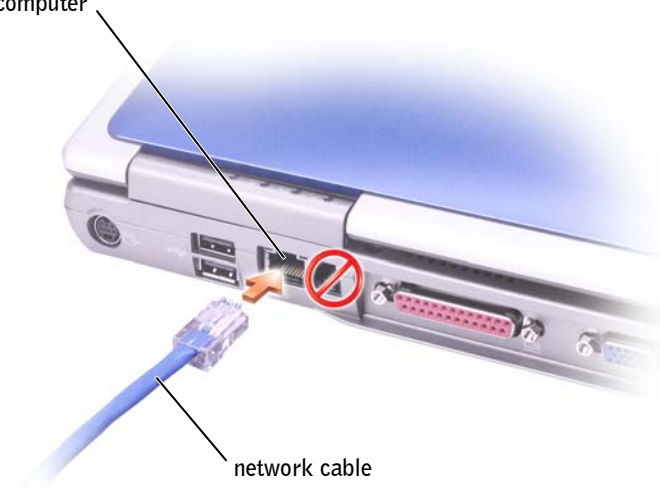
To connect a network cable:

- 1 Connect the network cable to the network adapter connector on the back of your computer.
- 2 Connect the other end of the network cable to a network connection device, such as a network wall jack.

 **NOTE:** Insert the cable until it clicks into place, and then gently pull it to ensure that it is secure.

 **NOTE:** Do not use a network cable with a telephone wall jack.

network adapter connector  
on computer



# Network Setup Wizard

The Microsoft® Windows® XP operating system provides a Network Setup Wizard to guide you through the process of sharing files, printers, or an Internet connection between computers in a home or small office.

- 1 Click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs→ Accessories→ Communications**, and then click **Network Setup Wizard**.
- 2 On the welcome screen, click **Next**.
- 3 Click **Checklist for creating a network**.
- 4 Complete the checklist and required preparations.
- 5 Return to the Network Setup Wizard and follow the instructions on the screen.



**NOTE:** Selecting the connection method **This computer connects directly to the Internet** enables the integrated firewall provided with Windows XP.

## Network Problems

**CHECK THE NETWORK CABLE CONNECTOR** — Ensure that the network cable connector is firmly connected to the optional connector on the computer and the network wall jack.

**CHECK THE NETWORK LIGHTS ON THE NETWORK CONNECTOR** — Green indicates that the network connection is active. If the status light is not green, try replacing the network cable. Amber indicates that the optional network adapter driver is loaded and the adapter is detecting activity.

**RESTART THE COMPUTER** — Try to log on to the network again.

**CONTACT YOUR NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR** — Verify that your network settings are correct and that the network is functioning.

# Connecting to Wireless Local Area Networks

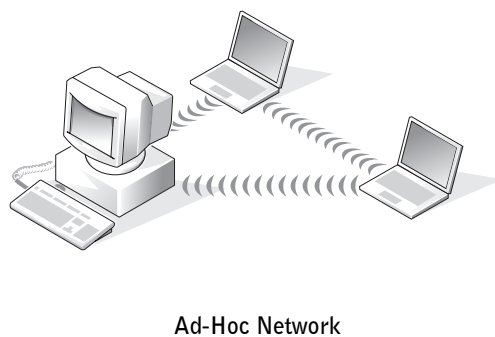
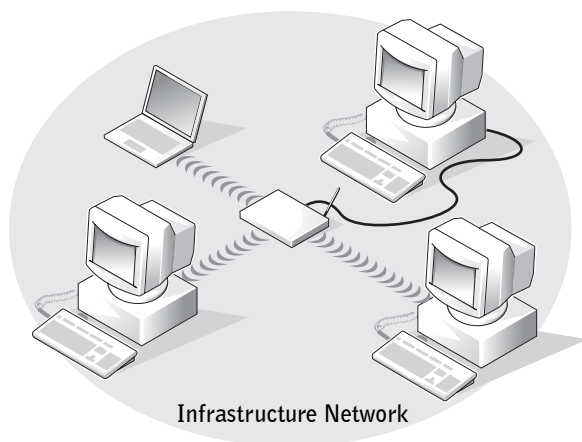
**NOTE:** These networking instructions do not apply to Bluetooth or cellular products.

Before you can connect to a wireless Local Area Network (LAN), you must have specific information about your network. Be sure to get the name of your wireless network along with any special security settings from your network administrator. These settings are unique to your network and cannot be provided by Dell.

## Determining your Network Type

**NOTE:** Most wireless networks are the infrastructure type. Consult your network administrator if you are unsure of the type of network you are connecting to.

Wireless networks fall into two categories — infrastructure networks and ad-hoc networks. An infrastructure network uses routers or access points to connect several computers together. An ad-hoc network does not use routers or access points and consists of computers that broadcast to one another.



## Connecting to a Network in Windows XP

Your wireless network card requires proper software and drivers in order to connect to a network. This software is pre-installed from the factory. If the software is removed or corrupted, follow the instructions listed in the *User's Guide* for your wireless card. The *User's Guide* is located on your *Drivers, Utilities, and Applications* CD (that came with your computer) in the "User's Guides-Network User's Guides" category. The *User's Guide* is also available on the Dell Support website at [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com).

- 1 Click **Start**, **Control Panel**, and then click **Switch to Classic View**.
- 2 Double-click **Network Connections**.
- 3 Click **Wireless Network Connection**.

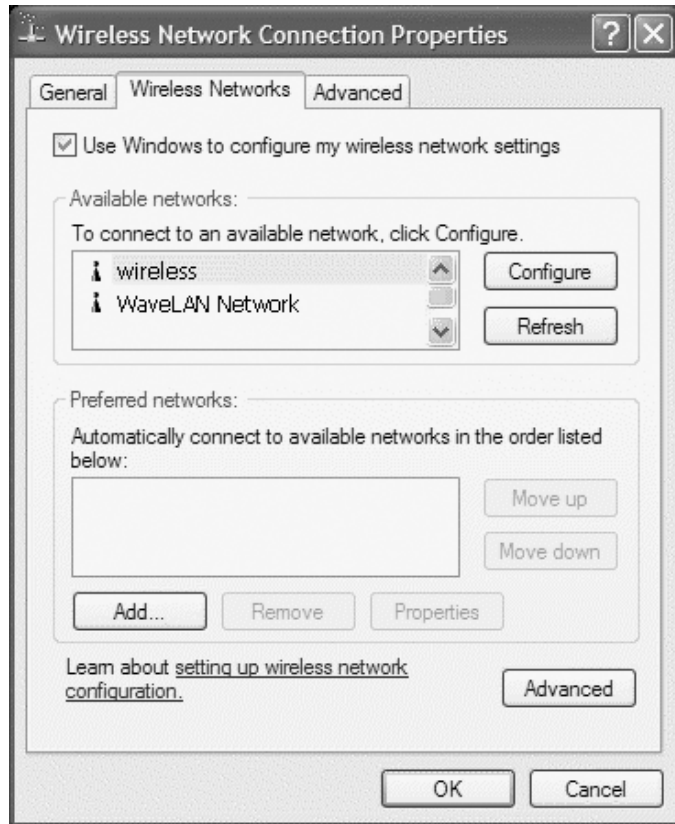
The **Wireless Network Connection** icon is highlighted.

- 4 Under **Network Tasks** in the left-hand pane, click **Change settings of this connection**.

The **Wireless Network Connection Properties** window appears.

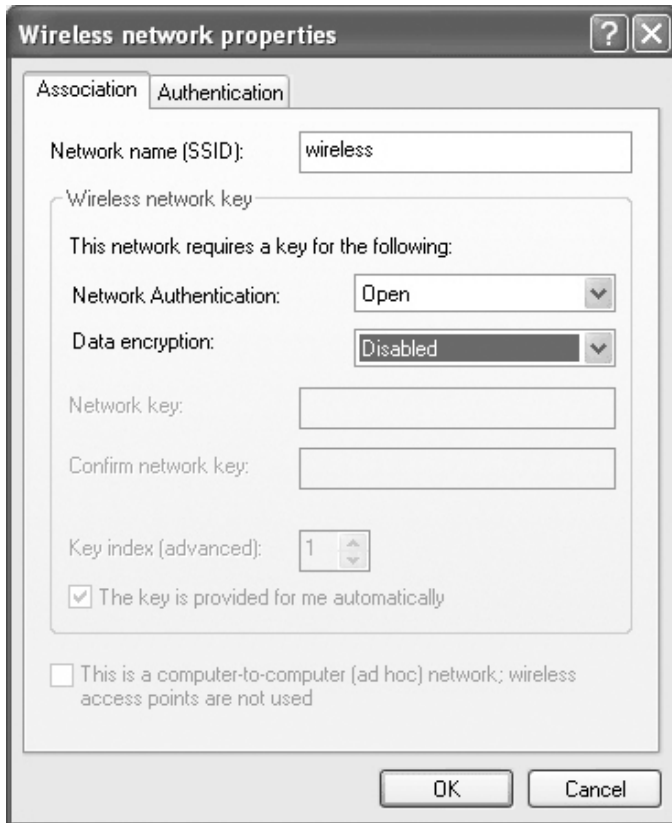
- 5 Select the **Wireless Networks** tab.

**NOTE:** The names of wireless networks that your computer can see are listed in the **Available Networks** area.



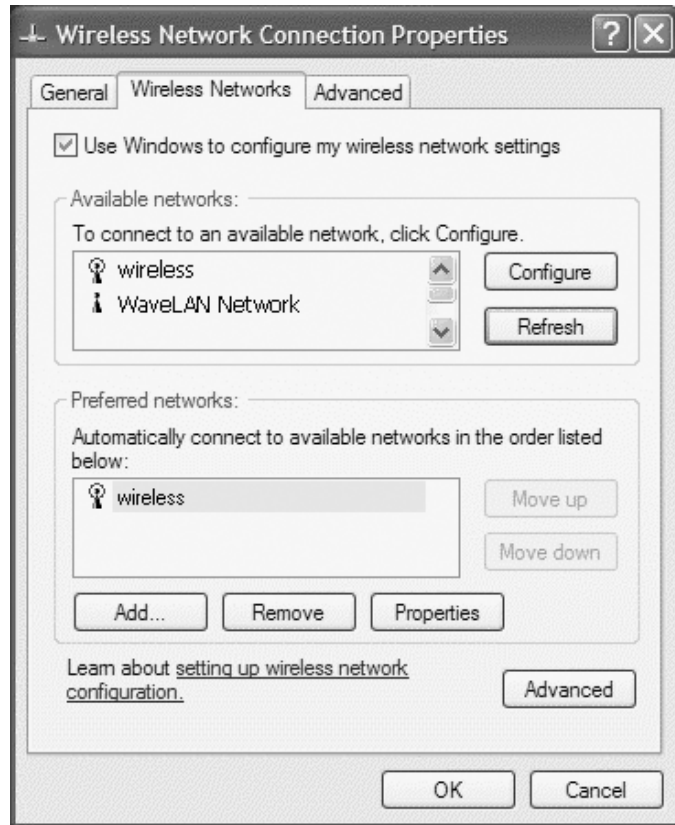
6 Click **Add**.

The **Wireless network properties** window appears.



- 7 Enter the name of your network in the **Network name (SSID)** field.
- 8 If you are connecting to an ad-hoc network, which does not use any routers or access points, click the check box labeled **This is a computer-to-computer (ad hoc) network; wireless access points are not used**.
- 9 Click **OK**.

Your new network name appears in the **Preferred networks** area.



## Finalizing your Network Connection (Security Settings)

To finalize your connection, you must change your wireless security settings to match the wireless network you are trying to connect to. Choose one of the following connection options based on the security settings for your network:

- Connecting to a Network with no Security-Related Requirements (Common for home and small office networks)
- Connecting to a Network with Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) Security Requirements
- Connecting to a Network with Wired Equivalent Protocol (WEP) Security Requirements



## Connecting to a Network with no Security-Related Requirements

- 1 In the **Preferred networks** area, click the name of your wireless network.
- 2 Click **Properties**.
- 3 From the **Network Authentication** drop-down menu, select **Open**.  
Earlier versions of the Dell wireless software may not contain the drop-down menus. If you are using an earlier version, de-select the **Data encryption (WEP enabled)** check box and go to step 5.
- 4 From the **Data encryption** drop-down menu, select **Disabled**.
- 5 Click **OK**.

Your network setup is complete.



**NOTE:** Network security settings are only provided by your network administrator and are unique to your network. Dell cannot provide this information.



**NOTE:** Your computer may take up to a minute to attach to the network.

## Connecting to a Network with Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) Security Requirements

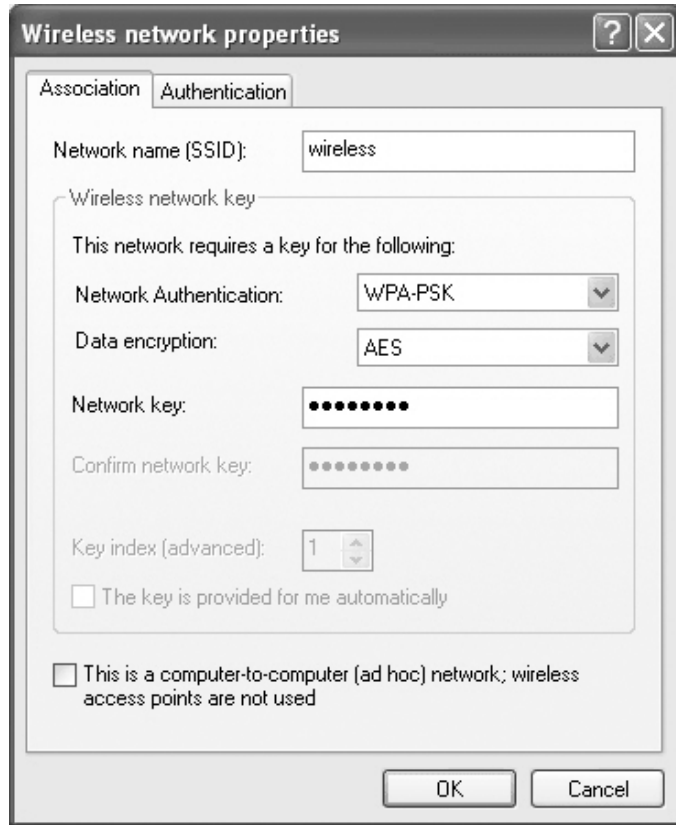
The following instructions are basic steps for connecting to a WPA network. If your network requires a user name, password, or domain-settings, consult the setup instructions in the *User's Guide* for your wireless network card.

- 1 In the **Preferred networks** section, click the name of your wireless network.
- 2 Click **Properties**.
- 3 From the **Network Authentication** drop-down menu, select your network authentication type (as provided by the network administrator).

If you do not see the drop-down menus, you must update your wireless software before continuing. Download and install the latest version of your wireless driver software from the Dell Support website at [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com).




**NOTE:** WPA protocols require that you know the Network Authentication and Data Encryption settings for your wireless network. In addition, your WPA-protected network may require special settings such as a network key, user name, password, and domain name. Be sure to get all necessary WPA settings from your network administrator before continuing.



- 4 From the **Data encryption** drop-down menu, select your data encryption type (as provided by the network administrator).
- 5 If your wireless network requires a key, enter it in the **Network key** field.
- 6 Click **OK**.

Your network setup is complete.

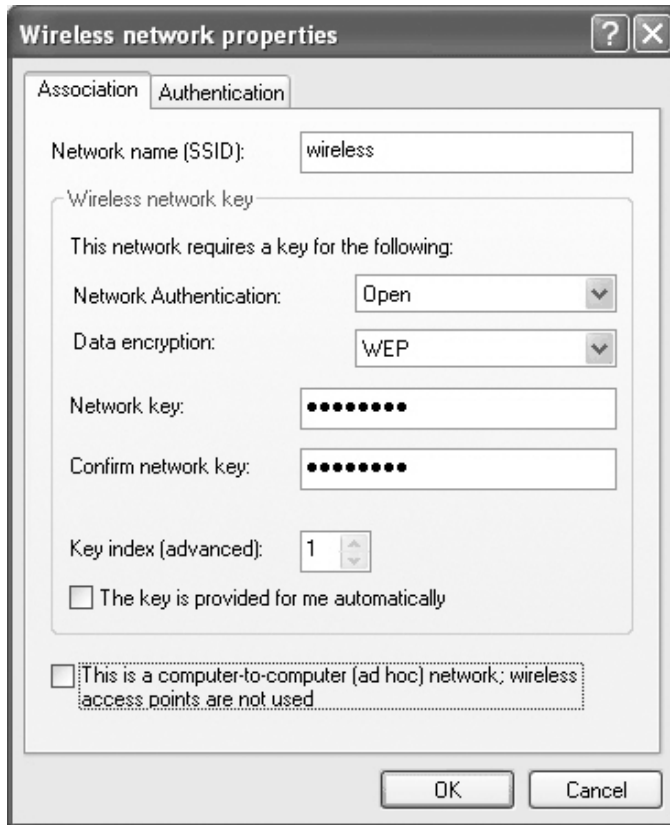
 **NOTE:** Your computer may take up to a minute to attach to the network.

### Connecting to a Network with Wired Equivalent Protocol (WEP) Security Requirements

- 1 In the **Preferred networks** section, click the name of your wireless network.

- 2 Click **Properties**.
- 3 From the **Network Authentication** drop-down menu, select **Open**.

Earlier versions of Dell wireless software may not contain the drop-down menus. If you are using an earlier version, select the check box labeled **Data encryption (WEP enabled)** and go to step 5.



- 4 From the **Data encryption** drop-down menu, select **WEP**.
- 5 If the wireless network does not require a network key (for example, password), go to step 8.
- 6 De-select the check box labeled **The key is provided for me automatically**.



**NOTE:** Your computer may take up to a minute to attach to the network.

- 7** Enter the WEP network key, provided by your network administrator, in the **Network key** field.
- 8** Enter this key again in the **Confirm network key** field.
- 9** Click **OK**.

Your network setup is complete.

## SECTION 7

# Solving Problems

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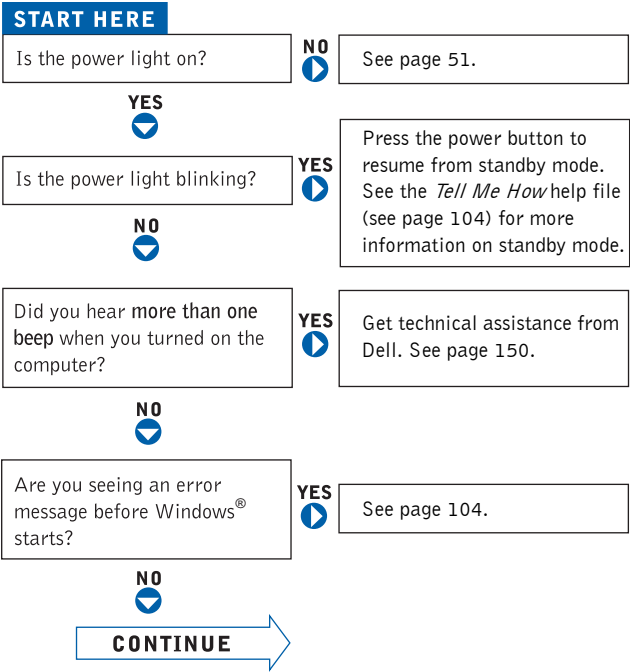
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Reinstalling Microsoft® Windows® XP

# Finding Solutions

Sometimes it’s difficult to figure out where to go for answers. Use this chart to quickly find the answers to your questions.

 **NOTE:** If you have a problem with an external device, see the device documentation or contact the manufacturer.



Are you having a problem with...  <b>NO</b> ▶	▶ video or the display?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 105.
	sound or the speakers?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 71.
	the printer?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 40.
	the modem?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 35.
	the scanner?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 107.
	the touch pad?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 66.
	the external keyboard?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 67.
	unexpected characters?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 67.
	the hard drive or a disk drive?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 108.
	the network adapter?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 91.
	Windows error messages?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 104.
	a program?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 110.
	the Internet?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 35.
	your e-mail?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 111.
Are you having some other type of problem?	<b>YES</b> ▶	See page 112.	

## Accessing Help

### TO ACCESS THE *TELL ME HOW* HELP FILE —

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Help and Support**.
- 2 Click **User and system guides** and click **User's guides**.
- 3 Click **Tell Me How**.

### TO ACCESS HELP —

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Help and Support**.
- 2 Type a word or phrase that describes your problem and click the arrow icon.
- 3 Click the topic that describes your problem.
- 4 Follow the instructions shown on the screen.

## Error Messages

If the message is not listed, see the documentation for the operating system or the program that was running at the time the message appeared.

### **THE FILE BEING COPIED IS TOO LARGE FOR THE DESTINATION DRIVE** —

The file that you are trying to copy is too large to fit on the disk, or the disk is too full. Try copying the file to a different disk or use a larger capacity disk.

### **A FILENAME CANNOT CONTAIN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERS: \ / : \* ? " < > | —**

Do not use these characters in filenames.

**INSERT BOOTABLE MEDIA** — The operating system is trying to boot to a nonbootable floppy disk or CD. Insert a bootable floppy disk or CD.

**NON-SYSTEM DISK OR DISK ERROR** — A floppy disk is in the floppy drive. Remove the floppy disk and restart the computer.



**NOT ENOUGH MEMORY OR RESOURCES. EXIT SOME PROGRAMS AND TRY AGAIN** — You have too many programs open. Close all windows and open the program that you want to use.

**OPERATING SYSTEM NOT FOUND** — Contact Dell (see page 150).



**A REQUIRED .DLL FILE WAS NOT FOUND** — The program that you are trying to open is missing an essential file. Remove and then reinstall the program.




- 1 Click the **Start** button.
- 2 Click **Control Panel**.
- 3 Click **Add or Remove Programs**.
- 4 Select the program you want to remove.
- 5 Click **Remove** or **Change/Remove** and follow the prompts on the screen.
- 6 See the program documentation for installation instructions.

**X:\ IS NOT ACCESSIBLE. THE DEVICE IS NOT READY** — Insert a disk into the drive and try again.

## Video and Display Problems

### If the display is blank

**CHECK THE  LIGHT** — When the  light is blinking, the computer has power.

- If the  light is blinking, the computer is in standby mode—press the power button to exit standby mode.
- If the  light is off, press the power button.
- If the  light is on, your power management settings may have caused the display to turn off. Try pressing any key or move the cursor to exit standby mode.

**CHECK THE BATTERY** — If you are using a battery to power your computer, the battery charge may be depleted. Connect the computer to an electrical outlet using the AC adapter, and turn on the computer.





**NOTE:** If you are using a program that requires a higher resolution than your computer supports, it is recommended that you attach an external monitor to your computer.

**TEST THE ELECTRICAL OUTLET** — Ensure that the electrical outlet is working by testing it with another device, such as a lamp.

**CHECK THE AC ADAPTER** — Check the AC adapter cable connections. If the AC adapter has a light, ensure that it is on.

**CONNECT THE COMPUTER DIRECTLY TO AN ELECTRICAL OUTLET** — Bypass power protection devices, power strips, and the extension cable to verify that the computer turns on. To access the help file, see page 104.

**ADJUST THE POWER PROPERTIES** — Search for the keyword *standby* in the Help and Support Center. For instructions on accessing help files, see page 104.

**SWITCH THE VIDEO IMAGE** — If your computer is attached to an external monitor, press   to switch the video image to the display.

## If the display is difficult to read

**ADJUST THE BRIGHTNESS** — See the *Tell Me How* help file for instructions on adjusting the brightness. To access the help file, see page 104.

**MOVE THE SUBWOOFER AWAY FROM THE COMPUTER OR MONITOR** — If your external speaker system includes a subwoofer, ensure that the subwoofer is at least 60 cm (2 ft) away from the computer or external monitor.

**ELIMINATE POSSIBLE INTERFERENCE** — Turn off nearby fans, fluorescent lights, halogen lamps, or other appliances.

**ROTATE THE COMPUTER TO FACE A DIFFERENT DIRECTION** — Eliminate sunlight glare, which can cause poor picture quality.

#### **ADJUST THE WINDOWS DISPLAY SETTINGS —**

- 1** Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2** Click **Appearance and Themes**.
- 3** Click the area you want to change or click the **Display** icon.
- 4** Try different settings for **Color quality** and **Screen resolution**.

**SEE "ERROR MESSAGES" —** If an error message appears, see page 104.

### **If only part of the display is readable**

#### **CONNECT AN EXTERNAL MONITOR —**

- 1** Turn off your computer and connect an external monitor to the computer.
- 2** Turn on the computer and the monitor, and adjust the monitor brightness and contrast controls.

If the external monitor works, the computer display or video controller may be defective. Contact Dell (see page 150).

## **Scanner Problems**

**CHECK THE POWER CABLE CONNECTION —** Ensure that the scanner power cable is firmly connected to a working electrical power source and that the scanner is turned on.

**CHECK THE SCANNER CABLE CONNECTION —** Ensure that the scanner cable is firmly connected to the computer and to the scanner.

**UNLOCK THE SCANNER —** Ensure that your scanner is unlocked if it has a locking tab or button.

**REINSTALL THE SCANNER DRIVER —** See the scanner documentation for instructions.




**NOTE:** If you can connect to your Internet service provider (ISP), your modem is functioning properly. If you are sure that your modem is working properly and you still experience problems, contact your ISP.



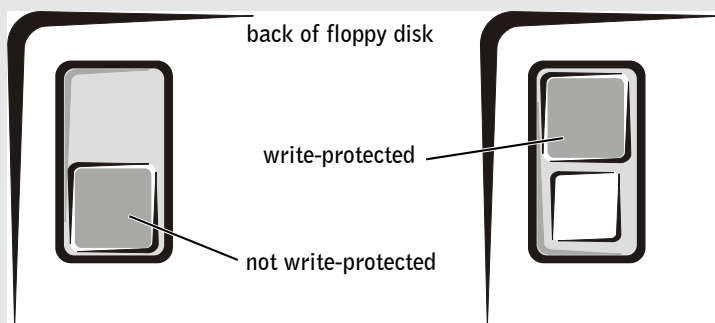
**NOTE:** For information on saving files to a floppy disk, see the *Tell Me How* help file. To access the help file, see page 104.

## Drive Problems

### If you cannot save a file to a floppy drive

**ENSURE THAT WINDOWS® RECOGNIZES THE DRIVE** — Click the Start button and click My Computer. If the drive is not listed, perform a full scan with your antivirus software to check for and remove viruses. Viruses can sometimes prevent Windows from recognizing the drive. Insert a bootable disk and restart the computer. Verify that the  light is blinking, indicating normal operation.

**ENSURE THAT THE DISK IS NOT WRITE-PROTECTED** — You cannot save data to a write-protected disk. See the following figure.



**TRY ANOTHER FLOPPY DISK** — Insert another disk to eliminate the possibility that the original disk is defective.

#### REINSTALL THE DRIVE —

- 1 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer.
- 2 Remove the drive from the module bay. See page 53 for instructions.
- 3 Reinstall the drive.
- 4 Turn on the computer.

**CLEAN THE DRIVE** — See "Cleaning Your Computer" in the *Tell Me How* help file for instructions. To access the help file, see page 104.

## If you have problems with a hard drive

**ALLOW THE COMPUTER TO COOL BEFORE TURNING IT ON** — A hot hard drive may prevent the operating system from starting. Try allowing the computer to return to room temperature before turning it on.

### **CHECK THE DRIVE FOR ERRORS** —

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **My Computer**.
- 2 Right-click the drive letter (local disk) that you want to scan for errors, and then click **Properties**.
- 3 Click the **Tools** tab.
- 4 Under **Error-checking**, click **Check Now**.
- 5 Click **Start**.

## PC Card Problems

**CHECK THE PC CARD** — Ensure that the PC Card is properly inserted into the connector.

**ENSURE THAT THE CARD IS RECOGNIZED BY WINDOWS®** — Double-click the **Unplug or Eject Hardware** icon in the Windows taskbar. Ensure that the card is listed.

**IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS WITH A DELL-PROVIDED PC CARD** — Contact Dell (see page 150).

**IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS WITH A PC CARD NOT PROVIDED BY DELL** — Contact the PC Card manufacturer.



**NOTE:** Software usually includes installation instructions in its documentation or on a floppy disk or CD.




## General Program Problems

### A program crashes

**SEE THE SOFTWARE DOCUMENTATION** — Many software manufacturers maintain websites with information that may help you solve the problem. Ensure that you properly installed and configured the program. Reinstall the program if necessary.

### A program stops responding

**END THE PROGRAM** —

- 1 Simultaneously press   .
- 2 Click the Applications tab, and then select the program that is no longer responding.
- 3 Click End Task.

### Error messages appear

**REVIEW "ERROR MESSAGES"** — Look up the message and take the appropriate action. See the software documentation.

## E-Mail Problems

**ENSURE THAT YOU ARE CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET** — With the Outlook Express e-mail program open, click **File**. If **Work Offline** has a check mark next to it, click the check mark to remove it and connect to the Internet.

# If Your Computer Gets Wet



**CAUTION:** Perform this procedure only after you are certain that it is safe to do so. If the computer is connected to an electrical outlet, it is recommended that you turn off AC power at the circuit breaker before attempting to remove the power cables from the electrical outlet. Use the utmost caution when removing wet cables from a live power source.

- 1 Shut down the computer (see page 42), disconnect the AC adapter from the computer, and then disconnect the AC adapter from the electrical outlet.
- 2 Turn off any attached external devices, and disconnect them from their power sources and then from the computer.
- 3 Ground yourself by touching one of the metal connectors on the back of the computer.
- 4 Remove the module bay device and any installed PC Cards, and put them in a safe place to dry.
- 5 Remove the battery.
- 6 Wipe off the battery and put it in a safe place to dry.
- 7 Remove the hard drive (see page 134).
- 8 Remove the memory module(s) (see page 124).
- 9 Open the display and place the computer right-side up across two books or similar props to let air circulate all around it. Let the computer dry for at least 24 hours in a dry area at room temperature.



**NOTICE:** Do not use artificial means, such as a hair dryer or a fan, to speed the drying process.



**CAUTION:** To help prevent electrical shock, verify that the computer is thoroughly dry before continuing with the rest of this procedure.

- 10 Ground yourself by touching one of the metal connectors on the back of the computer.
- 11 Replace the memory module(s), the memory module cover, and the screw(s).
- 12 Replace the hard drive.
- 13 Replace the module bay device and any PC Cards you removed.



**NOTE:** See page 163 for information on your warranty coverage.

**14** Replace the battery.

**15** Turn on the computer and verify that it is working properly.

If the computer does not start, or if you cannot identify the damaged components, contact Dell (see page 150).

## If You Drop or Damage Your Computer

**1** Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer (see page 42).

**2** Disconnect the AC adapter from the computer and from the electrical outlet.

**3** Turn off any attached external devices, and disconnect them from their power sources and then from the computer.

**4** Remove and reinstall the battery.

**5** Turn on the computer.

If the computer does not start, or if you cannot identify the damaged components, contact Dell (see page 150).



**NOTE:** See page 163 for information on your warranty coverage.

## Resolving Other Technical Problems

**GO TO THE DELL SUPPORT WEBSITE** — Go to [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com) for help with general usage, installation, and troubleshooting questions. See page 149 for a description of the hardware and software support provided by Dell.

**E-MAIL DELL** — Go to [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com) and then click E-Mail Dell in the Communicate list. Send an e-mail message to Dell about your problem; you can expect to receive an e-mail message from Dell within hours. See page 149 for a description of the hardware and software support provided by Dell.

**CONTACT DELL** — If you cannot solve your problem using the Dell™ Support website or e-mail service, call Dell for technical assistance (see page 150). See page 149 for a description of the hardware and software support provided by Dell.



# Drivers

## What Is a Driver?

A driver is a program that controls a device such as a printer, mouse, or keyboard. All devices require a driver program.

A driver acts like a translator between the device and the programs that use the device. Each device has its own set of specialized commands that only its driver recognizes.

Dell ships your computer to you with required drivers already installed—no further installation or configuration is needed.



**NOTICE:** The *Drivers and Utilities* CD may contain drivers for operating systems that are not on your computer. Ensure that you are installing software appropriate for your operating system.

Many drivers, such as the keyboard driver, come with your Microsoft® Windows® operating system. You may need to install drivers if you:

- Upgrade your operating system.
- Reinstall your operating system.
- Connect or install a new device.

## Identifying Drivers

If you experience a problem with any device, identify whether the driver is the source of your problem and, if necessary, update the driver.

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Under **Pick a Category**, click **Performance and Maintenance**.
- 3 Click **System**.
- 4 In the **System Properties** window, click the **Hardware** tab.
- 5 Click **Device Manager**.
- 6 Scroll down the list to see if any device has an exclamation point (a yellow circle with a [!]) on the device icon.

If an exclamation point is next to the device name, you may need to reinstall the driver or install a new driver.

## Reinstalling Drivers and Utilities



**NOTICE:** The Dell Support website at [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com) and your *Drivers and Utilities* CD provide approved drivers for Dell™ computers. If you install drivers obtained from other sources, your computer might not work correctly.

### Using Windows XP Device Driver Rollback

If a problem occurs on your computer after you install or update a driver, use Windows XP Device Driver Rollback to replace the driver with the previously installed version.

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Under **Pick a Category**, click **Performance and Maintenance**.
- 3 Click **System**.
- 4 In the **System Properties** window, click the **Hardware** tab.
- 5 Click **Device Manager**.
- 6 Right-click the device for which the new driver was installed and click **Properties**.
- 7 Click the **Drivers** tab.
- 8 Click **Roll Back Driver**.

If Device Driver Rollback does not resolve the problem, then use System Restore (see "Using System Restore" on page 116) to return your computer to the operating state that existed before you installed the new driver.

### Using the Drivers and Utilities CD

If using Device Driver Rollback or System Restore (see "Using System Restore" on page 116) does not resolve the problem, then reinstall the driver from the *Drivers and Utilities* CD:

- 1 Save and close any open files, and exit any open programs.
- 2 Insert the *Drivers and Utilities* CD.

In most cases, the CD starts running automatically. If it does not, start Windows Explorer, click your CD drive directory to display the CD contents, and then double-click the **autocd.exe** file. The first time that you run the CD, it might prompt you to install setup files. Click **OK**, and follow the instructions on the screen to continue.

- 3 From the **Language** drop-down menu in the toolbar, select your preferred language for the driver or utility (if available). A welcome screen appears.

- 4 Click **Next**.

The CD automatically scans your hardware to detect drivers and utilities used by your computer.

- 5 After the CD completes the hardware scan, you can also detect other drivers and utilities. Under **Search Criteria**, select the appropriate categories from the **System Model**, **Operating System**, and **Topic** drop-down menus.

A link or links appear(s) for the specific drivers and utilities used by your computer.

- 6 Click the link of a specific driver or utility to display information about the driver or utility that you want to install.
- 7 Click the **Install** button (if present) to begin installing the driver or utility. At the welcome screen, follow the screen prompts to complete the installation.

If no **Install** button is present, automatic installation is not an option. For installation instructions, either see the appropriate instructions in the following subsections, or click **Extract**, follow the extracting instructions, and read the readme file.

If instructed to navigate to the driver files, click the CD directory on the driver information window to display the files associated with that driver.

## Manually Reinstalling Drivers for Windows XP

- 1 After extracting the driver files to your hard drive as described in the previous section, click the **Start** button, point to **Settings**, and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Click the **Start** button and right-click **My Computer**.
- 3 Click **Properties**.
- 4 Click the **Hardware** tab and click **Device Manager**.
- 5 Double-click the type of device for which you are installing the driver (for example, **Modems** or **Infrared devices**).



**NOTE:** If you are reinstalling an infrared sensor driver, you must first enable the infrared sensor in the system setup program (see page 148) before continuing with the driver installation.

- 6 Double-click the name of the device for which you are installing the driver.
- 7 Click the **Driver** tab and click **Update Driver**.
- 8 Click **Install from a list or specific location (Advanced)** and click **Next**.
- 9 Click **Browse** and browse to the location to which you previously extracted the driver files.
- 10 When the name of the appropriate driver appears, click **Next**.
- 11 Click **Finish** and restart your computer.

## Using System Restore

The Microsoft® Windows® XP operating system provides System Restore to allow you to return your computer to an earlier operating state (without affecting data files) if changes to the hardware, software, or other system settings have left the computer in an undesirable operating state. See Windows Help for information on using System Restore.



**NOTICE:** Make regular backups of your data files. System Restore does not monitor your data files or recover them.

### Creating a Restore Point

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Help and Support**.
- 2 Click **System Restore**.
- 3 Follow the instructions on the screen.

### Restoring the Computer to an Earlier Operating State



**NOTICE:** Before you restore the computer to an earlier operating state, save and close all open files and close all open programs. Do not alter, open, or delete any files or programs until the system restoration is complete.

- 1 Click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs→ Accessories→ System Tools**, and then click **System Restore**.
- 2 Ensure that **Restore my computer to an earlier time** is selected and click **Next**.

- 3 Click a calendar date to which you want to restore your computer.

The **Select a Restore Point** screen provides a calendar that allows you to see and select restore points. All calendar dates with available restore points appear in bold.

- 4 Select a restore point and click **Next**.

If a calendar date has only one restore point, then that restore point is automatically selected. If two or more restore points are available, click the restore point that you prefer.

- 5 Click **Next**.

The **Restoration Complete** screen appears after System Restore finishes collecting data and then the computer restarts.

- 6 After the computer restarts, click **OK**.

To change the restore point, you can either repeat the steps using a different restore point, or you can undo the restoration.

## Undoing the Last System Restore



**NOTICE:** Before you undo the last system restore, save and close all open files and close all open programs. Do not alter, open, or delete any files or programs until the system restoration is complete.

- 1 Click the **Start** button, point to **All Programs**→**Accessories**→**System Tools**, and then click **System Restore**.
- 2 Click **Undo my last restoration** and click **Next**.
- 3 Click **Next**.

The **System Restore** screen appears and the computer restarts.

- 4 After the computer restarts, click **OK**.

## Enabling System Restore

If you reinstall Windows XP with less than 200 MB of free hard-disk space available, System Restore is automatically disabled. To see if System Restore is enabled:

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Click **Performance and Maintenance**.
- 3 Click **System**.

- 4 Click the **System Restore** tab.
- 5 Ensure that **Turn off System Restore** is unchecked.

## Resolving Software and Hardware Incompatibilities

Windows XP IRQ conflicts occur if a device either is not detected during the operating system setup or is detected but incorrectly configured.

To check for conflicts on a computer running Windows XP:

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Control Panel**.
- 2 Click **Performance and Maintenance** and click **System**.
- 3 Click the **Hardware** tab and click **Device Manager**.
- 4 In the **Device Manager** list, check for conflicts with the other devices.

Conflicts are indicated by a yellow exclamation point (!) beside the conflicting device or a red x if the device has been disabled.

- 5 Double-click any conflict to display the **Properties** window.

If an IRQ conflict exists, the **Device** status area in the **Properties** window reports the cards or devices that share the device's IRQ.

- 6 Resolve conflicts by reconfiguring the devices or removing the devices from the **Device Manager**.

To use the Windows XP Hardware Troubleshooter:

- 1 Click the **Start** button and click **Help and Support**.
- 2 Type `hardware troubleshooter` in the **Search** field and click the arrow to start the search.
- 3 Click **Hardware Troubleshooter** in the **Search Results** list.
- 4 In the **Hardware Troubleshooter** list, click **I need to resolve a hardware conflict on my computer**, and click **Next**.

# Reinstalling Microsoft® Windows® XP

## Before You Reinstall

If you are considering reinstalling the Windows XP operating system to correct a problem with a newly installed driver, first try using Windows XP Device Driver Rollback (see page 114). If Device Driver Rollback does not resolve the problem, then use System Restore (see page 117) to return your operating system to the operating state it was in before you installed the new device driver.

## Reinstalling Windows XP

To reinstall Windows XP, perform all the steps in the following sections in the order in which they are listed.

The reinstallation process can take 1 to 2 hours to complete. After you reinstall the operating system, you must also reinstall the device drivers, virus protection program, and other software.



**NOTICE:** The *Operating System* CD provides options for reinstalling Windows XP. The options can overwrite files and possibly affect programs installed on your hard drive. Therefore, do not reinstall Windows XP unless instructed to do so by a Dell technical support representative.




**NOTICE:** To prevent conflicts with Windows XP, disable any virus protection software installed on your computer before you reinstall Windows XP. See the documentation that came with the software for instructions.





## Booting From the Operating System CD

- 1 Save and close any open files and exit any open programs.
- 2 Insert the *Operating System* CD. If any program starts automatically, exit the program before proceeding.
- 3 Shut down the computer through the **Start** menu (see page 42) and restart the computer.
- 4 Press F12 immediately after the DELL™ logo appears.

If the operating system logo appears, wait until you see the Windows desktop, and then shut down the computer and try again.

- 5 Press the arrow keys to select **CD-ROM**, and then press .
- 6 When the **Press any key to boot from CD** message appears, press any key.

### Windows XP Setup

- 1 When the **Windows XP Setup** screen appears, press  to select **To set up Windows now**.
- 2 Read the information on the **Microsoft Windows Licensing Agreement** screen, and press  to accept the license agreement.
- 3 If your computer already has Windows XP installed and you want to recover your current Windows XP data, type **r** to select the repair option, and then remove the CD from the drive.
- 4 If you want to install a new copy of Windows XP, press  to select that option.
- 5 Press  to select the highlighted partition

(recommended), and then follow the instructions on the screen.

The **Windows XP Setup** screen appears, and the operating system begins to copy files and install the devices. The computer automatically restarts multiple times.



**NOTE:** The time required to complete the setup depends on the size of the hard drive and the speed of your computer.



**NOTICE:** Do not press any key when the following message appears: **Press any key to boot from the CD**.


- 6 When the **Regional and Language Options** screen appears, select the settings for your location, and then click **Next**.
- 7 Enter your name and organization (optional) in the **Personalize Your Software** screen and click **Next**.
- 8 *If you are reinstalling Windows XP Home Edition*, at the **What's your computer's name** window, enter a name for your computer (or accept the name provided) and click **Next**.

*If you are reinstalling Windows XP Professional*, at the **Computer Name and Administrator Password** window, enter a name for your computer (or accept the one provided) and a password, and then click **Next**.



- 9 If the **Modem Dialing Information** screen appears, enter the requested information and click **Next**.
- 10 Enter the date, time, and time zone in the **Date and Time Settings** window and click **Next**.
- 11 If the **Networking Settings** screen appears, click **Typical** and click **Next**.
- 12 If you are reinstalling Windows XP Professional and you are prompted to provide further information regarding your network configuration, enter your selections. If you are unsure of your settings, accept the default selections.

Windows XP installs the operating system components and configures the computer. The computer automatically restarts.

 **NOTICE:** Do not press any key when the following message appears: Press any key to boot from the CD.

- 13 When the **Welcome to Microsoft** screen appears, click **Next**.
- 14 When the **How will this computer connect to the Internet?** message appears, click **Skip**.
- 15 When the **Ready to register with Microsoft?** screen appears, select **No, not at this time** and click **Next**.
- 16 When the **Who will use this computer?** screen appears, you can enter up to five users. Click **Next**.
- 17 Click **Finish** to complete the setup, and remove the CD from the drive.

## Reinstalling Drivers and Software

- 1 Reinstall the appropriate drivers (see page 113).
- 2 Reinstall your virus protection software. See the documentation that came with the software for instructions.
- 3 Reinstall your other software programs. See the documentation that came with the software for instructions.



SECTION 8
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# **Adding and Replacing Parts**

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Adding Memory

Adding a Mini PCI Card

Adding a Modem

Replacing the Hard Drive

## Adding Memory

You can increase your computer memory by installing memory modules on the system board. See page 138 for information on the memory supported by your computer. Install only memory modules that are intended for your computer.



**NOTE:** Memory modules purchased from Dell are covered under your computer warranty.



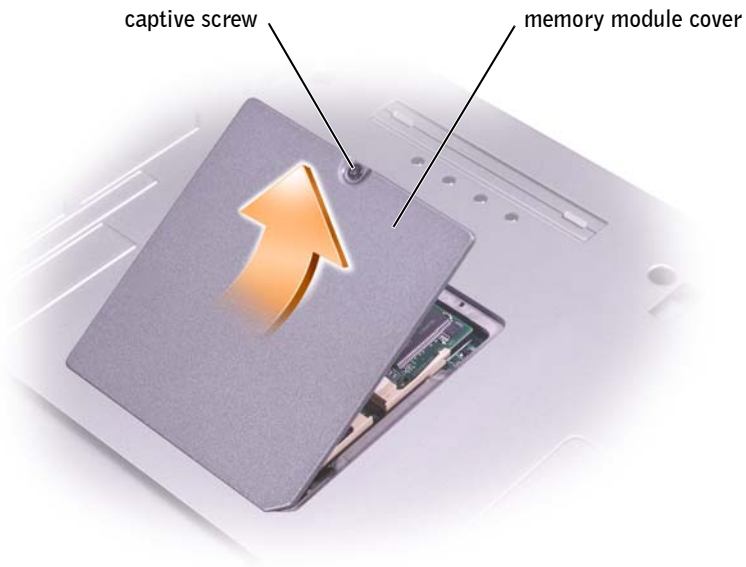
**CAUTION:** Before working inside your computer, read the safety instructions at the front of this document (see page 11).

- 1 Ensure that the work surface is flat and clean to prevent scratching the computer cover.
- 2 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and then shut down the computer (see page 42).
- 3 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
- 4 Disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet.
- 5 Wait 10 to 20 seconds, and then disconnect any attached devices.
- 6 Remove any installed PC Cards, batteries, and module bay devices.



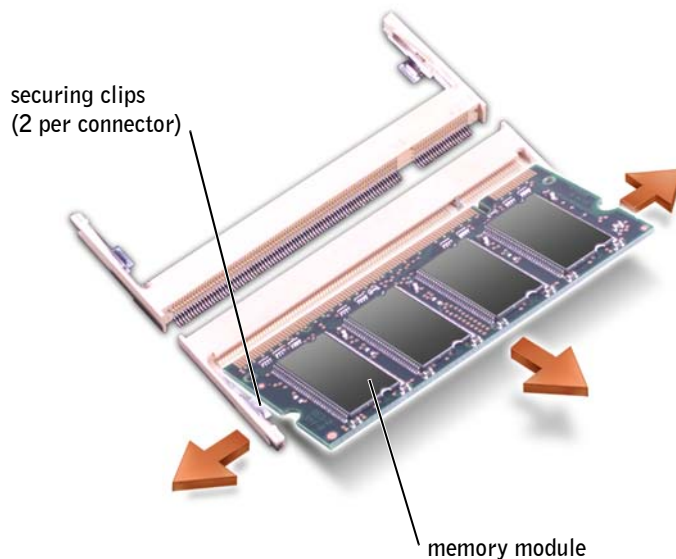
**NOTICE:** Handle components and cards by their edges, and avoid touching pins and contacts. Ground yourself by touching a metal connector on the back of the computer. Continue to ground yourself periodically during this procedure.

- 7 Turn the computer over, loosen the captive screw from the memory module cover, and then remove the cover.



**NOTICE:** To prevent damage to the memory module connector, do not use tools to spread the memory-module securing clips.

- 8 If you are replacing a memory module, remove the existing module:
  - a Use your fingertips to carefully spread apart the securing clips on each end of the memory module connector until the module pops up.
  - b Remove the module from the connector.

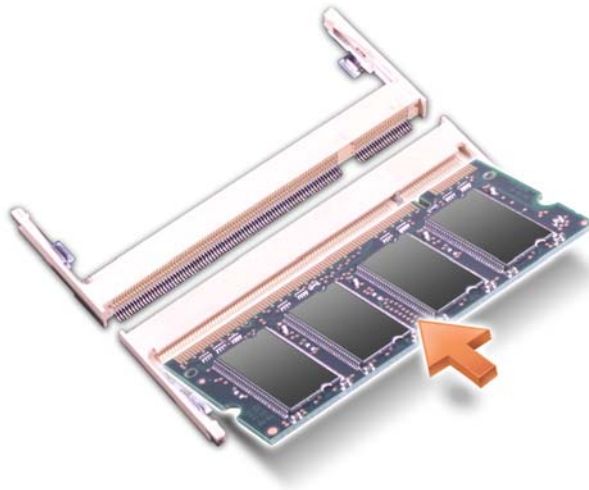


**NOTICE:** If you need to install memory modules in two connectors, install a memory module in the connector labeled "DIMM A" before you install a module in the connector labeled "DIMM B." Insert memory modules at a 45-degree angle to avoid damaging the connector.

**9** Ground yourself and install the new memory module:

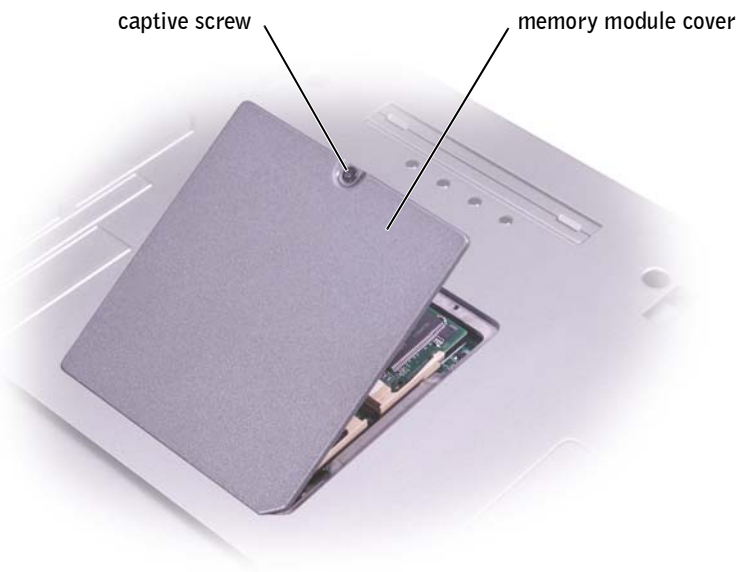
- a** Align the notch in the module edge connector with the tab in the connector slot.
- b** Slide the module firmly into the slot at a 45-degree angle, and rotate the module down until it clicks into place. If you do not feel the click, remove the module and reinstall it.

**NOTE:** If the memory module is not installed properly, the computer may not boot properly. No error message indicates this failure.



**10** Replace the cover.

**➡ NOTICE:** If the cover is difficult to close, remove the module and reinstall it. Forcing the cover to close may damage your computer.



**11** Insert the battery into the battery bay, or connect the AC adapter to your computer and an electrical outlet.

**12** Turn on the computer.

As the computer boots, it detects the additional memory and automatically updates the system configuration information.

To confirm the amount of memory installed in the computer, click the **Start** button, click **Help and Support**, and then click **Computer Information**.

## Adding a Mini PCI Card

If you ordered a Mini PCI card with your computer, the card is already installed.



**CAUTION: FCC rules strictly prohibit users from installing 5-GHz (802.11a, 802.11a/b, 802.11a/b/g) Wireless LAN Mini PCI cards. Under no circumstances should the user install such a device. Only trained Dell service personnel are authorized to install a 5-GHz Wireless LAN Mini PCI card.**

**If you are removing and/or installing a 2.4-GHz (802.11b, 802.11b/g) Mini PCI card, follow the instructions noted below. Only products approved for use in your portable computer may be installed. Approved Mini PCI cards may be purchased only from Dell.**



**NOTE:** 2.4-GHz Wireless LAN PC Cards may be removed and installed by the user.



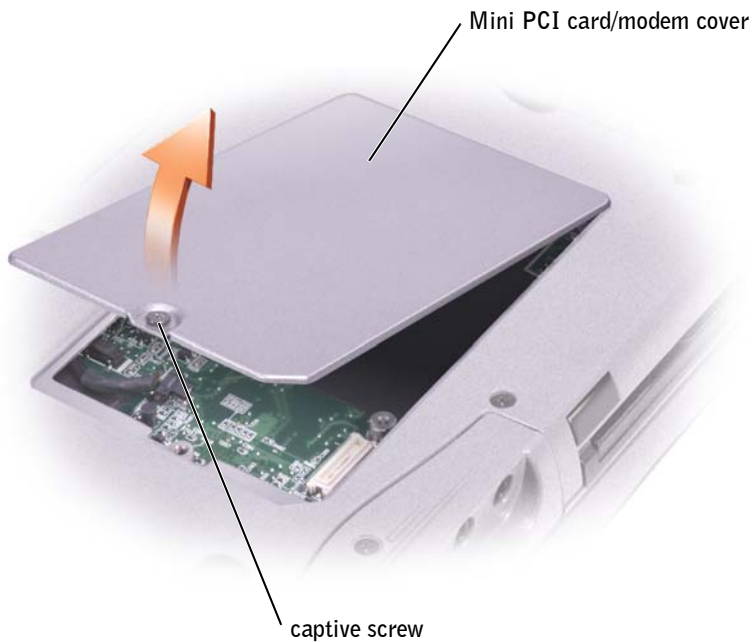
**CAUTION: Before working inside your computer, read the safety instructions at the front of this document (see page 11).**

- 1** Ensure that the work surface is flat and clean to prevent scratching the computer cover.
- 2** Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and then shut down the computer (see page 42).
- 3** If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
- 4** Disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet.
- 5** Wait 10 to 20 seconds, and then disconnect any attached devices.
- 6** Remove any installed PC Cards, batteries, and module bay devices.

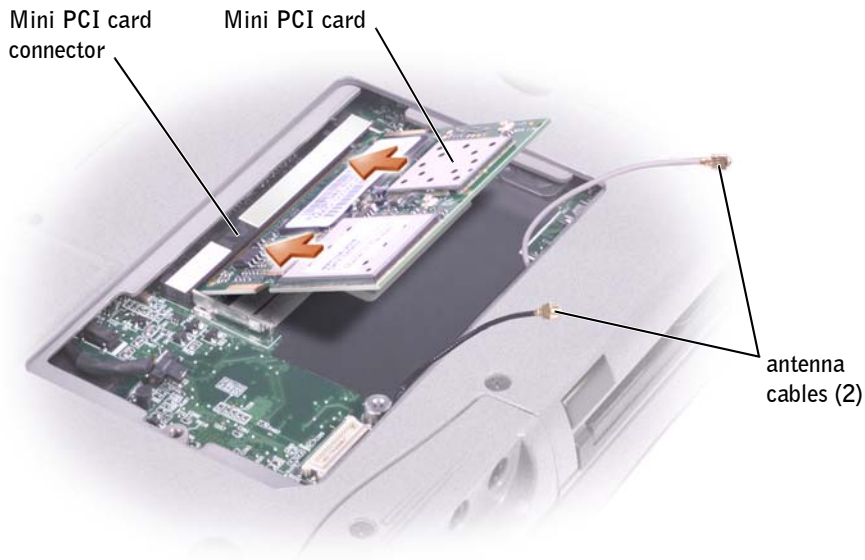


➡ **NOTICE:** Handle components and cards by their edges, and avoid touching pins and contacts. Ground yourself by touching a metal connector on the back of the computer. Continue to ground yourself periodically during this procedure.

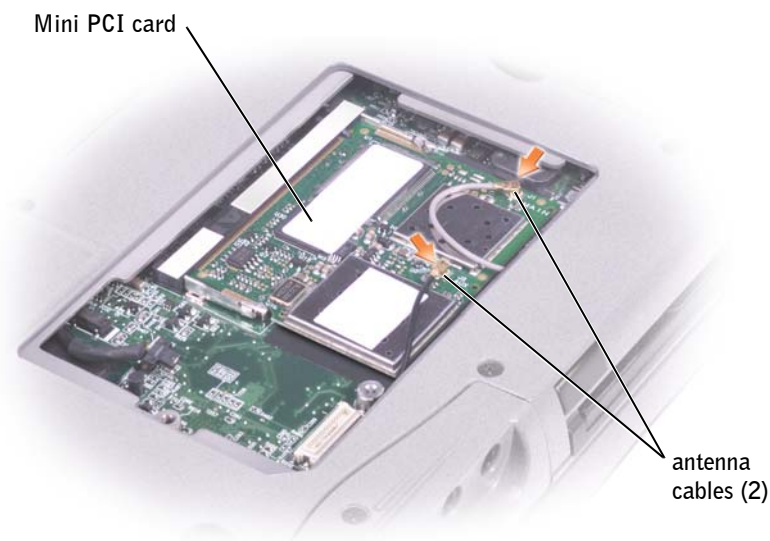
- 7 Turn the computer over.
- 8 Loosen the captive screw from the Mini PCI card/modem cover, and remove the cover.



- 9 If a Mini PCI card is not already installed, go to step 10. If you are replacing a Mini PCI card, remove the existing card:
  - a Disconnect the Mini PCI card from any attached cables.
  - b Release the Mini PCI card by spreading the metal securing tabs until the card pops up slightly.
  - c Lift the Mini PCI card out of its connector.



- ➡ **NOTICE:** To avoid damaging the Mini PCI card, never place cables on top of or under the card.
- ➡ **NOTICE:** The connectors are keyed to ensure correct insertion. If you feel resistance, check the connectors and realign the card.
- 10** Align the Mini PCI card with the connector at a 45-degree angle, and press the Mini PCI card into the connector until you feel a click.
- 11** Connect the antenna cables to the Mini PCI.



- 12 Replace the cover and tighten the screw.

## Adding a Modem

If you ordered the optional modem at the same time that you ordered your computer, Dell installed the modem for you.



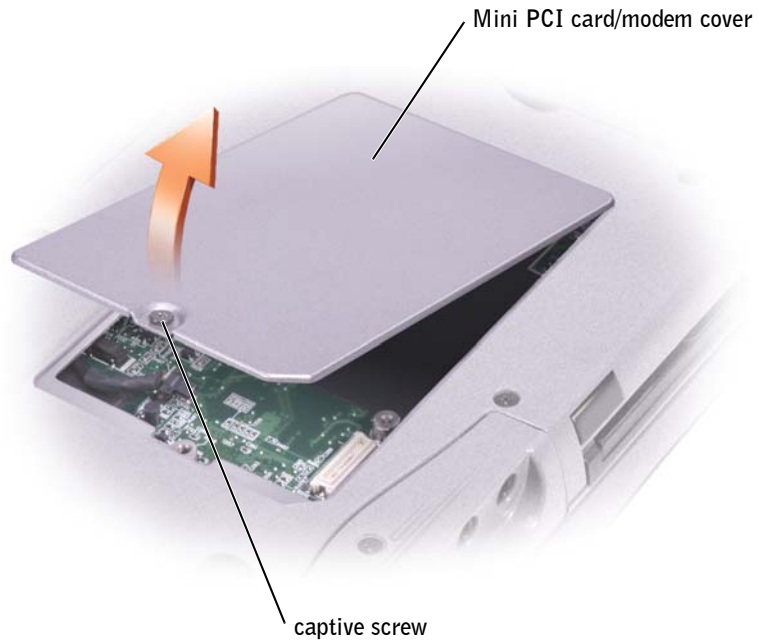
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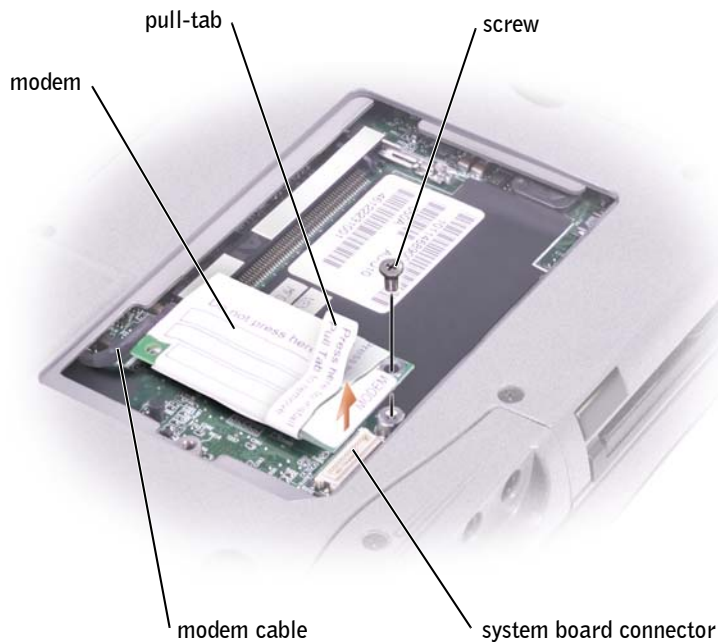
**NOTICE:** Handle components and cards by their edges, and avoid touching pins and contacts.

- 1 Ensure that the work surface is flat and clean to prevent scratching the computer cover.
- 2 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and shut down the computer (see page 42).
- 3 If the computer is docked, undock it.
- 4 Disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet.
- 5 Wait 10 to 20 seconds and then disconnect any attached devices.
- 6 Remove any installed PC Cards, batteries, and devices.

- 7 Ground yourself by touching a metal connector on the back of the computer, and continue to do so periodically during this procedure.
- 8 Turn the computer over, and loosen the captive screw from the Mini PCI card/modem cover.



- 9 If a modem is not already installed, go to step 10. If you are replacing a modem, remove the existing modem:
  - a Remove the screws securing the modem to the system board, and set it aside.
  - b Pull straight up on the attached pull-tab to lift the modem out of its connector on the system board, and disconnect the modem cable.




**10** Connect the modem cable to the modem.


**➔ NOTICE:** The cable connectors are keyed for correct insertion; do not force the connections.

**11** Align the modem with the screw hole, and press the modem into the connector on the system board.


**12** Install the screw to secure the modem to the system board.


**13** Replace the Mini PCI card/modem cover.


 **NOTE:** You need the *Operating System* CD to install the Microsoft® Windows® operating system. You also need the *Drivers and Utilities* CD for your computer to install the drivers and utilities on the new hard drive.


 **NOTE:** Dell does not guarantee compatibility or provide support for hard drives from sources other than Dell.

## Replacing the Hard Drive


 **CAUTION:** If you remove the hard drive from the computer when the drive is hot, *do not touch* the metal housing of the hard drive.

 **CAUTION:** Before working inside your computer, read the safety instructions at the front of this document (see page 11).

 **NOTICE:** To prevent data loss, turn off your computer (see page 42) before removing the hard drive. Do not remove the hard drive while the computer is on, in standby mode, or in hibernate mode.

 **NOTICE:** Hard drives are extremely fragile; even a slight bump can damage the drive.

To replace the hard drive in the hard drive bay:

- 1 Ensure that the work surface is flat and clean to prevent scratching the computer cover.
  - 2 Save and close any open files, exit any open programs, and then shut down the computer (see page 42).
  - 3 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
  - 4 Disconnect the computer from the electrical outlet.
  - 5 Wait 10 to 20 seconds, and then disconnect any attached devices.
  - 6 Remove any installed PC Cards, batteries, and module bay devices.
-  **NOTICE:** Handle components and cards by their edges, and avoid touching pins and contacts. Ground yourself by touching a metal connector on the back of the computer. Continue to ground yourself periodically during this procedure.
- 7 Turn the computer over, and remove the hard drive screw.



hard drive screw

- ➔ **NOTICE:** When the hard drive is not in the computer, store it in protective antistatic packaging. For precautions on preventing electrostatic discharge, see page 11.
- 8 Slide the hard drive out of the computer.
  - 9 Remove the new drive from its packaging.  
Save the original packaging for storing or shipping the hard drive.
  - ➔ **NOTICE:** Use firm and even pressure to slide the drive into place. If you use excessive force, you may damage the connector.
  - 10 Slide the hard drive into the bay until it is fully seated.
  - 11 Replace and tighten the screw.
  - 12 Use the *Operating System* CD to install the operating system for your computer (see page 119).
  - 13 Use the *Drivers and Utilities* CD to install the drivers and utilities for your computer (see page 113).





SECTION 9
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# **Appendix**

Specifications

Standard Settings

Dell Technical Support Policy (U.S. Only)

Contacting Dell

Regulatory Noticesour ccess the help

Limited Warranties and Return Policy

# Specifications

Microprocessor	
Microprocessor type	Intel® Mobile Pentium® 4M
L1 cache	8 KB (internal)
L2 cache	512 KB (on die)
External bus frequency	400 MHz
System Information	
System chip set	Intel 845MP
Data bus width	64 bits
DRAM bus width	64 bits
Microprocessor address bus width	32 bits
PC Card	
CardBus controller	TI 4510 CardBus controller
PC Card connector	supports one Type I or Type II card
Cards supported	3.3 V and 5 V
PC Card connector size	68 pins
Data width (maximum)	PCMCIA 16 bits CardBus 32 bits
Memory	
Memory module connector	two user-accessible SODIMM sockets
Memory module capacities	256 MB, 512 MB, and 1024 MB
Memory type	266-MHz DDR SDRAM
Standard memory	256 MB
Maximum memory	2 GB

<b>Ports and Connectors</b>	
Serial	9-pin connector; 16550C-compatible, 16-byte buffer connector
Parallel	25-hole connector; unidirectional, bidirectional, or ECP
Video	15-hole connector
Audio	microphone miniconnector, stereo headphones/speakers miniconnector
USB	two 4-pin USB 2.0-compliant connectors
Infrared sensor	sensor compatible with IrDA Standard 1.1 (Fast IR) and IrDA Standard 1.0 (Slow IR)
S-video TV-out	7-pin mini-DIN connector for S-video, composite video, and S/PDIF (TV/digital audio-adaptor cable supports composite video and S/PDIF)
Mini PCI	Type IIIA Mini PCI card slot
Modem	RJ-11 port
Network adapter	RJ-45 port
IEEE 1394	4-pin serial connector

<b>Communications</b>	
Modem:	
Type	v.92 56K MDC
Controller	softmodem
Interface	internal AC'97 bus
Network adapter	10/100 Ethernet LAN on system board
Wireless	internal Mini PCI Wi-Fi (802.11a and/or 802.11b) wireless support; Bluetooth™ (optional, available at point of sale only)

Video	
Video type	64-bit hardware accelerated (ATI M9) 128-bit hardware accelerated (NVIDIA NV28m)
Data bus	4X AGP
Video controller	ATI M9 or NVIDIA NV28m
Video memory	32 MB or 64 MB
LCD interface	LVDS
TV support	NTSC or PAL in S-video and composite modes
Audio	
Audio type	Intel AC'97
Stereo conversion	20-bit (stereo digital-to-analog), 18-bit (stereo analog-to-digital)
Interfaces:	
Internal	AC'97
External	microphone miniconnector, stereo headphones/speakers miniconnector
Speaker	two 4-ohm speakers
Internal speaker amplifier	2-W channel into 4 ohms
Volume controls	keyboard shortcuts or program menus
Display	
Type (active-matrix TFT)	WUXGA, WSXGA+, and WXGA
Dimensions:	
Height	222.5 mm (8.76 inches)
Width	344.5 mm (13.56 inches)
Diagonal	391.2 mm (15.4 inches)

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**Display (*continued*)**

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Maximum resolutions	1920 x 1200 (WUXGA) 1680 x 1050 (WSXGA+) 1280 x 800 (WXGA)
Response time (typical)	35-ms fall (maximum)
Refresh rate	60 Hz
Operating angle	0° (closed) to 180°
Viewing angles:	
Horizontal	±65°
Vertical	±50°
Pixel pitch	0.1725 (WUXGA) 0.1971 (WSXGA+) 0.2588 (WXGA)
Power Consumption:	
Panel with backlight (typical)	5.5 W
Controls	brightness can be controlled through keyboard shortcuts

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**Keyboard**

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Number of keys	87 (U.S. and Canada); 88 (Europe); 91 (Japan)
Key travel	2.7 mm ± 0.3 mm (0.11 inch ± 0.016 inch)
Key spacing	19.05 mm ± 0.3 mm (0.75 inch ± 0.012 inch)
Layout	QWERTY/AZERTY/Kanji

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**Touch Pad**

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X/Y position resolution (graphics table mode)	240 cpi
Size:	
Width	64.88-mm (2.55-inch) sensor-active area
Height	48.88-mm (1.92-inch) rectangle

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**Track Stick**

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X/Y position resolution (graphics table mode)	250 count/sec @ 100 gf
Size	protrudes 0.5 mm (0.02 inch) higher than surrounding keycaps

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**Battery**

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Type	9-cell "smart" lithium ion (72 WHr)
Dimensions:	
Depth	222.8 mm (8.77 inches)
Height	22.5 mm (0.89 inch)
Width	67 mm (2.64 inches)
Weight	0.48 kg (1.06 lb)
Voltage	11.1 VDC
Charge time with computer off	approximately 1 hour to reach 80 percent charge
Operating time	approximately 3 to 4 hours; can be significantly reduced under certain power- intensive conditions
Life span (approximate)	300 discharge/charge cycles
Temperature range:	
Operating	0° to 35°C (32° to 95°F)
Storage	–40° to 65°C (–40° to 149°F)

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**AC Adapter**

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Input voltage	100–240 VAC
Input current (maximum)	1.5 A
Input frequency	50–60 Hz
Output current	4.62 A
Output power	90 W

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**AC Adapter (*continued*)**

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Rated output voltage	19.5 VDC
Dimensions:	
Height	27.94 mm (1.1 inches)
Width	58.42 mm (2.3 inches)
Depth	133.85 mm (5.25 inches)
Weight (with cables)	0.4 kg (0.9 lb)
Temperature range:	
Operating	0° to 35°C (32° to 95°F)
Storage	–40° to 65°C (–40° to 149°F)

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**Physical**

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Height	38 mm (1.5 inches)
Width	359 mm (14.1 inches)
Depth	274 mm (10.8 inches)
Weight:	
With travel module and 72-WHr battery	3.10 kg (6.83 lb)
With CD drive and 72-WHr battery	3.29 kg (7.26 lb)

Environmental	
Temperature range:	
Operating	0° to 35°C (32° to 95°F)
Storage	–40° to 65°C (–40° to 149°F)
Relative humidity (maximum):	
Operating	10% to 90% (noncondensing)
Storage	5% to 95% (noncondensing)
Maximum vibration (using a random-vibration spectrum that simulates user environment):	
Operating	0.66 GRMS
Storage	1.30 GRMS
Maximum shock (measured with hard drive in head-parked position and a 2-ms half-sine pulse):	
Operating	122 G
Storage	163 G
Altitude (maximum):	
Operating	–15.2 to 3048 m (–50 to 10,000 ft)
Storage	–15.2 to 10,668 m (–50 to 35,000 ft)



# Standard Settings

## Overview

You can use the system setup program as follows:

- To set or change user-selectable features—for example, your computer password.
- To verify information about the computer's current configuration, such as the amount of system memory.

After you set up the computer, run the system setup program to familiarize yourself with your system configuration information and optional settings. You may want to write down the information for future reference.


The system setup screens display the current setup information and settings for your computer, such as:

- System configuration
- Boot order
- Boot (start-up) configuration and docking-device configuration settings
- Basic device configuration settings
- System security and hard-drive password settings



**NOTICE:** Unless you are an expert computer user or are directed to do so by Dell technical support, do not change the settings for the system setup program. Certain changes might make your computer work incorrectly.

## Viewing the System Setup Screens

- 1 Turn on (or restart) your computer.
- 2 When the DELL™ logo appears, press  immediately. If you wait too long and the Windows logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Windows desktop. Then shut down your computer and try again.



**NOTE:** Your operating system may automatically configure most of the options available in the system setup program, thus overriding options that you set through the system setup program. (An exception is the **External Hot Key** option, which you can disable or enable only through the system setup program.) For more information about configuring features for your operating system, see the Windows Help and Support Center.

## System Setup Screens

On each screen, the system setup options are listed at the left. To the right of each option is the setting or value for that option. You can change settings that appear as white type on the screen. Options or values that you cannot change (because they are determined by the computer) appear less bright.

The upper-right corner of the screen displays help information for the currently highlighted option; the lower-right corner displays information about the computer. System setup key functions are listed across the bottom of the screen.

## Commonly Used Options

Certain options require that you reboot the computer for new settings to take effect.

## Changing the Boot Sequence

The *boot sequence*, or *boot order*, tells the computer where to look to find the software needed to start the operating system. You can control the boot sequence and enable/disable devices using the **Boot Order** page of the system setup program.



**NOTE:** To change the boot sequence on a one-time-only basis, see page 147.

The **Boot Order** page displays a general list of the bootable devices that may be installed in your computer, including but not limited to the following:

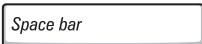


- Diskette Drive
- Modular bay HDD
- Internal HDD
- CD/DVD/CD-RW drive

During the boot routine, the computer starts at the top of the list and scans each enabled device for the operating system start-up files. When the computer finds the files, it stops searching and starts the operating system.

To control the boot devices, select (highlight) a device by pressing the





key, and then enable or disable the device or change its order in the list.

- To enable or disable a device, highlight the item and press . Enabled items appear as white and display a small triangle to the left; disabled items appear blue or dimmed without a triangle.
- To reorder a device in the list, highlight the device and then press  or  (not case-sensitive) to move the highlighted device up or down.

Boot sequence changes take effect as soon as you save the changes and exit the system setup program.

### ***Performing a One-Time Boot***

You can set a one-time-only boot sequence without entering the system setup program. (You can also use this procedure to boot the Dell Diagnostics on the diagnostics utility partition on your hard drive.)

- 1 Turn off the computer.
- 2 If the computer is connected to a docking device (docked), undock it. See the documentation that came with your docking device for instructions.
- 3 Connect the computer to an electrical outlet.
- 4 Turn on the computer. When the DELL logo appears, press  immediately. If you wait too long and the Windows logo appears, continue to wait until you see the Windows desktop. Then shut down your computer and try again.
- 5 When the boot device list appears, highlight the device from which you want to boot and press .

The computer boots to the selected device.

The next time you reboot the computer, the previous boot order is restored.

## Changing Printer Modes





Set the **Parallel Mode** option according to the type of printer or device connected to the parallel connector. To determine the correct mode to use, see the documentation that came with the device.

Setting **Parallel Mode** to **Disabled** disables the parallel port and the port's LPT address, freeing computer resources for another device to use.

## Changing COM Ports

**Serial Port** allows you to map the serial port COM address or disable the serial port and its address, freeing computer resources for another device to use.

## Enabling the Infrared Sensor

- 1 Enter the system setup program:
  - a Turn on your computer.
  - b Press  when the DELL™ logo appears.
- 2 Press   until you locate **Infrared Data Port** under **Basic Device Configuration**.
- 3 Press the down-arrow key to select the **Infrared Data Port** setting, and press the right-arrow key to change the setting to a COM port.
- 4 Press the down-arrow key to select the **Infrared Mode** setting, and press the right-arrow key to change the setting to **Fast IR** or **Slow IR**.  
  
It is recommended that you use **Fast IR**. If the infrared device cannot communicate with your computer, shut down the computer and repeat steps 1 through 5 to change the setting to **Slow IR**.
- 5 Press  and then click **Yes** to save the changes and exit the system setup program. If you are prompted to restart your computer, click **Yes**.
- 6 Follow the instructions on the screen.
- 7 After the infrared sensor has been enabled, click **Yes** to restart the computer.



**NOTE:** Ensure that the COM port that you select is different from the COM port assigned to the serial connector.



**NOTE:** If neither Fast IR nor Slow IR work, contact the infrared device manufacturer.

After you enable the infrared sensor, you can use it to establish a link to an infrared device. To set up and use an infrared device, see the infrared device documentation and the Microsoft® Windows® Help and Support Center.

# Dell Technical Support Policy (U.S. Only)

Technician-assisted technical support requires the cooperation and participation of the customer in the troubleshooting process and provides for restoration of the operating system, application software, and hardware drivers to the original default configuration as shipped from Dell, as well as the verification of appropriate functionality of the computer and all Dell-installed hardware. In addition to this technician-assisted technical support, online technical support is available at [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com). Additional technical support options may be available for purchase.

Dell provides limited technical support for the computer and any "Dell-installed" software and peripherals<sup>1</sup>. Support for third-party software and peripherals is provided by the original manufacturer, including those purchased and/or installed through Dell Software and Peripherals, Readyware, and Custom Factory Integration<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Repair services are provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of your limited warranty and any optional support service contract purchased with the computer.

<sup>2</sup> All Dell-standard components included in a Custom Factory Integration (CFI) project are covered by the standard Dell limited warranty for your computer. However, Dell also extends a parts replacement program to cover all nonstandard, third-party hardware components integrated through CFI for the duration of the computer's service contract.

## Definition of "Dell-Installed" Software and Peripherals

Dell-installed software includes the operating system and some of the application software that is preinstalled on the computer during the manufacturing process (Microsoft Office, Norton Antivirus, and so on).

Dell-installed peripherals include any internal expansion cards, or Dell-branded module bay or PC Card accessories. In addition, any Dell-branded monitors, keyboards, mice, speakers, microphones for telephonic modems, docking stations/port replicators, networking products, and all associated cabling are included.

Definition of "Third-Party" Software and Peripherals

Third-party software and peripherals include any peripheral, accessory, or application software sold by Dell not under the Dell brand (printers, scanners, cameras, games, and so on). Support for all third-party software and peripherals is provided by the original manufacturer of the product.

Contacting Dell

To contact Dell electronically, you can access the following websites:

- [www.dell.com](http://www.dell.com)
- [support.dell.com](http://support.dell.com) (technical support)
- [premiersupport.dell.com](http://premiersupport.dell.com) (technical support for educational, government, healthcare, and medium/large business customers, including Premier, Platinum, and Gold customers)

For specific web addresses for your country, find the appropriate country section in the table below.

**NOTE:** Toll-free numbers are for use within the country for which they are listed.

When you need to contact Dell, use the electronic addresses, telephone numbers, and codes provided in the following table. If you need assistance in determining which codes to use, contact a local or an international operator.

Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code	Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address	Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers
Anguilla	General Support	toll-free: 800-335-0031
Antigua and Barbuda	General Support	1-800-805-5924
Argentina (Buenos Aires)	Website: <a href="http://www.dell.com.ar">www.dell.com.ar</a>	
International Access Code: 00	Tech Support and Customer Care	toll-free: 0-800-444-0733
Country Code: 54	Sales	0-810-444-3355
City Code: 11	Tech Support Fax	11 4515 7139
	Customer Care Fax	11 4515 7138

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Aruba	General Support	toll-free: 800-1578
Australia (Sydney)	E-mail (Australia): au_tech_support@dell.com	
International Access Code: 0011	E-mail (New Zealand): nz_tech_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 61	Home and Small Business	1-300-65-55-33
City Code: 2	Government and Business	toll-free: 1-800-633-559
	Preferred Accounts Division (PAD)	toll-free: 1-800-060-889
	Customer Care	toll-free: 1-800-819-339
	Corporate Sales	toll-free: 1-800-808-385
	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 1-800-808-312
	Fax	toll-free: 1-800-818-341
Austria (Vienna)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 900	E-mail: tech_support_central_europe@dell.com	
Country Code: 43	Home/Small Business Sales	01 795 67602
City Code: 1	Home/Small Business Fax	01 795 67605
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	01 795 67603
	Preferred Accounts/Corporate Customer Care	0660 8056
	Home/Small Business Technical Support	01 795 67604
	Preferred Accounts/Corporate Technical Support	0660 8779
	Switchboard	01 491 04 0
Bahamas	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-278-6818
Barbados	General Support	1-800-534-3066

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<b>Belgium (Brussels)</b>	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: tech_be@dell.com	
Country Code: 32	E-mail for French Speaking Customers: support.euro.dell.com/be/fr/emaildell/	
City Code: 2	Technical Support	02 481 92 88
	Customer Care	02 481 91 19
	Home/Small Business Sales	toll-free: 0800 16884
	Corporate Sales	02 481 91 00
	Fax	02 481 92 99
	Switchboard	02 481 91 00
<b>Bermuda</b>	General Support	1-800-342-0671
<b>Bolivia</b>	General Support	toll-free: 800-10-0238
<b>Brazil</b>	Website: www.dell.com/br	
International Access Code: 00	Customer Support, Technical Support	0800 90 3355
Country Code: 55	Tech Support Fax	51 481 5470
City Code: 51	Customer Care Fax	51 481 5480
	Sales	0800 90 3390
<b>British Virgin Islands</b>	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-278-6820
<b>Brunei</b>	Customer Technical Support (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4966
Country Code: 673	Customer Service (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4949
	Transaction Sales (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4955



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Canada (North York, Ontario) International Access Code: 011	Automated Order-Status System AutoTech (automated technical support) TechFax Customer Care (home/small business) Customer Care (med./large business, government) Technical Support (home/small business) Technical Support (med./large bus., government) Sales (direct sales—from outside Toronto) Sales (direct sales—from within Toronto) Sales (federal government, education, and medical)	toll-free: 1-800-433-9014 toll-free: 1-800-247-9362 toll-free: 1-800-950-1329 toll-free: 1-800-847-4096 toll-free: 1-800-326-9463 toll-free: 1-800-847-4096 toll-free: 1-800-847-4096 toll-free: 1-800-387-5752 416 758-2200 toll-free: 1-800-567-7542
Cayman Islands	General Support	1-800-805-7541
Chile (Santiago) Country Code: 56 City Code: 2	Sales, Customer Support, and Technical Support	toll-free: 1230-020-4823

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China (Xiamen)	Tech Support website: <a href="http://support.ap.dell.com/china">support.ap.dell.com/china</a>	
Country Code: 86	Tech Support E-mail: <a href="mailto:cn_support@dell.com">cn_support@dell.com</a>	
City Code: 592	Tech Support Fax	818 1350
	Home and Small Business Technical Support	toll-free: 800 858 2437
	Corporate Accounts Technical Support	toll-free: 800 858 2333
	Customer Experience	toll-free: 800 858 2060
	Home and Small Business	toll-free: 800 858 2222
	Preferred Accounts Division	toll-free: 800 858 2062
	Large Corporate Accounts GCP	toll-free: 800 858 2055
	Large Corporate Accounts Key Accounts	toll-free: 800 858 2628
	Large Corporate Accounts North	toll-free: 800 858 2999
	Large Corporate Accounts North Government and Education	toll-free: 800 858 2955
	Large Corporate Accounts East	toll-free: 800 858 2020
	Large Corporate Accounts East Government and Education	toll-free: 800 858 2669
	Large Corporate Accounts Queue Team	toll-free: 800 858 2572
	Large Corporate Accounts South	toll-free: 800 858 2355
	Large Corporate Accounts West	toll-free: 800 858 2811
	Large Corporate Accounts Spare Parts	toll-free: 800 858 2621
Colombia	General Support	980-9-15-3978
Costa Rica	General Support	0800-012-0435
Czech Republic (Prague)	Website: <a href="http://support.euro.dell.com">support.euro.dell.com</a>	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: <a href="mailto:czech_dell@dell.com">czech_dell@dell.com</a>	
Country Code: 420	Technical Support	02 22 83 27 27
City Code: 2	Customer Care	02 22 83 27 11
	Fax	02 22 83 27 14
	TechFax	02 22 83 27 28
	Switchboard	02 22 83 27 11

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Denmark (Copenhagen)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail Support (portable computers): den_nbk_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 45	E-mail Support (desktop computers): den_support@dell.com	
	E-mail Support (servers): Nordic_server_support@dell.com	
	Technical Support	7023 0182
	Customer Care (Relational)	7023 0184
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	3287 5505
	Switchboard (Relational)	3287 1200
	Fax Switchboard (Relational)	3287 1201
	Switchboard (Home/Small Business)	3287 5000
	Fax Switchboard (Home/Small Business)	3287 5001
Dominica	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-278-6821
Dominican Republic	General Support	1-800-148-0530
Ecuador	General Support	toll-free: 999-119
El Salvador	General Support	01-899-753-0777
Finland (Helsinki)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 990	E-mail: fin_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 358	E-mail Support (servers): Nordic_support@dell.com	
City Code: 9	Technical Support	09 253 313 60
	Technical Support Fax	09 253 313 81
	Relational Customer Care	09 253 313 38
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	09 693 791 94
	Fax	09 253 313 99
	Switchboard	09 253 313 00

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France (Paris) (Montpellier)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: support.euro.dell.com/fr/fr/emaildell/	
Country Code: 33	Home and Small Business	
City Codes: (1) (4)	Technical Support	0825 387 270
	Customer Care	0825 823 833
	Switchboard	0825 004 700
	Switchboard (calls from outside of France)	04 99 75 40 00
	Sales	0825 004 700
	Fax	0825 004 701
	Fax (calls from outside of France)	04 99 75 40 01
	<b>Corporate</b>	
	Technical Support	0825 004 719
	Customer Care	0825 338 339
	Switchboard	01 55 94 71 00
	Sales	01 55 94 71 00
	Fax	01 55 94 71 01
Germany (Langen)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: tech_support_central_europe@dell.com	
Country Code: 49	Technical Support	06103 766-7200
City Code: 6103	Home/Small Business Customer Care	0180-5-224400
	Global Segment Customer Care	06103 766-9570
	Preferred Accounts Customer Care	06103 766-9420
	Large Accounts Customer Care	06103 766-9560
	Public Accounts Customer Care	06103 766-9555
	Switchboard	06103 766-7000
Grenada	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-540-3355
Guatemala	General Support	1-800-999-0136
Guyana	General Support	toll-free: 1-877-270-4609

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International Access Code: 001	Technical Support (OptiPlex™, Latitude™, and Dell Precision™)	296 93191
Country Code: 852	Customer Service (non-technical, post-sales issues)	800 93 8291
	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 800 96 4109
	Large Corporate Accounts HK	toll-free: 800 96 4108
	Large Corporate Accounts GCP HK	toll-free: 800 90 3708
<b>India</b>	Technical Support	1600 33 8045
	Sales	1600 33 8044
<b>Ireland (Cherrywood)</b>	Website: <a href="http://support.euro.dell.com">support.euro.dell.com</a>	
International Access Code: 16	E-mail: <a href="mailto:dell_direct_support@dell.com">dell_direct_support@dell.com</a>	
Country Code: 353	Ireland Technical Support	1850 543 543
City Code: 1	U.K. Technical Support (dial within U.K. only)	0870 908 0800
	Home User Customer Care	01 204 4095
	Small Business Customer Care	01 204 4444
	U.K. Customer Care (dial within U.K. only)	0870 906 0010
	Corporate Customer Care	01 204 4003
	Ireland Sales	01 204 4444
	U.K. Sales (dial within U.K. only)	0870 907 4000
	SalesFax	01 204 0144
	Fax	01 204 5960
	Switchboard	01 204 4444

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Italy (Milan)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: support.euro.dell.com/it/it/emaildell/	
Country Code: 39	Home and Small Business	
City Code: 02	Technical Support	02 577 826 90
	Customer Care	02 696 821 14
	Fax	02 696 821 13
	Switchboard	02 696 821 12
	Corporate	
	Technical Support	02 577 826 90
	Customer Care	02 577 825 55
	Fax	02 575 035 30
	Switchboard	02 577 821
Jamaica	General Support (dial from within Jamaica only)	1-800-682-3639

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<b>Japan (Kawasaki)</b>	Website: support.jp.dell.com	
International Access Code: 001	Technical Support (servers)	toll-free: 0120-198-498
Country Code: 81	Technical Support outside of Japan (servers)	81-44-556-4162
City Code: 44	Technical Support (Dimension™ and Inspiron™)	toll-free: 0120-198-226
	Technical Support outside of Japan (Dimension and Inspiron)	81-44-520-1435
	Technical Support (Dell Precision™, OptiPlex™, and Latitude™)	toll-free: 0120-198-433
	Technical Support outside of Japan (Dell Precision, OptiPlex, and Latitude)	81-44-556-3894
	24-Hour Automated Order Service	044-556-3801
	Customer Care	044-556-4240
	Business Sales Division (up to 400 employees)	044-556-1465
	Preferred Accounts Division Sales (over 400 employees)	044-556-3433
	Large Corporate Accounts Sales (over 3500 employees)	044-556-3430
	Public Sales (government agencies, educational institutions, and medical institutions)	044-556-1469
	Global Segment Japan	044-556-3469
	Individual User	044-556-1760
	Faxbox Service	044-556-3490
	Switchboard	044-556-4300
<b>Korea (Seoul)</b>	Technical Support	toll-free: 080-200-3800
International Access Code: 001	Sales	toll-free: 080-200-3600
Country Code: 82	Customer Service (Seoul, Korea)	toll-free: 080-200-3800
City Code: 2	Customer Service (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4949
	Fax	2194-6202
	Switchboard	2194-6000

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<b>Latin America</b>	Customer Technical Support (Austin, Texas, U.S.A.)	512 728-4093
	Customer Service (Austin, Texas, U.S.A.)	512 728-3619
	Fax (Technical Support and Customer Service) (Austin, Texas, U.S.A.)	512 728-3883
	Sales (Austin, Texas, U.S.A.)	512 728-4397
	SalesFax (Austin, Texas, U.S.A.)	512 728-4600 or 512 728-3772
<b>Luxembourg</b>	Website: <a href="http://support.euro.dell.com">support.euro.dell.com</a>	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: <a href="mailto:tech_be@dell.com">tech_be@dell.com</a>	
Country Code: 352	Technical Support (Brussels, Belgium)	02 481 92 88
	Home/Small Business Sales (Brussels, Belgium)	toll-free: 080016884
	Corporate Sales (Brussels, Belgium)	02 481 91 00
	Customer Care (Brussels, Belgium)	02 481 91 19
	Fax (Brussels, Belgium)	02 481 92 99
	Switchboard (Brussels, Belgium)	02 481 91 00
<b>Macao</b>	Technical Support	toll-free: 0800 582
Country Code: 853	Customer Service (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4949
	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 0800 581
<b>Malaysia (Penang)</b>	Technical Support	toll-free: 1 800 888 298
International Access Code: 00	Customer Service	04 633 4949
Country Code: 60	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 1 800 888 202
City Code: 4	Corporate Sales	toll-free: 1 800 888 213



<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
Mexico	Customer Technical Support	001-877-384-8979
International Access Code: 00		or 001-877-269-3383
Country Code: 52	Sales	50-81-8800
		or 01-800-888-3355
	Customer Service	001-877-384-8979
		or 001-877-269-3383
	Main	50-81-8800
		or 01-800-888-3355
Montserrat	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-278-6822
Netherlands Antilles	General Support	001-800-882-1519
Netherlands (Amsterdam)	Website: <a href="http://support.euro.dell.com">support.euro.dell.com</a>	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail (Technical Support):	
Country Code: 31	(Enterprise): <a href="mailto:nl_server_support@dell.com">nl_server_support@dell.com</a>	
City Code: 20	(Latitude): <a href="mailto:nl_latitude_support@dell.com">nl_latitude_support@dell.com</a>	
	(Inspiron): <a href="mailto:nl_inspiron_support@dell.com">nl_inspiron_support@dell.com</a>	
	(Dimension): <a href="mailto:nl_dimension_support@dell.com">nl_dimension_support@dell.com</a>	
	(OptiPlex): <a href="mailto:nl_optiplex_support@dell.com">nl_optiplex_support@dell.com</a>	
	(Dell Precision): <a href="mailto:nl_workstation_support@dell.com">nl_workstation_support@dell.com</a>	
	Technical Support	020 674 45 00
	Technical Support Fax	020 674 47 66
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	020 674 42 00
	Relational Customer Care	020 674 4325
	Home/Small Business Sales	020 674 55 00
	Relational Sales	020 674 50 00
	Home/Small Business Sales Fax	020 674 47 75
	Relational Sales Fax	020 674 47 50
	Switchboard	020 674 50 00
	Switchboard Fax	020 674 47 50

<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
New Zealand	E-mail (New Zealand): nz_tech_support@dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail (Australia): au_tech_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 64	Home and Small Business	0800 446 255
	Government and Business	0800 444 617
	Sales	0800 441 567
	Fax	0800 441 566
Nicaragua	General Support	001-800-220-1006
Norway (Lysaker)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail Support (portable computers):	
Country Code: 47	nor_nbk_support@dell.com	
	E-mail Support (desktop computers):	
	nor_support@dell.com	
	E-mail Support (servers):	
	nordic_server_support@dell.com	
	Technical Support	671 16882
	Relational Customer Care	671 17514
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	23162298
	Switchboard	671 16800
	Fax Switchboard	671 16865
Panama	General Support	001-800-507-0962
Peru	General Support	0800-50-669
Poland (Warsaw)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 011	E-mail: pl_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 48	Customer Service Phone	57 95 700
City Code: 22	Customer Care	57 95 999
	Sales	57 95 999
	Customer Service Fax	57 95 806
	Reception Desk Fax	57 95 998
	Switchboard	57 95 999

<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
Portugal	E-mail: <a href="mailto:support.euro.dell.com/es/es/emaildell/">support.euro.dell.com/es/es/emaildell/</a>	
International Access Code: 00	Technical Support	800 834 077
Country Code: 35	Customer Care	800 300 415 or 800 834 075
	Sales	800 300 410 or 800 300 411 or 800 300 412 or 121 422 07 10
	Fax	121 424 01 12
Puerto Rico	General Support	1-800-805-7545
St. Kitts and Nevis	General Support	toll-free: 1-877-441-4731
St. Lucia	General Support	1-800-882-1521
St. Vincent and the Grenadines	General Support	toll-free: 1-877-270-4609
Singapore (Singapore)	Technical Support	toll-free: 800 6011 051
International Access Code: 005	Customer Service (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4949
Country Code: 65	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 800 6011 054
	Corporate Sales	toll-free: 800 6011 053
South Africa (Johannesburg)	Website: <a href="http://support.euro.dell.com">support.euro.dell.com</a>	
International Access Code:	E-mail: <a href="mailto:dell_za_support@dell.com">dell_za_support@dell.com</a>	
09/091	Technical Support	011 709 7710
Country Code: 27	Customer Care	011 709 7707
City Code: 11	Sales	011 709 7700
	Fax	011 706 0495
	Switchboard	011 709 7700
Southeast Asian and Pacific Countries	Customer Technical Support, Customer Service, and Sales (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4810

<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
Spain (Madrid)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: support.euro.dell.com/es/es/emaildell/	
Country Code: 34	<b>Home and Small Business</b>	
City Code: 91	Technical Support	902 100 130
	Customer Care	902 118 540
	Sales	902 118 541
	Switchboard	902 118 541
	Fax	902 118 539
	<b>Corporate</b>	
	Technical Support	902 100 130
	Customer Care	902 118 546
	Switchboard	91 722 92 00
	Fax	91 722 95 83
Sweden (Upplands Vasby)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: swe_support@dell.com	
Country Code: 46	E-mail Support for Latitude and Inspiron: Swe-nbk_kats@dell.com	
City Code: 8	E-mail Support for OptiPlex: Swe_kats@dell.com	
	E-mail Support for Servers: Nordic_server_support@dell.com	
	Technical Support	08 590 05 199
	Relational Customer Care	08 590 05 642
	Home/Small Business Customer Care	08 587 70 527
	Employee Purchase Program (EPP) Support	20 140 14 44
	Fax Technical Support	08 590 05 594
	Sales	08 590 05 185

<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
Switzerland (Geneva)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	E-mail: swisstech@dell.com	
Country Code: 41	E-mail for French-speaking HSB and Corporate	
City Code: 22	Customers: support.euro.dell.com/ch/fr/emaildell/	
	Technical Support (Home and Small Business)	0844 811 411
	Technical Support (Corporate)	0844 822 844
	Customer Care (Home and Small Business)	0848 802 202
	Customer Care (Corporate)	0848 821 721
	Fax	022 799 01 90
	Switchboard	022 799 01 01
<b>Taiwan</b>	Technical Support (portable and desktop computers)	toll-free: 00801 86 1011
International Access Code: 002	Technical Support (servers)	toll-free: 0080 60 1256
Country Code: 886	Transaction Sales	toll-free: 0080 651 228 or 0800 33 556
	Corporate Sales	toll-free: 0080 651 227 or 0800 33 555
<b>Thailand</b>	Technical Support	toll-free: 0880 060 07
International Access Code: 001	Customer Service (Penang, Malaysia)	604 633 4949
Country Code: 66	Sales	toll-free: 0880 060 09
<b>Trinidad/Tobago</b>	General Support	1-800-805-8035
<b>Turks and Caicos Islands</b>	General Support	toll-free: 1-866-540-3355

<b>Country (City) International Access Code Country Code City Code</b>	<b>Department Name or Service Area, Website and E-Mail Address</b>	<b>Area Codes, Local Numbers, and Toll-Free Numbers</b>
U.K. (Bracknell)	Website: support.euro.dell.com	
International Access Code: 00	Customer Care website: dell.co.uk/lca/customerservices	
Country Code: 44	E-mail: dell_direct_support@dell.com	
City Code: 1344	Technical Support (Corporate/Preferred Accounts/PAD [1000+ employees])	0870 908 0500
	Technical Support (direct/PAD and general)	0870 908 0800
	Global Accounts Customer Care	01344 373 185 or 01344 373 186
	Home and Small Business Customer Care	0870 906 0010
	Corporate Customer Care	0870 908 0500
	Preferred Accounts (500–5000 employees) Customer Care	01344 373 196
	Central Government Customer Care	01344 373 193
	Local Government & Education Customer Care	01344 373 199
	Health Customer Care	01344 373 194
	Home and Small Business Sales	0870 907 4000
	Corporate/Public Sector Sales	01344 860 456
Uruguay	General Support	toll-free: 000-413-598-2521

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U.S.A. (Austin, Texas)	Automated Order-Status Service	toll-free: 1-800-433-9014
International Access Code: 011	AutoTech (portable and desktop computers)	toll-free: 1-800-247-9362
Country Code: 1	<b>Consumer</b> (Home and Home Office)	
	Technical Support	toll-free: 1-800-624-9896
	Customer Service	toll-free: 1-800-624-9897
	DellNet™ Service and Support	toll-free: 1-877-Dellnet (1-877-335-5638)
	Employee Purchase Program (EPP) Customers	toll-free: 1-800-695-8133
	Financial Services website: <a href="http://www.dellfinancialservices.com">www.dellfinancialservices.com</a>	
	Financial Services (lease/loans)	toll-free: 1-877-577-3355
	Financial Services (Dell Preferred Accounts [DPA])	toll-free: 1-800-283-2210
	<b>Business</b>	
	Customer Service and Technical Support	toll-free: 1-800-822-8965
	Employee Purchase Program (EPP) Customers	toll-free: 1-800-695-8133
	Projectors Technical Support	toll-free: 1-877-459-7298
	<b>Public</b> (government, education, and healthcare)	
	Customer Service and Technical Support	toll-free: 1-800-456-3355
	Employee Purchase Program (EPP) Customers	toll-free: 1-800-234-1490
	Dell Sales	toll-free: 1-800-289-3355 or toll-free: 1-800-879-3355
	Dell Outlet Store (Dell refurbished computers)	toll-free: 1-888-798-7561
	Software and Peripherals Sales	toll-free: 1-800-671-3355
	Spare Parts Sales	toll-free: 1-800-357-3355
	Extended Service and Warranty Sales	toll-free: 1-800-247-4618
	Fax	toll-free: 1-800-727-8320
	Dell Services for the Deaf, Hard-of-Hearing, or Speech-Impaired	toll-free: 1-877-DELLTTY (1-877-335-5889)
U.S. Virgin Islands	General Support	1-877-673-3355
Venezuela	General Support	8001-3605

## Regulatory Notices

Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) is any signal or emission, radiated in free space or conducted along power or signal leads, that endangers the functioning of a radio navigation or other safety service or seriously degrades, obstructs, or repeatedly interrupts a licensed radio communications service. Radio communications services include but are not limited to AM/FM commercial broadcast, television, cellular services, radar, air-traffic control, pager, and Personal Communication Services (PCS). These licensed services, along with unintentional radiators such as digital devices, including computers, contribute to the electromagnetic environment.

Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) is the ability of items of electronic equipment to function properly together in the electronic environment. While this computer has been designed and determined to be compliant with regulatory agency limits for EMI, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference with radio communications services, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, you are encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient the receiving antenna.
- Relocate the computer with respect to the receiver.
- Move the computer away from the receiver.
- Plug the computer into a different outlet so that the computer and the receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary, consult a Dell Technical Support representative or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions.

For additional regulatory information, see the Tell Me How help file that accompanied your computer. To access the help file, see page 104.



## **NOM Information (Mexico Only)**

The following information is provided on the device(s) described in this document in compliance with the requirements of the official Mexican standards (NOM):

Exporter:	Dell Computer Corporation One Dell Way Round Rock, TX 78682
Importer:	Dell Computer de México, S.A. de C.V. Paseo de la Reforma 2620 - 11° Piso Col. Lomas Altas 11950 México, D.F.
Ship to:	Dell Computer de México, S.A. de C.V. al Cuidado de Kuehne & Nagel de México S. de R.I. Avenida Soles No. 55 Col. Peñon de los Baños 15520 México, D.F.
Model number:	PP02X
Supply voltage:	100–240 VAC
Frequency:	50–60 Hz
Current Consumption:	1.5 A
Output voltage:	19.5 VDC
Output current:	4.62 A

# Limited Warranties and Return Policy

Dell-branded hardware products purchased in the U.S. or Canada come with either a 90-day, 1-year, 2-year, 3-year, or 4-year limited warranty. To determine which warranty came with your hardware product(s), see your packing slip or invoice. The following sections describe the limited warranties and return policy for the U.S., the limited warranties and return policy for Canada, the manufacturer guarantee for Latin America and the Caribbean, and the Intel® Pentium® and Celeron® warranty for the U.S. and Canada.

## Limited Warranty for Dell-Branded Hardware Products (U.S. Only)

### What is covered by this limited warranty?

This limited warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship in your—our end-user customer's—Dell-branded hardware products, including Dell-branded peripheral products.

### What is not covered by this limited warranty?

This limited warranty does not cover:

- Software, including the operating system and software added to the Dell-branded hardware products through our factory-integration system, third-party software, or the reloading of software
- Non-Dell-branded and Solution Provider Direct products and accessories
- Problems that result from:
  - External causes such as accident, abuse, misuse, or problems with electrical power
  - Servicing not authorized by Dell
  - Usage that is not in accordance with product instructions
  - Failure to follow the product instructions or failure to perform preventive maintenance
  - Problems caused by using accessories, parts, or components not supplied by Dell
- Products with missing or altered Service Tags or serial numbers
- Products for which Dell has not received payment

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM STATE TO STATE (OR JURISDICTION TO JURISDICTION). DELL'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR MALFUNCTIONS AND DEFECTS IN HARDWARE IS LIMITED TO REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT AS SET FORTH IN THIS WARRANTY STATEMENT. ALL EXPRESS AND IMPLIED WARRANTIES FOR THE PRODUCT, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES AND CONDITIONS OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, ARE LIMITED IN TIME TO THE TERM OF THE LIMITED WARRANTY PERIOD REFLECTED ON YOUR PACKING SLIP OR INVOICE. NO WARRANTIES, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WILL APPLY AFTER THE LIMITED WARRANTY PERIOD HAS EXPIRED. SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY LASTS, SO THIS LIMITATION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT LIABILITY BEYOND THE REMEDIES PROVIDED FOR IN THIS LIMITED WARRANTY OR FOR CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY LIABILITY FOR THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS AGAINST YOU FOR DAMAGES, FOR PRODUCTS NOT BEING AVAILABLE FOR USE, OR FOR LOST DATA OR LOST SOFTWARE. OUR LIABILITY WILL BE NO MORE THAN THE AMOUNT YOU PAID FOR THE PRODUCT THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF A CLAIM. THIS IS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR WHICH WE ARE RESPONSIBLE.

SOME STATES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

### **How long does this limited warranty last?**

This limited warranty lasts for the time period indicated on your packing slip or invoice, except for the following Dell-branded hardware:

- Portable computer batteries carry a 1-year limited warranty.
- Projector lamps carry a 90-day limited warranty.
- Memory carries a lifetime limited warranty.
- Monitors carry the longer of either a 3-year limited warranty or the remainder of the warranty for the Dell computer to which the monitor will be connected.
- Other add-on hardware carries the longer of either a 1-year limited warranty for new parts and a 90-day limited warranty for reconditioned parts or, for both new and reconditioned parts, the remainder of the warranty for the Dell computer on which such parts are installed.

The limited warranty on all Dell-branded products begins on the date of the packing slip or invoice. The warranty period is not extended if we repair or replace a warranted product or any parts. Dell may change the availability of limited warranties, at its discretion, but any changes will not be retroactive.

## What do I do if I need warranty service?

Before the warranty expires, please call us at the relevant number listed in the following table. Please also have your Dell Service Tag or order number available.

<b>Individual Home Consumers:</b>	<b>U.S. Only</b>
Technical Support	1-800-624-9896
Customer Service	1-800-624-9897
<b>Individual Home Consumers who purchased through an Employee Purchase Program:</b>	
Technical Support and Customer Service	1-800-822-8965
<b>Home and Small Business Commercial Customers:</b>	
Technical Support and Customer Service	1-800-456-3355
<b>Medium, Large, or Global Commercial Customers, Healthcare Customers, and Value-Added Resellers (VARs):</b>	
Technical Support and Customer Service	1-800-822-8965
<b>Government and Education Customers:</b>	
Technical Support and Customer Service	1-800-234-1490
<b>Dell-Branded Memory</b>	1-888-363-5150

## What will Dell do?

**During the 90 days of the 90-day limited warranty and the first year of all other limited warranties:** During the 90 days of the 90-day limited warranty and the first year of all other limited warranties, we will repair any Dell-branded hardware products returned to us that prove to be defective in materials or workmanship. If we are not able to repair the product, we will replace it with a comparable product that is new or refurbished.

When you contact us, we will issue a Return Material Authorization Number for you to include with your return. You must return the products to us in their original or equivalent packaging, prepay shipping charges, and insure the shipment or accept the risk if the product is lost or damaged in shipment. We will return the repaired or replacement products to you. We will pay to ship the repaired or replaced products to you if you use an address in the United States (excluding Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and territories). Otherwise, we will ship the product to you freight collect.

If we determine that the product is not covered under this warranty, we will notify you and inform you of service alternatives that are available to you on a fee basis.

**NOTE:** Before you ship the product(s) to us, make sure to back up the data on the hard drive(s) and any other storage device(s) in the product(s). Remove any confidential, proprietary, or personal information and removable media such as floppy disks, CDs, or PC Cards. We are not responsible for any of your confidential, proprietary, or personal information; lost or corrupted data; or damaged or lost removable media.

**During the remaining years:** For the remaining period of the limited warranty, we will replace any defective part with new or refurbished parts, if we agree that it needs to be replaced. When you contact us, we will require a valid credit card number at the time you request a replacement part, but we will not charge you for the replacement part as long as you return the original part to us within 30 days after we ship the replacement part to you. If we do not receive the original part within 30 days, we will charge to your credit card the then-current standard price for that part.

We will pay to ship the part to you if you use an address in the United States (excluding Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and territories). Otherwise, we will ship the part freight collect. We will also include a prepaid shipping container with each replacement part for your use in returning the replaced part to us.

**NOTE:** Before you replace parts, make sure to back up the data on the hard drive(s) and any other storage device(s) in the product(s). We are not responsible for lost or corrupted data.

### **What if I purchased a service contract?**

If your service contract is with Dell, service will be provided to you under the terms of the service agreement. Please refer to that contract for details on how to obtain service.

If you purchased through us a service contract with one of our third-party service providers, please refer to that contract for details on how to obtain service.

### **How will you fix my product?**

We use new and refurbished parts made by various manufacturers in performing warranty repairs and in building replacement parts and systems. Refurbished parts and systems are parts or systems that have been returned to Dell, some of which were never used by a customer. All parts and systems are inspected and tested for quality. Replacement parts and systems are covered for the remaining period of the limited warranty for the product you bought. Dell owns all parts removed from repaired products.

### **May I transfer the limited warranty?**

Limited warranties on systems may be transferred if the current owner transfers ownership of the system and records the transfer with us. The limited warranty on Dell-branded memory may not be transferred. You may record your transfer by going to Dell's website:

- If you are an Individual Home Consumer, go to [www.dell.com/us/en/dhs/topics/sbtopic\\_015\\_ccare.htm](http://www.dell.com/us/en/dhs/topics/sbtopic_015_ccare.htm)
- If you are a Home Office, Small, Medium, Large, or Global Commercial Customer, go to [www.dell.com/us/en/biz/topics/sbtopic\\_ccare\\_nav\\_015\\_ccare.htm](http://www.dell.com/us/en/biz/topics/sbtopic_ccare_nav_015_ccare.htm)
- If you are a Government, Education, or Healthcare Customer, or an Individual Home Consumer who purchased through an Employee Purchase Program, go to [www.dell.com/us/en/pub/topics/sbtopic\\_015\\_ccare.htm](http://www.dell.com/us/en/pub/topics/sbtopic_015_ccare.htm)

If you do not have Internet access, call your customer care representative or call 1-800-624-9897.

## "Total Satisfaction" Return Policy (U.S. Only)

We value our relationship with you and want to make sure that you're satisfied with your purchases. That's why we offer a "Total Satisfaction" return policy for most products that you—the end-user customer—purchase directly from Dell. Under this policy, you may return to Dell products that you purchased directly from Dell for a credit or a refund of the purchase price paid, less shipping and handling and applicable restocking fees as follows:

- **New Hardware Products and Accessories** — All new hardware, accessories, parts, and unopened software still in its sealed package, excluding the products listed below, may be returned within 30 days from the date on the packing slip or invoice. To return applications software or an operating system that has been installed by Dell, you must return the entire computer. A different return policy applies to nondefective products purchased through Dell's Software and Peripherals division by customers of our Small and Medium Business divisions. Those products may be returned within 30 days from the date on the packing slip or invoice, but a fifteen percent (15%) restocking fee will be deducted from any refund or credit. The "Total Satisfaction" Return Policy and Software and Peripherals division return policy are not available for Dell | EMC storage products, EMC-branded products, or enterprise software.
- **Reconditioned or Refurbished Dell-Branded Hardware Products and Parts** — All reconditioned or refurbished Dell-branded server and storage products may be returned within 30 days from the date on the packing slip or invoice. All other reconditioned or refurbished Dell-branded hardware products and parts may be returned within 14 days of the date on the packing slip or invoice.

To return products, e-mail or call Dell customer service to receive a Credit Return Authorization Number within the return policy period applicable to the product you want to return. You must obtain a Credit Return Authorization Number in order to return the product. See "Contacting Dell" or "Getting Help" in your customer documentation (or [www.dell.com/us/en/gen/contact.htm](http://www.dell.com/us/en/gen/contact.htm)) to find the appropriate contact information for obtaining customer assistance.

You must ship the products to Dell within 5 days of the date that Dell issues the Credit Return Authorization Number. You must also return the products to Dell in their original packaging, in as-new condition along with any media, documentation, and all other items that were included in the original shipment, prepay shipping charges, and insure the shipment or accept the risk of loss or damage during shipment.

## Limited Warranty Terms for Dell-Branded Hardware Products (Canada Only)

### What is covered by this limited warranty?

This limited warranty covers defects in materials and workmanship in your—our end-user customer's—Dell-branded hardware products, including Dell-branded peripheral products.

## What is not covered by this limited warranty?

This limited warranty does not cover:

- Software, including the operating system and software added to the Dell-branded hardware products through our factory-integration system, or the reloading of the software
- Non-Dell branded and Solution Provider Direct products and accessories
- Problems that result from:
  - External causes such as accident, abuse, misuse, or problems with electrical power
  - Servicing not authorized by Dell
  - Usage that is not in accordance with product instructions
  - Failure to follow the product instructions or failure to perform preventive maintenance
  - Problems caused by using accessories, parts, or components not supplied by Dell
- Products with missing or altered Service Tags or serial numbers
- Products for which Dell has not received payment

THIS WARRANTY GIVES YOU SPECIFIC LEGAL RIGHTS, AND YOU MAY ALSO HAVE OTHER RIGHTS WHICH VARY FROM PROVINCE TO PROVINCE. DELL'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR MALFUNCTIONS AND DEFECTS IN PRODUCT IS LIMITED TO REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT AS SET FORTH IN THIS WARRANTY STATEMENT, FOR THE TERM OF THE WARRANTY PERIOD REFLECTED ON YOUR PACKING SLIP OR INVOICE. EXCEPT FOR THE EXPRESS WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN THIS WARRANTY STATEMENT, DELL DISCLAIMS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES AND CONDITIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES AND CONDITIONS OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE. SOME PROVINCES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS, OR LIMITATIONS ON HOW LONG AN IMPLIED WARRANTY OR CONDITION LASTS. THEREFORE, THE FOREGOING EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT LIABILITY BEYOND THE REMEDIES PROVIDED FOR IN THIS WARRANTY STATEMENT OR FOR SPECIAL, INDIRECT, CONSEQUENTIAL, OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY LIABILITY FOR THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS AGAINST YOU FOR DAMAGES, FOR PRODUCTS NOT BEING AVAILABLE FOR USE, OR FOR LOST DATA OR LOST SOFTWARE. OUR LIABILITY WILL BE NO MORE THAN THE AMOUNT YOU PAID FOR THE PRODUCT THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF A CLAIM. THIS IS THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR WHICH WE ARE RESPONSIBLE.

SOME PROVINCES DO NOT ALLOW THE EXCLUSION OR LIMITATION OF SPECIAL, INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

## How long does this limited warranty last?

This limited warranty lasts for the time period indicated on your packing slip or invoice, except that the limited warranty on Dell-branded batteries lasts only 1 year and the limited warranty on the lamps for Dell-branded projectors lasts only 90 days. The limited warranty begins on the date of the packing slip or invoice. The warranty period is not extended if we repair or replace a warranted product or any parts. Dell may change the terms and availability of limited warranties, at its discretion, but any changes will not be retroactive (that is, the warranty terms in place at the time of purchase will apply to your purchase).

## What do I do if I need warranty service?

Before the warranty expires, please call us at the relevant number listed in the following table. Please also have your Dell Service Tag or order number available.

<b>Individual Home Consumers; Home Office and Small Business Customers:</b>	<b>Canada Only</b>
Technical Support and Customer Service	1-800-847-4096
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Technical Support	1-800-387-5757
Customer Service	1-800-326-9463
<b>Government or Education Customers, or Individual Home Consumers who purchased through an Employee Purchase Program:</b>	
Technical Support	1-800-387-5757
Customer Service	1-800-326-9463 (Extension 8221 for Individual Consumers)
<b>Dell-Branded Memory</b>	1-888-363-5150

## What will Dell do?

**During the 90 days of the 90-day limited warranty and the first year of all other limited warranties:** During the 90 days of the 90-day limited warranty and the first year of all other limited warranties, we will repair any Dell-branded hardware products returned to us that prove to be defective in materials or workmanship. If we are not able to repair the product, we will replace it with a comparable product that is new or refurbished.

When you contact us, we will issue a Return Material Authorization Number for you to include with your return. You must return the products to us in their original or equivalent packaging, prepaid shipping charges, and insure the shipment or accept the risk if the product is lost or damaged in shipment. We will return the repaired or replacement products to you. We will pay to ship the repaired or replaced products to you if you use an address in Canada. Otherwise, we will ship the product to you freight collect.

If we determine that the problem is not covered under this warranty, we will notify you and inform you of service alternatives that are available to you on a fee basis.



**NOTE:** Before you ship the product(s) to us, make sure to back up the data on the hard drive(s) and any other storage device(s) in the product(s). Remove any confidential, proprietary or personal information, removable media, such as floppy disks, CDs, or PC Cards. We are not responsible for any of your confidential, proprietary or personal information; lost or corrupted data; or damaged or lost removable media.

**During the remaining years following the first year of all limited warranties:** We will replace any defective part with new or refurbished parts, if we agree that it needs to be replaced. When you contact us, we will require a valid credit card number at the time you request a replacement part, but we will not charge you for the replacement part as long as you return the original part to us within 30 days after we ship the replacement part to you. If we do not receive the original part within 30 days, we will charge to your credit card the then-current standard price for that part.

We will pay to ship the part to you if you use an address in Canada. Otherwise, we will ship the part freight collect. We will also include a prepaid shipping container with each replacement part for your use in returning the replaced part to us.

**NOTE:** Before you replace parts, make sure to back up the data on the hard drive(s) and any other storage device(s) in the product(s). We are not responsible for lost or corrupted data.

### **What if I purchased a service contract?**

If your service contract is with Dell, service will be provided to you under the terms of the service contract. Please refer to that contract for details on how to obtain service. Dell's service contracts can be found online at [www.dell.ca](http://www.dell.ca) or by calling Customer Care at 1-800-847-4096. If you purchased through us a service contract with one of our third-party service providers, please refer to that contract (mailed to you with your packing slip or invoice) for details on how to obtain service.

### **How will you fix my product?**

We use new and refurbished parts made by various manufacturers in performing warranty repairs and in building replacement parts and systems. Refurbished parts and systems are parts or systems that have been returned to Dell, some of which were never used by a customer. All parts and systems are inspected and tested for quality. Replacement parts and systems are covered for the remaining period of the limited warranty for the product you bought. Dell owns all parts removed from repaired products.

### **May I transfer the limited warranty?**

Limited warranties on systems may be transferred if the current owner transfers ownership of the system and records the transfer with us. The limited warranty on Dell-branded memory may not be transferred. You may record your transfer by going to Dell's website:

- For Canada-purchased computers (in-country transfers) and to transfer from one customer to another, go to [www.dell.ca/ca/en/gen/topics/segtopic\\_ccare\\_nav\\_013\\_ccare.htm](http://www.dell.ca/ca/en/gen/topics/segtopic_ccare_nav_013_ccare.htm)
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If you do not have Internet access, call Dell at 1-800-847-4096 (Home Consumer customers) or 1-800-326-9463 (Corporate Commercial or Government customers).

## **"Total Satisfaction" Return Policy (Canada Only)**

If you are an end-user customer who bought new products directly from Dell, you may return them to Dell up to 30 days after you receive them for a refund or credit of the product purchase price. If you are an end-user customer who bought reconditioned or refurbished products from Dell, you may return them to Dell within 14 days after the date on the packing slip or invoice for a refund or credit of the product purchase price. In either case, the refund or credit will not include any shipping and handling charges shown on your packing slip or invoice and will be subject to a fifteen percent (15%) restocking fee, unless otherwise prohibited by law. If you are an organization that bought the products under a written agreement with Dell, the agreement may contain different terms for the return of products than specified by this policy.

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The "Total Satisfaction" Return Policy does not apply to Dell | EMC storage products. It also does not apply to products purchased through Dell's Software and Peripherals division. For those products, please instead refer to Dell's Software and Peripheral's then-current return policy (see the following section, "Dell Software and Peripherals (Canada Only)").

## **Dell Software and Peripherals (Canada Only)**

### **Third-Party Software and Peripherals Products**

Similar to other resellers of software and peripherals, Dell does not warrant third-party products. Third-party software and peripheral products are covered by the warranties provided by the original manufacturer or publisher only. Third-party manufacturer warranties vary from product to product. Consult your product documentation for specific warranty information. More information may also be available from the manufacturer or publisher.

While Dell offers a wide selection of software and peripheral products, we do not specifically test or guarantee that all of the products we offer work with any or all of the various models of Dell computers, nor do we test or guarantee all of the products we sell on the hundreds of different brands of computers available today. If you have questions about compatibility, we recommend and encourage you to contact the third-party software and peripheral product manufacturer or publisher directly.

## **Dell-Branded Peripheral Products**

Dell does provide a limited warranty for new Dell-branded peripheral products (products for which Dell is listed as the manufacturer) such as monitors, batteries, memory, docking stations, and projectors. To determine which limited warranty applies to the product you purchased, see the Dell packing slip or invoice and/or the product documentation that accompanied your product. Descriptions of Dell's limited warranties are described in preceding sections.

## **Return Policy**

If you are an end-user customer who bought Dell Software and Peripherals products directly from a Dell company, you may return Dell Software and Peripherals products that are in as-new condition to Dell up to 30 days from the date on the packing slip or invoice for a refund of the product purchase price if already paid. This refund will not include any shipping and handling charges shown on your packing slip or invoice; you are responsible for those.

To return products, you must call Dell Customer Service at 1-800-387-5759 to receive a Credit Return Authorization Number. You must ship the Dell Software and Peripherals products back to Dell in their original manufacturer's packaging (which must be in as-new condition), prepay shipping charges, and insure the shipment or accept the risk of loss or damage during shipment.

To qualify for refund or replacement, returned products must be in as-new condition, software products must be unopened, and all of the manuals, floppy disk(s), CD(s), power cables, and other items included with a product must be returned with it.

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### **Exclusions**

This Guarantee does not apply to defects resulting from: improper or inadequate installation, use, or maintenance; actions or modifications by unauthorized third parties or the end user; accidental or willful damage; or normal wear and tear.

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This limited warranty does not cover damages due to external causes, including accident, problems with electrical power, usage not in accordance with product instructions, misuse, neglect, alteration, repair, improper installation, or improper testing.

### How to Obtain Warranty Service

To obtain warranty service for your Pentium or Celeron processor, you may contact your computer system manufacturer in accordance with its instructions, or you may contact Intel.

To request warranty service from Intel, you should call Intel at 1-800-628-8686 during the warranty period during normal business hours (Pacific Time), excluding holidays. Please be prepared to provide:

- (1) your name, address, and telephone numbers;
- (2) proof of purchase;
- (3) this Intel warranty card;
- (4) a description of the computer system including the brand and model; and
- (5) an explanation of the problem.

[Note: The Customer Service Representative may need additional information from you depending on the nature of the problem.]

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We put every one of our Pentium® and Celeron® processors through a rigorous battery of tests during the design and manufacturing processes.

To verify that the new chip will correctly run the software written for Intel Architecture processors, a team of Intel engineers is dedicated to compatibility testing. In a state-of-art lab, this group runs an extensive set of operating systems, applications, network tests and stress tests repeatedly to ensure that the processor is compatible with representative software.

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Additionally, a sampling of Intel processors are subjected to a rigorous "burn-in" test whereby the chip is operated at higher-than-normal temperatures and voltages. During this burn-in period, the processor experiences the equivalent of weeks of normal usage. These units are monitored for failures as part of our ongoing quality assurance process.

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When an erratum is identified, our engineers work to characterize it and find a solution. We work with system designers and software developers to ensure that the discrepancy does not affect their products. If necessary, special software or hardware solutions (sometimes known as "work arounds") are implemented in the system design to prevent computer users from encountering the problem. Errata may then be corrected in future revisions of the microprocessor.

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