**hp** StorageWorks DAT tape drive

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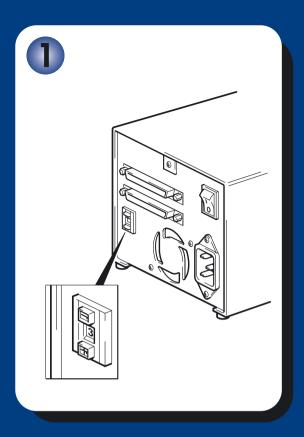
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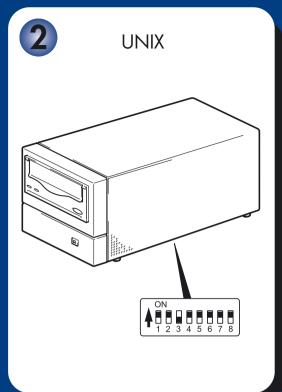




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## **Product Details**

Write your tape drive details here so you can find them easily if you need them. The model name is on the front of the drive and the product and serial numbers are on a label on the bottom of the drive.

| Model (type of drive):    |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| Model (number):           |  |
| Serial (number):          |  |
| Warranty Serial (number): |  |
| Date purchased/installed: |  |
| SCSI ID:                  |  |

## Before you start

#### **HP StorageWorks DAT models**

This guide describes how to install and operate the following HP StorageWorks DAT external tape drive models:

- HP StorageWorks DAT 72
- HP StorageWorks DAT 40

### Which operating systems are supported?

HP StorageWorks DAT drives can be connected to servers running under Windows®, NetWare, UNIX, Tru64 and Linux. Refer to the "HP StorageWorks Tape Software Compatibility" topic on our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com/go/connect) for more information about the operating system versions that are supported.

### How do I connect the drive to my server?

The following guidelines apply:

- For optimum performance the drive should be the only device on the SCSI bus.
- Always terminate the SCSI bus. Use the supplied terminator.
- Do not attach the drive to the same SCSI bus as a your disk drive or to a RAID controller.

You will need a properly installed and configured SCSI host bus adapter (HBA) or a built-in SCSI controller on your server. Your tape drive is supplied with a VHD-to-HD cable to attach the drive to a spare, external VHD SCSI port on the server. It is also shipped with a multimode terminator. The cable and terminator are appropriate for a wide, low voltage differential (LVD) or single-ended (SE) SCSI bus.

If the SCSI cable supplied with your drive is not appropriate for your computer's external SCSI connector, you will need to order an adapter or new cable. See also "Checking the SCSI connection" on page 9.

### Why is the SCSI bus type important?

The SCSI bus type determines the speed at which data can be transferred between devices on the bus and the maximum length of cable that can be used. The drives support a burst transfer rate of 40 MB/sec. To benefit from this level of performance, it is important to ensure that the drives are connected to a SCSI bus of a similar or higher specification. This means that you need:

- An Ultra Wide, Ultra Wide, Ultra (160) or Ultra (320) SCSI bus. Ultra Wide SCSI supports the maximum bus speed of 40 MB per second, Ultra Ultra and Ultra SCSI exceeds this.
- LVD-rated SCSI cabling and terminators. The LVD interface enables the data to be transferred at the drive's maximum rate and provides a maximum cable length of 12 meters.

If you attach the drive to a lower specification SCSI bus, it may still work but data will not be transferred as quickly and you will need to use shorter cable lengths.

**Note** The drives are not compatible with high voltage differential (HVD) SCSI devices.

### How can I check the SCSI bus type and SCSI ID?

For many operating systems, you can install HP Library & Tape Tools from www.hp.com/support/tapetools and run the "Install Check" to check your server's current SCSI configuration (see page 29). This will provide information about the SCSI bus and the SCSI IDs in use. See also the SCSI topic in the electronic User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM for other ways of checking the SCSI bus type.

#### Do I need additional items for installation?

- If you have an HD rather than a VHD, wide SCSI connector on your server, you will need to purchase and install a VHD-to-HD adapter or use an HD-to-HD cable instead of the supplied cable.
- If you do not have a spare, suitably rated SCSI connector on your server, you must install a
  new HBA (also known as a SCSI card). This should be of an Ultra Wide or higher SCSI
  specification. You will need to purchase and install the new HBA into an unused, 64-bit PCI
  expansion slot within your server before installing your tape drive. (The kit can also be
  installed in a 32-bit PCI expansion slot, but performance may be degraded.)

Refer to our World Wide Web site for recommended products, configurations and ordering information: www.hp.com/go/connect or www.hp.com/support.

# **Backup software and drivers**

#### **Backup software**

For optimum performance it is important to use a backup application that is appropriate for your system's configuration. In a direct attach configuration, where the tape drive is attached to a standalone server, you can use backup software that is designed for a single server environment. In network configurations you will need backup software that supports enterprise environments. HP, Veritas, Legato, Yosemite and Computer Associates all provide suitable products. Further details about these and other products that may be appropriate can be found on our connectivity web site.

- 1 Go to our connectivity web site: www.hp.com/go/connect and select tape backup.
- 2 Select software compatibility.
- 3 Select your combination of operating system and tape drive model in the table. A list of supported backup applications is displayed. This will also tell you whether your configuration is compatible with HP One-Button Disaster Recovery, HP OBDR. (All HP StorageWorks DAT tape drives support HP OBDR. However, you can only use this feature if your system configuration and backup application also support it. See "Using HP OBDR" on page 27.)
- 4 Make sure you have a backup application that supports HP StorageWorks DAT tape drives and download any upgrades or patches, if required.

#### **Drivers**

#### Windows users

Before you install the tape drive, download the HP driver from our web site: www.hp.com/support. Refer to the accompanying README file for specific installation instructions for Windows NT, Windows 2000, Windows XP and Windows Server 2003 drivers. This will tell you whether you need to install the driver before or after installing the tape drive.

If you do not have internet access, you can also download drivers from the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM, but these may not be the latest versions available.

#### **UNIX** users

The recommended backup applications use the operating system's standard, built-in device drivers. To upgrade drivers we recommend that you patch to the latest version of the operating system or configure device files, as described in the *UNIX Configuration Guide* on the CD-ROM.

#### IA64 users

If you are installing on an IA64 system, such as an HP Integrity server, check www.hp.com/go/connect for the latest information on the availability of backup application upgrades and drivers.

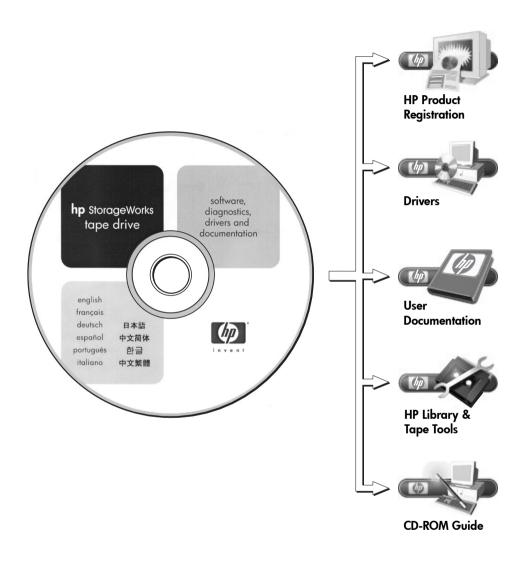


Figure 1: the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM

# **Using the CD-ROM**

The HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM contains drivers, useful utilities and information to help you install and use your tape drive. Before installation, most users can use the HP Library & Tape Tools software to check SCSI ID information on the SCSI bus. The UNIX Configuration guide on the CD-ROM also contains information about checking SCSI IDs on UNIX systems.

#### **HP** product registration

To register your new tape drive electronically via the web, use the "Product Registration" link on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM.

#### **Drivers**

For detailed information about drivers, refer to the appropriate README file in the DRIVERS directories on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM. There is a separate sub-directory for each operating system.

#### User documentation

Refer to the "User Documentation" topic on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM for a UNIX Configuration guide and an online User's Guide that provides more detailed information about using your HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive.

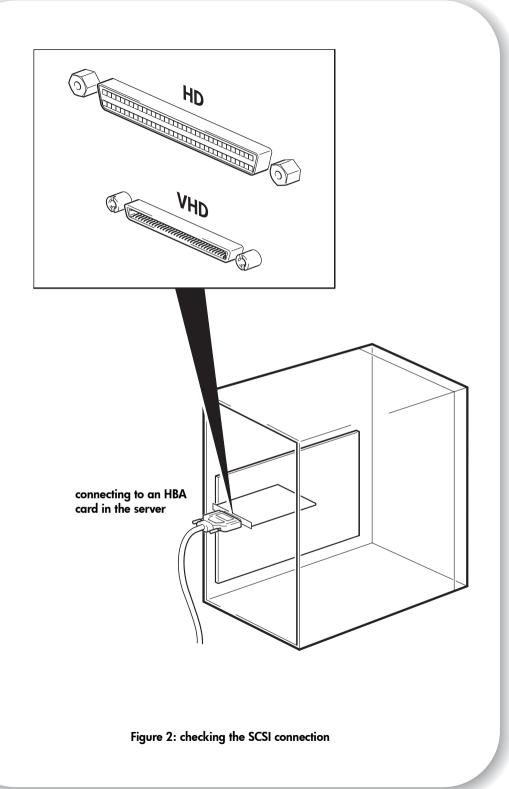
Refer to your backup application's documentation for instructions on how to back up and restore data.

#### **HP Library & Tape Tools**

HP Library & Tape Tools software provides diagnostic and troubleshooting utilities. It allows you to identify your product correctly, check SCSI ID information on the SCSI bus, run tests, carry out firmware upgrades and, if necessary, generate comprehensive troubleshooting information for support calls. Use the link on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM to access our Support web site, www.hp.com/support/tapetools, and download the latest version of this software. For further details see page 29.

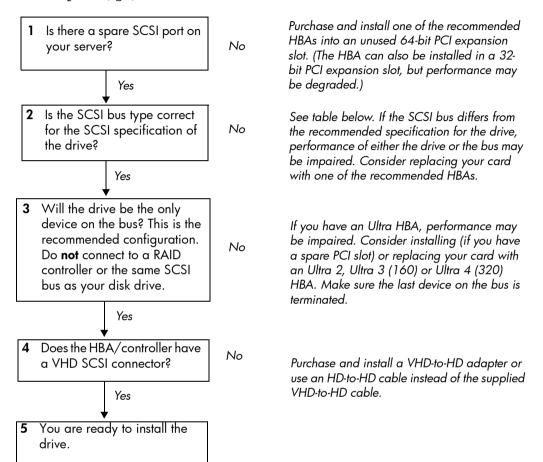
### CD-ROM guide

The CD-ROM guide provides an overview of the CD directory structure and information about the languages in which the contents of the CD-ROM are available. It also contains a set of URLs and links for further information.



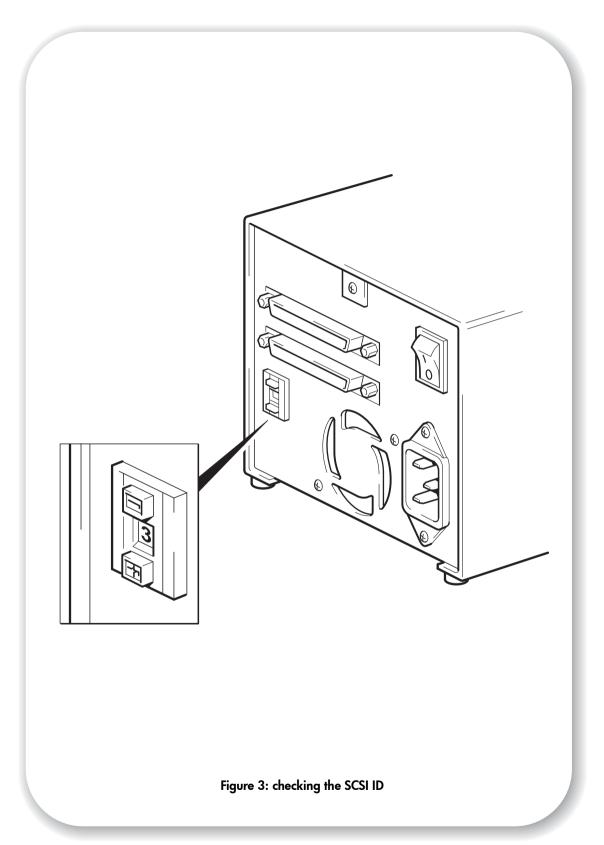
# Checking the SCSI connection

Use the following questions to help you check your SCSI connection. Many users can use HP Library & Tape Tools to check the SCSI bus type, see page 29. If you answer 'Yes' to all these questions, you are ready to install your tape drive. If you answer 'No', you will probably need to purchase and install additional items. For compatibility and product details, go to www.hp.com/go/connect.



| SCSI Bus Type  | Supported   |
|--|---|
| Ultra wide LVD                                       | <b>Yes.</b> This is a <b>recommended</b> configuration as long as the drive is the only device on the SCSI bus.                 |
| Ultra 2 LVD, Ultra 3 (160) LVD,<br>Ultra 4 (320) LVD | <b>Yes.</b> These are <b>recommended</b> configurations, particularly if there are several devices on the SCSI bus.             |
| Ultra wide, single-ended                             | Yes. But this is <b>not</b> a recommended configuration as it will restrict performance.  |
| Ultra narrow, single-ended                           | Yes. But this is <b>not</b> recommended as it will severely restrict performance and you will need a suitable cable or adapter. |
| High Voltage Differential                            | <b>No.</b> The drive will not work and you may damage the drive or controller   |

table 1: supported SCSI bus types



# Step 1: Check the drive's SCSI ID

Your HP StorageWorks DAT drive is shipped with a default SCSI ID of 3. Each device on the SCSI bus must have an unique SCSI ID number. The drive can be assigned any *unused* ID between 0 and 15. Do not use SCSI ID 7, which is reserved for the SCSI controller. SCSI ID 0 is typically assigned to the boot disk and should also not be used unless the tape drive is on a dedicated SCSI bus.

1 Determine whether you need to change the SCSI ID from the default of 3.

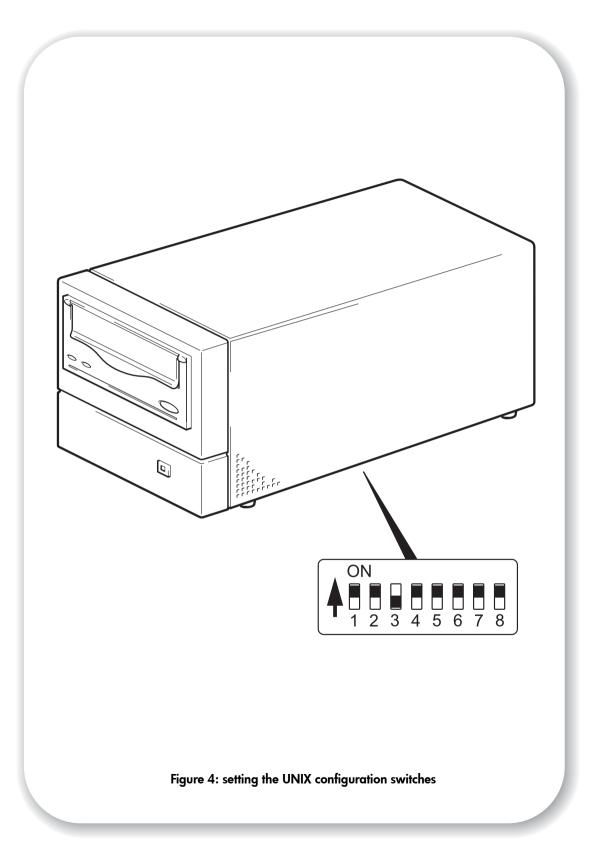
For many operating systems you can install HP Library & Tape Tools from the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM and run the "Install Check" to check your server's current SCSI configuration (see page 29). This will provide information about the SCSI bus and the SCSI IDs in use.

The UNIX Configuration Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM also contains instructions on how to determine the SCSI IDs of existing devices on UNIX servers.

**2** Change the tape drive's SCSI ID, if necessary.

Use a small screwdriver or a ball-point pen to press the indented SCSI ID selector buttons on the rear panel (see figure 3) until the required value is displayed. Do not use a pencil because small bits of graphite could contaminate the drive.

**Note** The computer and the tape drive SCSI IDs are only checked at power-on. To change the SCSI ID after installation, power down both the computer and the tape drive, change the drive's SCSI ID, power up the tape drive, and then power up the computer.



# Step 2: Set the configuration switches (UNIX systems)

Only read this section if you are installing your tape drive into a UNIX system. Go to "Step 3: Connect the SCSI cable" on page 15 if you are installing your drive into a Windows PC system.

1 Check the *UNIX Configuration Guide* on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM for specific advice for your operating system.

The following table summarizes the typical switch settings for different types of server.

|                                     |    |    |     | Switch I | Number |    |     |     |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|-----|----------|--------|----|-----|-----|
| System Type                         | 1  | 2  | 3   | 4        | 5      | 6  | 7   | 8   |
| Default and most PC systems         | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| HP Tru64 v.5.0 systems              | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| HP Tru64 v.4.0 systems              | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | Off |
| HP OpenVMS systems                  | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| HP-UX systems                       | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| IBM AIX systems                     | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| Linux systems                       | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| Sun Solaris, version 2.7 and higher | On | On | Off | On       | On     | On | On  | On  |
| Sun Solaris, version 2.6 and lower  | On | On | Off | Off      | On     | On | Off | Off |

2 If your UNIX configuration requires it, change the configuration switches located on the underside of the tape drive from the default settings shown in figure 4.

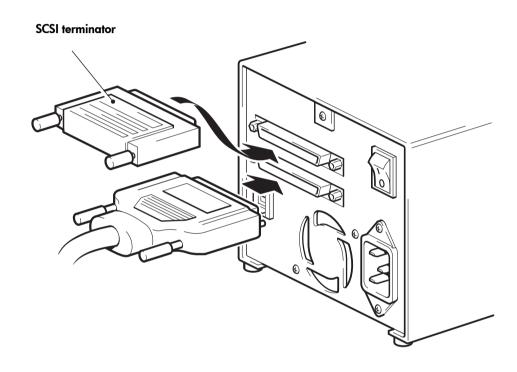


Figure 5: connecting the SCSI cable

# Step 3: Connect the SCSI cable

A wide VHD-to-HD SCSI cable is provided to connect your HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive to a VHD SCSI port on an LVD SCSI bus. If your server has an HD SCSI port, you must either purchase and install a VHD-to-HD adapter or use an HD-to-HD cable instead of the supplied cable. Refer to our web site for recommended products: www.hp.com/go/connect.

#### Caution

To avoid damaging the computer or tape drive, ensure that both are powered off while you attach the SCSI cable.

- 1 Make sure you are connecting to a recommended SCSI bus type. See "Checking the SCSI connection" on page 9. Do **not** connect the tape drive to the same bus as a RAID controller. For optimum performance, we recommend that your HP StorageWorks DAT drive is installed on a dedicated SCSI bus. If it is not, do not connect it to the same bus as your disk drive.
- 2 Perform a normal system shutdown and turn off the server and any connected peripherals.
- 3 Attach the VHD connection on the SCSI cable to the server's external SCSI connector and secure it by tightening the screws.
- 4 Attach the HD connection on the SCSI cable to one of the SCSI connectors on the rear panel of the tape drive and secure it by tightening the screws. (See figure 5.)
- 5 Connect the multimode terminator to the drive's other SCSI connector and tighten the screws to secure it. The multimode terminator detects whether the host bus adapter is SE or LVD and automatically provides the appropriate termination.

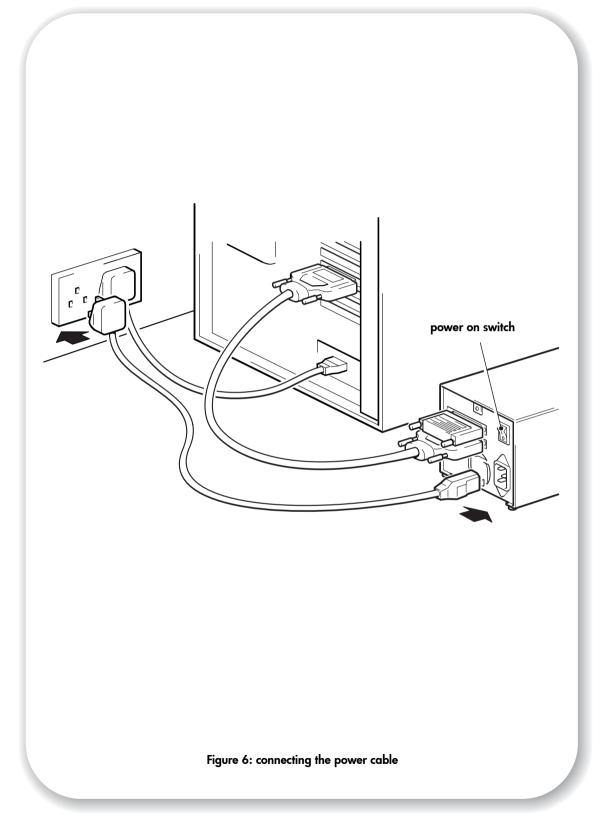
### Why does the tape drive need a terminator?

Terminators are essential, as they provide the correct voltages on the SCSI bus and prevent unwanted signal reflections from interfering with data transfers. The rule is:

#### There must be termination at both physical ends of the bus and only at the ends.

Normally the HBA forms one end of the SCSI bus and provides termination. You, therefore, need to ensure that the other end of the bus is terminated. If the tape drive is at the end of the SCSI bus, the terminator must be attached to the tape drive.

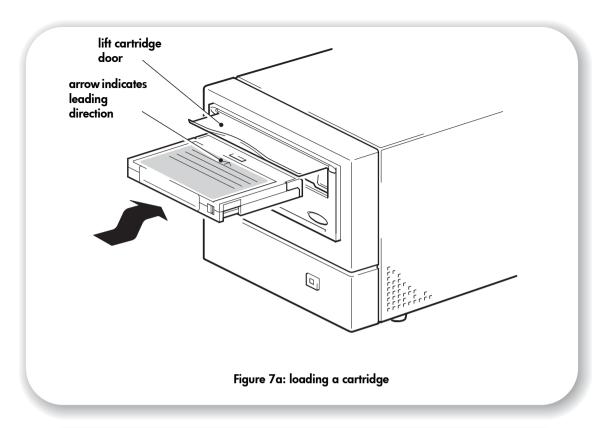
If you want to attach additional devices to the SCSI bus after the tape drive, you will need to remove the SCSI terminator and attach the next device to this SCSI connector. Make sure that you attach the terminator to the last device in the chain.

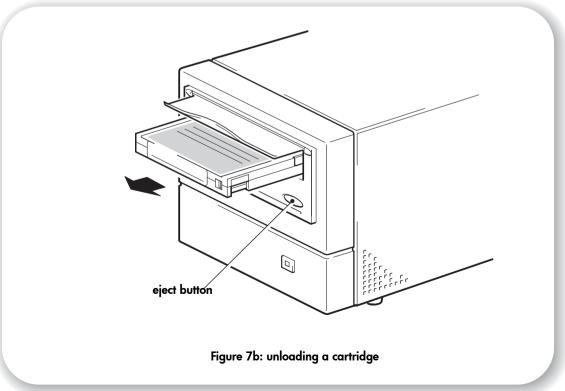


# Step 4: Connect the power cable

An external HP StorageWorks DAT drive will operate using any voltage in the range 100–240 volts (0.7 A, 50-60 Hz). No adjustment is needed. To connect your drive to the power supply, proceed as follows:

- 1 Make sure that the drive is switched OFF (O side down). The power switch is on the rear panel.
- 2 Plug the power cable securely into the socket on the rear panel of the drive. (See figure 6.)
- 3 Plug the other end of the power cable into the power outlet.





# **Step 5: Verify installation**

Once you have installed the drive hardware, verify that the tape drive is functioning properly before you store your valuable data.

#### **Check operation**

Ensure that you have downloaded any drivers and upgrades necessary for your backup application (see page 5).

- Switch on the drive and the server. The tape drive will run its hardware self-test, which takes about 5 seconds. At the end of the hardware self-test, both front panel lights should be off. See "Your HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive" on page 21 for more information about front panel lights.
- 2 Verify that the tape drive installation was successful.

For many operating systems, you can use HP Library & Tape Tools as described on page 29. The UNIX Configuration Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM also includes a verification procedure.

**Note** If you encounter a problem during this verification procedure, turn to "Troubleshooting" on page 31 for help in diagnosing and fixing the problem.

3 You are now ready to carry out a backup and restore test to check that the drive can write data to tape. Use the blank cartridge supplied with the tape drive.

#### To load a cartridge

- Lift the cartridge door on the front of the tape drive and insert the cartridge into the slot in front of the drive with the white arrow uppermost and facing the drive door. Apply gentle pressure until the drive takes the cartridge and loads it. (See figure 7a.)
- 2 The Tape light flashes green while the drive performs its load sequence. When the cartridge is loaded, the Tape light shows steady green.

#### To perform a backup and restore test

Refer to your backup application documentation for specific instructions.

- Perform a trial backup of data to tape.
- 2 Perform a trial restore of data from tape.

### To unload a cartridge

Caution Never try to remove a cartridge before it is fully ejected.

- 1 Press the Eject button on the front panel. (See figure 7b.)
- 2 The drive completes any task it is currently performing, winds the tape to the beginning, and ejects the cartridge. The sequence will take about 25 seconds for a write-enabled cartridge and 10 seconds for a write-protected cartridge.

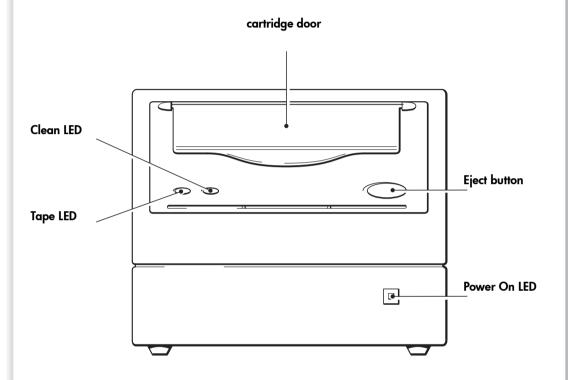


Figure 8: tape drive controls and indicators

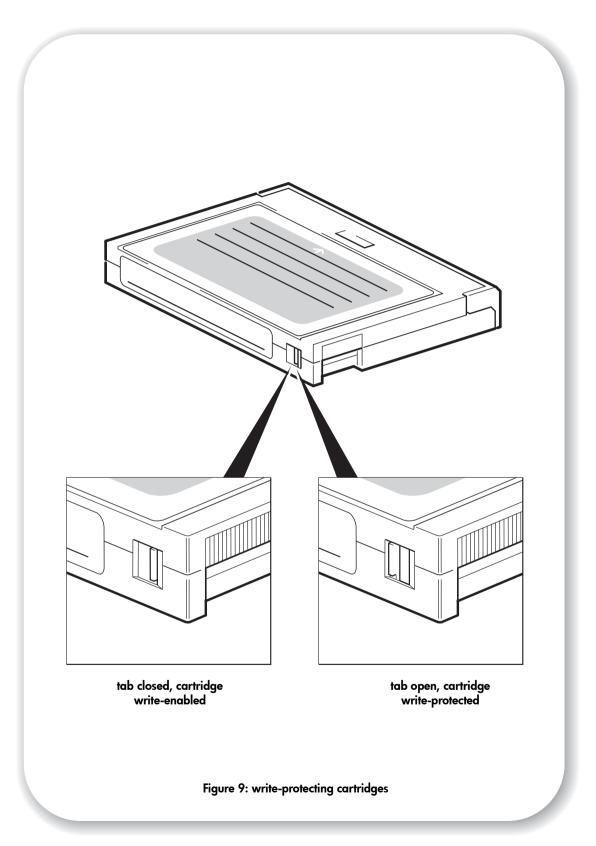
# Your HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive

There are two LEDs, a Power On LED and an eject cartridge button on the front panel of your tape drive and a power on/off button on the rear panel. See page 19 for more information about loading and unloading cartridges and page 35 for information about forcing ejection.

### Front panel LEDs

There are two LEDs, labeled Tape and Clean. (See figure 8.)

|                               | Tape LED                      | Clean LED          | Meaning  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| • 0                           | on                            | off                | The cartridge is loaded and the drive is ready.  |
| <del>\</del> \ <u>-</u> \cdot | flashing<br>slowly            | off                | The cartridge is loading or unloading, or self-test is in progress.  |
| *                             | flashing<br>rapidly           | off                | The cartridge is loaded, activity is occurring.  |
| ○ ●                           | off                           | on                 | This is the Error Condition Signal. HP StorageWorks DAT drives perform a comprehensive self-test during power-up. If a hard error causes the self-test to fail, the clean light changes to steady amber. Run HP Library & Tape Tools to help diagnose the problem. (See page 29.)  |
| or<br>**                      | off or<br>flashing<br>rapidly | flashing<br>slowly | This is the Media Caution Signal.  1 Wait for the current operation to finish, then insert a different tape and repeat the operation that was being performed.  2 If the media caution signal does not show this time, it indicates that the original cartridge was nearing the end of its useful life. Copy any data you want to keep from the original tape onto a new tape if possible, then discard the old tape.  3 If the media caution signal appears again with the second tape, the tape heads need cleaning.  4 If the media caution signal appears after using a cleaning cartridge, the cleaning cartridge has probably expired and should be discarded. |
| <b>☆</b> - <b>☆</b> -         | flashing<br>slowly            | flashing<br>slowly | When the two LEDs flash alternately, the tape drive is in disaster recovery mode, restoring the operating system (see "Running HP OBDR" on page 28).   |



## Use the correct media

For best performance we recommend HP branded media. Order online at: www.hp.com/go/storagemedia. If you do not have internet access, refer to the User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM for ordering information for tape cartridges and cleaning cartridges.

#### Data cartridges

For optimum performance and storage capacity, use tape cartridges that match your drive's format, and normally use only one cartridge per day. Ideally, use HP's DDS-4 cartridges with DAT 40 tape drives and HP's DAT 72 cartridges with DAT 72 tape drives.

Although HP StorageWorks DAT tape drives are fully backward compatible, old tape formats are more abrasive than later generations and using older tape formats can reduce the life expectancy of the tape drive. The compatibility between drive models and cartridges is summarized in the following table. Shaded boxes show the recommended media for each tape drive.

|                            | DDS-1<br>90 meter | DDS-2<br>120 meter | DDS-3<br>125 meter | DDS-4<br>150 meter | DAT 72<br>170 meter |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| HP StorageWorks DAT 40     | read only         | read/write         | read/write         | 40 GB*<br>(C5718A) | not supported       |
| HP StorageWorks DAT 72     | not supported     | not supported      | read/write         | read/write         | 72 GB*<br>C8010A    |
| * Capacity assumes 2:1 cor | npression.        |                    |                    |                    |                     |

table 2: data cartridge compatibility

### Write-protecting cartridges

If you want to protect the data on a cartridge from being altered or overwritten, you can write-protect the cartridge. (See figure 9.)

Always remove the cartridge from the tape drive before you change the write protection.

- To write-protect a cartridge, slide the tab on the rear of the cartridge so that the recognition hole is open.
- To write-enable a cartridge, slide the tab back so that the hole is closed.

Write-protection will not protect your cartridges against magnets (or bulk erasers).

### Cleaning cartridges

HP recommends weekly cleaning of the tape drive using an HP cleaning cartridge (part number C5709A). Do not use swabs or other means of cleaning the heads. The cleaning cartridge uses a special tape to clean the tape heads. A cleaning cartridge can only be used 50 times or as instructed on the cartridge packaging. Always place a check mark in a box each time you use the cartridge to clean the drive. Replace the cleaning cartridge when all the boxes are checked. New cleaning cartridges are available from HP.

Insert a cleaning cartridge into the drive. The tape drive automatically loads the cartridge and cleans the heads. At the end of the cleaning cycle, the drive ejects the cartridge. The cleaning cycle takes approximately 30-60 seconds.

**HP StorageWorks DAT 40 drives:** If the cleaning cartridge ejects in less than 20 seconds, it has probably expired. In this case, discard the cleaning cartridge and repeat the operation with a new one.

**HP StorageWorks DAT 72 drives:** If the cleaning cartridge is not ejected, it has probably expired. In this case, press the Eject button, discard the cleaning cartridge and repeat the operation with a new one.

2 Remove the cleaning cartridge from the drive.

The drive's TapeAlert feature will send a message to your backup application when the tape heads need cleaning or a cleaning cartridge has expired.

### Handling cartridges

- Do not touch the tape media.
- Do not attempt to clean the tape path or tape guides inside the cartridge.
- Do not leave cartridges in excessively dry or humid conditions. Do not leave cartridges in direct sunlight or in places where magnetic fields are present (for example, under telephones, next to monitors or near transformers).
- Do not drop cartridges or handle them roughly.
- Do not stick more than one label onto the cartridge label area; extra labels can cause the cartridges to jam in the drive. Stick labels onto the label area only.
- See the insert included with the tape cartridge for storage conditions.

### Getting the most out of cartridges and drives

- Use mostly the matching media type (DAT 72 media for HP StorageWorks DAT 72, DDS-4 media for HP StorageWorks DAT 40).
- Use media for the recommended number of times (DAT 72 and DDS-4=100 full backups).
   Overuse of the tape will cause it to degrade and possibly shed tape debris in the drive. Too many new tapes can also cause wear of the drive as they are rougher than used ones.
- Do not verify (DDS does read-after-write checking automatically).
- Do not overload the server during backups. Maximize the transfer rate (run overnight with no other processes) and use incremental backups if convenient.
- Do not overuse your tape drive—it is designed for approximately three hours of tape pulling per day, not constant usage—and clean the drive regularly. See page 23.
- If you want to bulk erase cartridges, this should be done in a controlled environment. You
  need to make sure there are no other cartridges with sensitive information on them anywhere
  near the bulk eraser when in use. All data will be lost on cartridges that are bulk erased.

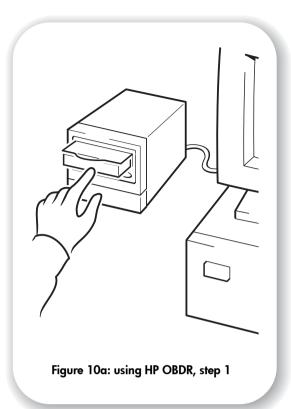
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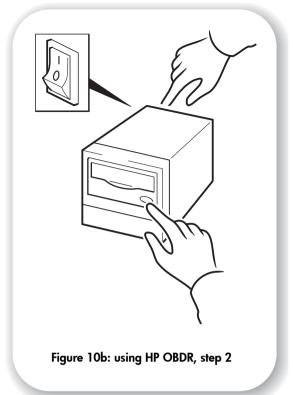
Once you have installed and tested your HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive, please take a few minutes to register your product. You can register via the web (www.register.hp.com).

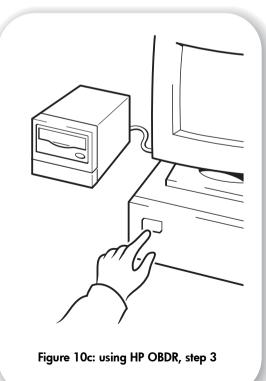
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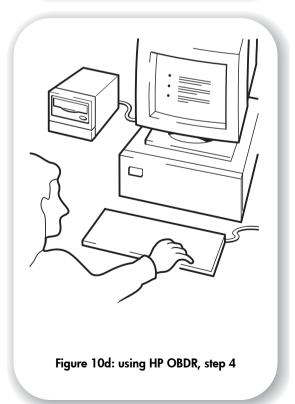
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## **Using HP OBDR**

#### Compatibility

HP One-Button Disaster Recovery is a standard feature on all HP StorageWorks DAT tape drives. However, it can only be used with specific configurations and will only recover the server to which the tape drive is directly connected.

To check whether your system (hardware, operating system and backup software) is OBDR-compatible, please refer to our World Wide Web site www.hp.com/go/connect.

For more specific information concerning the benefits of OBDR and the latest new features please refer to our World Wide Web site www.hp.com/go/obdr.

**Note** HP OBDR is not applicable to HP-UX and other non-Intel UNIX operating systems, and it is not compatible with Intel-based Solaris systems. HP OBDR is supported on a server with a RAID controller if the tape drive is connected directly to a host bus adapter (HBA).

If your system does not support HP One-Button Disaster Recovery, you can still use your tape drive normally to back up and restore data. However, you must remember to create a separate set of emergency recovery disks for your operating system whenever you change your system configuration.

#### What does HP OBDR do?

Using just the tape drive and the most recent backup cartridge HP OBDR allows you to recover from the following types of system disaster:

- Hard disk failures, as long as the replacement hard disk is the same size or larger than the
  original and uses the same interface (for example, replace a SCSI hard disk with another
  SCSI disk)
- Hardware failures where the server is replaced by an identical component
- · File corruption because of an operating system error
- File corruption because of an application software error
- Viruses that prevent you from booting your system correctly
- User errors that stop you from booting your system correctly

When you run HP One-Button Disaster Recovery, your tape drive goes through the following sequence:

- 1 It goes into a special disaster recovery mode that enables it to restore your operating system and reboot. It acts like a bootable CD-ROM. (Your system's ability to boot from CD-ROM is normally enabled by default. If you have changed this setting, you will need to enable it again. Refer to your system BIOS manual for further details.)
- 2 It returns to normal tape drive mode and restores the data.

### Remote disaster recovery (ProLiant servers only)

The HP Remote Insight Lights-Out Edition (RILOE) on ProLiant servers gives the IT Administrator the ability to completely recover a failed server at a remote location without physically traveling to where the server resides. The on-site non-technical person need only insert the bootable cartridge into the tape drive when asked to do so by the administrator.

Refer to the HP OBDR web site at www.hp.com/go/obdr for more information about using this feature and compatibility.

### Testing for compatibility

We recommend that you perform a full disaster recovery immediately after installation—if possible, onto a blank hard disk. If you do not have a blank hard disk and do not want to overwrite your system, you can safely cancel the disaster recovery process at step 3 in the following procedure.

Refer to our connectivity web site (www.hp.com/go/connect) for more information about suitable backup applications.

#### **Running HP OBDR**

HP OBDR can only be used with backup applications that support one-button disaster recovery and methods of operating OBDR will vary between different software companies. Check our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com/go/obdr) for the latest information about software compatibility, firmware upgrades and troubleshooting before you use HP OBDR.

- Insert the latest bootable cartridge in the tape drive (see figure 14a10a). The cartridge must be written by a backup application that writes data to tape in CD-ROM format.
- 2 Hold down the eject button. Keeping the eject button pressed down, power on your tape drive (see figure 10b). This activates the HP One-Button Disaster Recovery process. Release the button as soon as the Tape light and Clean light flash alternately.
- 3 Switch on your server (see figure 10c).

#### **Keyboard shortcut for HP ProLiant servers**

There is no need to press the Eject button. Just power on your server and press the [F8] function key during the Power On Self Test (POST). This invokes OBDR to restore your system. For more information and specific instructions please refer to our World Wide Web site at www.hp.com/go/obdr.

- 4 Follow the on-screen instructions to set up the operating system. (See figure 10d.) Normally, you can accept the default response to all the prompts, for example just press <Enter>. The LEDs will flash in OBDR mode (as described in step 2) while the tape drive restores your operating system to a state where it can run a normal data restore.
- Once the operating system has been set up and rebooted, the Tape LED display on the tape drive changes to constant green and you can remove the backup cartridge, if you wish. You are now ready to run a normal data restore. Follow the normal process for your restore application.

#### If restore fails

If the restore fails for any reason, refer to our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com/go/obdr) and do a search on OBDR for detailed troubleshooting information.

## **Diagnostic tools**

#### **HP Library & Tape Tools**

HP Library & Tape Tools does not work on all operating systems. Compatibility information, updates, and the latest version of this software can be found at www.hp.com/support.

HP Library & Tape Tools software provides free diagnostic and troubleshooting utilities. It allows you to:

- Quickly identify, diagnose and troubleshoot drive and media problems.
- Verify that the drive is installed correctly and check drive health.
- Upgrade to the latest drive firmware (you will need internet connection to do this)

You can also install HP Library & Tape Tools from the link on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM.

Note

You may notice the internal identifier for the tape drive when you use HP Library & Tape Tools. This is also the name that appears on the bootup screen for Windows users and is used to identify the tape drive when configuring UNIX device files.

| Drive model            | Internal Identifier |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| HP StorageWorks DAT 40 | HP C5683A           |
| HP StorageWorks DAT 72 | HP C7438A           |

#### Performance Assessment Tool

Use our free Performance Assessment Toolkit, PAT, to check tape performance and test the speed at which your disk sub-system can supply data.

PAT does not work on all operating systems. Compatibility information, updates and the latest version of this software can be found at www.hp.com/support/pat.

# **Optimizing performance**

Various factors can affect tape drive performance, particularly in a network environment or if the drive is not on a dedicated SCSI bus.

If your tape drive is not performing as well as expected, consider the following points before contacting HP Support at www.hp.com/support.

- Is the tape drive connected to a suitably-rated built-in SCSI bus or HBA, see "Why is the SCSI bus type important?" on page 3. Suitably-rated means an Ultra Wide or higher SCSI specification.
- Is the tape drive on a dedicated SCSI bus? For optimum performance, we recommend that
  the tape drive is the only device on the SCSI bus. If it is not, ensure other devices are the
  same SCSI specification as your tape drive model. If they are single-ended, the bus will
  switch to single-ended mode with a lower transfer speed. There will also be restrictions on
  cable length. Do not put tape drives and hard disks on the same SCSI bus.
- Is the SCSI bus terminated correctly. The last device on the SCSI bus must be terminated. Use
  a multimode terminator.
- Is the cabling correct? Use properly-rated cables and adhere to maximum cabling length.
   See the SCSI topic in the online User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM for more information about cable length.
- Have you installed the correct device drivers for your operating system and backup application? See "Backup software and drivers" on page 5.
- Are you backing up across a network? The network load may be affecting the speed of transfer or your backup application may only be appropriate for a single-server environment.
- Is the backup application writing buffers at the correct speed? You may need to tune the
  transfer, buffer and block size settings to optimize the speed that the application writes data
  to the tape drive. HP StorageWorks DAT tape drives have an internal buffer of 8 MB.

# **Troubleshooting**

The first step in problem-solving is establishing whether the problem lies with the cartridge, the drive, the host server and its connections, or with the way the system is being operated.

Most modern SCSI host bus adapters locate and display attached devices when the system is booting up. On Windows systems, if you swap or connect a product when your system is running, you will need to reboot the system. IA32 systems also usually need to be rebooted. UNIX systems may have pluggable drivers, which allow drives to be attached to a running system and detected without rebooting.

If the device is not detected on boot up, there is probably a problem with the physical hardware: cables, termination, connections, power or the host bus adapter itself. If the device is displayed during boot up but cannot be found in the operating system, this is more likely to be a software problem.

- If you encounter a problem during installation and need further clarification, refer to "Problems encountered during installation" below.
- If a problem arises during testing after you have installed the drive, refer to the symptombased section "Testing after installation" on page 33.
- For information about cartridges, refer to "Problems with cartridges" on page 35.

Many users can use HP Library & Tape Tools to help them diagnose problems.

### Problems encountered during installation

#### Unpacking

| Description                                 | Further information                              |
|---|--|
| Some parts appear to be missing or damaged. | Contact your vendor if any parts need replacing. |

#### The SCSI cable shipped with the drive is not correct

| Description                                | Further information                                     |
|--|---|
|  | The cable provided will connect to the majority of      |
| not plug into the SCSI host adapter of the | systems. if a different cable is required, refer to the |
| server.                                    | www.hp.com/go/connect web site.                         |

#### It is unclear which SCSI ID to use

| Description | Further information   |
|-------------|---|
| available.  | Use HP Library & Tape Tools (see page 29) to provide information on your current SCSI settings. The HP StorageWorks DAT drive has its SCSI ID set to 3 by default. This should be left unchanged unless this number is already in use. Full instructions on how to change the SCSI ID are given on page 11. |

## How should the SCSI bus be configured?

|   | Further information                                   |
|---|---|
|   | Refer to the SCSI Configuration section in the online |
| multiple drives can be a complex area and |   |
| more help may be required.                | HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM.                          |

### How should the SCSI bus be terminated?

| Description  | Further information   |
|--|---|
| It is unclear if the bus is already terminated or where an additional terminator should be placed. | Refer to the SCSI Configuration section in the online HP StorageWorks User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM. Assuming that the host bus adapter is already correctly terminated, there are typically three possibilities:  The tape drive is the only external device on the SCSI bus. It should be terminated with the terminator provided.  The tape drive is being added to the end of a chain of one or more existing external devices. Remove the terminator from the last device on the existing chain, connect the tape drive to the chain, and terminate the tape drive with the terminator provided. |
|  | The tape drive is being added to the middle of a chain of existing external devices. Insert the tape drive into the chain and do not use the terminator provided.  The terminator plugs directly onto either SCSI connection on the rear of the tape drive.   |

## Is the correct SCSI host bus adapter installed?

| Description  | Further information   |
|--|---|
| The server already has a SCSI host bus adapter but it is difficult to determine what type it is. | If your server is in its original configuration (no SCSI adapters have been added or removed) then use www.hp.com/go/connect to check the compatibility of your system.                     |
| The server may not have a SCSI host bus adapter installed.                                       | Use HP Library & Tape Tools (see page 29) to check whether you have a SCSI host adapter on your system. If not, you will need to purchase one. Refer to the www.hp.com/go/connect web site. |

#### Do drivers need to be installed and, if so, which ones

| Description  | Further information   |
|--|---|
| It is unclear whether there is a need to install drivers onto the system, and more help is required. | Detailed information specific to your system can be found on the www.hp.com/go/connect web site. Windows drivers can be obtained from the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM or from www.hp.com/support. For support on UNIX systems, see the UNIX Configuration Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM. |
| The required drivers do not appear to be available.  | Future drivers will be provided via the support web site when they become available.  |

### Testing after installation

Remember that the system recognizes devices during boot-up. If you swap or connect a product when your system is running, you will need to reboot the system. Rebooting the system will reset devices and will often resolve problems. It is good practice to reboot every time you add a driver or install firmware.

#### **Caution** Never power off the drive during a firmware upgrade.

#### The server does not reboot after installation

| Possible reason  | Recommended action   |
|--|--|
| You have connected the tape drive to an existing SCSI bus that has other devices connected to it and the SCSI address of your HP StorageWorks DAT drive is probably identical to the address used by another device. | Make sure that each device on the SCSI bus has a unique ID. We recommend that the HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive is connected to a dedicated host bus adapter. Do not connect the drive to a disk RAID controller. |
| You have installed an additional SCSI host bus adapter and its resources are clashing with an existing adapter.  | Remove the new host bus adapter and check the server documentation.  |
| You have disconnected the power or SCSI cable from the server's boot disk during the drive installation process.   | Check that the cables to all devices are firmly connected.   |

## The server boots but does not recognize the tape drive

| Possible reason                                    | Recommended action   |
|--|--|
| The power or SCSI cable is not connected properly. | Check that the cables to the tape drive are firmly connected. Ensure that the SCSI cable does not have any bent pins. Replace, if necessary.   |
| The SCSI bus is not terminated correctly.          | Check that the SCSI bus is actively terminated. (Refer also to the documentation for your SCSI controller and any other SCSI devices you may have.)  |
| The tape drive's SCSI ID address is not unique.    | Make sure that each device connected to the SCSI controller has a unique SCSI ID. Remember that 7 is normally reserved for the host bus adapter. (Users of most operating systems can run HP Library & Tape Tools to check the SCSI IDs of each device attached to the SCSI bus, see page 29.) |

## The application does not recognize the tape drive

| Possible reason                                  | Recommended action   |
|--|--|
| The application does not support the tape drive. | Use HP Library & Tape Tools to check that the drive is installed properly. Refer to our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com/go/connect) for details of backup applications that support the HP StorageWorks DAT tape drive. Load any service packs as necessary. |
| Some applications require drivers to be loaded.  | Check that the correct SCSI and tape drive drivers are installed. Consult the backup application's installation notes for details.   |

#### The drive does not work

| Possible reason  | Recommended action  |
|--|---|
| and Power On LED are off), the power cable may not be connected to the drive properly.                                 | If the Power On LED is not on, check the power cable connection and replace the cable if necessary. You can use the power cable from your monitor or another device to check that the connection is working.  If the power supply is present and all LEDs remain off, call for service. |
| If the self-test fails (both LEDs are off, but<br>Power On LED is on), there may be a<br>hardware or firmware failure. | If there is a cartridge in the drive, remove it. Power down the drive and power it up again. If the self-test still fails, call for service.  |
| There is a hard error on the drive.  | The Media Caution (Clean) LED shows steady amber.<br>Try powering the system off and then on again. If the<br>error condition signal still shows, call for service.   |

# Problems with cartridges

If you experience any problems using HP branded cartridges, check:

- The cartridge case is intact and that it contains no splits, cracks or damage.
- The cartridge has been stored at the correct temperature and humidity. This prevents condensation. See the insert included with the tape cartridge for storage conditions.
- The write-protect switch is fully operational. It should move from side to side with a positive click.
- The World Wide Web site for more detailed troubleshooting information: www.hp.com/support.

### The cartridge is jammed

If the cartridge is jammed or the backup application is unable to eject it, you can force eject the cartridge. Once the cartridge is successfully ejected, it is good practise to upgrade the firmware. If the failure occurs regularly, contact customer service at www.hp.com/support.

- 1 Either press and hold the Eject button on the front of the tape drive for at least 15 seconds. Or press the Eject button three times within 5 minutes.
- Wait for the cartridge to be ejected. The drive waits until 35 seconds have passed from the time of the first press, to give the normal eject procedure a chance to proceed. After this period, it immediately releases the tape and ejects the cartridge, regardless of what operation it was performing. It is important that you allow sufficient time for the drive to complete this process. If you interrupt it, you may damage the media or the tape drive.
  - The drive is then reset as though you had turned the power off and then on again.
- You may lose data if you force eject a cartridge. The tape may also become unreadable because an EOD (End of Data) mark may not be properly written.
  - If the cartridge is still jammed, the tape drive has failed. Contact customer service at www.hp.com/support.

### The drive will not accept the cartridge (or ejects it immediately)

The cartridge may have been damaged, for example dropped, or the drive may have a fault. If it is a cleaning cartridge, it has probably expired and should be discarded immediately. For data cartridges:

- 1 Check that the drive has power (the power cable is properly connected and the Tape LED is on).
- 2 Check that you are using the correct media for the tape drive, see page 23.
- 3 Make sure that you have loaded the cartridge with the correct orientation (see "To load a cartridge" on page 19).

- 4 Check for damage to your media and discard it if it is damaged.
- 5 Use a new or known, good piece of media and see if it loads. If it does, the original cartridge is faulty and should be discarded.
- 6 Check if another DAT drive of the same model will accept the cartridge. If it does, the original drive may be faulty. Before calling customer service, please check that the tape drive is responding and that it can be seen on the SCSI bus. Use HP Library & Tape Tools, see page 29.

## Other sources of information

You will also find troubleshooting information and contact details on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM and the HP web site. In particular:

- The online *User's Guide* on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM contains an extensive troubleshooting topic.
- The HP support web site contains a link to www.hp.com/support/dat that takes you
  to HP's Customer Care web site for a wide range of up-to-date information about your
  product.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/go/connect provides details of recommended products and configurations.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/go/obdr provides detailed information about HP One-Button Disaster Recovery.

#### How to contact HP

You can also use the HP Customer Call Centers for specialist technical help. Contact details can be found at www.hp.com. Click on the link to "contact HP".

To make the best use of this service, we ask that you work with our Support Specialists to resolve any issues with your drive. This may include downloading diagnostic software, that will assist in the rapid resolution of your problems.











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