User Guide

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1 Starting right

This computer is a powerful tool designed to enhance your work and entertainment. Read this chapter to learn about best practices after you set up your computer, fun things to do with your computer, and where to find additional HP resources.

Visit the HP Apps Store

The HP Apps Store offers a wide choice of popular games, entertainment and music apps, productivity apps, and apps exclusive to HP that you can download to the desktop. The selection is updated regularly and includes regional content and country-specific offers. Be sure to check the HP Apps Store frequently for new and updated features.

IMPORTANT: You must be connected to the Internet to access the HP Apps Store.

To view and download an app:

1. Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Store** app.

   – or –

   Select the **Store** icon next to the taskbar search box.

2. Select the app you want to download, and then follow the on-screen instructions. When the download is complete, the app appears on the All apps screen.

Best practices

After you set up and register the computer, we recommend the following steps to get the most out of your smart investment:

- Back up your hard drive by creating recovery media. See Backing up, restoring, and recovering on page 55.
- If you haven't already done so, connect to a wired or wireless network. See details in Connecting to a network on page 23.
- Become familiar with the computer hardware and software. For more information, see Getting to know your computer on page 4 and Enjoying entertainment features on page 27.
- Update or purchase antivirus software. See Using antivirus software on page 49.

More HP resources

To locate resources that provide product details, how-to information, and more, use this table.

Resource	Contents
Setup Instructions	• Overview of computer setup and features
HP support For HP support, go to http://www.hp.com/support.	• Online chat with an HP technician • Support telephone numbers • HP service center locations
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Resource	Contents
▲ Click the question mark icon in the taskbar. Select **My PC**, select the **Specifications** tab, and then select **User Guides**.	
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2 Getting to know your computer

Locating hardware

To find out what hardware is installed on your computer:

- Type `device manager` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **Device Manager** app.

  A list displays all the devices installed on your computer.

For information about system hardware components and the system BIOS version number, press fn+esc (select products only).

Locating software

To find out what software is installed on your computer:

- Select the **Start** button, and then select **All apps**.

  – or –

  Right-click the **Start** button, and then select **Programs and Features**.

Right side

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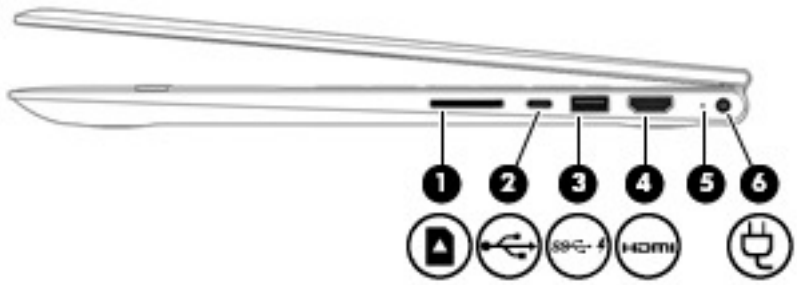
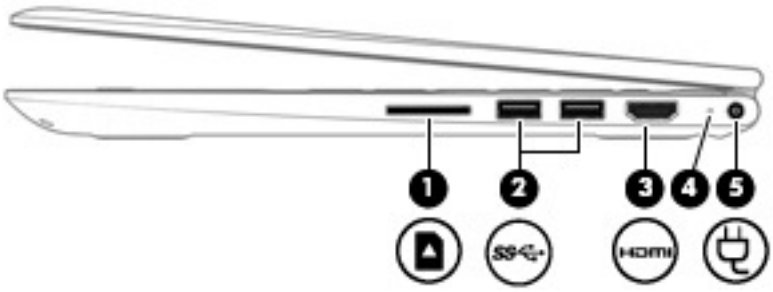


Component			Description
(1)		Memory card reader	Reads optional memory cards that enable you to store, manage, share, or access information. To insert a card: 1. Hold the card label-side up, with connectors facing the computer. 2. Insert the card into the memory card reader, and then press in on the card until it is firmly seated. To remove a card: ▲ Press in on the card, and then remove it from the memory card reader.
(2)		USB Type-C port	Connects an optional USB device with a Type-C connector.
(3)		USB 3.0 charging (powered) port	Connects an optional USB device, such as a keyboard, mouse, external drive, printer, scanner, or USB hub. Standard USB ports will not charge all USB devices or will charge using a low current. Some USB devices require power and require you to use a powered port. **NOTE:** USB charging ports can also charge select models of cell phones and MP3 players, even when the computer is off.
(4)		HDMI port	Connects an optional video or audio device, such as a high-definition television, any compatible digital or audio component, or a high-speed High-Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) device.
(5)		AC adapter and battery light	• White: The AC adapter is connected and the battery is fully charged. • Blinking white: The AC adapter is disconnected and the battery has reached a low battery level. • Amber: The AC adapter is connected and the battery is charging. • Off: The battery is not charging.
(6)		Power connector	Connects an AC adapter.



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Left side

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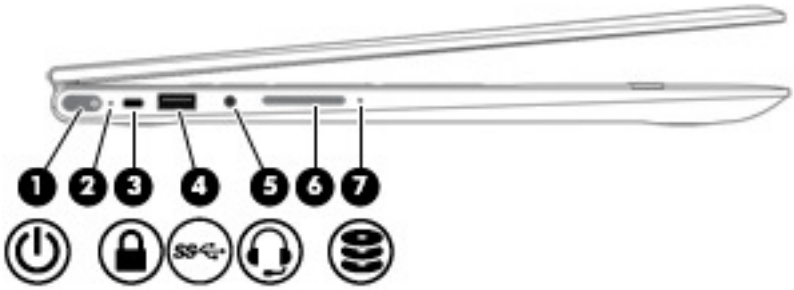
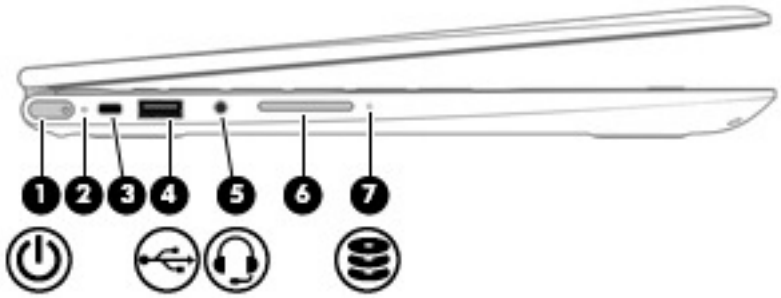


Component			Description
(1)		Power button	• When the computer is off, press the button to turn on the computer. • When the computer is on, press the button briefly to initiate Sleep. • When the computer is in the Sleep state, press the button briefly to exit Sleep. • When the computer is in Hibernation, press the button briefly to exit Hibernation. **CAUTION:** Pressing and holding down the power button results in the loss of unsaved information. If the computer has stopped responding and shutdown procedures are ineffective, press and hold the power button down for at least 5 seconds to turn off the computer. To learn more about your power settings, see your power options. ▲ Type `power` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Power and sleep settings**. – or – Right-click the **Start** button, and then select **Power Options**.
(2)		Power light	• On: The computer is on. • Blinking: The computer is in the Sleep state, a power-saving state. The computer shuts off power to the display and other unneeded components. • Off: The computer is off or in Hibernation. Hibernation is a power-saving state that uses the least amount of power.
(3)		Security cable slot	Attaches an optional security cable to the computer. **NOTE:** The security cable is designed to act as a deterrent, but it may not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen.
(4)		USB 3.0 port	Connects an optional USB device, such as a keyboard, mouse, external drive, printer, scanner or USB hub.

Component		Description
(5)	Audio-out (headphone)/Audio-in (microphone) combo jack	Connects optional powered stereo speakers, headphones, earbuds, a headset, or a television audio cable. Also connects an optional headset microphone. This jack does not support optional standalone microphones. **WARNING!** To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, refer to the *Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices*. To access this guide: ▲ Select the **Start** button, select **All apps**, select **HP Help and Support**, and then select **HP Documentation**. **NOTE:** When a device is connected to the jack, the computer speakers are disabled.
(6)	Volume button	Control speaker volume on the computer. 1. To increase speaker volume, press the back edge of the button. 2. To decrease speaker volume, press the front edge of the button.
(7)	Drive light	• Blinking white: The hard drive is being accessed. • Amber: HP 3D DriveGuard has temporarily parked the hard drive. **NOTE:** For information about HP 3D DriveGuard, see Using HP 3D DriveGuard (select products only) on page 43. **NOTE:** On select products, the drive light will always remain off.



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(3)		Security cable slot	Attaches an optional security cable to the computer. **NOTE:** The security cable is designed to act as a deterrent, but it may not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen.
(4)		USB 2.0 port	Connects an optional USB device, such as a keyboard, mouse, external drive, printer, scanner, or USB hub.
(5)		Audio-out (headphone)/Audio-in (microphone) combo jack	Connects optional powered stereo speakers, headphones, earbuds, a headset, or a television audio cable. Also connects an optional headset microphone. This jack does not support optional standalone microphones. **WARNING!** To reduce the risk of personal injury, adjust the volume before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, refer to the *Regulatory, Safety, and Environmental Notices*. To access this guide: ▲ Select the **Start** button, select **All apps**, select **HP Help and Support**, and then select **HP Documentation**. **NOTE:** When a device is connected to the jack, the computer speakers are disabled.
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Display

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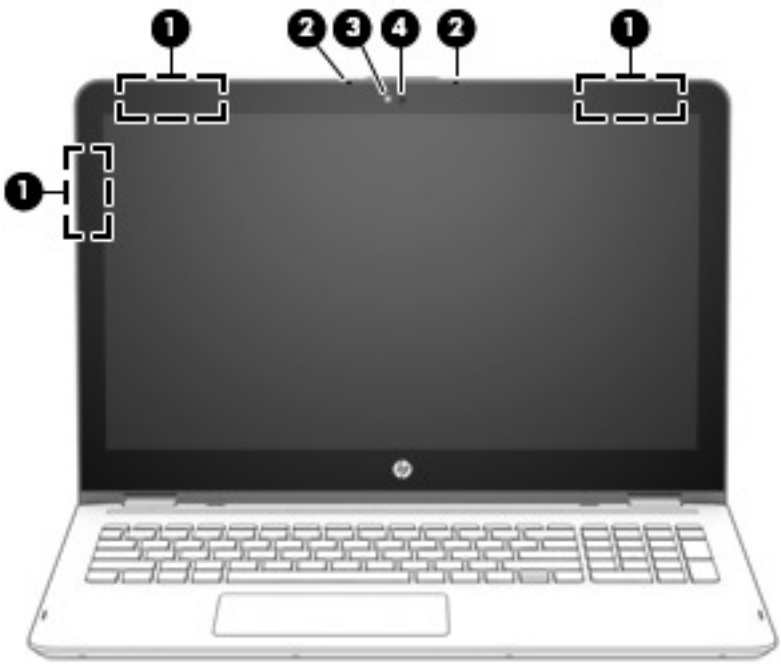

Component		Description
(1)	WLAN antennas*	Send and receive wireless signals to communicate with wireless local area networks (WLANs).
(2)	Internal microphones	Record sound.
(3)	Webcam light	On: The webcam is in use.
(4)	Webcam	Records video and captures photographs. Some products allow you to video conference and chat online using streaming video. To use a webcam (integrated camera): ▲ Type `camera` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Camera**.

*The antennas are not visible from the outside of the computer, and the antenna location may vary.For optimal transmission, keep the areas immediately around the antennas free from obstructions.

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(2)	Infrared camera lights (2) (select products only)	On: The infrared camera is in use.
(3)	Internal microphones	Record sound.
(4)	Webcam light	On: The webcam is in use.
(5)	Webcam	Records video and captures photographs. Some products allow you to video conference and chat online using streaming video. To use a webcam (integrated camera): ▲ Type `camera` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Camera**.
(6)	Infrared camera (select products only)	Allows a facial recognition logon to Windows, instead of a password. For more information, see Using Windows Hello (select products only) on page 48.

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Changing your notebook position (select products only)

Your computer can function as a classic notebook, and in addition, the display can be rotated so that the computer transforms into an entertainment stand, an interactive stand, or a tablet.

NOTE: The TouchPad and keyboard functions are locked during the entertainment and tablet modes.

Changing your notebook to an entertainment stand (select products only)

To change your notebook to an entertainment stand, raise the display, and then rotate the display backward to a stand position (about 315 degrees).

Changing your notebook to an interactive stand (select products only)

To change your notebook to an interactive stand, raise the display, and then rotate the display backward to a stand position (about 315 degrees). Position the notebook on its edges.

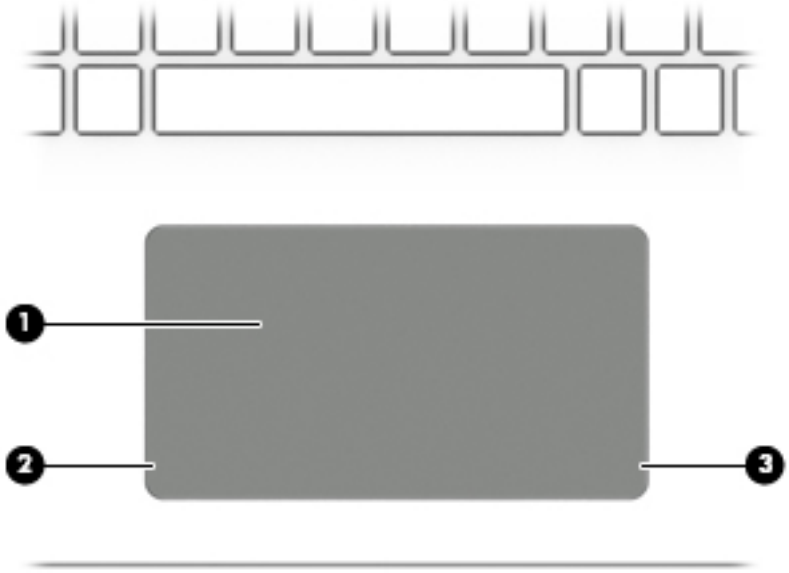
Changing your notebook to a tablet (select products only)

To change your notebook to a tablet, raise the display, and then rotate the display backward until it is flush with the computer bottom (360 degrees).

NOTE: When the computer is in tablet mode, you can use the on-screen keyboard. See Using the on-screen keyboard on page 35.

Top

TouchPad



Component		Description
(1)	TouchPad zone	Reads your finger gestures to move the pointer or activate items on the screen. **NOTE:** For more information, see Using TouchPad and touch screen gestures on page 32.
(2)	Left TouchPad button	Functions like the left button on an external mouse.
(3)	Right TouchPad button	Functions like the right button on an external mouse.

Lights

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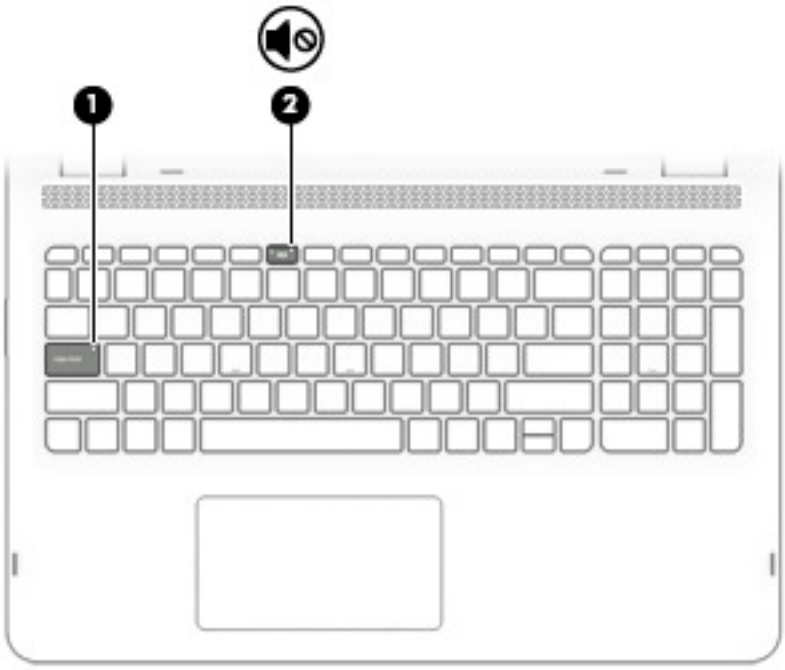

Component		Description
(1)	Caps lock light	On: Caps lock is on, which switches the key input to all capital letters.
(2)	Mute light	• Amber: Computer sound is off. • Off: Computer sound is on.

Speakers

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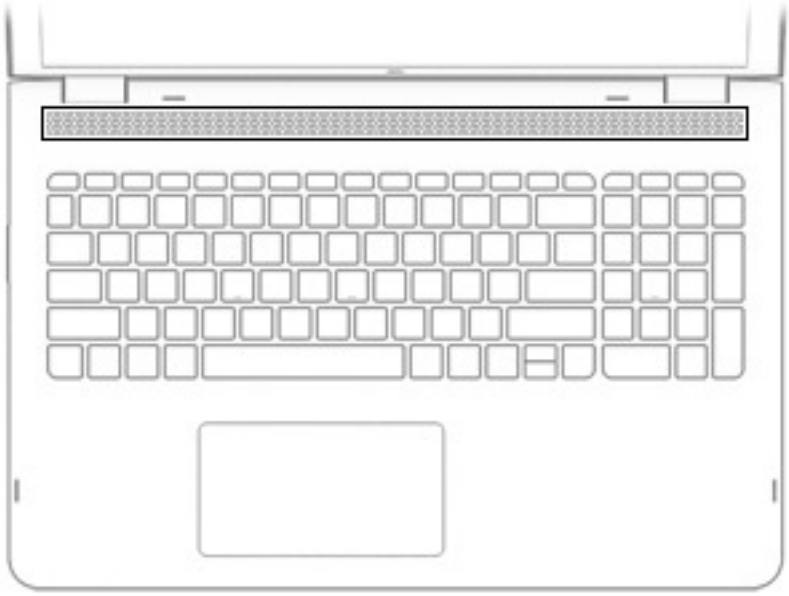

Component	Description
Speakers	Produce sound.

Keys

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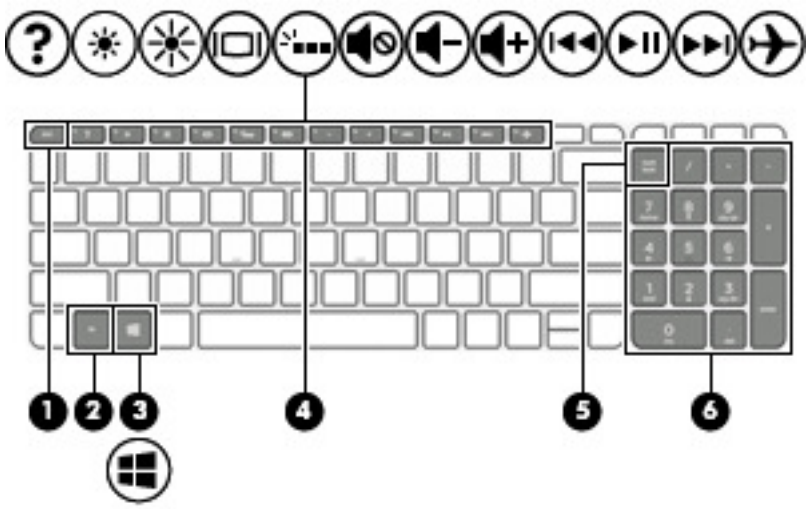

Component		Description
(1)	esc key	Displays system information when pressed in combination with the fn key.
(2)	fn key	Displays system information when pressed in combination with the esc key.
(3)	Windows key	Opens the **Start** menu. **NOTE:** Pressing the Windows key again will close the **Start** menu.
(4)	Action keys	Execute frequently used system functions. **NOTE:** On select products, the f5 action key turns the keyboard backlight feature off or on.
(5)	num lock key (select products only)	Alternates between the navigational and numeric functions on the integrated numeric keypad.
(6)	Integrated numeric keypad (select products only)	When num lock is on, the keypad can be used like an external numeric keypad.

Using the action keys

- An action key performs an assigned function.
- The icon on each action key illustrates the function for that key.
- To use an action key, press and hold the key.

Icon	Description
	Decreases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
	Increases the screen brightness incrementally as long as you hold down the key.
	Switches the screen image between display devices connected to the system. For example, if a monitor is connected to the computer, repeatedly pressing this key alternates the screen image from the computer display to the monitor display to a simultaneous display on both the computer and the monitor.
	On select products, turns the keyboard backlight off or on. **NOTE:** To conserve battery power, turn off this feature.
	Plays the previous track of an audio CD or the previous section of a DVD or a Blu-ray Disc (BD).
	Starts, pauses, or resumes playback of an audio CD, a DVD, or a BD.
	Plays the next track of an audio CD or the next section of a DVD or a BD.
	Decreases speaker volume incrementally while you hold down the key.
	Increases speaker volume incrementally while you hold down the key.
	Mutes or restores speaker sound.
	Turns the airplane mode and wireless feature on or off. **NOTE:** The airplane mode key is also referred to as the wireless button. **NOTE:** A wireless network must be set up before a wireless connection is possible.

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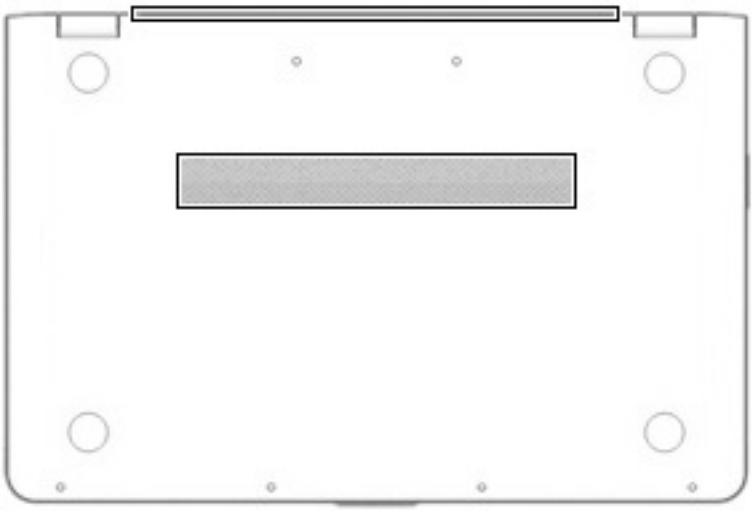
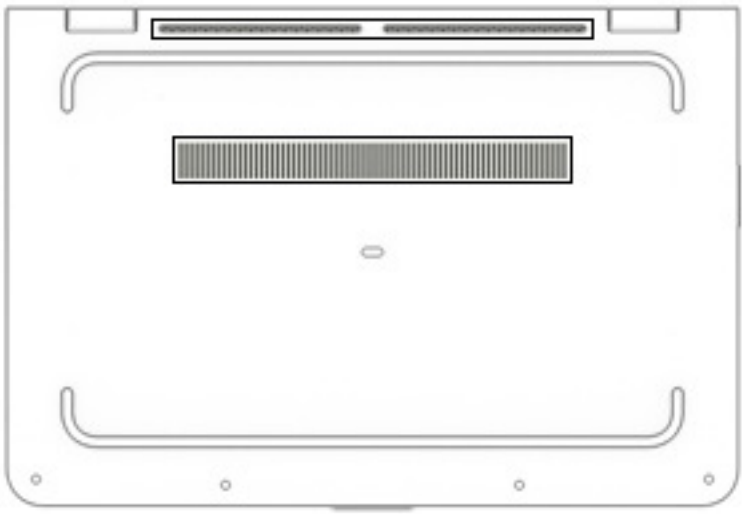
NOTE: Refer to the illustration that most closely matches your computer.



Component	Description
Vents (2)	Enable airflow to cool internal components. **NOTE:** The computer fan starts up automatically to cool internal components and prevent overheating. It is normal for the internal fan to cycle on and off during routine operation.



Component	Description
Vents (3)	Enable airflow to cool internal components. **NOTE:** The computer fan starts up automatically to cool internal components and prevent overheating. It is normal for the internal fan to cycle on and off during routine operation.

Labels

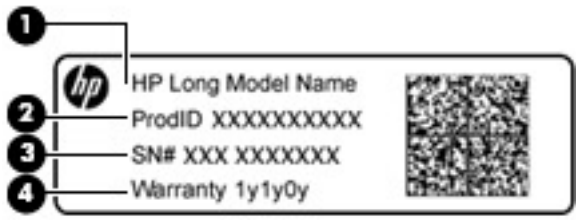
The labels affixed to the computer provide information you may need when you troubleshoot system problems or travel internationally with the computer.

IMPORTANT: Check the following locations for the labels described in this section: the bottom of the computer, inside the battery bay, under the service door, or on the back of the display.

- Service label—Provides important information to identify your computer. When contacting support, you will probably be asked for the serial number, and possibly for the product number or the model number. Locate these numbers before you contact support.

  Your service label will resemble one of the examples shown below. Refer to the illustration that most closely matches the service label on your computer.

Component	
(1)	Serial number
(2)	Product number
(3)	Warranty period
(4)	Model number (select products only)



Component	
(1)	Model name (select products only)
(2)	Product number
(3)	Serial number
(4)	Warranty period

- Regulatory label(s)—Provide(s) regulatory information about the computer.
- Wireless certification label(s)—Provide(s) information about optional wireless devices and the approval markings for the countries or regions in which the devices have been approved for use.

3 Connecting to a network

Your computer can travel with you wherever you go. But even at home, you can explore the globe and access information from millions of websites using your computer and a wired or wireless network connection. This chapter will help you get connected to that world.

Connecting to a wireless network

Your computer may be equipped with one or more of the following wireless devices:

- WLAN device—Connects the computer to wireless local area networks (commonly referred to as Wi-Fi networks, wireless LANs, or WLANs) in corporate offices, your home, and public places such as airports, restaurants, coffee shops, hotels, and universities. In a WLAN, the mobile wireless device in your computer communicates with a wireless router or a wireless access point.
- HP Mobile Broadband Module—Gives you wireless connectivity over a wireless wide area network (WWAN), a much larger area. Mobile network operators install base stations (similar to cell phone towers) throughout large geographic areas, effectively providing coverage across entire states, regions, or even countries.
- Bluetooth® device—Creates a personal area network (PAN) to connect to other Bluetooth-enabled devices such as computers, phones, printers, headsets, speakers, and cameras. In a PAN, each device communicates directly with other devices, and devices must be relatively close together—typically within 10 meters (approximately 33 feet) of each other.

For more information about wireless technology, the Internet, and networking, see the Get started app.

▲ Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

Using the wireless controls

You can control the wireless devices in your computer using one or more of these features:

- Airplane mode key (also called wireless button or wireless key) (referred to in this chapter as airplane mode key)
- Operating system controls

Airplane mode key

The computer may have an airplane mode key, one or more wireless devices, and one or two wireless lights. All the wireless devices on your computer are enabled at the factory.

The wireless light indicates the overall power state of your wireless devices, not the status of individual devices.

Operating system controls

The Network and Sharing Center allows you to set up a connection or network, connect to a network, and diagnose and repair network problems.

To use operating system controls:

1. Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Control Panel**.
2. Select **Network and Internet**, and then select **Network and Sharing Center**.

For more information, see the information provided in the Get started app.

▲ Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

Connecting to a WLAN

NOTE: When you are setting up Internet access in your home, you must establish an account with an Internet service provider (ISP). To purchase Internet service and a modem, contact a local ISP. The ISP will help set up the modem, install a network cable to connect your wireless router to the modem, and test the Internet service.

To connect to a WLAN, follow these steps:

1. Be sure that the WLAN device is on.
2. Select the network status icon in the taskbar, and then connect to one of the available networks.

   If the WLAN is a security-enabled WLAN, you are prompted to enter a security code. Enter the code, and then select **Next** to complete the connection.

   NOTE: If no WLANs are listed, you may be out of range of a wireless router or access point.

   NOTE: If you do not see the WLAN you want to connect to, right-click the network status icon in the taskbar, and then select **Open Network and Sharing Center**. Select **Set up a new connection or network**. A list of options is displayed, allowing you to manually search for and connect to a network or to create a new network connection.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the connection.

After the connection is made, select the network status icon at the far right of the taskbar, to verify the name and status of the connection.

NOTE: The functional range (how far your wireless signals travel) depends on WLAN implementation, router manufacturer, and interference from other electronic devices or structural barriers such as walls and floors.

Using HP Mobile Broadband (select products only)

Your HP Mobile Broadband computer has built-in support for mobile broadband service. Your new computer, when used with a mobile operator's network, gives you the freedom to connect to the Internet, send e-mail, or connect to your corporate network without the need for Wi-Fi hotspots.

You might need the HP Mobile Broadband Module IMEI and/or MEID number to activate mobile broadband service. The number may be printed on a label located on the bottom of your computer, inside the battery bay, under the service door, or on the back of the display.

– or –

You can find the number following these steps:

1. From the taskbar, select the network status icon.
2. Select **View Connection Settings**.
3. Under the **Mobile broadband** section, select the network status icon.

Some mobile network operators require the use of a subscriber identity module (SIM) card. A SIM card contains basic information about you, such as a personal identification number (PIN), as well as network information. Some computers include a SIM card that is preinstalled. If the SIM card is not preinstalled, it may be included with the HP Mobile Broadband documents provided with your computer, or the mobile network operator may provide it separately from the computer.

For information about HP Mobile Broadband and how to activate service with a preferred mobile network operator, see the HP Mobile Broadband information included with your computer.

Using GPS (select products only)

Your computer may be equipped with a Global Positioning System (GPS) device. GPS satellites deliver location, speed, and direction information to GPS-equipped systems.

To enable GPS, make sure location is enabled under the Windows privacy setting.

1. Type `location` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Location privacy settings**.
2. Follow the on-screen instructions for using location settings.

For more information, see the Get started app.

▲ Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

Using Bluetooth wireless devices (select products only)

A Bluetooth device provides short-range wireless communications that replace the physical cable connections that traditionally link electronic devices such as the following:

- Computers (desktop, notebook)
- Phones (cellular, cordless, smartphone)
- Imaging devices (printer, camera)
- Audio devices (headset, speakers)
- Mouse
- External keyboard

Bluetooth devices provide peer-to-peer capability that allows you to set up a PAN of Bluetooth devices.

For information about configuring and using Bluetooth devices, see the Get started app.

▲ Select the **Start button**, and then select the **Get started** app.

Connecting Bluetooth devices

Before you can use a Bluetooth device, you must establish a Bluetooth connection.

1. Type `bluetooth` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Bluetooth settings**.
2. Turn on Bluetooth, if it is not already turned on.
3. Select your device from the list, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: If the device requires verification, a pairing code is displayed. On the device you are adding, follow the on-screen instructions to verify that the code on your device matches the pairing code. For more information, refer to the documentation provided with the device.

NOTE: If your device does not appear in the list, be sure that Bluetooth on that device is turned on. Some devices may have additional requirements; refer to the documentation provided with the device.

Connecting to a wired network—LAN (select products only)

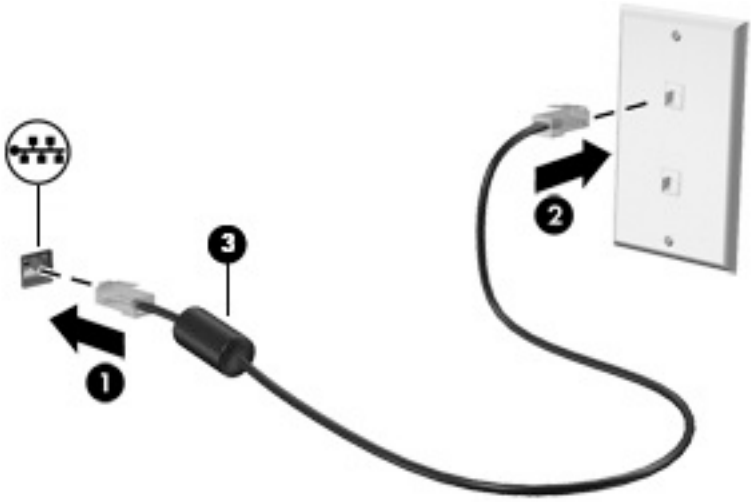
Use a LAN connection if you want to connect the computer directly to a router in your home (instead of working wirelessly), or if you want to connect to an existing network at your office.

Connecting to a LAN requires an 8-pin, RJ-45 (network) cable and a network jack or an optional docking device or expansion port, if there is no RJ-45 jack on the computer.

To connect the network cable, follow these steps:

1. Plug the network cable into the network jack **(1)** on the computer.
2. Plug the other end of the network cable into a network wall jack **(2)** or router.

NOTE: If the network cable contains noise suppression circuitry **(3)**, which prevents interference from TV and radio reception, orient the circuitry end of the cable toward the computer.



Sharing data and drives and accessing software

When your computer is part of a network, you are not limited to using only the information that is stored in your computer. Computers connected to the network can exchange software and data with each other.

For more information about sharing files, folders, or drives, see the information provided in the Get started app.

- Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

NOTE: When a disc like a DVD movie or game is copy-protected, it cannot be shared.

4 Enjoying entertainment features

Use your HP computer as an entertainment hub to socialize via the webcam, enjoy and manage your music, and download and watch movies. Or, to make your computer an even more powerful entertainment center, connect external devices like a monitor, projector, TV, speakers, or headphones.

Using a webcam (select products only)

Your computer has a webcam (integrated camera) that records video and captures photographs. Some models allow you to video conference and chat online using streaming video.

NOTE: Some products also have an infrared camera that allows you to log in to your computer using facial recognition software. For details, see Using Windows Hello (select products only) on page 48.

- To access the camera, type `camera` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Camera** from the list of applications.

Using audio

On your computer, or on select products using an external optical drive, you can play music CDs, download and listen to music, stream audio content from the web (including radio), record audio, or mix audio and video to create multimedia. To enhance your listening enjoyment, attach external audio devices such as speakers or headphones.

Connecting speakers

You can attach wired speakers to your computer by connecting them to a USB port or to the audio-out (headphone)/audio-in (microphone) combo jack on your computer or on a docking station.

To connect wireless speakers to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions. To connect high-definition speakers to the computer, see Setting up HDMI audio on page 30. Before connecting speakers, lower the volume setting.

Connecting headsets

WARNING! To reduce the risk of personal injury, lower the volume setting before putting on headphones, earbuds, or a headset. For additional safety information, see the *Regulatory, Safety and Environmental Notices*.

To access this document:

- Select the **Start** button, select **All apps**, select **HP Help and Support**, and then select **HP Documentation**.

Headphones combined with a microphone are called headsets. You can connect wired headsets to the audio-out (headphone)/audio-in (microphone) combo jack on your computer.

To connect wireless headsets to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

Using sound settings

Use sound settings to adjust system volume, change system sounds, or manage audio devices.

To view or change sound settings:

- Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select **Sound**.

  – or –

  Right-click the **Start** button, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select **Sound**.

Your computer may include an enhanced sound system by Bang & Olufsen, DTS, Beats audio, or another provider. As a result, your computer may include advanced audio features that can be controlled through an audio control panel specific to your audio system.

Use the audio control panel to view and control audio settings.

- Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select the audio control panel specific to your system.

  – or –

  Right-click the **Start** button, select **Control Panel**, select **Hardware and Sound**, and then select the audio control panel specific to your system.

Using video

Your computer is a powerful video device that enables you to watch streaming video from your favorite websites and download video and movies to watch on your computer when you are not connected to a network.

To enhance your viewing enjoyment, use one of the video ports on the computer to connect an external monitor, projector, or TV.

IMPORTANT: Be sure that the external device is connected to the correct port on the computer, using the correct cable. Follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

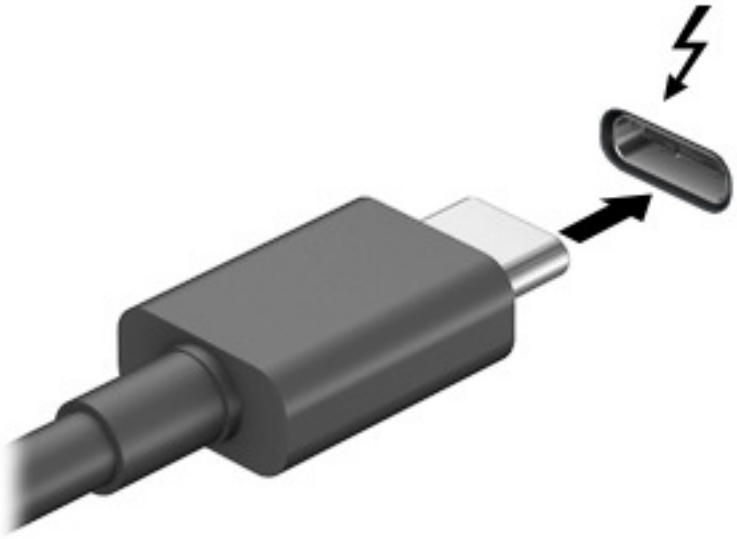
For information on using your video features, refer to HP Support Assistant.

Connecting devices using a USB Type-C cable (select products only)

NOTE: To connect a USB Type-C device to your computer, you need a USB Type-C cable, purchased separately.

To see high-resolution display output on an external USB Type-C device, connect the USB Type-C device according to the following instructions:

1. Connect one end of the USB Type-C cable to the USB Type-C port on the computer.



2. Connect the other end of the cable to the external device.
3. Press fn+f4 to alternate the computer screen image between 4 display states.
   - **PC screen only:** View the screen image on the computer only.
   - **Duplicate:** View the screen image simultaneously on both the computer and external device.
   - **Extend:** View the screen image extended across both the computer and external device.
   - **Second screen only:** View the screen image on the external device only.

   Each time you press fn+f4 the display state changes.

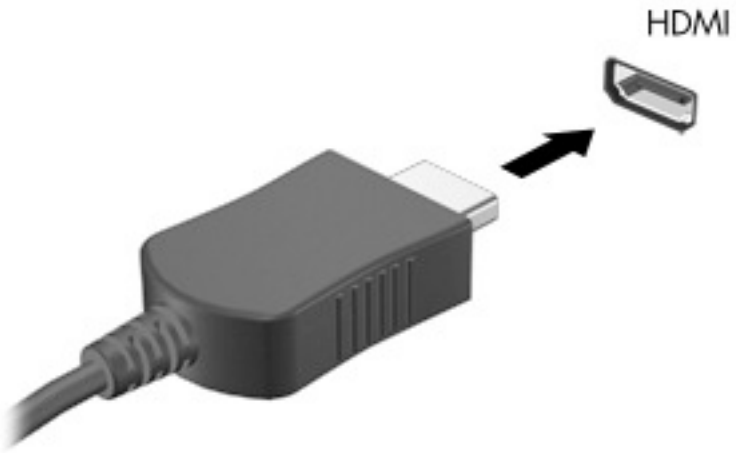
NOTE: For best results, especially if you choose the "Extend" option, increase the screen resolution of the external device, as follows. Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, and then select **Appearance and Personalization**. Under **Display**, select **Adjust resolution**.

Connecting video devices using an HDMI cable

NOTE: To connect an HDMI device to your computer, you need an HDMI cable, purchased separately.

To see the computer screen image on a high-definition TV or monitor, connect the high-definition device according to the following instructions:

1. Connect one end of the HDMI cable to the HDMI port on the computer.



2. Connect the other end of the cable to the high-definition TV or monitor.
3. Press f4 to alternate the computer screen image between 4 display states:
   - **PC screen only:** View the screen image on the computer only.
   - **Duplicate:** View the screen image simultaneously on both the computer and the external device.
   - **Extend:** View the screen image extended across both the computer and the external device.
   - **Second screen only:** View the screen image on the external device only.

   Each time you press f4, the display state changes.

NOTE: For best results, especially if you choose the "Extend" option, increase the screen resolution of the external device, as follows. Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, and then select **Appearance and Personalization**. Under **Display**, select **Adjust resolution**.

Setting up HDMI audio

HDMI is the only video interface that supports high-definition video and audio. After you connect an HDMI TV to the computer, you can then turn on HDMI audio by following these steps:

1. Right-click the **Speakers** icon in the notification area, at the far right of the taskbar, and then select **Playback devices**.
2. On the **Playback** tab, select the name of the digital output device.
3. Click **Set Default**, and then click **OK**.

To return the audio stream to the computer speakers:

1. Right-click the **Speakers** icon in the notification area, at the far right of the taskbar, and then click **Playback devices**.
2. On the Playback tab, click **Speakers**.
3. Click **Set Default**, and then click **OK**.

Discovering and connecting to Miracast-compatible wireless displays (select products only)

NOTE: To learn what type of display you have (Miracast-compatible or Intel WiDi), refer to the documentation that came with your TV or secondary display device.

To discover and connect to Miracast-compatible wireless displays without leaving your current apps, follow the steps below.

To open Miracast:

- Type `project` in the taskbar search box, and then click **Project to a second screen**. Click **Connect to a wireless display**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Discovering and connecting to Intel WiDi certified displays (select Intel products only)

Use Intel WiDi to wirelessly project individual files such as photos, music, or videos, or to duplicate your entire computer screen to a TV or a secondary display device.

Intel WiDi, a premium Miracast solution, makes it easy and seamless to pair your secondary display device; provides for full-screen duplication; and improves speed, quality, and scaling.

To connect to Intel WiDi certified displays:

- Type `project` in the taskbar search box, and then click **Project to a second screen**. Click **Connect to a wireless display**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

To open Intel WiDi:

- Type `Intel WiDi` in the taskbar search box, and then click **Intel WiDi**.

5 Navigating the screen

You can navigate the computer screen in the following ways:

- Use touch gestures directly on the computer screen (select products only)
- Use touch gestures on the TouchPad
- Use keyboard and optional mouse (mouse purchased separately)
- Use an on-screen keyboard (select products only)

Using TouchPad and touch screen gestures

The TouchPad helps you navigate the computer screen and control the pointer using simple touch gestures. You can also use the left and right TouchPad buttons as you would use the corresponding buttons on an external mouse. To navigate a touch screen (select products only), touch the screen directly using gestures described in this chapter.

You can also customize gestures and view demonstrations of how they work. Type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, and then select **Hardware and Sound**. Under **Devices and Printers**, select **Mouse**.

NOTE: Unless noted, gestures can be used on the TouchPad or a touch screen (select products only).

Tap

Use the tap/double-tap gesture to select or open an item on the screen.

- Point to an item on the screen, and then tap one finger on the TouchPad zone or touch screen to select the item. Double-tap an item to open it.

Two-finger pinch zoom

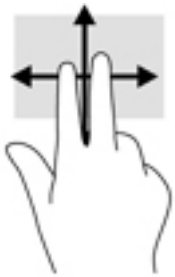
Use the two-finger pinch zoom to zoom out or in on images or text.

- Zoom out by placing two fingers apart on the TouchPad zone or touch screen and then moving your fingers together.
- Zoom in by placing two fingers together on the TouchPad zone or touch screen and then moving your fingers apart.

Two-finger scroll (TouchPad only)

Use the two-finger scroll to move up, down, or sideways on a page or image.

- Place two fingers slightly apart on the TouchPad zone and then drag them up, down, left, or right.



Two-finger tap (TouchPad only)

Use the two-finger tap to open the menu for an object on the screen.

NOTE: The two-finger tap performs the same function as right-clicking with the mouse.

- Tap two fingers on the TouchPad zone to open the options menu for the selected object.

Four-finger tap (TouchPad only)

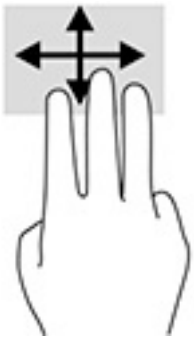
Use the four-finger tap to open the action center.

- Tap four fingers on the Touchpad to open the action center and view current settings and notifications.

Three-finger swipe (TouchPad only)

Use the three-finger swipe to view open windows and to switch between open windows and the desktop.

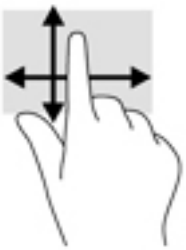
- Swipe 3 fingers away from you to see all open windows.
- Swipe 3 fingers toward you to show the desktop.
- Swipe 3 fingers left or right to switch between open windows.



One-finger slide (touch screen only)

Use the one-finger slide to pan or scroll through lists and pages, or to move an object.

- To scroll across the screen, lightly slide one finger across the screen in the direction you want to move.
- To move an object, press and hold your finger on an object, and then drag your finger to move the object.



Using the keyboard and optional mouse

The keyboard and optional mouse allow you to type, select items, scroll and to perform the same functions as you do using touch gestures. The keyboard also allows you to use action keys and key combinations to perform specific functions.

NOTE: Depending on the country or region, your keyboard may have different keys and keyboard functions than those discussed in this section.

Using the on-screen keyboard

The computer has an on-screen keyboard that is displayed when you are in tablet mode.

1. To display the on-screen keyboard, tap the keyboard icon in the notification area, at the far right of the taskbar.
2. Begin typing.

   To access settings for the on-screen keyboard, type `control panel` in the taskbar search box, select **Control Panel**, select **Devices and Printers**, and then select **Typing**.

NOTE: Suggested words may be displayed above the on-screen keyboard. Tap a word to select it.

Using the integrated numeric keypad (select products only)

On select products, the computer includes an integrated numeric keypad, and it also supports an optional external numeric keypad or an optional external keyboard that includes a numeric keypad. For more details about the integrated numeric keypad, see Keys on page 19.

Component	Description
num lock key	Controls the function of the integrated numeric keypad. Press the key to alternate between the standard numeric function found on an external keypad (this function is turned on at the factory) and the navigational function (indicated by the directional arrows on the keys). **NOTE:** The keypad function that is active when the computer is turned off, is reinstated when the computer is turned back on.
Integrated numeric keypad	Function like an external numeric keypad. To alternate between this numeric function and the navigational function (indicated by the directional arrow keys), press the num lock key.

6 Managing power

Your computer can operate on either battery power or external power. When the computer is running on battery power only and an AC power source is not available to charge the battery, it is important to monitor and conserve the battery charge.

Initiating and exiting Sleep and Hibernation

⚠ **CAUTION:** Several well-known vulnerabilities exist when a computer is in the Sleep state. To prevent an unauthorized user from accessing data on your computer, even encrypted data, HP recommends that you always initiate Hibernation instead of Sleep anytime the computer will be out of your physical possession. This practice is particularly important when you travel with your computer.

Windows has two power-saving states, Sleep and Hibernation.

- Sleep—The Sleep state is automatically initiated after a period of inactivity. Your work is saved to memory, allowing you to resume your work very quickly. You can also initiate Sleep manually. For more information, see Manually initiating and exiting Sleep on page 37.
- Hibernation—The Hibernation state is automatically initiated if the battery reaches a critical level. In the Hibernation state, your work is saved to a hibernation file and the computer powers down. You can also initiate Hibernation manually. For more information, see Manually initiating and exiting Hibernation (select products only) on page 37.

⚠ **CAUTION:** To reduce the risk of possible audio and video degradation, loss of audio or video playback functionality, or loss of information, do not initiate the Sleep state while reading from or writing to a disc or an external media card.

Manually initiating and exiting Sleep

You can initiate Sleep in any of the following ways:

- Close the display.
- Select the **Start** button, select the **Power** icon, and then select **Sleep**.

You can exit Sleep in any of the following ways:

- Briefly press the power button.
- If the computer is closed, raise the display.
- Press a key on the keyboard.
- Tap the TouchPad.

When the computer exits Sleep, the power lights turn on and your work returns to the screen.

NOTE: If you have set a password to be required on exiting Sleep, you must enter your Windows password before your work returns to the screen.

Manually initiating and exiting Hibernation (select products only)

You can enable user-initiated Hibernation and change other power settings and timeouts using Power Options.

1. Type `power options` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Power Options**.

   – or –

   Right-click the **Power meter** icon, and then select **Power Options**.

2. In the left pane, select **Choose what the power button does**.
3. Select **Change Settings that are currently unavailable**, and then, in the **When I press the power button** area, select **Hibernate**.

   – or –

   Under **Shutdown settings**, select the **Hibernate** box to show the Hibernate option in the Power menu.
4. Select **Save changes**.

To exit Hibernation:

▲ Briefly press the power button.

When the computer exits Hibernation, the power lights turn on and your work returns to the screen.

NOTE: If you have set a password to be required on exiting Hibernation, you must enter your Windows password before your work returns to the screen.

Setting password protection on wakeup (exiting Sleep or Hibernation)

To set the computer to prompt for a password when the computer exits Sleep or Hibernation, follow these steps:

1. Type `power options` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Power Options**.

   – or –

Right-click the **Power meter** icon , and then select **Power Options**.

2. In the left pane, select **Require a password on wakeup**.
3. Select **Change Settings that are currently unavailable**.
4. Select **Require a password** (recommended).

NOTE: To create a user account password or change your current user account password, select **Create or change your user account password**, and then follow the on-screen instructions. If you do not need to create or change a user account password, go to step 5.

5. Select **Save changes**.

Using the power meter and power settings

The power meter is located on the Windows taskbar. The power meter allows you to quickly access power settings and view the remaining battery charge.

- To view the percentage of remaining battery charge and the current power plan, place the mouse pointer over the power meter icon .
- To use Power Options, right–click the power meter icon , and then select an item from the list. You can also type `power options` in the task bar search box, and then select **Power Options**.

Different power meter icons indicate whether the computer is running on battery or external power. Placing the mouse pointer over the icon reveals a message if the battery has reached a low or critical battery level.

Running on battery power

When a charged battery is in the computer and the computer is not plugged into external power, the computer runs on battery power. When the computer is off and unplugged from external power, the battery in the computer slowly discharges. The computer displays a message when the battery reaches a low or critical battery level.

Computer battery life varies, depending on power management settings, programs running on the computer, screen brightness, external devices connected to the computer, and other factors.

Factory-sealed battery

To monitor the status of the battery, or if the battery is no longer holding a charge, run HP Battery Check in the HP Support Assistant app.

1. Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

   – or –

   Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

2. Select **My PC**, select the **Diagnostics and tools** tab, and then select **HP Battery Check**. If HP Battery Check indicates that your battery should be replaced, contact support.

The battery[ies] in this product cannot be easily replaced by users themselves. Removing or replacing the battery could affect your warranty coverage. If a battery is no longer holding a charge, contact support. When

a battery has reached the end of its useful life, do not dispose of the battery in general household waste. Follow the local laws and regulations in your area for battery disposal.

Finding battery information

To access battery information:

1. Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

   – or –

   Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

2. Select **My PC**, select the **Diagnostics and tools** tab, and then select **HP Battery Check**. If HP Battery Check indicates that your battery should be replaced, contact support.

HP Support Assistant provides the following tools and information about the battery:

- HP Battery Check
- Information about battery types, specifications, life cycles, and capacity

Conserving battery power

To conserve battery power and maximize battery life:

- Lower the brightness of the display.
- Select the **Power saver** setting in Power Options.
- Turn off wireless devices when you are not using them.
- Disconnect unused external devices that are not plugged into an external power source, such as an external hard drive connected to a USB port.
- Stop, disable, or remove any external media cards that you are not using.
- Before you leave your work, initiate Sleep or shut down the computer.

Identifying low battery levels

When a battery that is the sole power source for the computer reaches a low or critical battery level, the following behavior occurs:

- The battery light (select products only) indicates a low or critical battery level.

– or –

- The power meter icon shows a low or critical battery notification.

NOTE: For additional information about the power meter, see Using the power meter and power settings on page 38.

The computer takes the following actions for a critical battery level:

- If Hibernation is disabled and the computer is on or in the Sleep state, the computer remains briefly in the Sleep state and then shuts down and loses any unsaved information.
- If Hibernation is enabled and the computer is on or in the Sleep state, the computer initiates Hibernation.

Resolving a low battery level

Resolving a low battery level when external power is available

Connect one of the following to the computer and to external power:

- AC adapter
- Optional docking or expansion device
- Optional power adapter purchased as an accessory from HP

Resolving a low battery level when no power source is available

Save your work and shut down the computer.

Resolving a low battery level when the computer cannot exit Hibernation

1. Connect the AC adapter to the computer and to external power.
2. Exit Hibernation by pressing the power button.

Running on AC power

For information about connecting to AC power, refer to the *Setup Instructions* poster provided in the computer box.

The computer does not use battery power when the computer is connected to AC power with an approved AC adapter or an optional docking/expansion device.

⚠ **WARNING!** To reduce potential safety issues, use only the AC adapter provided with the computer, a replacement AC adapter provided by HP, or a compatible AC adapter purchased from HP.

Connect the computer to AC power under any of the following conditions:

⚠ **WARNING!** Do not charge the computer battery while you are aboard aircraft.

- When charging or calibrating a battery
- When installing or modifying system software
- When writing information to a disc (select products only)
- When running Disk Defragmenter on computers with internal hard drives
- When performing a backup or recovery

When you connect the computer to AC power:

- The battery begins to charge.
- The screen brightness increases.
- The power meter icon changes appearance.

When you disconnect AC power:

- The computer switches to battery power.
- The screen brightness automatically decreases to save battery life.
- The power meter icon changes appearance.

Troubleshooting power problems

Test the AC adapter if the computer exhibits any of the following symptoms when it is connected to AC power:

- The computer does not turn on.
- The display does not turn on.
- The power lights do not turn on.

To test the AC adapter:

1. Shut down the computer.
2. Connect the AC adapter to the computer and to the power cord, and then plug the power cord into an AC outlet.
3. Turn on the computer.
    - If the power lights turn *on*, the AC adapter is working properly.
    - If the power lights remain *off*, check the connection from the AC adapter to the computer and the connection from the power cord to the AC outlet to be sure that the connections are secure.
    - If the connections are secure and the power lights remain *off*, the AC adapter is not functioning and should be replaced.

Contact support for information about obtaining a replacement AC power adapter.

Shutting down (turning off) the computer

CAUTION: Unsaved information is lost when the computer shuts down. Be sure to save your work before shutting down the computer.

The Shut down command closes all open programs, including the operating system, and then turns off the display and computer.

Shut down the computer under any of the following conditions:

- When you need to access components inside the computer
- When you are connecting an external hardware device that does not connect to a USB or video port
- When the computer will be unused and disconnected from external power for an extended period

Although you can turn off the computer with the power button, the recommended procedure is to use the Windows Shut down command.

NOTE: If the computer is in the Sleep state or in Hibernation, first exit Sleep or Hibernation by briefly pressing the power button.

1. Save your work and close all open programs.
2. Select the **Start** button, select the **Power** icon, and then select **Shut down**.

If the computer is unresponsive and you are unable to use the preceding shutdown procedures, try the following emergency procedures in the sequence provided:

- Press ctrl+alt+delete, select the **Power** icon, and then select **Shut down**.
- Press and hold the power button for at least 5 seconds.
- Disconnect the computer from external power.

7 Maintaining your computer

It is important to perform regular maintenance to keep your computer in optimal condition. This chapter explains how to use tools like Disk Defragmenter and Disk Cleanup. It also provides instructions for updating programs and drivers, steps to clean the computer, and tips for traveling with (or shipping) the computer.

Improving performance

You can improve the performance of your computer by performing regular maintenance tasks with tools such as Disk Defragmenter and Disk Cleanup.

Using Disk Defragmenter

HP recommends using Disk Defragmenter to defragment your hard drive at least once a month.

NOTE: It is not necessary to run Disk Defragmenter on solid-state drives.

To run Disk Defragmenter:

1. Connect the computer to AC power.
2. Type `defragment` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Defragment and optimize your drives**.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

For additional information, access the Disk Defragmenter software Help.

Using Disk Cleanup

Use Disk Cleanup to search the hard drive for unnecessary files that you can safely delete to free up disk space and help the computer run more efficiently.

To run Disk Cleanup:

1. Type `disk` in the taskbar search box, and then select **Free up disk space by deleting unnecessary files** or **Uninstall apps to free up disk space**.
2. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Using HP 3D DriveGuard (select products only)

HP 3D DriveGuard protects a hard drive by parking the drive and halting data requests under either of the following conditions:

- You drop the computer.
- You move the computer with the display closed while the computer is running on battery power.

A short time after the end of one of these events, HP 3D DriveGuard returns the hard drive to normal operation.

NOTE: Only internal hard drives are protected by HP 3D DriveGuard. A hard drive installed in an optional docking device or connected to a USB port is not protected by HP 3D DriveGuard.

NOTE: Because solid-state drives (SSDs) lack moving parts, HP 3D DriveGuard is unnecessary for these drives.

For more information, see the HP 3D DriveGuard software Help.

Identifying HP 3D DriveGuard status

The hard drive light on the computer changes color to show that the drive in a primary hard drive bay and/or the drive in a secondary hard drive bay (select products only) is parked. To determine whether a drive is currently protected or whether it is parked, view the icon on the Windows desktop in the notification area, at the far right of the taskbar.

Updating programs and drivers

HP recommends that you update your programs and drivers on a regular basis. Updates can resolve issues and bring new features and options to your computer. For example, older graphics components might not work well with the most recent gaming software. Without the latest driver, you would not be getting the most out of your equipment.

Go to http://www.hp.com/support to download the latest versions of HP programs and drivers. In addition, register to receive automatic notifications when updates become available.

If you would like to update your programs and drivers, follow these instructions:

1. Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

   - or -

   Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.
2. Select **My PC**, select the **Updates** tab, and then select **Check for updates and messages**.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Cleaning your computer

Use the following products to safely clean your computer:

- Dimethyl benzyl ammonium chloride 0.3 percent maximum concentration (for example, disposable wipes, which come in a variety of brands)
- Alcohol-free glass-cleaning fluid
- Solution of water and mild soap
- Dry microfiber cleaning cloth or a chamois (static-free cloth without oil)
- Static-free cloth wipes

CAUTION: Avoid strong cleaning solvents that can permanently damage your computer. If you are not sure that a cleaning product is safe for your computer, check the product contents to make sure that ingredients such as alcohol, acetone, ammonium chloride, methylene chloride, and hydrocarbons are not included in the product.

Fibrous materials, such as paper towels, can scratch the computer. Over time, dirt particles and cleaning agents can get trapped in the scratches.

Cleaning procedures

Follow the procedures in this section to safely clean your computer.

WARNING! To prevent electric shock or damage to components, do not attempt to clean your computer while it is on.

1. Turn off the computer.
2. Disconnect AC power.
3. Disconnect all powered external devices.

CAUTION: To prevent damage to internal components, do not spray cleaning agents or liquids directly on any computer surface. Liquids dripped on the surface can permanently damage internal components.

Cleaning the display

Gently wipe the display using a soft, lint-free cloth moistened with an alcohol-free glass cleaner. Be sure that a display is dry before you close the computer.

Cleaning the sides or cover

To clean the sides or cover, use a soft microfiber cloth or chamois moistened with one of the cleaning solutions listed previously, or use an acceptable disposable wipe.

NOTE: When cleaning the cover of the computer, use a circular motion to aid in removing dirt and debris.

Cleaning the TouchPad, keyboard, or mouse (select products only)

WARNING! To reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to internal components, do not use a vacuum cleaner attachment to clean the keyboard. A vacuum cleaner can deposit household debris on the keyboard surface.

CAUTION: To prevent damage to internal components, do not allow liquids to drip between the keys.

- To clean the TouchPad, keyboard, or mouse, use a soft microfiber cloth or a chamois moistened with one of the cleaning solutions listed previously or use an acceptable disposable wipe.
- To prevent keys from sticking and to remove dust, lint, and particles from the keyboard, use a can of compressed air with a straw extension.

Traveling with or shipping your computer

If you have to travel with or ship your computer, follow these tips to keep your equipment safe.

- Prepare the computer for traveling or shipping:
  - Back up your information to an external drive.
  - Remove all discs and all external media cards, such as memory cards.
  - Turn off and then disconnect all external devices.
  - Shut down the computer.
- Take along a backup of your information. Keep the backup separate from the computer.
- When traveling by air, carry the computer as hand luggage; do not check it in with the rest of your luggage.

CAUTION: Avoid exposing a drive to magnetic fields. Security devices with magnetic fields include airport walk-through devices and security wands. Airport conveyer belts and similar security devices that check carry-on baggage use X-rays instead of magnetism and do not damage drives.

- If you plan to use the computer during a flight, listen for the in-flight announcement that tells you when you are allowed to use your computer. In-flight computer use is at the discretion of the airline.
- If you are shipping the computer or a drive, use suitable protective packaging and label the package “FRAGILE.”
- The use of wireless devices may be restricted in some environments. Such restrictions may apply aboard aircraft, in hospitals, near explosives, and in hazardous locations. If you are uncertain of the policy that applies to the use of a wireless device in your computer, ask for authorization to use your computer before you turn it on.
- If you are traveling internationally, follow these suggestions:
  - Check the computer-related customs regulations for each country or region on your itinerary.
  - Check the power cord and adapter requirements for each location in which you plan to use the computer. Voltage, frequency, and plug configurations vary.

    ⚠ **WARNING!** To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or damage to the equipment, do not attempt to power the computer with a voltage converter kit sold for appliances.

8 Securing your computer and information

Computer security is essential for protecting the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of your information. Standard security solutions provided by the Windows operating system, HP applications, the Setup Utility (BIOS), and other third-party software can help protect your computer from a variety of risks, such as viruses, worms, and other types of malicious code.

IMPORTANT: Some security features listed in this chapter may not be available on your computer.

Using passwords

A password is a group of characters that you choose to secure your computer information and to protect online transactions. Several types of passwords can be set. For example, when you set up your computer for the first time, you were asked to create a user password to secure your computer. Additional passwords can be set in Windows or in HP Setup Utility (BIOS), which is preinstalled on your computer.

You may find it helpful to use the same password for a Setup Utility (BIOS) feature and for a Windows security feature.

To create and save passwords, use the following tips:

- To reduce the risk of being locked out of the computer, record each password and store it in a secure place away from the computer. Do not store passwords in a file on the computer.
- When creating passwords, follow requirements set by the program.
- Change your passwords at least every 3 months.
- An ideal password is long and has letters, punctuation, symbols, and numbers.
- Before you send your computer for service, back up your files, delete confidential files, and then remove all password settings.

For additional information about Windows passwords, such as screen-saver passwords:

▲ Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

– or –

Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

Setting Windows passwords

Password	Function
User password	Protects access to a Windows user account.
Administrator password	Protects administrator-level access to computer contents. **NOTE:** This password cannot be used to access Setup Utility (BIOS) contents.

Setting Setup Utility (BIOS) passwords

Password	Function
Administrator password	• Must be entered each time you access Setup Utility (BIOS). • If you forget your administrator password, you cannot access Setup Utility (BIOS).
Power-on password	• Must be entered each time you turn on or restart the computer. • If you forget your power-on password, you cannot turn on or restart the computer.

To set, change, or delete an administrator or power-on password in Setup Utility (BIOS):

CAUTION: Use extreme care when making changes in Setup Utility (BIOS). Errors can prevent the computer from operating properly.

NOTE: To start Setup Utility, your computer must be in notebook mode and you must use the keyboard attached to your notebook. The on-screen keyboard, which displays in tablet mode, cannot access Setup Utility.

1. Start Setup Utility (BIOS):
   - Computers or tablets with keyboards:
     - Turn on or restart the computer, quickly press esc, and then press f10.
   - Tablets without keyboards:
     1. Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the volume down button.

        - or -

        Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the Windows button.
     2. Tap **f10**.
2. Select **Security**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Your changes take effect when the computer restarts.

Using Windows Hello (select products only)

On products equipped with a fingerprint reader or an infrared camera, you can use Windows Hello to sign in by swiping your finger or looking at the camera.

To set up Windows Hello, follow these steps:

1. Select the **Start** button, select **Settings**, select **Accounts**, and then select **Sign-in options**.
2. Under **Windows Hello**, follow the on-screen instructions to add both a password and a 4-digit PIN, and then enroll your fingerprint or facial ID.

Using Internet security software

When you use your computer to access email, a network, or the Internet, you potentially expose your computer to computer viruses, spyware, and other online threats. To help protect your computer, Internet

security software that includes antivirus and firewall features may be preinstalled on your computer as a trial offer. To provide ongoing protection against newly discovered viruses and other security risks, security software must be kept up to date. It is strongly recommended that you upgrade the security software trial offer or purchase the software of your choice in order to fully protect your computer.

Using antivirus software

Computer viruses can disable programs, utilities, or the operating system, or cause them to function abnormally. Antivirus software can detect most viruses, destroy them, and in most cases, repair any damage they have caused.

To provide ongoing protection against newly discovered viruses, antivirus software must be kept up to date.

An antivirus program may be preinstalled on your computer. It is strongly recommended that you use the antivirus program of your choice in order to fully protect your computer.

For more information about computer viruses, type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

– or –

Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

Using firewall software

Firewalls are designed to prevent unauthorized access to a system or network. A firewall can be software you install on your computer and/or network, or it can be a combination of both hardware and software.

There are two types of firewalls to consider:

- Host-based firewalls—Software that protects only the computer it is installed on.
- Network-based firewalls—Installed between your DSL or cable modem and your home network to protect all the computers on the network.

When a firewall is installed on a system, all data sent to and from the system is monitored and compared with a set of user-defined security criteria. Any data that does not meet those criteria is blocked.

Installing software updates

HP, Windows, and third-party software installed on your computer should be regularly updated to correct security problems and improve software performance.

⚠ **CAUTION:** Microsoft sends out alerts regarding Windows updates, which may include security updates. To protect the computer from security breaches and computer viruses, install all updates from Microsoft as soon as you receive an alert.

You can install these updates automatically.

To view or change the settings:

1. Select the **Start** button, select **Settings**, and then select **Update & Security**.
2. Select **Windows Update**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.
3. To schedule a time for installing updates, select **Advanced Options**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Using HP Touchpoint Manager (select products only)

HP Touchpoint Manager is a cloud-based IT solution that enables businesses to effectively manage and secure their company assets. HP Touchpoint Manager helps protect devices against malware and other attacks, monitors device health, and enables you to reduce time spent solving end-user device and security issues. You can quickly download and install the software, which is highly cost effective relative to traditional in-house solutions.

Securing your wireless network

When you set up a WLAN or access an existing WLAN, always enable security features to protect your network from unauthorized access. WLANs in public areas (hotspots) like coffee shops and airports may not provide any security.

Backing up your software applications and information

Regularly back up your software applications and information to protect them from being permanently lost or damaged through a virus attack or a software or hardware failure.

Using an optional security cable (select products only)

A security cable (purchased separately) is designed to act as a deterrent, but it may not prevent the computer from being mishandled or stolen. To connect a security cable to your computer, follow the device manufacturer's instructions.

9 Using Setup Utility (BIOS)

Setup Utility, or Basic Input/Output System (BIOS), controls communication between all the input and output devices on the system (such as disk drives, display, keyboard, mouse, and printer). Setup Utility (BIOS) includes settings for the types of devices installed, the startup sequence of the computer, and the amount of system and extended memory.

NOTE: To start Setup Utility on convertible computers, your computer must be in notebook mode and you must use the keyboard attached to your notebook.

Starting Setup Utility (BIOS)

CAUTION: Use extreme care when making changes in Setup Utility (BIOS). Errors can prevent the computer from operating properly.

- Turn on or restart the computer, quickly press esc, and then press f10.

Updating Setup Utility (BIOS)

Updated versions of Setup Utility (BIOS) may be available on the HP website.

Most BIOS updates on the HP website are packaged in compressed files called *SoftPaqs*.

Some download packages contain a file named Readme.txt, which contains information regarding installing and troubleshooting the file.

Determining the BIOS version

To decide whether you need to update Setup Utility (BIOS), first determine the BIOS version on your computer.

To reveal the BIOS version information (also known as *ROM date* and *System BIOS*), use one of these options.

- HP Support Assistant
  1. Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

     – or –

     Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.
  2. Select **My PC**, and then select **Specifications**.
- Setup Utility (BIOS)
  1. Start Setup Utility (BIOS) (see Starting Setup Utility (BIOS) on page 51).
  2. Select **Main**, select **System Information**, and then make note of the BIOS version.
  3. Select **Exit**, select **No**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

To check for later BIOS versions, see Downloading a BIOS update on page 52.

Downloading a BIOS update

CAUTION: To reduce the risk of damage to the computer or an unsuccessful installation, download and install a BIOS update only when the computer is connected to reliable external power using the AC adapter. Do not download or install a BIOS update while the computer is running on battery power, docked in an optional docking device, or connected to an optional power source. During the download and installation, follow these instructions:

- Do not disconnect power from the computer by unplugging the power cord from the AC outlet.
- Do not shut down the computer or initiate Sleep.
- Do not insert, remove, connect, or disconnect any device, cable, or cord.

NOTE: If your computer is connected to a network, consult the network administrator before installing any software updates, especially system BIOS updates.

1. Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

   – or –

   Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

2. Click **Updates**, and then click **Check for updates and messages**.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions.
4. At the download area, follow these steps:

   a. Identify the most recent BIOS update and compare it to the BIOS version currently installed on your computer. If the update is more recent than your BIOS version, make a note of the date, name, or other identifier. You may need this information to locate the update later, after it has been downloaded to your hard drive.

   b. Follow the on-screen instructions to download your selection to the hard drive.

   Make a note of the path to the location on your hard drive where the BIOS update is downloaded. You will need to access this path when you are ready to install the update.

BIOS installation procedures vary. Follow any instructions that appear on the screen after the download is complete. If no instructions appear, follow these steps:

1. Type `file` in the taskbar search box, and then select **File Explorer**.
2. Click your hard drive designation. The hard drive designation is typically Local Disk (C:).
3. Using the hard drive path you recorded earlier, open the folder that contains the update.
4. Double-click the file that has an .exe extension (for example, *filename*.exe).

   The BIOS installation begins.

5. Complete the installation by following the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: After a message on the screen reports a successful installation, you can delete the downloaded file from your hard drive.

10 Using HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI)

HP PC Hardware Diagnostics is a Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) that allows you to run diagnostic tests to determine whether the computer hardware is functioning properly. The tool runs outside the operating system so that it can isolate hardware failures from issues that are caused by the operating system or other software components.

When HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI) detects a failure that requires hardware replacement, a 24-digit Failure ID code is generated. This ID code can then be provided to support to help determine how to correct the problem.

NOTE: To start diagnostics on a convertible computer, your computer must be in notebook mode and you must use the keyboard attached.

To start HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI), follow these steps:

1. Turn on or restart the computer, and quickly press esc.
2. Press f2.

   The BIOS searches three places for the diagnostic tools, in the following order:

   a. Connected USB drive

      NOTE: To download the HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI) tool to a USB drive, see Downloading HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI) to a USB device on page 53.

   b. Hard drive

   c. BIOS
3. When the diagnostic tool opens, select the type of diagnostic test you want to run, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: If you need to stop a diagnostic test, press esc.

Downloading HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI) to a USB device

NOTE: The HP PC Hardware Diagnostics (UEFI) download instructions are provided in English only, and you must use a Windows computer to download and create the HP UEFI support environment because only .exe files are offered.

There are two options to download HP PC Hardware Diagnostics to a USB device.

Download the latest UEFI version

1. Go to http://www.hp.com/go/techcenter/pcdiags. The HP PC Diagnostics home page is displayed.
2. In the HP PC Hardware Diagnostics section, select the **Download** link, and then select **Run**.

Download any version of UEFI for a specific product

1. Go to http://www.hp.com/support.
2. Select **Get software and drivers**.

3. Enter the product name or number.

   – or –

   Select **Identify now** to let HP automatically detect your product.

4. Select your computer, and then select your operating system.

5. In the **Diagnostic** section, follow the on-screen instructions to select and download the UEFI version you want.

11 Backing up, restoring, and recovering

This chapter provides information about the following processes. The information in the chapter is standard procedure for most products.

- Creating recovery media and backups
- Restoring and recovering your system

For additional information, refer to the HP support assistant app.

▲ Type `support` in the taskbar search box, and then select the **HP Support Assistant** app.

– or –

Click the question mark icon in the taskbar.

IMPORTANT: If you will be performing recovery procedures on a tablet, the tablet battery must be at least 70% charged before you start the recovery process.

IMPORTANT: For a tablet with a detachable keyboard, connect the keyboard to the keyboard dock before beginning any recovery process.

Creating recovery media and backups

The following methods of creating recovery media and backups are available on select products only. Choose the available method according to your computer model.

- Use HP Recovery Manager to create HP Recovery media after you successfully set up the computer. This step creates a backup of the HP Recovery partition on the computer. The backup can be used to reinstall the original operating system in cases where the hard drive is corrupted or has been replaced. For information on creating recovery media, see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55. For information on the recovery options that are available using the recovery media, see Using Windows tools on page 56.
- Use Windows tools to create system restore points and create backups of personal information.

  For more information, see Recovering using HP Recovery Manager on page 57.

NOTE: If storage is 32 GB or less, Microsoft System Restore is disabled by default.

Creating HP Recovery media (select products only)

If possible, check for the presence of the Recovery partition and the Windows partition. From the **Start** menu, select **File Explorer**, and then select **This PC**.

- If your computer does not list the Windows partition and the Recovery partition, you can obtain recovery media for your system from support. See the *Worldwide Telephone Numbers* booklet included with the computer. You can also find contact information on the HP website. Go to http://www.hp.com/support, select your country or region, and follow the on-screen instructions.

You can use Windows tools to create system restore points and create backups of personal information, see Using Windows tools on page 56.

- If your computer does list the Recovery partition and the Windows partition, you can use HP Recovery Manager to create recovery media after you successfully set up the computer. HP Recovery media can be used to perform system recovery if the hard drive becomes corrupted. System recovery reinstalls the original operating system and software programs that were installed at the factory and then configures the settings for the programs. HP Recovery media can also be used to customize the system or restore the factory image if you replace the hard drive.
  - Only one set of recovery media can be created. Handle these recovery tools carefully, and keep them in a safe place.
  - HP Recovery Manager examines the computer and determines the required storage capacity for the media that will be required.
  - To create recovery discs, your computer must have an optical drive with DVD writer capability, and you must use only high-quality blank DVD-R, DVD+R, DVD-R DL, or DVD+R DL discs. Do not use rewritable discs such as CD±RW, DVD±RW, double-layer DVD±RW, or BD-RE (rewritable Blu-ray) discs; they are not compatible with HP Recovery Manager software. Or, instead, you can use a high-quality blank USB flash drive.
  - If your computer does not include an integrated optical drive with DVD writer capability, but you would like to create DVD recovery media, you can use an external optical drive (purchased separately) to create recovery discs. If you use an external optical drive, it must be connected directly to a USB port on the computer; the drive cannot be connected to a USB port on an external device, such as a USB hub. If you cannot create DVD media yourself, you can obtain recovery discs for your computer from HP. See the *Worldwide Telephone Numbers* booklet included with the computer. You can also find contact information on the HP website. Go to http://www.hp.com/support, select your country or region, and follow the on-screen instructions.
  - Be sure that the computer is connected to AC power before you begin creating the recovery media.
  - The creation process can take an hour or more. Do not interrupt the creation process.
  - If necessary, you can exit the program before you have finished creating all of the recovery DVDs. HP Recovery Manager will finish burning the current DVD. The next time you start HP Recovery Manager, you will be prompted to continue.

To create HP Recovery media:

IMPORTANT: For a tablet with a detachable keyboard, connect the keyboard to the keyboard dock before beginning these steps.

1. Type `recovery` in the taskbar search box, and then select **HP Recovery Manager**.
2. Select **Create recovery media**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

If you ever need to recover the system, see Recovering using HP Recovery Manager on page 57.

Using Windows tools

You can create recovery media, system restore points, and backups of personal information using Windows tools.

NOTE: If storage is 32 GB or less, Microsoft System Restore is disabled by default.

For more information and steps, see the Get started app.

- Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

Restore and recovery

There are several options for recovering your system. Choose the method that best matches your situation and level of expertise:

IMPORTANT: Not all methods are available on all products.

- Windows offers several options for restoring from backup, refreshing the computer, and resetting the computer to its original state. For more information see the Get started app.

  ▲ Select the **Start** button, and then select the **Get started** app.

- If you need to correct a problem with a preinstalled application or driver, use the Reinstall drivers and/or applications option (select products only) of HP Recovery Manager to reinstall the individual application or driver.

  ▲ Type `recovery` in the taskbar search box, select **HP Recovery Manager**, select **Reinstall drivers and/or applications**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

- If you want to recover the Windows partition to original factory content, you can choose the System Recovery option from the HP Recovery partition (select products only) or use the HP Recovery media. For more information, see Recovering using HP Recovery Manager on page 57. If you have not already created recovery media, see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55.

- On select products, if you want to recover the computer's original factory partition and content, or if you have replaced the hard drive, you can use the Factory Reset option of HP Recovery media. For more information, see Recovering using HP Recovery Manager on page 57.

- On select products, if you want to remove the recovery partition to reclaim hard drive space, HP Recovery Manager offers the Remove Recovery Partition option.

  For more information, see Removing the HP Recovery partition (select products only) on page 60.

Recovering using HP Recovery Manager

HP Recovery Manager software allows you to recover the computer to its original factory state by using the HP Recovery media that you either created or that you obtained from HP, or by using the HP Recovery partition (select products only). If you have not already created recovery media, see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55.

What you need to know before you get started

- HP Recovery Manager recovers only software that was installed at the factory. For software not provided with this computer, you must either download the software from the manufacturer's website or reinstall the software from the media provided by the manufacturer.

  IMPORTANT: Recovery through HP Recovery Manager should be used as a final attempt to correct computer issues.

- HP Recovery media must be used if the computer hard drive fails. If you have not already created recovery media, see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55.

- To use the Factory Reset option (select products only), you must use HP Recovery media. If you have not already created recovery media, see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55.

- If your computer does not allow the creation of HP Recovery media or if the HP Recovery media does not work, you can obtain recovery media for your system from support. See the *Worldwide Telephone Numbers* booklet included with the computer. You can also find contact information from the HP

website. Go to http://www.hp.com/support, select your country or region, and follow the on-screen instructions.

IMPORTANT: HP Recovery Manager does not automatically provide backups of your personal data. Before beginning recovery, back up any personal data you want to retain.

Using HP Recovery media, you can choose from one of the following recovery options:

NOTE: Only the options available for your computer display when you start the recovery process.

- System Recovery—Reinstalls the original operating system, and then configures the settings for the programs that were installed at the factory.
- Factory Reset—Restores the computer to its original factory state by deleting all information from the hard drive and re-creating the partitions. Then it reinstalls the operating system and the software that was installed at the factory.

The HP Recovery partition (select products only) allows System Recovery only.

Using the HP Recovery partition (select products only)

The HP Recovery partition allows you to perform a system recovery without the need for recovery discs or a recovery USB flash drive. This type of recovery can be used only if the hard drive is still working.

To start HP Recovery Manager from the HP Recovery partition:

IMPORTANT: For a tablet with a detachable keyboard, connect the keyboard to the keyboard dock before beginning these steps (select products only).

1. Type `recovery` in the taskbar search box, select **Recovery Manager**, and then select **HP Recovery Environment**.

   - or-

   For computers or tablets with keyboards attached, press f11 while the computer boots, or press and hold f11 as you press the power button.

   For tablets without keyboards:

   Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the volume down button; then select f11.

   - or -

   Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the Windows button; then select f11.

2. Select **Troubleshoot** from the boot options menu.
3. Select **Recovery Manager**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

Using HP Recovery media to recover

You can use HP Recovery media to recover the original system. This method can be used if your system does not have an HP Recovery partition or if the hard drive is not working properly.

1. If possible, back up all personal files.
2. Insert the HP Recovery media, and then restart the computer.

   NOTE: If the computer does not automatically restart in HP Recovery Manager, change the computer boot order. See Changing the computer boot order on page 59.

3. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Changing the computer boot order

If your computer does not restart in HP Recovery Manager, you can change the computer boot order, which is the order of devices listed in BIOS where the computer looks for startup information. You can change the selection to an optical drive or a USB flash drive.

To change the boot order:

IMPORTANT: For a tablet with a detachable keyboard, connect the keyboard to the keyboard dock before beginning these steps.

1. Insert the HP Recovery media.
2. Access BIOS:

   For computers or tablets with keyboards attached:

   - Turn on or restart the computer or tablet, quickly press esc, and then press f9 for boot options.

   For tablets without keyboards:

   - Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the volume down button; then select **f9**.

     - or -

     Turn on or restart the tablet, and then quickly hold down the Windows button; then select **f9**.
3. Select the optical drive or USB flash drive from which you want to boot.
4. Follow the on-screen instructions.

Removing the HP Recovery partition (select products only)

HP Recovery Manager software allows you to remove the HP Recovery partition to free up hard drive space.

IMPORTANT: After you remove the HP Recovery partition, you will not be able to perform System Recovery or create HP recovery media from the HP Recovery partition. So before you remove the Recovery partition, create HP Recovery media; see Creating HP Recovery media (select products only) on page 55.

NOTE: The Remove Recovery Partition option is only available on products that support this function.

Follow these steps to remove the HP Recovery partition:

1. Type `recovery` in the taskbar search box, and then select **HP Recovery Manager**.
2. Select **Remove Recovery Partition**, and then follow the on-screen instructions.

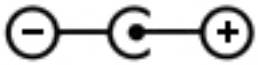
12 Specifications

Input power

The power information in this section may be helpful if you plan to travel internationally with the computer.

The computer operates on DC power, which can be supplied by an AC or a DC power source. The AC power source must be rated at 100–240 V, 50–60 Hz. Although the computer can be powered from a standalone DC power source, it should be powered only with an AC adapter or a DC power source that is supplied and approved by HP for use with this computer.

The computer can operate on DC power within the following specifications. Operating voltage and current varies by platform. The voltage and current for your computer is located on the regulatory label.

Input power	Rating
Operating voltage and current	5 V dc @ 2 A / 12 V dc @ 3 A /15 V dc @ 3 A – 45 W USB-C
	5 V dc @ 3 A / 9 V dc @ 3 A / 10 V dc @ 3.75 A / 12 V dc @ 3.75 A / 15 V dc @ 3 A / 20 V dc @ 2.25 A – 45 W USB-C
	5 V dc @ 3 A / 9 V dc @ 3A / 10 V dc @ 5.0 A / 12 V dc @ 5.0 A / 15 V dc @ 4.33 A / 20 V dc @ 3.25 A – 65 W USB-C
	5 V dc @ 3 A / 9 V dc @ 3 A / 10 V dc @ 5.0 A / 12 V dc @ 5.0 A / 15 V dc @ 5.0 A / 20 V dc @ 4.5 A – 90 W USB-C
	19.5 V dc @ 2.31 A – 45 W
	19.5 V dc @ 3.33 A – 65 W
	19.5 V dc @ 4.62 A – 90 W
	19.5 V dc @ 6.15 A – 120 W
	19.5 V dc @ 7.70 A – 150 W
	19.5 V dc @ 10.3A – 200 W
DC plug of external HP power supply (select products only)	

NOTE: This product is designed for IT power systems in Norway with phase-to-phase voltage not exceeding 240 V rms.

Operating environment

Factor	Metric	U.S.
Temperature		
Operating	**5°C to 35°C**	41°F to 95°F

Nonoperating	**-20°C to 60°C**	-4°F to 140°F
Relative humidity (noncondensing)		
Operating	**10% to 90%**	10% to 90%
Nonoperating	**5% to 95%**	5% to 95%
Maximum altitude (unpressurized)		
Operating	**-15 m to 3,048 m**	-50 ft to 10,000 ft
Nonoperating	**-15 m to 12,192 m**	-50 ft to 40,000 ft

13 Electrostatic Discharge

Electrostatic discharge is the release of static electricity when two objects come into contact—for example, the shock you receive when you walk across the carpet and touch a metal door knob.

A discharge of static electricity from fingers or other electrostatic conductors may damage electronic components.

To prevent damage to the computer, damage to a drive, or loss of information, observe these precautions:

- If removal or installation instructions direct you to unplug the computer, first be sure that it is properly grounded.
- Keep components in their electrostatic-safe containers until you are ready to install them.
- Avoid touching pins, leads, and circuitry. Handle electronic components as little as possible.
- Use nonmagnetic tools.
- Before handling components, discharge static electricity by touching an unpainted metal surface.
- If you remove a component, place it in an electrostatic-safe container.

14 Accessibility

HP designs, produces, and markets products and services that can be used by everyone, including people with disabilities, either on a stand-alone basis or with appropriate assistive devices.

Supported assistive technologies

HP products support a wide variety of operating system assistive technologies and can be configured to work with additional assistive technologies. Use the Search feature on your device to locate more information about assistive features.

NOTE: For additional information about a particular assistive technology product, contact customer support for that product.

Contacting support

We are constantly refining the accessibility of our products and services and welcome feedback from users. If you have an issue with a product or would like to tell us about accessibility features that have helped you, please contact us at +1 (888) 259-5707, Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. North American Mountain Time. If you are deaf or hard-of-hearing and use TRS/VRS/WebCapTel, contact us if you require technical support or have accessibility questions by calling +1 (877) 656-7058, Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. North American Mountain Time.

NOTE: Support is in English only.

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