# **hp** StorageWorks Ultrium tape drive

## getting started guide

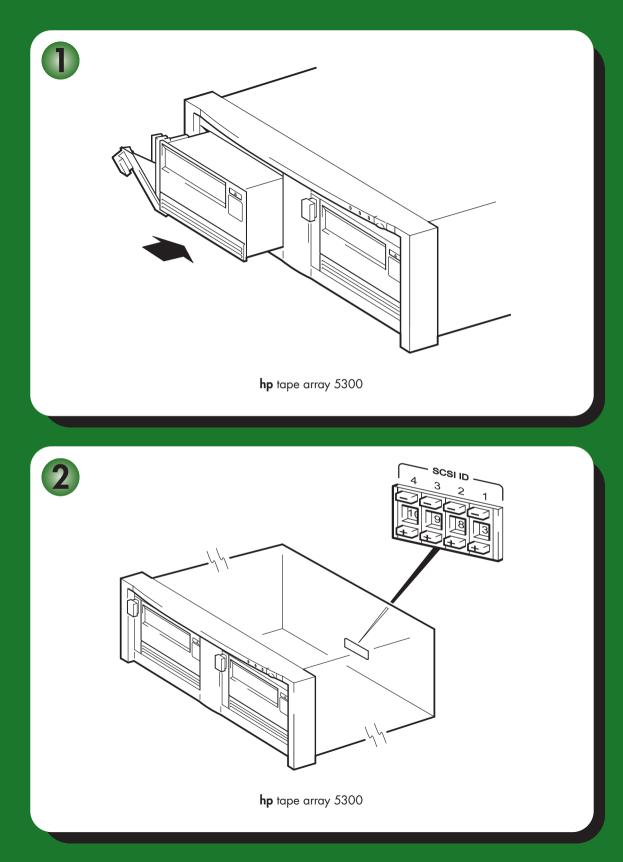
## removable model







Ultrium 230m, 460m. 960m



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## **Product Details**

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

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

## Before you start

HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives are designed to operate on a low voltage differential SCSI bus (LVDS). This guide describes how to install:

- HP StorageWorks Ultrium 960 tape drives, high-performance Ultra 320 SCSI devices with a maximum burst transfer speed of 320 MB/second.
- HP StorageWorks Ultrium 460 tape drives, high-performance Ultra 160 SCSI devices with a maximum burst transfer speed of 160 MB/second.
- HP StorageWorks Ultrium 230 tape drives, high-performance Ultra 2 SCSI devices with a maximum burst transfer speed of 80 MB/second.

Before starting to install your tape drive, you should consider the following:

## Which operating systems are supported?

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

#### Which rackmount systems can I use?

HP StorageWorks removable tape drives are used in conjunction with the HP StorageWorks Tape Array 5300 system, which will hold up to two HP StorageWorks Ultrium 230, 460 or 960 tape drives. The tape array is designed to be installed into HP, IBM and other compatible 19" rackmount systems. It must be properly installed and configured. Refer to your tape array documentation for further details.

#### **Airflow requirements**

As long as the tape array is fully populated, it will provide adequate airflow for your HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives. You should ensure that ventilation is adequate at the front and rear of the tape array.

If you have unused bays in the tape array, you must install the blanking plates provided with the tape array. This ensures that there is adequate airflow to the drives. See the documentation with the tape array for details on installing blanking plates.

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

Check the usage models on page 7. This shows how the HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drive can be used in different system architectures.

The individual tape drives are connected to their host server via the high-density LVD/SE SCSI connectors on the back of the tape array. They do not require any SCSI cables to plug into the tape array. However, cabling and terminators are required to connect the tape array with the SCSI host. See also "Do I need additional items for installation?" on page 4.

You will need a properly installed and configured SCSI host bus adapter (HBA) or a built-in SCSI controller on your server

For optimum performance your tape drive should only be connected to a SCSI bus that can transfer data at a rate that supports the tape drive's maximum burst transfer speed, see

Table 2, "supported SCSI bus types," on page 11, and it should be the only device on the SCSI bus. Do **not** attach the drive to the same SCSI bus as your disk drive or RAID controller.

The server should be connected via a 68-pin, wide, LVDS-rated cable to the tape array. The standard, recommended configuration is a direct, one-to-one SCSI connection between the tape drive and the host server, so that the drive is the only device on the SCSI bus. It is possible to daisy-chain two tape drives together within the tape array, but this should only be done if the drives are a lower SCSI rating than the SCSI bus. (For example, you could daisy-chain Ultrium 230 drives on an Ultra 160 LVD bus.) Do **not** daisy-chain more than two drives together, as this will degrade their individual performance with respect to transfer rate.

## How can I check the SCSI bus?

We strongly recommend that you use HP Library & Tape Tools to check your server's current SCSI configuration (see "Step 3: Set the drive's SCSI ID" on page 15)). This will provide information about the SCSI bus and the SCSI IDs in use.

HP Library & Tape Tools is the recommended diagnostic and support tool for your HP tape storage product. It is available on the CD shipped with your product or as a free download from the HP web site and is supported on nearly all major operating systems.

See www.hp.com/support/tapetools for compatibility information, updates and the latest version of the tool.

### Do I need additional items for installation?

- You will need to order the correct size SCSI cables and terminators to suit the particular configuration of your tape array. Cable and terminator options are listed at the HP tape array support web site: www.hp.com/support/tapearray, and can be ordered from your local HP sales office. Refer to your tape array's Getting Started Guide for details of how to install SCSI cables and terminators on the rear panel of the tape array. The latest version of this document can also be downloaded from www.hp.com/support/tapearray.
- If you do not have a spare, suitably rated SCSI connector on your server, you must install a new HBA (also known as a SCSI card). The SCSI bus rating should match or be higher than the SCSI rating of your tape drive. See Table 2, "supported SCSI bus types," on page 11 for recommended HBAs. For specific details relevant to your server model please refer to www.hp.com/go/connect. You will need to purchase and install the new HBA into an unused, 64-bit PCI expansion slot within your server before installing your tape drive. (The kit can also be installed in a 32-bit PCI expansion slot, but this will limit performance on higher-performance drives, such as Ultrium 960.)

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

# Backup software and drivers

## **Backup software**

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

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

## Drivers

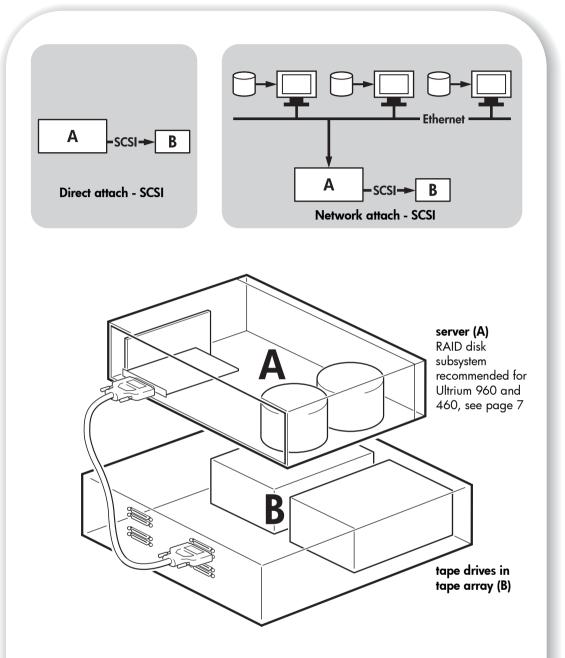
#### Windows users

After you connect the tape drive, insert the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM and follow the link to download the HP driver from our web site: <a href="https://www.hp.com/support">www.hp.com/support</a>, see "Step 4: Verify installation" on page 17. Refer to the accompanying README file for specific installation instructions for Windows 2000, Windows XP and Windows Server 2003 drivers.

**Note:** We recommend that you install drivers from the web link on the CD-ROM rather than the Windows Hardware Installation Wizard, because you can also use HP Library & Tape Tools software on the CD-ROM to verify that your installation is correct (see "Step 4: Verify installation" on page 17). If you do not have internet access, you can also install drivers directly from the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM, but these may not be the latest versions available.

### UNIX and OpenVMS users

The recommended backup applications use the operating system's standard, built-in device drivers. To upgrade drivers we recommend that you patch to the latest version of the operating system, following the instructions in the patch documentation. You will also find information about configuring device files in the *Configuration Guides* on the CD-ROM.



|             | Direct Attach | Across the Network                  |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Ultrium 960 | Yes           | Requires careful design, see page 7 |
| Ultrium 460 | Yes           | Yes                                 |
| Ultrium 230 | Yes           | Yes                                 |

Figure 1: usage models

# Usage models

The tape drive is installed in a tape array (B), which can be used in a standalone or network environment. The tape array should always be directly attached to a VHD SCSI connector on the storage server (A), as shown in Figure 1.

### **Recommended models**

The following table shows the recommended usage models and "Optimizing performance" on page 31 provides further information about factors that can affect performance.

|             | Direct Attach,<br>single storage server  | Across the Network, single storage server, multiple clients  |
|-------------|--|--|
| Ultrium 960 | Recommended<br>use a RAID disk subsystem | Requires careful design to utilize the<br>drive's performance capabilities,<br>even Gigabit Ethernet will limit<br>performance |
| Ultrium 460 | Recommended                              | Recommended<br>anything less than Gigabit Ethernet<br>may limit performance  |
| Ultrium 230 | Recommended                              | Recommended  |

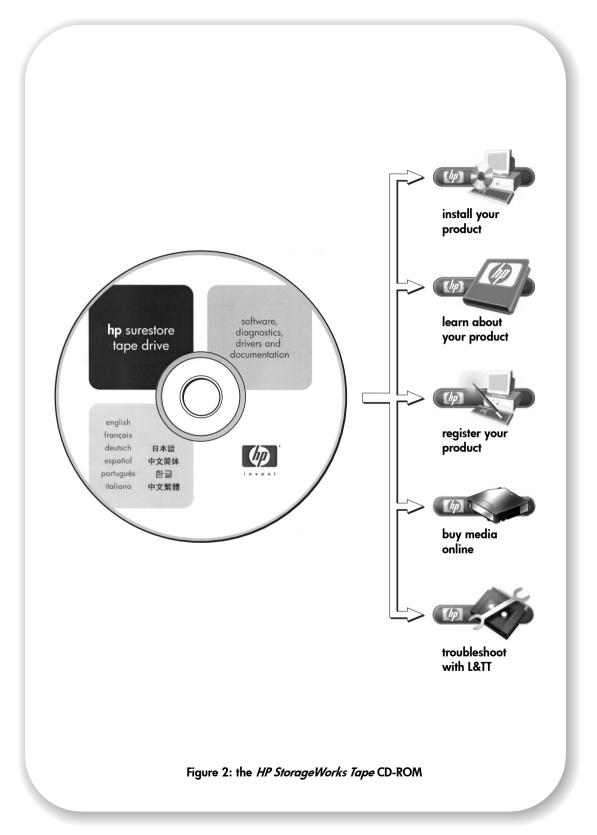
**Note:** For Ultrium 460 and 230 drives, a RAID disk subsystem is also good practice, but a single disk may be sufficient, if it is a fast disk, such as a 15K RPM drive, and depending on your data's compressibility. You can use our free performance assessment tools, which are available standalone or integrated into HP Library & Tape Tools, to check tape performance and test whether your disk subsystem can supply data at the optimum transfer rate. You can also use these tools to calibrate your restore performance and maximal tape performance with more compressible data.

#### table 1: recommended usage models

### Other models

The tape drive may work with other usage models, such as network attach storage (NAS) and storage area networks (SAN), but HP does not currently provide technical support for installing and using standalone Ultrium tape drives with these architectures. Similarly, connection to fibre channel may be possible, if you purchase and install a fibre channel/SCSI bridge, but it is not currently a supported option.

Please check www.hp.com/go/connect for the latest supported configurations.

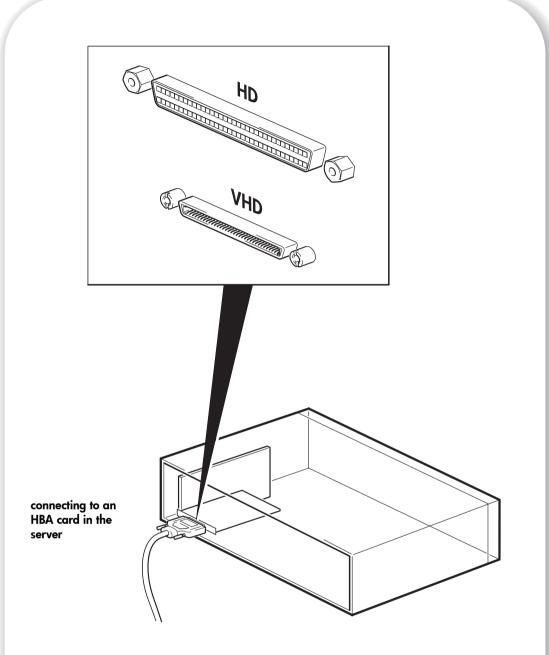


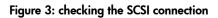
# Using the CD-ROM

The *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM is a central source of information about your tape drive with utilities for getting the best performance from your tape drive.

Use the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM to check installation, as described in this guide, and to verify and troubleshoot performance after installation. It helps you to:

- Install your product, which includes access to drivers, an installation check, and performance information and tools
- Learn about your product, which includes an online User's Guide and UNIX and OpenVMS Configuration Guides.
- Register you product
- Buy media online
- Troubleshoot with HP Library & Tape Tools.

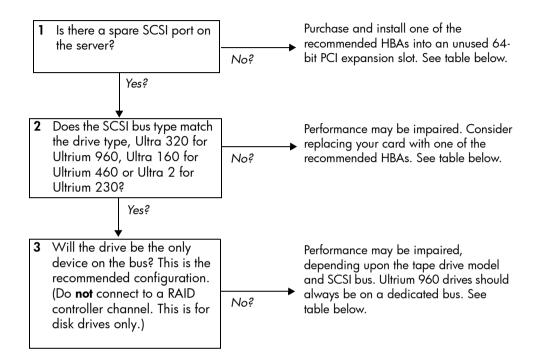




# Step 1: Check the SCSI connection

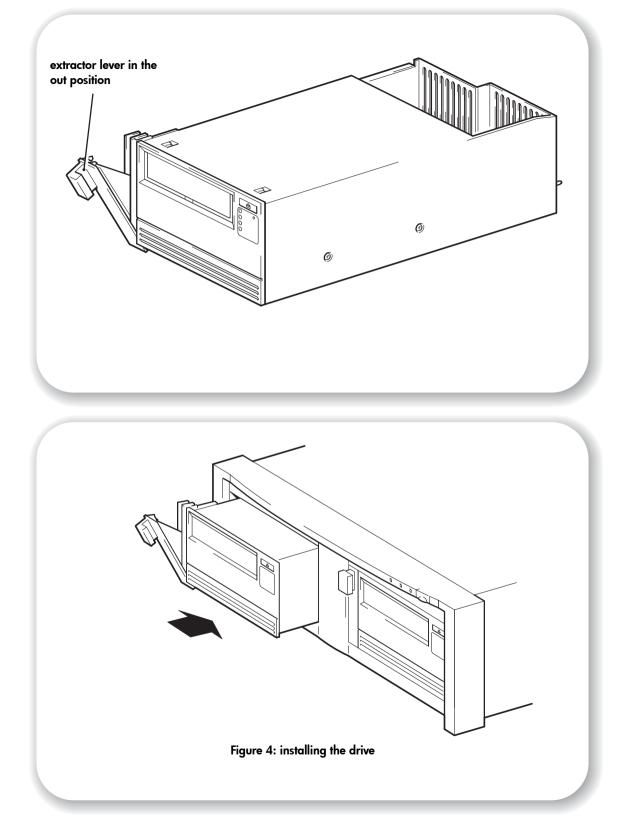
Use the following questions to help you check your SCSI connection. Most users can use HP Library & Tape Tools to check the SCSI bus, see page 29. If you answer 'Yes' to all these questions, you are ready to install your tape drive. If you answer 'No', you will probably need to purchase and install additional items.

For product details, go to www.hp.com/go/connect.



| SCSI Bus Type                | Transfer Speed |   | Recommended for                          |   |
|------------------------------|----------------|---|--|---|
|                              |                | 960   | 460                                      | 230   |
| Ultra 320 LVD                | Up to 320 MB/s | Yes, one drive<br>only per bus  | Yes, for up to two<br>460 drives per bus | Yes   |
| Ultra 160 LVD                | Up to 160 MB/s | Acceptable  | Yes, one drive only<br>per bus           | Yes, for up to two<br>230 drives per bus      |
| Ultra 2 LVD                  | Up to 80 MB/s  | No  | Acceptable                               | Yes, one drive only<br>per bus                |
| Single-ended,<br>wide        | Up to 40 MB/s  | No  | No                                       | Acceptable, but it will restrict performance. |
|                              |                | Do <b>not</b> connect to a narrow SCSI bus.                             |  |   |
| High Voltage<br>Differential | Up to 40 MB/s  | No. The drive will not work and you may damage the drive or controller. |  |   |

#### table 2: supported SCSI bus types

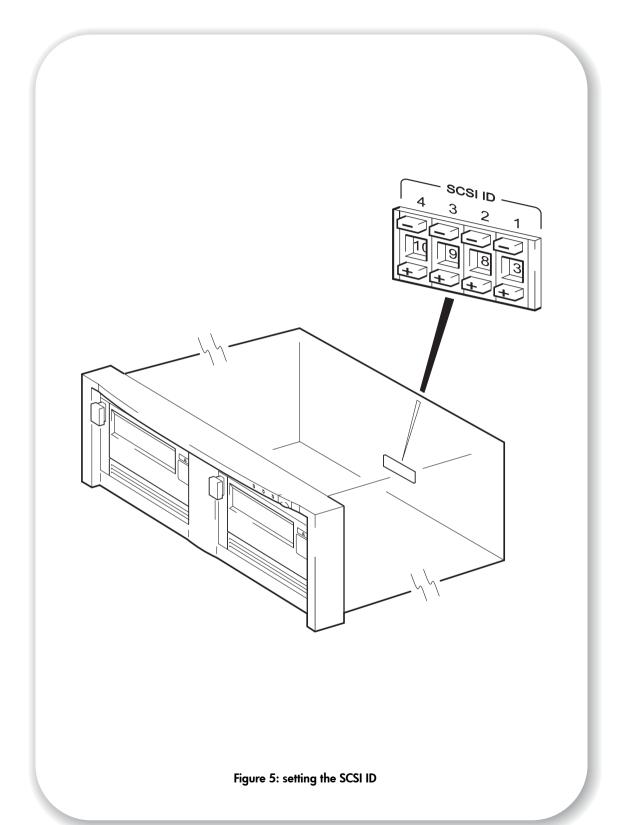


## Step 2: Install the drive

Airflow requirements for the tape drive are 6 cfm (0.17m<sup>3</sup>/minute or 10.08m<sup>3</sup>/hour) at up to 35 C ambient operation. This rises to 8 cfm for up to 40 C ambient operation. Ventilation must be adequate at the front and rear of the Tape Array unit to ensure that this is maintained.

- 1 Ensure that the extractor lever on the drive is in the *out* position, as shown in Figure 4.
- 2 Lift the drive carefully.
- **3** Align the rear of the drive with the guides on the side of the tape array.
- 4 Slide the drive along the guides, until the connectors on the back mate with the connectors at the back of the enclosure.
- 5 Push the extractor lever in until it locks the drive in position.

The HP StorageWorks Tape Array 5300 is designed to provide adequate airflow for up to two full-height tape drives (like the HP StorageWorks Ultrium 230, 460 or 960 drives) or up to four half-height drives. If you are installing only one full-height drive in the tape array, you must use blanking plates in the unused bay. See the documentation with the tape array for details on installing blanking plates.



## Step 3: Set the drive's SCSI ID

To set the tape drive's SCSI ID you need to set the appropriate switch on the rear of the tape array. The number of address switches corresponds to the number of tape drives that can be inserted into the tape array. Each drive can be assigned any unused ID between 0 and 15. Do not use SCSI ID 7, which is reserved for the SCSI controller, or SCSI ID 0, which is typically assigned to the boot disk.

1 Decide which SCSI ID to use.

For most operating systems you can run HP Library & Tape Tools from the *HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM* to check your computer's SCSI configuration. This will provide information about the SCSI bus and the SCSI IDs currently in use. To do this, select the 'troubleshoot with L&TT' option from the CD-ROM menu. (See also page 29.)

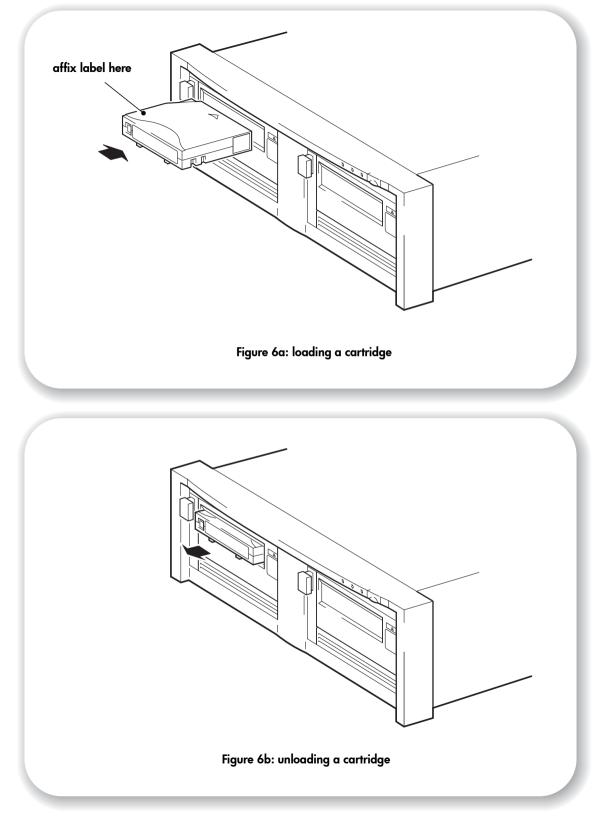
2 Set the appropriate switch. Figure 5 shows the address switch on the back panel of the HP StorageWorks Tape Array 5300.

The HP StorageWorks Tape Array 5300 has four SCSI ID switches to enable the installation of up to four half-height drives. When installing two HP StorageWorks Ultrium full-height tape drives, use SCSI ID switches 1 and 2 only.

**3** Make sure that a SCSI terminator is attached to the appropriate SCSI-OUT connector on the back of the tape array.

Do **not** daisy-chain Ultrium 960 tape drives. Up to two Ultrium 460 tape drives may be daisychained, but is not recommended. If you do so, install your tape drives on an Ultra 320 SCSI bus. Similarly, up to two Ultrium 230 drives may be installed on an Ultra 160 SCSI bus. Do not mix drive families..

If you daisy-chain devices, make sure that each device on the same SCSI bus has a unique SCSI ID. Do not daisy-chain more than two devices on the same SCSI bus and make sure that the end device is terminated.



# Step 4: Verify installation

## **Check operation**

- Switch on the tape array and the server. The tape drive will run its hardware self-test, which takes about 5 seconds. If self-test passes, the green Ready LED flashes and then shows steady green. If the test fails, the Drive Error and Tape Error LEDs flash, while the Ready and Clean (or Use Cleaning Cartridge) LEDs are off. This continues until the drive is reset. See "LEDs during self-test" on page 40 for more information about the LEDs.
- 2 Install drivers and backup software.

On Windows systems, the Windows Hardware Installation wizard is displayed automatically. We recommend that you close the wizard and install the drivers from the link on the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM. Insert the CD-ROM, select "install your product" and then select "get drivers". For all operating systems ensure that you have downloaded any upgrades necessary for your backup application (see page 5).

**3** Verify that the tape drive installation was successful.

Select "install your product" from the link on the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM and then select "install check". See page 29 for more information.

The UNIX Configuration Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM also includes a verification procedure.

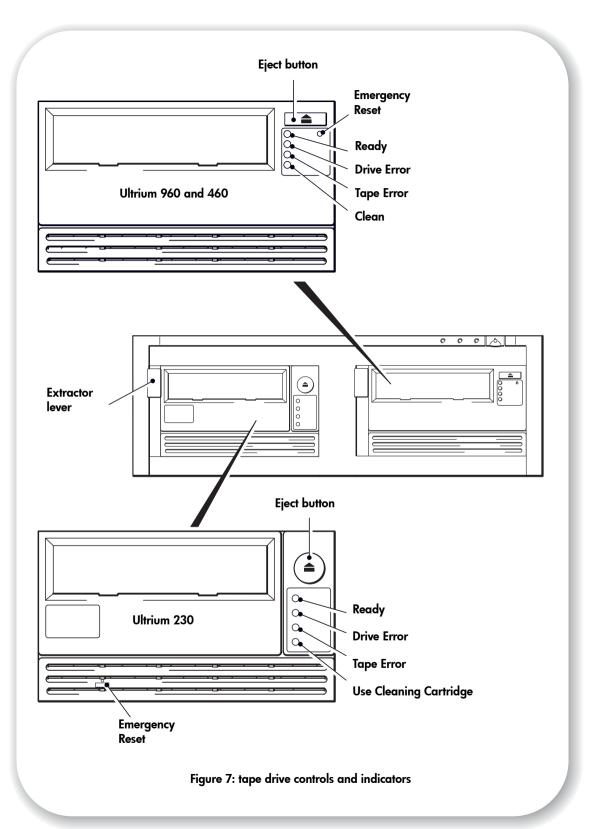
- **Note** If you encounter a problem during this verification procedure, turn to "Troubleshooting" on page 33 for help in diagnosing and fixing the problem.
  - 4 Carry out a backup and restore test to check that the drive can write data to tape. Refer to your backup application documentation for specific instructions. Use the blank cartridge supplied with the tape drive. See "Use the correct media" on page 21 for more information about recommended cartridges.

## To load a cartridge

- Insert the cartridge into the slot in the front of the drive with the white arrow uppermost and facing the drive door. Apply gentle pressure until the drive takes the cartridge and loads it. (See Figure 6a.)
- 2 The Ready light flashes green while the drive performs its load sequence. When the cartridge is loaded, the Ready light shows steady green.

## To unload a cartridge

- **Caution** Never try to remove a cartridge before it is fully ejected and avoid powering off the tape drive while a cartridge is still loaded (because the tape loses tension in the power-off state).
  - 1 Press the Eject button on the front panel. (See Figure 6b.)
  - 2 The drive will complete its current task, rewind the tape to the beginning, and eject the cartridge. The rewind process may take up to 15 minutes. The Ready light will flash to indicate that the unload is still in progress.



## Your HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drive

Your Ultrium tape drive has four LEDs (light emitting diodes) on the front panel, which indicate drive status. These LEDs provide useful troubleshooting information, see also "Understanding the LEDs" on page 40. See page 17 for more information about using the eject button in normal operation and page 44 for details about force eject and emergency reset.

## Front panel LEDs

There are four LEDs as illustrated in the diagram. (See Figure 7.)

#### Ready (top, green)

- On: the drive is ready for use
- Off: the drive power is off or there was a failure during self-test
- Flashing: the drive is busy
- Flashing repeated pattern: the drive is in OBDR mode

#### Drive Error (second, amber)

- Off: no fault has been detected
- Flashing: the drive mechanism has detected a hardware error.

#### Tape Error (third, amber)

- Off: no fault has been detected
- Flashing: the tape currently in the drive is faulty. This LED could come on for a number of reasons, but they all relate to the tape being in error in some way, such as unreadable cartridge memory or unsupported tape. Do not use the cartridge; replace it. The LED will go out when a tape load is started.

#### Clean (Ultrium 960 and 460) or Use Cleaning Cartridge (Ultrium 230) - bottom, amber

- On: cleaning cartridge in use
- Off: the drive does not require cleaning
- Flashing: the drive needs cleaning

## Accessibility features

The front panel of the HP StorageWorks Ultrium 960 and 460 tape drive has been designed for increased accessibility for persons with disabilities. This includes larger font labeling of the Status LEDs and an Eject button that has been designed for ease of use.



Figure 8: write-protecting cartridges

## Use the correct media

For best performance we recommend HP branded media. Order online at: www.hp.com/go/storagemedia/ultrium.

## Data cartridges

HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives use Ultrium tape cartridges. These are single-reel cartridges that match your drive's format and are optimized for high capacity, throughput and reliability. Compatible media can be recognized by the Ultrium logo, which is the same as the logo on the front of your drive. Do not use other format cartridges in your tape drive and do not use Ultrium cartridges in other format tape drives.

For optimum performance always use a data cartridge that matches the specification of your tape drive, (see Table 3). A lower specification will have a lower transfer speed and may not support write activities; a higher specification will not support read or write. We recommend:

- Ultrium 800 GB RW\* (C7973A) and Ultrium 800 GB\* WORM tape cartridges for use with Ultrium 960 tape drives.
- Ultrium 400 GB\* tape cartridges (C7972A) for use with Ultrium 460 tape drives.
- Ultrium 200 GB\* tape cartridges (C7971A) for use with Ultrium 230 tape drives.
- \* All values assume 2:1 compression.

|                      | Ultrium 960 drives       | Ultrium 460 drives | Ultrium 230 drives |
|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Type of cartridge    |                          |                    |                    |
| Ultrium 800 GB*      | Write and Read           | No                 | No                 |
| Ultrium WORM 800 GB* | Write Once, Read<br>Many | No                 | No                 |
| Ultrium 400 GB*      | Write and Read           | Write and Read     | No                 |
| Ultrium 200 GB*      | Read only                | Write and Read     | Write and Read     |

#### table 3: Ultrium data cartridge and HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drive compatibility

#### WORM data cartridges

The HP Ultrium StorageWorks 960 tape drive includes support for both rewriteable and WORM data cartridges. Write-Once, Read-Many (WORM) data cartridges provide for an enhanced level of data security against accidental or malicious alteration of data on the tape cartridge. The WORM data cartridge can be appended to maximize the full capacity of the tape cartridge, but the user will be unable to erase or overwrite data on the cartridge. WORM data cartridges are clearly identified by their distinctive, two-tone cartridge color.

To check whether your backup or archive software application supports WORM cartridges, refer to the following web site: www.hp.com/go/connect.

For information on how your HP Ultrium StorageWorks 960 tape drive and WORM cartridge can help your business meet Information Lifecycle Management and regulatory compliance requirements, please refer to the HP Business Support Center at: www.hp.com.

## Write-protecting cartridges

If you want to protect the data on a cartridge from being altered or overwritten, you can writeprotect the cartridge.

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

- To write-protect a cartridge, slide the red tab by the label area on the rear face of the cartridge to close the hole. Note the padlock on the tab that indicates that the cartridge is protected.
- To write-enable a cartridge, slide the red tab back so that the hole is open before loading it into the drive. Figure 8 illustrates the location of the write-protect tab.

Write-protection will not prevent a cartridge being erased by bulk-erasure or degaussing. **Do not bulk erase Ultrium format cartridges.** This will destroy pre-recorded servo information and make the cartridge unusable.

## **Cleaning cartridges**

You must use Ultrium cleaning cartridges with HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives, as other cleaning cartridges will not load and run. We recommend the HP Ultrium universal cleaning cartridge (see table 3). Unlike some earlier Generation 1 Ultrium cleaning cartridges, the orange-colored Ultrium universal cleaning cartridge is designed to work with any Ultrium-compliant drive. Do not use other format cartridges in your tape drive and do not use Ultrium cartridges in other format tape drives.

| Type of cartridge | Recommended cartridge     | Other options  |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Cleaning          | cartridge C7978A (Orange) | HP Ultrium 1 cartridge C7979A (Blue).<br>Do not use other Ultrium 1 (IBM/Seagate)<br>cartridges. |

#### table 4: cleaning cartridge compatibility

#### To clean the tape drive

HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives do not require regular cleaning. An Ultrium universal cleaning cartridge is supplied with each tape drive and should only be used when the orange Clean (Ultrium 960 and 460) or Use Cleaning Cartridge (Ultrium 230) LED is flashing.

- 1 Insert the Ultrium universal cleaning cartridge.
- 2 The drive will carry out its cleaning cycle and eject the cartridge on completion (which can take up to 5 minutes). During the cleaning cycle the orange Clean (Ultrium 960 and 460) or Use Cleaning Cartridge (Ultrium 230) LED will be on solidly and the green Ready LED will flash.

Each HP Ultrium universal cleaning cartridge cleaning cartridge can be used up to 50 times with Ultrium 960 and Ultrium 460 tape drives, and up to 15 times with Ultrium 230 tape drives. (HP Ultrium 1 cleaning cartridges can only be used up to 15 times with any tape drive.) If the cleaning cartridge is ejected immediately with the Tape Error LED on, it has expired.

## **Caring for cartridges**

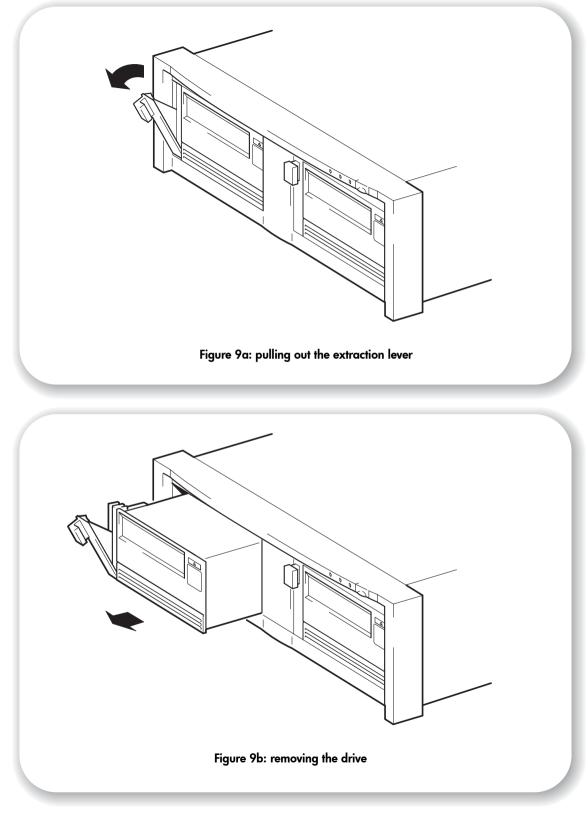
It is important that you look after your HP media and adhere to the recommended guidelines. See "Looking after cartridges" on page 44.

## Register your tape drive

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

To ensure your registration is complete, there are a number of questions on the electronic form that are mandatory. Other questions are optional. However, the more you feel able to complete, the better we can meet your needs.

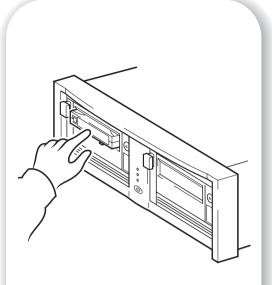
**Note** HP and its subsidiaries are committed to respecting and protecting your privacy. For further information, please visit our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com) and click on Privacy Statement.



# **Replacing the drive**

HP StorageWorks Ultrium removable drives can be removed and replaced without powering down the tape array. However you should be aware of the following:

- If all drives in the tape array are powered up when the system is turned on, the host will be aware of those drives. You can remove any of those drives and replace it with another drive as long as there is no activity on the bus.
- Do not remove or add drives to a bus that already has drives connected and running, for example backing up or restoring data. Wait until there is no activity on the bus before removing or adding drives.
- If a drive is not powered up or you place a drive in an empty slot *after* the system has been powered up, the system will have to be reset before the host will recognize the drive.
- The SCSI IDs are controlled by the tape array, not by the drives themselves, so if you remove a drive and replace it with another the ID will not change.
- 1 Pull the extraction lever of the drive that you want to replace so that it is in the out position. (See Figure 9a.)
- **2** Using the extraction lever, pull the drive gently and firmly out of the tape array. (See Figure 9b.)
- **3** To insert another drive, follow the instructions in "Step 2: Install the drive" on page 13.



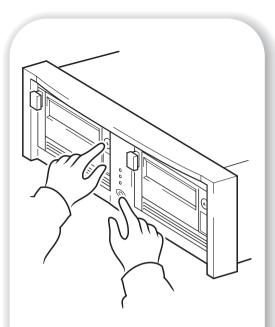


Figure 10a: using HP OBDR, step 1

Figure 10c: using HP OBDR, step 3

Figure 10b: using HP OBDR, step 2

# Using HP OBDR

## Compatibility

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

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

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

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

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

## What does HP OBDR do?

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

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

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

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

## Remote disaster recovery (ProLiant servers only)

The HP Remote Insight Lights-Out Edition (RILOE) on ProLiant servers gives the IT Administrator the ability to completely recover a failed server at a remote location without physically traveling to where the server resides. The on-site, non-technical person need only insert the bootable cartridge into the tape drive, when asked to do so by the administrator. Refer to the HP OBDR web site at www.hp.com/go/obdr for more information about using this feature and compatibility.

## Testing for compatibility

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

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

## **Running HP OBDR**

HP OBDR can only be used with backup applications that support one-button disaster recovery and methods of operating OBDR will vary between different software companies.

Check our World Wide Web site (www.hp.com/go/obdr) for the latest information about firmware upgrades and troubleshooting before you use HP OBDR.

- Insert the latest bootable cartridge in the tape drive that you have assigned to HP OBDR (see Figure 10a). The cartridge must be written by a backup application that writes data to tape in CD-ROM format.
- 2 Hold down the eject button of the tape drive. Keeping the eject button pressed down, power on your tape array and server (see Figure 10b). This activates the HP One-Button Disaster Recovery process. Release the button as soon as the Ready LED on the front panel flashes in the OBDR sequence. This is a repeated pattern of: flashing-steady on-flashing.

#### Keyboard shortcut for HP ProLiant servers

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

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

### If restore fails

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

# **Diagnostic tools**

## **HP Library & Tape Tools**

HP StorageWorks Library & Tape Tools is the recommended diagnostic and support tool for your HP tape storage product. It is available on the CD shipped with your product or as a free download from the HP web site. It is supported on nearly all major operating systems.

See www.hp.com/support/tapetools for compatibility information, updates and the latest version of the tool.

### Checking drive installation with Library & Tape Tools

The tape drivers must already be installed to run this check. You will also need to provide a tape cartridge that can be written to during the test.

- 1 From the HP StorageWorks CD, select "install your product" and then "install check". This will run Library & Tape Tools directly from the CD (no installation on the server) in a special mode for installation checking.
- 2 Select the appropriate tests to verify the installation of your drive.
  - Verify device connectivity
  - Verify configuration (bus and driver configuration)
  - Verify drive health (writing and reading to a test cartridge)
  - Verify drive performance (data rates to the drive)
  - Verify system performance (data rates from the disk subsystem)
  - Verify drive cooling
- **3** At the end of the test you will be given a summary of the test results and recommendations to resolve any issues found.

## Troubleshooting with Library & Tape Tools

1 From the HP StorageWorks CD, select "troubleshoot".

This will allow you to run Library & Tape Tools in standard mode, either directly from the CD (no installation on the server) or as an installation on your server. HP recommends installation of Library & Tape Tools, so that it can be quickly accessed at any time. HP Support will also request that you use Library & Tape Tools should you need to contact them in the future, so it is a good idea to have it installed.

- 2 When Library & Tape Tools is first run, it will scan for HP tape drives and libraries on your system and ask you to select the one to work with. At this time you can see the HBA configuration of your server, how your devices are connected and the SCSI IDs of those devices.
- **3** Once you have selected your device you have a number of choices for troubleshooting.
  - Device identification: shows part number, serial number and information about any cartridge loaded
  - Firmware upgrade: allows you to locate and upgrade to the latest firmware. You will need

to be connected to the internet for this.

- Run tests: allows you to run proactive tests on your drive, such as the drive assessment test, which will verify the functionality of your drive in around 20 minutes. HP recommends running this test before calling HP Support. You will need to provide a 'trusted' cartridge that can be written to during this test.
- Generate a support ticket: this is a full dump of the drive logs along with interpretation and is used by HP Support to learn about the condition of your drive. Most useful is the device analysis section which is the output from approximately 20 rules forming a comprehensive analysis of the health of your drive. These rules may give advice such as cleaning the head or trying a different tape if issues are found. The support ticket can be sent to HP Support for further analysis.
- Run the performance tests: the tests to measure the write/read performance of your tape drive and the data generation rates of your disk subsystem are also integrated into Library & Tape Tools. Use these tests to find the performance bottleneck in your system.

### Performance Assessment Tools

For maximum performance your disk sub-system needs to be able to supply data at 80 MB/ second (uncompressed) for Ultrium 960 drives, 30 MB/second (uncompressed) for Ultrium 460 drives and 15 MB/second (uncompressed) for Ultrium 230 drives.

You can use our free, standalone performance assessment tools to check tape performance and test whether your disk subsystem can supply data at the maximum transfer rate.

The tools are located online at www.hp.com/support/pat along with a complete guide to understanding the performance needs of your backup system and recommendations on finding and fixing performance issues. In nearly all cases when performance is not as expected, it is the data rates of the disk subsystem that cause the bottleneck. Please follow the guide and try the tools before calling HP Support.

Note that the performance tools are also integrated into HP Library & Tape Tools, which is available both online (www.hp.com/support/tapetools) and on the CD-ROM supplied with your tape drive.

# **Optimizing performance**

We strongly recommend that you check the information on our web site at www.hp.com/ support/pat. This contains detailed support information that will enable you to identify bottlenecks and take full advantage of the performance capabilities of the Ultrium family of tape drives.

Various factors can affect data throughput, particularly in a network environment or if the drive is not on a dedicated SCSI bus. If your tape drive is not performing as well as expected—for example, if backup windows are longer than expected—consider the points in this section before contacting HP Support at www.hp.com/support.

## Is the tape drive on a dedicated SCSI bus?

We recommend that the tape drive is the only device on the SCSI bus. If it is not, ensure other devices are LVD-compliant. If they are single-ended, the bus will switch to single-ended mode with a lower transfer speed. There will also be restrictions on cable length.

Auto termination powers down when the tape drive powers down. This can cause a problem, if there are other devices on the SCSI bus.

### Can your system deliver the required performance?

- The Ultrium 960 tape drive can write uncompressed data at up to 80 MB/s (288 GB/hour) or compressed data at up to 160 MB/s (576 GB/hour), assuming 2:1 compression. These drives are extremely high-performance devices. If performance is not meeting expectations, the problem almost certainly lies with the system architecture.
- The Ultrium 460 tape drive can write uncompressed data at up to 30 MB/s (108 GB/hour) or compressed data at up to 60 MB/s (216 GB/hour), assuming 2:1 compression.
- The Ultrium 230 tape drive can write uncompressed data at up to 15 MB/s (54 GB/hour) or compressed data at up to 30 MB/s (108 GB/hour), assuming 2:1 compression.

To get this performance it is essential that your whole system can deliver this performance. In most cases, the backup application will provide details of the average time taken at the end of the backup.

Typical areas where bottlenecks can occur are:

• Disk subsystem

A single spindle disk will not be able to deliver good data throughput for an Ultrium 960, at any compression ratio. To maximize the capability of your Ultrium 960 drive, utilize aggregated disk sources (RAID) with multiple disk spindles.

A single spindle disk may well be sufficient for an Ultrium 460 or 230 depending on your data's compressibility. Best practice to ensure good throughput is to utilize multiple disk spindles or data sources.

#### • System architecture

Be aware of the architecture of your data protection environment; multiple clients backed up over a network may mean you are unable to take advantage of the Ultrium 960 because the Ethernet infrastructure connecting such systems may limit performance.

For Ultrium 460 and 230 drives, the aggregation of multiple client sources over a network remains a good way of delivering good performance. Some enterprise class backup applications can be made to interleave data from multiple sources, such as clients or disks, to keep the tape drive working at optimum performance.

#### • Tape media type

The data cartridge should match the specification of the tape drive. A lower specification will have a lower transfer speed (see "Data cartridges" on page 21). Use Ultrium 800 GB or Ultrium 800 GB WORM cartridges with Ultrium 960 tape drives, Ultrium 400 GB cartridges with Ultrium 460 tape drives and Ultrium 200 GB cartridges with Ultrium 230 tape drives.

#### • Data and file types

The type of data being backed up or restored can affect performance. Typically, small files incur greater overhead in processing and access than large files. Equally, data that is not compressible will always limit the speed at which the drive can write/read data. You will achieve no more than native rates with uncompressible data.

Examples of files that compress well are plain text files, spreadsheets; those that compress poorly are those that are either compressed as part of their format (such as, JPEG photographic files) or stored as compressed (such as, .ZIP files or .gz/.Z files on Unix platforms).

# Troubleshooting

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

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

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

- If you encounter a problem during installation and need further clarification, refer to the "Problems encountered during installation" section on page 34.
- If a problem arises during testing after you have installed the drive, refer to the symptombased section "Testing after installation" on page 36.
- For more information about LED sequences, refer to "Understanding the LEDs" on page 40.
- For information about cartridges, refer to "Problems with cartridges" on page 44.

Most users can use HP Library & Tape Tools to help them diagnose problems, see page 29.

### Web troubleshooting guide

Please refer also to the detailed troubleshooting guide on the web at www.hp.com/go/ support. This contains the most comprehensive and up-to-date troubleshooting information.

## Problems encountered during installation

## Unpacking

| Description                                    | Further information   |
|--|---|
| Some parts appear to be missing or<br>damaged. | Contact your vendor if any parts need replacing.<br>Note that SCSI cables and terminators are not<br>shipped with your tape drive, or with the tape<br>array. You need to order the correct size cables<br>and terminators to suit your particular<br>configuration. Cable and terminator options are<br>listed at the HP tape array support web site:<br>//www.hp.com/support/tapearray. |

## It is unclear which SCSI ID to use

| Description  | Further information   |
|--|---|
| It is uncertain which ID numbers are<br>available. | Use HP Library & Tape Tools (see page 29) to<br>provide information on your current SCSI settings.<br>The HP StorageWorks Ultrium drive has its SCSI ID<br>set to 3 by default. This should be left unchanged<br>unless this number is already in use. Full<br>instructions on how to change the SCSI ID are<br>given on page 15. |

## How should the SCSI bus be configured?

| Description                           | Further information  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| with multiple drives can be a complex | Refer also to the "SCSI Configuration" section in<br>the online User's Guide on the<br><i>HP StorageWorks Tape</i> CD-ROM. |

## How should the SCSI bus be terminated?

| Description  | Further information  |
|--|--|
| It is unclear if the bus is already<br>terminated or where an additional<br>terminator should be placed. | <ul> <li>Both ends of a SCSI bus must be terminated.<br/>Assuming that the host bus adapter is already correctly terminated, there are typically two possibilities:</li> <li>The tape drive is being connected in a direct one-to-one configuration to the host server - termination must be used.</li> <li>The tape drive is being daisy-chained with other tape devices onto the host server - only the last device must be terminated.</li> <li>The terminator plugs directly onto either SCSI connection on the rear of the tape array.</li> <li>Terminators must be ordered separately.</li> <li>Refer also to the "SCSI Configuration" section in the online User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM.</li> </ul> |

#### Is the correct SCSI host bus adapter installed?

| Description  | Further information   |
|--|---|
| The server already has a SCSI host bus<br>adapter but it is difficult to determine<br>what type it is. | If your server is in its original configuration (no<br>SCSI adapters have been added or removed) then<br>use www.hp.com/go/connect to check the<br>compatibility of your system. You can also check<br>the SCSI configuration from the boot-up screen or<br>from the Windows Control Panel, or by using HP<br>Library & Tape Tools (see page 29). |
| The server may not have a SCSI host bus adapter installed.   | Use HP Library & Tape Tools (see page 29) to<br>check whether you have a SCSI host adapter on<br>your system. If not, you will need to purchase one.  |

| Description   | Further information  |
|---|--|
| It is unclear whether there is a need to<br>install drivers onto the system and more<br>help is required. | Detailed information specific to your system can be<br>found on the www.hp.com/go/connect web<br>site.<br>For support on Windows operating systems,<br>drivers can be obtained from the<br><i>HP StorageWorks Tape</i> CD-ROM or from<br>www.hp.com/support/ultrium. For support<br>on UNIX systems, see the UNIX Configuration<br>section in the online User's Guide on the<br><i>HP StorageWorks Tape</i> CD-ROM.<br>(Backup software that states support for<br>HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drives also provides<br>the required drivers.) |
| The required drivers do not appear to be available.   | Future drivers will be provided via the support web site when they become available.   |

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

#### Testing after installation

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

**Caution** Never power off the drive while a cartridge is still loaded or during a firmware upgrade.

The server does not reboot after installation

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

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

# The server boots but does not recognize the tape drive

#### The computer no longer recognizes the tape drive

| Possible reason   | Recommended action   |
|---|--|
| You powered up the drive or added it to<br>the tape array after the host system was<br>turned on. | The host computer system only identifies which<br>IDs are present on SCSI buses after power-on or<br>a reset. To make the host look for devices on the<br>bus, you need to reset the host. You should be<br>able to do this using the SCSI management<br>software on your computer. As a last resort, you<br>could turn the host system off and on again |
| You changed the drive's SCSI ID after the host system was turned on.                              | <ul> <li>If you have replaced a drive that was recognized by the host, the host should recognize the new drive at the same SCSI ID as its predecessor.</li> <li>If you make any changes to SCSI IDs (on the back on the tape array), you need to reset the bus for the host to recognize the changes.</li> </ul>   |
| The drive is not inserted correctly.  | Check that the drive is properly inserted into the<br>tape array so that it mates with the connections<br>at the rear of the enclosure. The extraction lever<br>should be pushed in, locking the drive in<br>position.   |

| The SCSI bus is not terminated correctly. | <ul> <li>Check that the SCSI cable from the tape array is firmly connected to the SCSI connector in the computer.</li> <li>If there are other devices in the SCSI bus, make sure that each device has a unique ID. Use HP Library &amp; Tape Tools to find details of the devices on the bus.</li> <li>If there is more than one SCSI bus attached to your system, check that the system is looking for the drive on the correct SCSI bus.</li> <li>Make sure that the bus is terminated correctly. If the array is the only device or the last device on the bus, it must have a terminator fitted. If some other device is last on the bus, it should have a terminator fitted and the tape array should not.</li> </ul> |
|---|--|
| There is a fault with the host system.    | <ul> <li>Make sure that the system is configured to<br/>recognize the correct device at each SCSI ID.</li> <li>Ensure that the correct driver for the tape drive<br/>is installed. Look at the SCSI host adapter<br/>documentation and backup software<br/>documentation for further advice.</li> </ul>  |

# The application does not recognize the tape drive

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

### The drive does not work

| Possible reason  | Recommended action   |
|--|--|
| If the drive does not power up (all LEDs<br>are off), the power cable may not be<br>connected to the drive properly. | heck the power cable connection and replace the<br>cable if necessary. You can use the power cable<br>from your monitor or another device to check that<br>the connection is working. If the power supply is<br>present and all LEDs remain off, call for<br>assistance. |
| If the self-test fails (see "LEDs during self-<br>test" on page 40), there may be a<br>hardware or firmware failure. | If there is a cartridge in the drive, remove it. Reset<br>or power down the drive and power it up again.<br>If the self-test still fails, call for assistance.   |

### Cartridge-related problems

Please see "Problems with cartridges" on page 44.

# **Understanding the LEDs**

## LEDs during self-test



Ultrium 960 and 460



Ultrium 230

Your Ultrium tape drive has four LEDs (light emitting diodes) on the front panel, which indicate drive status, and two LEDs on the rear panel. These LEDs provide useful troubleshooting information.

The tape drive performs a power on self-test whenever power is applied or the drive is reset. The test takes about 5 seconds. The LED sequence for each drive is described in the following table.

|   | Ultrium 960 and 460   |   | Ultrium 230   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | The green Ready light flashes several<br>times and then remains on if self-test<br>passes. All other LEDs remain off.   | 1 | The green Ready light and the three orange<br>lights for the other LEDs flash briefly and then<br>go out.   |
| 2 | <ul> <li>2 If the self-test fails, the Drive Error and Tape Error LEDs flash, while the Ready and Clean LEDs are off. This continues until the drive is reset.</li> </ul> | 2 | The green Ready LED flashes and then remains on if self-test passes.  |
|   |   | 3 | If the self-test fails, the Drive Error and Tape<br>Error LEDs flash, while the Ready and Use<br>Cleaning Cartridge LEDs are off. This<br>continues until the drive is reset. |

#### table 5: self-test LED sequence

**Note** The LED labels are identical apart from the bottom one, which is Clean on the Ultrium 960 and 460 and Use Cleaning Cartridge on the Ultrium 230. All references to Clean in the following table should, therefore, read Use Cleaning Cartridge if you have an Ultrium 230 drive.

## Using the LEDs for troubleshooting

If you cannot resolve a problem, contact customer service at www.hp.com/support.

Use the following table to interpret the front panel LED sequences and the appropriate action to take, if any.

| LED<br>Sequence                           | Cause   | Action required   |
|---|---|---|
|   | All LEDs OFF.<br>Drive may not have   | Make sure the drive is switched on. The power on/off switch incorporates a green LED.   |
| 0000                                      | power, may be faulty or<br>may have been power<br>cycled or reset during a<br>firmware upgrade. | If this is not on, check the power cable connection<br>and replace the cable if necessary. You can use the<br>power cable from your monitor or another device to<br>check that the connection is working. |
|   |   | If the power supply is present and all LEDs remain off,<br>press emergency reset (see page 44) or power cycle<br>the drive. If it still fails, call for service.  |
| $\square$                                 | Ready and Clean OFF.  | Power cycle or reset the drive (see page 44).   |
|   | Drive Error and Tape Error<br>FLASHING.   | If the error condition reappears, call for service.   |
| Õ   | The drive has failed to execute power-on self test (POST).                                      |   |
|   | Ready is ON.  | None. This is normal.   |
|   | The drive is ready for operation.   |   |
|   | Ready is FLASHING.  | None.   |
| ●<br>○<br>○<br>○<br>○<br>○<br>○<br>○<br>○ | The drive is carrying out<br>a normal activity (read,<br>write).                                | If the drive is upgrading firmware, do not reset or<br>power cycle it.  |
|   | Ready is FLASHING-  | The drive is in OBDR mode.  |
| → - ●<br>○ then ○<br>○ ○ ○                | steady ON-FLASHING  | See "Running HP OBDR" on page 28 for further details.   |
| $\cup$ $\cup$                             |   |   |

| LED<br>Sequence | Cause  | Action required  |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|
|                 | Ready is FLASHING fast.<br>The drive is<br>downloading firmware.   | None.<br>Do not reset or power cycle the drive.  |  |
|                 | Ready is OFF, others are<br>ON.<br>Firmware is being<br>reprogrammed.  | None.<br>Do not reset or power cycle the drive.  |  |
|                 | Clean is FLASHING.<br>The drive requires<br>cleaning.  | Load the Ultrium cleaning cartridge. See page 22 for<br>supported cartridges and instructions.<br>If the Clean LED is still flashing when you load a new<br>or known data cartridge after cleaning, call for<br>service.   |  |
|                 | Ready is FLASHING and<br>Clean is ON.<br>Cleaning is in progress.  | None. The cleaning cartridge will eject on<br>completion.<br>The cleaning cycle can take up to 5 minutes to<br>complete.   |  |
|                 | <i>Tape Error is FLASHING.</i><br>The drive believes the<br>current tape or the tape<br>just ejected is faulty.  | Unload the tape cartridge. Make sure that you are<br>using the correct format cartridge; an Ultrium data<br>cartridge or Ultrium Universal cleaning cartridge.<br>(See page 22.)<br>Reload the cartridge. If the Tape Error LED still flashes<br>or starts flashing during the next backup, load a new<br>or known, good cartridge.<br>If the Tape Error LED is now off, discard the 'suspect'<br>tape cartridge. If it is still on, call for service. |  |
|                 | The tape is ejected<br>immediately and Tape<br>Error is FLASHING, or<br>Drive Error FLASHES on<br>unloading tape.<br>The tape cartridge<br>memory (CM) may be<br>faulty. | Write-protect the cartridge by sliding the red switch<br>on the tape cartridge. The tape can be loaded and<br>the data read. Once the data is recovered, the<br>cartridge must be discarded.   |  |
|                 | Drive Error FLASHING.<br>The drive mechanism<br>has detected an error.   | Load a new cartridge. If the error persists, power<br>cycle or reset the drive.<br>If the Drive Error LED remains on, call for service.  |  |

| LED<br>Sequence              | Cause  | Action required  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
|                              | Drive Error, Tape Error and<br>Ready FLASHING.<br>There is a firmware<br>download problem.   | Insert a cartridge to clear the LED sequence. If the condition persists, call for service.               |
| <pre>   then   then   </pre> | Drive Error and Ready ON<br>with Tape Error and Clean<br>OFF. Sequence alternates<br>repeatedly.<br>The drive has a<br>firmware error. | Power cycle or reset the drive.<br>Upgrade the firmware. If the condition persists, call<br>for service. |

# Problems with cartridges

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

- You are using the correct cartridge for your tape drive, see "Use the correct media" on page 21.
- The cartridge case is intact and that it contains no splits, cracks or damage.
- The cartridge has been stored at the correct temperature and humidity.
- The write-protect switch is fully operational. It should move from side to side with a positive click.
- The World Wide Web site for more detailed troubleshooting information: www.hp.com/support/ultrium.

### Looking after cartridges

- Do not touch the tape media.
- Do not attempt to clean the tape path or tape guides inside the cartridge.
- Do not leave cartridges in the drive. The tape loses tension in the power-of state, which can lead to problems, particularly if the drive has been moved.
- Do not leave cartridges in excessively dry or humid conditions.
- Do not leave cartridges in direct sunlight or in places where magnetic fields are present (for example, under telephones, next to monitors or near transformers).
- Do not drop cartridges or handle them roughly.
- Stick labels onto the label area only.
- Do not bulk erase Ultrium format cartridges.

#### Operating and storage environment

To prevent condensation and for long life, the cartridge should only be operated or stored as follows:

- Day-to-day storage (in plastic container): 16° C to 32° C (60° F to 90° F)
- Operation: 10° C to 45° C (50° F to 113° F)
- Humidity: 20% to 80% Relative Humidity

Tapes intended for archiving data should be stored in the plastic containers, at temperatures between 5°C and 23°C (41°F and 73°F) and 10% to 50% relative humidity. Wet bulb temperature should not exceed 26°C (78°F).

We also recommend storing cartridges on their side.

# Cartridge is jammed

If the cartridge is jammed or the backup application is unable to eject it, you can force eject the cartridge. It is good practice to run Llbrary & Tape Tools to diagnose the problem. If the failure occurs regularly, contact customer service at www.hp.com/support.

- 1 Press and hold the Eject button on the front of the tape drive for 10 seconds.
- 2 Wait for the cartridge to be ejected. This process may take up to 15 minutes (the maximum

rewind time). It is important that you allow sufficient time for the drive to complete this process. If you interrupt it, you may damage the media or the tape drive.

- **3** If the cartridge is still jammed, press the emergency reset button as shown on page 19. (Use the tip of a paperclip to press the button.)
- 4 Wait for the drive to reset and get back to the loaded position. The Ready light stops flashing. This process may take up to 15 minutes (the maximum rewind time) to complete.
- **5** Press and hold the Eject button for 10 seconds.

If the cartridge is still jammed, the tape drive has failed. Contact customer service at www.hp.com/support.

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

The cartridge is probably incompatible, check Table 3, "Ultrium data cartridge and HP StorageWorks Ultrium tape drive compatibility," on page 21 and Table 4, "cleaning cartridge compatibility," on page 22. If the cartridge is compatible, it may have been damaged, for example it may have been dropped, the cartridge memory may be corrupted or the drive may have a fault.

- **Caution** Never force the cartridge into the drive.
  - 1 Check that the drive has power (the power cable is properly connected and the ready LED is on).
  - 2 Check that you are using the correct media. Only use Ultrium media, we recommend the HP Ultrium 800 GB cartridge or 800 GB WORM cartridge for Ultrium 960 drives, the HP Ultrium 400 GB cartridge for Ultrium 460 drives and the HP Ultrium 200 GB cartridge for Ultrium 230 drives (see page 21).
  - 3 Make sure that you have loaded the cartridge with the correct orientation (see "To load a cartridge" on page 17).
  - 4 Check for damage to your media (to the cartridge case, leader pin or cartridge teeth) and discard it if it is damaged. See the troubleshooting section of the User's Guide on the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM for more information about checking the leader pin and cartridge teeth.
  - 5 Use a new or known, good piece of media and see if it loads. If it does, the original cartridge is faulty and should be discarded.
  - 6 Check if another Ultrium drive will accept the cartridge. If it does, the original drive may be faulty. Before calling customer service, please check that the tape drive is responding and that it can be seen on the SCSI bus. Most users can use HP Library & Tape Tools, see page 29.

# Other sources of information

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

- The online User's Guide on the *HP StorageWorks Tape* CD-ROM contains troubleshooting information.
- The HP support web site contains a link to www.hp.com/support/ultrium that takes you to HP's Customer Care web site for a wide range of up-to-date information about your product.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/go/connect provides details of recommended products and configurations.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/support/tapetools provides compatibility information about HP Library & Tapetools, updates and the latest version of the tool.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/support/pat provides access to our free, standalone, performance assessment tools to check tape performance and test whether your disk subsystem can supply data at the optimum transfer rate.
- The HP web site at www.hp.com/go/obdr provides detailed information about HP One-Button Disaster Recovery.

#### How to contact HP

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

To make the best use of this service, we ask that you work with our Support Specialists to resolve any issues with your drive. This may include downloading diagnostic software, that will assist in the rapid resolution of your problems. If you do not have web access, a full listing of HP Customer Call Centers, correct at time of printing, is given in the online User's Guide on the HP StorageWorks Tape CD-ROM.







