Notes, cautions, and warnings

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

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

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

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Working on your computer

Safety instructions

Use the following safety guidelines to protect your computer from potential damage and to ensure your personal safety. Unless otherwise noted, each procedure included in this document assumes that the following conditions exist:

- You have read the safety information that shipped with your computer.
- A component can be replaced or, if purchased separately, installed by performing the removal procedure in reverse order.

**WARNING:** Disconnect all power sources before opening the computer cover or panels. After you finish working inside the computer, replace all covers, panels, and screws before connecting to the power source.

**WARNING:** Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that shipped with your computer. For additional safety best practices information, see the Regulatory Compliance Homepage at www.dell.com/regulatory_compliance

**CAUTION:** Many repairs may only be done by a certified service technician. You should only perform troubleshooting and simple repairs as authorized in your product documentation, or as directed by the online or telephone service and support team. Damage due to servicing that is not authorized by Dell is not covered by your warranty. Read and follow the safety instructions that came with the product.

**CAUTION:** To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface that is grounded to ground yourself before you touch the computer to perform any disassembly tasks.

**CAUTION:** Handle components and cards with care. Do not touch the components or contacts on a card. Hold a card by its edges or by its metal mounting bracket. Hold a component such as a processor by its edges, not by its pins.

**CAUTION:** When you disconnect a cable, pull on its connector or on its pull-tab, not on the cable itself. Some cables have connectors with locking tabs; if you are disconnecting this type of cable, press in on the locking tabs before you disconnect the cable. As you pull connectors apart, keep them evenly aligned to avoid bending any connector pins. Also, before you connect a cable, ensure that both connectors are correctly oriented and aligned.

**NOTE:** The color of your computer and certain components may appear differently than shown in this document.

Before working inside your computer

To avoid damaging your computer, perform the following steps before you begin working inside the computer.

1. Ensure that you follow the Safety instructions.
2. Ensure that your work surface is flat and clean to prevent the computer cover from being scratched.
3. Turn off your computer, see Turning off your computer.

   **CAUTION:** To disconnect a network cable, first unplug the cable from your computer and then unplug the cable from the network device.

4. Disconnect all the network cables from the computer.
5. Disconnect your computer and all attached devices from the electrical outlets.
6. Press and hold the power button while the computer is unplugged to ground the system board.
7. Remove the cover.

   **CAUTION:** Before touching anything inside your computer, ground yourself by touching an unpainted metal surface, such as the metal at the back of the computer. While you work, periodically touch an unpainted metal surface to dissipate static electricity, which could harm internal components.
Turning off your computer

After working inside your computer

After you complete any replacement procedure, ensure you connect any external devices, cards, and cables before turning on your computer.

⚠️ **CAUTION:** To avoid damage to the computer, use only the battery designed for this particular Dell computer. Do not use batteries designed for other Dell computers.

1. Replace the battery.
2. Replace the base cover.
3. Connect any external devices, such as a port replicator or media base, and replace any cards, such as an ExpressCard.
4. Connect any telephone or network cables to your computer.

⚠️ **CAUTION:** To connect a network cable, first plug the cable into the network device and then plug it into the computer.

5. Connect your computer and all attached devices to their electrical outlets.
6. Turn on your computer.
Removing and installing components

This section provides detailed information on how to remove or install the components from your computer.

Recommended tools

The procedures in this document require the following tools:

- Phillips #0 screwdriver
- Phillips #1 screwdriver
- Small plastic scribe

Installing the Subscriber Identification Module (SIM) card

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Insert a paperclip or a SIM card removal tool into the pinhole to remove the SIM card tray [1].
3. Place the SIM card on the SIM card tray [2].
4. Push the SIM card tray into the slot until it clicks into place.

Removing the Subscriber Identification Module (SIM) card

⚠️ CAUTION: Removing the SIM card when the computer is on may cause data loss or damage the card. Ensure your computer is turned off or the network connections are disabled.

1. Insert a paperclip or a SIM card removal tool into the pinhole on the SIM card tray.
2. Remove the SIM card from the SIM card tray.
3. Push the SIM card tray into the slot until it clicks into place.
Removing the base cover

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. To remove the base cover:
   a. Loosen the screws that secure the base cover to the computer [1].
   b. Lift the base cover from the edge and remove it from the computer [2, 3].

   **NOTE:** You may need a plastic scribe to lift the base cover from the edges.

Installing the base cover

1. Align the base cover with the screw holders on the computer.
2. Press the edges of the cover until it clicks into place.
3. Tighten the screws to secure the base cover to the computer.
4. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Lithium-ion battery precautions

**CAUTION:**

- Exercise caution when handling Lithium-ion batteries.
- Discharge the battery as much as possible before removing it from the system. This can be done by disconnecting the AC adapter from the system to allow the battery to drain.
- Do not crush, drop, mutilate, or penetrate the battery with foreign objects.
- Do not expose the battery to high temperatures, or disassemble battery packs and cells.
- Do not apply pressure to the surface of the battery.
- Do not bend the battery.
- Do not use tools of any kind to pry on or against the battery.
- If a battery gets stuck in a device as a result of swelling, do not try to free it as puncturing, bending, or crushing a Lithium-ion battery can be dangerous. In such an instance, the entire system should be replaced. Contact https://www.dell.com/support for assistance and further instructions.
- Always purchase genuine batteries from https://www.dell.com or authorized Dell partners and re-sellers.
Removing the battery

NOTE: If your computer supports the 6-cell battery, it will not support a hard drive.

NOTE: Discharge the battery as much as possible before removing from the system. This can be done by disconnecting the A/C adapter from the system (while the system is turned on) to allow the system to drain the battery.

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the base cover.
3. To remove the battery:
   a. Disconnect the battery cable from the connector on the system board [1].
   b. Remove the screws that secure the battery to the computer [2].
   c. Lift the battery away from the computer [3].
      - Do not apply pressure to the surface of the battery
      - Do not bend
      - Do not use tools of any kind to pry on or against the battery
      - If a battery cannot be removed within the constraints above, please contact Dell technical support

4. Disconnect the cable from the battery.
Installing the battery

**NOTE:** If your computer supports a 6-cell battery, it will not support a hard drive.

1. Connect the battery cable to the connector on the battery.
2. Route the battery cable through the routing channel on the battery.

**NOTE:** This step is applicable only for a 4-cell battery.

3. Insert the battery into the slot on the computer.
4. Tighten the screws to secure the battery to the computer.
5. Connect the battery cable to the connector on the system board.
6. Install the base cover.
7. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the hard drive assembly

If the system is shipped with hard drive assembly perform the following steps.

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the hard drive assembly:
   a. Disconnect the hard drive cable from the connector on the system board [1].
   b. Remove the screws that secure the hard drive assembly to the computer [2].
   c. Lift the hard drive assembly away from the computer [3].
Removing the hard drive from the hard drive bracket

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly
3. Pull the hard drive cable to remove it from the connector.
4. Remove the screws that secure the hard drive bracket to the hard drive [1] and lift the hard drive from the hard drive bracket [2].
Installing the hard drive into the hard drive bracket

1. Align the screw holders on the hard drive with the screws on the hard drive bracket.
2. Insert the hard drive into the hard drive bracket.
3. Tighten the screws to secure the hard drive to the hard drive bracket.
4. Install the:
   a. hard drive assembly
   b. battery
   c. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Installing the hard drive assembly

If the system is shipped with hard drive assembly perform the following steps.

1. Insert the hard drive assembly into the slot on the computer.
2. Tighten the screws to secure the hard drive assembly to the computer.
3. Connect the hard drive cable to the connector on the hard drive and on the system board.
4. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
5. Follow the procedures in After working inside your system.

Installing the optional M.2 SSD

If the system is shipped with M.2 SSD perform the following steps.

1. Insert the SSD into the connector on the computer.
2. Tighten the screw to secure the SSD to the computer.
3. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
4. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.
Removing the optional M.2 Solid State Drive (SSD)

If the system is shipped with M.2 SSD perform the following steps.

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the SSD:
   a. Remove the screw that secures the SSD to the computer [1].
   b. Slide and lift the SSD from the computer [2].

Installing the optional PCIe SSD

If the system is shipped with PCIe SSD perform the following steps.

1. Insert the SSD clip into the slot on the computer.
2. Tighten the screw to secure the SSD clip to the computer.
3. Insert the SSD into the connector on the computer.
4. Place the SSD bracket over the SSD and tighten the screws to secure it to the computer.
5. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
6. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the optional PCIe SSD

If the system is shipped with PCIe SSD perform the following steps.

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the PCIe SSD:
a. Remove the screws that secure the SSD bracket to the SSD [1].
b. Remove the SSD bracket [2].
c. Remove the SSD from the computer [3].

Removing the memory module

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. Pull the clips securing the memory module until the memory module pops up [1].
4. Remove the memory module from the system board [2].

Installing the memory module

1. Insert the memory module into the memory module socket until the clips secure the memory module.
2. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
3. Follow the procedures in After working inside your computer.
Removing the WLAN card

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the WLAN card:
   a. Remove the screw that secures the metal bracket to the WLAN card [1].
   b. Remove the metal bracket [2].
   c. Disconnect the WLAN cables from the connectors on the WLAN card [3].
   d. Unroute the WLAN cables from the routing channel.
   e. Remove the WLAN card from the computer [4].

Installing the WLAN card

1. Insert the WLAN card into the slot on the computer.
2. Route the WLAN cables through the routing channel.
3. Connect the WLAN cables to the connectors on the WLAN Card.
4. Place the metal bracket and tighten the screw to secure it to the computer.
5. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
6. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the WWAN card

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the WWAN card:
   a. Remove the screw that secures the WWAN card [1].
   b. Disconnect the WWAN cables from the connectors on the WWAN card [2].
Unroute the WWAN cables from the routing channel.
Remove the WWAN card from the computer [3].

Installing the WWAN card

1. Insert the WWAN card into the slot on the computer.
2. Route the WWAN cables through the routing channel.
3. Connect the WWAN cables to the connectors on the WWAN card.
4. Tighten the screw to secure the WWAN card to the computer.
5. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
6. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the power connector port

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the power connector port:
   a. Remove the screws to release the metal bracket on the power connector port [1].
   b. Lift the metal bracket from the computer [2].
   c. Disconnect the power connector port cable from the computer [3].
   d. Remove the power connector port from the computer [4].
Installing the power connector port

1. Insert the power connector port into the slot on the computer.
2. Place the metal bracket on the power connector port.
3. Tighten the screw to secure the power connector port to the computer.
4. Route the power connector port cable through the routing channels.
5. Connect the power connector port cable to the connector on the system board.
6. Install the:
   a. battery
   b. base cover
7. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the keyboard

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
3. To remove the keyboard trim:
   a. Disconnect the keyboard cables from the connectors on the system board [1, 2].
   b. Using a plastic scribe, lift the keyboard trim from the edges to release it from the keyboard [3, 4, 5].
To remove the keyboard:
   a  Remove the screws that secure the keyboard to the computer [1].
   b  Lift the keyboard and slide it to remove it from computer [2, 3].

Installing the keyboard

1  Align the keyboard with the screw holders on the computer.
2  Tighten the screws to secure the keyboard to the computer.
3  Align the keyboard trim with the tabs on the computer and press it until it clicks into place
4  Connect the keyboard cables to the connectors on the system board.

   ☑️ NOTE: If you have removed the dock frame, then install the dock frame and then connect the keyboard cables.

5  Install the:
   a  battery
   b  base cover
6  Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the display assembly

1  Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2  Remove the:
   a  base cover
   b  battery
   c  WLAN
   d  WWAN
3  To remove the display hinge brackets:
   a  Remove the screw that secures the display hinge bracket to the computer [1].
   b  Remove the display hinge bracket from the computer [2].
4 To disconnect display cable:
   a Unroute the WLAN and WWAN cables from the dock frame [1].
   b Remove the screw that secures the eDP cable bracket to the computer [2].
   c Remove the eDP cable bracket to access the display cable [3].
   d Disconnect the eDP cable from the system board [4].

5 To disconnect the display assembly:
   a Unroute the display cable from the dock frame [1].
   b Remove the screws that secure the display assembly [2]
   c Release the antenna cables and display cable from the routing channel [3].
To remove the display assembly:
   a Remove the screws that secure the display assembly to the computer [1].
   b Open the display [2] and lift the display assembly to remove it from the computer [3].

Installing the display assembly

1 Place the display assembly to align with the screw holders on the computer.
2 Tighten the screws to secure the display assembly to the computer.
3 Route the display cable through the routing channel and route the antenna cables by pushing it through the hole.
4 Connect the antenna cables and display cable to the connectors.
5 Place the display cable bracket over the connector and tighten the screw to secure the display cable to the computer.
6 Place the display hinge bracket and tighten the screw to secure it to the computer.
7 Install the:
   a WLAN
   b WWAN
   c battery
   d base cover
8 Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the display bezel

1 Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2 Remove the:
   a base cover
   b battery
   c display assembly
3 Using a plastic scribe, release the tabs on the edges to release the display bezel from the display assembly [1, 2].

4 Remove the display bezel from the display assembly.

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**Installing the display bezel**

1 Place the display bezel on the display assembly.

2 Press the edges of the display bezel until it clicks onto the display assembly.

3 Install the:
   a display assembly
   b battery
   c base cover

4 Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

**Removing the display panel**

1 Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.

2 Remove the:
   a base cover
   b battery
   c display assembly
   d display bezel

3 To remove the display panel:
   a Remove the screws that secure the display panel to the display assembly [1].
   b Lift the display panel and flip the display panel to access the eDP cable [2].
   c Peel the adhesive tape [3] to access the eDP cable.
   d Disconnect the eDP cable from the connector [4, 5, 6].
   e Lift the display panel from the computer.
Installing the display panel

1. Connect the eDP cable to the connector and fix the adhesive tape.
2. Align the display panel with the screw holders on the display assembly.
3. Tighten the screws to secure the display panel to the display assembly.
4. Install the:
   a. display assembly
   b. display bezel
   c. battery
   d. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the camera

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. WLAN card
   d. WWAN card
   e. display assembly
   f. display bezel
3. To remove the camera:
   a. Disconnect the camera cable from the connector on the display assembly [1].
   b. Lift the camera away from the display assembly [2].
Installing the camera

1. Place the camera on the display assembly.
2. Connect the camera cable to the connector on the display assembly.
3. Install the:
   a. display bezel
   b. display assembly
   c. WWAN
   d. WLAN
   e. battery
   f. base cover
4. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the dock frame

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. WLAN card
   e. WWAN card
3. To remove the dock frame connectors:
   a. Remove the screws that secure the dock frame to the computer [1].
   b. Remove the screw and lift the SSD plate from the computer [2, 3].

   **NOTE:** Step 3b is required only if the PCIe SSD card is removed.
   c. Disconnect the keyboard cables [4, 5].
4 To remove the eDP cable:
   a Unroute the WWAN and WLAN cables from the doc frame [1].
   b Remove the screw and lift the metal bracket [2, 3].
   c Disconnect the eDP cable [4].

5 To remove the dock frame:
   a Remove the screws that secure the dock frame to the computer [1].
   b Lift the dock frame from the computer [2].
Installing the dock frame

1. Place the dock frame on the computer and tighten the screws.
2. Connect the eDP cable.
3. Place the metal bracket and tighten the screw.
4. Connect the keyboard cable.
5. Place the SSD plate and tighten the screw to secure it.

**NOTE:** Step 5 is required only if the PCIe SSD card is removed.

6. Tighten the screws to secure the dock frame to the computer.
7. Install the:
   a. WWAN card
   b. WLAN card
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. battery
   e. base cover
8. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the touchpad button

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. dock frame
3. To remove the touchpad button:
   a. Lift the latch and disconnect the touchpad button cable from the connector [1] [2].
   b. Remove the screws that secure the touchpad button [3].
   c. Lift and remove the touchpad button away from the computer [4].
Installing the touchpad button

1. Place the touchpad button into the slot on the system board.
2. Tighten the screws to secure the touchpad button to the system board.
3. Connect the touchpad button cable to the connector on the system board.
4. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. battery
   c. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the optional SmartCard reader board

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. WLAN card
   e. WWAN card
   f. dock frame
3. To remove the SmartCard reader board:
   a. Disconnect the SmartCard reader board cable from the USH board [1, 2].
   b. Peel the cable to release from the adhesive.
   c. Remove the screws that secure the SmartCard reader board to the computer [3].
   d. Lift the SmartCard reader board from the computer [4].
Installing the optional SmartCard reader board

1. Insert the SmartCard reader board into the slot on the computer.
2. Tighten the screws to secure the SmartCard reader board to the computer.
3. Connect the SmartCard reader cable to the connector on the USH board.
4. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. WWAN card
   c. WLAN card
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. battery
   f. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the optional finger print reader board

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. WLAN card
   e. WWAN card
   f. dock frame
3. To remove the finger print reader board:
   a. Remove the screw to release the metal bracket that secures the finger print reader board to the computer [1].
   b. Lift the metal bracket from the computer [2].
   c. Disconnect the finger print reader cable from the finger print reader board [3] [4].
   d. Lift the finger print reader board from the computer [5].
Installing the optional finger print reader board

1. Insert the finger print reader board into the slot on the computer.
2. Connect the finger print reader cable to the finger print reader board.
3. Place the metal bracket on the finger print reader board and tighten the screw to secure the finger print reader board.
4. Install the:
   a. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   b. dock frame
   c. WLAN card
   d. WWAN card
   e. battery
   f. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your system.

Removing the LED board

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. WLAN card
   e. WWAN card
   f. dock frame
3. To remove the LED board:
   a. Disconnect the LED board cable from the connector on the LED board [1, 2].
   b. Remove the screw that secures the LED board to the computer [3].
   c. Lift the LED board from the computer [4].
Installing the LED board

1. Insert the LED board into the slot on the computer.
2. Tighten the screw that secures the LED board to the computer.
3. Connect the LED board cable to the connector on the LED board.
4. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. WWAN card
   c. WLAN card
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. battery
   f. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the heat sink assembly

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. WLAN
   e. WWAN
   f. dock frame
3. To remove the heat sink:
   a. Disconnect the fan cable [1].
   b. Remove the screws that secure the heat sink assembly to the system board [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7].
   c. Lift the heat sink assembly from the system board [8].
NOTE: The number of screws may vary depending upon the computer configuration.

Installing the heat sink assembly

1. Place the heat sink assembly on the system board and align it with the screw holders.
2. Tighten the screws to secure the heat sink assembly to the system board.
3. Connect the fan cable to the connector on the system board.
4. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. WWAN
   c. WLAN
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. battery
   f. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the coin cell battery

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   d. dock frame
3. To remove the coin cell battery:
   a. Disconnect the coin cell battery cable from the connector on the system board (1).
   b. Lift the coin cell battery to release it from the adhesive and remove it from the system board (2).
Installing the coin cell battery

1. Place the coin cell battery into the slot on the system board.
2. Connect the coin cell battery cable to the connector on the system board.
3. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   c. battery
   d. base cover
4. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the speakers

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. memory module
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. WLAN
   f. WWAN
   g. dock frame
3. To remove the speaker:
   a. Disconnect the speaker cable [1].
   b. Disconnect the LED board cable from the LED board.
   c. Unroute the cables from the retention clips on the computer [2].
   d. Lift the speaker from the computer [3].

⚠️ NOTE: This step is only applicable only if the speaker cable is routed under the LED board cable.
Installing the speakers

1. Place the speakers into the slots on the computer.
2. Route the speaker cable through the retention clips through the routing channel.
3. Connect the speaker cable to the connector on the system board.
4. Install the:
   a. dock frame
   b. WLAN
   c. WWAN
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. battery
   f. base cover
5. Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the system board

1. Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2. Remove the:
   a. base cover
   b. battery
   c. memory module
   d. hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   e. WLAN card
   f. WWAN card
   g. keyboard
   h. dock frame
   i. power connector port
3. Disconnect the speaker cables [1], touch pad and system board cables [2, 3] from the system board.
To remove the system board:
   a  Remove the screws that secure the system board to the chassis [1].
   b  Slide the system board to disengage the connectors from the slots on the back of the computer.
   c  Lift the system board from the computer [2].

Installing the system board

1  Align the system board with the screw holders on the computer.
2  Tighten the screws to secure the system board to the computer.
3  Connect the speaker cable to the connector on the system and route the cable through the routing channels.
4  Connect the power connector and coin cell battery cables to the connectors on the system board:
5  Install the:
   a  power connector port
   b  dock frame
   c  WLAN
   d  heat sink assembly
   e  WWAN
   f  hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
Removing and installing components

6 Follow the procedure in After working inside your computer.

Removing the palmrest

1 Follow the procedure in Before working inside your computer.
2 Remove the:
   a SIM card
   b base cover
   c battery
   d memory
   e hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
   f keyboard
   g WLAN
   h WWAN
   i dock frame
   j heat sink assembly
   k power connector port
   l system board
3 The palmrest is the remaining component, after removing all the components.

Installing the palmrest

1 Align the palmrest on the computer.
2 Install the:
   a system board
   b power connector port
   c dock frame
   d WLAN
   e heat sink assembly
   f WWAN
   g hard drive assembly or M.2 SSD or PCIe SSD
Follow the procedure in *After working inside your computer*. 
NOTE: Depending on the computer and its installed devices, the items listed in this section may or may not appear.

Topics:
- Boot Sequence
- Navigation keys
- System Setup overview
- Accessing System Setup
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Boot Sequence

Boot Sequence allows you to bypass the System Setup–defined boot device order and boot directly to a specific device (for example: optical drive or hard drive). During the Power-on Self Test (POST), when the Dell logo appears, you can:

- Access System Setup by pressing F2 key
- Bring up the one-time boot menu by pressing F12 key

The one-time boot menu displays the devices that you can boot from including the diagnostic option. The boot menu options are:

- Removable Drive (if available)
- STXXXX Drive

NOTE: XXX denotes the SATA drive number.

- Optical Drive (if available)
- Diagnostics

NOTE: Choosing Diagnostics, will display the ePSA diagnostics screen.

The boot sequence screen also displays the option to access the System Setup screen.
Navigation keys

**NOTE:** For most of the System Setup options, changes that you make are recorded but do not take effect until you restart the system.

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<td>Up arrow</td>
<td>Moves to the previous field.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Down arrow</td>
<td>Moves to the next field.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Enter</td>
<td>Selects a value in the selected field (if applicable) or follow the link in the field.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spacebar</td>
<td>Expands or collapses a drop-down list, if applicable.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tab</td>
<td>Moves to the next focus area.</td>
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**NOTE:** For the standard graphics browser only.

| Esc      | Moves to the previous page until you view the main screen. Pressing Esc in the main screen displays a message that prompts you to save any unsaved changes and restarts the system. |

System Setup overview

System Setup allows you to:

- Change the system configuration information after you add, change, or remove any hardware in your computer.
- Set or change a user-selectable option such as the user password.
- Read the current amount of memory or set the type of hard drive installed.

Before you use System Setup, it is recommended that you write down the System Setup screen information for future reference.

**CAUTION:** Unless you are an expert computer user, do not change the settings for this program. Certain changes can cause your computer to work incorrectly.

Accessing System Setup

1. Turn on (or restart) your computer.
2. After the white Dell logo appears, press F2 immediately.
   The System Setup page is displayed.

   **NOTE:** If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, wait until you see the desktop. Then, shut down or restart your computer and try again.

   **NOTE:** After the Dell logo appears, you can also press F12 and then select BIOS setup.

General screen options

This section lists the primary hardware features of your computer.

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<td><strong>System Information</strong></td>
<td>System Information: Displays BIOS Version, Service Tag, Asset Tag, Ownership Tag, Ownership Date, Manufacture Date, and the Express Service Code.</td>
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<td>Memory Information: Displays Memory Installed, Memory Available, Memory Speed, Memory Channels Mode, Memory Technology, DIMM A Size, DIMM B Size.</td>
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<td>Option</td>
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<tr>
<td>Processor Information</td>
<td>Displays Processor Type, Core Count, Processor ID, Current Clock Speed, Minimum Clock Speed, Maximum Clock Speed, Processor L2 Cache, Processor L3 Cache, HT Capable, and 64-Bit technology.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Device Information</td>
<td>Displays Primary Hard Drive, SATA-0, M.2 PCIe SSD-0, Dock eSATA Device, LOM MAC Address, Video Controller, Video BIOS Version, Video Memory, Panel Type, Native Resolution, Audio Controller, WiFi Device, WiGig Device, Cellular Device, Bluetooth Device.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Battery Information</td>
<td>Displays the battery status and the type of AC adapter connected to the computer.</td>
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<td>Boot Sequence</td>
<td><strong>Boot Sequence</strong> Allows you to change the order in which the computer attempts to find an operating system. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Windows Boot Manager</td>
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<td>• UEFI: Hard drive details</td>
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<td><strong>Boot List Options</strong> Allows you to change the boot list option:</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Legacy</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• UEFI (enabled by default)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Advanced Boot Options</td>
<td>This option allows you the legacy option ROMs to load. By default, the Enable Legacy Option ROMs is disabled.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Date/Time</td>
<td>Allows you to change the date and time.</td>
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## System Configuration screen options

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<td>Integrated NIC</td>
<td>Allows you to configure the integrated network controller. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td>• Enabled</td>
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<td>• Enabled w/PXE: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td>Parallel Port</td>
<td>Allows you to configure the parallel port on the docking station. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td>• AT: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td>• PS2</td>
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<td>• ECP</td>
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<tr>
<td>Serial Port</td>
<td>Allows you to configure the integrated serial port. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td>• COM1: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td>• COM2</td>
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<td>• COM3</td>
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<td>• COM4</td>
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<tr>
<td>SATA Operation</td>
<td>Allows you to configure the internal SATA hard-drive controller. The options are:</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Disabled</td>
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</table>
Option | Description
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• AHCI
• RAID On: This option is enabled by default.

Drives Allows you to configure the SATA drives on board. All drives are enabled by default. The options are:
• SATA-0
• SATA-1
• SATA-2
• M.2 PCIe SSD-0

SMART Reporting This field controls whether hard drive errors for integrated drives are reported during system startup. This technology is part of the SMART (Self Monitoring Analysis and Reporting Technology) specification. This option is disabled by default.
• Enable SMART Reporting

USB/Thunderbolt Configuration This is an optional feature.

This field configures the integrated USB controller. If Boot Support is enabled, the system is allowed to boot any type of USB Mass Storage Devices (HDD, memory key, floppy).

If USB port is enabled, device attached to this port is enabled and available for OS.

If USB port is disabled, the OS cannot see any device attached to this port.

The options are:
• Enable USB Boot Support: This option is enabled by default.
• Enable External USB Port: This option is enabled by default.
• Enable Thunderbolt Port: This option is enabled by default.
• Enable Thunderbolt Boot Support. This is an optional feature.
• Always Allows Dell Docks. This is an optional feature.
• Enables Thunderbolt (and PCIe behind TBT) Pre-boot

**NOTE:** USB keyboard and mouse always work in the BIOS setup irrespective of these settings.

USB PowerShare This field configures the USB PowerShare feature behavior. This option allows you to charge external devices using the stored system battery power through the USB PowerShare port.

Audio This field enables or disables the integrated audio controller. By default, the **Enable Audio** option is selected. The options are:
• Enable Microphone: This option is enabled by default.
• Enable Internal Speaker: This option is enabled by default.

Keyboard Illumination This field lets you choose the operating mode of the keyboard illumination feature. The keyboard brightness level can be set from 0% to 100%. The options are:
• Disabled
• Dim
• Bright: This option is enabled by default.

Keyboard Backlight with AC The Keyboard Backlight with AC option does not affect the main keyboard illumination feature. Keyboard Illumination will continue to support the various illumination levels. This field has an effect when the backlight is enabled.
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<td>Keyboard Backlight</td>
<td>This feature defines the timeout value for the keyboard backlight when AC adapter is plugged into the system. The options are:</td>
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<td>Timeout on AC</td>
<td>• 5 seconds: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td>• Never</td>
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<tr>
<td>Keyboard Backlight</td>
<td>This feature defines the timeout value for the keyboard backlight when system is running only on battery power.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Timeout on Battery</td>
<td>• 5 seconds: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Touchscreen</td>
<td>This option controls to enabled or disabled the touchscreen.</td>
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<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> Touchscreen option is available only if the computer is a touch version.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Unobtrusive Mode</td>
<td>This option, when enabled, pressing Fn+F7 turns off all light and sound emissions in the system. To resume normal operation, press Fn+F7 again. This option is disabled by default.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Miscellaneous Devices</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the following devices:</td>
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<td>• Enable Camera: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• SD Card Read Only</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Enable Hard Drive Free Fall Protection: This option is enabled by default.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Enable Media Card</td>
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<td>• Disable Media Card</td>
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<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> All devices are enabled by default.</td>
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**Video screen options**

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<tr>
<td>LCD Brightness</td>
<td>Allows you to set the display brightness depending up on the power source (On Battery and On AC).</td>
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<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> The video setting will be visible only when a video card is installed into the system.</td>
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### Security screen options

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<td><strong>Admin Password</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to set, change, or delete the administrator (admin) password.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong></td>
<td>You must set the admin password before you set the system or hard drive password. Deleting the admin password automatically deletes the system password and the hard drive password.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong></td>
<td>Successful password changes take effect immediately.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Not set</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>System Password</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to set, change or delete the system password.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong></td>
<td>Successful password changes take effect immediately.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Not set</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Mini Card SSD Password</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to set, change or delete the Mini Card SSD Password.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong></td>
<td>Successful password changes take effect immediately.</td>
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<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Not set</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Strong Password</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to enforce the option to always set strong passwords.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Default Setting:</strong></td>
<td>Enable Strong Password is not selected.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong></td>
<td>If Strong Password is enabled, Admin and System passwords must contain at least one uppercase character, one lowercase character and be at least 8 characters long.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Password Configuration</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to determine the minimum and maximum length of Administrator and System passwords.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Password Bypass</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the permission to bypass the System and the Internal HDD password, when they are set. The options are:</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Reboot bypass</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Password Change</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to enable the disable permission to the System and Hard Drive passwords when the admin password is set.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Allow Non-Admin Password Changes is selected.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Non-Admin Setup Changes</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to determine whether changes to the setup options are allowed when an Administrator Password is set. If disabled the setup options are locked by the admin password.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>UEFI Capsule Firmware Update</strong></td>
<td>This option controls whether the system allows the BIOS updates through UEFI capsule update packages. This option is disabled by default.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>TPM 1.2 Security</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to enable the Trusted Platform Module (TPM) during POST. The options are:</td>
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<td>• TPM On (enabled by default)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Clear</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• PPI Bypass for Enabled Commands</td>
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<td>• PPI Bypass for Disabled Commands</td>
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</table>
Option Description
• Disabled
• Enabled

Computrace Allows you to activate or disable the optional Computrace software. The options are:
• Deactivate
• Disable
• Activate

⚠️ NOTE: The Activate and Disable options will permanently activate or disable the feature and no further changes will be allowed

Default setting: Deactivate

CPU XD Support Allows you to enable the Execute Disable mode of the processor.
Enable CPU XD Support (default)

OROM Keyboard Allows you to set an option to enter the Option ROM Configuration screens using hotkeys during boot. The options are:
• Enable
• One Time Enable
• Disable

Default setting: Enable

Admin Setup Lockout Allows you to prevent users from entering the setup when an Administrator password is set.
Default Setting: Enable Admin Setup Lockout is not selected.

Secure Boot screen options

Option Description
Secure Boot Enable This option enables or disables the Secure Boot feature.
• Disabled
• Enabled

Default setting: Enabled.

Expert Key Management Allows you to manipulate the security key databases only if the system is in Custom Mode. The Enable Custom Mode option is disabled by default. The options are:
• PK
• KEK
• db
• dbx

If you enable the Custom Mode, the relevant options for PK, KEK, db, and dbx appear. The options are:
• Save to File—Saves the key to a user-selected file
• Replace from File—Replaces the current key with a key from a user-selected file
• Append from File—Adds a key to the current database from a user-selected file
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<td><strong>Delete</strong></td>
<td>Deletes the selected key</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Reset All Keys</strong></td>
<td>Resets to default setting</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Delete All Keys</strong></td>
<td>Deletes all the keys</td>
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**NOTE:** If you disable the Custom Mode, all the changes made will be erased and the keys will restore to default settings.

## Intel Software Guard Extensions screen options

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<td><strong>Intel SGX Enable</strong></td>
<td>This field specifies you to provide a secured environment for running code/storing sensitive information in the context of the main OS. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Enabled</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>Disabled</td>
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| Enclave Memory Size    | This option sets **SGX Enclave Reserve Memory Size**. The options are:                                                                     |
|                        | • 32 MB                                                                                                                                     |
|                        | • 64 MB                                                                                                                                     |
|                        | • 128 MB                                                                                                                                   |

## Performance screen options

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<td><strong>Multi Core Support</strong></td>
<td>This field specifies whether the process has one or all cores enabled. The performance of some applications improves with the additional cores. This option is enabled by default. Allows you to enable or disable multi-core support for the processor. The installed processor supports two cores. If you enable Multi Core Support, two cores are enabled. If you disable Multi Core Support, one core is enabled.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Enable Multi Core Support</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Default setting:</strong></td>
<td>The option is enabled.</td>
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</table>

| **Intel SpeedStep**    | Allows you to enable or disable the Intel SpeedStep feature.                                                                                   |
|                        | • Enable Intel SpeedStep                                                                                                                     |
| **Default setting:**   | The option is enabled.                                                                                                                        |

| **C-States Control**   | Allows you to enable or disable the additional processor sleep states.                                                                          |
|                        | • C states                                                                                                                                  |
| **Default setting:**   | The option is enabled.                                                                                                                        |

<p>| <strong>Intel TurboBoost</strong>   | Allows you to enable or disable the Intel TurboBoost mode of the processor.                                                                    |
|                        | • Enable Intel TurboBoost                                                                                                                     |</p>
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<td>Hyper-Thread</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the Hyper-Threading in the processor.</td>
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<td>Control</td>
<td>• Disabled</td>
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<td>• Enabled</td>
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<td>Default setting:</td>
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<td>AC Behavior</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the computer from turning on automatically when an AC adapter is connected. Default setting: Wake on AC is not selected.</td>
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<td>Auto On Time</td>
<td>Allows you to set the time at which the computer must turn on automatically. The options are:</td>
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<td>• Disabled</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Every Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Weekdays</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Select Days</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default setting:</td>
<td>Disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USB Wake Support</td>
<td>Allows you to enable USB devices to wake the system from Standby.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>NOTE:</strong> This feature is only functional when the AC power adapter is connected. If the AC power adapter is removed during Standby, the system setup removes power from all the USB ports to conserve battery power.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• Enable USB Wake Support</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default setting:</td>
<td>The option is disabled.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wireless Radio</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the feature that automatically switches from wired or wireless networks without depending on the physical connection.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Control</td>
<td>• Control WLAN Radio</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>• Control WWAN Radio</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default setting:</td>
<td>The option is disabled.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wake on LAN/</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the feature that powers on the computer from the Off state when triggered by a LAN signal.</td>
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<tr>
<td>WLAN</td>
<td>• Disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• LAN Only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• WLAN Only</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• LAN or WLAN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Default setting:</td>
<td>Disabled</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Block Sleep</td>
<td>This option lets you block entering to sleep (S3 state) in operating system environment.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Option | Description
--- | ---
Block Sleep (S3 state) | Default setting: This option is disabled

**Peak Shift**
This option enables you to minimize the AC power consumption during the peak power times of day. After you enable this option, your system runs only in battery even if the AC is attached.

**Dock Support on Battery**
This option allows you to use the docking station when AC power is absent but only when the battery is above a certain charge percentage. The percentage may change per battery and per platform.

- Dock Support on Battery

Default setting: Disabled

**Advanced Battery Charge Configuration**
This option enables you to maximize the battery health. By enabling this option, your system uses the standard charging algorithm and other techniques, during the non-work hours to improve the battery health.

Default setting: Disabled

**Primary Battery Charge Configuration**
Allows you to select the charging mode for the battery. The options are:

- Adaptive
- Standard — Fully charges your battery at a standard rate.
- ExpressCharge — The battery charges over a shorter period of time using Dell’s fast charging technology. This option is enabled by default.
- Primarily AC use
- Custom

If Custom Charge is selected, you can also configure Custom Charge Start and Custom Charge Stop.

**NOTE:** All charging mode may not be available for all the batteries. To enable this option, disable the Advanced Battery Charge Configuration option.

**POST Behavior screen options**

Option | Description
--- | ---
Adapter Warnings | Allows you to enable or disable the system setup (BIOS) warning messages when you use certain power adapters. Default setting: Enable Adapter Warnings

**Keypad (Embedded)**
Allows you to choose one of two methods to enable the keypad that is embedded in the internal keyboard.

- Fn Key Only: This option is enabled by default.
- By Numlock

**NOTE:** When setup is running, this option has no effect. Setup works in Fn Key Only mode.

**Mouse/Touchpad**
Allows you to define how the system handles mouse and touch pad input. The options are:

- Serial Mouse
- PS2 Mouse
- Touchpad/PS-2 Mouse: This option is enabled by default.
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<tr>
<td>Numlock Enable</td>
<td>Allows you to enable the Numlock option when the computer boots. Enable Network. This option is enabled by default.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fn Key Emulation</td>
<td>Allows you to set the option where the Scroll Lock key is used to simulate the Fn key feature. Enable Fn Key Emulation (default)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Fn Lock Options | Allows you to let hot key combinations Fn + Esc toggle the primary behavior of F1–F12, between their standard and secondary functions. If you disable this option, you cannot toggle dynamically the primary behavior of these keys. The available options are:  
  • Fn Lock. This option is selected by default.  
  • Lock Mode Disable/Standard  
  • Lock Mode Enable/Secondary |
| MEBx Hotkey     | Allows you to specify whether the MEBx Hotkey function should enable, during the system boot. Default Setting: Enable MEBx Hotkey                   |
| Fastboot        | Allows you to speed up the boot process by bypassing some of the compatibility steps. The options are:  
  • Minimal  
  • Thorough (default)  
  • Auto |
| Extended BIOS   | Allows you to create an additional preboot delay. The options are:  
  • 0 seconds. This option is enabled by default.  
  • 5 seconds  
  • 10 seconds |

### Virtualization support screen options

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<td>Virtualization</td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the Intel Virtualization Technology. Enable Intel Virtualization Technology (default).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VT for Direct I/O</td>
<td>Enables or disables the Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM) from utilizing the additional hardware capabilities provided by Intel® Virtualization technology for direct I/O. Enable VT for Direct I/O - enabled by default.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Trusted Execution</td>
<td>This option specifies whether a Measured Virtual Machine Monitor (MVMM) can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Intel Trusted Execution Technology. The TPM Virtualization Technology, and Virtualization technology for direct I/O must be enabled to use this feature. Trusted Execution - disabled by default.</td>
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## Wireless screen options

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<td><strong>Wireless Switch</strong></td>
<td>Allows to set the wireless devices that can be controlled by the wireless switch. The options are:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>- WWAN</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>- GPS (on WWAN Module)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>- WLAN/WiGig</td>
</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>- Bluetooth</td>
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<td></td>
<td>All the options are enabled by default.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>NOTE</strong>:</td>
<td>For WLAN and WiGig enable or disable controls are tied together and they cannot be enabled or disabled independently.</td>
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<td><strong>Wireless Device Enable</strong></td>
<td>Allows you to enable or disable the internal wireless devices.</td>
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<td>- WWAN/GPS</td>
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<td>- WLAN/WiGig</td>
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### Updating the BIOS in Windows

It is recommended to update your BIOS (System Setup), on replacing the system board or if an update is available. For laptops, ensure that your computer battery is fully charged and connected to a power outlet.

1. **NOTE:** If BitLocker is enabled, it must be suspended prior to updating the system BIOS, and then re-enabled after the BIOS update is completed.

2. Restart the computer.
3. Go to Dell.com/support.
   - Enter the Service Tag or Express Service Code and click Submit.
   - Click Detect Product and follow the instructions on screen.
4. If you are unable to detect or find the Service Tag, click the Choose from all products.
5. Choose the Products category from the list.
   **NOTE:** Choose the appropriate category to reach the product page.
6. Select your computer model and the Product Support page of your computer appears.
7. Click Get drivers and click Drivers and Downloads.
   - The Drivers and Downloads section opens.
8. Click Find it myself.
9. Click BIOS to view the BIOS versions.
10. Identify the latest BIOS file and click Download.
    - The File Download window appears.
11. Click Save to save the file on your computer.
12. Click Run to install the updated BIOS settings on your computer.
    - Follow the instructions on the screen.

**NOTE:** It is recommended not to update the BIOS version for more than 3 revisions. For example: If you want to update the BIOS from 1.0 to 7.0, then install version 4.0 first and then install version 7.0.

### System and setup password

You can create a system password and a setup password to secure your computer.

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<tr>
<td>System password</td>
<td>Password that you must enter to log on to your system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Setup password</td>
<td>Password that you must enter to access and make changes to the BIOS settings of your computer.</td>
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**CAUTION:** The password features provide a basic level of security for the data on your computer.

**CAUTION:** Anyone can access the data stored on your computer if it is not locked and left unattended.

**NOTE:** Your computer is shipped with the system and setup password feature is disabled.

### Assigning a system password and setup password

You can assign a new System Password only when the status is in Not Set.
To enter the system setup, press F2 immediately after a power-on or re-boot.

1. In the **System BIOS** or **System Setup** screen, select **Security** and press Enter. The **Security** screen is displayed.

2. Select **System Password** and create a password in the **Enter the new password** field. Use the following guidelines to assign the system password:
   - A password can have up to 32 characters.
   - The password can contain the numbers 0 through 9.
   - Only lower case letters are valid, upper case letters are not allowed.
   - Only the following special characters are allowed: space, (*), (+), (-), (.), (/), (\), (\), (\), (\).

3. Type the system password that you entered earlier in the **Confirm new password** field and click **OK**.

4. Press Esc and a message prompts you to save the changes.

5. Press Y to save the changes.

The computer reboots.

### Deleting or changing an existing system and/or setup password

Ensure that the **Password Status** is Unlocked (in the System Setup) before attempting to delete or change the existing System and/or Setup password. You cannot delete or change an existing System or Setup password, if the **Password Status** is Locked. To enter the System Setup, press F2 immediately after a power-on or reboot.

1. In the **System BIOS** or **System Setup** screen, select **System Security** and press Enter. The **System Security** screen is displayed.

2. In the **System Security** screen, verify that **Password Status** is **Unlocked**.

3. Select **System Password**, alter or delete the existing system password and press Enter or Tab.

4. Select **Setup Password**, alter or delete the existing setup password and press Enter or Tab.

   **NOTE:** If you change the System and/or Setup password, re-enter the new password when promoted. If you delete the System and/or Setup password, confirm the deletion when promoted.

5. Press Esc and a message prompts you to save the changes.

6. Press Y to save the changes and exit from System Setup.

The computer reboots.
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NOTE: Offerings may vary by region. For more information regarding the configuration of your computer in:

- Windows 10, click or tap Start > Settings > System > About.
- Windows 8.1 and Windows 8, from the charms sidebar, click or tap Settings > Change PC settings. In the PC Settings window, select PC and devices > PC Info.
- Windows 7, click Start, right-click My Computer, and then select Properties.

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System specifications

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<td>Intel 6th Generation processors</td>
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<td>DRAM bus width</td>
<td>64-bit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flash EPROM</td>
<td>SPI 128 Mbits</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PCIe bus</td>
<td>100 MHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>External Bus</td>
<td>PCIe Gen3 (8 GT/s)</td>
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<td>Frequency</td>
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<td>Intel up to Core i7 Processors, H Quad Core or Intel Xeon</td>
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<td>L3 cache</td>
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<td>i5 series</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• non Vpro — 6 MB</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• vPro — 8 MB</td>
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<td>i7 series</td>
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<td>Intel Xeon</td>
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### Memory specifications

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<td>Memory connector</td>
<td>Two SODIMM slots</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Memory capacity</td>
<td>4 GB, 8 GB, and 16 GB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Memory type</td>
<td>DDR4 SDRAM</td>
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<tr>
<td>Speed</td>
<td>2133 MHz</td>
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<tr>
<td>Minimum memory</td>
<td>4 GB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maximum memory</td>
<td>32 GB</td>
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**NOTE**: Intel Xeon processor supports Error Correcting Code (ECC) memory.

### Storage specifications

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<td>HDD 2.5 inches</td>
<td>Up to 1 TB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSD 2.5 inches</td>
<td>Up to 360 GB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSD M.2 SATA</td>
<td>Up to 512 GB</td>
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<td>SSD M.2 PCIe</td>
<td>Up to 1 TB</td>
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### Audio specifications

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<td>Types</td>
<td>High-definition audio</td>
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<tr>
<td>Controller</td>
<td>Realtek ALC3235</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stereo conversion</td>
<td>Digital audio-out through HDMI — up to 7.1 compressed and uncompressed audio</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Internal interface</td>
<td>High-definition audio codec</td>
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<td>External interface</td>
<td>Stereo headset/mic combo</td>
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<td>Two</td>
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<td>Internal speaker</td>
<td>2 W (RMS) per channel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>amplifier</td>
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<td>Volume controls</td>
<td>Hot keys</td>
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<td>Type</td>
<td>Integrated on system board, hardware accelerated</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UMA controller</td>
<td>• Intel HD Graphics 530</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• AMD Radeon R7M370</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Data bus</td>
<td>Integrated video</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>External display support</td>
<td>• 19-pin HDMI connector</td>
</tr>
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<td>• 15-pin VGA connector</td>
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### Camera Specifications

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<td>Camera resolution</td>
<td>0.92 megapixels</td>
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<tr>
<td>HD Panel Resolution</td>
<td>1366 x 768 pixels</td>
</tr>
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<td>FHD Panel Resolution</td>
<td>1920 x 1080 pixels</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HD Panel Video Resolution</td>
<td>1366 x 768 pixels</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FHD Panel Video Resolution</td>
<td>1920 x 1080 pixels</td>
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<tr>
<td>Diagonal viewing angle</td>
<td>74°</td>
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### Communication Specifications

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<td>10/100/1000 Mb/s Ethernet (RJ-45)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wireless</td>
<td>Internal wireless local area network (WLAN), wireless wide area network (WWAN), wireless gigabit (WiGig).</td>
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**NOTE:** WWAN and WiGig are optional.
# Port and connector specifications

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<td>• 15 pin VGA connector</td>
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<tr>
<td>Network adapter</td>
<td>One RJ-45 connector</td>
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<td>USB</td>
<td>• Two USB 3.0 ports</td>
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<td></td>
<td>• One USB 3.0 with PowerShare</td>
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<tr>
<td>Memory card reader</td>
<td>Up to SD4.0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Micro SIM (uSIM) card</td>
<td>One external (optional)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Docking port</td>
<td>Docking has two options:</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• One e-docking port</td>
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<td>• Optional Thunderbolt 3 cable docking port</td>
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<td>• Non-touch FHD anti-glare</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• HD anti-glare</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Height</td>
<td>360 mm (14.17 inches)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Width</td>
<td>224.3 mm (8.83 inches)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Diagonal</td>
<td>396.24 mm (15.6 inches)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Active area (X/Y)</td>
<td>344.23 mm x 193.54 mm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-touch FHD anti-glare</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maximum resolution</td>
<td>1920 x 1080</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum brightness</td>
<td>300 nits</td>
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<td>Refresh rate</td>
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<td>Maximum viewing angles (vertical)</td>
<td>80/80</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pixel pitch</td>
<td>0.179 mm (0.007 inches)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Touch FHD anti-glare:</strong></td>
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<td>Maximum brightness</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum viewing angles (horizontal)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum viewing angles (vertical)</td>
<td>+10/-30</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pixel pitch</td>
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<td>Number of keys</td>
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<td>• United States: 103 keys</td>
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<tr>
<td>• United Kingdom: 104 keys</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Japan: 107 keys</td>
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<td>• Brazil: 106 keys</td>
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## Touchpad Specifications

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<tr>
<td>X-axis</td>
<td>99.50 mm</td>
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<td>Y-axis</td>
<td>53.00 mm</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• 62 Whr (4–cell)</td>
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<td>• 84 Whr (6–cell)</td>
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### 62 Whr (4–cell):
- **Depth**: 233.00 mm (9.17 inches)
- **Height**: 7.05 mm (0.27 inch)
- **Width**: 94.80 mm (3.73 inches)
- **Weight**: 325 g (0.72 lb)
- **Voltage**: 7.6 V DC

### 84 Whr (6–cell):
- **Depth**: 332.00 mm (13.07 inches)
- **Height**: 7.7 mm (0.303 inches)
- **Width**: 92.6 mm (3.65 inches)
- **Weight**: 430.00 g (0.95 lb)
- **Voltage**: 11.4 V DC
- **Life span**: 300 discharge per charge cycles

### Temperature range
- **Operating**
  - Charge: 0°C to 50°C (32°F to 158°F)
  - Discharge: 0°C to 70°C (32°F to 122°F)
  - Operating: 0°C to 35°C (32°F to 95°F)
- **Non-operating**
  - -20°C to 65°C (-4°F to 149°F)

### Coin cell battery
- 3 V CR2032 lithium coin cell

## AC Adapter specifications

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<td><strong>Type</strong></td>
<td>130 W</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Input voltage</strong></td>
<td>100 V AC to 240 V AC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Input current</strong> (maximum)</td>
<td>1.5 A</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Input frequency</strong></td>
<td>50 Hz to 60 Hz</td>
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<td><strong>Output current</strong></td>
<td>3.34 A</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Rated output voltage</strong></td>
<td>19.5 +/- 1.0 V DC</td>
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<td><strong>Temperature range (Operating)</strong></td>
<td>0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)</td>
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## Feature Specifications

### Temperature range
- **(Non-Operating)**
  - –40°C to 70°C (–40°F to 158°F)

## Physical specifications

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<td>• Non touch — 24.55 mm (0.97 inch)</td>
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<td>• Touch — 24.55 mm (0.97 inch)</td>
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<td>Back height</td>
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<td>• Non touch — 24.55 mm (0.97 inch)</td>
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<td>• Touch — 26.10 mm (1.03 inch)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Width</td>
<td>377.10 mm (14.85 inches)</td>
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<td>Depth</td>
<td>252.60 mm (9.94 inches)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>• Non touch — 4.92 lb (2.23 kg)</td>
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<td>• Touch — 5.44 lb (2.47 kg)</td>
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## Environmental specifications

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<td>Relative humidity (maximum)</td>
<td>Specifications</td>
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<td>Operating</td>
<td>10 % to 90 % (non condensing)</td>
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<td>Storage</td>
<td>5 % to 95 % (non condensing)</td>
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<td>Altitude (maximum)</td>
<td>Specifications</td>
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<td>Operating</td>
<td>0 m to 3048 m (0 ft to 10,000 ft)</td>
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<td>Non-operating</td>
<td>0 m to 10,668 m (0 ft to 35,000 ft)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Airborne contaminant level</td>
<td>G1 as defined by ISA-71.04–1985</td>
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If you experience a problem with your computer, run the ePSA diagnostics before contacting Dell for technical assistance. The purpose of running diagnostics is to test your computer’s hardware without requiring additional equipment or risking data loss. If you are unable to fix the problem yourself, service and support personnel can use the diagnostics results to help you solve the problem.

Topics:

- Enhanced Pre-Boot System Assessment (ePSA) diagnostics
- Device status lights
- Battery status lights

**Enhanced Pre-Boot System Assessment (ePSA) diagnostics**

The ePSA diagnostics (also known as system diagnostics) performs a complete check of your hardware. The ePSA is embedded with the BIOS and is launched by the BIOS internally. The embedded system diagnostics provides a set of options for particular devices or device groups allowing you to:

- Run tests automatically or in an interactive mode
- Repeat tests
- Display or save test results
- Run thorough tests to introduce additional test options to provide extra information about the failed device(s)
- View status messages that inform you if tests are completed successfully
- View error messages that inform you of problems encountered during testing

⚠️ **CAUTION:** Use the system diagnostics to test only your computer. Using this program with other computers may cause invalid results or error messages.

ℹ️ **NOTE:** Some tests for specific devices require user interaction. Always ensure that you are present at the computer terminal when the diagnostic tests are performed.

You can launch the ePSA diagnostics in two ways:

1. Power-on the computer.
2. As the computer boots, press the F12 key as the Dell logo appears.
3. On the boot menu screen, select the Diagnostics option.
   
   The Enhanced Pre-boot System Assessment window displays, listing all devices detected in the computer. The diagnostics starts running the tests on all the detected devices.
4. If you wish to run a diagnostic test on a specific device, press Esc and click Yes to stop the diagnostic test.
5. Select the device from the left pane and click Run Tests.
6. If there are any issues, error codes are displayed.
   
   Note the error code and contact Dell.

OR

1. Shutdown the computer.
2. Press and hold the fn key, while pressing the power button, and then release both.
The Enhanced Pre-boot System Assessment window displays, listing all devices detected in the computer. The diagnostics starts running the tests on all the detected devices.

3. On the boot menu screen, select the Diagnostics option.

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Device status lights

Table 1. Device status lights

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<th>Icon</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Power status light</td>
<td>Turns on when you turn on the computer and blinks when the computer is in a power management mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Battery charge indicator</td>
<td>Turns on steadily or blinks to indicate battery charge status.</td>
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The device status LEDs are usually located either on the top or left side of the keyboard. They display the storage, battery and wireless devices connectivity and activity. Apart from that they can be useful as a diagnostic tool when there’s a possible failure to the system.

**NOTE:** The position of the power status light may vary depending on the system.

The following table lists how to read the LED codes when possible errors occur.

Table 2. Battery charge LED indicator

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<tr>
<th>Amber blinking pattern</th>
<th>Problem description</th>
<th>Suggested resolution</th>
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<tr>
<td>2,1</td>
<td>CPU</td>
<td>CPU failure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,2</td>
<td>System board: BIOS ROM</td>
<td>System board, covers BIOS corruption or ROM error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,3</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>No memory/RAM detected</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,4</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>Memory/RAM failure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,5</td>
<td>Memory</td>
<td>Invalid memory installed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,6</td>
<td>System board: Chipset</td>
<td>System board/Chipset error</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2,7</td>
<td>LCD</td>
<td>Replace the system board</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3,1</td>
<td>RTC Power Failure</td>
<td>CMOS battery failure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3,2</td>
<td>PCI/Video</td>
<td>PCI or video card/chip failure</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3,3</td>
<td>BIOS Recovery 1</td>
<td>Recovery image not found</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3,4</td>
<td>BIOS Recovery 2</td>
<td>Recovery image found but invalid</td>
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</table>

The blinking patterns will consist of 2 set of numbers being represented by (First Group: Amber blinks, Second Group: White blinks)
NOTE:

1. First Group: The LED blinks 1 to 9 times followed by a brief pause with LED off at the interval of 1.5 seconds. (This is in Amber color)
2. Second Group: The LED blinks 1 to 9 times, that would be then followed by a longer pause before the next cycle starts again at the interval of 1.5 seconds. (This is in White color)

For Example: No Memory detected (2, 3), Battery LED blinks two times of amber color followed by a pause, and then blinks three times of white color. The Battery LED will pause for 3 seconds before the next cycle repeat itself again.

Battery status lights

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

- **Alternately blinking amber light and white light**: An unauthenticated or unsupported non-Dell AC adapter is attached to your laptop.
- **Alternately blinking amber light with steady white light**: Temporary battery failure with AC adapter present.
- **Constantly blinking amber light**: Fatal battery failure with AC adapter present.
- **Light off**: Battery in full charge mode with AC adapter present.
- **White light on**: Battery in charge mode with AC adapter present.
NOTE: If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information on your purchase invoice, packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.

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1. Go to Dell.com/support.
2. Select your support category.
3. Verify your country or region in the Choose a Country/Region drop-down list at the bottom of the page.
4. Select the appropriate service or support link based on your need.