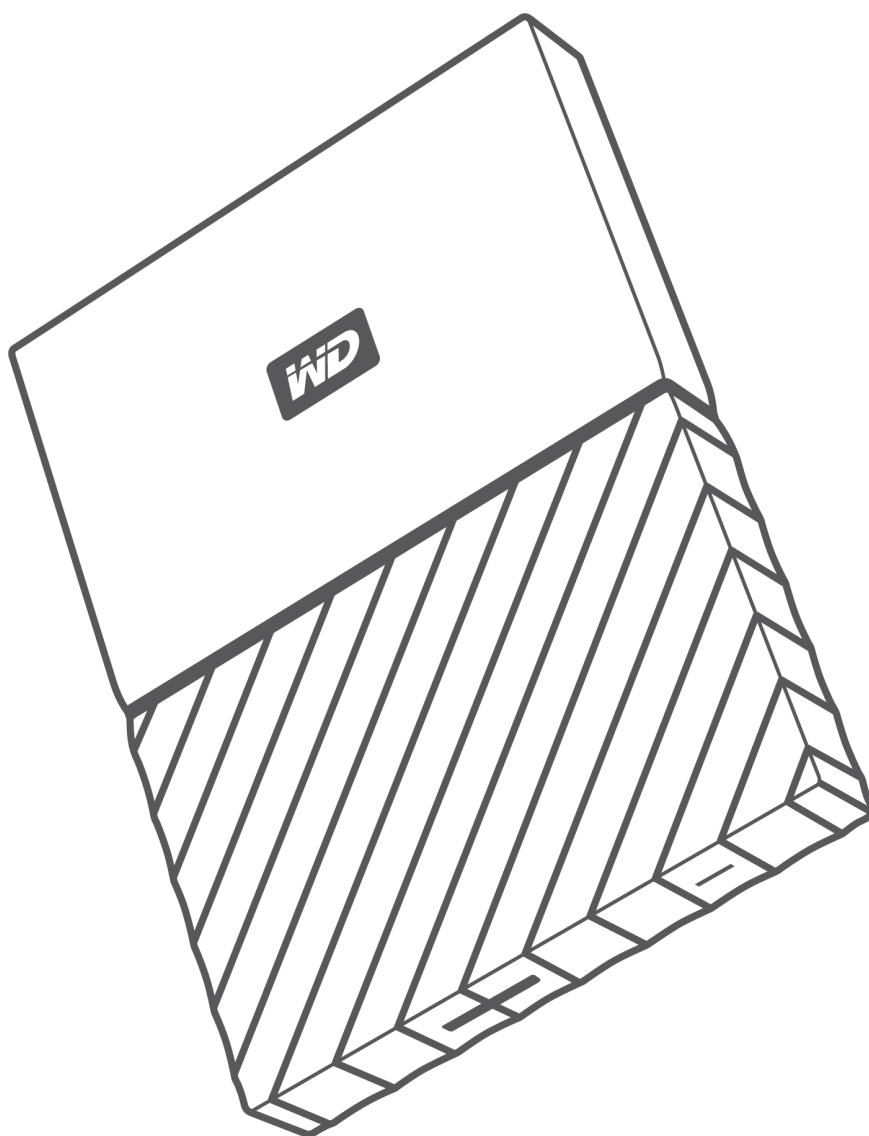




# My Passport™ for Mac

Portable Hard Drive

User Manual



# Accessing Online Support

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- **Downloads** — Download software and updates for your WD product
- **Registration** — Register your WD product to get the latest updates and special offers at <http://register.wdc.com>
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- **Installation** — Get online installation help for your WD product or software
- **WD Community** — Share your thoughts and connect with other WD users at <http://community.wdc.com>

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## 1

# About Your WD Drive

Welcome to your My Passport for Mac™ portable hard drive. This drive offers high capacity in a sleek portable device. It features ultra-fast USB 3.0 connectivity, local and cloud backup, and password protection to help protect your files from unauthorized use.

This introductory chapter includes the following topics:

[Features](#)

[Kit Contents](#)

[Optional Accessories](#)

[Operating System Compatibility](#)

[Disk Drive Format](#)

[Physical Description](#)

[Registering Your Drive](#)

[Handling Precautions](#)

## Features

With a compact design, high capacity, and your choice of local or cloud backup, My Passport for Mac fits perfectly into the busy life of anyone with an on-the-go digital life.

**Password Protection with Hardware Encryption** — The My Passport for Mac drive's built-in 256-bit AES Hardware Encryption with WD Security™ software helps keep your content private and safe. Just activate password protection and set your own personalized password.

**Password Protection** — The WD Security™ software helps keep your content private and safe. Just activate password protection and set your own personalized password.

**Reimagined Design** — The bold, vibrant design of the My Passport for Mac drive is sure to stop you in your tracks. It is portable storage reimagined and gives you the opportunity to express yourself! Available in a wide range of beautiful colors, you can pick what complements your own personal style.

**Easy to Use** — My Passport for Mac portable storage is ready to use out of the box so you can start transferring files, saving your memories and backing up right away. It comes with all the software you need to help protect all your data, including WD Security and WD Drive Utilities software.

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**Important:** For the latest WD product information and news, visit our website at <http://www.wdc.com>. For the latest software, firmware, and product documentation and information, go to <http://support.wdc.com/downloads.aspx>

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## Kit Contents

As shown in figure 1, your My Passport for Mac drive kit includes the following:

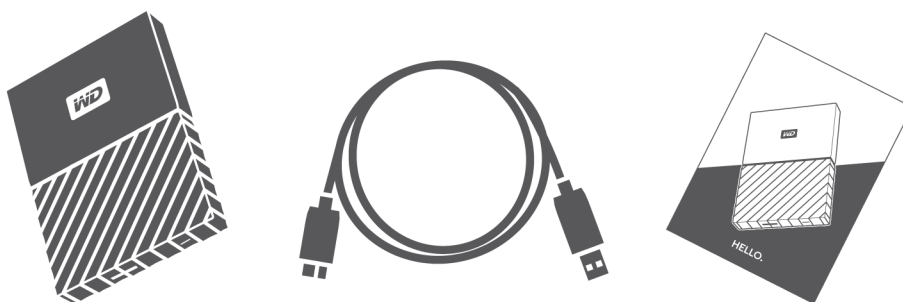


Figure 1: My Passport for Mac Portable Hard Drive Kit Components

- My Passport for Mac portable hard drive, with the WD Security and WD Drive Utilities software
- USB 3.0 cable
- Quick install guide

## Optional Accessories

For information about optional accessories for WD products, visit [www.wdc.com](http://www.wdc.com)

## Operating System Compatibility

Your My Passport for Mac drive and the WD Drive Utilities and WD Security software are compatible with the following operating systems:

| Windows   | Mac OS X  |
|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Windows 7</li> <li>■ Windows 8</li> <li>■ Windows 8.1</li> <li>■ Windows 10</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Mavericks</li> <li>■ Yosemite</li> <li>■ El Capitan</li> <li>■ Sierra</li> </ul> |

Compatibility can vary, depending on hardware configuration and operating system.

For highest performance and reliability, always install the latest updates and service pack (SP). For Mac computers, go to the **Apple** menu and select **Software Update**. For Windows computers, go to the **Start** menu and select **Windows Update**.

## Disk Drive Format

Your My Passport for Mac drive is formatted as a single HSF+J partition for compatibility with Mac OS X operating systems. If you want to use the drive with a Windows computer, see [Reformatting the Drive](#) and [Troubleshooting](#).

## Physical Description

As shown in figure 2, the My Passport for Mac drive has:

- A USB 3.0 interface port
- A power/activity LED indicator

### USB 3.0 Interface

USB 3.0 supports data transfer rates up to 5 Gb/s.

USB 3.0 is backward compatible with USB 2.0. Connection to a USB 2.0 port transfers data at the port speed—up to 480 Mb/s.

USB 3.0 interface port

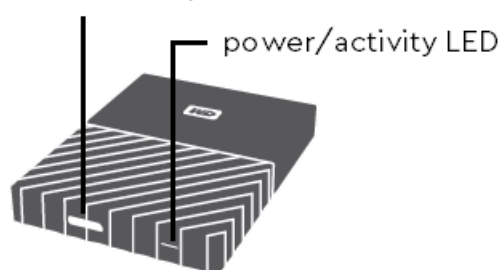


Figure 2: My Passport for Mac drive

### Power/Activity LED

The power/activity LED shows the drive's power state as follows:

| LED Appearance                                  | Power State/Activity  |
|---|---|
| On steady                                       | Idle  |
| Fast flashing, approximately 3 times per second | Activity  |
| Slow flashing, approximately every 2.5 seconds  | System standby  |
| Off   | Unit off or has been configured to have the LED turned off using WD Drive Utilities |

## Registering Your Drive

Always register your My Passport for Mac drive to get the latest updates and special offers. You can easily register your drive using the WD Drive Utilities software. Another way is to register online at <http://register.wdc.com>

## Handling Precautions

WD products are precision instruments and must be handled with care during unpacking and installation. Rough handling, shock, or vibration can damage drives. Always observe the following precautions when unpacking and installing your external storage product:

- Do not drop or jolt the drive.
- Do not move the drive during activity.



## 2

# Connecting the Drive and Getting Started

This chapter provides instructions for connecting the drive and installing the WD software on your computer. It includes the following topics:

[Connecting the Drive](#)

[Getting Started with the WD Software](#)

## Connecting the Drive

1. Turn on your computer.
2. Connect the drive to your computer as shown in figure 3.
3. Verify that the My Passport drive appears under DEVICES in the Sidebar area of your Finder display:



**Note:** If the External disks check box is selected on your Finder Preferences dialog, the My Passport icon displays on your desktop:



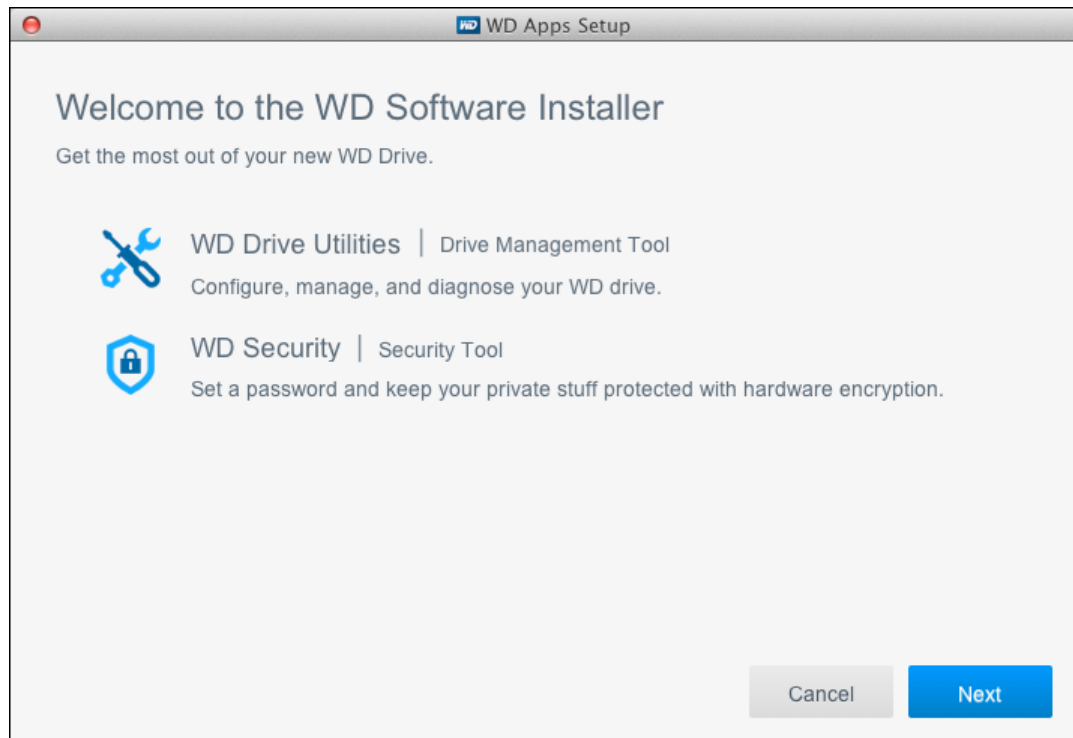
Figure 3: Connecting the My Passport Drive

Your My Passport for Mac drive is now ready to use as an external storage device. You can enhance its capabilities by installing the WD software that is on the drive:

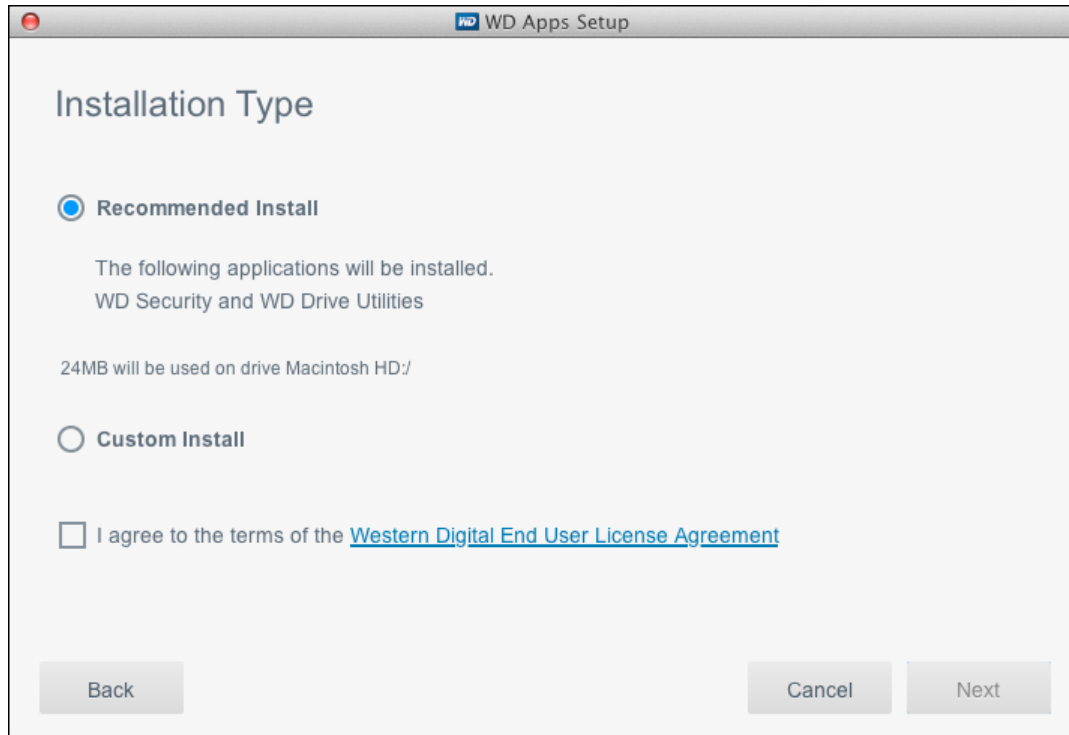
- WD Apps Setup

## Getting Started with the WD Software

1. Double-click the WD\_Apps.dmg file.
2. Click **Next** on the WD Apps Setup wizard, Software Installer dialog:



3. On the Installation Type dialog:

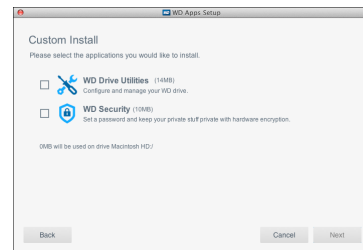


- a. Select the option to specify the WD software that you want to install:
    - **Recommended Install** installs both the WD Drive Utilities and the WD Security software
    - **Custom Install** installs the WD software that you select on the next screen
  - b. Click the **Western Digital End User License Agreement** link and read the agreement.
  - c. Select the **I agree...** check box to signify that you accept the agreement and activate the **Next** button.
  - d. Click **Next**.
4. The dialog box that appears depends on the installation option you selected at Step 3:

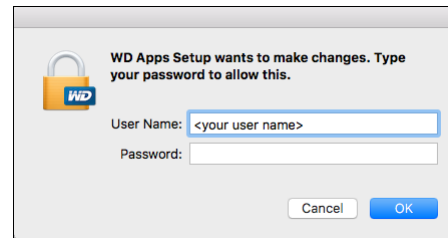
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| IF you selected the . . . option, | THEN . . .  |
| <b>Recommended Install</b>        | Type your password in the <b>Password</b> box and click <b>OK</b> : |
|                                   |   |

## Custom Install

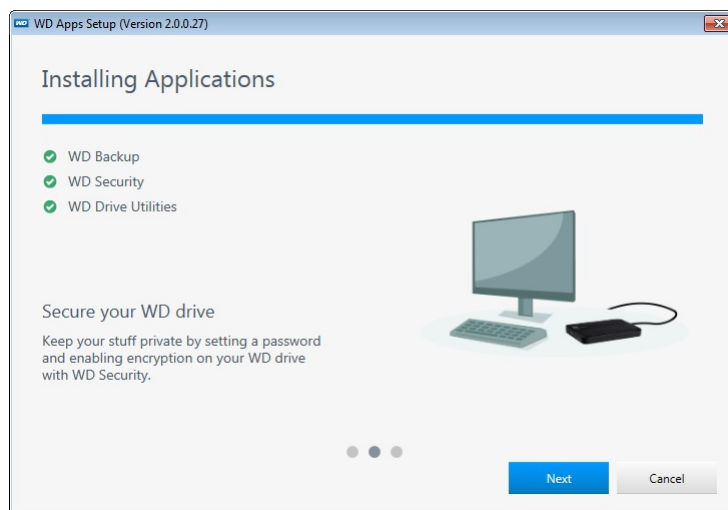
1. Select the check box for the applications that you want to install and click **Next**:



2. Type your password in the **Password** box and click **OK**:

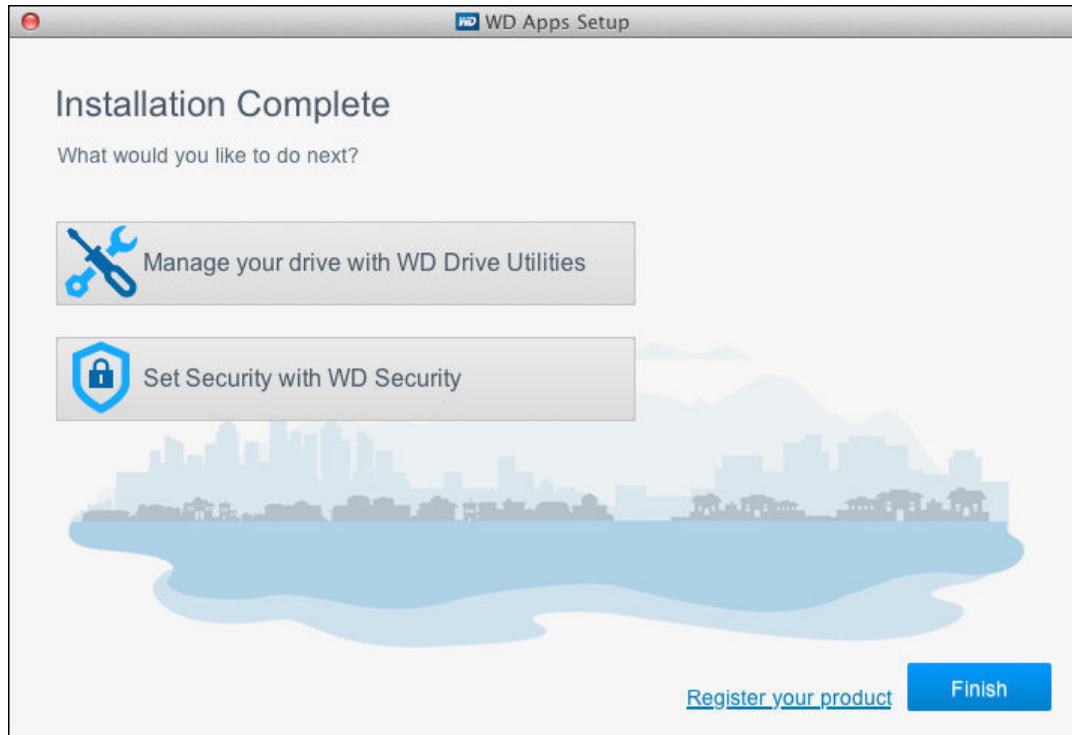


## 5. The Installing Applications dialog:



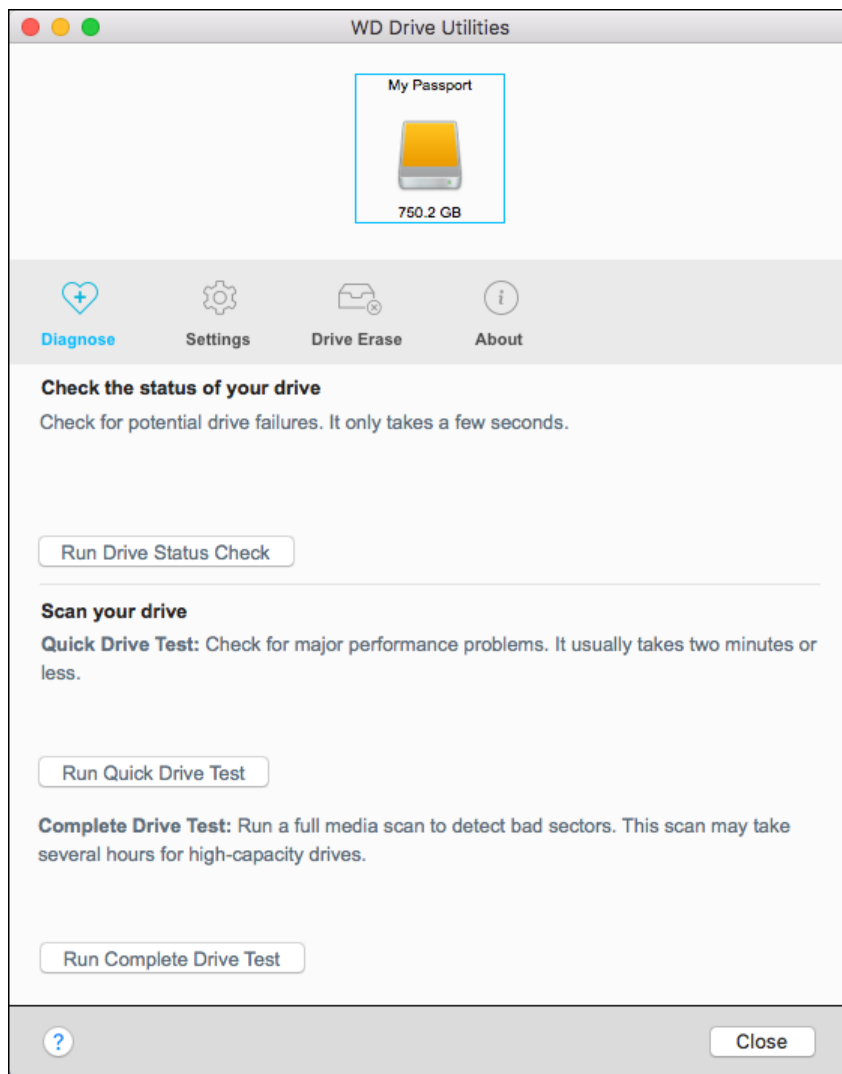
- Shows the progress of the software installation
- Displays a brief description of each application
- Activates the **Next button** when the installation completes

6. Click **Next** to display the Installation Complete dialog:

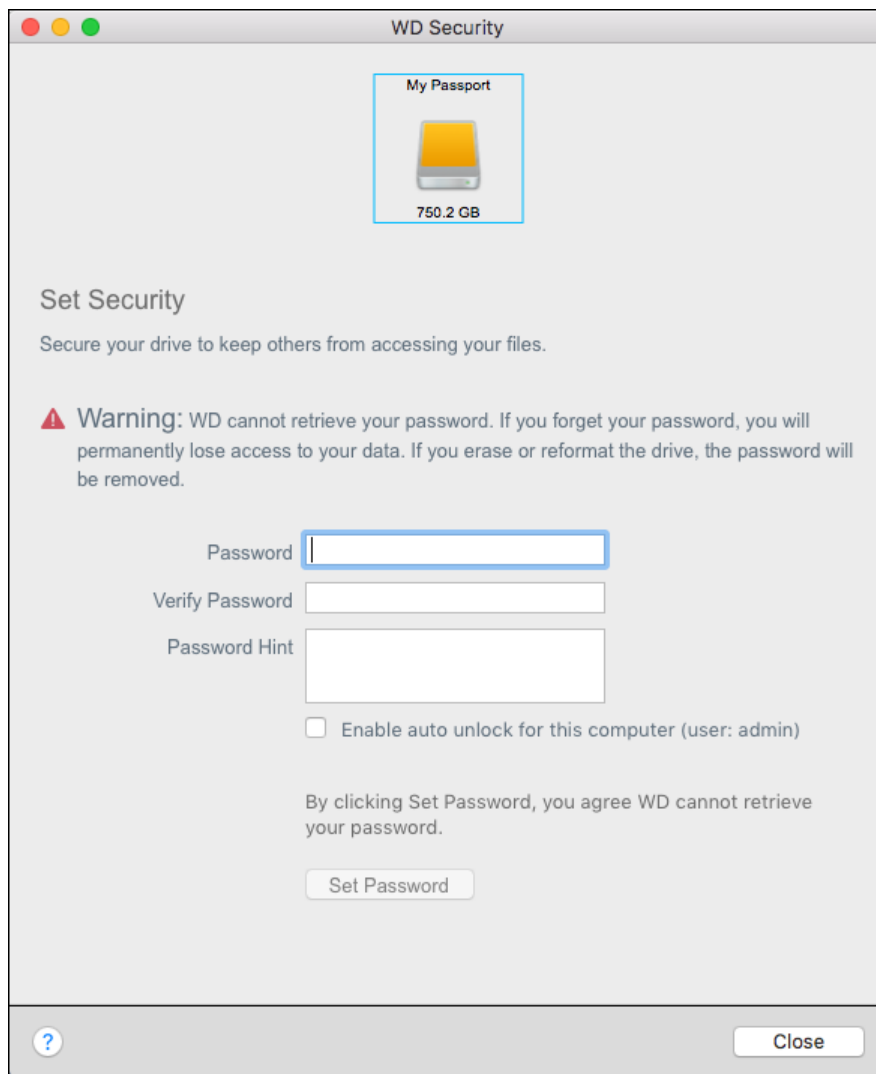


On the Installation Complete dialog, click:

- **Manage your drive...** to open the WD Drive Utilities software
- **Set Security...** to open the WD Drive Security software
- The **Register your product** link to access the WD Support Portal web page
- **Finish** to close the Installation Complete dialog



**Note:** The displayed capacity on this screen is an example. You will see a displayed capacity that matches your connected drive.



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## 3

# Locking and Unlocking the Drive

This chapter includes the following topics:

[Password Protecting the Drive](#)

[Unlocking the Drive](#)

[Changing Your Password](#)

[Turning Off the Drive Lock Feature](#)

## Password Protecting the Drive

You should password protect your drive if you are worried that someone else will gain access to your drive and you do not want them to see your files on the drive.

**CAUTION!** The WD Security software uses your password to electronically lock and unlock your drive. If you forget your password, you will not be able to access the data that is on your drive or write new data to it. You will have to erase the drive before you can use it again.

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Security** to display the WD Security screen, Set Security dialog.
2. If you have more than one supported device connected to your computer, select the one that you want to create a password for.
3. Read the warning about the possibility of data loss if you forget your password.
4. Type your password in the **Password** box, using up to 25 characters.
5. Retype your password in the **Verify Password**.
6. Type a hint to help remember your password in the **Password Hint** box.
7. Select the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box if you want the WD Security software to remember your password for the selected drive on this computer.

**Important:** If you select the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box, the first time you restart your computer or disconnect and reconnect the drive after creating a password, your operating system requests permission to allow the WD Security software to access your password:



Click **Always Allow** to avoid this dialog in the future.

8. Click **Set Password** to save your password and enable hardware encryption for your drive.



**CAUTION!** After creating a password, the drive remains *unlocked* for as long as you continue your current work session. Then the WD Security software:

- Locks the drive when you shut down your computer, disconnect your drive, or your computer goes into the sleep mode
- Requires you to type your password to unlock the drive when you restart your computer or reconnect your drive, *UNLESS* you selected the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box when you created your password

## Unlocking the Drive

After you have created a password to keep others from accessing the files on your drive, unless you selected the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box, you will have to type your password to unlock the drive whenever:

- You shut down and restart your computer
- You disconnect and reconnect the drive to your computer
- Your computer exits the sleep mode

You will have to do this even if you do not have the My Passport software installed on your computer.

In each case, the WD Security software replaces the desktop icon for your My Passport drive with the WD Unlocker virtual CD (VCD) icon:



The WD Unlocker VCD provides the WD Drive Unlock utility that you can use to unlock the drive. Or, you can use either the WD Security or the WD Drive Utilities software to unlock the drive.

## With the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities Software

Whenever you shut down and restart your computer or disconnect and reconnect the drive to your computer, starting either the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities software displays the Unlock Drive dialog:



This happens either:

- Automatically if you only have the one locked My Passport for Mac drive connected to your computer
- When you select the locked drive on either the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities screen if you have more than one supported My Passport for Mac drive connected to your computer

To unlock the drive:

1. If you do not see the Unlock Drive dialog, click either:
  - **Go > Applications > WD Security**
  - **Go > Applications > WD Drive Utilities**
2. If you have more than one supported device connected to your computer, select the one that is locked to display the Unlock Drive dialog.
3. On the Unlock Drive dialog:
  - a. Type your password in the **Password** box.
  - b. Click **Unlock Drive**.

## With the WD Drive Unlock Utility

Whenever you connect your password-protected drive to a computer that does not have the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities software installed, you can use the WD Drive Unlock utility to unlock the drive there. The Drive Unlock utility is on a virtual CD (VCD) drive that appears on your desktop display.

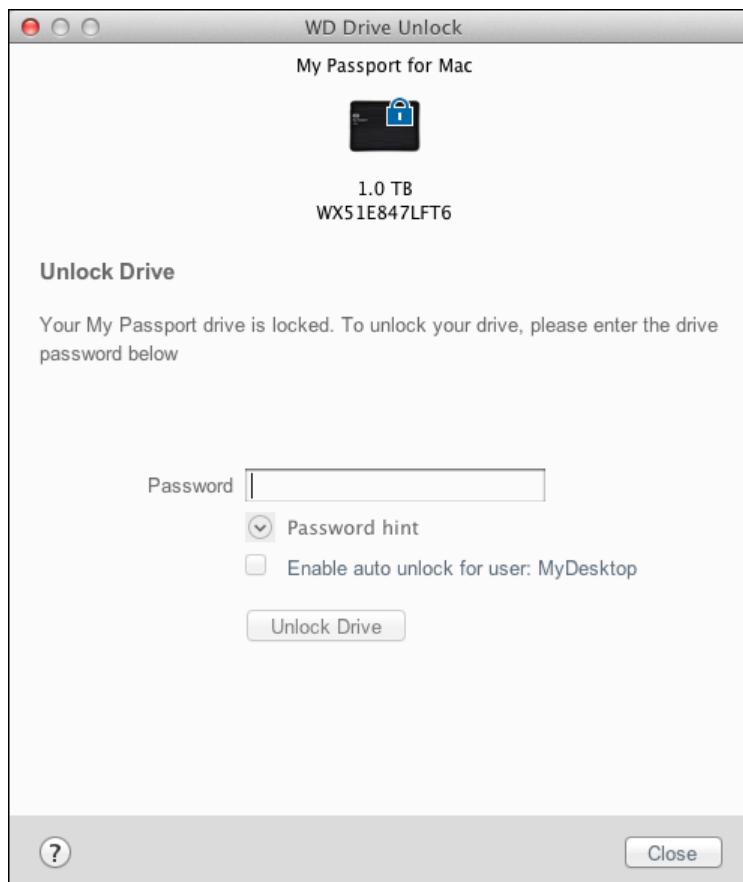
1. Double-click the WD Unlocker VCD icon on your desktop:



2. Double-click the WD Drive Unlock application on the screen that displays:



The WD Drive Unlock utility screen displays:

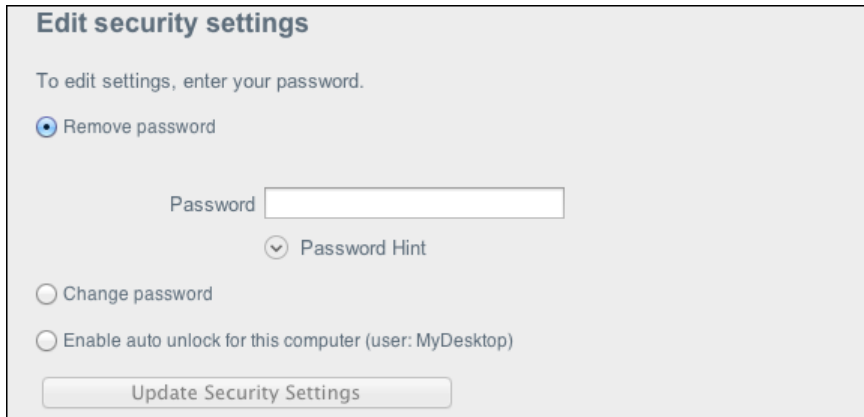


**Note:** The displayed capacity on this screen is an example. You will see a displayed capacity that matches your connected drive.

3. On the WD Drive Unlock utility screen:
  - a. Type your password in the **Password** box.
  - b. Select the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box if you want the WD Drive Unlock utility to remember your password on this computer.
  - c. Click **Unlock Drive**.

## Changing Your Password

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Security** to display the WD Security screen.
2. If you have more than one supported device connected to your computer, select the one with the password that you want to change to display the Edit security settings dialog:



**Edit security settings**

To edit settings, enter your password.

☒ Remove password

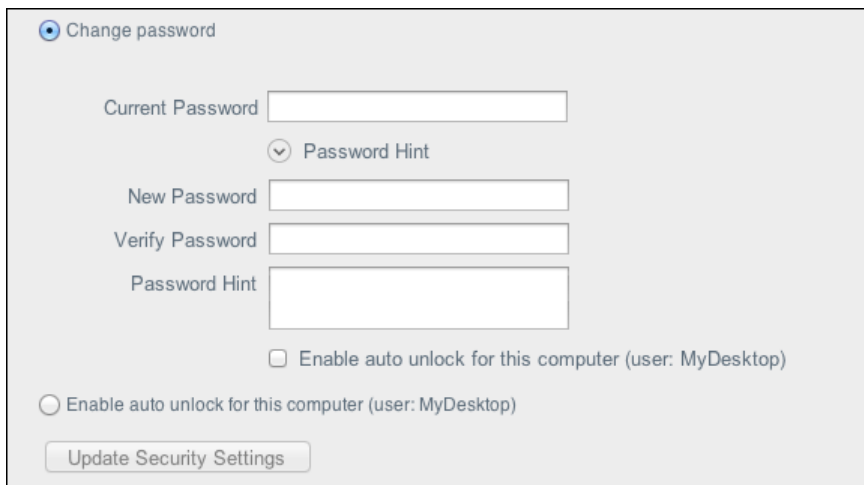
Password

☒ Password Hint

☐ Change password

☐ Enable auto unlock for this computer (user: MyDesktop)

3. On the Edit security settings dialog, select the **Change password** option to display the change password dialog:



☒ Change password

Current Password

☒ Password Hint

New Password

Verify Password

Password Hint

☐ Enable auto unlock for this computer (user: MyDesktop)

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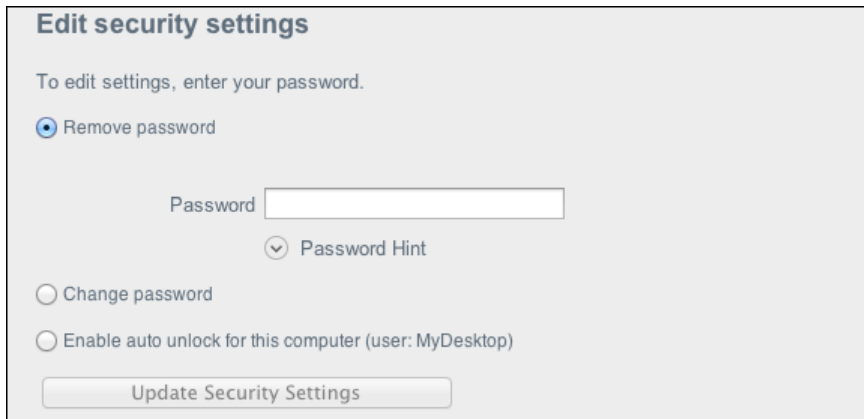
4. On the change password dialog:
  - a. Type your current password in the **Current Password** box.
  - b. Type your new password in the **New Password** box, using up to 25 characters.
  - c. Retype your new password in the **Verify Password** box.
  - d. Type a hint to help remember your new password in the **Password Hint** box.
  - e. Select or clear the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box to signify whether you want the WD Security software to remember your new password for the selected drive on this computer.
  - f. Click **Update Security Settings**.

**CAUTION!** After changing a password, the drive remains *unlocked* for as long as you continue your current work session. Then the WD Security software:

- Locks the drive when you shut down your computer, disconnect your drive, or your computer goes into the sleep mode
- Requires you to type your password to unlock the drive when you restart your computer or reconnect your drive, *UNLESS* you selected the **Enable auto unlock for this computer...** check box when you changed your password

## Turning Off the Drive Lock Feature

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Security** to display the WD Security screen.
2. If you have more than one supported device connected to your computer, select the one with the password that you want to remove to display the Edit security settings dialog:



**Edit security settings**

To edit settings, enter your password.

☒ Remove password

Password

☒ Password Hint

☐ Change password

☐ Enable auto unlock for this computer (user: MyDesktop)

3. On the Edit security settings dialog, the **Remove password** option is selected by default:
  - a. Type your password in the **Password** box.
  - b. Click **Update Security Settings**.

## 4

# Managing and Customizing the Drive

This chapter includes the following topics:

[Checking Drive Health](#)

[Erasing the Drive](#)

[Registering the Drive](#)

[Restoring the WD Software](#)

[Turning Off the LED](#)

[Safely Disconnecting the Drive](#)

The My Passport for Mac software makes it easy for you to manage and customize your drive for the best possible performance:

- **Diagnose**—Run diagnostics and status checks to make sure your drive is working properly.
- **Sleep Timer**—Reduces power to your drive during extended periods of inactivity to conserve power and extend the life of the drive.
- **Drive Erase**—Erase all of the data on the drive, including your password if you have set one.
- **About**—See the installed software version, check for software updates, and register your drive to receive free technical support during the warranty period and find out about product enhancements and price discount opportunities.

## Checking Drive Health

The WD Drive Utilities software provides three diagnostic tools to help make sure that your drive is performing well. Run the following tests if you are concerned that your drive is not operating properly:

- **Drive status check**

The drive status check is a failure-prediction function that continuously monitors key internal performance attributes of the drive. A detected increase in drive temperature, noise, or read/write errors, for example, can provide an indication that the drive is approaching a serious failure condition. With advanced warning, you could take precautionary measures, like moving your data to another drive, before a failure occurs.

The result of a drive status check is a pass or fail evaluation of the drive's condition.

- **Quick drive test**

Your drive has a built-in Data Lifeguard™ diagnostic utility that tests the drive for error conditions. The quick drive test checks the drive for major performance problems.

The result of a quick drive test is a pass or fail evaluation of the drive's condition.

- **Complete drive test**

The most comprehensive drive diagnostic is the complete drive test. It tests every sector for error conditions and inserts bad sector markers as required.

It is best to run the drive diagnostics and status checks on a regular basis, before you encounter any problems with your drive. And, because they are so fast, running the drive status check and the quick drive test provides a high level of assurance with minimal

inconvenience. Then, run all three whenever you encounter disk error conditions when writing or accessing files.

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Drive Utilities** to display the WD Drive Utilities screen, Diagnose dialog.
2. If you have more than one supported drive connected to your computer, select the one that you want to check.
3. On the Diagnose dialog, click the button for the test that you want to run:
  - Run Drive Status Check
  - Run Quick Drive Test
  - Run Complete Drive Test

## Erasing the Drive

**Note:** Erasing your drive also deletes the WD software and all of the support files and utilities. You can download these to restore your My Passport for Mac to its original configuration after erasing the drive.

My Passport for Mac provides two ways to erase your drive, depending on whether it is locked or not:

| IF your drive is . . . | AND you . . .  | THEN see . . .                                 |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Not locked,            | Want to erase the drive,                                       | <a href="#">Using the Drive Erase Function</a> |
| Locked                 | Have forgotten or lost your password and must erase the drive, | <a href="#">Using Five Invalid Passwords</a>   |

## Using the Drive Erase Function

To erase your drive when it is not locked:

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Drive Utilities** to display the WD Drive Utilities screen, Diagnose dialog.
2. If you have more than one supported drive connected to your computer, select the one that you want to erase.
3. On the WD Drive Utilities screen, click **Drive Erase** to display the drive erase dialog.
4. On the drive erase dialog:
  - a. If you want to change the volume name, type over the name in the **Volume Name** box.
  - b. Use the Volume Format selector to specify the format for the new volume, either **HFS+J** or **exFAT**.
  - c. Read the explanation of the loss of data if you erase your drive. If you want to save any of the data that is on the drive, back it up to another device before continuing with the drive erase.
  - d. Select the **I understand...** check box to signify that you accept the risk and activate the **Erase Drive** button.
  - e. Click **Erase Drive**.

Go to <http://support.wdc.com> and see Knowledge Base answer ID 7 for information about downloading and restoring the WD software on your My Passport drive.

**Note:** Erasing your drive also removes your password. If you used a password to protect your drive, you will need to re-create it after restoring the WD software. (See [Password Protecting the Drive](#).)

## Using Five Invalid Passwords

When you have forgotten or lost your password, you can erase the drive by entering five invalid passwords on the Unlock Drive dialog. See:

- [With the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities Software](#)
  - [With the WD Drive Unlock Utility](#)
1. On the Unlock Drive dialog, make five attempts to unlock the drive by:
    - a. Typing a password in the Password box.
    - b. Clicking Unlock Drive.
  2. Entering the fifth invalid password displays a too many password attempts dialog, depending on the application you used to open the Unlock Drive dialog:
    - Using the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities software
    - Using the WD Drive Unlock utility
  3. To erase your drive:
    - a. If you are using the WD Security or WD Drive Utilities software and you want to change the volume name, type over the name in the Volume Name box.
    - b. Read the explanation about erasing all of the data on the drive and select the I understand check box to indicate that you accept the risk and activate the Erase Drive button.
    - c. Click Erase Drive.

Go to <http://support.wdc.com> and see Knowledge Base answer ID 7 for information about downloading and restoring the WD software on your drive.

**Note:** Erasing your drive also removes your password. If you still want to use a password to protect your drive, you will need to re-create it after restoring the WD software. (See [Password Protecting the Drive](#).)

## Registering the Drive

The My Passport for Mac software uses your computer's Internet connection to register your drive. Registering the drive provides free technical support during the warranty period and keeps you up-to-date on the latest WD products.

1. Make sure that your computer is connected to the Internet.
2. Click **Go > Applications > WD Drive Utilities** to display the WD Drive Utilities screen, Diagnose dialog.
3. If you have more than one supported drive connected to your computer, select the one that you want to register.
4. Click About > Register to display the Register Your Device screen.
5. On the Register Your Device screen:
  - a. Type your first name in the First name box.



- b. Type your last name in the Last name box.
- c. Type your email address in the Email box.
- d. Select your language in the Preferred Language box.
- e. Select or clear the **Inform me about...** check box to specify whether you want to receive notifications about software updates, product enhancements, and price discount opportunities.
- f. Click **Register Device**.

## Restoring the WD Software

In addition to deleting all of the data on your drive, erasing or reformatting the drive also removes the WD software and all of the support files, utilities and online help.

If you ever need to remove and reinstall the WD software on your computer, or move the drive to another computer and install the software there, you will need to restore the WD software on your drive. To do this, after you have erased or reformatted the drive, go to <http://support.wdc.com> and see Knowledge Base answer ID 7.

## Turning Off the LED

The drive LED can be turned off using the WD Drive Utilities software.

1. Click **Go > Applications > WD Drive Utilities** to display the WD Drive Utilities screen, Diagnose dialog.
2. Click **Settings**.
3. Click **LED** to turn the LED off.

## Safely Disconnecting the Drive

Windows and Macintosh operating systems have a means for safely disconnecting and removing the drive without turning off the system:

- Windows has a Safely Remove Hardware and Eject Media icon in the system tray which, when used, ensures that all data is flushed from system cache before device removal.
- Mac users can simply drag the drive icon to the trash before disconnecting it.

## 5

# Managing and Customizing the Software

This chapter includes the following topics:

[Checking for Software Updates](#)

[Uninstalling the WD Software](#)

## Checking for Software Updates

If an update is available, follow the on-screen download and installation instructions:

| Software           | Procedure   |
|--------------------|---|
| WD Drive Utilities | 1. Click the <b>About</b> icon and the <b>Check for Updates</b> button. |
| WD Security        | 1. Click the <b>About</b> icon and the <b>Check for Updates</b> button. |

## Uninstalling the WD Software

Use the Finder to uninstall WD software from your computer.

1. Click **Go > Applications**.
2. Drag the WD Drive Utilities icon to the trash. Enter your password if prompted.
3. Empty the trash.

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# Reformatting the Drive

This chapter includes the following topics:

[Reformatting the Drive](#)

[Restoring the WD Software](#)

## Reformatting the Drive

Reformatting the drive erases all its contents. If you have already saved files on the drive, be sure to back them up before reformatting it.

Go to <http://support.wdc.com> and refer to Knowledge Base answer ID 3865 for information about reformatting the drive.

See [Troubleshooting](#) for more information about reformatting a drive.

## Restoring the WD Software

After you have reformatted your My Passport for Mac drive for use on Mac computers, go to <http://support.wdc.com> and see Knowledge Base answer ID 7 for information about downloading and restoring the Mac versions of the WD Drive Utilities and WD Security software on your My Passport for Mac drive.

The WD Backup software is not available for Mac computers.

# 7

## Troubleshooting

This chapter includes the following topics:

[Installing, Partitioning, and Formatting the Drive](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

If you have problems installing or using this product, refer to this troubleshooting section or visit our support website at <http://support.wdc.com> and search our knowledge base for more help.

### Installing, Partitioning, and Formatting the Drive

|   | KnowledgeBase Answer ID |
|---|-------------------------|
| How to  |                         |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partition, and format a WD drive on Windows (10, 8, 7) and Mac OS X</li> </ul>   | 3865                    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convert a Mac OS X GPT partition to an NTFS partition in Windows 7</li> </ul>  | 3647                    |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Download software, utilities, firmware updates, and drivers for WD products (from the Downloads Library)</li> </ul>  | 7                       |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Format a WD external hard drive in exFAT or FAT32*</li> </ul>  | 291                     |
| <p>*The FAT32 file system has a maximum individual file size of 4 GB and cannot create partitions larger than 32 GB in Windows. To create partitions larger than 32 GB in FAT32 when reformatting the drive, download the External USB/FireWire FAT32 Formatting Utility from <a href="http://support.wdc.com/downloads.aspx?p=34">http://support.wdc.com/downloads.aspx?p=34</a>. Windows users can avoid these size limitations by formatting the drive to exFAT.</p> <p>For further details, see:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Answer ID 291 at <a href="http://support.wdc.com">http://support.wdc.com</a></li> <li>Article IDs 314463 and # 184006 at <a href="https://support.microsoft.com">https://support.microsoft.com</a></li> <li>The appropriate third-party software documentation or support organization</li> </ul> |                         |

### Frequently Asked Questions

|   |  |
|---|--|
| Why is the drive not recognized under My Computer or on the computer desktop? | <p>If your system has a USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 PCI adapter card, be sure that its drivers are installed before connecting your WD USB 3.1 external storage product. The drive is not recognized correctly unless USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 root hub and host controller drivers are installed. Contact the adapter card manufacturer for installation procedures.</p> |
|---|--|

Why won't my computer boot when I connect my USB drive to the computer before booting?

Depending on your system configuration, your computer might try to boot from your WD portable USB drive. Refer to your system's motherboard BIOS setting documentation to disable this feature or visit <http://support.wdc.com> and see Knowledge Base answer ID 1201. For more information about booting from external drives, refer to your system documentation or contact your system manufacturer.

Why is the data transfer rate slow?

Your system may be operating at USB 1.1 speeds due to an incorrect driver installation of the USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 adapter card or a system that does not support USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0.

How do I determine whether or not my system supports USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0?

Refer to your USB card documentation or contact your USB card manufacturer.

**Note:** If your USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 controller is built in to the system motherboard, be sure to install the appropriate chipset support for your motherboard. Refer to your motherboard or system manual for more information.

What happens when a USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 device is plugged into a USB 1.1 port or hub?

USB 3.1, USB 3.0 and USB 2.0 are backward-compatible with USB 1.1. When connected to a USB 1.1 port or hub, a USB 3.1, USB 3.0 or USB 2.0 device can transfer data up to 12 Mbps.

If your system includes a PCI Express slot, you can achieve higher data transfer rates by installing a PCI Express adapter card. Contact the card manufacturer for installation procedures and more information.

## 8

# Compliance and Warranty Information

This appendix includes the following topics:

[Regulatory Compliance](#)

[Environmental Compliance \(China\)](#)

[Warranty Information](#)

## Regulatory Compliance

### FCC Class B Information

Operation of this device is subject to the following conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference.
- This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This device has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This device generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio or television reception. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, you are encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for help.

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### ICES-003/NMB-003 Statement

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This device complies with Canadian ICES-003 Class B.

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| 有毒有害物质或元素   |                    |           |           |                      |                        |                      |
|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| 部件名称  | 产品中有毒有害物质或元素的名称及含量 |           |           |                      |                        |                      |
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| 减震架(4)  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 减震器(4 pcs)  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 脚垫(4 pcs)   | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 带镜头的上盖  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 底盖  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| PCBA  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 硬盘驱动器   | X                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 微型 USB 电缆   | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| EMI 底盖  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
| 聚酯薄膜  | ○                  | ○         | ○         | ○                    | ○                      | ○                    |
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## Warranty Information

### Obtaining Service

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WD warrants that the Product, in the course of its normal use, will for the term defined below, be free from defects in material and workmanship and will conform to WD's specification therefor. The term of your limited warranty depends on the country in which your Product was purchased. The term of your limited warranty is for 3 years in the North, South and Central America region, 3 years in the Europe, the Middle East and Africa region, and 3 years in the Asia Pacific region, unless otherwise required by law. The term of your limited warranty period shall commence on the purchase date appearing on your purchase receipt. WD may at its discretion make extended warranties available for purchase. WD shall have no liability for any Product returned if WD determines that the Product was stolen from WD or that the asserted defect a) is not present, b) cannot reasonably be rectified because of damage occurring before WD receives the Product, or c) is attributable to misuse, improper installation, alteration (including removing or obliterating labels and opening or removing external enclosures, including the mounting frame, unless the product is on the list of limited user-serviceable products and the specific alteration is within the scope of the applicable instructions, as found at <http://support.wd.com>), accident or mishandling while in the possession of someone other than WD. Subject to the limitations specified above, your sole and exclusive warranty shall be, during the period of warranty specified above and at WD's option, the repair or replacement of the Product with an equivalent or better Product. The foregoing warranty of WD shall extend to repaired or replaced Products for the balance of the applicable period of the original warranty or ninety (90) days from the date of shipment of a repaired or replaced Product, whichever is longer.

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