# OptiPlex 3090 Ultra

Service Manual



#### Notes, cautions, and warnings

(i) 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.

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

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## Working on your computer

#### Topics:

• Safety instructions

### 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 you have read the safety information that shipped with your computer.

- WARNING: Before working inside your computer, read the safety information that is shipped with your computer. For more safety best practices, see the Regulatory Compliance home page at www.dell.com/regulatory\_compliance.
- WARNING: Disconnect your computer from 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 your computer to an electrical outlet.
- CAUTION: To avoid damaging the computer, ensure that the work surface is flat, dry, and clean.
- CAUTION: To avoid damaging the components and cards, handle them by their edges, and avoid touching the pins and the contacts.
- CAUTION: You should only perform troubleshooting and repairs as authorized or directed by the Dell technical assistance team. Damage due to servicing that is not authorized by Dell is not covered by your warranty. See the safety instructions that is shipped with the product or at <a href="https://www.dell.com/regulatory\_compliance">www.dell.com/regulatory\_compliance</a>.
- 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.
- CAUTION: When you disconnect a cable, pull it by its connector or its pull tab, not the cable itself. Some cables have connectors with locking tabs or thumbscrews that you must disengage before disconnecting the cable. When disconnecting cables, keep them evenly aligned to avoid bending the connector pins. When connecting cables, ensure that the ports and the connectors are correctly oriented and aligned.
- CAUTION: Press and eject any installed card from the media-card reader.
- CAUTION: Exercise caution when handling Lithium-ion batteries in laptops. Swollen batteries should not be used and should be replaced and disposed properly.
- i NOTE: The color of your computer and certain components may appear differently than shown in this document.

### Before working inside your device

#### About this task

To avoid damaging your device, perform the following steps before you begin working inside the device:

#### Steps

1. Ensure that you follow the Safety Instruction.

- 2. Ensure that your work surface is flat and clean to prevent the device cover from being scratched.
- 3. Save and close all open files and exit all open applications.
- 4. Turn off your device.
- 5. Disconnect your device and all attached devices from their electrical outlets.

### Safety precautions

The safety precautions chapter details the primary steps to be taken before performing any disassembly instructions.

Observe the following safety precautions before you perform any installation or break/fix procedures involving disassembly or reassembly:

- Turn off the system and all attached peripherals.
- Disconnect the system and all attached peripherals from AC power.
- Disconnect all network cables, telephone, and telecommunications lines from the system.
- Use an ESD field service kit when working inside any tabletdesktop to avoid electrostatic discharge (ESD) damage.
- After removing any system component, carefully place the removed component on an anti-static mat.
- Wear shoes with non-conductive rubber soles to reduce the chance of getting electrocuted.

#### Standby power

Dell products with standby power must be unplugged before you open the case. Systems that incorporate standby power are essentially powered while turned off. The internal power enables the system to be remotely turned on (wake on LAN) and suspended into a sleep mode and has other advanced power management features.

Unplugging, pressing and holding the power button for 20 seconds should discharge residual power in the system board. Remove the battery from tablets.

#### Bonding

Bonding is a method for connecting two or more grounding conductors to the same electrical potential. This is done through the use of a field service electrostatic discharge (ESD) kit. When connecting a bonding wire, ensure that it is connected to bare metal and never to a painted or non-metal surface. The wrist strap should be secure and in full contact with your skin, and ensure that you remove all jewelry such as watches, bracelets, or rings prior to bonding yourself and the equipment.

### Electrostatic discharge—ESD protection

ESD is a major concern when you handle electronic components, especially sensitive components such as expansion cards, processors, memory DIMMs, and system boards. Very slight charges can damage circuits in ways that may not be obvious, such as intermittent problems or a shortened product life span. As the industry pushes for lower power requirements and increased density, ESD protection is an increasing concern.

Due to the increased density of semiconductors used in recent Dell products, the sensitivity to static damage is now higher than in previous Dell products. For this reason, some previously approved methods of handling parts are no longer applicable.

Two recognized types of ESD damage are catastrophic and intermittent failures.

- Catastrophic Catastrophic failures represent approximately 20 percent of ESD-related failures. The damage causes an immediate and complete loss of device functionality. An example of catastrophic failure is a memory DIMM that has received a static shock and immediately generates a "No POST/No Video" symptom with a beep code emitted for missing or nonfunctional memory.
- Intermittent Intermittent failures represent approximately 80 percent of ESD-related failures. The high rate of intermittent failures means that most of the time when damage occurs, it is not immediately recognizable. The DIMM receives a static shock, but the tracing is merely weakened and does not immediately produce outward symptoms related to the damage. The weakened trace may take weeks or months to melt, and in the meantime may cause degradation of memory integrity, intermittent memory errors, etc.

The more difficult type of damage to recognize and troubleshoot is the intermittent (also called latent or "walking wounded") failure.

Perform the following steps to prevent ESD damage:

- Use a wired ESD wrist strap that is properly grounded. The use of wireless anti-static straps is no longer allowed; they do not provide adequate protection. Touching the chassis before handling parts does not ensure adequate ESD protection on parts with increased sensitivity to ESD damage.
- Handle all static-sensitive components in a static-safe area. If possible, use anti-static floor pads and workbench pads.
- When unpacking a static-sensitive component from its shipping carton, do not remove the component from the anti-static packing material until you are ready to install the component. Before unwrapping the anti-static packaging, ensure that you discharge static electricity from your body.
- Before transporting a static-sensitive component, place it in an anti-static container or packaging.

#### ESD field service kit

The unmonitored Field Service kit is the most commonly used service kit. Each Field Service kit includes three main components: anti-static mat, wrist strap, and bonding wire.

#### Components of an ESD field service kit

The components of an ESD field service kit are:

- Anti-Static Mat The anti-static mat is dissipative and parts can be placed on it during service procedures. When using an anti-static mat, your wrist strap should be snug and the bonding wire should be connected to the mat and to any bare metal on the system being worked on. Once deployed properly, service parts can be removed from the ESD bag and placed directly on the mat. ESD-sensitive items are safe in your hand, on the ESD mat, in the system, or inside a bag.
- Wrist Strap and Bonding Wire The wrist strap and bonding wire can be either directly connected between your wrist and bare metal on the hardware if the ESD mat is not required, or connected to the anti-static mat to protect hardware that is temporarily placed on the mat. The physical connection of the wrist strap and bonding wire between your skin, the ESD mat, and the hardware is known as bonding. Use only Field Service kits with a wrist strap, mat, and bonding wire. Never use wireless wrist straps. Always be aware that the internal wires of a wrist strap are prone to damage from normal wear and tear, and must be checked regularly with a wrist strap tester in order to avoid accidental ESD hardware damage. It is recommended to test the wrist strap and bonding wire at least once per week.
- ESD Wrist Strap Tester The wires inside of an ESD strap are prone to damage over time. When using an unmonitored kit, it is a best practice to regularly test the strap prior to each service call, and at a minimum, test once per week. A wrist strap tester is the best method for doing this test. If you do not have your own wrist strap tester, check with your regional office to find out if they have one. To perform the test, plug the wrist-strap's bonding-wire into the tester while it is strapped to your wrist and push the button to test. A green LED is lit if the test is successful; a red LED is lit and an alarm sounds if the test fails.
- Insulator Elements It is critical to keep ESD sensitive devices, such as plastic heat sink casings, away from internal parts that are insulators and often highly charged.
- Working Environment Before deploying the ESD Field Service kit, assess the situation at the customer location. For example, deploying the kit for a server environment is different than for a desktop or portable environment. Servers are typically installed in a rack within a data center; desktops or portables are typically placed on office desks or cubicles. Always look for a large open flat work area that is free of clutter and large enough to deploy the ESD kit with additional space to accommodate the type of system that is being repaired. The workspace should also be free of insulators that can cause an ESD event. On the work area, insulators such as Styrofoam and other plastics should always be moved at least 12 inches or 30 centimeters away from sensitive parts before physically handling any hardware components
- ESD Packaging All ESD-sensitive devices must be shipped and received in static-safe packaging. Metal, static-shielded bags are preferred. However, you should always return the damaged part using the same ESD bag and packaging that the new part arrived in. The ESD bag should be folded over and taped shut and all the same foam packing material should be used in the original box that the new part arrived in. ESD-sensitive devices should be removed from packaging only at an ESD-protected work surface, and parts should never be placed on top of the ESD bag because only the inside of the bag is shielded. Always place parts in your hand, on the ESD mat, in the system, or inside an anti-static bag.
- Transporting Sensitive Components When transporting ESD sensitive components such as replacement parts or parts to be returned to Dell, it is critical to place these parts in anti-static bags for safe transport.

### ESD protection summary

It is recommended that all field service technicians use the traditional wired ESD grounding wrist strap and protective anti-static mat at all times when servicing Dell products. In addition, it is critical that technicians keep sensitive parts separate from all insulator parts while performing service and that they use anti-static bags for transporting sensitive components.

### **Transporting sensitive components**

When transporting ESD sensitive components such as replacement parts or parts to be returned to Dell, it is critical to place these parts in anti-static bags for safe transport.

### After working inside your device

#### About this task

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

- 1. Replace all screws and ensure that no stray screws remain inside your device.
- 2. Connect your computer and all attached devices to their electrical outlets.
- 3. Turn on your device.
- 4. If required, verify that the device works correctly by running ePSA diagnostics.

## **Stands**

#### **Topics:**

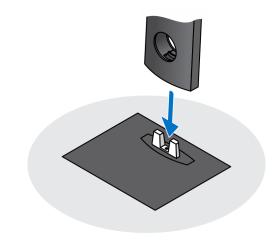
- Fixed stand
- Pro 1.0 Height-adjustable stand-HAS
- Offset VESA mount
- Pro 2 Height-adjustable stand-HAS
- Wall Mount

### **Fixed stand**

### Installing the device on a fixed stand

#### Steps

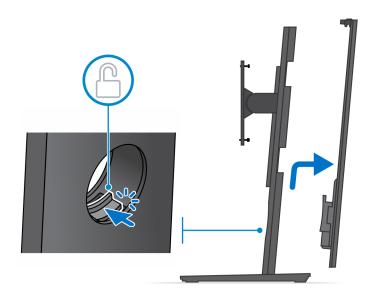
- 1. Align and insert the slots on the fixed stand into the tab on the stand base.
- 2. Lift and tilt the stand base.
- 3. Tighten the captive screw to secure the stand to the base.



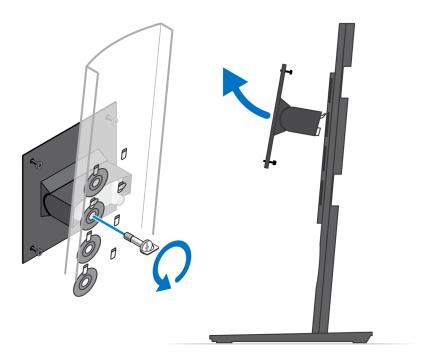


4. Slide the release latch on the stand, until you hear a click, to release the stand cover.

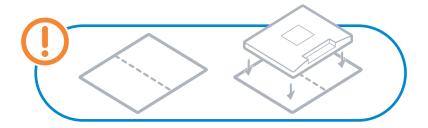
**5.** Slide and lift the cover to release it from the stand.

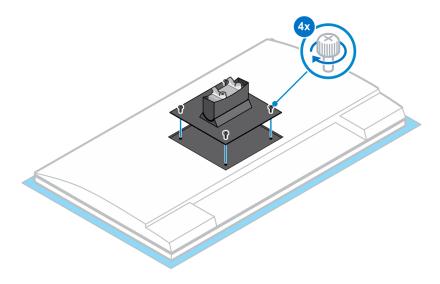


- ${\bf 6.}\;$  Remove the screw that secures the stand mounting bracket to the stand.
- $\textbf{7.} \ \ \, \text{Lift the mounting bracket to release the hooks on the bracket from the slots on the stand.}$

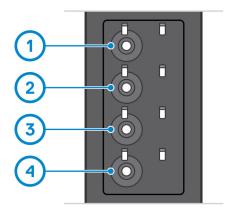


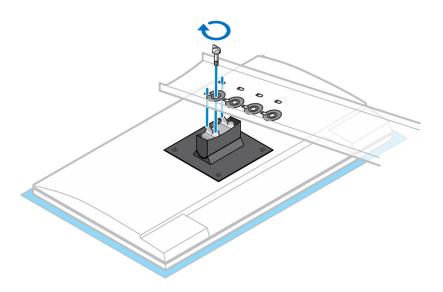
- 8. To avoid any damage to the monitor, ensure that you place the monitor on a protective sheet.
- ${\bf 9.}\;$  Align the screws on the mounting bracket with the screw holes on the monitor.
- **10.** Tighten the four captive screws to secure the mounting bracket to the monitor.



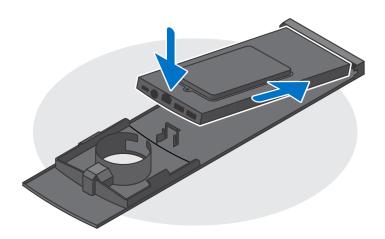


- 11. Select the height at which you want to mount the monitor and align the hooks on the mounting bracket with the slots on the stand.
- 12. Replace the screw to secure the fixed stand to the monitor.



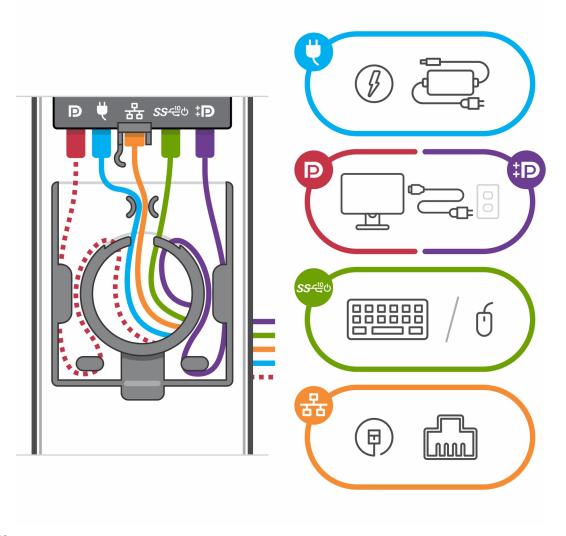


- 13. Align the vents on the device with the vents on the stand cover.
- 14. Lower the device in the stand until you hear a click.



- 15. Connect the power, network, keyboard, mouse, and display cables to the device and to the power outlet.
  - NOTE: To avoid any pinching or crimping of the cables while closing the stand cover, it is recommended that you route the cables as indicated in the image.

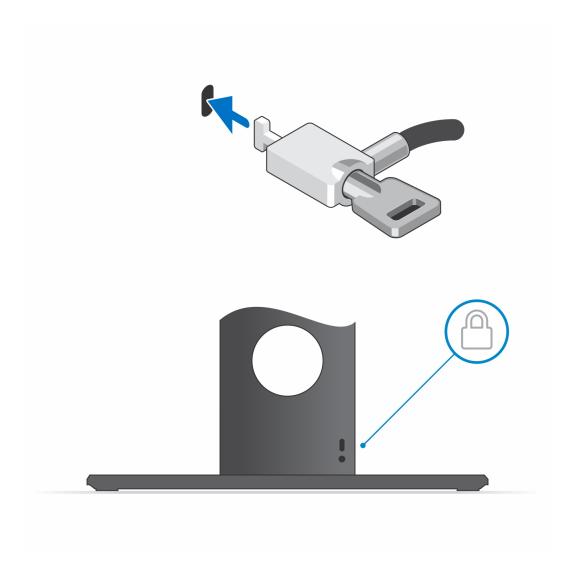
(i) NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.



16. Slide the back cover, along with the device, into the stand until you hear a click.



17. Lock the device and the stand cover.



**18.** Press the power button to turn on the device.



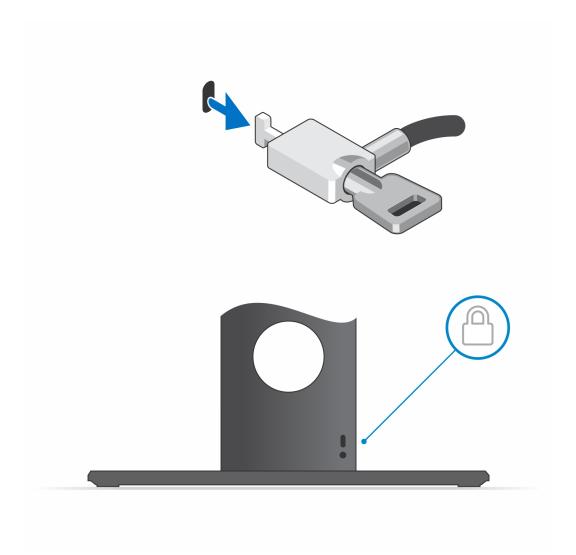
## Removing the device from a fixed stand

#### Prerequisites

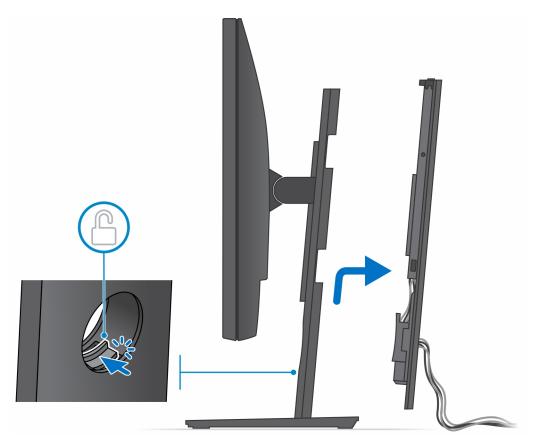
1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.

#### Steps

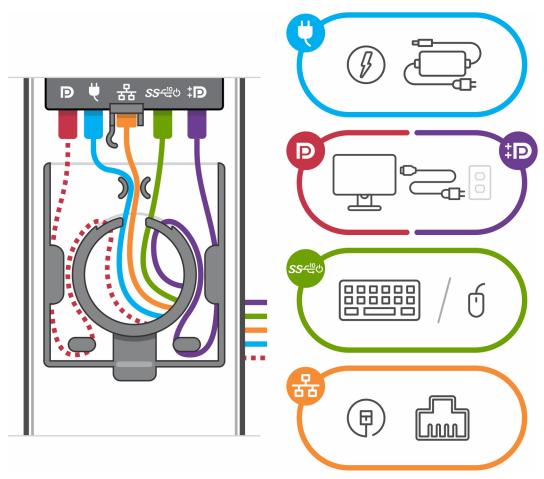
1. Unlock the device and the stand cover.



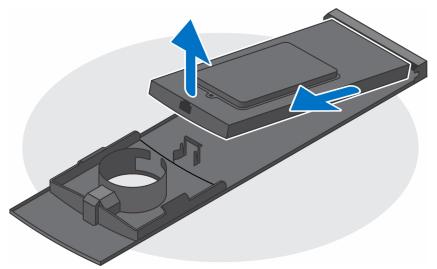
- 2. Slide the release latch on the stand until you hear a click to release the stand cover.
- 3. Slide and lift the back cover to release it from the stand.



- 4. Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power, and display cable from the device.
- NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.



- 5. Pull the retention latch that secures the device to the stand chassis.
- 6. Lift the device from the cover.



- 7. Press and hold the power button while the device is unplugged to ground the system board.
  - NOTE: To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface at the same time as touching a connector on the back of the computer.

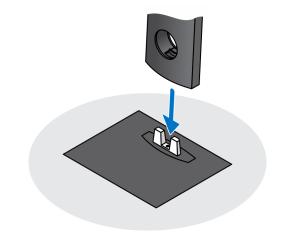
## Monitor tilt angle



## Pro 1.0 Height-adjustable stand-HAS

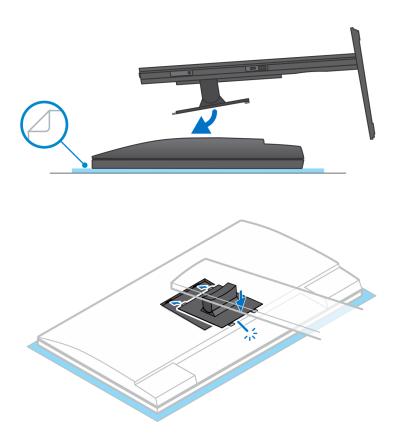
## Installing the device on a Pro 1 height-adjustable stand

- 1. Align and insert the slots on the height-adjustable stand into the tab on the stand base.
- 2. Lift and tilt the stand base.
- 3. Tighten the captive screw to secure the stand to the base.

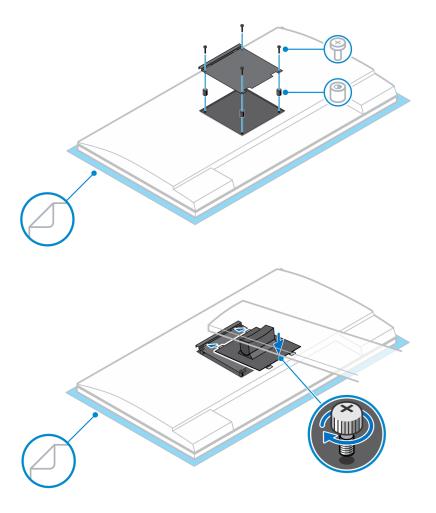




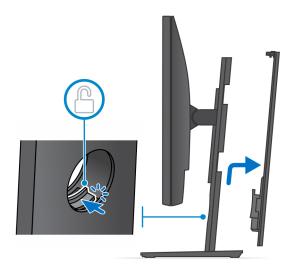
- **4.** To avoid any damage to the monitor, ensure that you place the monitor on a protective sheet.
- $\textbf{5.} \ \ \text{For installing the height-adjustable stand to the monitor:}$ 
  - **a.** Align and insert the hooks on the mounting bracket on the stand into the slots on the monitor, until you hear a click.

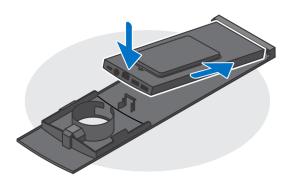


- **6.** For installing QR to VESA bracket for E-Series monitor or monitor without Quick Release support:
  - **a.** Align the screw holes on the QR to VESA bracket with the screw holes on the monitor.
  - ${f b.}$  Install the four screw spacers and the screws to secure the QR to VESA bracket to the monitor.
  - c. Align and insert the QR tabs on the stand into the slots on the QR to VESA bracket on the monitor.
  - $\mbox{\bf d.}\ \mbox{Tighten}$  the thumb screw to secure the stand to the QR to VESA bracket.

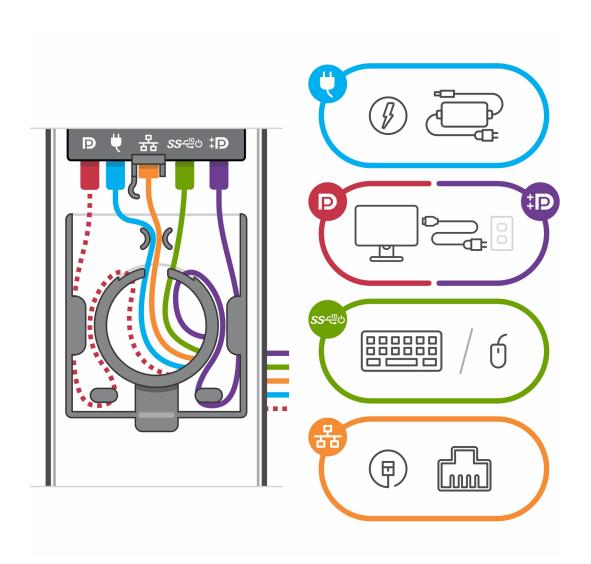


- 7. To release the stand cover, slide the release latch until you hear a click.
- 8. Slide and lift the cover to release it from the stand.
- 9. Align the vents on the device with the vents on the stand cover.
- 10. Lower the device in the stand until you hear a click.





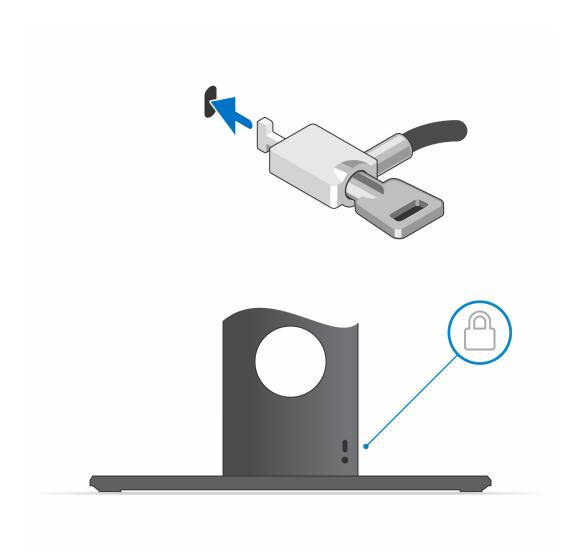
- 11. Connect the power, network, keyboard, mouse, and display cables to the device and to the power outlet.
  - NOTE: To avoid any pinching or crimping of the cables while closing the stand cover, it is recommended that you route the cables as indicated in the image.
  - NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.



12. Slide the back cover, along with the device, into the stand until you hear a click.



13. Lock the device and the stand cover.



**14.** Press the power button to turn on the device.

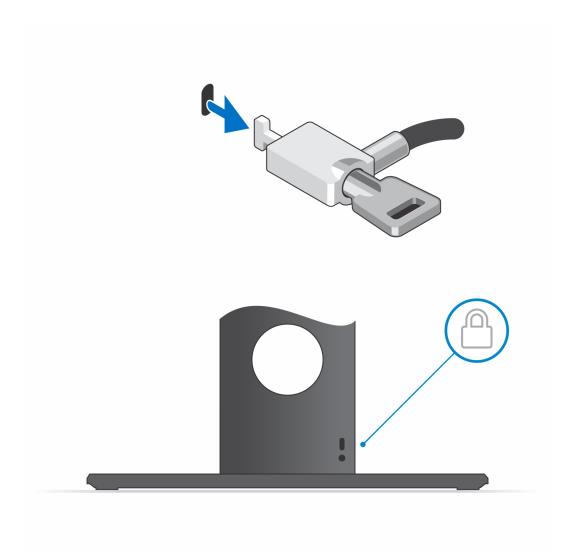


## Removing the device from Pro 1 height-adjustable stand

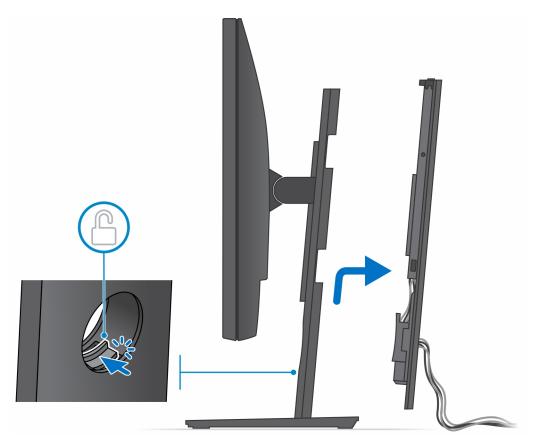
#### Prerequisites

1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.

- 1. Turn off your device.
- 2. Unlock the device and the stand cover.

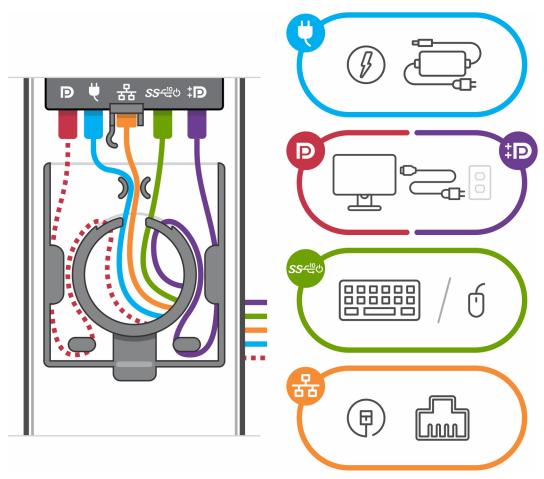


- 3. Slide the release latch on the stand until you hear a click to release the stand cover.
- 4. Slide and lift the back cover to release it from the stand.

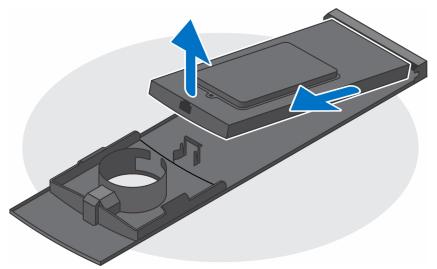


5. Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power, and display cable from the device.

NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.

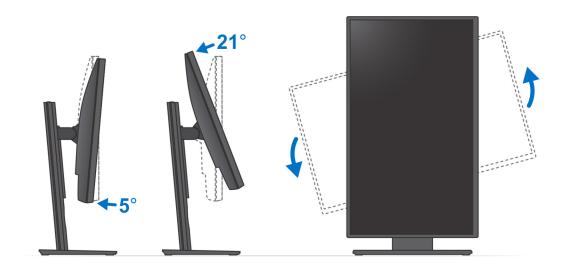


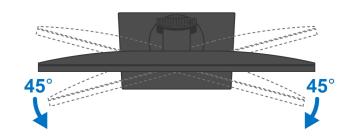
- 6. Pull the retention latch that secures the device to the stand chassis.
- 7. Lift the device from the cover.



- 8. Press and hold the power button while the device is unplugged to ground the system board.
  - NOTE: To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface at the same time as touching a connector on the back of the computer.

## Stand tilt, pivot, and swivel images

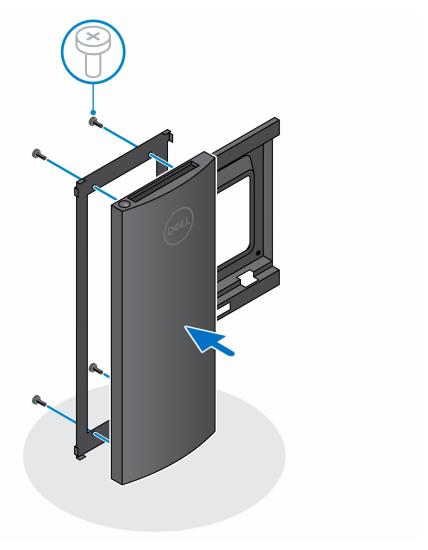




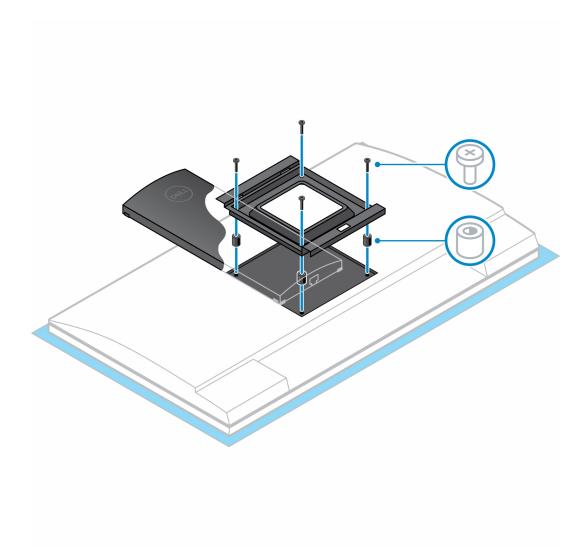
### **Offset VESA mount**

## Installing device on offset VESA mount

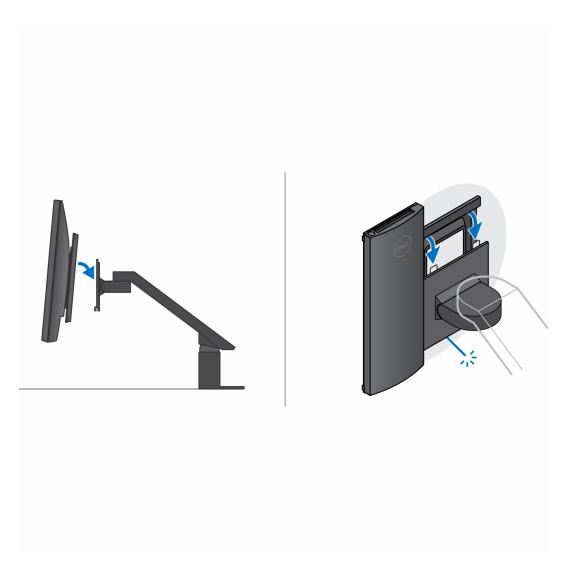
- 1. Align the screw holes on the device with the screw holes on the offset VESA mount.
- 2. Install the four screws to secure the device to the offset VESA mount.



- **3.** To avoid any damage to the monitor, ensure that you place the monitor on a protective sheet.
- **4.** Align the screw holes on the offset VESA mount with the screw holes on the monitor.
- 5. Install the four screw spacers and the screws to secure the offset VESA mount to the monitor.



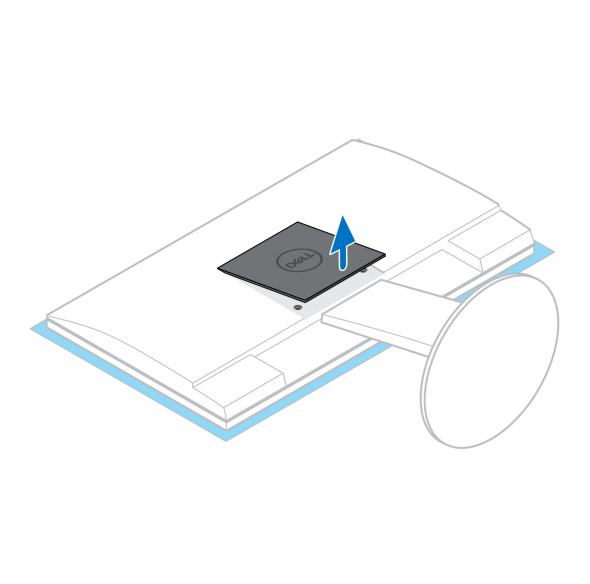
- **6.** Insert the hooks on the mounting bracket of the monitor arm stand into the slots on the offset VESA mount on the monitor.
- 7. Lower the monitor on the monitor arm stand until you hear a click.

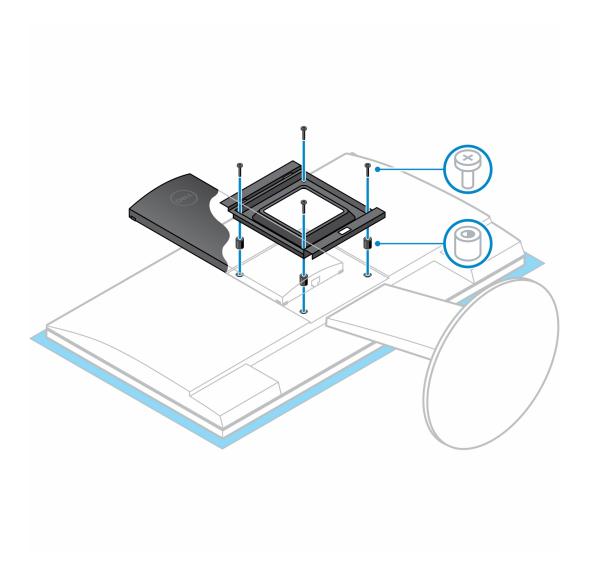


- 8. To install the offset VESA mount on a Dell E-Series monitor:
  - **a.** Align and install the four screws to secure the device to the offset VESA mount.

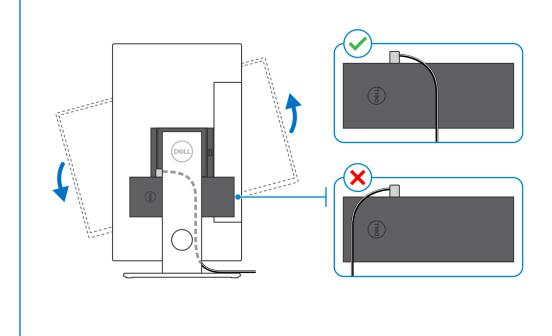


**b.** Remove the VESA cover from the back of the monitor and secure the offset VESA mount along with the device to the monitor.





NOTE: While orienting the monitor horizontally, route the security lock cable to the right side of the device to avoid any impact to WLAN performance.



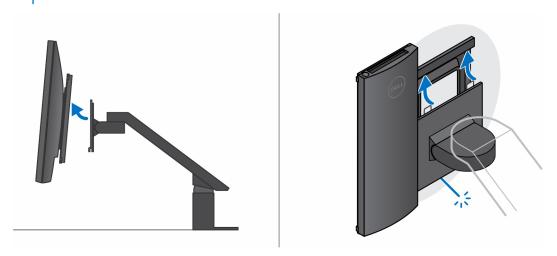
## Removing the device from offset VESA mount

#### **Prerequisites**

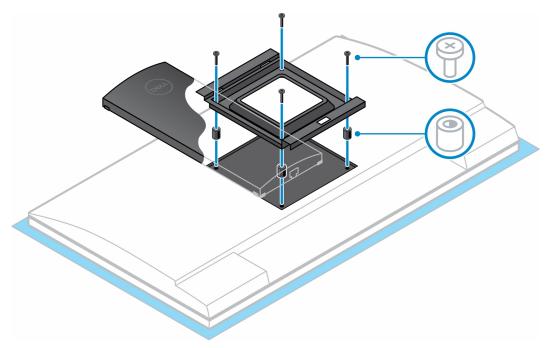
1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.

#### Steps

- 1. Turn off your device.
- 2. Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power, and display cable from the device.
- **3.** Push the quick release button on the VESA mount.
- 4. Slide and remove the monitor arm from the offset VESA mount (U/P-series monitor).
  - i NOTE: For E-series monitor, remove the VESA cover.



- 5. Remove the four screws that secure the offset VESA mount to the monitor.
- 6. Remove the four holders on which the offset VESA mount is mounted.



- 7. Lift the offset VESA mount from the monitor.
- $\pmb{8.}$  Remove the four screws that secure the device to the offset VESA mount.
- 9. Lift the device away from the offset VESA mount.



**10.** Press and hold the power button while the device is unplugged to ground the system board.

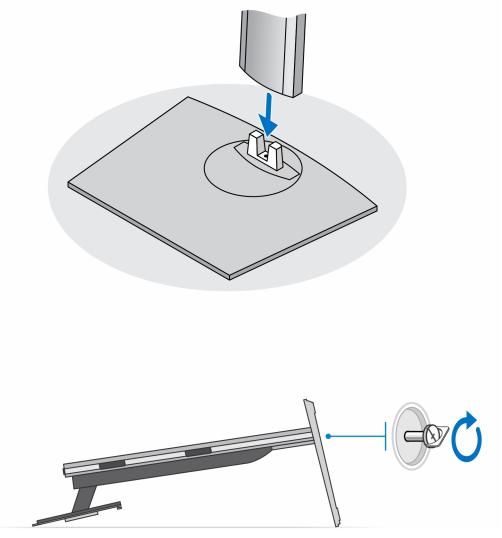
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# Pro 2 Height-adjustable stand-HAS

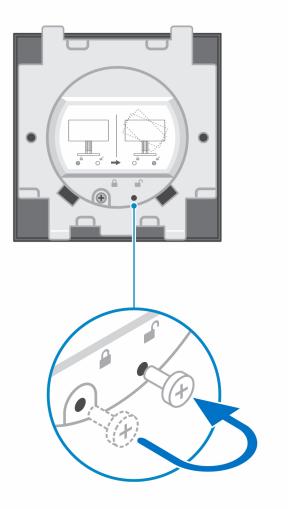
### Installing the device on a Pro 2 height-adjustable stand

#### Steps

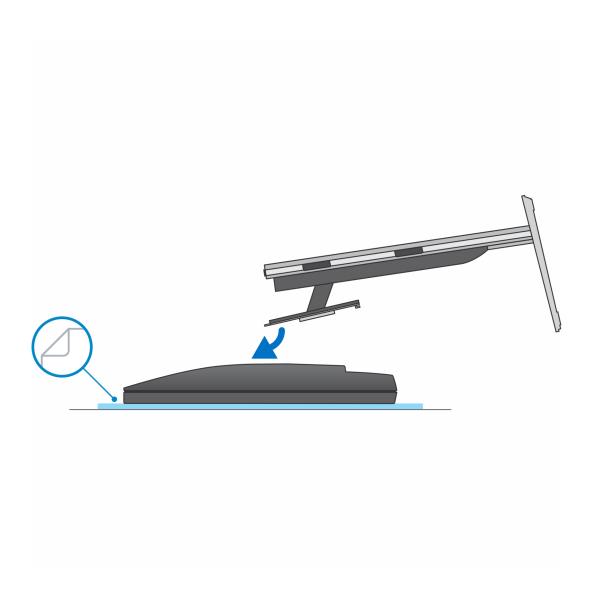
- 1. Align and insert the slots on the height-adjustable stand into the tab on the stand base.
- 2. Lift and tilt the stand base.
- 3. Tighten the captive screw to secure the stand to the base.

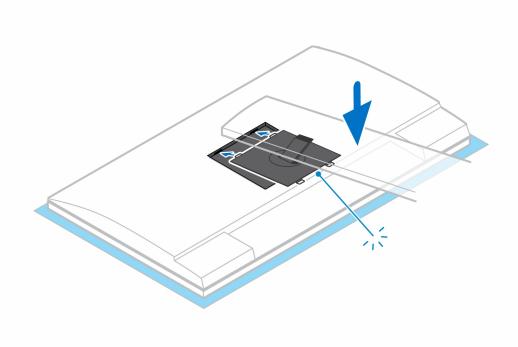


NOTE: For the large height adjustable stand, replacing the screw to the unlock icon screw hole in the stand base ensures the rotation of the 30-inch - 32-inch monitor.

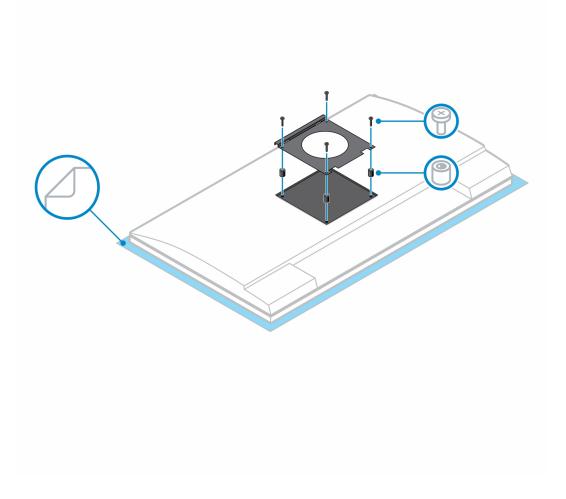


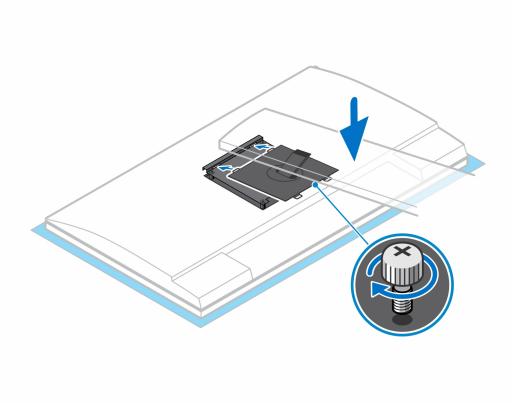
- $\textbf{4.} \ \ \text{To avoid any damage to the monitor, ensure that you place the monitor on a protective sheet.}$
- **5.** For installing the height-adjustable stand to the monitor:
  - a. Align and insert the hooks on the mounting bracket on the stand into the slots on the monitor, until you hear a click.



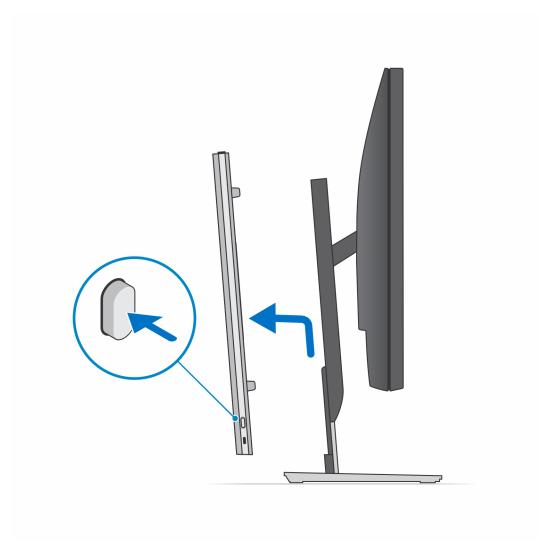


- 6. For installing QR to VESA bracket for E-Series monitor or monitor without Quick Release support:
  - a. Align the screw holes on the QR to VESA bracket with the screw holes on the monitor.
  - **b.** Install the four screw spacers and the screws to secure the QR to VESA bracket to the monitor.
  - **c.** Align and insert the QR tabs on the stand into the slots on the QR to VESA bracket on the monitor.
  - $\mbox{\bf d.}\ \mbox{Tighten}$  the thumb screw to secure the stand to the QR to VESA bracket.

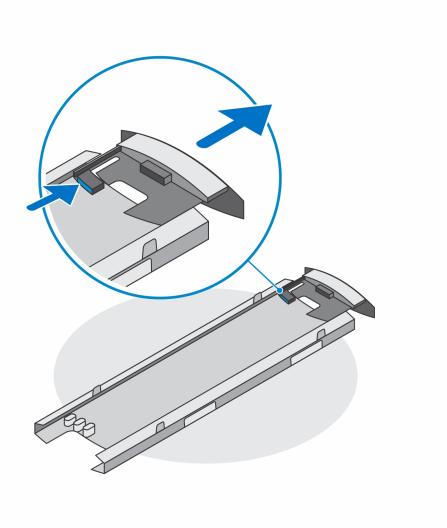




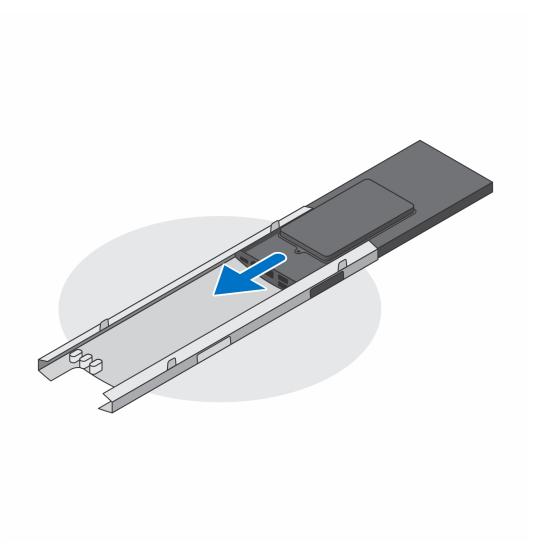
- 7. To release the stand cover, press the button on the side of the stand chassis.
- 8. Slide and lift the cover to release it from the stand.



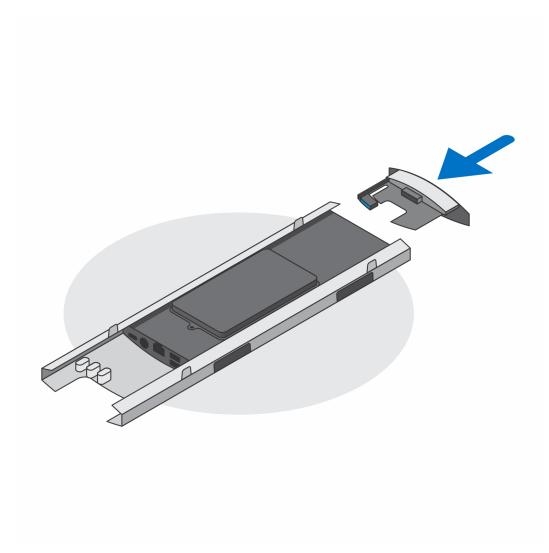
 ${\bf 9.}\;$  Slide and release the inner bar on the lower edge of the stand cover.



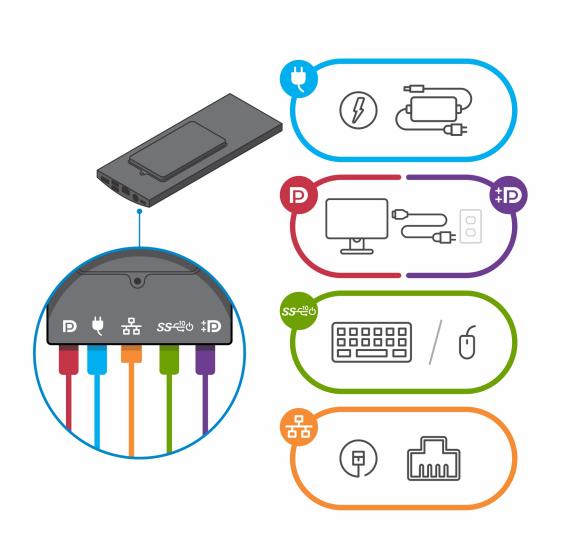
10. Align the vents on the device with the vents on the stand cover and slide the device in the cover.



11. Slide the inner bar back to the lower edge of the stand cover to lock the device to the cover.

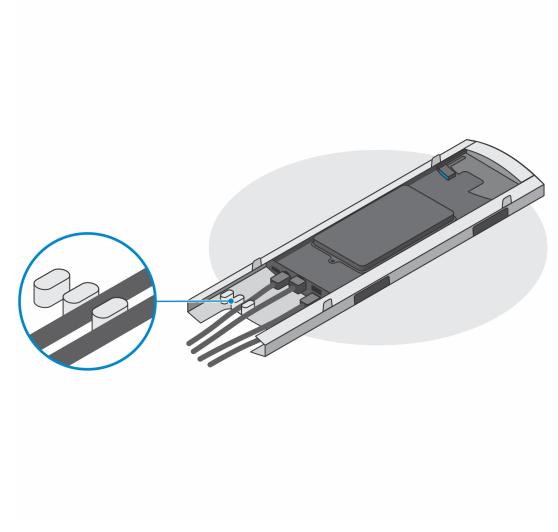


12. Connect the power, network, keyboard, mouse, and display cables to the device and to the power outlet.

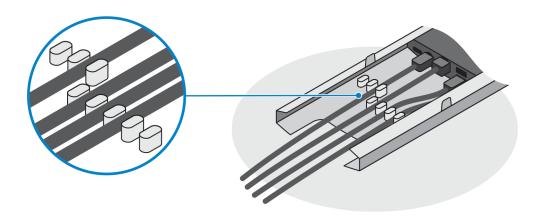


- **13.** To avoid any pinching or crimping of the cables while closing the stand cover, it is recommended that you route the cables as indicated in the image.
  - (i) NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.

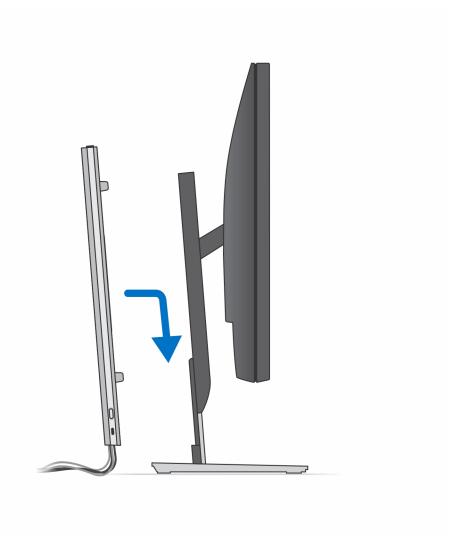
#### Standard Height Adjustable Stand



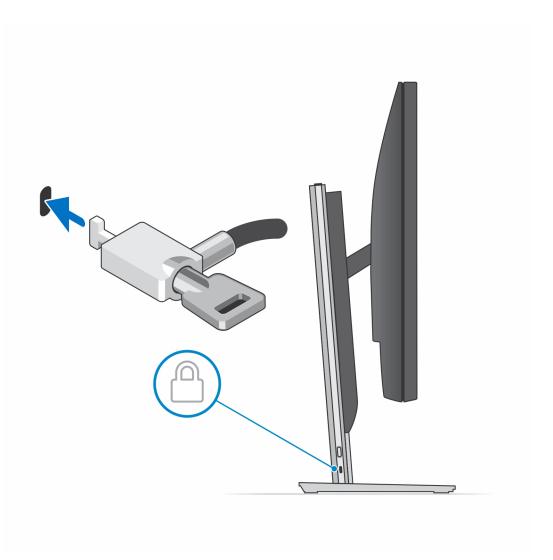
Large Height Adjustable Stand



 $\textbf{14.} \ \textbf{Slide the stand cover, along with the device, into the stand until you hear a click.} \\$ 



**15.** Lock the device and the stand cover.



**16.** Press the power button to turn on the device.



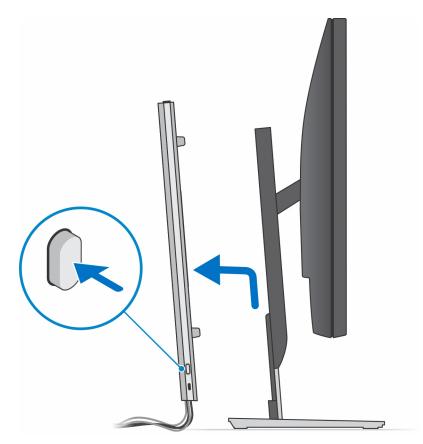
## Removing the device from a Pro 2 height-adjustable stand

### Prerequisites

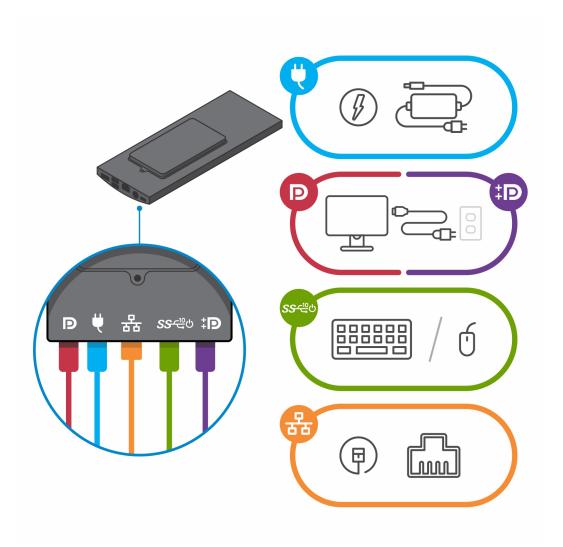
1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.

#### Steps

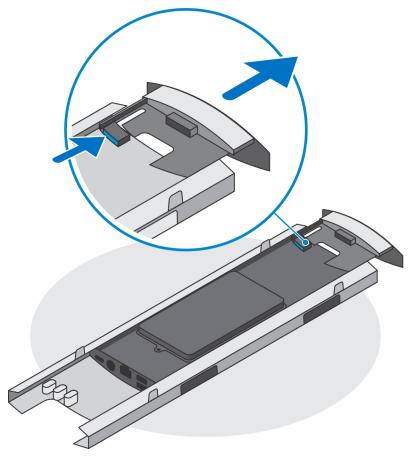
- 1. Turn off your device.
- 2. Press the button on the side of the stand chassis, to release the stand cover.
- 3. Slide and lift the back cover to release it from the stand.



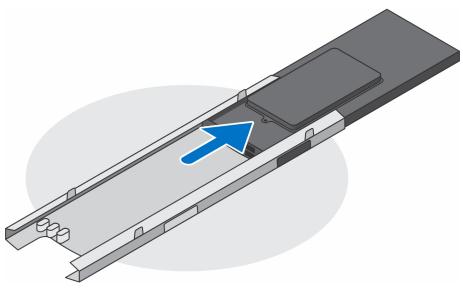
4. Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power, and display cable from the device.



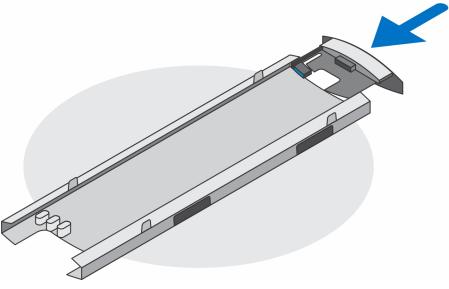
5. Slide and release the inner bar on the lower edge of the stand cover that secures the device to the stand chassis.



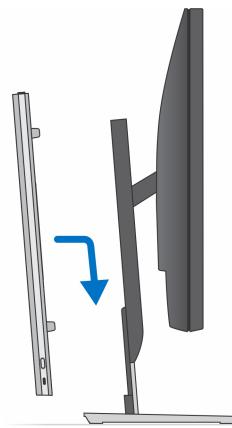
**6.** Slide and remove the device from the cover.



7. Slide the inner bar back to the lower edge of the stand cover.



8. Slide the stand cover back to the stand.

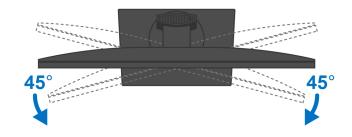


- **9.** Press and hold the power button while the device is unplugged to ground the system board.
  - NOTE: To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface at the same time as touching a connector on the back of the computer.

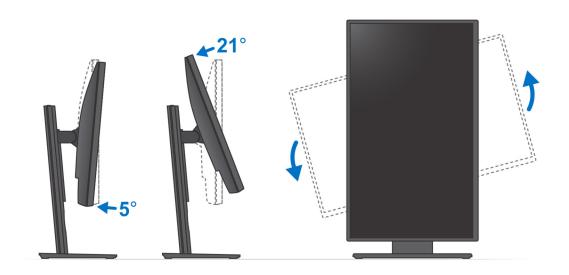
# Stand tilt, pivot, and swivel images

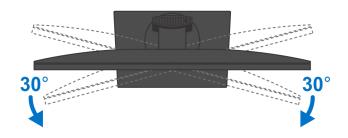
For 19-inch to 27-inch monitor (Standard height adjustable stand):





For 30-inch to 32-inch monitor (Large height adjustable stand):





For monitors > 32-inch (Large height adjustable stand):

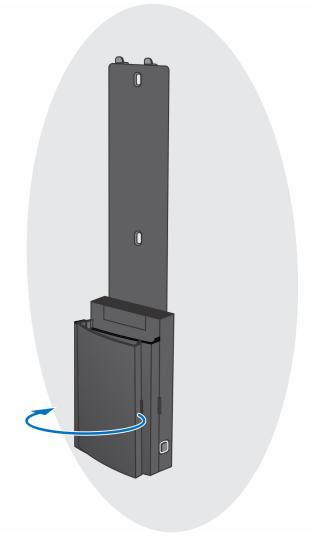


### **Wall Mount**

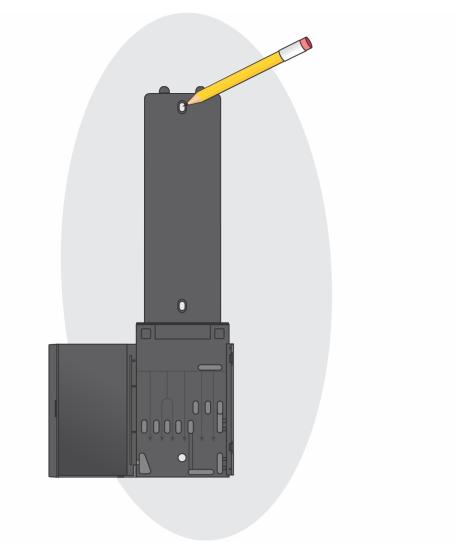
### **Installing device on Wall Mount**

#### Steps

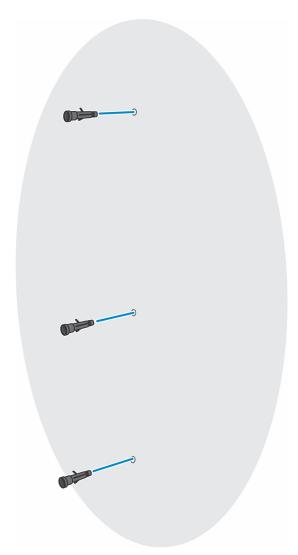
- 1. Full Function
  - **a.** Press the release button to open the cable cover.



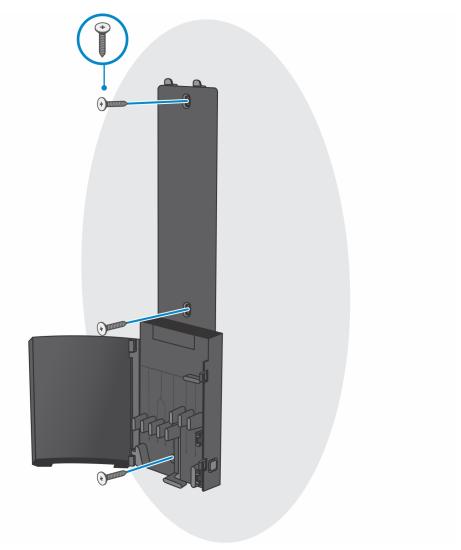
**b.** Align the screw holes on the wall mount in the wall and mark them against the wall using a pencil.



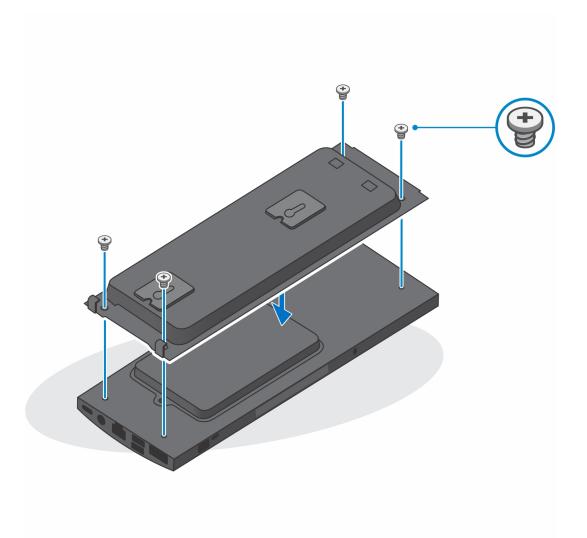
c. Drill the screw marks on the wall and insert the three screw anchors into the screw holes in the wall.



**d.** Align the screw holes on the wall mount with the screw holes on the wall and install the three screws to secure the wall mount in the wall.



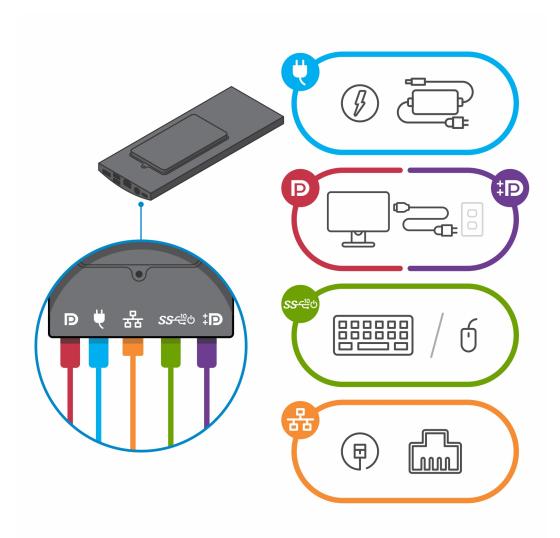
- $\boldsymbol{e.}$  Align the screw holes on the device with the screw holes on the wall mount bracket.
- f. Install the four screws to secure the device to the wall mount bracket.



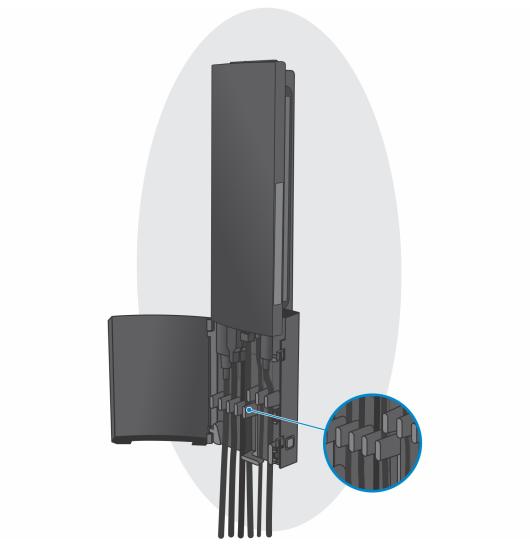
- g. Insert the hooks on the mounting bracket of the wall mount into the slots on the wall mount bracket module.
- h. Align and insert the hooks on the wall mount bracket module into the slots on the wall mount until it clicks into place



 ${f i.}$  Connect the power, network, keyboard, mouse, and display cables to the device and to the power outlet.



- j. To avoid any pinching or crimping of the cables while closing the stand cover, it is recommended that you route the cables as indicated in the image.
  - NOTE: All the cables and ports are used depending on the peripherals chosen and the configuration of the computer.



 ${\bf k.}$  Close the stand cover.

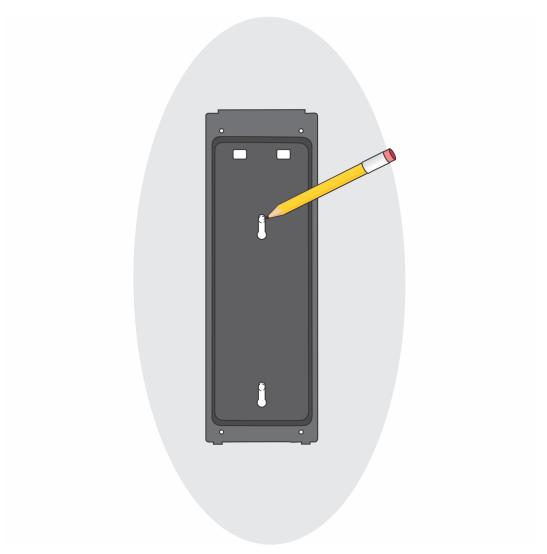


I. Lock the device and the stand cover.

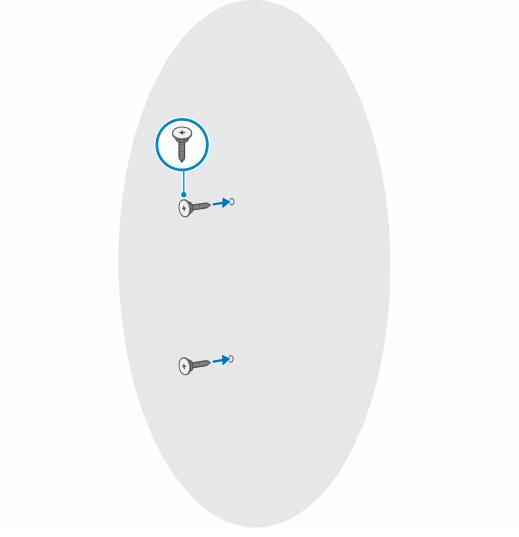


### 2. Simple Function

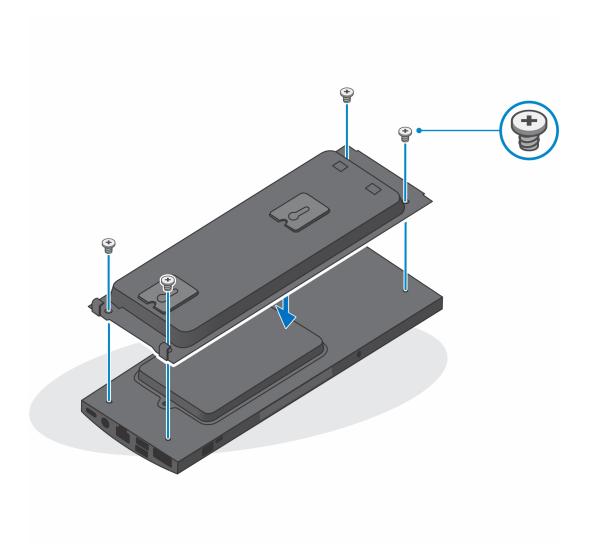
**a.** Align the screw holes on the wall mount in the wall and mark them using a pencil.



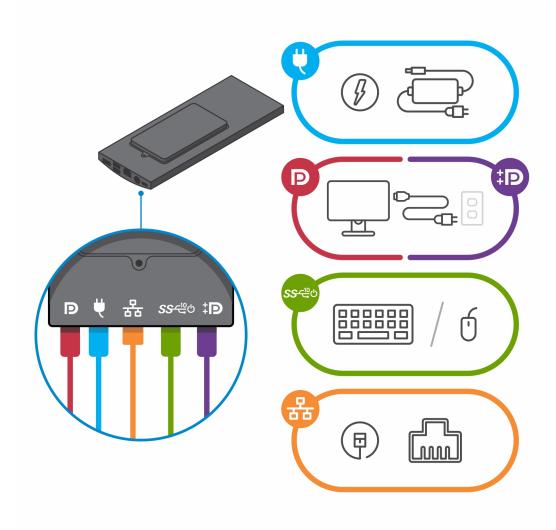
**b.** Drill the screw marks on the wall and insert the two screws into the screw holes in the wall.



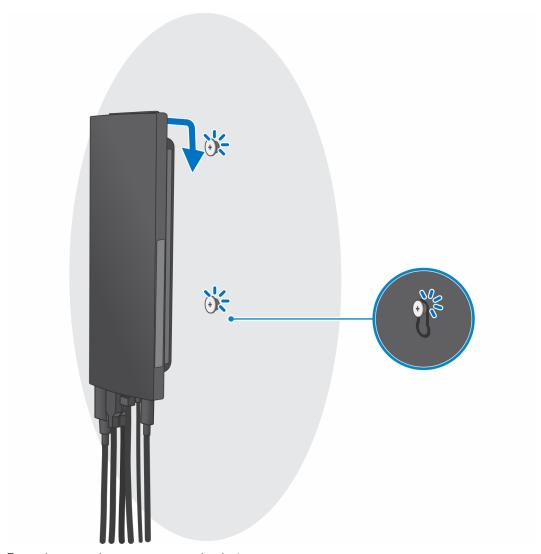
- $\boldsymbol{c}. \;\;$  Align the screw holes on the device with the screw holes on the wall mount bracket.
- $\mbox{\bf d.}$  Install the four screws to secure the device to the wall mount bracket.



e. Connect the power, network, keyboard, mouse, and display cables to the device and to the power outlet.



- f. Align the screws on the wall with the retention clips on the wall mount bracket module.
- g. Mount the wall mount bracket module in the screws on the wall.



 $\boldsymbol{h.}\;$  Press the power button to turn on the device.



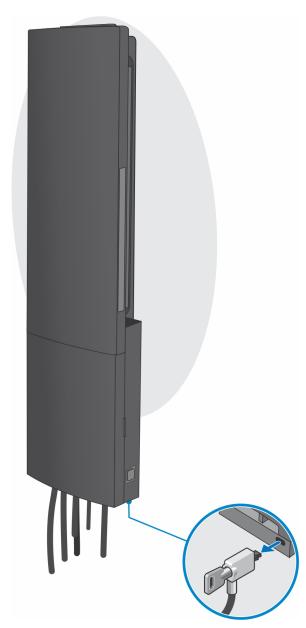
# Removing the device from Wall Mount

### Prerequisites

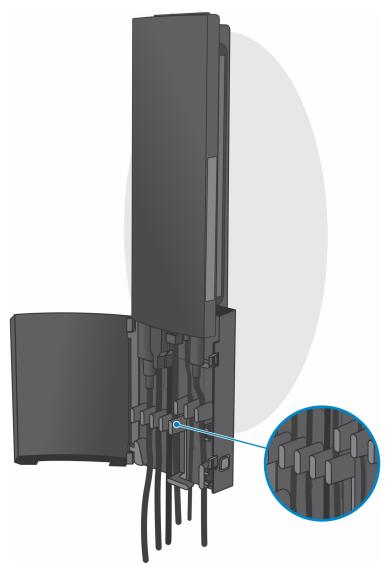
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### Steps

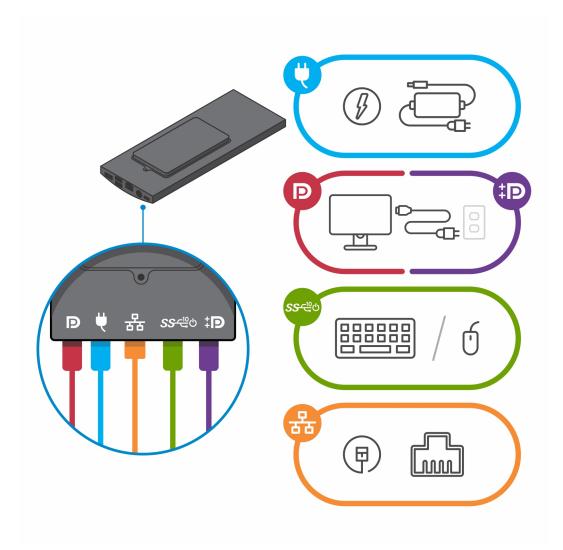
- 1. Turn off your device.
- 2. For full function wall mount:
  - a. Unlock the wall mount module.



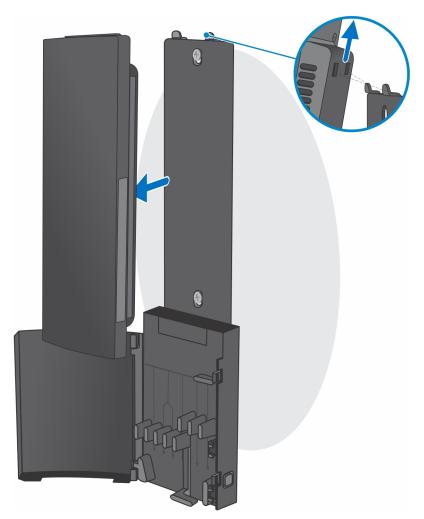
**b.** Open the wall mount cover.



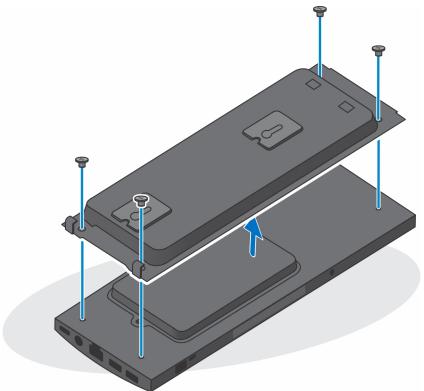
c. Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power, and display cable from the device.



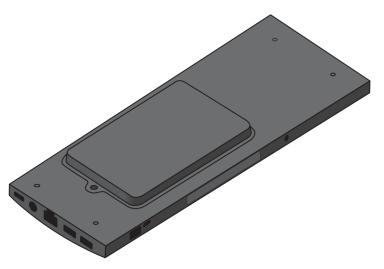
**d.** Snap open the wall mount bracket module from the slots on the wall mount.



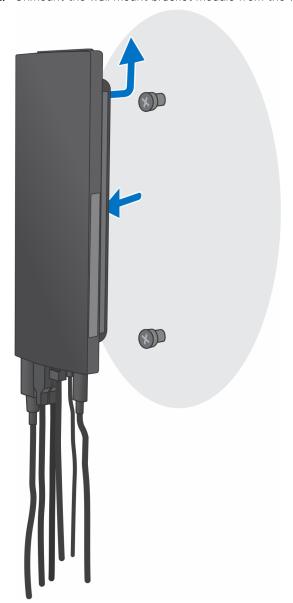
 $\ensuremath{\mathbf{e}}.$  Remove the four screws that secure the device to the wall mount bracket.



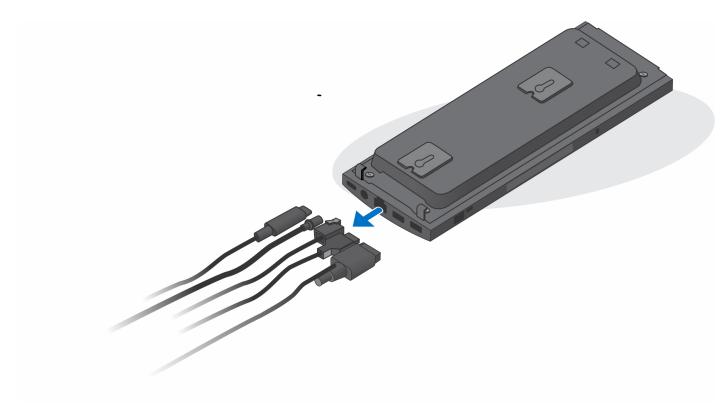
f. Lift the device away from the wall mount bracket.



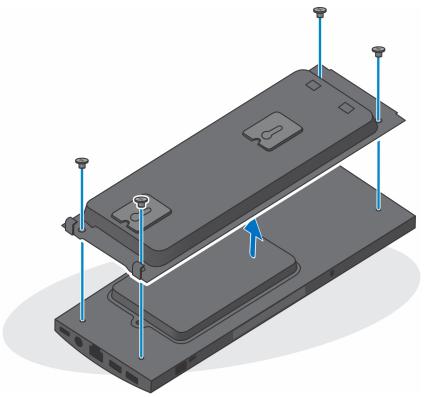
- **3.** For simple function wall mount:
  - a. Unmount the wall mount bracket module from the wall.



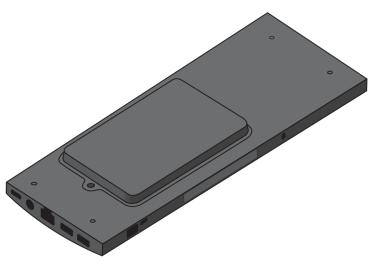
**b.** Disconnect the keyboard, mouse, network, power adapter, and display cable from the device.



 $\boldsymbol{c}.\;\;$  Remove the four screws that secure the device to the wall mount bracket.



**d.** Lift the device away from the wall mount bracket.



- **4.** Press and hold the power button while the device is unplugged to ground the system board.
  - NOTE: To avoid electrostatic discharge, ground yourself by using a wrist grounding strap or by periodically touching an unpainted metal surface at the same time as touching a connector on the back of the computer.

# Removing and installing components

i NOTE: The images in this document may differ from your computer depending on the configuration you ordered.

### **Topics:**

- Recommended tools
- Screw List
- Major components of your system
- Hard-drive assembly
- Hard-drive bracket
- Hard drive
- Cover
- Memory module
- WLAN card
- Internal solid-state drive
- eMMC Storage module
- System fan
- Power button
- Coin-cell battery
- System board
- Heat-sink
- Replacing the chassis

# **Recommended tools**

The procedures in this document require the following tools:

- Phillips #0 screwdriver
- Phillips #1 screwdriver
- Plastic scribe

### **Screw List**

The following table shows the screw list and the images for different components.

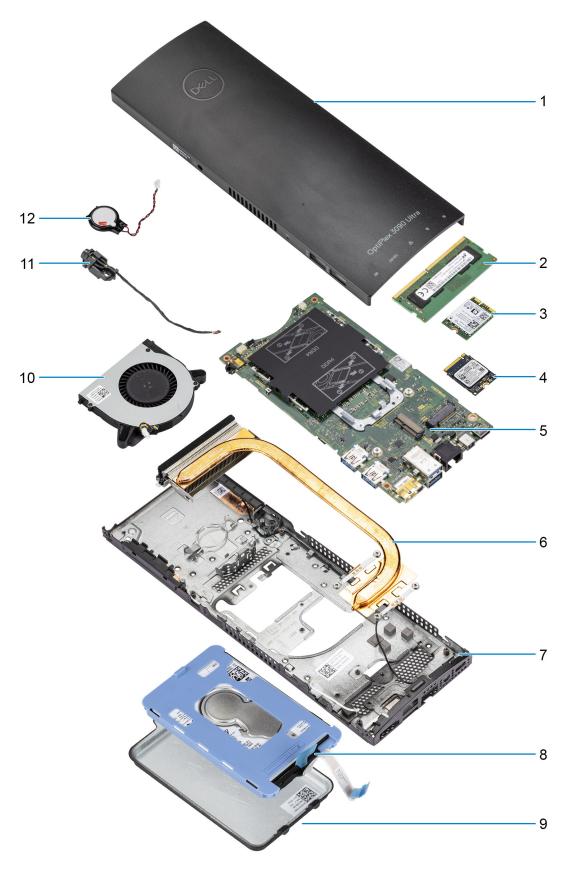
### **Table 1. Screw Size List**

Component	Screw type	Quantity	Image
Power button	M2x3	1	•
System board	M2x3 M2x3 (captive screw)	1	<b>*</b>
Hard-drive assembly (or non Hard-drive assembly)	M2x3	1	9

### Table 1. Screw Size List (continued)

Component	Screw type	Quantity	Image
M.2 WLAN card	M2x3.5	1	9
M.2 2230 Solid-state drive or EMMC	M2x3.5	1	

# Major components of your system



1. Cover

- 2. Memory module
- 3. WLAN card
- 4. Solid-state drive
- 5. System board
- 6. Heat-sink
- 7. Chassis
- 8. Hard-drive assembly
- 9. Hard-drive cover
- 10. System fan
- 11. Power button
- 12. Coin-cell battery
- NOTE: Dell provides a list of components and their part numbers for the original system configuration purchased. These parts are available according to warranty coverages purchased by the customer. Contact your Dell sales representative for purchase options.

# Hard-drive assembly

### Removing the hard-drive assembly

### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.

#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the hard-drive assembly module and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



- 1. Remove the (M2x3) screw that secures the hard-drive assembly to the chassis.
- 2. Turn the hard-drive assembly to access the hard-drive cable.
- 3. Open the latch and disconnect the hard-drive cable from the connector on the system board.
- 4. Carefully unroute the hard-drive cable from the routing guide on the chassis.
  - NOTE: Observe the routing of the hard-drive cable inside the chassis as you remove them. Route the cable properly when you replace the component to prevent the cable from being pinched or crimped.
- 5. Remove the hard-drive assembly.

# Installing the hard-drive assembly

### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the hard-drive assembly module and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



### Steps

- 1. Place the hard-drive assembly on the cover.
- 2. Route the hard-drive cable through the routing guide on the chassis.
- 3. Connect the hard-drive cable to the connector on the system board and close the latch to secure the cable.
- 4. Turn the hard-drive assembly module and align the tabs on the hard-drive assembly with the slots on the chassis.
- **5.** Align the screw hole on the hard-drive assembly with the screw hole on the chassis.
- **6.** Replace the M2x3 screw to secure the hard-drive assembly to the chassis.

### Next steps

- 1. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 2. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

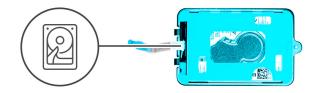
### Hard-drive bracket

### Removing the hard-drive bracket

### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the hard-drive assembly.

#### About this task





### Steps

Pull the rubber tab on the protective sleeve and lift the hard-drive module out from the hard-drive bracket.

### Installing the hard-drive bracket

### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task





### Steps

- 1. Align and place the hard drive on the bracket.
- 2. Gently push the hard-drive into the bracket.

### Next steps

- 1. Install the hard-drive assembly.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- **3.** Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

### **Hard drive**

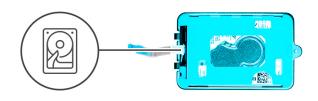
## Removing the hard drive

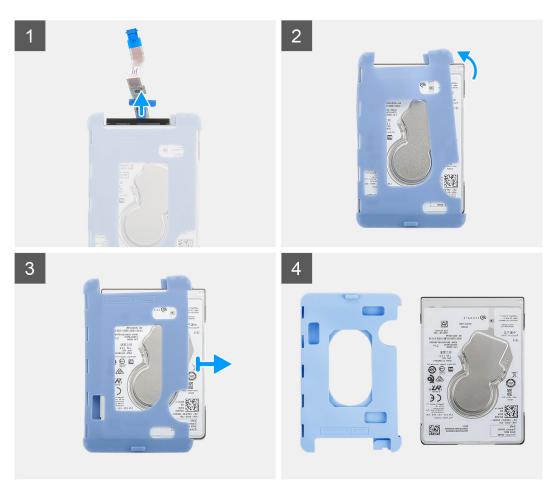
### Prerequisites

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the hard-drive assembly.
- 4. Remove the hard-drive bracket.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the hard-drive module and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.





- 1. Disconnect the hard-drive cable from the connector on the hard drive.
- 2. Release the protective sleeve from the hard-drive.
- **3.** Gently pull the hard-drive out of the protective sleeve.

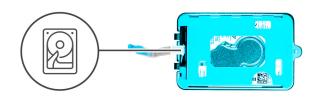
# Installing the hard drive

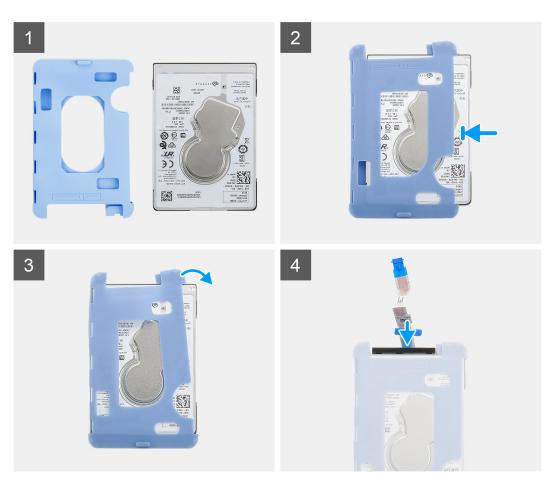
### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the hard-drive module and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.





- 1. Insert the hard drive into the protective sleeve.
  - (i) NOTE: Ensure to match the mark on the protective sleeve with the hard drive PIN and connector location.
- 2. Pull the protective sleeves along the hard-drive edges.
- 3. Connect the hard-drive cable to the connector on the hard drive.

### **Next steps**

- 1. Install the hard-drive bracket.
- 2. Install the hard-drive assembly.
- 3. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- **4.** Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

### Cover

# Removing the cover

### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the cover and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.





### Steps

Slide and lift the cover to release it from the chassis.

# Installing the cover

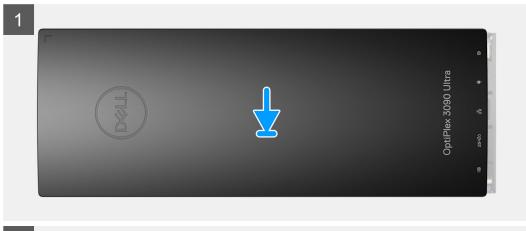
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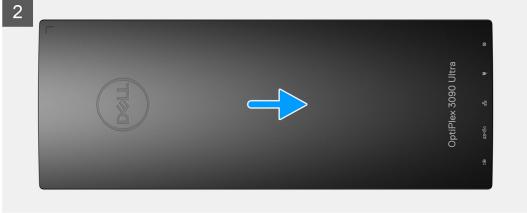
If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the cover and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.







### Steps

- 1. Align the tabs on the cover with the slots on the chassis.
- 2. Slide the cover until it clicks into place.

#### Next steps

- 1. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount
- 2. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# **Memory module**

### Removing the memory module

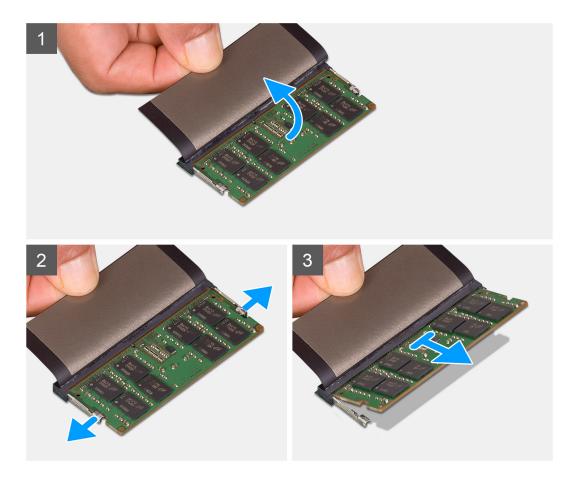
### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.

#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the memory module and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.





### Steps

- 1. Lift the absorber above the memory module.
- 2. Gently pry the retention clips away from the memory module until the memory module pops up.
- 3. Slide and remove the memory module from the memory-module slot on the system board.

# Installing the memory module

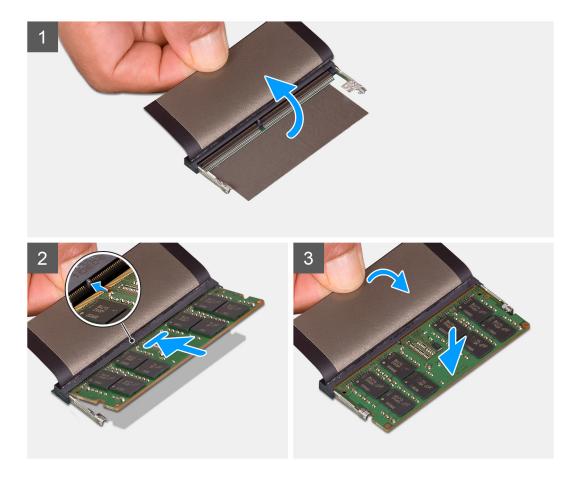
### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the memory module and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.





### Steps

- 1. Lift the absorber above the memory-module slot, and align the notch on the memory module with the tab on the memory-module slot.
- 2. Slide the memory module firmly into the slot at an angle.
- 3. Press the memory module down until it clicks into place.
  - i NOTE: If you do not hear the click, remove the memory module and reinstall it.
- 4. Lower the absorber above the memory module.

### **Next steps**

- 1. Install the cover.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- **3.** Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# **WLAN** card

# Removing the WLAN card

### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the WLAN card and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



- 1. Remove the (M2x3.5) screw that secures the WLAN bracket to the system board.
- 2. Slide and lift the WLAN bracket.
- 3. Disconnect the WLAN antenna cables from the WLAN card.
- 4. Lift and slide the WLAN card from the WLAN connector on the system board.

### Installing the WLAN card

### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the WLAN card and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



### Steps

Connect the WLAN antenna cables to the WLAN card.
 The following table provides the antenna-cable color scheme for the WLAN card of your computer.

### Table 2. Antenna-cable color scheme

Connectors on the wireless card	Antenna-cable color
Main (white triangle)	White
Auxiliary (black triangle)	Black

- 2. Align and place the WLAN card bracket to secure the WLAN antenna cables to the WLAN card.
- 3. Align the notch on the WLAN card with the WLAN connector and insert the WLAN card at an angle into the WLAN card slot.
- **4.** Replace the (M2x3.5) screw to secure the WLAN card to the system board.

#### **Next steps**

- 1. Install the cover.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount
- 3. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

### Internal solid-state drive

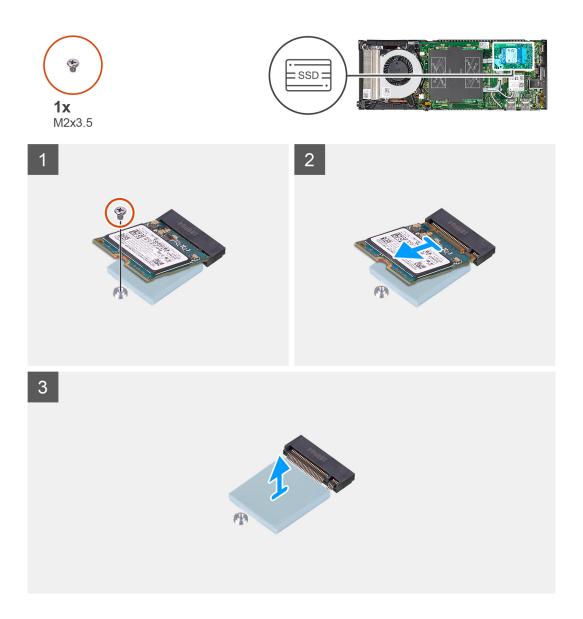
### Removing the solid-state drive

### **Prerequisites**

- **1.** Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.

#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the M.2 2230 solid-state drive and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.



- 1. Remove the (M2x3.5) screw that secures the solid-state drive module to the connector on the system board.
- 2. Lift and slide the solid-state drive module out from the M.2 slot.
- 3. Peel the solid-state drive thermal pad from the system board.

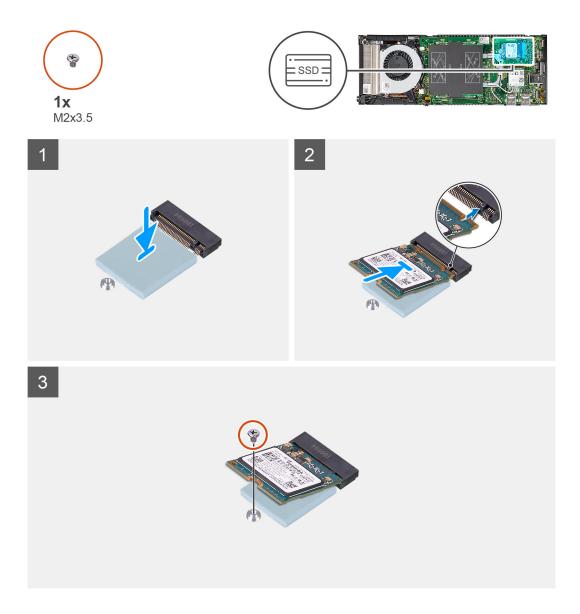
# Installing the solid-state drive

### **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the M.2 2230 solid-state drive and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



- 1. Align and adhere the SSD thermal pad in the mark on the system board.
  - i NOTE: Check the adhesive direction before adhering it to the system board.
- 2. Align the notch on the solid-state drive module with the connector on the system board and slide the solid-state drive at an angle into the slot.
- **3.** Replace the (M2x3.5) screw to secure the solid-state drive module to the system board.

### **Next steps**

- 1. Install the cover.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# eMMC Storage module

For computers with eMMC module in M.2 2230 SSD slot.

### Removing the eMMC storage module

### **Prerequisites**

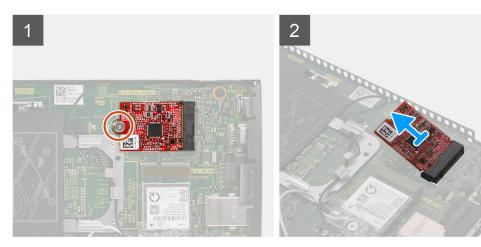
- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.

#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the eMMC storage module and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.







### Steps

- 1. Remove the (M2x3.5) screw that secures the eMMC storage module to the connector on the system board.
- 2. Lift and slide the eMMC storage module at an angle out from the slot.

# Installing the eMMC storage module

### **Prerequisites**

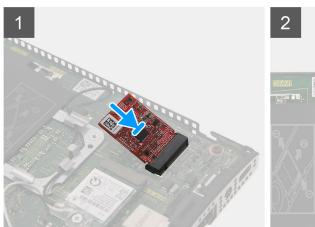
If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the eMMC storage module and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.









- 1. Align the notch on the eMMC storage module with the connector on the system board and slide the eMMC storage module at an angle into the slot.
- 2. Replace the (M2x3.5) screw to secure the eMMC storage module to the system board.

### **Next steps**

- 1. Install the cover.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# System fan

### Removing the system fan

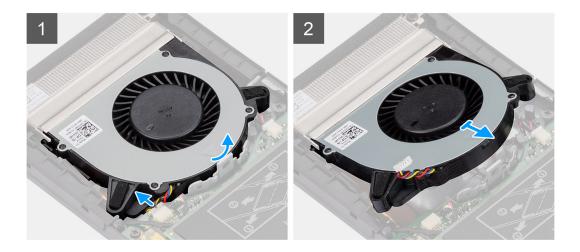
### **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.

### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the system fan and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.





- 1. Release the system fan from the retention tab on the fan tray.
- 2. Disconnect the system fan cable from the connector on the system board.
- 3. Slide the system fan out from the guiding rails on the heat-sink bracket.

# Installing the system fan

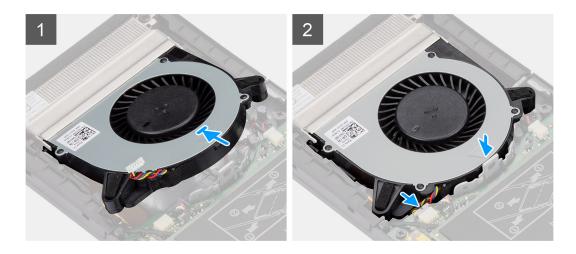
# Prerequisites

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

# About this task

The figure indicates the location of the system fan and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.





- 1. Connect the system fan cable to the connector on the system board.
- 2. Align the tabs on the system fan with the guiding rails on the heat-sink bracket.
- 3. Press the system fan down into the fan tray until it clicks into place.

## **Next steps**

- 1. Install the cover.
- 2. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# **Power button**

# Removing the power button

## **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.
- 4. Remove the system fan.

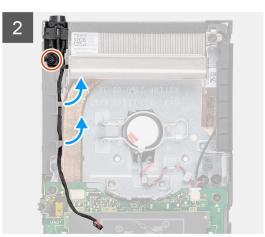
## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the power button and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.











- 1. Disconnect the power-button cable from the connector on the system board.
- 2. Unroute the power-button cable from the routing guide.
  - NOTE: Observe the routing of the power-button cable inside the chassis as you remove them. Route the cable properly when you replace the component to prevent the cable from being pinched or crimped.
- **3.** Remove the (M2x3) screw that secures the power button to the chassis.
- **4.** Lift the power button out of the chassis.

# Installing the power button

# Prerequisites

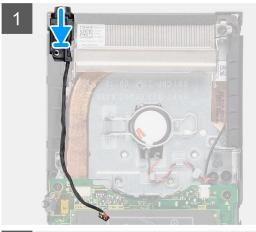
If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

## About this task

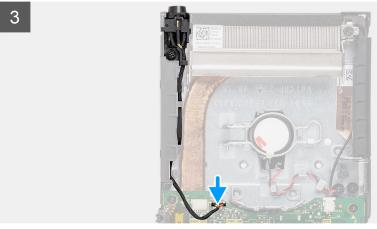
The figure indicates the location of the power button and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.











- 1. Place the power button into the slot on the chassis.
- 2. Replace the (M2x3) screw to secure the power button to the chassis.
- **3.** Route the power button cable through the routing guides on the chassis.
- **4.** Connect the power-button cable to the connector on the system board.

## **Next steps**

- 1. Install the system fan.
- 2. Install the cover.
- 3. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- **4.** Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# **Coin-cell battery**

# Removing the coin-cell battery

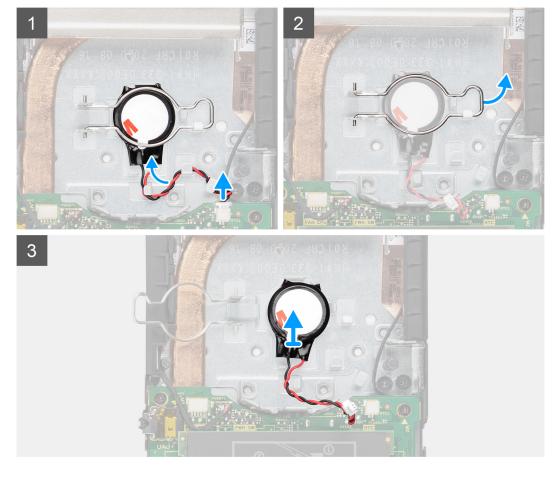
## **Prerequisites**

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the cover.
- 4. Remove the system fan.

## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the coin-cell battery and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.





- 1. Disconnect the coin-cell battery cable from the connector on the system board.
- 2. Unroute the coin-cell battery cable from the routing guide.

- NOTE: Observe the routing of the coin-cell battery cable inside the chassis as you remove them. Route the cable properly when you replace the component to prevent the cable from being pinched or crimped.
- 3. Release the coin-cell retention clip from the securing hook and turn the clip to the other side to access the coin-cell battery.
- 4. Lift the coin-cell battery.

# Installing the coin-cell battery

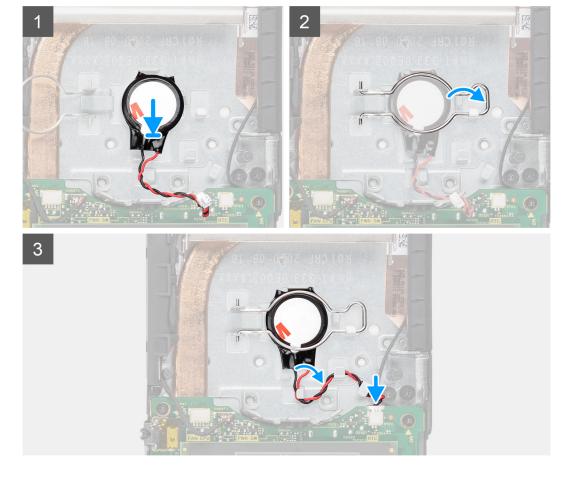
## **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the coin-cell battery and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.





- 1. Place the coin-cell battery in the slot on the chassis.
- 2. Close the coin-cell retention clip to secure the coin-cell battery.
- 3. Secure the coin-cell retention clip to the hook.

- 4. Route the coin-cell battery cable through the routing guide.
- 5. Connect the coin-cell battery cable to the connector on the system board.

## **Next steps**

- 1. Install the system fan.
- 2. Install the cover.
- 3. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 4. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# System board

# Removing the system board

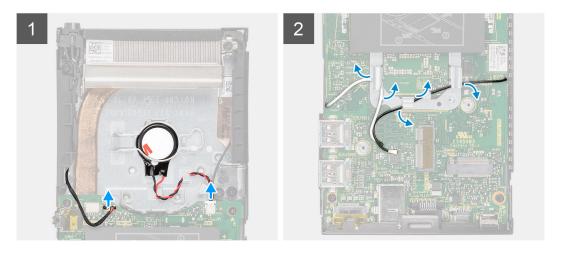
## **Prerequisites**

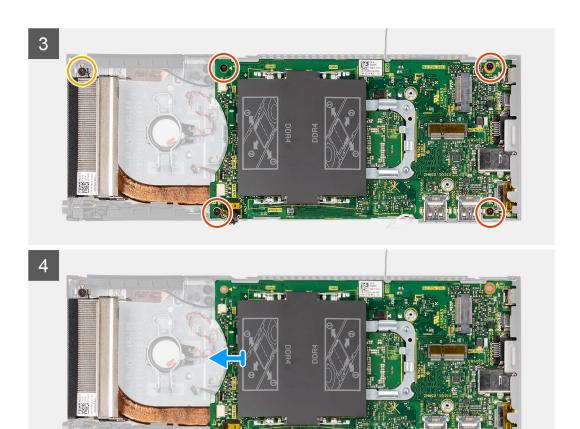
- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the hard-drive assembly.
- 4. Remove the cover.
- 5. Remove the system fan.
- 6. Remove the WLAN card.
- 7. Remove the solid-state drive.
- 8. Remove the memory module.

## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the system board and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.







- 1. Disconnect the power-button cable and the coin-cell battery cable from the connectors on the system board.
- 2. Unroute the power-button cable and the coin-cell battery cable from the routing guides.
- 3. Unroute the WLAN antenna cables from the routing guides.
  - NOTE: Observe the routing of the WLAN antenna cables inside the chassis as you remove them. Route these cables properly when you replace the component to prevent the cables from being pinched or crimped.
- 4. Loosen the (M2x3) captive screw and remove the four (M2x3) screws that secure the system board to the chassis.
- 5. Slightly lift and slide the system board out of the chassis.
  - i NOTE: The system board is removed along with the heat-sink connected to it.

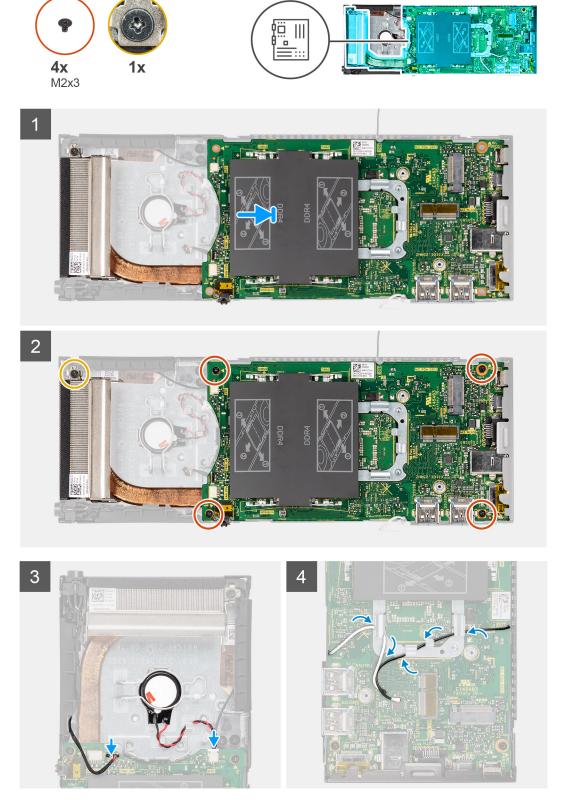
# Installing the system board

## **Prerequisites**

If you are replacing a component, remove the existing component before performing the installation procedure.

## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the system board and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.



- Align the connectors on the system board with the connector slots on the chassis.
   NOTE: The system board is installed along with the heat-sink connected to it.
- 2. Gently slide the system board into the chassis.

- 3. Tighten the (M2x3) captive screw and replace the four (M2x3) screws to secure the system board to the chassis.
- 4. Route the power-button cable and the coin-cell battery cable through the routing guides.
- 5. Connect the power-button cable and the coin-cell battery cable to the connectors on the system board.
- 6. Route the WLAN antenna cables through the routing guides.
  - NOTE: The antennas should be aligned with the notches in the system board and the cable routing should not be over the system board QR code.

## **Next steps**

- 1. Install the solid-state drive.
- 2. Install the memory module.
- 3. Install the WLAN card.
- 4. Install the system fan.
- **5.** Install the cover.
- 6. Install the hard-drive assembly.
- 7. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 8. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# **Heat-sink**

# Removing the heat-sink

## **Prerequisites**

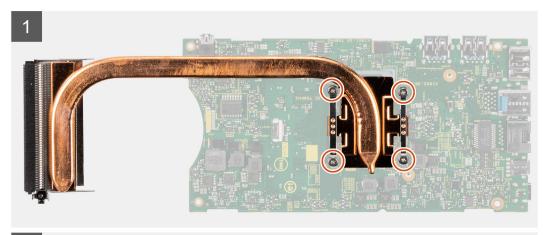
- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 3. Remove the hard-drive assembly.
- 4. Remove the cover.
- 5. Remove the system fan.
- 6. Remove the WLAN card.
- 7. Remove the solid-state drive.
- 8. Remove the memory module.
- 9. Remove the system board.

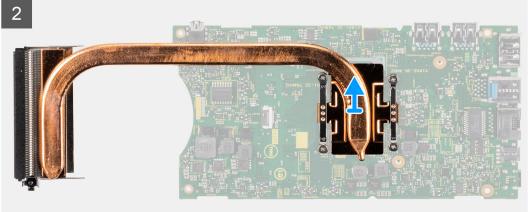
#### About this task

The figure indicates the location of the heat-sink assembly and provides a visual representation of the removal procedure.









- 1. In sequential order (as indicated on the heat sink), loosen the four captive screws that secure the heat sink to the system
- 2. Lift the heat-sink away from the system board.

# Installing the heat-sink

# Prerequisites

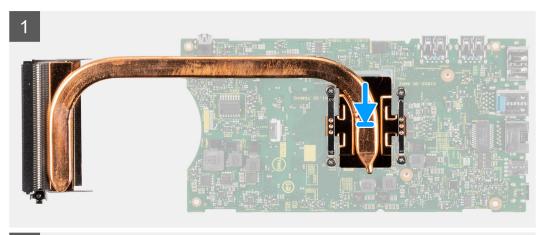
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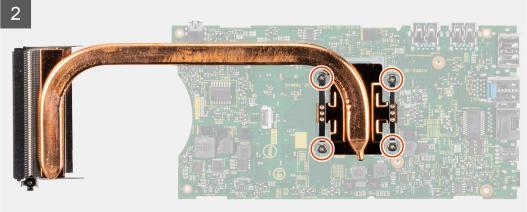
## About this task

The figure indicates the location of the heat-sink and provides a visual representation of the installation procedure.









- 1. Align the screws on the heat-sink with the screw holes on the system board.
- 2. In sequential order (as indicated on the heat sink), tighten the four captive screws that secure the heat sink to the system board.

# Next steps

- 1. Install the system board.
- 2. Install the solid-state drive
- **3.** Install the memory module.
- 4. Install the WLAN card.
- 5. Install the system fan.
- 6. Install the cover.
- 7. Install the hard-drive assembly.
- 8. Install the device on Fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- 9. Follow the procedure in after working on your device.

# Replacing the chassis

# Prerequisites

- 1. Follow the procedure in before working inside your device.
- 2. Remove the device from fixed stand/Pro 1 height-adjustable stand/Offset VESA mount/Pro 2 height-adjustable stand/Wall mount.
- **3.** Remove the hard-drive assembly.
- **4.** Remove the cover.
- **5.** Remove the system fan.
- 6. Remove the WLAN card.
- 7. Remove the solid-state drive.
- **8.** Remove the power button
- **9.** Remove the memory module.
- 10. Remove the coin-cell battery.
- 11. Remove the system board.

## About this task

After removing the above components, we are left with the chassis.



# **Software**

This chapter details the supported operating systems along with instructions on how to install the drivers.

# Topics:

• Drivers and downloads

# **Drivers and downloads**

When troubleshooting, downloading or installing drivers it is recommended that you read the Dell Knowledge Based article, Drivers and Downloads FAQ 000123347.

# System setup

CAUTION: Unless you are an expert computer user, do not change the settings in the BIOS Setup program.

Certain changes can make your computer work incorrectly.

NOTE: Before you change BIOS Setup program, it is recommended that you write down the BIOS Setup program screen information for future reference.

Use the BIOS Setup program for the following purposes:

- Get information about the hardware installed in your computer, such as the amount of RAM and the size of the hard drive.
- Change the system configuration information.
- Set or change a user-selectable option, such as the user password, type of hard drive installed, and enabling or disabling base devices.

## Topics:

- BIOS overview
- Entering BIOS setup program
- Navigation keys
- One time boot menu
- System setup options
- Updating the BIOS
- System and setup password
- Clearing BIOS (System Setup) and System passwords

# **BIOS** overview

The BIOS manages data flow between the computer's operating system and attached devices such as hard disk, video adapter, keyboard, mouse, and printer.

# **Entering BIOS setup program**

# Steps

- 1. Turn on your computer.
- 2. Press F2 immediately to enter the BIOS setup program.
  - NOTE: If you wait too long and the operating system logo appears, continue to wait until you see the desktop. Then, turn off your computer and try again.

# **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.

## Table 3. Navigation keys

Keys	Navigation	
Up arrow Moves to the previous field.		
Down arrow	Moves to the next field.	

Table 3. Navigation keys (continued)

Keys	Navigation		
Enter	Selects a value in the selected field (if applicable) or follow the link in the field.		
Spacebar	Expands or collapses a drop-down list, if applicable.		
Tab	Moves to the next focus area.  i 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.		

# One time boot menu

To enter **one time boot menu**, turn on your computer, and then press F12 immediately.

NOTE: It is recommended to shutdown the computer if it is on.

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 (if available)
  - i NOTE: XXX denotes the SATA drive number.
- Optical Drive (if available)
- SATA Hard Drive (if available)
- Diagnostics

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

# System setup options

(i) NOTE: Depending on your system and its installed devices, the items that are listed in this section may or may not appear.

Table 4. System setup options—System information menu

verview	
OptiPlex 3090 Ultra	
BIOS Version	Displays the BIOS version number.
Service Tag	Displays the Service Tag of the system.
Asset Tag	Displays the Asset Tag of the system.
Manufacture Date	Displays the manufacture date of the system.
Ownership Date	Displays the ownership date of the system.
Express Service Code	Displays the express service code of the system.
Ownership Tag	Displays the Ownership Tag of the system.
Signed Firmware Update	Displays whether the Signed Firmware Update is enabled on your system.
Processor Information	
Processor Type	Displays the processor type.
Maximum Clock Speed	Displays the maximum processor clock speed.

Table 4. System setup options—System information menu (continued)

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Minimum Clock Speed Displays the minimum processor clock speed.

Current Clock Speed Displays the current processor clock speed.

Core Count Displays the number of cores on the processor.

Processor ID Displays the processor identification code.

Processor L2 Cache Displays the processor L2 Cache size.

Processor L3 Cache Displays the processor L3 Cache size.

Microcode Version Displays the microcode version.

Intel Hyper-Threading Capable Displays whether the processor is Hyper-Threading (HT) capable.

64-Bit Technology Displays whether 64-bit technology is used.

**Memory Information** 

Memory Installed Displays the total system memory installed.

Memory Available Displays the total system memory available.

Memory Speed Displays the memory speed.

Memory Channel Mode Displays single or dual channel mode.

Memory Technology Displays the technology that is used for the memory.

DIMM SLOT1 Displays the memory in SLOT1
DIMM SLOT2 Displays the memory in SLOT2

**Devices Information** 

Video Controller Displays the video controller type of the system.

Video Memory Displays the video memory information of the system.

Wi-Fi Device Displays the wireless device information of the system.

Native Resolution Displays the native resolution of the system.

Video BIOS Version Displays the video BIOS version of the system.

Audio Controller Displays the audio controller information of the system.

Bluetooth Device Displays the Bluetooth device information of the system.

LOM MAC Address Displays the LAN On Motherboard (LOM) MAC address of the system.

Pass Through MAC Address

Displays the pass through MAC address of the system.

Cellular Device

Displays the M.2 PCle SSD information of the system.

# Table 5. System setup options—Boot Configuration menu

## **Boot Configuration**

## **Boot Sequence**

Boot mode Displays the boot mode.

Boot Sequence Displays the boot sequence.

**Secure Boot** 

Enable Secure Boot Enable or disable the secure boot feature.

By default, the option is not enabled.

Secure Boot Mode Enable or disable to change the secure boot mode options.

By default, the **Deployed Mode** is enabled.

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Table 5. System setup options—Boot Configuration menu (continued)

Boot Configuration	
Enable Custom Mode	Enable or disable custom mode.
	By default, the <b>custom mode</b> option is not enabled.
Custom Mode Key Management	Select the custom values for expert key management.

Table 6. System setup options—Integrated Devices menu

egrated Devices				
Date/Time	Displays the current date in MM/DD/YYYY format and current time in HH:MM:SS AM/PM format.			
Audio				
Enable Audio	Enable or disable the integrated audio controller.			
	By default, the option is enabled.			
USB/Thunderbolt Configuration	<ul> <li>Enable or disable booting from USB mass storage devices that are connected to external USB ports.</li> </ul>			
	By default, the <b>Enable Rear USB Ports</b> and <b>Enable Side USB Ports</b> options are enabled.			
	<ul> <li>Enable or disable booting from USB mass storage devices such as external hard drive, optical drive, and USB drive.</li> </ul>			
	By default, the <b>Enable USB Boot Support</b> option is enabled.			
Side USB Configuration	Enable or disable the individual USB ports.			
	By default, the <b>Side Port 1(Near DP</b> and <b>Side Port 2</b> options are selected.  i NOTE: USB keyboard and mouse always work in the BIOS setup irrespective of this settings.			
Rear USB Configuration	Enable or disable the individual USB ports.			
	By default, all the options (Rear Port 1(UP), Rear Port 2(Down) and Rear Port 3(Type C)) are selected.  (i) NOTE: USB keyboard and mouse always work in the BIOS setup irrespective of this settings.			

Table 7. System setup options—Storage menu

Storage			
SATA/NVMe Operation			
SATA/NVMe Operation	Set the operating mode of the integrated storage device controller.		
	By default, the <b>RAID On</b> option is enabled.		
Storage interface			
Port Enablement	This page allows you to enable the onboard drives.		
	By default, all the options are enabled.		
SMART Reporting			
Enable SMART Reporting	Enable or disable Self-Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Technology (SMART) during system startup.		
	By default, the <b>Enable SMART Reporting</b> option is not enabled.		
Drive Information			
SATA-1			
Туре	Displays the SATA type information of the system.		

Table 7. System setup options—Storage menu (continued)

Storage	
Device	Displays the SATA device information of the system.
M.2 PCIe SSD	
Туре	Displays the M.2 PCle SSD type information of the system.
Device	Displays the M.2 PCle SSD device information of the system.
PCIe M.2 eMMC	
Type	Displays the PCle M.2 eMMC type information of the system.
Device	Displays the PCIe M.2 eMMC device information of the system.

# Table 8. System setup options—Display menu

Display	
Primary Display	
Video Primary Display	This field determines which video controller will become the primary display when multiple controllers are available in the system.
	By default, <b>Auto</b> option is enabled.
Full Screen Logo	Enable or disable full screen logo.  By default, the option is not enabled.

# Table 9. System setup options—Connection menu

nnection			
Network Controller Configuration			
Integrated NIC	If enabled, UEFI networking protocols are installed and available, allowing pre-OS and early OS networking features to use any enabled NIC's. This may be used without PXE turned on.		
	By default, <b>Enabled with PXE</b> option is enabled.		
Wireless Device Enable			
WLAN	Enable or disable the internal WLAN device		
	By default, the option enabled.		
Bluetooth	Enable or disable the internal Bluetooth device		
	By default, the option enabled.		
Enable UEFI Network Stack	Enable or disable UEFI Network Stack and controls the on-board LAN Controller.		
	By default, the <b>Enable UEFI Network Stack</b> option is enabled.		
HTTPs Boot Feature			
HTTPs Boot	Enable or disable the HTTPs Boot feature.		
	By default, the <b>HTTPs Boot</b> option is enabled.		

# Table 10. System setup options—Power menu

ower	
USB Wake Support	
Enable USB Wake Support	When enabled, connecting Dell USB devices will wake the system from standby.
	By default, the option is enabled.

Table 10. System setup options—Power menu (continued)

#### Power

# **AC Behaviour**

AC Recovery Allows to determine what happens when AC power is restored after an

unexpected loss of AC power.

By default, the Power Off option is enabled.

**Active State Power Management** 

Aspm Enable the Active State Power Management (ASPM) level.

By default, the **Auto** option is enabled.

**Block Sleep** Enables to block entering sleep (S3) mode in the operating system.

By default, the **Block Sleep** option is disabled.

**Deep Sleep Control**Allows to conserve more power while in Shutdown (SS) or Hibernate (S4)

mode.

By default, the Enabled in S4 and SS option is enabled.

**Fan Control Override** Determines the speed of the fan.

By default, the option is disabled.

Intel Speed Shift Technology Enable or disable the Intel speed shift technology support.

By default, the Intel Speed Shift Technology option is enabled.

## Table 11. System setup options—Security menu

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## **TPM 2.0 Security**

TPM 2.0 Security On Enable or disable TPM 2.0 security options.

By default, the TPM 2.0 Security On option is enabled.

Attestation Enable Enables to control whether the Trusted Platform Module (TPM) Endorsement

Hierarchy is available to the operating system.

By default, the **Attestation Enable** option is enabled.

Key Storage Enable Enables to control whether the Trusted Platform Module (TPM) Storage

Hierarchy is available to the operating system.

By default, the  $\ensuremath{\text{\textbf{Key Storage Enable}}}$  option is enabled.

SHA-256 BIOS and the TPM will use the SHA-256 hash algorithm to extend

measurements into the TPM PCRs during BIOS boot.

By default, the **SHA-256** option is enabled.

Clear Enables to clear the TPM owner information and returns the TPM to the

default state.

By default, the **Clear** option is disabled.

PPI ByPass for Clear Commands Controls the TPM Physical Presence Interface (PPI).

By default, the  $\mbox{\bf PPI}$   $\mbox{\bf ByPass}$  for  $\mbox{\bf clear}$   $\mbox{\bf Commands}$  option is disabled.

Intel Total Memory Encryption

Total Memory Encryption Enable or disable you to protect memory from physical attacks including freeze

spray, probing DDR to read the cycles, and others.

By default, the **Total Memory Encryption** option is disabled.

**Chassis intrusion** Controls the chassis intrusion feature.

Table 11. System setup options—Security menu (continued)

# Security By default, the **Disabled** option is enabled. Clear Intrusion By default, the option is disabled. **Chassis Intrusion Reset** Resets the chassis intrusion. By default, the option is disabled. **SMM Security Mitigation** Enable or disable SMM Security Mitigation. By default, the option is enabled. **Data Wipe on Next Boot** Start Data Wipe Enable or disable the data wipe on next boot. By default, the option is disabled. Absolute Enable or disable or permanently disable the BIOS module interface of the optional Absolute Persistence Module service from Absolute software. By default, the option is enabled. **UEFI Boot Path Security** Controls whether the system will prompt the user to enter the admin password (if set) when booting to a UEFI boot device from the F12 boot menu.

By default, the Always Except Internal HDD option is enabled.

Table 12. System setup options—Passwords menu

Passwords		
Admin Password	Set, change, or delete the administrator password.	
System Password	Set, change, or delete the system password.	
Internal HDD-1 Password	Set, change, or delete the Internal HDD-1 password	
NVMe SSD0	Set, change, or delete the NVMe SSD0 password.	
Password Configuration		
Upper Case Letter	Reinforces password must have at least one upper case letter.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Lower Case Letter	Reinforces password must have at least one lower case letter.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Digit Reinforces password must have at least one digit.		
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Special Character Reinforces password must have at least one special character.		
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Minimum Characters	Set the minimum characters allowed for password.	
Password Bypass	When enabled, this always prompts for system and internal hard drive passwords when powered on from the off state.	
	By default, the <b>Disabled</b> option is selected.	
Password Changes		
Enable Non-Admin Password Changes	Enable or disable to change system and hard drive password without the need for admin password.	
	By default, the option is disabled.	

Table 12. System setup options—Passwords menu (continued)

Passwords		
Admin Setup Lockout		
Enable Admin Setup Lockout	Enables administrators control over how their users can or cannot access BIOS setup.	
	By default, the option is disabled.	
Master Password Lockout		
Enable Master Password Lockout	When enabled, this disables the master password support.	
	By default, the option is disabled.	
Allow Non-Admin PSID Revert		
Enable Allow Non-Admin PSID Revert	Controls access to the Physical Security ID (PSID) revert of NVMe hard-drives from the Dell Security Manager prompt.	
	By default, the option is disabled.	

Table 13. System setup options—Update, Recovery menu

date, Recovery		
UEFI Capsule Firmware Updates	Enable or disable BIOS updates through UEFI capsule update packages.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
BIOS Recovery from Hard Drive	Enables the user to recover from certain corrupted BIOS conditions from a recovery file on the user primary hard drive or an external USB key.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
BIOS Downgrade		
Allow BIOS Downgrade	Enable or disable the flashing of the system firmware to previous revision is blocked.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
SupportAssist OS Recovery	Enable or disable the boot flow for SupportAssist OS Recovery tool in the event of certain system errors.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
BIOSConnect	Enable or disable cloud Service operating system recovery if the main operation system fails to boot with the number of failures equal to or greater than the value specified by the Auto operating system Recovery Threshold setup option and local Service operating system does not boot or is not installed.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Dell Auto operating system Recovery Threshold	Controls the automatic boot flow for SupportAssist System Resolution Conso and for Dell operating system Recovery Tool.	
	By default, the threshold value is set to 2.	
	By default, the threshold value is set to 2.	

Table 14. System setup options—System Management menu

ystem Management		
Display the Service Tag of the system.		
Create a system Asset Tag.		
Enable or disable the Watchdog Timer Feature.		
By default, the option is disabled.		

Table 14. System setup options—System Management menu (continued)

#### System Management

#### Wake on LAN

Wake on LAN Enable or disable the system to power on by special LAN signals when it

receives a wakeup signal from the WLAN.

By default, the **Disabled** option is selected.

Auto on Time Enable to set the system to turn on automatically every day or on a preselected

date and time. This option can be configured only if the Auto On Time is set to

Everyday, Weekdays, or Selected Days.

By default, the option is disabled.

**Intel AMT Capability** 

Enable Intel AMT Capability By default **Restrict MEBx Access** option is enabled.

**MEBx Hotkey** 

Enable MEBx Hotkey When enabled, this allows the use of Ctrl+P hotkey to access MEBx.

By default **OFF** option is disabled.

**USB Provision** 

Enable USB Provision Intel AMT can be provisioned using the local provisioning file using a USB

storage device.

By default **OFF** option is disabled.

# Table 15. System setup options—Keyboard menu

## Keyboard

#### **Keyboard Errors**

By default, the option is enabled.

**Device Configuration Hotkey Access** Manages whether you can access device configuration screens through

hotkeys during system startup.

By default, the option is enabled.

# Table 16. System setup options—Pre-boot Behavior menu

#### **Pre-boot Behavior**

## **Adapter Warnings**

Enable Adapter Warnings Enable or disable the warning messages during boot when the adapters with

less power capacity are detected.

By default, the option is enabled.

Warning and Errors Enable or disable the action to be done when a warning or error is encountered.

By default, the **Prompt on Warnings and Errors** option is enabled.

**USB-C Warnings** 

Enable Dock Warning Messages By default, the option is enabled.

**Fastboot** Enable to set the speed of the boot process.

By default, the **Minimal** option is enabled.

**Extend BIOS POST Time** Set the BIOS POST time.

By default, the **0 seconds** option is enabled.

Table 16. System setup options—Pre-boot Behavior menu (continued)

Pre-boot Behavior		
MAC Address Pass-Through	Replaces the external NIC MAC address with the selected MAC address from the system.	
	By default, the <b>System Unique MAC Address</b> option is enabled.	

# Table 17. System setup options—Virtualization menu

Virtualization	
Intel Virtualization Technology	
Enable Intel Virtualization Technology (VT)	Specify whether a Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM) can use the additional hardware capabilities that are provided by Intel Virtualization Technology.
	By default, the option is enabled.
VT for Direct I/O	Specify whether a Virtual Machine Monitor (VMM) can use the additional hardware capabilities that are provided by Intel Virtualization Technology for Direct I/O.
	By default, the option is enabled.

# Table 18. System setup options—Performance menu

Performance		
Multi Core Support		
Active Cores	Enables to change the number of CPU cores available to the operating system	
	By default, the <b>All Cores</b> option is enabled.	
Intel SpeedStep		
Enable Intel SpeedStep Technology	Enables the system to dynamically adjust processor voltage and core frequency, decreasing average power consumption and heat production.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
C-States Control		
Enable C-State Control	Enable or disable additional processor sleep states.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Intel Turbo Boost Technology		
Enable Intel Turbo Boost Technology	Enable or disable Intel TurboBoost mode of the processor.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Intel Hyper-Threading Technology		
Enable Intel Hyper-Threading Technology	Enable or disable Hyper-Threading in the processor.	
	By default, the option is enabled.	
Dynamic Tuning:Machine Learning		
Enable Dynamic Tuning:Machine Learning	Enables the operating system capability to enhance dynamic power tuning capabilities based on detected workloads.	
	By default, the option is disabled.	

# Table 19. System setup options—System Logs menu

System Logs		
BIOS Event Log		
Clear Bios Event Log	I	Display BIOS events.

Table 19. System setup options—System Logs menu (continued)

System Logs

By default, the **Keep** option is enabled.

# **Updating the BIOS**

# **Updating the BIOS in Windows**

#### About this task

CAUTION: If BitLocker is not suspended before updating the BIOS, the next time you reboot the system it will not recognize the BitLocker key. You will then be prompted to enter the recovery key to progress and the system will ask for this on each reboot. If the recovery key is not known this can result in data loss or an unnecessary operating system re-install. For more information on this subject, see Knowledge Article: https://www.dell.com/support/article/sln153694

#### **Steps**

- 1. Go to www.dell.com/support.
- 2. Click Product support. In the Search support box, enter the Service Tag of your computer, and then click Search.
  - NOTE: If you do not have the Service Tag, use the SupportAssist feature to automatically identify your computer. You can also use the product ID or manually browse for your computer model.
- 3. Click Drivers & Downloads. Expand Find drivers.
- **4.** Select the operating system installed on your computer.
- 5. In the Category drop-down list, select BIOS.
- 6. Select the latest version of BIOS, and click **Download** to download the BIOS file for your computer.
- 7. After the download is complete, browse the folder where you saved the BIOS update file.
- **8.** Double-click the BIOS update file icon and follow the on-screen instructions. For more information, see knowledge base article 000124211 at www.dell.com/support.

# **Updating the BIOS in Linux and Ubuntu**

To update the system BIOS on a computer that is installed with Linux or Ubuntu, see the knowledge base article 000131486 at www.dell.com/support.

# Updating the BIOS using the USB drive in Windows

## About this task

CAUTION: If BitLocker is not suspended before updating the BIOS, the next time you reboot the system it will not recognize the BitLocker key. You will then be prompted to enter the recovery key to progress and the system will ask for this on each reboot. If the recovery key is not known this can result in data loss or an unnecessary operating system re-install. For more information on this subject, see Knowledge Article: https://www.dell.com/support/article/sln153694

- 1. Follow the procedure from step 1 to step 6 in Updating the BIOS in Windows to download the latest BIOS setup program file.
- 2. Create a bootable USB drive. For more information, see the knowledge base article 000145519 at www.dell.com/support.
- 3. Copy the BIOS setup program file to the bootable USB drive.
- 4. Connect the bootable USB drive to the computer that needs the BIOS update.

- 5. Restart the computer and press F12.
- 6. Select the USB drive from the One Time Boot Menu.
- Type the BIOS setup program filename and press Enter. The BIOS Update Utility appears.
- 8. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the BIOS update.

# Updating the BIOS from the F12 One-Time boot menu

Update your computer BIOS using the BIOS update.exe file that is copied to a FAT32 USB drive and booting from the F12 One-Time boot menu.

#### About this task

CAUTION: If BitLocker is not suspended before updating the BIOS, the next time you reboot the system it will not recognize the BitLocker key. You will then be prompted to enter the recovery key to progress and the system will ask for this on each reboot. If the recovery key is not known this can result in data loss or an unnecessary operating system re-install. For more information on this subject, see Knowledge Article: https://www.dell.com/support/article/sln153694

#### **BIOS Update**

You can run the BIOS update file from Windows using a bootable USB drive or you can also update the BIOS from the F12 One-Time boot menu on the computer.

Most of the Dell computers built after 2012 have this capability, and you can confirm by booting your computer to the F12 One-Time Boot Menu to see if BIOS FLASH UPDATE is listed as a boot option for your computer. If the option is listed, then the BIOS supports this BIOS update option.

(i) NOTE: Only computers with BIOS Flash Update option in the F12 One-Time boot menu can use this function.

#### Updating from the One-Time boot menu

To update your BIOS from the F12 One-Time boot menu, you need the following:

- USB drive formatted to the FAT32 file system (key does not have to be bootable)
- BIOS executable file that you downloaded from the Dell Support website and copied to the root of the USB drive
- AC power adapter that is connected to the computer
- Functional computer battery to flash the BIOS

Perform the following steps to perform the BIOS update flash process from the F12 menu:

CAUTION: Do not turn off the computer during the BIOS update process. The computer may not boot if you turn off your computer.

- 1. From a turn off state, insert the USB drive where you copied the flash into a USB port of the computer.
- 2. Turn on the computer and press F12 to access the One-Time Boot Menu, select BIOS Update using the mouse or arrow keys then press Enter.
  - The flash BIOS menu is displayed.
- 3. Click Flash from file.
- 4. Select external USB device.
- 5. Select the file and double-click the flash target file, and then click **Submit**.
- 6. Click Update BIOS. The computer restarts to flash the BIOS.
- 7. The computer will restart after the BIOS update is completed.

# System and setup password

## Table 20. System and setup password

Password type	Description
System password	Password that you must enter to log in to your system.
Setup password	Password that you must enter to access and make changes to the BIOS settings of your computer.

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

CAUTION: The password features provide a basic level of security for the data on your computer.

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

NOTE: System and setup password feature is disabled.

# Assigning a system setup password

#### **Prerequisites**

You can assign a new System or Admin Password only when the status is in Not Set.

#### About this task

To enter the system setup, press F12 immediately after a power-on or reboot.

#### **Steps**

- 1. In the **System BIOS** or **System Setup** screen, select **Security** and press Enter. The **Security** screen is displayed.
- 2. Select System/Admin 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.
- At least one special character: ! " # \$ % & '() \* + , . / : ; < = > ? @ [ \ ] ^ \_ ` { | }
- Numbers 0 through 9.
- Upper case letters from A to Z.
- Lower case letters from a to z.
- 3. Type the system password that you entered earlier in the Confirm new password field and click OK.
- 4. Press Esc and save the changes as prompted by the pop-up message.
- **5.** Press Y to save the changes. The computer restarts.

# Deleting or changing an existing system setup password

#### **Prerequisites**

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.

## About this task

To enter the System Setup, press F12 immediately after a power-on or reboot.

- 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, update, or delete the existing system password, and press Enter or Tab.
- 4. Select **Setup Password**, update, or delete the existing setup password, and press Enter or Tab.
  - NOTE: If you change the System and/or Setup password, reenter the new password when prompted. If you delete the System and/or Setup password, confirm the deletion when prompted.
- 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 restarts.

# Clearing BIOS (System Setup) and System passwords

## About this task

To clear the system or BIOS passwords, contact Dell technical support as described at www.dell.com/contactdell.

NOTE: For information on how to reset Windows or application passwords, refer to the documentation accompanying Windows or your application.

# **Troubleshooting**

# Topics:

- Dell SupportAssist Pre-boot System Performance Check diagnostics
- Diagnostic LED
- Recovering the operating system
- Real-Time Clock (RTC Reset)
- · Backup media and recovery options
- WiFi power cycle

# Dell SupportAssist Pre-boot System Performance Check diagnostics

#### About this task

SupportAssist diagnostics (also known as system diagnostics) performs a complete check of your hardware. The Dell SupportAssist Pre-boot System Performance Check diagnostics 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
- 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.

For more information, see https://www.dell.com/support/kbdoc/000180971.

# Running the SupportAssist Pre-Boot System Performance Check

- 1. Turn on your 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.
- **4.** Click the arrow at the bottom left corner. Diagnostics front page is displayed.
- **5.** Click the arrow in the lower-right corner to go to the page listing. The items detected are listed.
- 6. To run a diagnostic test on a specific device, press Esc and click Yes to stop the diagnostic test.
- 7. Select the device from the left pane and click Run Tests.
- 8. If there are any issues, error codes are displayed.

  Note the error code and validation number and contact Dell.

# **Diagnostic LED**

Instead of beep codes, errors are indicated by the bicolor Battery Charge/Status LED. A specific blink pattern is followed by flashing a pattern of flashes in amber, followed by white. The pattern then repeats.

NOTE: The diagnostic pattern consists of a two-digit number being represented by a first group of LED blinks (1 through 9) in amber, followed by a 1.5 s pause with the LED off, and then a second group of LED blinks (1 through 9) in white. This is then followed by a three second pause, with the LED off, before repeating over again. Each LED blink takes 1.5 s.

The system will not shut down when displaying the Diagnostic Error Codes.

Diagnostic Error Codes will always supersede any other use of the LED.

Table 21. Diagnostic LED/Beep codes

Blinking Patterns		Problem description	Faults
Amber	White		
2	1	Faulty system board	Faulty system board
2	2	Faulty system board, power supply, unit (PSU), or cabling	Faulty system board, power supply, unit (PSU), or cabling
2	3	Faulty system board, CPU, or DIMMS	Faulty system board, power supply, unit (PSU), or DIMMS
2	4	Faulty coin cell battery	Faulty coin cell battery
2	5	BIOS Recovery	Auto-Recovery trigger, recovery image is not found or is invalid.
2	7	Memory	Memory SPD failure
3	3	Memory	No memory detected
3	5	Memory	Modules incompatible or invalid configuration
3	6	BIOS Recovery	On-demand trigger, recovery image is not found.
3	7	BIOS Recovery	On-demand trigger, recovery image is invalid.

NOTE: For diagnostics pattern 2-amber, 8-white connects an external monitor to isolate between system board or graphics controller failure.

# Recovering the operating system

When your computer is unable to boot to the operating system even after repeated attempts, it automatically starts Dell SupportAssist OS Recovery.

Dell SupportAssist OS Recovery is a standalone tool that is preinstalled in all Dell computers installed with Windows operating system. It consists of tools to diagnose and troubleshoot issues that may occur before your computer boots to the operating system. It enables you to diagnose hardware issues, repair your computer, back up your files, or restore your computer to its factory state.

You can also download it from the Dell Support website to troubleshoot and fix your computer when it fails to boot into their primary operating system due to software or hardware failures.

For more information about the Dell SupportAssist OS Recovery, see *Dell SupportAssist OS Recovery User's Guide* at www.dell.com/serviceabilitytools. Click **SupportAssist** and then, click **SupportAssist OS Recovery**.

# Real-Time Clock (RTC Reset)

The Real Time Clock (RTC) reset function allows you or the service technician to recover Dell systems from No POST/No Power/No Boot situations. The legacy jumper enabled RTC reset has been retired on these models.

Start the RTC reset with the system powered off and connected to AC power. Press and hold the power button for 20 seconds. The system RTC Reset occurs after you release the power button.

# **Backup media and recovery options**

It is recommended to create a recovery drive to troubleshoot and fix problems that may occur with Windows. Dell proposes multiple options for recovering Windows operating system on your Dell PC. For more information, see Dell Windows Backup Media and Recovery Options.

# WiFi power cycle

#### About this task

If your computer is unable to access the internet due to WiFi connectivity issues a WiFi power cycle procedure may be performed. The following procedure provides the instructions on how to conduct a WiFi power cycle:

NOTE: Some ISPs (Internet Service Providers) provide a modem/router combo device.

- 1. Turn off your computer.
- 2. Turn off the modem.
- 3. Turn off the wireless router.
- 4. Wait for 30 seconds.
- 5. Turn on the wireless router.
- 6. Turn on the modem.
- 7. Turn on your computer.

# Getting help and contacting Dell

# Self-help resources

You can get information and help on Dell products and services using these self-help resources:

Table 22. Self-help resources

Self-help resources	Resource location	
Information about Dell products and services	www.dell.com	
My Dell app	DELL	
Tips	*	
Contact Support	In Windows search, type Contact Support, and press Enter.	
Online help for operating system	www.dell.com/support/windows	
Access top solutions, diagnostics, drivers and downloads, and learn more about your computer through videos, manuals and documents.	Your Dell computer is uniquely identified by a Service Tag or Express Service Code. To view relevant support resources for your Dell computer, enter the Service Tag or Express Service Code at www.dell.com/support.  For more information on how to find the Service Tag for your computer, see Locate the Service Tag on your computer.	
Dell knowledge base articles for a variety of computer concerns	<ol> <li>Go to www.dell.com/support.</li> <li>On the menu bar at the top of the Support page, select Support &gt; Knowledge Base.</li> <li>In the Search field on the Knowledge Base page, type the keyword, topic, or model number, and then click or tap the search icon to view the related articles.</li> </ol>	

# Contacting Dell

To contact Dell for sales, technical support, or customer service issues, see www.dell.com/contactdell.

- (i) NOTE: Availability varies by country/region and product, and some services may not be available in your country/region.
- NOTE: If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information about your purchase invoice, packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.