

Ultrium External Tape Drive



Highlights

- ***Offers breakthroughs in capacity, performance, and reliability for midrange and network tape storage environments***
- ***Provides an entry-level Ultrium™ tape solution***
- ***Enables cost-effective backup, save/restore, and archival storage***
- ***Provides continuous, easy-to-understand drive information with an LCD status display***
- ***Adheres to widely supported Linear Tape-Open™ (LTO™) design specifications***

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Today, all types of businesses rely on data as a key corporate asset. You must be able to access data quickly and reliably, archive large databases and retrieve them when needed, and complete these tasks economically—whether you are using a high-performance network server or an individual workstation.

The IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive is the building block of a new family of scalable, flexible tape solutions. By fully leveraging advanced Linear Tape-Open (LTO) technology, the IBM Tape Drive is ideal for handling the backup, save/restore, and archival data storage needs of a wide range of small systems.

The IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive has a capacity of up to 200 GB with compression (2:1). As your needs grow, you can build on this storage investment by moving to the IBM Tape Autoloader (compressed data capacity of up to 1.4 TB). As your storage requirements grow, you can choose the IBM Ultrium Scalable Tape Library (compressed data capacity of up to 14.4 TB) or the IBM UltraScalable Tape Library (compressed data capacity of up to 496.2 TB). The tape media is interchangeable among all four devices.

With its higher capacity and performance, the IBM Ultrium External Tape

Drive is an excellent alternative to DLT, 1/4-inch, 4 mm, or 8 mm tape drives. It has a sustained data transfer rate of up to 30 MB/sec (compressed).

Advanced features

The IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive features Ultra2/Wide SCSI Low Voltage Differential (LVD) or Ultra/Wide SCSI High Voltage Differential (HVD) interfaces and can attach to IBM and non-IBM servers, workstations, and personal computers that support these interfaces. As a SCSI-attached tape solution, the IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive connects to Fibre Channel server adapters through selected IBM Storage Area Network Data Gateway products. Future plans include Fibre Channel-Arbitrated Loop (FC-AL) attachment.

The IBM 3580 has an LCD display and indicators for write protection, tape in use, drive cleaning, and data compression.

Software support

You can maximize the power of the IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive by managing it with industry-leading tape management solutions such as Tivoli® Storage Manager or other industry-recognized storage software. These solutions offer highly automated, centrally scheduled, policy-managed backup and archive facilities to protect data in distributed enterprises.

IBM 3580 Ultrium External Tape Drive at a glance

Model numbers	L11—LVD attach; H11—HVD attach
Rack-mount feature code	8723

Characteristics

Tape drive type	Ultrium
Capacity per cartridge ¹	Up to 200 GB compressed; 100 GB native
Sustained data transfer rate ¹	Up to 30 MB/sec compressed; 15 MB/sec native
Aggregate sustained data rate ¹	Up to 108 GB/hour compressed
Media type	IBM Ultrium
Data cartridge	Part number 08L9120
Cleaning cartridge	Part number 08L9124
Dimensions	5.75" H x 6.74" W x 13.11" D (14.6 cm x 17.1 cm x 33.3 cm)
Weight	14.3 lb (6.6 kg)
Warranty	One year; IBM On-site Exchange (IOE)

Operating environment

Temperature	10° to 38° C (50° to 100° F)
Relative humidity	20% to 80% (non-condensing)
Electrical power	1.0-0.5 amps at 100-240 VAC, 50/60 Hz

Attachment and systems support²

The IBM 3580 features Ultra2/Wide SCSI LVD and Ultra/Wide SCSI HVD interfaces, attaching to IBM RS/6000®, IBM RS/6000 SP IBM AS/400®, and IBM Netfinity® systems, and non-IBM servers, workstations, and personal computers. As a SCSI-attached tape solution, the IBM 3580 connects to Fibre Channel server adapters through selected IBM Storage Area Network Data Gateway products. Future plans include Fibre Channel-Arbitrated Loop (FC-AL) attachment.

Operating systems support²

Native device driver support is available for AIX® V4.3.2 or 4.3.3; OS/400® V4R4; Windows NT® Version 4.0 with Service Pack 6.0; and Windows® 2000; Sun® Solaris® 2.6, 7, or 8; HP-UX Version 11.0; and Red Hat® Linux® 7.0.

¹ Based on 2:1 compression

² For latest information, consult Technical Support at www.ibm.com/storage/lto

Why IBM LTO?

LTO is an open tape architecture developed by a consortium of three world-class storage producers. Open means availability from multiple vendors. IBM means a new technology from a time-proven and innovative tape technology leader.

IBM Ultrium drives share best-of-breed technology with advanced multi-track recording capabilities, magneto-resistive (MR) head and servo technologies, and high recording densities. Error correction code (ECC) function helps provide data integrity.

IBM also provides worldwide service and technical support when you invest in an IBM Ultrium solution—including a complete array of servers, software, printers, and storage devices.

Media

You can order media for the IBM Ultrium External Tape Drive at the time of purchase or via IBM Machine Type 3589 or from IBM Media, Supplies Distribution, and authorized dealers. Call 1-888-IBM-Media (1-888-426-6334) toll-free in the United States and Canada.

For more information

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