

WARP Mechanics® High Capacity HDD

HGST Ultrastar® He¹²

Features & Benefits

- 12TB¹ capacity in 3.5"
- Reliable, field-proven, 4th generation design
- Industry's best power efficiency (Watts/TB)
- 50% more capacity, 54% more efficient, & 25% more reliable vs 8TB air
- SATA 6Gb/s
- SAS 12Gb/s
- 2.5M hours MTBF² rating & 5-year warranty
- Security and encryption options

Industry's Best Capacity, Power Efficiency and Reliability

HGST **Ultrastar He¹²** hard drives have the best capacity, performance, and reliability blend in the industry. The He¹² uses PMR technology, and is the industry's first 12TB drive that is drop-in ready for enterprise applications. The stable internal environment created by fourth-generation HelioSeal® technology enables a new 8-disk design, increasing the capacity by 20% when compared to the 7-disk design of the prior generation. This highest capacity helium drive offers the lowest power profile in the industry to help data center architects meet eco-environmental goals and requirements. Targeted at 2.5M hours MTBF, the Ultrastar He¹² HDD provides the highest reliability rating available of all HDDs on the market today by building on the successful design of its 10TB, 8TB and 6TB predecessors.



HelioSeal® Technology Solves Challenges for the Next Generation

Compared to 8TB air-filled drives, this HelioSeal hard drive provides 50% more capacity, uses 54% less power (Watts/TB), and is 25% more reliable, rated at 2.5M hours MTBF. Data-center ready features like a second generation dual-stage actuator — the HGST Micro Actuator — enhance head positioning accuracy to deliver better performance, data integrity and overall drive reliability, especially in multi-drive environments where operational vibration is present. A choice of 6Gb/s SATA and 12Gb/s SAS interface enables easy integration into high performance data centers.

Applications/Environments

- Drop-in ready for mainstream enterprise applications
- Massive scale-out high-density data centers (MSO)
- Distributed File Systems
- Object storage for Ceph™ and Hadoop®
- Centralized video surveillance
- Cloud & Hyperscale storage
- Big Data Analytics

54%

LOWER WATTS/TB*

50%

MORE CAPACITY*

25%

MORE RELIABLE*



Specifications

	SATA Models	SAS Models
	HUH721212ALE60y	HUH721212AL420y
	HUH721212ALN60y	HUH721212AL520y

Configuration

	SATA 6Gb/s	SAS 12Gb/s
Interface	SATA 6Gb/s	SAS 12Gb/s
Capacity ¹ (TB)	12TB	←
Format: Sector size ³ (bytes)	4Kn: 4096 512e: 512	4Kn: 4096, 4112, 4160, 4224 512e: 512, 520, 528
Max. Areal density (Gbits/sq. in.)	864	←

Performance

Data buffer ⁴ (MB)	256	←
Rotational speed (RPM)	7200	←
Latency avg (ms)	4.16	←
Interface transfer rate (MB/s, max)	600	1200
Sustained transfer rate ⁵ (MiB/s, typical)	243	←
(MB/s, typical)	255	←
Seek time ⁶ (read/write, ms, typical)	8.0/8.6	←

Acoustics

Idle (Bels, typical)	2.0/3.6	←
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Physical size

z-height (mm)	26.1	←
Dimensions (width x depth, mm)	101.6 (+/-0.25) x 147	←
Weight (g, max)	660	←

SATA Models SAS Models

Reliability

Error rate (non-recoverable, bits read)	1 in 10 ¹⁵	←
Load/Unload cycles (at 40°C)	600,000	←
Availability (hrs/day x days/wk)	24x7	←
MTBF ² (M hours)	2.5	←
AFR ² (Ann. Failure Rate)	0.35%	←
Warranty (yrs)	5	←

Power

Requirement	+5 VDC, +12VDC	←
Operating ⁷	7.2	9.8
Idle ⁸ (W)	5.3	6.1
Power consumption efficiency at Idle (W/TB) (Watts/TB)	0.44	0.51
(Watts/GB)	0.00044	0.00051

Environmental (Operating)

Ambient temperature	5° to 60° C	←
Shock (half-sine wave 2ms, G)	70	←
Vibration (G RMS 5 to 500Hz)	0.67 (XYZ)	←

Environmental (Non-Operating)

Ambient temperature	-40° to 70° C	←
Shock (half-sine wave, G)	300 (2ms) / 150 (11ms)	←
Random vibration (G RMS 2 to 200Hz)	1.04 (XYZ)	←

¹ 1 MB = 1 million bytes, 1 GB = 1 billion bytes, 1 TB = 1 trillion bytes. Accessible capacity varies due to formatting and partitioning of the hard drive, the computer's operating system, and other factors.

² Based on a sample population estimated by statistical measurements under median operating conditions. MTBF and AFR ratings do not predict an individual drive's reliability and do not constitute a warranty.

³ Advanced Format drive: 4K (4096-byte) physical sectors

⁴ Portion of buffer capacity used for drive firmware

⁵ MiB/s is 220 bytes, MB/s is 106 bytes

⁶ Excludes command overhead

⁷ SATA models: 8K Queue Depth = 1, SAS models: 4K Queue Depth = 4

⁸ Idle specification is based on use of Idle_A