

# **APRICORN Aegis NVX Hardware Encrypted USB Storage Device User Guide**

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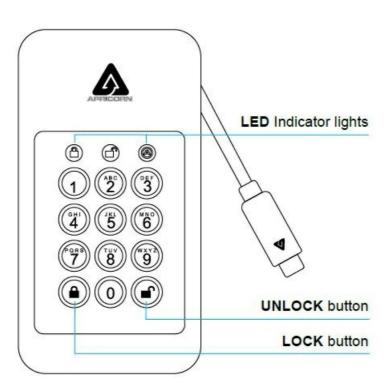


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## Introduction

When you first plug in the Aegis NVX, the unit will do a self-test to verify all security components are working properly. The LEDs will go through 3 test stages: RED, GREEN, and BLUE. This will be followed by three GREEN blinks indicating all components are functioning properly. A test failure will leave the unit in an inoperable state indicated by a blinking RED LED.



**Note:** PINs must be a minimum length of 6 maximum 16 digits. Cannot contain all consecutive numbers (2345678 or 9876543). Cannot contain all the same numbers (1111111).

# **First Time Use**

Before the Aegis NVX can be used, the Admin PIN MUST be set. The LEDs will glow Solid BLUE and Solid GREEN to indicate the Aegis NVX is waiting for an Admin PIN to be set.

## To Set-up the Admin PIN

- 2. Enter the new Admin PIN and press the key. If accepted, the BLUE LED will turn off, the GREEN LED will blink three times and then will return to Solid BLUE and Blinking GREEN.
- 3. Re-enter that Admin PIN and press the 

  key again. If accepted, the GREEN LED will glow solidly for three seconds. If the PIN is unacceptable or the second entry doesn't match the first, RED LED will flash three times.
- 4. The BLUE LED will glow solidly indicating the drive is in Admin mode and will remain that way for 30 seconds or until the key is pressed, either of which will return the drive to its standby (locked) state.
- 5. The Admin PIN is now set and will allow access to the drive or the Admin features.
- 6. To access the drive's data using the Admin PIN, press the button, then enter the new Admin PIN and press

#### Adding a new User PIN

- 1. Enter the Admin Mode by pressing and holding 

  + 0 for five seconds (the RED LED will blink.) Enter the Admin PIN and press 

  (BLUE LED will glow solidly.)
- 2. Press and hold + 1 until the BLUE LED glows solidly and the GREEN LED starts blinking.
- 3. Enter the PIN to be used as your User code and press ■. (BLUE LED will turn off and GREEN LED will blink 3 times by itself, then will continue blinking as BLUE LED resumes glowing solidly)
- 4. Quickly re-enter that same PIN once more and press 

  . (If the PIN was successfully added, BLUE LED will turn off, GREEN LED will illuminate for a second or two and then will turn off, followed by the BLUE LED glowing solidly indicating that the key has returned to Admin Mode. If the PIN is unacceptable or the second entry doesn't match the first, RED LED will flash three times, followed by solid BLUE / Blinking GREEN LEDs.

## **Locking the Aegis NVX**

To lock the drive, simply press the button. Do not eject the device using the Operating System. When locked, the RED LED will glow solidly. If data is still being written to the drive, it will wait for this operation to be completed before the locking operation takes place. The button can also be used to exit out of the Admin mode. Do not eject.

Note: The Aegis NVX will not be recognized by any operating system in its locked state.

#### **Unlocking the Aegis NVX**

- 1. Connect the device to a powered USB port.
- 2. Enter either the Admin PIN or a User PIN and press the button. (If the PIN is accepted, the GREEN LED will glow solidly; If the PIN is incorrect, the RED LED will blink three times and then glow solidly.)

#### Formatting For Mac OS

The Aegis NVX comes preformatted in NTFS for Windows®. For the Mac OS, you must first reformat the drive to a Mac-compatible file system. Once the drive is unlocked and inserted into a USB port, open the Mac Disk Utility from Applications/Utilities/Disk Utilities and perform the following:

- 1. Select the Aegis NVX from the list of drives and volumes.
- 2. Click the 'Erase' tab.
- 3. Enter a name for the drive. The default name is Untitled. The drive's name will eventually appear on the desktop.
- 4. Select a volume format to use. The Volume Format dropdown menu lists the available drive formats that the Mac supports. The recommended format type is 'Mac OS Extended (Journaled).'
- 5. Click the 'Erase' button. Disk Utility will unmount the volume from the desktop, erase it, and then remount it on the desktop.

# **Technical Support**

# Apricorn.com/contact-technical-support

- E-mail us at <a href="mailto:support@apricorn.com">support@apricorn.com</a>
- $\bullet$  Call Technical Support at 1-800-458-5448 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PST, M F

#### **Documents / Resources**



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