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PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The Western Digital My Book Essential external hard drive provides 1 terabyte (1TB) of storage capacity. Designed for data backup and archiving, this device features a high-speed USB 2.0 interface for broad compatibility and efficient data transfer. Its design allows it to power on and off in conjunction with your computer, contributing to energy efficiency.

Key Features:

- **Simple Installation:** Plug-and-play functionality for immediate use.
- **Compact Design:** Occupies minimal desk space, similar to a paperback book.
- **Energy Efficient:** Automatically enters standby mode after 10 minutes of inactivity to conserve power.
- **USB 2.0 Interface:** Offers convenient and compatible connectivity with various computers.
- **PC and Mac Compatible:** Supports Windows 2000/XP/Vista and Mac OS X 10.4.8 or later.

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Verify that all the following items are included in your product package:

- Western Digital My Book Essential WDBAAF0010HBK Hard Drive
- USB Cable
- AC Adapter
- Quick Install Guide

SETUP INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Connect the AC Adapter:** Plug the AC adapter into the power port on the back of the My Book Essential drive. Connect the other end of the AC adapter to a power outlet.
2. **Connect the USB Cable:** Connect one end of the supplied USB cable to the USB 2.0 port on the back of the My

Book Essential drive. Connect the other end of the USB cable to an available USB port on your computer.

3. **Power On:** The drive is designed to power on automatically with your computer. Ensure your computer is powered on. The drive's indicator light will illuminate.
4. **Initial Recognition:** Your operating system (Windows or Mac OS) should automatically detect and install the necessary drivers for the drive. This process may take a few moments.
5. **Accessing the Drive:** Once installed, the drive will appear as a new storage device in 'My Computer' (Windows) or 'Finder' (Mac OS). You can now begin transferring files.

Note: For detailed operating system-specific instructions or if the drive is not recognized, refer to the included Quick Install Guide or the Western Digital support website.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Western Digital My Book Essential drive functions as an external storage device for your computer. It is ideal for backing up important files, storing large media libraries, and freeing up space on your computer's internal hard drive.

Data Transfer:

- To transfer files, simply drag and drop them to and from the My Book Essential drive icon in your computer's file explorer.
- For optimal performance, ensure the USB cable is securely connected to a USB 2.0 port on your computer.

Power Management:

- The drive is designed to turn on and off with your computer. When your computer is shut down or put to sleep, the drive will also enter a low-power state.
- After 10 minutes of inactivity, the drive will automatically enter standby mode to save energy. It will resume normal operation when accessed.

Safe Removal:

Always use the "Safely Remove Hardware" option (Windows) or drag the drive icon to the Trash/Eject (Mac OS) before disconnecting the USB cable to prevent data corruption.

MAINTENANCE

Proper maintenance ensures the longevity and reliable performance of your external hard drive.

- **Physical Care:** Keep the drive in a stable, well-ventilated area. Avoid exposing it to extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, or moisture. Do not block the ventilation slots.
- **Cleaning:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the drive. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosols.
- **Data Backup:** Regularly back up critical data stored on the external drive to another location (e.g., cloud storage, another hard drive) to prevent data loss in case of unforeseen issues.
- **Firmware Updates:** Periodically check the Western Digital support website for any available firmware updates for your model.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your My Book Essential drive, try the following steps:

1. **Drive Not Detected:**

- Ensure the AC adapter is securely connected to both the drive and a working power outlet.
- Verify the USB cable is firmly connected to both the drive and your computer's USB port. Try a different USB port or cable if available.
- Restart your computer.
- Check your computer's Disk Management (Windows) or Disk Utility (Mac OS) to see if the drive is recognized but unformatted or unallocated.

2. Slow Data Transfer:

- Ensure you are using a USB 2.0 port. While compatible with USB 1.1, performance will be significantly slower.
- Avoid running multiple demanding applications during large file transfers.
- Check for background processes that might be using system resources or disk I/O.

3. Drive Light Not On:

- Confirm the AC adapter is connected and the power outlet is active.
- If connected to a computer, ensure the computer is powered on and not in sleep mode.

For further assistance, consult the Quick Install Guide or visit the Western Digital support website.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Name	My Book Essential Edition 2.0
Model Number	WDH1U10000N
Digital Storage Capacity	1024 GB (1 TB)
Hard Disk Interface	USB 2.0
Connectivity Technology	USB
Hard Disk Form Factor	3.5 Inches
Hard Disk Description	Desktop
Compatible Devices	Desktop
Installation Type	Plug In
Color	Black
Hard Disk Rotational Speed	7200 RPM
Read Speed	60 Megabytes Per Second
Media Speed	30 MB/s
Enclosure Material	Hard Plastic or Metal
Item Weight	3.3 Pounds
System Requirements	Available USB port, Windows 2000/XP/Vista, Mac OS X 10.4.8 or later

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Western Digital My Book Essential drive comes with a **1-year limited warranty**. For warranty claims, technical support, or to access additional resources such as drivers and software, please visit the official Western Digital support

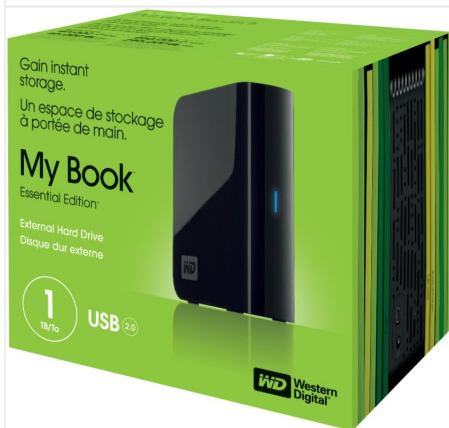
website.

Online Support: support.wdc.com

PRODUCT IMAGES



Front view of the Western Digital My Book Essential 1TB External Hard Drive, showcasing its sleek black design.



The retail packaging for the Western Digital My Book Essential 1TB External Hard Drive, highlighting its capacity and USB 2.0 interface.



Rear view of the hard drive, displaying the power input and USB 2.0 port for connectivity.



Front view of the hard drive with its blue activity indicator light illuminated, signifying operation.



The external hard drive positioned vertically on a desk, demonstrating its compact footprint alongside a computer monitor and books.

PRODUCT VIDEOS

WD Hard Drives: Essential vs. Home Edition Comparison

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This video provides a comparison between the Western Digital My Book Essential and Home Edition hard drives, highlighting their physical differences and connectivity options. It helps users understand the specific features of the Essential model in context.

