

WD WDBWLG0100HBK-NESN

Western Digital Elements Desktop External Hard Drive User Manual

MODEL: WDBWLG0100HBK-NESN

Brand: WD

INTRODUCTION

The WD Elements desktop storage with USB 3.0 offers reliable, high-capacity, add-on storage, fast data transfer rates, and universal connectivity with USB 3.0 and USB 2.0 devices. This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your 10TB external hard drive.

WHAT'S IN THE BOX

- WD Elements Desktop hard drive
- USB Cable
- AC adapter
- Quick Start Guide

SETUP

The WD Elements Desktop External Hard Drive is designed for plug-and-play convenience with Windows PCs. Follow these steps for initial setup:

1. **Connect the AC Adapter:** Plug the AC adapter into the power port on the back of the WD Elements drive and then into a wall outlet.
2. **Connect the USB Cable:** Connect one end of the included USB cable to the USB 3.0 port on the back of the WD Elements drive and the other end to an available USB port on your computer.
3. **Power On:** The drive will typically power on automatically when connected. The indicator light on the front of the drive will illuminate.
4. **For Mac Users:** Please note that the drive needs to be reformatted prior to working with Mac operating systems. It ships pre-formatted for Windows compatibility. Refer to your Mac's disk utility for reformatting instructions.



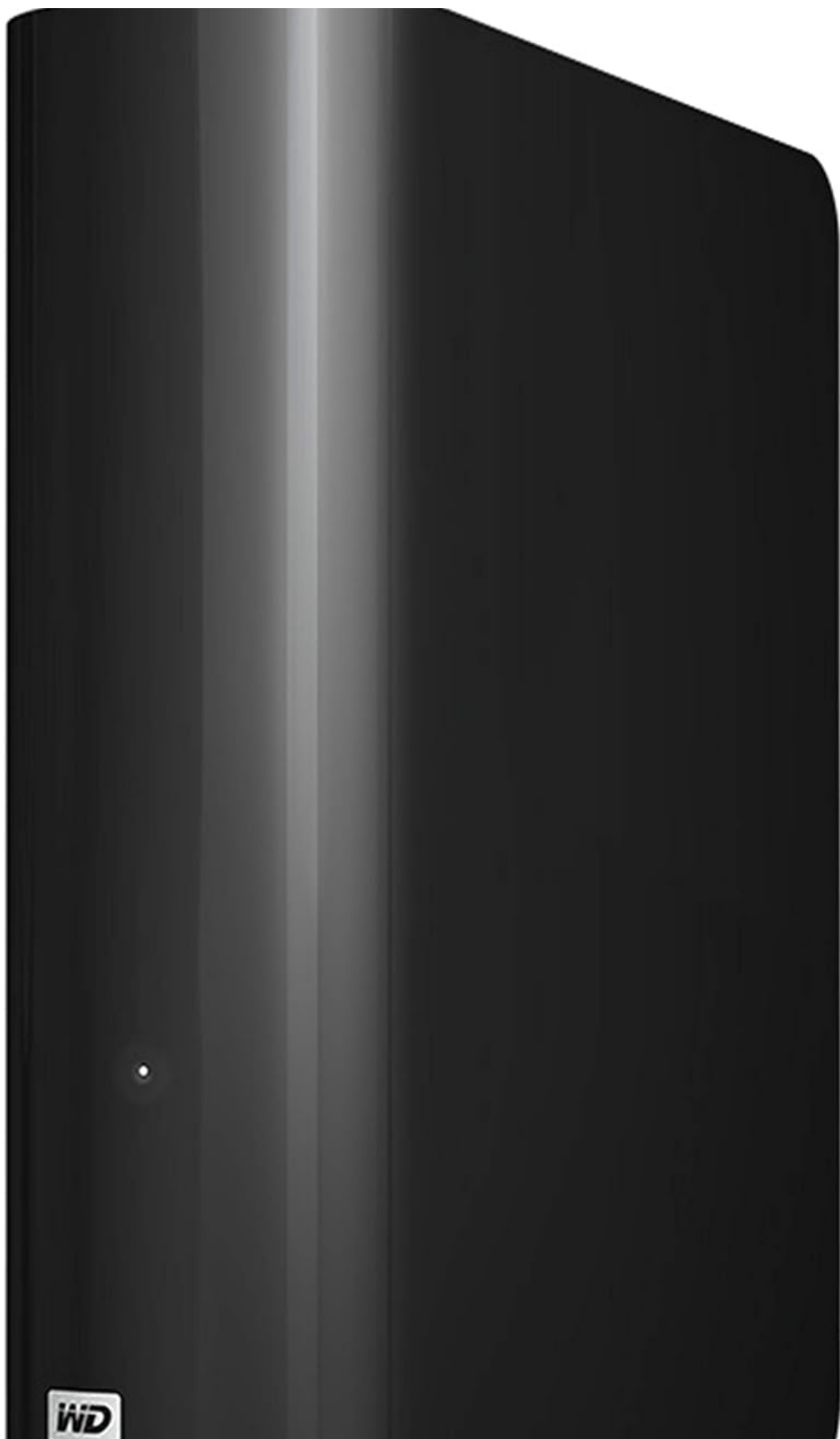




Image: The Western Digital Elements Desktop External Hard Drive, showcasing its sleek black design.

Fast transfer rates (USB 3.0 port)



Image: Close-up view of the USB 3.0 port on the back of the WD Elements drive, highlighting its connectivity.

OPERATING THE DRIVE

Once connected, your WD Elements drive will appear as an available storage device on your computer. You can now begin transferring files, creating backups, or expanding your storage capacity.

- **Data Transfer:** Drag and drop files or folders to and from the drive, just like any other connected storage device. The USB 3.0 interface ensures fast data transfer rates for large files and extensive backups.
- **Backups:** Utilize your operating system's built-in backup features or third-party software to create regular

backups of your important data to the WD Elements drive.

- **Improving PC Performance:** Moving large files or applications from your computer's internal hard drive to the WD Elements drive can free up space and potentially improve your computer's performance.



Improve PC performance

Image: The WD Elements drive positioned next to a desktop computer, illustrating its role in improving PC performance by offloading data.

High capacity in a sleek design



Image: A woman working at a desk with the WD Elements drive visible, emphasizing its high capacity and sleek design for everyday use.

MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your WD Elements Desktop External Hard Drive, consider the following maintenance tips:

- **Safe Removal:** Always safely eject the drive from your computer before disconnecting the USB cable or power adapter to prevent data corruption.
- **Keep Clean:** Use a soft, dry cloth to clean the exterior of the drive. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Environmental Conditions:** Store and operate the drive in a cool, dry environment, away from direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, and excessive humidity.
- **Physical Protection:** Avoid dropping the drive or subjecting it to strong impacts, as this can damage the internal components.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your WD Elements drive, try the following common troubleshooting steps:

- **Drive Not Detected:**
 - Ensure the USB cable is securely connected to both the drive and your computer.
 - Verify the AC adapter is properly connected and the drive is receiving power (check the indicator light).
 - Try connecting the drive to a different USB port on your computer.
 - Test the drive on another computer to rule out a computer-specific issue.
- **Slow Data Transfer:**
 - Ensure you are using a USB 3.0 port on your computer for optimal speeds. USB 2.0 ports will result in slower transfers.
 - Close any unnecessary applications running in the background that might be consuming system resources.
 - Check your computer's drivers to ensure they are up to date.
- **Drive Requires Reformatting (Mac):** If you are a Mac user and the drive is not recognized, it likely needs to be reformatted. Use Disk Utility on your Mac to format the drive to a compatible file system (e.g., APFS or Mac OS Extended (Journaled)).

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Digital Storage Capacity	10 TB
Hard Disk Interface	USB 2.0/3.0
Connectivity Technology	USB
Brand	WD
Hard Disk Form Factor	3.5 Inches
Hard Disk Description	Mechanical Hard Disk
Compatible Devices	Desktop
Installation Type	External Hard Drive
Color	Black
Item Weight	2.09 pounds
Product Dimensions (LxWxH)	5.31 x 1.89 x 6.53 inches
Operating System	PC; Mac
Hardware Platform	PC
Manufacturer	Western Digital
Date First Available	July 25, 2018

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

Your WD Elements Desktop External Hard Drive comes with a **3-year limited warranty**, ensuring reliability and peace of mind.

A black, cylindrical WD Elements Desktop External Hard Drive stands on a wooden desk. To its left is a small glass terrarium with a plant. To its right is a laptop. In the top left corner, a shield icon contains the number '3' and the word 'YEARS'. The bottom of the image features an orange banner with white text.

WD Reliability
3-year limited warranty

Image: Graphic indicating WD Reliability and a 3-year limited warranty.

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