

Dell Latitude 14 Rugged Extreme (7404)Series

Getting Started Guide



Notes, Cautions, and Warnings

 **NOTE:** A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your computer.

 **CAUTION:** A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.

 **NOTE:** A WARNING indicates a potential for property damage, personal injury, or death.

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Finding Information and Resources

See the safety and regulatory documents that shipped with your computer and the regulatory compliance website at www.dell.com/regulatory_compliance for more information on:

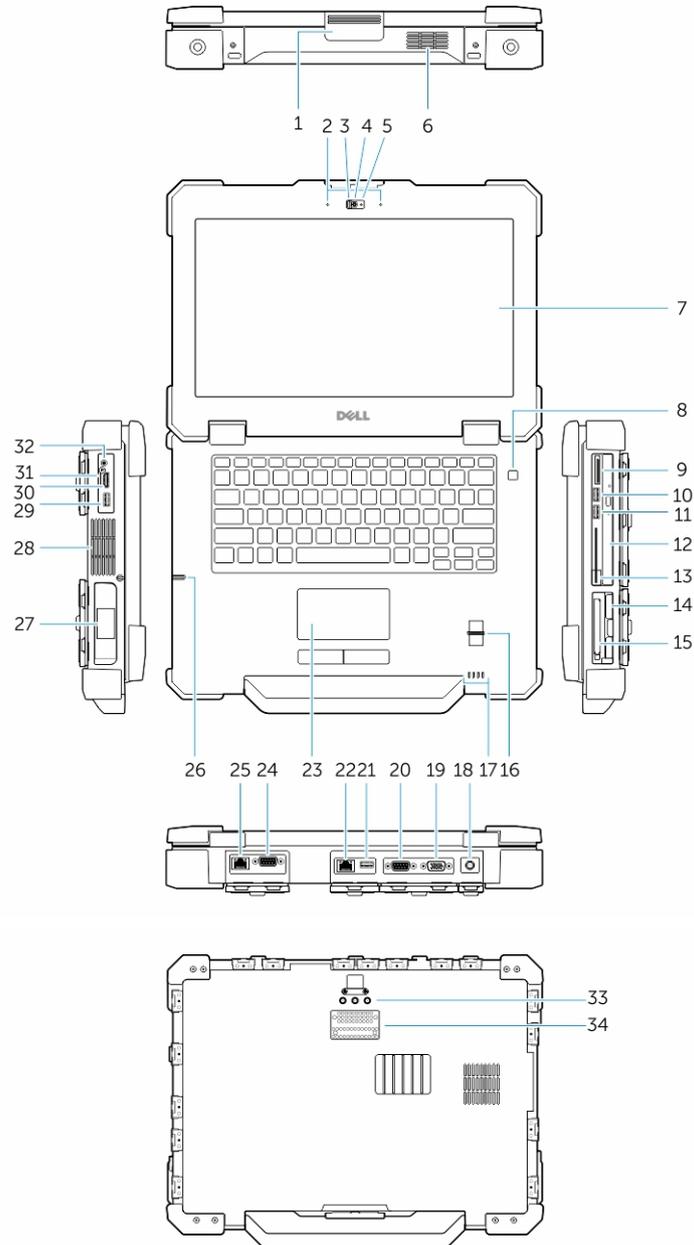
- Safety best practices
- Regulatory certification
- Ergonomics

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- Warranty
- Terms and Conditions (U.S. only)
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System Overview



- | | |
|---|------------------------|
| 1. display latch | 2. microphone |
| 3. privacy shutter | 4. camera (optional) |
| 5. camera status light | 6. speaker |
| 7. outdoor-readable display/touchscreen | 8. power button |
| 9. memory-card reader | 10. USB 2.0 Connector |
| 11. USB 3.0 Connector | 12. optical drive |
| 13. smart Card reader | 14. hard drive |
| 15. ExpressCard reader or PCMCIA | 16. fingerprint reader |

- 17. status lights
- 19. VGA connector
- 21. USB 2.0 connector
- 23. touchpad
- 25. network connector
- 27. battery
- 29. USB 3.0 connector with PowerShare
- 31. SIM card reader
- 33. radio frequency pass-through connectors
- 18. power connector
- 20. serial connector
- 22. network connector
- 24. serial connector
- 26. stylus
- 28. sealed thermal chamber
- 30. HDMI Connector
- 32. audio connector
- 34. docking device connector

 **WARNING:** Do not block, push objects into, or allow dust to accumulate in the air vents. Do not store your Dell computer in a low-airflow environment, such as a closed briefcase, while it is running. Restricting the airflow can damage the computer. The computer turns on the fan when the computer gets hot. Fan noise is normal and does not indicate a problem with the fan or the computer.

 **Danger** EXPLOSION HAZARD-External Connections (Power Jack, HDMI Port, USB Ports, RJ45 Port, RS232 Port, Audio Port, Smart Card Reader, SD card Reader, Express Card Reader, PC-card Reader, SIM card Reader) are not to be used in a hazardous location.

Quick Setup

- NOTE:** Before you begin any of the procedures in this section, read the safety information that shipped with your computer. For additional best practices information, see www.dell.com/regulatory_compliance
- NOTE:** The AC adapter works with electrical outlets worldwide. However, power connectors and power strips vary among countries. Using an incompatible cable or improperly connecting the cable to the power strip or electrical outlet may cause fire or equipment damage.
- CAUTION:** When you disconnect the AC adapter cable from the computer, grasp the connector, not the cable itself, and pull firmly but gently to avoid damaging the cable. When you wrap the AC adapter cable, ensure that you follow the angle of the connector on the AC adapter to avoid damaging the cable.
- NOTE:** Some devices may not be included if you did not order them.

1. Connect the AC adapter to the AC adapter connector on the computer and to the electrical outlet.

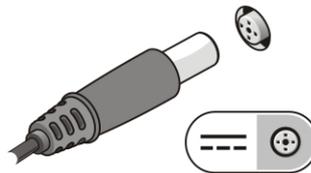


Figure 1. AC Adapter

2. Connect the network cable (optional).

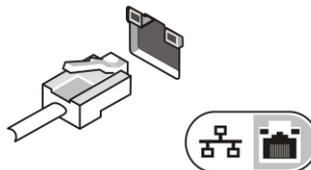


Figure 2. Network Connector

3. Connect USB devices, such as a mouse or keyboard (optional).

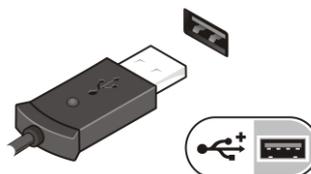


Figure 3. USB Connector

4. Connect IEEE 1394 devices, such as a 1394 hard drive (optional).

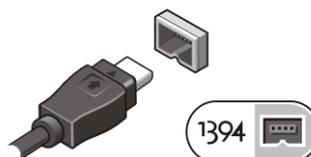


Figure 4. 1394 Connector

5. Open the computer display and press the power button to turn on the computer.



Figure 5. Power Button

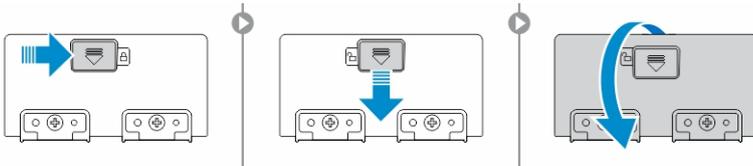
NOTE: It is recommended that you turn on and shut down your computer at least once before you install any cards or connect the computer to a docking device or other external device, such as a printer.

Removing and Installing Components

Opening the Press-Latch Doors

There are eight press-latch doors. Four on the back, two on the right side, and two on the left side of the computer.

1. Left and right side press-latch doors: Slide the latch towards the back of the computer to lock and towards the front to unlock.
2. Back press-latch door: Slide the latch to the right to lock and to the left to unlock.
3. The door can now be opened by pressing down on the latch and pulling the door in a direction away from the computer.



Closing the Press-Latch Doors

1. Rotate the door back in position, towards the computer.
2. Engage the lock by sliding until the lock symbol is visible.

Removing the Battery

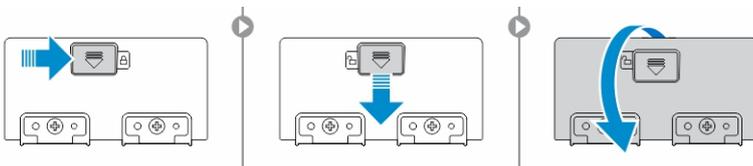
WARNING: Using an incompatible battery may increase the risk of fire or explosion. Replace the battery only with a compatible battery purchased from Dell. The battery is designed to work with your Dell computer. Do not use a battery from other computers with your computer.

WARNING: Before removing or replacing the battery, turn off the computer, disconnect the AC adapter from the electrical outlet and the computer, disconnect the modem from the wall connector and computer, and remove any other external cables from the computer.

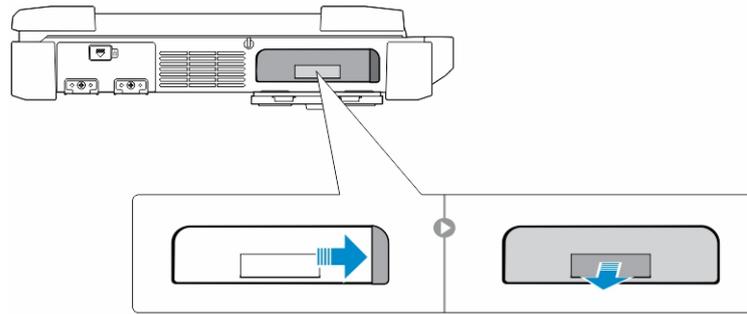
WARNING: Not for use in hazardous locations. See installation instructions.

WARNING: To prevent ignition in a hazardous atmosphere, batteries must only be changed or charged in an area known to be non-hazardous.

1. Push the battery slide-lock to the right to unlock.
2. The door can now be opened by sliding the latch down, and rotating the door in a downward direction.



3. To remove the battery:
 - a) To unlock, push the battery release latch to the right.
 - b) Slide the battery out of the computer by pulling on the tab attached to the battery.

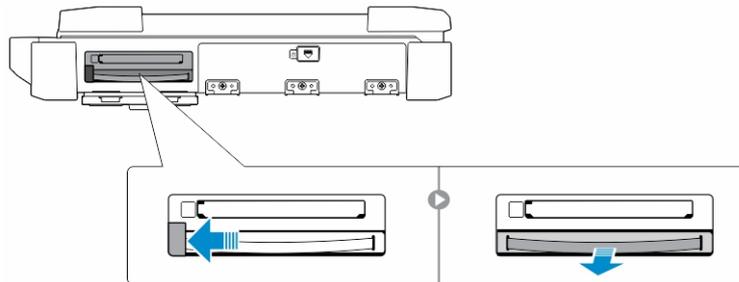


Installing the Battery

1. Slide the battery into its slot until it clicks into place.
2. Rotate the battery door back into its closed position and press until you can hear it click in place.
3. Engage the lock by pushing the latch to the left until the lock symbol is visible.

Removing the Hard Drive

1. Slide the hard drive release latch to the left to unlock.
2. Pull the hard drive outwards using the pull-loop and remove it from the computer.



Installing the Hard Drive

1. To secure the hard drive, push the hard drive into its compartment.
2. Rotate the door back towards the computer and press until it is in a closed position.
i **NOTE: Ensure that the hard drive pull tab does not cover the water seal.**
3. Engage the lock by sliding it until the lock symbol is visible.

Working on Your Computer

Using the Backlit Keyboard

The Latitude rugged series comes equipped with a backlit keyboard that can be customized. The system comes with the following colors enabled:

1. White
2. Red
3. Green
4. Blue

Alternatively, the system can be configured with 2 additional custom colors in the System Setup (BIOS)

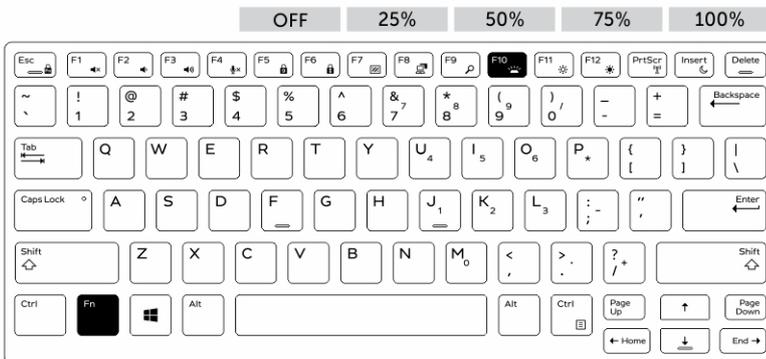
Turning the Keyboard Backlight On/Off or Adjusting Brightness

1. Press **<Fn> + <F10>** to initialize the keyboard backlight switch.

NOTE: **<Fn> key is not needed if function key <Fn> lock is activated.**

NOTE: **The first use of the above key combination turns on the backlight to its lowest setting. Additional pressing of the key combinations cycle the brightness settings through 25%, 50%,75% and 100% .**

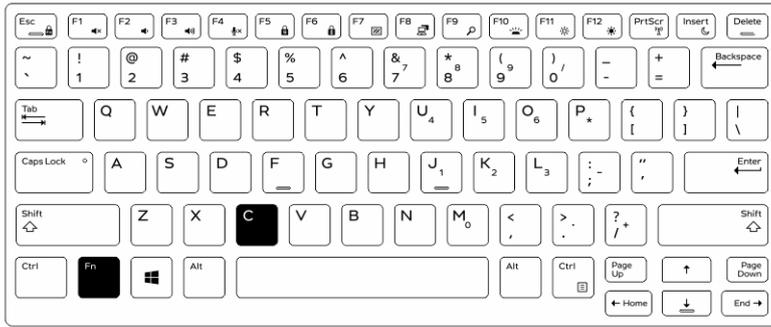
2. Cycle through the key combination to either adjust the brightness or completely turn off the keyboard backlight.



Changing the Keyboard Backlight Color

To change the keyboard backlight color:

1. Press **<FN> + <C>** keys to cycle through the available backlight colors.
2. White, Red, Green and Blue are active by default; up to two custom colors can be added to the cycle in the System Setup (BIOS).



Customizing the Backlit Keyboard in System Setup (BIOS)

1. Power off the computer.
2. Power on the computer and at the Dell logo, tap the <F2> key repeatedly to bring up the system setup menu.
3. Expand and open the **System Configuration** menu.
4. Select **RGB Keyboard Backlight**.
You can enable/disable the standard colors (White, Red, Green and Blue).
5. To set a custom RGB value, use the input boxes on the right side of the screen.
6. Click **Apply** changes and click **Exit** close the system setup.

Function <Fn> Key Lock Features

- NOTE:** The keyboard has Function key <Fn> lock capability. When activated, the secondary functions on the top row of keys become default and will not require use of the <Fn> key.

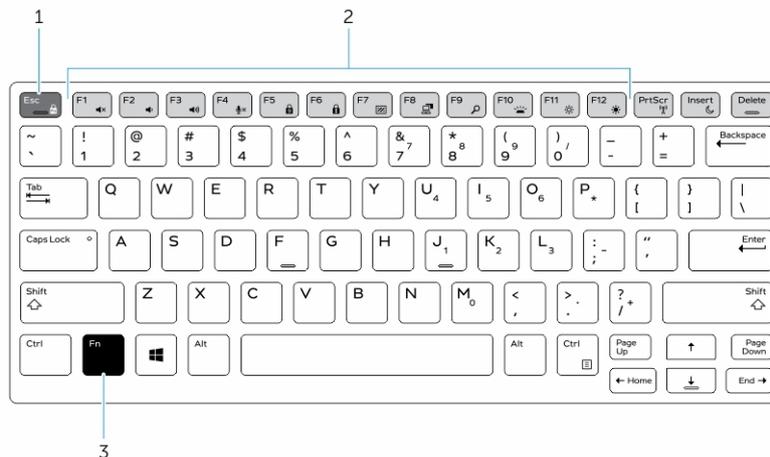


Figure 6. <Fn> key callouts

1. <Fn> Lock Key
2. Affected <Fn> keys
3. <Fn> Key

- NOTE:** <Fn> Lock affects only the above keys . Secondary functions will not require the <Fn> key to be pressed while enabled.

Activating the Function (Fn) lock

1. Press the <Fn> + <Esc> keys

- NOTE:** Other secondary functions on keys below the top row are not affected and requires the use of the <Fn> key.

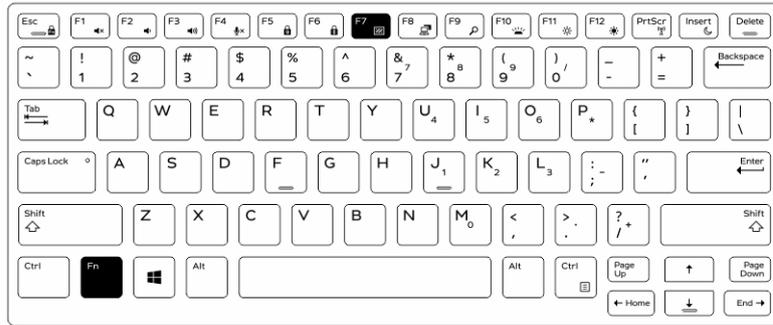
2. Press the <Fn> + <Esc> keys again to deactivate the function lock feature. The function keys return to their default actions.

Turning Stealth Mode On/Off

1. Press the <Fn> + <F7> key combination (<Fn> key not needed if Fn lock is activated) to turn on stealth mode.

NOTE: Stealth mode is a secondary function of the <F7> key. The key can be used to perform other functions on the computer when not used with the <Fn> key to activate stealth mode.

2. All the lights and sounds are turned off.
3. Press the <Fn> + <F7> key combination again to turn off the stealth mode.



Disabling Stealth Mode in the System Setup (BIOS)

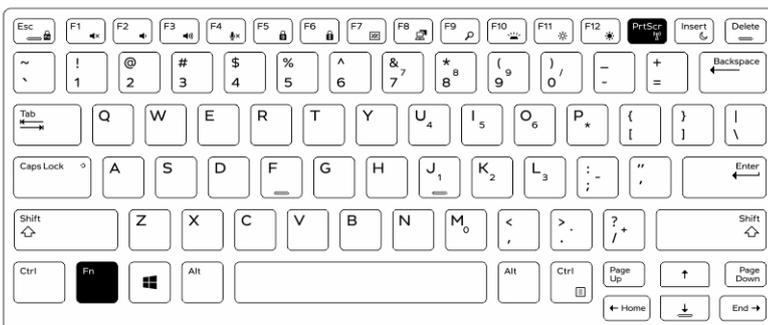
1. Power off the computer.
2. Power on the computer and at the Dell logo, tap the <F2> key repeatedly to bring up the **System Setup** menu.
3. Expand and open the **System Configuration** menu.
4. Select **Stealth Mode Control**.

NOTE: Stealth mode is enabled by default.

5. Select **Disable** to disable the stealth mode.
6. When complete, **Apply** changes and **Exit** the BIOS or system setup.

Enabling and Disabling Wireless (WiFi) Feature

1. Press the <Fn> + <PrtScr> keys to enable wireless networking.
2. Press the <Fn> + <PrtScr> keys again to disable wireless networking.



Quick Disconnect (QD) Connector

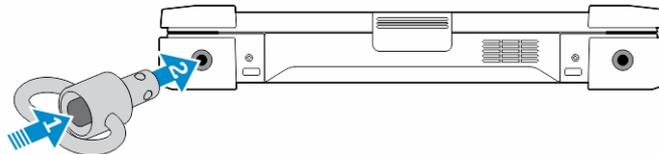
Latitude fully rugged products come equipped with receptacles for QD (Quick-Disconnect) connectors at the corners. These receptacles allow the connection of optional accessories such as shoulder straps.

Topics:

- [Installing a QD \(Quick Disconnect\) connector](#)
- [Removing a QD connector](#)

Installing a QD (Quick Disconnect) connector

1. Perform the following steps to install a QD connector:



- a) Align the QD connector to the receptacle on the corner of the computer.
 - b) Press and hold the button on top of the QD connector.
2. Insert the connector into the receptacle while holding the button pressed.
 3. Release the button after the connector is seated in the receptacle to secure it.

Removing a QD connector

1. Press and hold the button on top of the QD connector.
2. Pull the connector out of the receptacle while holding the button pressed.

Specifications

 **NOTE:** Offerings may vary by region.

Table 1. System Information

Feature	Specification
DRAM bus width	64 bit
Flash EPROM	SPI 32 Mbits
PCIe 2.0 bus	100MHz

Table 2. Processor

Feature	Specification
Types	Intel Core i3/i5/i7 series
L3 cache	up to 4 MB
External bus frequency	1600MHz

Table 3. Memory

Feature	Specification
Memory connector	two SODIMM slots
Memory capacity	2 GB, 4 GB, or 8 GB
Memory type	DDR3L SDRAM 1600 Mhz
Minimum memory	4 GB
Maximum memory	16 GB

Table 4. Audio

Feature	Specification
Type	four-channel high definition audio
Controller	Realtek ALC3226
Stereo conversion	24 bit (analog-to-digital and digital-to-analog)
Interface:	
Internal	HD audio
External	microphone-in/stereo headphones/external speakers connector
Speakers	one mono speaker
Internal speaker amplifier	2 W (RMS)
Volume controls	Volume Up/Volume Down buttons

 **CAUTION:** Adjustment of volume control, as well as the equalizer in the operating system and/or equalizer software, to other settings than the center position may increase the earphones and/or headphones output and cause hearing damage or loss.

Table 5. Video

Feature	Specification
Type	integrated on system board
Controller	
UMA	
	Intel Core i3 / i5 series
	Intel Core i7
Discrete (optional)	Nvidia GeForce (N14M-GE) Discrete Graphics Card, 2 GB Graphics

Table 6. Communications

Feature	Specification
Network adapter	10/100/1000 Mb/s Ethernet (RJ-45)
Wireless	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · WLAN with Bluetooth enabled · WWAN

Table 7. Ports and Connectors

Feature	Specification
Audio	one microphone/stereo headphone/speakers connector
Video	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · one 15-pin VGA connector · one 19-pin HDMI connector
Network adapter	two RJ-45 connectors
USB 2.0	two 4-pin USB 2.0-compliant connector
USB 3.0	one 9-pin USB 3.0-compliant connector with PowerShare one 9-pin USB 3.0-compliant connector
Memory card reader	one ExpressCard Reader or optional PCMCIA Reader (replaces ExpressCard Reader)
Serial	two DB9 pin serial connectors
Docking port	one
SIM Slot	one micro-SIM slot with security feature

Table 8. Display

Feature	Specification
Type	WLED display
Size	14.0 inches
Dimensions:	
Height	190.00 mm (7.48 inches)
Width	323.5 mm (12.59 inches)
Diagonal	375.2 mm (14.77 inches)
Active area (X/Y)	309.4 mm x 173.95 mm
Maximum resolution	1366 x 768 pixels
Operating angle	0° (closed) to 180°
Refresh rate	60 Hz
Minimum Viewing angles:	

Feature	Specification
Horizontal	+/- 70° minimum for HD
Vertical	+/- 70° minimum for HD
Pixel pitch	0.1875 mm

Table 9. Keyboard

Feature	Specification
Number of keys	83 keys: US English, Thai, French-Canadian, Korean, Russian, Hebrew, English-International 84 keys: UK English, French Canadian Quebec, German, French, Spanish (Latin America), Nordic, Arabic, Canada Bilingual 85 keys: Brazilian Portuguese 87 keys: Japanese
Layout	QWERTY/AZERTY/Kanji

Table 10. Touchpad

Feature	Specification
Active Area:	
X-axis	91 mm (3.58 inches)
Y-axis	51 mm (2.00 inches)

Table 11. Battery

Feature	Specification
Type	6-cell or 9-cell "smart" lithium ion
Dimensions:	
Height	21 mm (0.82 inch)
Width	166.9 mm (6.57 inches)
Depth	80 mm (3.14 inches)
Weight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6-cell : 365.5 g (0.80 lb) • 9-cell : 520 g (1.14 lb)
Voltage	11.1 VDC
Temperature range:	
Operating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charging : 0 °C to 60 °C (32 °F to 140 °F) • Discharging: 0 °C to 70 °C (32 °F to 158 °F)
Non-Operating	-51 °C to 71 °C (-60 °F to 160 °F)

NOTE: The battery pack is capable of safely withstanding the above storage temperatures with 100% charge.

NOTE: The battery pack is also capable of withstanding storage temperatures from -20 °C to +60 °C with no degradation in its performance.

Coin-cell battery	3 V CR2032 lithium coin cell
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Table 12. AC Adapter

Feature	Specification
Type	65 W/90 W
Input voltage	100 VAC to 240 VAC

Input current (maximum)	1.5 A/1.7 A
Input frequency	50 Hz to 60 Hz
Output power	65 W / 90 W
Output current	3.34 A/4.62 A(continuous)
Rated output voltage	19.5 +/- 1.0 VDC
Temperature range:	
Operating	0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)
Non-Operating	-40 °C to 70 °C (-40 °F to 158 °F)

Table 13. Physical

Feature	Specification
Height	51.5 mm (2.02 inches)
Width	356.1 mm (14.01 inches)
Depth	247.5 mm (9.74 inches)
Weight	7.79 lbs (3.53 kg)

Table 14. Environmental

Feature	Specification
Temperature:	
Operating	-29 °C to 63 °C (-20 °F to 145 °F)
Storage	-51 °C to 71 °C (-60 °F to 160 °F)
Relative humidity (maximum):	
Operating	10 % to 90 % (non condensing)
Storage	0 % to 95 % (non condensing)
Altitude (maximum):	
Operating	-15.24 m to 4572 2000 (-50 ft to 15,000 ft 6560 ft)
Non-Operating	-15.24 m to 9144 m (-50 ft to 30,000 ft)
Airborne contaminant level	G1 as defined by ISA-71.04-1985

Topics:

- [Information para NOM \(únicamente para México\)](#)

Information para NOM (únicamente para México)

The following information is provided on the device described in this document in compliance with the requirements of the official Mexican standards (NOM).

Voltaje de alimentación	100 VAC – 240 VAC
Frecuencia	50 Hz – 60 Hz
Consumo eléctrico	1,5 A/1,7 A
Voltaje de salida	19,50 V de CC
Intensidad de salida	3,34 A/4,62 A

Contacting Dell

 **NOTE:** If you do not have an active Internet connection, you can find contact information on your purchase invoice, packing slip, bill, or Dell product catalog.

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