



Data Sheet

Constellation®

2.5-inch Tier 2/nearline drive with the lowest enterprise power usage

500GB and 160GB • 7200 RPM • SAS 6Gb/s, SAS 3Gb/s, SATA 3Gb/s and SATA 1.5Gb/s

Key Advantages

- First 2.5-inch, 15mm nearline drive for space-constrained data centers
- Lowest operating power and enhanced PowerChoice™ power options for unprecedented power savings (up to 54%—as low as 1.1W) during idle
- The highest-reliability 7200-RPM drive, designed for 24x7 operation
- Best-in-class rotational vibration tolerance ensures unrivalled performance in high spindle-density applications, and multi-drive firmware maximizes system availability.
- SAS offers seamless Tier 2 enterprise experience, with improved data integrity. SAS 2.0 enables faster data access and larger topologies, increasing system scalability, data throughput and connectivity.
- Self-Encrypting Drive (SED) option cuts IT drive retirement expenses while securely protecting data¹
- FIPS Self-Encrypting Drive option provides all the benefits of SED and is NIST certified to meet U.S., Canada and U.K. federal data encryption compliance requirements.^{1,2}

Best-Fit Applications

- · Storage-hungry business applications
- Storage area networks (SAN) and network attached storage (NAS)
- Government-grade, data-at-rest security when drives leave your control^{1, 2}
- Rich media content storage—audio, video, image
- Drive retirement cost reduction and drive life extension strategies¹
- Reference and compliance data storage
- · Enterprise backup and restore





2 See FIPS 140-2 Level 2 Certificate at http://csrc.nist.gov/groups/STM/cmvp/documents/140-1/1401vend.htm.





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Built on Seagate Unified Storage architecture

- Small form factor—15mm z-height provides a dense, eco-friendly, robust platform for easy integration.
- SAS 2.0—6Gb/s enables larger topologies at higher throughput and provides a higher signal strength over longer distances for improved scalability.

Enhanced Choices With Enterprise Capabilities

- PowerChoice host-selectable power options (1 to 4) reduce power consumption to a low of 1.1W.
- Both SATA 3Gb/s and SAS 6Gb/s interfaces utilize perpendicular recording technology to deliver the industry's highest-capacity 2.5-inch nearline drive.
- Enterprise-class firmware features and best-in-class rotational vibration tolerance maximizes system availability and performance in multi-drive systems. Seagate proprietary Workload Management™ technology helps systems keep drives cool.
- The best 7200-RPM reliability for 24x7 business-critical applications with an MTBF of 1.2M hours and an nonrecoverable error rate of 1 sector per 10E15—from a trusted source and backed by a 5-year limited warranty.

Strong Enough for National Security¹

The Constellation (SAS) drive is available in SED or FIPS SED models; both eliminate the need to overwrite or physically destroy drives, enable secure return of drives for warranty or expired lease purposes, and allow organizations to securely repurpose or sell hard drives. For added physical security and more stringent regulatory compliance needs, the FIPS SED model is FIPS 140-2 ValidatedTM for use with sensitive but unclassified or protected (A or B) class data.

Seagate SecureTM encryption models help OEMs and system builders gain competitive advantage, differentiate solutions (with strong data security), sell to new customers (that require strong data security), and protect brand equity (and customer confidence).

1 Self-Encrypting Drive and FIPS Self-Encrypting Drive options on SAS models. Requires TCG-compliant host or controller support. Not available in all countries.

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Specifications	500	GB¹	160 GB¹
Model Number	ST9500430SS ST9500431SS ² ST9500432SS ³	ST9500530NS	ST9160511NS
Interface	SAS 2.0	SATA	SATA
Interface Access Speed	SAS 6Gb/s SAS 3Gb/s SAS 1.5Gb/s	SATA 3Gb/s SATA 1.5Gb/s	SATA 3Gb/s SATA 1.5Gb/s
Performance			
Spindle Speed (RPM)	7200	7200	7200
Average Latency (ms)	4.16	4.16	4.16
Seek Time			
Average Read/Write (ms)	8.5/9.5	8.5/9.5	8.5/9.5
Maximum Sustained Transfer Rate (MB/s)	97	95	95
Cache, Multisegmented (MB)	16	32	32
Configuration/Organization			
Bytes per Sector	512, 520, 524, 528	512	512
Reliability/Data Integrity			
Mean Time Between Failures (MTBF, hours)	1.2 million	1.2 million	1.2 million
Reliability Rating at Full 24x7 Operation (AFR)	0.73%	0.73%	0.73%
Nonrecoverable Read Errors per Bits Read	1 sector per 10E15	1 sector per 10E15	1 sector per 10E15
Error Control/Correction (ECC)	10 bit	10 bit	10 bit
Interface Ports	Dual	Single	Single
Limited Warranty (years)	5	5	5
Power Management			
Power Supply Requirements	+12V and +5V	+12V and +5V	+12V and +5V
Typical Operating, Random Read (W)	4.0	3.5	2.8
Idle (W)	2.9	2.6	2.3
PowerChoice [™] option, 1 to 4 range (W)	1.3 to 2.9	1.1 to 2.4	1.1 to 2.1
Environmental			
Rotational Vibration @ 1800Hz (rad/sec²)	16	16	16
Vibration Operating, <400Hz (Gs) Nonoperating, <500Hz (Gs)	0.5 2.4	0.5 2.4	0.5 2.4
Shock Operating, 2ms (Gs) Nonoperating, 1ms and 2ms (Gs)	70 400	70 400	70 400
Temperature Operating (°C) Nonoperating (°C)	5 to 55 -40 to 70	5 to 55 -40 to 70	5 to 55 -40 to 70
Acoustics Typical Idle (bels) Typical Operating (bels)	2.3 2.6	2.3 2.6	1.9 2.5
Encryption			
Self-Encrypting Drive Option ²	Yes	_	_
FIPS Self-Encrypting Drive Option ³	Yes	_	_
Physical			
Height (in/mm)	0.583/14.8	0.583/14.8	0.583/14.8
Width (in/mm)	2.76/70	2.76/70	2.76/70
Depth (in/mm)	3.957/100.5	3.957/100.5	3.957/100.5
Weight (lb/kg)	0.43/0.196	0.43/0.196	0.41/0.188

¹ One gigabyte, or GB, equals one billion bytes and one terabyte, or TB, equals one trillion bytes when referring to hard drive capacity. 2 Self-Encrypting Drive model (only available in 6Gb/s SAS). Requires TCG-compliant host or controller support. Not available in all countries.

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