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Safety notices

Observe the safety notices when using this product. These safety notices contain danger and caution notices. These notices are sometimes accompanied by symbols that represent the severity of the safety condition.

Most danger or caution notices contain a reference number (Dxxx or Cxxx). Use the reference number to check the translation in the IBM Systems Safety Notices, G229-9054 manual.

The sections that follow define each type of safety notice and give examples.

Danger notice

A danger notice calls attention to a situation that is potentially lethal or extremely hazardous to people. A lightning bolt symbol always accompanies a danger notice to represent a dangerous electrical condition. A sample danger notice follows:

DANGER: An electrical outlet that is not correctly wired could place hazardous voltage on metal parts of the system or the devices that attach to the system. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the outlet is correctly wired and grounded to prevent an electrical shock. (D004)

Caution notice

A caution notice calls attention to a situation that is potentially hazardous to people because of some existing condition, or to a potentially dangerous situation that might develop because of some unsafe practice. A caution notice can be accompanied by one of several symbols:

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<th>If the symbol is...</th>
<th>It means...</th>
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<td><img src="#" alt="Exclamation mark" /></td>
<td>A generally hazardous condition not represented by other safety symbols.</td>
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<tr>
<td><img src="#" alt="Class II" /></td>
<td>This product contains a Class II laser. Do not stare into the beam. (C029) Laser symbols are always accompanied by the classification of the laser as defined by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services (for example, Class I, Class II, and so forth).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><img src="#" alt="Gear" /></td>
<td>A hazardous condition due to mechanical movement in or around the product.</td>
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<tr>
<td><img src="#" alt="Weight symbol" /></td>
<td>This part or unit is heavy but has a weight smaller than 18 kg (39.7 lb). Use care when lifting, removing, or installing this part or unit. (C008)</td>
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Sample caution notices follow:

**Caution**
The battery is a lithium ion battery. To avoid possible explosion, do not burn. Exchange only with the IBM-approved part. Recycle or discard the battery as instructed by local regulations. In the United States, IBM has a process for the collection of this battery. For information, call 1-800-426-4333. Have the IBM part number for the battery unit available when you call. (C007)

**Caution**
The system contains circuit cards, assemblies, or both that contain lead solder. To avoid the release of lead (Pb) into the environment, do not burn. Discard the circuit card as instructed by local regulations. (C014)

**Caution**
When removing the Modular Refrigeration Unit (MRU), immediately remove any oil residue from the MRU support shelf, floor, and any other area to prevent injuries because of slips or falls. Do not use refrigerant lines or connectors to lift, move, or remove the MRU. Use handholds as instructed by service procedures. (C016)

**Caution**
Do not connect an IBM control unit directly to a public optical network. The customer must use an additional connectivity device between an IBM control unit optical adapter (that is, fibre, ESCON, FICON®) and an external public network. Use a device such as a patch panel, a router, or a switch. You do not need an additional connectivity device for optical fibre connectivity that does not pass through a public network.

### Completing the safety inspection procedure

Before you service the unit, complete the safety inspection procedure:

1. Stop all activity on the host bus.
2. Turn off the power to the tape drive.
3. Disconnect the host interface cable.
4. Unplug the tape drive’s power cord from the electrical outlet.
5. Check the tape drive’s power cord for damage, such as a pinched, cut, or frayed cord.
6. Check the tape drive’s host interface cable for damage.
7. Check the cover of the tape drive for sharp edges, damage, or alterations that expose its internal parts.
8. Check the cover of the tape drive for proper fit. It should be in place and secure.
9. Check the product label on the tape drive to make sure that it matches the voltage at your outlet.

### Tape drive ac grounding inspection

1. Power off the drive.
2. Disconnect all cables.
3. See [Figure 1 on page xv](#) which is provided for reference only. Disconnect the power cord from its source.
4. Inspect the power cable for visible cracks, wear, or damage.

![Diagram of AC grounding](image)

Legend:
- XX: External tooth lock washer
- ☢️: Green/yellow ground wire terminated to chassis or ground
- ☢️: Green/yellow ground wire terminated with slip-on spade terminal
- XXX: Redundant ground path to frame
- XXX: External tooth lock washer

Figure 1. AC grounding diagram (50 Hz and 60 Hz)

Class I laser product

Before the library is used, review the following laser safety information.

The product might contain a laser assembly that complies with the performance standards set by the US Food and Drug Administration for a Class I laser product. Class I laser products do not emit hazardous laser radiation. The product has the necessary protective housing and scanning safeguards to ensure that laser radiation is inaccessible during operation or is within Class I limits. External safety agencies reviewed the product and obtained approvals to the latest standards as they apply.
Rack safety

The following general safety information must be used for all rack mounted devices.

DANGER

- Always lower the leveling pads on the rack cabinet.
- Always install stabilizer brackets on the rack cabinet.
- To avoid hazardous conditions because of uneven mechanical loading, always install the heaviest devices in the bottom of the rack cabinet. Always install servers and optional devices, starting from the bottom of the rack cabinet.
- Rack mounted devices are not to be used as a shelf or workspace. Do not place any object on top of rack mounted devices.
- Each rack cabinet might have more than one power cord. Be sure to disconnect all power cords in the rack cabinet before you service any device in the rack cabinet.
- Connect all devices that are installed in a rack cabinet to power devices installed in the same rack cabinet. Do not plug a power cord from a device that is installed in one rack cabinet into a power device that is installed in a different rack cabinet.
- An electrical outlet that is not correctly wired might place hazardous voltage on the metal parts of the system or the devices that attach to the system. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the outlet is correctly wired and grounded to prevent an electrical shock.
CAUTION:

- Do not install a unit in a rack where the internal rack ambient temperatures might exceed the manufacturer's recommended ambient temperature for all your rack mounted devices.
- Do not install a unit in a rack where the air flow is compromised. Ensure that air flow is not blocked or reduced on any side, front, or back of a unit that is used for air flow through the unit.
- Consideration must be given to the connection of the equipment to the supply circuit so that overloading of the circuits does not compromise the supply wiring or overcurrent protection. To provide the correct power connection to a rack, refer to the rating labels on the equipment in the rack to determine the total power requirement of the supply circuit.
- (For sliding drawers) Do not pull out or install any drawer or feature if the rack stabilizer brackets are not attached to the rack. Do not pull out more than one drawer at a time. The rack might become unstable if you pull out more than one drawer at a time.
- (For fixed drawers) This drawer is a fixed drawer and must not be moved for servicing unless specified by the manufacturer. Attempting to move the drawer partially or out of the rack might cause the rack to become unstable or cause the drawer to fall out of the rack.

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CAUTION:

Removing components from the upper positions in the rack cabinet improves rack stability during relocation. Follow these general guidelines whenever you relocate a populated rack cabinet within a room or building:

- Reduce the weight of the rack cabinet by removing equipment, starting at the top of the rack cabinet. When possible, restore the rack cabinet to the configuration of the rack cabinet as you received it. If this configuration is not known, you must do the following:
  - Remove all devices in the 32U position and above.
  - Ensure that the heaviest devices are installed in the bottom of the rack cabinet.
  - Ensure that there are no empty U-levels between devices that are installed in the rack cabinet below the 32U level.
- If the rack cabinet you are relocating is part of a suite of rack cabinets, detach the rack cabinet from the suite.
- Inspect the route that you plan to take to eliminate potential hazards.
- Verify that the route that you choose can support the weight of the loaded rack cabinet. Refer to the documentation that comes with your rack cabinet for the weight of a loaded rack cabinet.
- Verify that all door openings are at least 760 x 2032 mm (30 x 80 in.).
- Ensure that all devices, shelves, drawers, doors, and cables are secure.
- Ensure that the four leveling pads are raised to their highest position.
- Ensure that there is no stabilizer bracket that is installed on the rack cabinet during movement.
- Do not use a ramp that is inclined at more than 10 degrees.
- When the rack cabinet is in the new location:
  - Lower the four leveling pads.
  - Install stabilizer brackets on the rack cabinet.
  - If you removed any devices from the rack cabinet, repopulate the rack cabinet from the lowest position to the highest position.
- If a long-distance relocation is required, restore the rack cabinet to the configuration of the rack cabinet as you received it. Pack the rack cabinet in the original packaging material, or equivalent. Also, lower the leveling pads to raise the casters off the pallet and bolt the rack cabinet to the pallet.

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**Power cords**

For your safety, IBM provides a power cord with a grounded attachment plug to use with this IBM product. To avoid electrical shock, always use the power cord and plug with a properly grounded outlet.

IBM power cords used in the United States and Canada are listed by Underwriter’s Laboratories (UL) and certified by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA).
For units intended to be operated at 115 volts: Use a UL-listed and CSA-certified cord set consisting of a minimum 18 AWG, Type SVT or SJT, three-conductor cord, a maximum of 15 feet in length and a parallel blade, grounding-type attachment plug rated 15 amperes, 125 volts.

For units intended to be operated at 230 volts (U.S. use): Use a UL-listed and CSA-certified cord set consisting of a minimum 18 AWG, Type SVT or SJT, three-conductor cord, a maximum of 15 feet in length and a tandem blade, grounding-type attachment plug rated 15 amperes, 250 volts.

For units intended to be operated at 230 volts (outside the U.S.): Use a cord set with a grounding-type attachment plug. The cord set should have the appropriate safety approvals for the country in which the equipment will be installed.

IBM power cords for a specific country or region are usually available only in that country or region.

End of life (EOL) plan

This product is a purchased unit. Therefore, it is the sole responsibility of the purchaser to dispose of it in accordance with local laws and regulations at the time of disposal.

This product contains recyclable materials. The materials should be recycled where facilities are available and according to local regulations. In some areas IBM provides a product take-back program that ensures proper handling of the product. For more information, contact your IBM representative.
Environmental notices

The environmental notices that apply to this product are provided in the Environmental Notices and User Guide, Z125-5823-xx manual. A copy of this manual is located on the publications CD.
Preface

This guide describes how to install and use the IBM TS2270 tape drive.

Chapter 1, “Introduction,” on page 1 describes the product, supported servers, operating systems, and device drivers, and lists hardware specifications.

Chapter 2, “Installation,” on page 9 gives unpacking, set up, and configuration information.

Chapter 3, “Operations,” on page 17 describes the Power button,Unload button, and Status lights and explains the function of the Single-character Display. It gives instruction on inserting and removing a tape cartridge, describes methods of updating drive firmware, and explains how to clean the tape drive. It also lists diagnostic and maintenance functions.

Chapter 4, “Ultrium media,” on page 43 describes the types of tape cartridges to use and defines the conditions for storing and shipping them. It also describes how to handle the cartridges, how to set a cartridge’s write-protect switch, and how to order more cartridges.

Chapter 5, “Troubleshooting,” on page 65 gives tips for solving problems with the drive.

Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71 describes the error and informational codes that display on the single-character display.

Appendix B, “TapeAlert flags,” on page 77 describes where to find information about TapeAlert messages that are supported and that can assist with problem determination.

Appendix C, “Ordering optional features, replacement parts, and power cords,” on page 79 lists parts and supplies and provides information about the power cords that are used in different countries or regions.

Appendix D, “Installing a 19-inch rack mount kit (optional),” on page 85 gives the procedure for installing a 19-inch rack mount kit.

Appendix E, “Information for trained service personnel,” on page 91 gives the procedure for removing a tape cartridge that does not eject from the drive and other servicing procedures.

Related publications

• IBM Ultrium Tape Drive Quick Reference, GC27-2278 illustrates how to install the drive.

• IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference, GA32-0450, gives information about the supported SCSI commands and protocol that govern the behavior of the SCSI interface for LTO drives. The SCSI reference also includes information about the TapeAlert flags that are supported.

• IBM Tape Device Drivers Installation and User’s Guide, GC27-2130, provides instructions for attaching IBM supported hardware to open-systems operating systems. It indicates what devices and levels of operating systems are supported.
It also gives the requirements for adapters, and tells how to configure servers to use the device driver with the Ultrium family of devices. You can obtain this reference at the website [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral).

- *IBM Tape Device Drivers Programming Reference, GA32-0566*, supplies information to application developers who want to integrate their open-systems applications with IBM supported Ultrium hardware. The reference contains information about the application programming interfaces (APIs) for each of the various supported operating-system environments. You can obtain this reference at the website [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral).

- *IBM Translated Safety Notices, 96P0851*, provides translation of danger and caution notices.
Chapter 1. Introduction

The IBM TS2270 Tape Drive is a high-performance, high-capacity data-storage device that is designed to back up and restore open systems applications. It is the seventh generation in the Ultrium series of products. It is available with a Serial Attached SCSI interface (SAS). This model incorporates the Linear Tape-Open (LTO) IBM Ultrium 7 Half Height Tape Drive.

Drive features

The drive offers these features:

- Native storage capacity of 6000 GB per cartridge (15000 GB at 2.5:1 compression) with Ultrium 7 cartridges
- Maximum native data transfer rate of up to 300 MB per second
- Burst data transfer rate of 600 MB per second
- Dual port 6 Gbps Serial Attached Small Computer Systems Interface (SAS)
- Half height form factor
- Support for WORM (Write Once Read Many) on WORM cartridge types
- 1 GB read-and-write cache
- Support for encryption on Ultrium 5, Ultrium 6, and Ultrium 7 tape cartridges
- Single Character Display (SCD) operator panel
- Ready, Fault, and Encryption status lights
- Maintenance Mode functions
- 1 Gbps Ethernet port for drive status and service
- IBM Spectrum Archive (LTFS) capable
Front panel of the drive

Figure 3. Front panel element descriptions

1 Cartridge unload button
2 Ready light (green)
3 Encryption light (white)
4 Fault light (amber)
5 Single Character Display (SCD)
6 SCD dot
7 Drive power button

Rear panel of the drive

Figure 4. Drive rear panel element descriptions - dual SAS ports

1 Power receptacle
2 Fan vent
3 SAS connectors
4 Ethernet connector (for drive status and service only)
Drive performance

If you run applications that are highly dependent on tape-processing speed, take advantage of the significant performance improvements that are provided by this tape drive.

Table 1. Performance characteristics

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<th>Performance Characteristics</th>
<th>TS2270 Tape Drive</th>
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<tr>
<td>Native data rate</td>
<td>300 MB/s (with Ultrium 7 media)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum sustained data rate (at maximum compression)</td>
<td>600 MB/s</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Burst data rate</td>
<td>600 MB/s</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nominal load-to-ready time</td>
<td>12 seconds</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nominal unload time</td>
<td>17 seconds</td>
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<tr>
<td>Average rewind time</td>
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**Note:** All sustained data rates are dependent on the capabilities of the interconnect.

By using the built-in data-compression capability of the tape drive, greater data rates than the native data transfer rate are achieved. However, the actual throughput is a function of many components, such as the host system processor, disk data rate, block size, data compression ratio, SAS bus capabilities, and system or application software.

Cartridge compatibility

The TS2270 uses the IBM LTO Ultrium 6000 GB data cartridge and is compatible with the cartridges of its predecessors, the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive Generation 6, and Generation 5. The drive completes these functions:

- Reads and writes Ultrium 7 cartridges to Ultrium 7 format, including WORM and Data Encryption
- Reads and writes Ultrium 6 cartridges to Ultrium 6 format, including WORM and Data Encryption
- Reads but does not write Ultrium 5 cartridges
- Does not read or write Ultrium 4, Ultrium 3, Ultrium 2, and Ultrium 1 cartridges

The drive reads tapes that are written by other licensed Ultrium 5, 6, and 7 drives, and writes to tapes that are read by other licensed Ultrium 6 and 7 drives.

In addition to using the IBM LTO Ultrium Data Cartridge with up to 6000 GB capacity, the drive offers read/write capability for certified LTO Ultrium tape cartridges.

Speed matching

To improve system performance, the drive uses a technique that is called *speed matching* to dynamically adjust its native (uncompressed) data rate to the slower data rate of a server. With speed matching, the drive operates at different speeds when it is reading or writing the Ultrium 5 or later cartridge format. Native data rates are shown in the table.
Table 2. Performance parameters

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<th>Speed matching data rates (MB/sec)</th>
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If the server’s net (compressed) data rate is between two of the preceding native data rates, the drive calculates the appropriate data rate at which to operate. Speed matching dramatically reduces backhitch, the condition that occurs when a tape stops, reverses, and restarts motion. A backhitch is usually the result of a mismatch between the data rates of the server and the drive.

**Channel calibration**

System performance is further optimized by a feature that is called *channel calibration*, in which the drive automatically customizes each read/write data channel to compensate for variations in such things as the recording channel’s transfer function, the media, and characteristics of the drive head.

**Data cartridge capacity scaling**

The **SET CAPACITY SCSI** command enables a customer to capacity scale a data cartridge to enable faster random access. As an example, a customer can capacity scale a data cartridge to 20% of its normal length that improves the average access time by almost a factor of 5. However, it also reduces the native capacity of the tape to 1200 GB.

**Encryption**

The IBM TS2270 Tape Drive supports host Application Managed Encryption (AME), with T10 encryption methods. Data encryption is supported by LTO Ultrium 4 and later data cartridges only.

The encryption-enabled drive contains the necessary hardware and firmware to encrypt and decrypt host tape application data. Encryption policy and encryption keys are provided by the host application. A drive digital certificate is installed at
manufacturing time. Each drive receives a unique serial number and certificate. The T10 Application can validate each drive instance by checking the drive's digital certificate.


For details, see the IBM Tape Device Drivers Encryption Support documentation, and the IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference documentation.

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**Inhibiting firmware down-leveling**

The drive provides the capability to prevent loading and installing drive microcode by way of a Field Microcode Replace (FMR tape) if the firmware level contained in the FMR tape is older than the code level already installed. This option is controlled by the host application. No checking is done if the firmware level is loaded by way of the host interface or the library interface.

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**SAS interface**

The drive has a dual port 6 Gbps SAS (Serial Attached SCSI) host interface.

A drive with a SAS interface can be linked directly to controllers. SAS is a performance improvement over traditional SCSI because SAS enables multiple devices (up to 128) of different sizes and types to be connected simultaneously with thinner and longer cables; its full-duplex signal transmission supports 6.0 Gb/s. In addition, SAS drives can be hot-plugged.

SAS drives auto-negotiate speed. There are no configurable topologies thus no feature switches associated with SAS.

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**Physical characteristics**

The drive contains a dual port, SFF-8088 SAS connector. A list of compatible cables is shown in [Appendix C, “Ordering optional features, replacement parts, and power cords,” on page 79.](#)

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**Supported servers and operating systems**

To determine the latest supported attachments, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/storage/lto](http://www.ibm.com/storage/lto) and look for the System Storage interoperability information. For specific instructions about attaching the drive, see Chapter 2, “Installation,” on page 9.

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**Supported device drivers**

Device drivers enable the drive to interact with various servers. To properly install an IBM device driver (if required), refer to the IBM Tape Device Drivers Installation and User’s Guide. For applications that use other device drivers, see the application's documentation to determine which drivers to use.

IBM maintains the levels of device drivers and driver documentation for the drive on the Internet. You can access this material at the website [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral).
Note: If you do not have Internet access and you need information about device drivers, contact your sales representative.

Note: The device driver for System i servers is included in the OS/400 operating system.

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**Ethernet port**

The IBM TS2270 Tape Drive has a single 1 Gbps Ethernet port on the rear panel, with an RJ45 connector. The Default IP address is 169.254.0.3, but the drive’s IP address can be changed as needed. Refer to ITDT to see how to this change is made.

The ethernet port is used only for monitoring drive status and servicing the drive, not for data transmission.

**IBM Spectrum Archive**

The IBM Spectrum Archive linear tape file system (previously known as LTFS) is a file system that works with LTO Generation tape technology to access data stored on an IBM tape cartridge.

IBM Spectrum Archive uses the file system’s format and resources of the operating system (OS) on which it is running to graphically display the contents of a tape cartridge in the OS’s graphical user interface (GUI) format; typically a folder/tree structure. With the host operating system’s graphical File Manager, reading data on an LTO tape cartridge is as easy as dragging and dropping. Users can run any application that is designed for disk files against tape data without concern for the fact that the data is physically stored on tape.

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**Specifications**

Specifications for the tape drive. Specifications for tape cartridges are given in “Environmental and shipping specifications for tape cartridges” on page 60.

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<td>213 mm (8.4 in.)</td>
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### Environmental Specifications

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<td>20 - 80%</td>
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<td>Maximum wet bulb temperature</td>
<td>26°C(79°F)</td>
<td>Non-condensing</td>
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Chapter 2. Installation

This is a customer setup unit. It is the customer's responsibility to install this product.

Installation involves the following steps:
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Avoiding drive damage

To avoid static electricity damage when the drive is handled, use the following precautions:

• Limit your movement. Movement can cause static electricity to build around you.
• Always handle the drive carefully. Never touch exposed circuitry.
• Prevent others from touching the drive.
• Before you unpack and install the drive into an enclosure, touch its static-protective packaging to an unpainted metal surface on the enclosure for at least 2 seconds. This procedure reduces static electricity in the packaging and your body.
• When possible, remove the drive from its static-protective packaging and install it directly into an enclosure without setting it down. When this action is not possible, place the drive’s packaging on a smooth, level surface and place the drive on the packaging.
• Do not place the drive on the cover of the enclosure or on any other metal surface.

Unpacking the drive

Unpack the drive and store the packaging for future moves or shipping.

Attention: If you return the unit for service, ship it in its original or equivalent packing material, or the warranty might be invalidated.
1. Inspect the unit for shipping damage. If there is damage, do not install the unit, and report the damage immediately. Contact your place of purchase.

2. Locate the label on the bottom panel of the unit with the machine type, model number, and serial number of the unit. Make a note of these numbers and store them in an easily accessible place. If you must contact Technical Support, you are asked for these numbers.

Verifying the shipment

Ensure that the following items are included in the shipment:

- Power cord (For the appropriate cord for your country or region, see Appendix C, “Ordering optional features, replacement parts, and power cords,” on page 79)
- IBM LTO Ultrium Cleaning Cartridge
- Single-connector SAS wrap tool
- Optional Rack Mount kit
- The IBM TS2270 Tape Drive Quick Reference (GC27-2276-02)
- The IBM TS2270 Tape Drive Setup, Operator, and Service Guide SC27-8519-00
- Documentation CD (includes library documentation, translated safety information, and translated warranty information)
- SAS or USB cables are not part of the ship group. They must be ordered separately.

Installing the rack mount kit (optional)

Refer to Appendix D, “Installing a 19-inch rack mount kit (optional),” on page 85.

If you did not order the optional kit, proceed to “Inspecting the power cord and outlet.”

If you ordered a 24-inch rack mount kit, refer to the installation instructions included in the kit.

Inspecting the power cord and outlet

1. Inspect the power cord plug to ensure that it matches the power receptacle. If it does not match, see “Power cords” on page 80 to determine the appropriate power cord.

2. Ensure that all associated electrical outlets are properly grounded and that the circuit breaker is turned on.

DANGER

An electrical outlet that is not correctly wired could place hazardous voltage on metal parts of the system or the devices that attach to the system. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the outlet is correctly wired and grounded to prevent an electrical shock. (D004)
Positioning the tape drive

Position the unit so it is convenient to the server. The only restrictions are the length of the power cord and the length of the cable to the server. Recommended locations are:

- Away from high-traffic areas, especially if the floor is carpeted.
- Out of printer or copy rooms to avoid toner and paper dust. Do not store paper supplies next to any unit.
- Away from moving air, such as doorways, open windows, fans, and air conditioners.
- Off the floor.
- In a horizontal position.
- Where the tape cartridge can be easily inserted.

The unit should not be stacked. Do not place anything on top of the unit.

Installing the SAS host adapter card (if required)

If no other devices are attached to your server, a SAS host adapter might need to be installed in the server. To install an adapter, refer to the instructions that accompany it, also to the section about host adapter installation in your server’s documentation. For a list of supported adapters and required interposers, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/storage/lto](http://www.ibm.com/storage/lto).

Connecting the SAS interface cable

Each tape drive is required to have a dedicated bus to the initiator, referred to as point-to-point connection. SAS architecture does not support multiple tape drives connected to a single host adapter port. The maximum SAS cable length that can be used to connect the host adapter to the tape drive is 5.5 m.

To connect the cable:

1. Ensure that the tape drive is powered OFF.
2. Since there are several types of SAS connectors, verify that the SAS cable has the correct connectors for the SAS host adapter and for the tape drive.
3. The tape drive has two SAS ports and can be connected to two servers. Refer to the appropriate figure that represents your configuration for cabling information (see Figure 5 or Figure 6 on page 12). Then, connect the SAS cables to SAS host adapters and to the tape drive as shown.

![Figure 5. Example of connecting one SAS device to the server](image)

- **1** Tape drive
- **2** SAS connector
- **3** SAS cable
- **4** SAS host adapter
- **5** Server
4. Ensure that the host adapter and the server are configured correctly for a SAS bus operation. Refer to the host adapter and server documentation for instructions.

5. If the power cord is already installed, turn power to the tape drive ON.

Connecting power

1. If the power cord is already installed, skip to step 3.

2. Plug the power cord into the rear panel (see Figure 4 on page 2), then plug the other end into a grounded electrical outlet.

3. Power on the unit by pressing Power. The POST runs, which check all hardware except the drive head. During the POST, the Single-character Display (SCD) flashes several segmented characters. Each segmented character represents a test that is completed during the POST. When the POST finishes, the SCD momentarily lights all segmented characters and then goes blank.

Running drive diagnostics

Run the Standalone Diagnostic procedure. See “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28 for instructions.

Installing device drivers

A device driver is firmware that enables the tape drive to interact with various servers. Refer to “Supported device drivers” on page 5 for instructions on downloading the latest device drivers.

If you intend to use the tape drive with a commercial software application, refer to that application's installation instructions to install the device driver and configure the tape drive.
If you do not intend to use the tape drive with a commercial software application, refer to the *IBM Ultrium Device Drivers Installation and User’s Guide*.

### Configuring the tape drive to a server/host

1. Ensure that the tape drive is powered on.
2. To configure the tape drive, refer to the documentation for your server/host and application software.

### Updating firmware

**Attention:** When firmware is updated, do not power off the drive until the update is complete, or the firmware might be lost.

It is the customer’s responsibility to ensure that this drive has the current firmware. Periodically check for updated levels of drive firmware by going to the web at [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral). The drive firmware can be downloaded from this website. Update drive firmware with:

- The host interface
- The ITDT tool
- A field microcode replacement (FMR) tape cartridge
- The ethernet interface

For instructions on obtaining a new firmware image, go to [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral). To update the firmware, refer to the following sections.

#### Updating firmware through the host interface

When drive firmware is updated with the host interface, the procedure varies depending on whether your server uses an IBM tape device driver or a non-IBM tape device driver (such as a driver from Sun, Hewlett-Packard, or Microsoft).

For instructions about updating firmware from a server that uses an IBM tape device driver, refer to the *IBM Ultrium Device Drivers Installation and User’s Guide*.

To update firmware from a server that uses a non-IBM tape device driver, refer to the documentation for that device driver.

### ITDT firmware update, dump retrieval and library/drive test tool

ITDT is a tool with multiple functional capability and is a quick, convenient, and efficient method for both drive and library firmware updates. As a note, both drive and library memory dump retrievals can be completed by the tool as well.

Some of the capabilities of this tool:

- Firmware update capability to all IBM LTO Tape Drive and Tape Library products.
- The tool does not require any special device drivers.
- The tool is available for most major platforms (Windows, AIX, Solaris, Linux, HP-UX, i5/OS).
- The tool can upload drive and library dump files.
• The tool’s primary function is thoroughly testing a drive. However, if the library is online to the server/host where the tool resides, ITDT communicates with the drive through the library to load and unload a test cartridge, exercising some library functions.
• The tool scans the host bus and finds and displays for selection all IBM LTO devices. The tool does not display and allow for selection any non-IBM device.
• Each function has a "Help" selection that explains the required syntax and a brief explanation of the particular function.
• A readme text file is posted with the .exe for a thorough explanation of initial tool download information from the web and an explanation of tool capabilities. Refer to the ITDT readme text file for information about tool usage. You can also refer to the web at http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral and look for information about the ITDT site.
• The tool is available in two editions, ITDT-SE (Standard Edition) and ITDT-GE (Graphical Edition). Information about the ITDT editions can be found at http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral

Updating the firmware with an FMR tape cartridge

Attention: A SAS drive requires a SAS firmware image. Other types of firmware images do not load on the SAS drive.

To update the drive’s firmware from an FMR tape cartridge:
1. Create an FMR tape (see “Function code 3: Create FMR tape” on page 29). A single FMR tape can be used to update multiple drives if the drives are the same drive type (for example, LTO Gen 7) and host interface (for example, SAS).
2. Update the drive firmware (see “Function code 2: Update drive firmware from FMR tape” on page 29).

After the drive firmware is updated, the FMR tape can be used as a data cartridge by with the "Unmake FMR Tape” function (see “Function code 8: Unmake FMR tape” on page 33).

The SCD presents a series of random characters during the firmware download and update. The SCD briefly displays ☐, then becomes blank (not lit) when the firmware download and update is complete and there are no errors. An error code is displayed if a firmware download or update error is detected. The Ready light and the Fault light flash briefly during the firmware download and update. The Ready light turns on after the firmware download and update are complete.

Updating the firmware with the ethernet port

Note: The drive uses a limited version of FTP protocol to communicate on the ethernet interface. It is recommended to use a simple, command-line FTP session, such as the DOS command prompt, to communicate with the drive.
1. Obtain the current drive firmware from the web.
2. Connect an ethernet patch cable to the drive’s ethernet interface and to a computer. To meet electromagnetic immunity requirements, a shielded ethernet cable is required.
3. Create an FTP session between the drive and the computer. The drive’s IP address: 169.254.0.3
4. At the user prompt, type guest and press Enter.
5. At the password prompt, press **Enter**. No response is needed.

6. Type `bin` to set the communication mode to binary.

7. Type `put <firmware name>` to transfer the firmware to the drive. Replace `<firmware name>` with the actual firmware name. The drive resets automatically when the transfer is complete and the FTP session closes.

8. After the drive resets, the new firmware will be loaded on the drive.

9. Remove the ethernet patch cable from the drive’s ethernet interface and the computer.

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**Registering for My Support**

My Support registration provides email notification when new firmware levels are updated and available for download and installation. To register for My Support, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/support/mySupport](http://www.ibm.com/support/mySupport)
Chapter 3. Operations

Operating the drive involves the front panel items:
- Power button
- Single-character Display (SCD)
- SCD dot
- Ready and Fault status lights
- Unload button
- Encryption status light

Operating modes

The drive functions in these modes:
- Operation mode - functions include reading and writing data, cartridge manipulation, error reporting, and updating firmware with an FMR cartridge. For more information, see “Status lights” on page 18.
- Maintenance mode - functions include drive diagnostic, creation/unmake FMR cartridge, and drive dump manipulation (force to RAM, copy to tape, copy to flash memory, and erase flash). For more information, see “Diagnostic and maintenance functions” on page 25.

The Unload button is used to switch between modes. For information, see “Unload button” on page 21.

Power button

The Power button is a push button that turns the tape drive on or off. This button is on the front panel (see 7 in “Front panel of the drive” on page 2). When Power is in the off position, the primary electrical power within the enclosure is still active. To remove all electrical power to the enclosure, unplug the power cord from the receptacle at the rear of the drive.

When the unit is powered-on but idle, the Ready light (see 2 in “Front panel of the drive” on page 2) is solid green. When it is completing a function, the Ready light is flashing green.

Single-character display (SCD)

The SCD (5 in “Front panel of the drive” on page 2) presents a single-character code for:
- Error conditions and informational messages
- Diagnostic or maintenance functions (while in maintenance mode only)

Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71 lists the codes for error conditions and informational messages. If multiple errors occur, the code with the highest priority (represented by the lowest number) displays first. When the error is corrected, the code with the next highest priority displays, until no errors remain.
"Diagnostic and maintenance functions" on page 25 lists the single-character codes that represent diagnostic or maintenance functions. To initiate a function, the unit must be in maintenance mode.

The SCD is blank during normal operation.

**SCD dot**

If a drive memory dump is present while the drive is in maintenance mode, a single dot illuminates in the lower right corner of the SCD (see [6](#) in "Front panel of the drive" on page 2). To copy the memory dump, see "Function code 5: Copy drive dump" on page 30.

The SCD dot is on solid if the memory dump is in RAM memory. The SCD dot flashes if the memory dump is in flash memory.

The SCD dot turns off when you obtain a dump (by using ITDT or a SCSI command) or update the drive firmware.

**Note:** If the drive memory dump is stored in RAM memory (SCD dot on solid), the memory dump is lost when you turn OFF the power or reset the drive.

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### Status lights

The status lights (in "Front panel of the drive" on page 2) are light-emitting diodes (LEDs) that provide information about the state of the drive. The Ready status light is green and the Fault status light is amber, and (when lit) solid or flashing. The Encryption status light is white.

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<th>Fault LED (amber)</th>
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<td>Operational</td>
<td>blank</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>Off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Activity (tape movement)</td>
<td>blank</td>
<td>Flashing</td>
<td>Off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>in Operational Mode</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Maintenance</td>
<td>solid character</td>
<td>Flashing</td>
<td>On</td>
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<td>Executing Maintenance</td>
<td>flashing character</td>
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<td>On</td>
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<td>Error Condition</td>
<td>solid character</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Flashing</td>
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<td>Power-On / Reset</td>
<td>random segments</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>On</td>
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<td>Initialization</td>
<td></td>
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**Note:** The white Encryption status light is on when the tape drive has a cartridge that is loaded and all data on this cartridge is encrypted (excluding the label). LTO Ultrium 7, Ultrium 6, and Ultrium 5 cartridges only.

Table 4 on page 19 lists the conditions of the status lights and Single-character Display (SCD) and provides an explanation of what each condition means.
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<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The drive has no power or is powered off.</td>
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<tr>
<td>On</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>On/Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The drive is powered on and in an idle state. <strong>Note:</strong> If a cartridge is loaded, the white Encryption status light is on when all the data on the cartridge is encrypted (excluding the label). LTO Ultrium 7, Ultrium 6, and Ultrium 5 cartridges only.</td>
</tr>
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<td><strong>Flashing (once per second)</strong></td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>On/Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>The drive is reading from the tape, writing to the tape, rewinding the tape, locating data on the tape, loading the tape, or unloading the tape. <strong>Note:</strong> The white Encryption status light is on when all the data on the cartridge is encrypted (excluding the label). LTO Ultrium 7, Ultrium 6, and Ultrium 5 cartridges only.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Flashing (once per second)</strong></td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>If the drive contains a cartridge during the power-on cycle, the drive completes POST and slowly rewinds the tape. The process might take up to 13 minutes. The light stops flashing and becomes solid when the drive completes the recovery and is ready for a read or write operation. To eject the cartridge, press Unload.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Off</td>
<td>On</td>
<td>Off</td>
<td>Displaying an error code or Maintenance Mode Function</td>
<td>On/Off</td>
<td>The drive is displaying error codes from the error code log on the SCD. For more information, see <a href="#">Function code 9: Display error code log</a> on page 34 and Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71.</td>
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Table 4. Meaning of Status lights and single-character display (SCD) (continued)

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<th>Meaning</th>
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| On/Off                               | On/Off                                | On/Off                               | Displaying random segments/ Blank/ displaying random segments/ displaying [ ]/Blank | On/Off | During power-on, or a drive reset, the drive front panel displays drive progress as follows:
1. SCD displays random segments (no Lights ON).
2. SCD displays random segments (Ready light ON).
3. SCD displays random segments (Fault light ON)
5. SCD goes blank (Ready light ON) after a successful power-on or reset. If an error is detected during the power-on or reset, the tape drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71. |
| Off                                  | On                                    | Off                                  | [ ]              | On/Off               | The drive is entering or exiting from maintenance mode. For more information, see “Function code 0: Maintenance mode” on page 27. |
| Off                                  | On                                    | Off                                  | Flashing selected function              | On/Off | The drive is running the selected function while in maintenance mode. |
| Off                                  | Flashing (once per second)            | Off                                  | Displaying error code                   | Off    | An error occurred and the drive or media might require service, or it might require cleaning. Note the code on the SCD, then go to Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71 to determine the action that is required. |
| Off                                  | Flashing                              | Off                                  | Displaying [ ] or Flashing               | Off    | The drive needs cleaning. |
| Off                                  | Flashing                              | Off                                  | Displaying Function Code [ ] or Flashing | Off    | The drive is updating firmware. The SCD displays a [ ] with an FMR cartridge. The SCD is off with the host interface. For more information, see (“Updating firmware” on page 13) |
| Off                                  | Flashing (twice per second)           | Off                                  | Off                                        | Off    | The drive detected an error and is completing a firmware recovery. It resets automatically. |
| Off                                  | On                                    | Off                                  | Flashing [ ]                             | Off    | The drive is requesting a cartridge to be loaded. |
| Off                                  | Flashing (twice per second)           | Off                                  | Off                                        | On     | There is a drive memory dump in flash memory. |
**Table 4. Meaning of Status lights and single-character display (SCD) (continued)**

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<th>If the green Ready Status Light is... and the amber Fault Status Light is... and the Encryption Status Light is... and the SCD is... and the SCD dot is...</th>
<th>Meaning</th>
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<td></td>
<td>1 Power must not be removed from the drive until the microcode update is complete. The drive indicates that the update is complete by resetting and completing POST.</td>
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**Unload button**

The **Unload** button (▌ in “Front panel of the drive” on page 2) completes the following functions:

**Table 5. Functions that the Unload Button completes**

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<td>Rewind the tape into the cartridge and eject the cartridge from the drive</td>
<td>Press <strong>Unload</strong>. The Ready light flashes while the drive is rewinding and unloading. <strong>Note:</strong> During a rewind and eject operation, the drive does not accept host interface commands.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Place the drive in maintenance mode</td>
<td>Ensure that the drive is unloaded. Then, within 2 seconds, press <strong>Unload</strong> 3 times. The drive is in maintenance mode when the Ready light is flashing and □ displays in the SCD. <strong>Note:</strong> While in maintenance mode, the drive does not accept host interface commands. <strong>Note:</strong> If you attempt to enter Maintenance mode with a cartridge in the drive, the drive rewinds and ejects the cartridge. Remove the cartridge and repeat the steps for entering Maintenance mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Scroll through the maintenance functions</td>
<td>While in maintenance mode, press <strong>Unload</strong> once per second to increment the display characters by one. When you reach the character of the diagnostic or maintenance function that you want (see “Diagnostic and maintenance functions” on page 25), press and hold <strong>Unload</strong> for 3 seconds.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Exit maintenance mode</td>
<td>Press <strong>Unload</strong> once per second to increment the display character until □ displays. Then, press and hold <strong>Unload</strong> for 3 seconds. Maintenance mode is exited when the Ready light is On and the SCD becomes blank.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| Force a drive memory dump (part of the maintenance mode) | **Attention:** If the drive detects a permanent error and displays an error code, it automatically forces a drive memory dump (also known as a save of the firmware trace). If you force a drive memory dump, the existing memory dump is overwritten and data is lost. After you force a drive memory dump, do not turn off the power to the drive or you might lose the memory dump data. Choose one of these procedures:  
  * If the drive is in maintenance mode (Ready light is flashing and Fault light is On for Maintenance mode), refer to “Function code 4: Force a drive dump” on page 30.  
  * If the drive is in operating mode (Ready light is On or flashing), press and hold **Unload** for 10 seconds.  

If captured memory dump data exists, the drive places it into a memory dump area (for information about retrieving the data, see “Procedure 1: Determining firmware level and capturing drive dump” on page 65). |
Table 5. Functions that the Unload Button completes (continued)

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<tr>
<td>Reset the drive</td>
<td>Press and hold <strong>Unload</strong> until the drive begins the reset procedure (Fault light turns on when reset starts). <strong>Note:</strong> If a tape cartridge is loaded in the drive, it unloads the tape. Repeat the &quot;Reset the drive&quot; procedure after the tape is unloaded. The drive saves a memory dump of the current drive state, then reboots to allow communication. Do not cycle power as this action erases the contents of the memory dump.</td>
</tr>
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Inserting a tape cartridge

To insert a tape cartridge:

1. Ensure that the drive is powered-on.
2. Ensure that the write-protect switch on the tape cartridge is properly set (see “Write-Protect switch” on page 50).
3. Grasp the cartridge so that the write-protect switch faces you (see 1 in Figure 7).
4. Slide the cartridge into the tape load compartment.

**Note:**

a. If the cartridge is already in an ejected position and you want to reinset it, remove the cartridge, then insert it again.

b. If the cartridge is already loaded and you cycle the power (turn it off, then on), the tape reloads.

c. Do not attempt to load a cartridge when the drive is in Maintenance mode until the drive requests it.

![Figure 7. Inserting a cartridge into the drive](image-url)
Removing a tape cartridge

To remove a tape cartridge:

1. Ensure that the drive is powered-on.
2. Press **Unload**. The drive rewinds the tape and partially ejects the cartridge. The Ready light flashes while the tape rewinds, then goes out before the cartridge partially ejects.
3. After the cartridge partially ejects, grasp the cartridge and remove it.

**Important**: Always remove an ejected cartridge before it is reinserted.

Whenever you unload a tape cartridge, the drive writes any pertinent information to the cartridge memory.

Mid-tape recovery

If reset occurs while a cartridge is loaded, the drive slowly rewinds the tape and ejects the cartridge. If a power cycle occurs while a cartridge is loaded, the drive slowly rewinds the tape. The drive does not automatically eject the cartridge.

The Ready light flashes and the SCD is counting down from 9 to 0, indicating the approximate cartridge rewinding status. Between the counts, the SCD displays random segments while the tape is rewinding into the cartridge. Push **Unload** to eject the cartridge when the Ready light stops flashing.

Cleaning the drive head

**Attention**: When the drive head is cleaned, use the IBM LTO Ultrium cleaning cartridge (see “Ordering media supplies” on page 61). You might use another LTO cleaning cartridge, but it might not meet the standards of reliability that is established by IBM.

Clean the drive head whenever \[ \text{C} \] displays on the Single-character Display and the Fault light is flashing once per second. It is not recommended that you clean the drive head on a periodic basis; only when the drive requests to be cleaned.

**Note**: In Maintenance mode, a flashing \[ \text{C} \] with the Fault light On, means to insert a cartridge, not to clean the drive head.

To clean the head, insert the cleaning cartridge into the tape load compartment (see “Front panel of the drive” on page 2). The drive completes the cleaning automatically in less than 3 minutes, then ejects the cartridge. The drive completes a short load/unload test while the cartridge is ejected. Wait for the drive to finish before the cartridge is removed.

**Note**: The drive automatically ejects an expired cleaning cartridge.

The IBM LTO Ultrium Cleaning Cartridge is valid for 50 uses, and then must be replaced.
Cleaning the tape drive

Clean the exterior surface of the tape drive with a damp towel. If a liquid all-purpose cleaner is used, apply it to the towel. Do not spray the tape drive.

Do not clean the interior of the tape drive; damage might result.

Tape Drive Status web page

The status of the tape drive is accessible from the tape drive’s ethernet port. The drive status can be viewed only; the status cannot be changed from this page. The tape drive status is available when the drive is operating or idle (the drive must be powered on).

1. Connect the host computer or a laptop to the tape drive’s ethernet port (RJ45 connector) with an ethernet patch cable.

2. With a web browser, connect to [http://169.254.0.3](http://169.254.0.3) to view the current tape drive status on an HTML web page. (If the drive’s IP address was changed, use that address instead.) The web page is static, so it must be refreshed frequently to show the latest drive status.

![Figure 8. Drive Status web page](image)

The tape drive model and serial number are shown at the top of the page.

The web page is divided into sections by topic. The topics are

- Drive Information
- Host Interface
- Ethernet Settings
- VPD Encryption Settings
- Drive Statistics
- Tape Statistics
- Engineering Error Log

Click in the box by the title of the section to see the topic details.
The web page format is changed to text mode by selecting the “Text Only version” box near the top of the web page. In text mode, the tape drive status information can be copied and pasted easily if it must be sent to support personnel.

**Diagnostic and maintenance functions**

The drive can:
- Run diagnostics
- Test write and read functions
- Test a suspect tape cartridge
- Update firmware
- Perform other diagnostic and maintenance functions

The drive must be in maintenance mode to perform these functions.

**Attention:** Maintenance functions cannot be performed concurrently with read or write operations. While in maintenance mode, the tape drive does not accept host interface commands from the server. The tape drive does accept LDI or RS-422 commands.

Table 6 on page 26 describes each diagnostic and maintenance function that the drive can perform, gives the function code which appears on the Single-character
Display (SCD), and directs you to the instructions for performing the function. It is recommended that you use a customer-supplied scratch (blank) data cartridge for diagnostic testing. The diagnostic and maintenance functions are not supported on the WORM and partitioned data tape cartridges.

Table 6. Diagnostic and maintenance functions

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<td>0</td>
<td>Exit Maintenance Mode: Causes the drive to become available for reading and writing data.</td>
<td>“Function code 0: Maintenance mode” on page 27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Run Drive Diagnostics: Runs tests to determine whether the drive can properly load and unload cartridges, and read and write data.</td>
<td>“Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Update Tape Drive Firmware from FMR Tape: Loads updated firmware from a field microcode replacement (FMR) tape.</td>
<td>“Function code 2: Update drive firmware from FMR tape” on page 29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Create FMR Tape: Copies its field microcode replacement (FMR) data to a customer-supplied scratch (blank) data cartridge.</td>
<td>“Function code 3: Create FMR tape” on page 29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Force a Drive Dump: Performs a dump of data (also known as saving a microcode trace).</td>
<td>“Function code 4: Force a drive dump” on page 30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Copy Drive Dump: Copies data from a drive dump (captured by using Function Code 4) to the beginning of a customer-supplied scratch (blank) data cartridge, copies a drive dump to flash memory, or erases a dump from flash memory.</td>
<td>“Function code 5: Copy drive dump” on page 30</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Run Host Interface Wrap Test: Performs a check of the circuitry from and to the connector.</td>
<td>“Function code 6: Run host interface wrap test” on page 31</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Run RS-422 Wrap Test: This test causes the drive to perform a check of the circuitry and connector for the RS-422 interface.</td>
<td>“Function code 7: Run RS-422 wrap test” on page 32</td>
</tr>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Unmake FMR Tape: Erases the FMR data on a customer-supplied scratch (blank) data cartridge and rewrite the cartridge memory on the tape. This turns the cartridge into a valid customer-supplied scratch data cartridge.</td>
<td>“Function code 8: Unmake FMR tape” on page 33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>Display Error Code Log: Displays the last 10 error codes, one at a time (the codes are ordered; the most recent is presented first and the oldest (tenth) is presented last).</td>
<td>“Function code 9: Display error code log” on page 34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>Clear Error Code Log: Erases the contents of the error code log.</td>
<td>“Function code A: Clear error code log” on page 34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C</td>
<td>Insert Cartridge into Tape Drive: This function cannot be selected by itself, but is a part of other maintenance functions (such as Run Tape Drive Diagnostics and Create FMR Tape) that require a tape cartridge to be loaded.</td>
<td>“Function code C: Insert cartridge into tape drive” on page 34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>E</td>
<td>Test Cartridge &amp; Media: Performs tests to ensure that a suspect cartridge and its magnetic tape are acceptable.</td>
<td>“Function code E: Test cartridge &amp; media” on page 34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>F</td>
<td>Write Performance Test: Performs tests to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.</td>
<td>“Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>H</td>
<td>Test Head: Performs tests to ensure that the tape drive's head and tape-carriage mechanics are working correctly.</td>
<td>“Function code H: Test head” on page 36</td>
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Table 6. Diagnostic and maintenance functions (continued)

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<td>J</td>
<td>Fast Read/Write Test: Performs tests to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.</td>
<td>“Function code J: Fast read/write test” on page 37</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>L</td>
<td>Load/Unload Test: Tests the drive’s ability to load and unload a tape cartridge.</td>
<td>“Function code L: Load/unload test” on page 38</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P</td>
<td>Enable Post Error Reporting: When selected, deferred-check conditions are reported to the host.</td>
<td>“Function code P: Post Error Reporting enabled” on page 39</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>U</td>
<td>Disable Post Error Reporting: When selected, deferred-check conditions are NOT reported to the host.</td>
<td>“Function code U: Post Error Reporting disabled” on page 39</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Entering Maintenance mode**

The drive must be in maintenance mode to run drive diagnostic tests or maintenance functions. To place the unit in maintenance mode:

1. Make sure that no cartridge is in the drive.

2. Press Unload three times within 2 seconds. 0 displays in the Single-character Display (SCD), the Ready light is flashing, and the Fault light turns On.

   **Note:** If a cartridge is in the tape drive, it ejects the first time that you press Unload and the drive is placed in maintenance mode. To continue placing the drive in maintenance mode, complete the preceding step. While in Maintenance mode, the drive does not accept a cartridge unless the drive requests it. The SCD displays a flashing C to indicate a cartridge must be inserted.

   Maintenance functions cannot be completed concurrently with read or write operations. While in maintenance mode, the drive does not receive host interface commands from the server.

**Exiting Maintenance mode**

The drive must be in Function Code 0 to exit Maintenance mode.

To exit Maintenance mode:

1. Press and hold Unload for 3 or more seconds to take the drive out of maintenance mode. If no error is detected, 0 temporarily displays in the SCD, then goes blank. The drive then exits maintenance mode and the Ready light turns On.

2. If an error is detected, the SCD shows an error code but still exits maintenance mode. To determine the error, locate the code in Appendix A, “Error codes and messages,” on page 71. To clear the error, turn off the power, then on again.

   **Note:** The drive also exits maintenance mode automatically after it completes a maintenance function or after 10 minutes if no action occurred.

**Function code 0: Maintenance mode**

Function code 0 makes the drive available for running drive diagnostic tests or maintenance functions, or exiting from Maintenance mode.
1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see "Entering Maintenance mode" on page 27.

2. To exit Maintenance mode, see "Exiting Maintenance mode" on page 27.

The drive exits Maintenance mode automatically after it completes a maintenance function or after 10 minutes if no action occurred.

**Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics**

Approximate Run Time = 5 minutes per loop

Total Number of Loops = 1

Function code 1 runs tests that determine whether the drive can properly load and unload cartridges and read and write data.

Record the time that it takes for the test to complete. Compare the recorded time with the "Approximate Run Time". If the test runs successfully but the execution time is longer than the "Approximate Run Time," run "Function code F: Write performance test" on page 35. If the Write Performance Test fails, replace the media and exit maintenance mode.

**Attention:** For this test, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that might be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code 1 or 7 displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code 2 displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

**Steps to Run Drive Diagnostic Tests:**

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see "Entering Maintenance mode" on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until 1 displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold Unload for three or more seconds, then release it to select function 1. Wait for the SCD to change to a flashing 2, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing 1 and the test begins. During the test, the drive unloads and loads the cartridge. Do not remove the cartridge during the test.
   - If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press Unload for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, 0 temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   - If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 28.
To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code 2: Update drive firmware from FMR tape**

**Attention:** When drive firmware is updated, do not turn the drive off until the update is complete or the firmware might be lost.

Function code **2** loads drive firmware from a field microcode replacement (FMR) tape. The FMR tape must be created from an LTO Ultrium 7 tape drive with the same host interface (SAS or Fibre Channel).

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.
2. Press **Unload** once per second until **2** displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)
3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing **2**, requesting a cartridge.
4. Insert the FMR tape cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing **2**. The Fault light is ON solid during tape movement and flashing while code is being loaded. The Ready light is OFF. The tape drive loads the updated firmware from the FMR tape into its erasable programmable read-only memory (EPROM) area.
   • If the update completes successfully, the tape drive rewinds and unloads the FMR tape, resets itself, and is ready to use the new firmware. The drive automatically reboots.
   • If the update fails, the tape drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in **Table 17** on page 71. The drive then unloads the FMR tape and exits maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed. Contact IBM technical support for problem determination or machine replacement.

**Function code 3: Create FMR tape**

Function code **3** copies the drive’s field microcode replacement (FMR) data to a scratch data cartridge. The resulting FMR tape is used only to update the firmware on other LTO Ultrium 6 tape drives with the same host interface (SAS or Fibre Channel).

**Attention:** For this function, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that might be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code **3** or **7** displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code **5** displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.
2. Press **Unload** once per second until ✑ displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing ✑, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge that is not write protected (or the tape drive exits maintenance mode). The SCD changes to a flashing ✑. The tape drive copies the FMR data to the scratch data cartridge.
   - If the tape drive creates the FMR tape successfully, it rewinds and unloads Maintenance mode, and the tape is ready to use.
   - If the tape drive fails to create the FMR tape, it displays an error code. To determine the error, see Table 17 on page 71. The tape drive then unloads the FMR tape, and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

### Function code 4: Force a drive dump

Function code ✑ completes a memory dump of data that is collected by the drive (this process is also known as saving a microcode trace).

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see "Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press **Unload** once per second until ✑ displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The drive completes the memory dump. The SCD shows ✑, then goes blank, and the drive exits Maintenance mode. To access the contents of the memory dump, see "Function code 5: Copy drive dump.”

   **Note:** You can also force a drive dump when the tape drive is in normal operating mode. Press and hold **Unload** for 10 seconds. This action causes the drive to reboot.

### Function code 5: Copy drive dump

Function code ✑ copies data from a drive memory dump (captured in Function Code 4) to the beginning of a scratch (blank) data cartridge.

**Attention:** For this function, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that might be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrim 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code ✒ or ✗ displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrim 5 tape cartridge), error code ✑ displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see "Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.
2. Press **Unload** once per second until 5 displays in the SCD. If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function.

4. Press **Unload** once per second to cycle through the following functions:
   - 5 - 0: no function
   - 5 - 1: copy memory dump to tape; clears RAM memory dump
   - 5 - 2: copy memory dump to flash memory; clears RAM memory dump
   - 5 - 3: erase flash memory
   If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.

5. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select one of the functions.

6. If you selected 5 - 0, the drive exits Maintenance mode. If you selected 5 - 2 or 5 - 3, the SCD changes to a flashing 5 while the procedure is completing. After the procedure is completed the drive exits Maintenance mode. If you selected 5 - 1, the SCD changes to a flashing C indicating that a data cartridge is to be inserted.

7. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge within 60 seconds, or the drive exits Maintenance mode. Ensure that the scratch cartridge is not write protected, or the tape drive exits maintenance mode. The SCD flashes the selection number while the function is completing.
   - If the copy operation completes successfully, the tape drive rewinds and unloads the tape, and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.
   - If the copy operation fails, an error code displays in the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71. The tape drive unloads the tape cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

**Function code 6: Run host interface wrap test**

Approximate Run Time = 10 seconds per loop

Number of Loops = This test runs until stopped by pressing **Unload**.

Function code 5 completes a check of the host interface circuitry and host connector on the drive.

1. Make sure that the host interface wrap plug is connected to the host interface connector at the rear of the drive.
   - Connect the wrap plug to the SAS port to be tested.

2. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see "Entering Maintenance mode" on page 27.

3. Press **Unload** once per second until 5 appears in the SCD.
   - To test the SAS interface on the drive,
a. Index through the Maintenance mode options until \[5\] appears in the SCD.

b. Press and hold **Unload** for 3 seconds to select Function code \[5\] .

c. After Function code \[5\] is selected, the SCD displays option \[5 - 1\] .

d. Press **Unload** within 5 seconds to make a different selection. If no other selection is made, the drive completes option \[5 - 1\] .

4. Continue to press **Unload** once per second to cycle through the following functions:

   - \[5 - 1\] : test the primary SAS port
   - \[5 - 2\] : test the secondary SAS port
   - \[5 - 3\] : test both primary and secondary SAS ports at the same time (requires a wrap plug in both ports)
   - \[5 - 0\] : exit

5. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select one of the functions. The drive automatically starts the test. If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.

6. The SCD displays a flashing \[5\] during the test.
   - If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, \[5\] temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   - If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in **Table 17 on page 71**. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code 7: Run RS-422 wrap test**

**Note:** This function is described here for information only. It is not supported on the IBM TS2260 and TS2270 tape drive.

This test causes the drive to process a check of the circuitry and connector for the RS-422 interface. This connector supports the Library Drive Interface (LDI) and the Automation Drive Interface (ADI).

Before this function is selected, attach an LDI or RS-422 wrap plug to the drive ’s LDI or RS-422 connector (in place of the LDI or RS-422 cable).

1. Make sure that no cartridge is in the drive, and the appropriate wrap plug is attached to the RS-422 connector.

2. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “**Entering Maintenance mode**” on page 27.
3. Press **Unload** once per second until 7 appears in the Single-character Display (SCD). If you cycle past 7, continue to press **Unload** until the code is displayed again.

4. To select the function, press and hold **Unload** for 3 seconds. After you select the function, 7 flashes and the drive automatically starts the test.
   - If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, 0 temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   - If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code 8: Unmake FMR tape**

Function code Î” erases the field microcode replacement (FMR) data and rewrites the cartridge memory on the tape. This action converts the cartridge into a valid scratch (blank) data cartridge.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press **Unload** once per second until 0 appears in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select function Î”. The SCD changes to a flashing C, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert the FMR data cartridge (or the tape drive exits Maintenance mode). The SCD changes to a flashing Ï„. The tape drive erases the firmware on the tape and rewrites the header in the cartridge memory to change the cartridge to a valid scratch (blank) data cartridge: The drive then ejects the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code Î” or 7 displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code Î” displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

- If the tape drive creates the scratch tape successfully, it rewinds and unloads the new tape, exits Maintenance mode, and the tape is ready to use.
- If the tape drive fails to create the scratch tape, it displays an error code. To determine the error, see Table 17 on page 71. The tape drive then unloads the FMR tape, and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.
Function code 9: Display error code log

Function code 9 displays the last 10 error codes, one at a time (the codes are ordered; the most recent is presented first and the oldest is presented last). If there are no errors in the log, function code 0 displays in the Single-character Display (SCD) and exits Maintenance Mode.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until 9 appears in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold Unload, then release it to view the most recent error code.

4. Press and release Unload again to view successive error codes. Allow 2 - 3 seconds pass between each depression. The Ready light and Fault light flash On/Off once for each successive error code. The SCD displays 0 when all the error codes are displayed.

5. After all error codes are viewed, exit this function by pressing Unload again.

The SCD displays 0 and exits Maintenance mode.

Function code A: Clear error code log

Function code A erases the contents of the error code log.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until A displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold Unload for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. A flashes in the SCD, followed by 0. The tape drive erases all errors from the error code log and exits Maintenance mode.

Function code C: Insert cartridge into tape drive

This function cannot be selected by itself, but is part of other maintenance functions (such as Run tape drive diagnostics and Create FMR tape) that require a tape cartridge to be inserted.

Function code E: Test cartridge & media

Approximate Run Time = 15 minutes per loop

Total Number of Loops = 10

Function code C completes tests that determine whether a suspect cartridge and its magnetic tape are acceptable.

Press Unload to stop the diagnostic test and exit Maintenance mode. Pressing Unload once stops the test at the end of the current test loop. Pressing Unload twice stops the test immediately. Wait for the drive to rewind the tape and unload the cartridge.
Attention: When you complete this test, data on the suspect tape is overwritten.

Note: If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrim 3, Ultrim 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code \( \text{J} \) or \( \text{7} \) displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrim 5 tape cartridge), error code \( \text{P} \) displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until \( \text{E} \) displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold Unload for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing \( \text{C} \), requesting a cartridge.

4. Ensure that the write-protect switch on the cartridge is off, then insert the cartridge (or the tape drive exits Maintenance mode). The SCD changes to a flashing \( \text{E} \). The tape drive runs the tests.

   • If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press Unload for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, \( \text{C} \) temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.

   • If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 74. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding Unload for 10 seconds.

Function code F: Write performance test

Approximate Run Time = 7 minutes per loop

Total Number of Loops = 10

Function code \( \text{F} \) performs tests to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.

Press Unload to stop the diagnostic test and exit Maintenance mode. Pressing Unload once stops the test at the end of the current test loop. Pressing Unload twice stops the test immediately. Wait for the drive to rewind the tape and unload the cartridge.

Attention: For this test, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that can be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

Note: If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrim 3, Ultrim 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code \( \text{J} \) or \( \text{7} \) displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrim 5 tape cartridge), error code \( \text{P} \) displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.
1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press **Unload** once per second until ‹ displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing ‹, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing ‹ and the tape drive runs the tests.
   - If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, ‹ temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   - If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code H: Test head**

Approximate Run Time = 12 minutes per loop

Total Number of Loops = 10

Function code ‹ completes tests to ensure that the tape drive’s head and tape-carriage mechanics work correctly.

When you begin this test, the diagnostic test begins the loop sequence. Time the first loop by pressing **Unload** once to stop the diagnostic test after the completion of the first loop, then record the time that it takes for the test to complete. Compare the recorded time with the “Approximate Run Time”. If the test runs successfully but the execution time is longer than the “Approximate Run Time”, run “Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35. If the Write Performance Test fails, replace the media and exit Maintenance mode.

Press **Unload** to stop the diagnostic test and exit Maintenance mode. Pressing **Unload** once stops the test at the end of the current test loop. Pressing **Unload** twice stops the test immediately. Wait for the drive to rewind the tape and unload the cartridge.

**Attention:** For this test, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that can be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code ‹ or ‹ displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code ‹ displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.
2. Press **Unload** once per second until \[ \text{J} \] displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing \[ \text{H} \], requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing \[ \text{H} \]. The tape drive runs the tests.
   - If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, \[ \text{H} \] temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   - If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code J: Fast read/write test**

Approximate Run Time = 7 minutes per loop

Total Number of Loops = 10

Function code \[ \text{J} \] completes tests to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.

When you begin this test, the diagnostic test begins the loop sequence. Time the first loop by pressing **Unload** once to stop the diagnostic test after the completion of the first loop, then record the time that it takes for the test to complete.

Compare the recorded time with the "Approximate Run Time". If the test runs successfully but the execution time is longer than the "Approximate Run Time", run “Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35. If the Write Performance Test fails, replace the media and exit Maintenance mode.

Press **Unload** to stop the diagnostic test and exit Maintenance mode. Pressing **Unload** once stops the test at the end of the current test loop. Pressing **Unload** twice stops the test immediately. Wait for the drive to rewind the tape and unload the cartridge.

**Attention:** For this test, insert only a scratch (blank) data cartridge or a cartridge that can be overwritten. During the test, the drive overwrites the data on the cartridge.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code \[ \text{J} \] or \[ \text{P} \] displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code \[ \text{P} \] displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.
2. Press **Unload** once per second until \[ \text{J} \] displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)
3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing ⌂️, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing ⌂️ and the tape drive runs the tests.
   • If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, ⌂️ temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   • If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71. To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding **Unload** for 10 seconds.

**Function code L: Load/unload test**

Approximate Run Time = 30 seconds per loop

Total Number of Loops = 10

Function code ⌂️ tests the drive’s ability to load and unload a tape cartridge.

Press **Unload** to stop the diagnostic test and exit Maintenance mode. Pressing **Unload** once stops the test at the end of the current test loop. Pressing **Unload** twice stops the test immediately. Wait for the drive to rewind the tape and unload the cartridge.

**Attention:** Even though no data is written during this test, it is recommended that you use a blank (scratch) cartridge for this test.

**Note:** If you inserted an invalid tape cartridge (Ultrium 3, Ultrium 4, or WORM tape cartridge), error code ⌂️ or ⌂️ displays in the SCD. If you inserted a write-protected cartridge, or the media has read-only compatibility (Ultrium 5 tape cartridge), error code ⌂️ displays in the SCD. In either case, the tape drive unloads the cartridge and exits Maintenance mode after the cartridge is removed.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press **Unload** once per second until ⌂️ displays in the SCD. (If you cycle past the wanted code, press **Unload** once per second until the code reappears.)

3. Press and hold **Unload** for three or more seconds, then release it to select the function. The SCD changes to a flashing ⌂️, requesting a cartridge.

4. Insert a scratch (blank) data cartridge. The SCD changes to a flashing ⌂️ and the tape drive runs the tests.
   • If no error is detected, the diagnostic test loops and begin again. To stop the loop, press **Unload** for 1 second and release. When the loop ends, ⌂️ temporarily displays in the SCD, and the tape drive exits Maintenance mode.
   • If an error is detected, the Fault light flashes and the drive posts an error code to the SCD. To determine the error, locate the code in Table 17 on page 71.
To clear the error either turn the power off and then on again, or reboot the drive by pressing and holding Unload for 10 seconds.

**Function code P: Post Error Reporting enabled**

When Post Error Reporting is enabled, deferred-check conditions are reported to the host and temporary errors are reported in the sense data. Function code P is displayed in Maintenance mode when the drive has Post Error Reporting enabled.

This selection is normally used as a request from support personnel.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until either P or U displays in the SCD. P or U displays in the SCD to indicate the current setting for Post Error Reporting. If you cycle past the desired code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.

3. Exit Maintenance mode if you do not want to change the current setting for Post Error Reporting. For instructions, see “Exiting Maintenance mode” on page 27.

4. To disable Post Error Reporting, press and hold Unload for 3 seconds while P displays in the SCD. The SCD changes to U after you release Unload.

5. Press Unload once per second to select another Maintenance mode function. To exit Maintenance mode, refer to “Exiting Maintenance mode” on page 27.

**Function code U: Post Error Reporting disabled**

When Post Error Reporting is disabled, deferred-check conditions are not reported to the host and temporary errors are not reported in the sense data. This setting is normal (default) for the drive. When the drive has Post Error Reporting that is disabled, Function code U is displayed in Maintenance mode. The drive defaults to Post Error Reporting disabled after a reboot or power off/on cycle.

1. Place the drive in Maintenance mode. For instructions, see “Entering Maintenance mode” on page 27.

2. Press Unload once per second until either P or U displays in the SCD. P or U displays in the SCD to indicate the current setting for Post Error Reporting. If you cycle past the wanted code, press Unload once per second until the code reappears.

3. Exit Maintenance mode if you do not want to change the current setting for Post Error Reporting. For instructions, see “Exiting Maintenance mode” on page 27.

4. To disable Post Error Reporting, press and hold Unload for 3 seconds while P displays in the SCD. The SCD changes to U after you release Unload.

5. Press Unload once per second to select another Maintenance mode function. To exit Maintenance mode, refer to “Exiting Maintenance mode” on page 27.
Tape drive diagnostic and maintenance web page

Several of the tape drive’s maintenance functions are run with the tape drive’s ethernet port. These functions are the same maintenance functions that are run with Unload on the drive’s front panel.

Refer to the “Diagnostic and maintenance functions” on page 25 section in this User’s Guide for information about these maintenance functions.

1. Connect the host computer or a notebook to the tape drive’s ethernet port (RJ45 connector) with an ethernet patch cable.

2. With a web browser, connect to [http://169.254.0.3/service.html](http://169.254.0.3/service.html) to access the tape drive maintenance function menu on an HTML web page. (If the drive’s IP address was changed, use that address instead.)

The tape drive model and serial number are shown at the top of the page. A list of the maintenance functions is shown on the page.

![ULT3580-HH7 Drive YX1013000128](image)

Click the button next to the maintenance function, then click Run to start the maintenance function.

If the tape drive is installed in a library, some of the maintenance functions cannot be run with the ethernet procedure.
The status of the maintenance function is shown under the Drive Response. The web page is static so it must be refreshed frequently to show the current maintenance function status.

Press **Cancel now** or **Cancel at end of loop** to stop the maintenance function. It can take several minutes for the maintenance function to end.
Chapter 4. Ultrium media

IBM Ultrium media is available in the following types:
- Data cartridge
- WORM (Write Once, Read Many) cartridge
- Cleaning cartridge

To ensure that your IBM Ultrium tape drive conforms to IBM’s specifications for reliability, use only IBM LTO Ultrium tape cartridges. You can use other LTO-certified data cartridges, but they might not meet the standards of reliability that are established by IBM. The IBM LTO Ultrium data cartridge cannot be interchanged with the media used in other IBM non-LTO Ultrium tape products.

Figure 11 shows the IBM LTO Ultrium data cartridge and its components.

Figure 11. The IBM LTO Ultrium data cartridge

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<td>LTO cartridge memory</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Write-protect Switch</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Cartridge door</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>Label area</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Leader Pin</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>Insertion guide</td>
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Data cartridges

The different generations of IBM Ultrium data cartridges are identified by color:

Table 7. Cartridge types and colors

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Color</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 7</td>
<td>Purple</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 7 WORM</td>
<td>Purple and Silvery gray</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 6</td>
<td>Black</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 6 WORM</td>
<td>Black and Silvery gray</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 5</td>
<td>Burgundy</td>
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Table 7. Cartridge types and colors (continued)

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<td>Burgundy and Silvery gray</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 4</td>
<td>Green</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 4 WORM</td>
<td>Green and Silvery gray</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 3</td>
<td>Slate Blue</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 3 WORM</td>
<td>Slate Blue and Silvery gray</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 2</td>
<td>Purple</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 1</td>
<td>Black</td>
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All generations contain 1/2-inch, dual-coat, magnetic tape.

You can order tape cartridges with the bar code labels included, or you can order custom labels. To obtain tape cartridges and bar code labels, see “Ordering media supplies” on page 61.

When tape is processed in the cartridges, Ultrium Tape Drives use a linear, serpentine recording format. The native data capacity and recording format of Ultrium data cartridges is as follows:

Table 8. Cartridge data capacity and recording formats

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<th>Type</th>
<th>Native Data Capacity</th>
<th>Recording Format</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 7</td>
<td>6000 GB (15000 GB at 2.5:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 3584 tracks, 32 tracks at a time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 6</td>
<td>2500 GB (6250 GB at 2.5:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 2176 tracks, 16 tracks at a time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 5</td>
<td>1500 GB (3000 GB at 2:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 1280 tracks, 16 tracks at a time</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 4</td>
<td>800 GB (1600 GB at 2:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 896 tracks, 16 tracks at a time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 3</td>
<td>400 GB (800 GB at 2:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 704 tracks, 16 tracks at a time</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ultrium 2</td>
<td>200 GB (400 GB at 2:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 512 tracks, 8 tracks at a time</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 1</td>
<td>100 GB (200 GB at 2:1 compression)</td>
<td>Reads and writes data on 384 tracks, 8 tracks at a time</td>
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The first set of tracks is written from near the beginning of the tape to near the end of the tape. The head then repositions to the next set of tracks for the return pass. This process continues until all tracks are written and the cartridge is full, or until all data is written.

The cartridge door (Figure 11 on page 43) protects the tape from contamination when the cartridge is out of the drive. The tape is attached to a leader pin (in Figure 11 on page 43) behind the door. When the cartridge is inserted into the drive, a threading mechanism pulls the pin (and tape) out of the cartridge, across the drive head, and onto a non-removable take-up reel. The head can then read or write data from or to the tape.
The write-protect switch (4 in Figure 11 on page 43) prevents data from being written to the tape cartridge. For information, see “Write-Protect switch” on page 50.

The label area (5 in Figure 11 on page 43) provides a location to place a label. For information, see “Bar code label” on page 47.

The insertion guide (6 in Figure 11 on page 43) is a large, notched area that prevents the cartridge from being inserted incorrectly.

### Table 9. Nominal cartridge life: Load/unload cycles

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<th>Type</th>
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<td>20,000 (20k)</td>
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<td>20,000 (20k)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 2</td>
<td>10,000 (10k)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 1</td>
<td>5000 (5k)</td>
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### Cartridge Compatibility

Table 10. Ultrium data cartridge compatibility with Ultrium tape drive

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### Capacity Scaling

To control the capacity of the cartridge (for example, to obtain a faster seek time) issue the SCSI command `SET CAPACITY`. For information about this command, refer to the *IBM Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference*.  

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WORM (Write Once, Read Many) cartridges

Certain records retention and data security applications require a Write Once, Read Many (WORM) method for storing data on tape. The LTO Ultrium 4 and later drives enable WORM support when a WORM tape cartridge is loaded into the drive.

WORM media

Because standard read/write media are incompatible with the WORM feature, a specially formatted WORM tape cartridge (see Figure 12) is required. Each WORM cartridge has a unique, worldwide cartridge identifier (WWCID), which comprises the unique CM chip serial number and the unique tape media serial number. Ultrium 7 WORM cartridges are two-tone purple and silvery gray. See “Ordering media supplies” on page 61 for information about how to choose and purchase the appropriate WORM tape cartridges for your tape drive.

Data security on WORM media

Certain built-in security measures help ensure that the data written on a WORM cartridge does not become compromised. For example:

- The format of an Ultrium WORM Tape Cartridge is unlike that of standard read/write media. This unique format prevents a drive that lacks WORM-capable firmware from writing on a WORM tape cartridge. For LTO 7, native data capacity is 6000 GB and compressed data capacity is 15000 GB.
- When the drive senses a WORM cartridge, the firmware prohibits the changing or altering of user data that is already written on the tape. The firmware keeps track of the last appendable point on the tape.

WORM media errors

The following conditions cause WORM media errors to occur:

- Information in the servo manufacturer’s word (SMW) on the tape must match information from the cartridge memory (CM) module in the cartridge. If it does not match, a media Error Code 7 posts on the drive’s single-character display (SCD).
- Inserting a WORM tape cartridge into a drive that is not compatible with WORM causes the cartridge to be treated as an unsupported medium. The drive reports a media Error Code 7. Upgrading the drive firmware to the correct code level resolves the problem.
WORM requirements

To add WORM capability to your IBM LTO 7 drives, you must use either IBM LTO 7 6000 GB WORM tape cartridges or IBM LTO 6 2500 GB WORM tape cartridges. See “Ordering media supplies” on page 61.

Cleaning cartridge

A specially labeled IBM LTO Ultrium Cleaning Cartridge is used to clean the drive head. The drive itself determines when a head must be cleaned. It alerts you by the SCD flashing a [image]. To clean the head manually, insert a cleaning cartridge into the tape load compartment (see Figure 7 on page 22). The drive completes the cleaning automatically. When the cleaning is finished, the drive ejects the cartridge, and the SCD is blank.

Note: The drive automatically ejects an expired cleaning cartridge without running the cleaning process. Replace the expired cleaning cartridge with a new cleaning cartridge and insert it into the drive.

The IBM cleaning cartridges are valid for 50 uses. The cartridge’s LTO-CM chip tracks the number of times that the cartridge is used.

Important: After 50 uses, the cleaning cartridge expires. It is no longer usable, and must be replaced.

Cartridge memory chip (LTO-CM)

All generations of the IBM LTO Ultrium Data Cartridges include a Linear Tape-Open Cartridge Memory (LTO-CM) chip ([image] in Figure 11 on page 43), that contains information about the cartridge and the tape (such as the name of the manufacturer that created the tape), and also statistical information about the cartridge’s use. The LTO-CM enhances the efficiency of the cartridge. For example, the LTO-CM stores the end-of-data location which, when the next time this cartridge is inserted and the Write command is issued, enables the drive to quickly locate the recording area and begin recording. The LTO-CM also aids in determining the reliability of the cartridge by storing data about its age, how many times it was loaded, and how many errors it accumulated. Whenever a tape cartridge is unloaded, the tape drive writes any pertinent information to the cartridge memory.

The storage capacity of the LTO Generation 6 and 7 LTO-CM is 16320 bytes. The storage capacity of the LTO Generation 4 and 5 LTO-CM is 8160 bytes. LTO Generations 1, 2, and 3 have an LTO-CM capacity of 4096 bytes.

Bar code label

A bar code label contains:

- A volume serial number (VOLSER) that is human-readable
- A bar code that the library can read

Note: The LTO Ultrium 5, 6, and 7 Tape Drives do not require bar code labels, but you might choose to use labels for tape cartridge identification purposes.
Table 11. Bar code label requirements for Ultrium tape drives and libraries

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<td>3573</td>
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<td>3576</td>
<td>Required</td>
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<td>3580</td>
<td>Not required</td>
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<td>3581</td>
<td>Required with optional Bar Code Reader</td>
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<td>3582</td>
<td>Required</td>
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When read by a library 's bar code reader, the bar code identifies the cartridge 's VOLSER to the library. The bar code also tells the library whether the cartridge is a data cartridge or cleaning cartridge. In addition, the bar code includes the two-character media-type identifier Lx, where x equals 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7. L identifies the cartridge as an LTO cartridge and the number represents the generation of cartridge for that cartridge type. Figure 13 on page 49 shows a sample bar code label for the LTO Ultrium Tape Cartridge.

Tape cartridges are ordered with the labels included or with custom labels. To order tape cartridges and bar code labels, see "Ordering media supplies" on page 61. The bar code for usage in IBM tape libraries must meet predefined specifications. They include (but are not limited to):

- Eight uppercase alphanumeric characters, where the last 2 characters must be L7, L6, L5, L4, L3, L2, or L1 (LX, LW, LV, LU, or LT for Ultrium WORM cartridges)
- Label and printing to be non-glossy
- Nominal narrow line or space width of 0.423 mm (0.017 in.)
- Wide to narrow ratio of 2.75:1
- Minimum bar length of 11.1 mm (0.44 in.)

Table 12. Cartridges and VOLSERs compatible with the Ultrium Tape Drives

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<td>Ultrium 7 WORM Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxLX</td>
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<td>Ultrium 6 Data Cartridge</td>
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<td>Ultrium 6 WORM Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxLW</td>
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<td>xxxxxxL5</td>
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<td>Ultrium 5 WORM Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxLV</td>
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<td>Ultrium 4 Data Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxL4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 4 WORM Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxLU</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 3 Data Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxL3</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ultrium 3 WORM Cartridge</td>
<td>xxxxxxLT</td>
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<td>Ultrium 2 Data Cartridge</td>
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<td>Ultrium 1 Data Cartridge (READ ONLY)</td>
<td>xxxxxxL1</td>
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<tr>
<td>LTO Ultrium Cleaning Cartridge</td>
<td>CLNxxxxLx</td>
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*An Ultrium 3 Tape Drive must have a minimum firmware level of 54xx for it to be compatible with the WORM cartridge.*
To determine the complete specifications of the bar code and the bar code label, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/](http://www.ibm.com/) and enter "IBM LTO Ultrium Cartridge Label Specification" in the search box. Or contact your IBM sales representative.

When a bar code label is attached to a tape cartridge, place the label only in the recessed label area (see § in Figure 11 on page 43). A label that extends outside of the recessed area can cause loading problems in the drive.

**Attention:** Do not place any type of mark on the white space at either end of the bar code. A mark in this area might prevent the library from reading the label.

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**Guidelines for bar code labels**

Apply the following guidelines whenever using bar code labels:

- Use only IBM-approved bar code labels on cartridges to be used in an IBM tape library.
- Do not reuse a label or reapply a used label over an existing label.
- Before you apply a new label, remove the old label by slowly pulling it at a right angle to the cartridge case.
- Use peel-clean labels that do not leave a residue after it is removed. If there is glue residue on the cartridge, remove it by gently rubbing it with your finger. Do not use a sharp object, water, or a chemical to clean the label area.
- Examine the label before it is applied to the cartridge. Do not use the label if it has voids or smears in the printed characters or bar code. A library's inventory operation takes much longer if the bar code label is not readable.
- Remove the label from the label sheet carefully. Do not stretch the label or cause the edges to curl.
- Position the label within the recessed label area (see § in Figure 11 on page 43).
- With light finger pressure, smooth the label so that no wrinkles or bubbles exist on its surface.
- Verify that the label is smooth and parallel, and has no roll-up or roll-over. The label must be flat to within 0.5 mm (0.02 in.) over the length of the label and have no folds, missing pieces, or smudges.
- Do not place other machine-readable labels on other surfaces of the cartridge. They might interfere with the ability of the drive to load the cartridge.
Write-Protect switch

The position of the write-protect switch on the tape cartridge (see Figure 1) determines whether you can write to the tape. If the switch is set to:

- The locked position (solid red), data cannot be written to the tape.
- The unlocked position (black void), data can be written to the tape.

If possible, use your server’s application software to write-protect your cartridges (rather than manually setting the write-protect switch). This setting allows the server’s software to identify a cartridge that no longer contains current data and is eligible to become a scratch (blank) data cartridge. Do not write-protect scratch (blank) cartridges; the tape drive is not able to write new data to them.

If you must manually set the write-protect switch, slide it left or right to the wanted position.

![Setting the write-protect switch](image)

**Table 13. Location of the write-protect switch**

| 1 | Write-protect switch |

Handling the cartridges

**Attention:** Do not insert a damaged tape cartridge into the drive. A damaged cartridge can interfere with the reliability of a drive and might void the warranties of the drive and the cartridge. Before a tape cartridge is inserted, inspect the cartridge case, cartridge door, and write-protect switch for breaks.

Incorrect handling or an incorrect environment can damage cartridges or their magnetic tape. To avoid damage to your tape cartridges and to ensure the continued high reliability of your IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drives, use the following guidelines:

**Providing training**

- Post procedures that describe appropriate media handling in places where people gather.
Ensuring proper packaging

- When a cartridge is shipped, use the original or better packaging.
- Always ship or store a cartridge in a jewel case.
- Use only a recommended shipping container that securely holds the cartridge in its jewel case during transportation. Ultrium Turtlecases (by Perm-A-Store) are tested and found to be satisfactory (see Figure 15). They are available at http://www.turtlecase.com.

![Figure 15. Tape cartridges in a Turtlecase](image)

- Never ship a cartridge in a commercial shipping envelope. Always place it in a box or package.
- If you ship the cartridge in a cardboard box or a box of a sturdy material, ensure that you
  - Place the cartridge in polyethylene plastic wrap or bags to protect it from dust, moisture, and other contaminants.
  - Pack the cartridge snugly; do not allow it to move around.
  - Double-box the cartridge (place it inside a box, then place that box inside the shipping box) and add padding between the two boxes (see Figure 16 on page 52).
Proper acclimation and environmental conditions

- Before you use a tape cartridge, acclimate it to the operating environment for 24 hours or the time necessary to prevent condensation in the drive. The time varies, depending on the environmental extremes to which the cartridge was exposed.
- Ensure that all surfaces of a cartridge are dry before it is inserted.
- Do not expose the cartridge to moisture or direct sunlight.
- Do not expose recorded or blank cartridges to stray magnetic fields of greater than 100 oersteds (for example, terminals, motors, video equipment, X-ray equipment, or fields that exist near high-current cables or power supplies). Such exposure causes the loss of recorded data or makes the blank cartridge unusable.
- Maintain the conditions that are described in “Environmental and shipping specifications for tape cartridges” on page 60.

Completing a thorough inspection

After a cartridge is purchased and before it is used, complete the following steps:

- Inspect the cartridge’s packaging to determine potential rough handling.
- When a cartridge is inspected, open only the cartridge door. Do not open any other part of the cartridge case. The upper and lower parts of the case are held together with screws; separating them destroys the usefulness of the cartridge.
- Inspect the cartridge for damage before it is used or stored.
- Inspect the rear of the cartridge (the part that loads first into the tape load compartment) and ensure that there are no gaps in the seam of the cartridge case (see 1 in Figure 17 on page 53 and 4 in Figure 19 on page 55). If there are gaps in the seam (see Figure 17 on page 53), the leader pin might be dislodged. Go to “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin” on page 54.
Check that the leader pin is properly seated (see 2 in Figure 18 on page 55).

If you suspect that the cartridge was mishandled but it appears usable, copy any data onto a good cartridge immediately for possible data recovery. Discard the mishandled cartridge.

Review handling and shipping procedures.

Handling the cartridge carefully

- Do not drop the cartridge. If the cartridge drops, slide the cartridge door back and ensure that the leader pin is properly seated in the pin-retaining spring clips. See 2 in Figure 18 on page 55. If the leader pin becomes dislodged, go to “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin” on page 54.
- Do not handle tape that is outside the cartridge. Handling the tape can damage the tape’s surface or edges, which might interfere with read or write reliability. Pulling on tape that is outside the cartridge can damage the tape and the brake mechanism in the cartridge.
- Do not stack more than six cartridges.
- Do not degauss a cartridge that you intend to reuse. Degaussing makes the tape unusable.

Examples of cartridge problems

Split cartridge case. See Figure 17

The cartridge's case is damaged. There is a high possibility of media damage and potential loss.
1. Look for cartridge mishandling.
2. Use the IBM Leader Pin Reattachment Kit (part number 08L9129) to correctly seat the pin (see “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin” on page 54). Then, immediately use data recovery procedures to minimize chances of data loss.
3. Review media-handling procedures.
Improper placement of leader pin. See Figure 18 on page 55.

The leader pin is misaligned.
1. Look for cartridge damage.
2. Use the IBM Leader Pin Reattachment Kit (part number 08L9129) to correctly seat the pin (see “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin”). Then, immediately use data recovery procedures to minimize chances of data loss.

Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin

Attention: Use a repaired tape cartridge only to recover data and move it to another cartridge. Continued use of a repaired cartridge might void the warranties of the drive and the cartridge.

If the leader pin in your cartridge becomes dislodged from its pin-retaining spring clips or detaches from the tape, you must use the IBM Leader Pin Reattachment Kit (part number 08L9129) to reposition or reattach it. (Do not reattach the pin if you must remove more than 7 meters (23 feet) of leader tape.) The sections that follow describe each procedure.

Repositioning a leader pin

A leader pin that is improperly seated inside a cartridge interferes with the operation of the drive. Figure 18 on page 55 shows a leader pin in the incorrect and correct positions.

To place the leader pin in its proper position, you need the following tools:
• Plastic or blunt-end tweezers
• Cartridge manual rewind tool (from Leader Pin Reattachment Kit, part number 08L9129)
To reposition the leader pin:

1. Slide open the cartridge door (1 in Figure 19) and locate the leader pin (2) (you might need to shake the cartridge gently to roll the pin toward the door).
2. With plastic or blunt-end tweezers, grasp the leader pin and position it in the pin-retaining spring clips (3).
3. Press the leader pin gently into the clips until it snaps into place and is firmly seated.
4. Close the cartridge door.

5. To rewind the tape, insert the cartridge manual rewind tool (1 in Figure 20 on page 56) into the cartridge's hub (2) and turn it clockwise until the tape...
becomes taut.

6. Remove the rewind tool by pulling it away from the cartridge.
7. If you suspect that the cartridge was mishandled but it appears usable, copy any data onto a good cartridge immediately for possible data recovery. Discard the mishandled cartridge.

Reattaching a leader pin
The first meter of tape in a cartridge is leader tape. When the leader tape is removed there is a possibility of tape breakage. After the leader pin is reattached, transfer data from the defective tape cartridge. **Do not reuse the defective tape cartridge.**

The Leader Pin Reattachment Kit contains three parts:

- **Leader pin attach tool** (See 1 in Figure 21 on page 57). A plastic brace that holds the cartridge door open.
- **Cartridge manual rewind tool** (See 2 in Figure 21 on page 57). A device that fits into the cartridge’s hub and enables you to wind the tape into and out of the cartridge.
- **Pin supplies** (See 3 in Figure 21 on page 57). Leader pins and C-clips.

Attention:
- Use only the IBM Leader Pin Reattachment Kit to reattach the leader pin to the tape. Other methods of reattaching the pin damages the tape, the drive, or both.
- Use this procedure on your tape cartridge only when the leader pin detaches from the magnetic tape and you must copy the cartridge’s data onto another cartridge. Destroy the damaged cartridge after you copy the data. This procedure might affect the performance of the leader pin during threading and unloading operations.
- Touch only the end of the tape. Touching the tape in an area other than the end can damage the tape’s surface or edges, which might interfere with read or write reliability.
This procedure describes how to reattach a leader pin.

To reattach a leader pin with the IBM leader pin reattachment kit:

1. Attach the leader pin attach tool (1 in Figure 22) to the cartridge 2 so that the tool ’s hook 3 latches into the cartridge ’s door 4. Pull the tool back to hold the door open, then slide the tool onto the cartridge. Open the tool ’s pivot arm 5.

2. To find the end of the tape inside the cartridge, attach the cartridge manual rewind tool (1 in Figure 23 on page 58) to the cartridge ’s hub 2 by fitting the tool ’s teeth between the teeth of the hub. Turn the tool clockwise until
you see the end of the tape inside the cartridge. Then, slowly turn the rewind tool counterclockwise to bring the tape edge toward the cartridge door 3.

3. Continue to turn the rewind tool counterclockwise until approximately 13 cm (5 in.) of tape hangs from the cartridge door. If necessary, grasp the tape and pull gently to unwind it from the cartridge.

4. Remove the rewind tool by pulling it away from the cartridge. Set the tool and the cartridge aside.

5. On the leader pin (1 in Figure 24), locate the open side of the C-clip 2. The C-clip is a small black part that secures the tape 3 to the pin.

6. Remove the C-clip from the leader pin by using your fingers to push the clip away from the pin. Set the pin aside and discard the clip.

7. Position the tape in the alignment groove of the leader pin attach tool (see 1 in Figure 25 on page 59).

8. Place a new C-clip into the retention groove 2 (Figure 25 on page 59) on the leader pin attachment tool and make sure that the clip’s open side faces up.

9. Place the leader pin (from step 6) into the cavity 3 (Figure 25 on page 59) of the leader pin attach tool.
**Attention:** To prevent the leader pin from rolling into the cartridge, in the following step use care when the tape is folded over the pin.

10. Fold the tape over the leader pin and hold it with your fingers (see Figure 25).

**Note:** Use care to ensure that the tape is centered over the leader pin. Failure to properly center the tape on the pin causes the repaired cartridge to fail. When the tape is properly centered, a 0.25 mm (0.01-in.) gap exists on both sides of the pin.

11. Close the pivot arm 4 of the leader pin attach tool by swinging it over the leader pin so that the C-clip snaps onto the pin and the tape.

12. Swing the pivot arm open and trim the excess tape 5 so that it is flush with the reattached leader pin 6.

13. Use your fingers to remove the leader pin from the cavity 3 in the leader pin attach tool.

14. Use the cartridge manual rewind tool to wind the tape back into the cartridge (wind the tape clockwise). Ensure that the leader pin is latched by the pin-retaining spring clips on each end of the leader pin.

15. Remove the rewind tool.

16. Remove the leader pin attach tool by lifting its end away from the cartridge.
Environmental and shipping specifications for tape cartridges

Before you use a tape cartridge, acclimate it to the operating environment for 24 hours or the time necessary to prevent condensation in the drive. The time varies, depending on the environmental extremes to which the cartridge was exposed.

The best storage container for the cartridges (until they are opened) is the original shipping container. The plastic wrapping prevents dirt from accumulating on the cartridges and partially protects them from humidity changes.

When you ship a cartridge, place it in its jewel case or in a sealed, moisture-proof bag to protect it from moisture, contaminants, and physical damage. Ship the cartridge in a shipping container that has enough packing material to cushion the cartridge and prevent it from moving within the container.

Table 14 gives the environment for operating, storing, and shipping LTO Ultrium Tape Cartridges.

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<th>Operational Storage¹</th>
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<td>Temperature</td>
<td>10 - 45°C (50 - 113°F)</td>
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<td>16 - 25°C (61 - 77°F)</td>
<td>-23 to 49°C (-9 to 120°F)</td>
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<td>Relative humidity (non-condensing)</td>
<td>10 - 80%</td>
<td>20 - 80%</td>
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<td>5 - 80%</td>
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<td>Maximum wet bulb temperature</td>
<td>26°C (79°F)</td>
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Note:
1. The short term or operational storage environment is for storage durations of up to six months.
2. The long term or archival storage environment is for durations of six months up to 10 years.

Disposing of tape cartridges

Under the current rules of the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), regulation 40CFR261, the LTO Ultrium Tape Cartridge is classified as non-hazardous waste. As such, it might be disposed of in the same way as normal office trash. These regulations are amended from time to time, and you must review them at the time of disposal.

If your local, state, country (non-US), or regional regulations are more restrictive than EPA 40CFR261, you must review them before you dispose of a cartridge. Contact your account representative for information about the materials that are in the cartridge.

If a tape cartridge must be disposed of in a secure manner, you can erase the data on the cartridge with a high-energy ac degausser (use a minimum of 4000 oersted peak field over the entire space that the cartridge occupies). The tape must make two passes through the field at 90 degree orientation change for each pass to achieve complete erasure. Some commercial degaussers have two magnetic field regions offset 90 degrees from each other to accomplish complete erasure in one pass for higher throughput. Degaussing makes the cartridge unusable.
If you burn the cartridge and tape, ensure that the incineration complies with all applicable regulations.

## Ordering media supplies

Table 15 lists the cartridges and media supplies that you can order for the drive.

### Table 15. Media supplies

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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 7 6000 GB Data Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 551. Specify the VOLSER characters that you want. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 7 6000 GB Data Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 651. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>5-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 7 6000 GB Data Cartridge (black and white labels unattached)</td>
<td>Order as part number 38L7189 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 7 6000 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 571. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 7 6000 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 671. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 6 2500 GB Data Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 550. Specify the VOLSER characters that you want. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 6 2500 GB Data Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 650. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>5-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 6 2500 GB Data Cartridge (black and white labels unattached)</td>
<td>Order as part number 35P1902 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 6 2500 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 570. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 6 2500 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 670. You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 5 1500 GB Data Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 014. Specify the VOLSER characters that you want.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 5 1500 GB Data Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 015.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>5-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 5 1500 GB Data Cartridge (black and white labels unattached)</td>
<td>Order as part number 46C2084 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 5 1500 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 034.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 035.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 4 800 GB Data Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 010. Specify the VOLSER characters that you want.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM LTO Ultrium 4 800 GB Data Cartridge (without labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 011.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>Order as part number 95P4278 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>20-PACK IBM Ultrium 4 800 GB WORM Tape Cartridge (with attached labels)</td>
<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 032.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>Order the cartridge from your IBM Sales Representative or any authorized IBM Business Partner by specifying Machine Type 3589 Model 033.  You can also order through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<tr>
<td>IBM LTO Ultrium 3 400 GB Data Cartridge</td>
<td>Order as part number 24R1922 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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<td>Order VOLSER labels separately (see &quot;Ordering bar code labels&quot; on page 63)</td>
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<tr>
<td>IBM LTO Ultrium 3 400 GB WORM Tape Cartridge</td>
<td>Order as part number 96P1203 through an IBM-authorized distributor.</td>
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To find the closest IBM-authorized distributor, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/storage/media](http://www.ibm.com/storage/media) or call 1-888-IBM-MEDIA.

### Ordering bar code labels

The LTO Ultrium Tape Drives do not require cartridge bar code labels. However, if you use your data cartridges or cleaning cartridges in an IBM tape library product, you might need cartridge bar code labels if your tape library product requires them (see Table 11 on page 48). You can order these labels separately from the IBM data cartridges and cleaning cartridges.

You can order bar code labels directly from the authorized label suppliers in Table 16.

#### Table 16. Authorized suppliers of custom bar code labels

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<td>EDP/Colorflex</td>
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<tr>
<td>Broomfield, CO U. S. A.</td>
<td>Telephone: 44 (0) 1245-322380</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.tri-optic.com">http://www.tri-optic.com</a></td>
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<td>Dataware</td>
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<tr>
<td>Houston, TX 77274</td>
<td>Telephone: (029) 496-1111</td>
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Chapter 5. Troubleshooting

If you encounter problems when running the drive, refer to the flowchart in Figure 26. For explanations of codes on the Single-character Display (SCD), see “Single-character display (SCD)” on page 17. Review the “Pre-call checklist” on page 68 before calling IBM Technical Support.

Figure 26. Flowchart for Analyzing Maintenance Problems

Procedure 1: Determining firmware level and capturing drive dump

Customers are responsible for updating Firmware. For optimum performance, the customer must obtain the current level of firmware for the unit by downloading the firmware from [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral)
The ITDT utility (see "ITDT firmware update, dump retrieval and library/drive test tool" on page 13) is used to update the firmware level and to capture a drive memory dump that might be requested by technical support to aid in problem analysis.

For instructions about updating firmware from a server that uses an IBM tape device driver, refer to the IBM Tape Device Drivers Installation and User 's Guide.

To update firmware from a server that uses a non-IBM tape device driver, refer to the documentation for that device driver.

Complete the following steps to determine the current firmware level that is installed on the drive.

1. Use the ITDT utility (available on the web at http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral) to view the current drive firmware level.
2. Compare this level with the current available firmware level by going to the same website. For information about the ITDT utility, see "Updating firmware" on page 13.

Note: The ITDT utility is used to either update drive firmware to the current level or to capture drive memory dumps from a drive that might be experiencing problems.

Another way to capture a drive memory dump is with the ethernet port. To capture a memory dump on the drive with the Ethernet interface, follow the steps.

Note: The drive uses a limited version of FTP protocol to communicate on the ethernet interface. It is recommended to use a simple, command-line FTP session, such as the DOS command prompt, when communicating with the drive.

1. Connect an ethernet patch cable to the drive 's ethernet interface and to a computer. To meet electromagnetic immunity requirements, a shielded ethernet cable is required.
2. Create an FTP session between the drive and the computer. The drive 's IP address: 169.254.0.3
3. At the user prompt, type guest and press Enter.
4. At the password prompt, press Enter. No response is needed.
5. Type bin to set the communication mode to binary.
6. Type mget *.dmp to transfer a drive memory dump to the computer. If a memory dump exists, the drive shows you the memory dump name and ask if you want to transfer it to the computer. Type y to transfer the existing memory dump or n to skip this dump file. Then, the drive asks if you want a forced memory dump. Type y to force a memory dump and to transfer the forced memory dump to the computer, or type n to skip forcing a memory dump.
7. Type quit to end the FTP session.
8. Remove ethernet patch cable from the drive's ethernet interface and the computer.

Procedure 2: Inspecting a cartridge for damage

If the cartridge fails to load or unload properly, complete the following steps:

1. Check that the leader pin is attached and properly seated (see "Repositioning a leader pin" on page 54) by opening the cartridge door and observing the pin's placement.
2. Inspect the cartridge case, the cartridge door, and the write-protect switch for damage.

3. Inspect the rear of the cartridge (the part that you load first into the tape load compartment). Ensure that there are no gaps in the seam of the cartridge case. See 1 in Figure 17 on page 53 and 4 in Figure 19 on page 55. If there are gaps, the leader pin might be dislodged. Go to “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin” on page 54.

4. Try loading or unloading another tape cartridge.
   • If it fails, contact your service representative for problem determination.
   • If it is successful, discard the cartridge that originally failed.

Note:
1. If a damaged or mishandled cartridge is the problem, see “Handling the cartridges” on page 50 for instructions about handling the media. It is possible that your other cartridges might also be damaged.

2. If your cartridge does not eject properly, contact your service representative.
   (IBM service personnel must go to Appendix E, “Information for trained service personnel,” on page 91.)

Procedure 3: Checking SAS host connections

Check the host connections for your drive by following the steps.

If your server is not communicating with the SAS drive, the problem might be with the SAS cable, the SAS host adapter, or the SAS host adapter setup.
1. Check whether the tape drive power is on.
2. Verify that the SAS cable is connected properly to the server and to the tape drive.
3. Check whether the parameters for the SAS host adapter installation are correct.
4. Verify that the SAS host adapter is supported by the tape drive.
5. Ensure that there is a point-to-point connectivity between the server and the tape drive. SAS connectivity does not support multiple drive connections (daisy-chaining of devices).
6. Check the length of the SAS cable. It cannot exceed 5.5 m (18 ft).

Procedure 4: Verifying host interface communications

The Wrap Diagnostic tests the communication function at the device interface. However, to thoroughly verify host-to-device communications, it is highly recommended to exercise activity over the SAS interface bus from the host to the drive and back. A recommended utility to complete this test is the ITDT utility available on the web at [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral). This utility is especially effective for updating the drive firmware and for completing the Test Device function. For more information about the ITDT utility, see “Updating firmware” on page 13. Complete these steps:

1. If the ITDT utility is not installed on your system, download the appropriate operating system version from the web into a directory or folder of your choice.
2. When installation is complete, run the SCAN ($) option to determine whether your system can detect all of the Ultrium tape drive devices (including any libraries or autoloaders that might be on the bus).
3. Select the drive that is to be tested or to have firmware that is downloaded.
4. For testing, select the Test Device (t) option.

   **Note:** This option completes a series of LOADS, UNLOADS, and WRITE/READ operations. Both tape drive control commands and data are sent to the device over the interface bus.

5. If allowed to complete, the test runs for at least 30 minutes. At any time an ABORT (a) is entered to end the device test early if it is determined that interface communications are satisfactorily achieved.

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**Resolving problems reported by the server**

The procedure for fixing interface bus errors varies, depending on whether the error is consistent or intermittent, and on your configuration. These sections describe how to fix an error.

**Fixing SAS bus errors**

1. Check whether the tape drive power is on.
2. Verify that the SAS cable is connected properly to the server and to the tape drive.
3. Replace SAS cable if it shows any signs of damage.

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**Resolving media-related problems**

To resolve problems that are related to media, the drive’s firmware includes

- Test Cartridge & Media diagnostic test that verifies whether a suspect cartridge and its magnetic tape are acceptable for use.
- Statistical Analysis and Reporting System (SARS) to help with isolating failures between media and hardware. To determine the cause of failure, SARS uses the cartridge performance history that is saved in the cartridge memory (CM) and the drive performance history that is kept in the drive’s VPD (Vital Product Data) area in NVRAM. Any failures that SARS detects are reported as TapeAlert flags on the server (see *IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference*).

   **Attention:** If you insert the IBM LTO Ultrium Data Cartridge into another manufacturer’s drive, the SARS data in the cartridge memory might become lost or invalid.

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If you encounter a media-related problem, refer to “Function code E: Test cartridge & media” on page 34.

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**Pre-call checklist**

If you have questions or problems, go through this checklist before IBM technical support is contacted. Ensure that the total SAS cable length does not exceed 5.5 m (18 ft). Complete these steps before you call IBM technical support. Where instructions refer you to the web, visit http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral.

1. Perform a general checkup of the hardware and connections:
   - Verify that all cables are connected properly at both ends.
   - Before the SAS cables are attached, ensure that the connector does not contain bent or recessed pins.
   - Ensure that all retention screws for the SAS cable are securely tightened.

2. Verify that the drive’s firmware is at the most recent level. To determine the latest release of firmware, visit the web. See “Updating firmware” on page 13 for instructions about downloading the latest firmware.
3. Verify that your device drivers are at the most recent level:
   • For IBM device drivers, visit the web.
   • For the device drivers of independent software vendors (ISVs), visit the appropriate third-party website.
4. Verify whether your hardware and software configuration is supported. To determine the latest supported attachments, visit the web.
6. Run one of the diagnostic methods:
   • Local diagnostic tests:
     a. Run "Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28 to determine whether the drive can properly load and unload cartridges, and read and write data. Optionally, you might run one of the following diagnostic procedures:
        − “Function code E: Test cartridge & media” on page 34 to determine whether a suspect cartridge and its magnetic tape are acceptable.
        − “Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35 to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.
        − “Function code H: Test head” on page 36 to ensure that the tape drive's head and tape-carriage mechanics work correctly.
        − “Function code J: Fast read/write test” on page 37 to ensure that the drive can read from and write to tape.
        − “Function code L: Load/unload test” on page 38 to test the drive's ability to load and unload a tape cartridge.
     b. Run "Function code 6: Run host interface wrap test” on page 31.
   • Remote diagnostic test:
     − With the ITDT utility, run the SCAN as described in “Procedure 4: Verifying host interface communications” on page 67.

Repeating the tape drive

To replace your tape drive, complete these steps:
1. Remove the replacement unit from its packaging.
2. Locate the repair identification (RID) tag (included with the replacement unit). See 1 in Figure 27 on page 70.
3. Write down the serial number of the failed unit on the RID tag.
4. Affix the repair tag to the rear panel of the replacement unit (below the serial number label).
5. Place the failed unit into the packaging of the replacement unit.
6. Follow the instructions (included with the replacement unit) for returning the failed unit.
ATTENTION:

1. A Repair ID tag maintains the original serial number record of the machine and allows IBM to entitle the machine for future maintenance or warranty service. Mail in exchange requires the completion and securing a Repair ID tag (part number 19P5941) to the replacement unit.
   - Verify that the machine serial number on the failing unit matches the serial number reported to IBM technical support.
   - Transcribe the machine type, model, and serial number of the failing unit to the Repair ID tag for the replacement unit.
   - Place the Repair ID tag as close as possible, but not covering, the machine serial number of the replacement unit.
   - The original serial number must be visible.

2. The use of the Repair ID tag is important for customer inventory accuracy.

Figure 27. RID tag on rear panel
Appendix A. Error codes and messages

If the drive detects a permanent error, it displays the error code on the SCD and flashes the Fault light (Ready light is Off).

- Make note of the SCD error code before a cartridge is removed or the SCD error code is cleared.
- If an error occurred with a cartridge in the drive, push **Unload** to eject the cartridge.
- To clear the SCD error code and power cycle the drive, press **Unload** for 10 seconds. A drive memory dump is created.

**Attention:** If the drive detects a permanent error and displays an error code other than 0, it automatically completes a drive memory dump. If you force a drive memory dump, the existing memory dump is overwritten and data is lost. After you force a drive memory dump, do not turn off the power to the drive or you might lose the memory dump data.

**Table 17. Error codes on the Single-character Display**

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<td>0</td>
<td>No error occurred and no action is required. This code displays when diagnostic tests are finished running and no error occurred. <strong>Note:</strong> The Single-character Display is blank during normal operation of the tape drive.</td>
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| 1          | Temperature problem. The tape drive detected that the recommended operating temperature was exceeded. Complete one or more of these actions:  
  - Ensure that the cooling fan is rotating and is quiet. If not, refer to your enclosure documentation.  
  - Remove any blockage that prevents air from flowing freely through the tape drive.  
  - Ensure that the operating temperature and airflow is within the specified range (see "Specifications" on page 6).  
  Clear the error code by power-cycling the tape drive or placing the drive in Maintenance mode. If the operating temperature and airflow are within the specified range, and the problem persists, replace the drive. |
| 2          | Power problem. The tape drive detected that the externally supplied power is outside the specified voltage limits (the tape drive is not operating). Complete this action:  
  1. Ensure that the power connector is properly seated.  
  2. Turn power off/on the tape drive to see whether the problem repeats.  
  3. Replace the tape drive if the problem persists.  
  The error code clears when you place the tape drive in maintenance mode. |
### Table 17. Error codes on the Single-character Display (continued)

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| 3          | Firmware problem. The tape drive determined that a firmware error occurred. Complete this action:  
1. Collect a drive memory dump.  
   **Note:** Do not force a new memory dump; the tape drive created one.  
   - Server’s host interface with a device driver utility or system tool such as ITDT. For instructions about ITDT, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral).  
   - Ultrium tape drive (to copy and read a drive memory dump, use “Function code 5: Copy drive dump” on page 30).  
2. Power the tape drive off and on, then retry the operation that produced the error.  
3. If the problem persists, download new firmware and retry the operation.  
4. If the problem persists, send the drive memory dump that you collected in step 1 to your IBM Support Center.  
The error code clears when you place the tape drive in Maintenance mode. |
| 4          | Firmware or hardware problem. The tape drive determined that a firmware or tape drive hardware failure occurred. Complete this action:  
1. Collect a drive dump.  
   **Note:** Do not force a new memory dump; one exists.  
   - Server’s host interface with a device driver utility or system tool such as ITDT. For instructions about using ITDT, visit the web at [http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral](http://www.ibm.com/support/fixcentral).  
   - Ultrium tape drive (to copy and read a drive memory dump, use “Function code 5: Copy drive dump” on page 30).  
2. Power the tape drive off and on, then retry the operation that produced the error. The error code clears when you place the tape drive in Maintenance mode.  
3. If the problem persists, download new firmware and retry the operation; if new firmware is not available, replace the drive. |
| 5          | Tape drive hardware problem. The drive determined that a tape path or read/write error occurred. To prevent damage to the drive or tape, you cannot insert a cartridge if the current cartridge was successfully ejected. The error code might clear when you cycle power to the tape drive or place it in maintenance mode. If the problem persists, replace the drive.  
**Note:** Copy the drive memory dump to flash memory before the drive is returned. For instructions, refer to “Function code 5: Copy drive dump” on page 30.  
| 6          | Tape drive or media error. The tape drive determined that an error occurred, but it cannot isolate the error to faulty hardware or to the tape cartridge. Ensure that the tape cartridge is the correct media type:  
- Ultrium 1, 2, 3, and 4 cartridges are not supported in the Ultrium 7 tape drive.  
- Drive does not accept an expired Cleaning Cartridge.  
- Drive does not accept a WORM cartridge when diagnostic tests are run in Maintenance mode.  
- Drive does not write over existing data sets on a WORM cartridge. Ensure that you are appending data sets on WORM media rather than attempting to write over existing data sets.  
If the tape cartridge is the correct media type, complete this action: |
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<td>If the problem occurred while the tape drive was writing data to the tape, retry the operation with a different cartridge:</td>
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<td>• If the operation succeeds, the original cartridge was defective. Copy data from the defective cartridge and discard it.</td>
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<td>• If the operation fails and another tape drive is available, insert the cartridge into the other unit and retry the operation.</td>
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<td>- If the operation fails, discard the defective cartridge.</td>
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<td>- If the operation succeeds, insert a scratch data cartridge into the first unit and run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28.</td>
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<td>- If the diagnostic tests fail, replace the tape drive.</td>
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<td>- If the diagnostic tests succeed, the error was temporary.</td>
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<td>• If the operation fails and another tape drive is not available, insert a scratch data cartridge into the unit and run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28.</td>
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<td>- If the diagnostic tests fail, replace the tape drive.</td>
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<td>- If the diagnostic tests succeed, discard the cartridge.</td>
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<td>If the problem occurs with multiple tape cartridges, run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28.</td>
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<td>• If the diagnostic tests fail, replace the tape drive.</td>
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<td>• If the diagnostic tests succeed, replace the cartridge that caused the problem.</td>
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The error code clears when you remove the tape cartridge or place the tape drive in Maintenance mode.

**Problems with Reading Data**

If the problem occurred while the tape drive was reading data from the tape, complete one of these procedures:

• If another tape drive is available, insert the cartridge into the other unit and retry the operation:
  - If the operation fails, discard the defective cartridge.
  - If the operation succeeds, insert a scratch data cartridge into the first unit and run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28. | |
  - If the diagnostic test fails, replace the tape drive. | |
  - If the diagnostic test succeeds, the error was temporary. | |
• If another tape drive is not available, insert a scratch data cartridge into the unit and run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28. | |
  - If the diagnostic test fails, replace the tape drive. | |
  - If the diagnostic test succeeds, discard the cartridge. | |

If the problem occurs with multiple tape cartridges, run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28. | |
• If the diagnostic test fails, replace the tape drive. | |
• If the diagnostic test succeeds, run “Function code H: Test head” on page 36. | |
  - If the diagnostic test fails, replace the tape drive. | |
  - If the diagnostic test succeeds, replace the cartridges that caused the problem. | |

The error code clears when you remove the tape cartridge or place the tape drive in Maintenance mode.
### Table 17. Error codes on the Single-character Display (continued)

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| 7          | Media error. The tape drive determined an error occurred because of a faulty tape cartridge or an invalid tape cartridge. Ensure that the tape cartridge is the correct media type:  
  - Ultrium 1, 2, 3, and 4 cartridges are not supported in the Ultrium 7 tape drive.  
  - Drive does not accept an expired Cleaning Cartridge.  
  - Drive does not accept a WORM cartridge when diagnostic tests are run in Maintenance mode.  
  - Drive does not accept an FMR tape unless the drive is completing “Function code 8: Unmake FMR tape” on page 33.  
  - Drive does not write over existing data sets on a WORM cartridge. Ensure that you are appending data sets on WORM media rather than attempting to write over existing data sets.  
  - Drive does not Create an FMR Tape (Maintenance mode, Function code 3) with a cartridge that is already an FMR tape. Use another cartridge or run Maintenance mode Function code 8: Unmake FMR tape.  
  - Drive does not Unmake FMR tape (Maintenance code 8) with a cartridge that is not an FMR tape.  

If the tape cartridge is the correct media type, try another tape cartridge. If the problem occurs with multiple tape cartridges, use this procedure:  
1. If possible, run the tape cartridge in a different tape drive. If the operation in the other unit fails and 5 or 7 displays, replace the media. If the operation succeeds, run “Function code E: Test cartridge & media” on page 34.  
   
**Attention:** When you run the Test Cartridge & Media diagnostic test, data on the suspect tape is overwritten. Use only a scratch data cartridge to run the test.  
- If the diagnostic test fails, replace the media.  
- If the diagnostic test succeeds, clean the drive head (see “Cleaning the drive head” on page 23) and run “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28.  
  - If the drive diagnostic test fails, replace the drive.  
  - If the drive diagnostic test succeeds, complete the operation that produced the initial media error.  

The error code clears when you remove the tape cartridge or place the tape drive in Maintenance mode. |
| 8          | Interface problem. The tape drive determined that a failure occurred in the tape drive’s hardware or in the host bus. See Chapter 5, “Troubleshooting,” on page 65. If 8 was displayed while “Function Code 6: Host Interface Test” was running:  
1. Verify that the correct interface wrap tool was attached in the correct interface port during the test. The test fails if the correct interface wrap tool is not attached.  
   **Note:** The interface wrap test is not supported on the USB port and displays an invalid error if run.  
2. If the correct interface wrap tool was attached during the test, replace the drive. The error code clears when you place the tape drive in Maintenance mode. |
| 9          | Tape drive or RS-422 error. The tape drive determined that a failure occurred in the tape drive’s hardware or in the RS-422 connection. See “Function code 7: Run RS-422 wrap test” on page 32 or refer to the library procedures to isolate the problem to the drive. The error code clears when you place the tape drive in Maintenance mode. |
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<td>Degraded operation. The tape drive determined that a problem occurred which degraded the operation of the tape drive, but it did not restrict continued use. If the problem persists, determine whether the problem is with the drive or the media. <strong>Note:</strong> The drive is usable, though the Single-character Display continues to indicate an error and the Fault light flashes. The error code might clear when you cycle power to the tape drive or place it in Maintenance mode.</td>
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<td>To determine whether the problem is with the drive hardware, or the tape media, complete these procedures:</td>
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<td>1. If possible, run the tape cartridge in a different drive. If the operation in the other drive fails and 5 or 7 displays, replace the media. If the operation succeeds, run the Test Cartridge &amp; Media diagnostic test (see “Function code E: Test cartridge &amp; media” on page 34).</td>
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<td>2. If the Test Cartridge &amp; Media diagnostic test fails, replace the media. If it runs successfully, clean the failing drive and run the drive diagnostic tests (see “Cleaning the drive head” on page 23 and “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28). When you begin this test, the diagnostic test begins the loop sequence. Time the first loop by pressing Unload once to stop the diagnostic test after the completion of the first loop, then record the time that it takes for the test to complete. Compare the recorded time with the &quot;Approximate Run Time&quot;. If the test runs successfully but the execution time is longer than the &quot;Approximate Run Time&quot;, run “Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35. If the Write Performance Test fails, replace the media and exit Maintenance mode. If the drive diagnostic tests run successfully, complete the operation that produced the initial drive error.</td>
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<td>3. If the problem persists, replace the drive.</td>
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<td>If it is not possible to run the tape cartridge in a different drive, complete these procedures:</td>
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<td>1. Clean the failing drive and run the drive diagnostic tests (see “Cleaning the drive head” on page 23 and “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28). When you begin this test, the diagnostic test begins the loop sequence. Time the first loop by pressing Unload once to stop the diagnostic test after the completion of the first loop, then record the time that it takes for the test to complete. Compare the recorded time with the &quot;Approximate Run Time&quot;. If the test runs successfully but the execution time is longer than the &quot;Approximate Run Time&quot;, run “Function code F: Write performance test” on page 35. If the Write Performance Test fails, replace the media and exit Maintenance mode. If the drive diagnostic tests run successfully, run the Test Cartridge &amp; Media diagnostic test (see “Function code E: Test cartridge &amp; media” on page 34).</td>
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<td>2. If the Test Cartridge &amp; Media diagnostic test fails, replace the media. If it runs successfully, complete the operation that produced the initial drive error.</td>
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<td>3. If the problem persists, replace the drive.</td>
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<td>The tape drive must be cleaned. Clean the tape drive. See “Cleaning the drive head” on page 23. The error code clears when you clean the tape drive or place it in Maintenance mode.</td>
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<td>Fiber AL_PA conflict. Two drives on fiber loop have the same AL_PA. Modify the tape drive AL_PA to eliminate the conflict. NOT SUPPORTED ON THIS DRIVE.</td>
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<td>Encryption Error. Displayed when the drive detects an error that is associated with an encryption operation. If the problem occurred while the tape drive was writing data to, or reading data from, tape:</td>
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| 1. Check the host application to ensure that the host application is providing the correct encryption key.  
   • Refer to the IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference documentation for the sense data that is returned for an encryption operation.  
   • Retry the encryption operation after the host application problems are resolved.  
2. Check the operation of the tape drive by resetting the drive and running POST. See Table 5 on page 21.  
   • Refer to the error code displayed on the SCD if the drive reset and POST fails.  
   • Retry the encryption operation if the drive reset and POST complete without errors.  
3. Check the media.  
   • Ensure that the correct media is used. Data encryption is supported by LTO Ultrium 4 and later data cartridges only.  
   • Retry the encryption operation with the tape cartridge in another encryption enabled drive. Replace the media if the problem repeats with the same tape cartridge in multiple drives. |
| 3. Check the media.  
   • Ensure that the correct media is used. Data encryption is supported by LTO Ultrium 4 and later data cartridges only.  
   • Retry the encryption operation with the tape cartridge in another encryption enabled drive. Replace the media if the problem repeats with the same tape cartridge in multiple drives. |
| If the problem occurred while the tape drive was running POST or diagnostic tests, replace the drive.  
The error code clears with the first attempted write/read after the encryption key is changed, or when the drive is placed in Maintenance mode. |
| Fiber Port offline. NOT SUPPORTED ON THIS DRIVE. |
| Fibre Channel error. NOT SUPPORTED ON THIS DRIVE. |
| Incompatible media. The tape drive detected that an unsupported cartridge was loaded or the cartridge that is loaded has an incompatible format. |
| Write operation to a write protected cartridge was attempted (includes any attempt to overwrite a WORM protected tape). Ensure that the tape cartridge is the correct media type. If the tape cartridge is the correct media type, check the write-protect switch on the cartridge. The drive does not write to a write-protected cartridge. The error code clears when you remove the tape cartridge or place the tape drive in Maintenance mode. |
Appendix B. TapeAlert flags

TapeAlert is a patented technology and standard of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) that defines conditions and problems that are experienced by tape drives. The technology enables a server to read TapeAlert flags from a tape drive through the host interface. The server reads the flags from Log Sense Page 0x2E. Refer to the IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Drive SCSI Reference for the list of TapeAlert flags that are supported by this tape drive.
Appendix C. Ordering optional features, replacement parts, and power cords

For ordering information, refer to the following sections:

- “Optional features”
- “Replacement parts”
- “Power cords” on page 80

For information about ordering media and bar code labels, see “Ordering media supplies” on page 61.

Optional features

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Power cords

To avoid electrical shock, a power cord with a grounded attachment plug is provided. Use only properly grounded outlets.

The table lists the power cord part number, feature code, the country, or region where the power cord can be used, and the plug’s standard reference. The last column in the table contains an index number that you can match to a specific receptacle type in Figure 28 on page 83.

All power cords use an appliance coupler that complies with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) Standard 320, Sheet C13.

If the power cord that you receive does not match your receptacle, contact your local dealer.

Power cords that are used in the United States and Canada are listed by Underwriter’s Laboratories (UL), are certified by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA), and comply with the plug standards of the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA). For other worldwide geographies, plug standards are listed in the table.

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* Low Voltage
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Types of Receptacles

The figure shows the plugs that are available on the power cords in “Power cords” on page 80. Match the index number that is beside each plug to the index number in Table 20 on page 80.
Figure 28. Types of receptacles
Appendix D. Installing a 19-inch rack mount kit (optional)

Before you begin, read these instructions to familiarize yourself with the installation procedure.

Rack safety

This general safety information must be used for all rack-mounted devices:

DANGER

- Always lower the leveling pads on the rack cabinet.
- Always install stabilizer brackets on the rack cabinet.
- To avoid hazardous conditions because of uneven mechanical loading, always install the heaviest devices in the bottom of the rack cabinet. Always install servers and optional devices starting from the bottom of the rack cabinet.
- Rack-mounted devices are not to be used as a shelf or workspace. Do not place any object on top of rack-mounted devices.
- Each rack cabinet might have more than one power cord. Be sure to disconnect all power cords in the rack cabinet before any device is serviced in the rack cabinet.
- Connect all devices that are installed in a rack cabinet to power devices installed in the same rack cabinet. Do not plug a power cord from a device that is installed in one rack cabinet into a power device that is installed in a different rack cabinet.
- An electrical outlet that is not correctly wired can place hazardous voltage on the metal parts of the system or the devices that attach to the system. It is the responsibility of the customer to ensure that the outlet is correctly wired and grounded to prevent an electrical shock.
CAUTION:

- Do not install a unit in a rack where the internal rack ambient temperatures exceeds the manufacturer's recommended ambient temperature for all your rack-mounted devices.

- Do not install a unit in a rack where the air flow is compromised. Ensure that air flow is not blocked or reduced on any side, front, or back of a unit that is used for air flow through the unit.

- Consideration must be given to the connection of the equipment to the supply circuit so that overloading of the circuits does not compromise the supply wiring or overcurrent protection. To provide the correct power connection to a rack, refer to the rating labels on the equipment in the rack to determine the total power requirement of the supply circuit.

- (For sliding drawers.) Do not pull out or install any drawer or feature if the rack stabilizer brackets are not attached to the rack. Do not pull out more than one drawer at a time. The rack can become unstable if you pull out more than one drawer at a time.

- (For fixed drawers.) This drawer is a fixed drawer and must not be moved for servicing unless specified by manufacturer. Attempting to move the drawer partially or completely out of the rack can cause the rack to become unstable or cause the drawer to fall out of the rack.
CAUTION:

Removing components from the upper positions in the rack cabinet improves rack stability during relocation. Follow these general guidelines whenever you relocate a populated rack cabinet within a room or building:

- Reduce the weight of the rack cabinet by removing equipment, starting at the top of the rack cabinet. When possible, restore the rack cabinet to the configuration of the rack cabinet as you received it. If this configuration is not known, you must do these procedures:
  - Remove all devices in the 32U position and above.
  - Ensure that the heaviest devices are installed in the bottom of the rack cabinet.
  - Ensure that there are no empty U-levels between devices that are installed in the rack cabinet below the 32U level.
- If the rack cabinet you are relocating is part of a suite of rack cabinets, detach the rack cabinet from the suite.
- Inspect the route that you plan to take to eliminate potential hazards.
- Verify that the route that you choose can support the weight of the loaded rack cabinet. Refer to the documentation that comes with your rack cabinet for the weight of a loaded rack cabinet.
- Verify that all door openings are at least 760 x 230 mm (30 x 80 in.).
- Ensure that all devices, shelves, drawers, doors, and cables are secure.
- Ensure that the four leveling pads are raised to their highest position.
- Ensure that there is no stabilizer bracket that is installed on the rack cabinet during movement.
- Do not use a ramp that is inclined at more than 10 degrees.
- Once the rack cabinet is in the new location, do these procedures:
  - Lower the four leveling pads.
  - Install stabilizer brackets on the rack cabinet.
  - If you removed any devices from the rack cabinet, repopulate the rack cabinet from the lowest position to the highest position.
- If a long-distance relocation is required, restore the rack cabinet to the configuration of the rack cabinet as you received it. Pack the rack cabinet in the original packaging material, or equivalent. Also, lower the leveling pads to raise the casters off of the pallet and bolt the rack cabinet to the pallet.

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**Tools required**

- 7 mm nut driver or 7 mm socket wrench
Installing the shelf

1. Decide at what level you want to install the shelf. The 3580 requires 3 units (EIAs) of rack space (see 2 in Figure 29).

   **Note:** All vertical rack measurements are given in rack units (U). One U is equal to 4.45 cm (1.75 in.). The U levels are marked on labels on one front mounting rail and one rear mounting rail.

2. With the sides and back of the shelf facing up, carefully lift the shelf into the rack between the front and back rack rails with the shelf flanges behind the front rack rails.

3. Align the holes in the shelf flange exactly with the holes in the front rack rails.

4. Holding the shelf level, insert a screw through the top hole 3 in each front flange of the shelf. Loosely thread the screws into the front mounting rails.

5. Check that the shelf is at the same level on the four mounting rails.

6. Insert a screw through the bottom hole 4 in each front flange of the shelf. Loosely thread the screws into the front mounting rails.

7. Tighten all mounting screws with a 7 mm nut driver or a 7 mm socket wrench.

8. Route cables down one of the rear rack rails by threading each tie wrap (see 3 in Figure 30 on page 89) through a hole in the rail and around the cables. One tie wrap must be located near the rear of the 3580; the other must be located farther down the rack rail. Tighten cable ties securely around the cables so the cables cannot be pulled out. Cut off tie wrap excess.

Figure 29. Front view of shelf attached to rack rails
The shelf installation is complete. You can now install your equipment on the shelf.

Removing the shelf from the rack

To remove the shelf from the rack, reverse the steps in the installation procedure.

Figure 30. Rear view of shelf with cables attached to rack rails with tie wraps
Appendix E. Information for trained service personnel

Attention

- It is strongly recommended that the drive and stuck tape be returned to IBM for removal and recovery.
- If the cartridge in the drive is an INPUT tape containing ACTIVE or 'ONLY COPY' data (i.e., there is no backup), eject commands issued at the host fail to unload the tape, and power-cycling the drive fails to eject the cartridge, make no further attempts to unload this tape. Call Technical Support and open a PMR if one isn't already open, to initiate the process of sending the drive with the loaded cartridge in for recovery.
- These procedures must be performed only by a trained IBM service provider. SSRs should claim their time against service code 33 ECA 013 when performing this procedure.
- Inform the customer the following procedure has high risk of damaging the drive and high risk of not being able to recover the data.

Removing the internal drive

This procedure is to be completed by IBM service personnel only.

Note: One of the four screws that secure the cover to the chassis is a tamperproof screw. A T20 Torx tamperproof screwdriver is required to remove the cover.

Step 1. Removing the cover

1. Unplug all cables from the rear panel of the unit.
2. Move the unit to a clean and sturdy work surface.
3. Turn the unit on its side with the bottom of the unit facing you.
4. Remove the 4 screws (1 in Figure 31 on page 92) by the feet.
5. Return the unit to its upright position.
6. Gently push the drive's rear panel to remove the chassis from the cover (see Figure 32 on page 93).
Step 2. Removing the internal drive

1. Unplug the SAS interface cable and the ethernet interface cable (1 and 2 in Figure 32) from the drive.Disconnecting the internal SAS interface cable disconnects both the SAS interface and electrical power from the drive.

   **Attention:** DO NOT UNPLUG THE INTERNAL POWER CABLE.

2. Press the latch assembly to release the drive.

*Figure 32. Removing cables from the internal drive*
3. Slide the internal drive forward towards the front of the chassis to clear the front bezel.

**Manually removing a tape cartridge**

This Procedure is to be performed by IBM service personnel only.

The purpose of this section is to assist you in determining the condition of the cartridge or the magnetic tape and to direct you to the procedure you must follow to remove the cartridge.

**Attention**

- The best solution for recovering data on a damaged cartridge is to send it to IBM for professional data recovery.
- Before this procedure is used, you must exhaust all other means of removing the tape cartridge from the drive. Use this procedure only if you cannot remove the tape cartridge with any other means.
- Determine from the customer if the cartridge contains critical customer data. If the cartridge contains sensitive data that cannot leave the site, inform the customer that certain failure conditions diagnostic tests are done to test the drive for continued use.
- The following removal procedures can destroy customer data! Use extreme care when handling or removing the customer’s tape cartridges to minimize tape damage and lost data.
- DO NOT TOUCH the magnetic tape or tape path. Both are sensitive to the oil and salt from your skin. Use clean, lint-free gloves when working around magnetic tape or the tape path components.
- Electrostatic-sensitive components: Consider using an ESD Kit.
- After you remove the tape cartridge, advise the customer to copy the data to another cartridge and to remove this tape cartridge from service.
- Do not use power tools or magnetic tools to complete this procedure.
- To avoid contamination and electrostatic-discharge damage to the drive, never touch the head or electronic components inside the drive.
- If you cannot remove the cartridge from the drive with the following procedures, contact your next level of support.
- The cartridge does not eject automatically at the end of a mid-tape recovery. Instead, the tape is reloaded into the drive and might result in the loss of data.
- INTERNAL COMPONENTS OF THE DRIVE ARE DELICATE AND CAN EASILY BE DAMAGED. EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN MANUALLY REMOVING A CARTRIDGE THAT WILL NOT EJECT AFTER PRESSING UNLOAD.

**Before you begin**

1. Attempt to remove the cartridge with the device power ON and with library manager, a host application, or Unload. Press and hold Unload for 12 seconds. This procedure causes the drive to eject the cartridge when it completed the mid-tape recovery.
2. Attempt to remove the cartridge by power-cycling the drive. Look for the drive to attempt a mid-tape recovery.

   **Note:** It can take up to 15 minutes for the cartridge to rewind and unload.
3. If the cartridge unloads, inform the operator that the cartridge is unloaded. If the cartridge does not unload, repeat steps 2 and 3 again before you continue with this procedure.

**Recommended tools**

- #1 Phillips screwdriver
- ESD kit
- Flashlight (optional)
- #1 Flathead screwdriver (optional)

**Beginning procedure**

1. Refer to the enclosure documentation for instructions on removing the drive.
2. Place the drive on a non-slip, sturdy work surface.
3. Ground yourself to the drive with the ESD kit.
4. Remove the cover of the drive:
a. To remove the drive bezel, pull the right side of the bezel from the front of the drive, then pull the left side of the bezel out of the frame of the drive.

b. Remove the cover of the internal drive:
   1) Remove the four cover-mounting screws (1 in Figure 35). Two screws are on each side of the drive.
   2) Remove the cover by lifting it up.

![Figure 35. Removing the bezel and the cover from the internal drive](image)

5. Inspect the drive to decide which of the following conditions most closely match the symptom on the drive:
   - **Tape spooled off the supply reel** - All the tape appears to be on the takeup reel and no tape is on the supply reel (inside the cartridge). Test the drive after the procedure is completed.
   - **Tape pulled from leader pin (or broken at the front end)** - All the tape appears to be on the supply reel (inside the cartridge) and little or no tape appears to be on the takeup reel. The leader block is positioned in the takeup reel. Return the drive after the procedure is completed.
   - **Tape broken in mid-tape** - Tape appears to be on both the supply reel (inside the cartridge) and takeup reel. Test the drive after the procedure is completed.
   - **Tape tangled along tape path** - Tape appears to be tangled and damaged but intact. Return the drive after the procedure is completed.

   -- OR --

   **No damage to tape (or no apparent failure)** - There appears to be no damage or slack to the tape. Return the drive after the procedure is completed.

### Tape spooled off supply reel

**Attention:** DO NOT TOUCH THE OUTER GUIDE RAIL (2 in Figure 36 on page 97). THIS RAIL IS VERY DELICATE AND EASILY DAMAGED.

1. From the takeup reel, pull an arm’s length of tape around the rear of the tape path and over the head and rollers on the left side of the drive.
2. Set the drive on its left side with the head and tape path facing up.
3. Make sure that the tape is not twisted. Untwist tape if required.
4. Moisten a cotton swab with water and wet approximately 13 mm (0.5 in.) of the tape end and feed it onto the supply reel (inside the cartridge).
5. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 36) clockwise, allowing the moistened tape to adhere to the hub as it winds around the supply reel (inside the cartridge).

6. Continue spooling into the cartridge until the tape is taut and remains within the flanges of the tape guiding rollers. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 36) 10 more turns. Ensure that you do not stretch the tape.

7. Reassemble the drive, reversing the steps in “Beginning procedure” on page 95.

8. Reassemble the drive chassis, following the steps in “Replacing the internal drive” on page 104.

9. Reinstall the drive canister into the cradle assembly. Ensure that the connector on the drive is seated properly into the connector on the cradle.

10. Allow the drive to complete mid-tape recovery. This action takes several minutes. When this activity completes, push Unload to eject the cartridge.

11. Test the drive (see “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28) to determine if it needs to be replaced.
Tape pulled from or broken near leader pin

1. Pull out tape from the takeup reel.

   **Note:** If there is more than approximately 0.6 m (2 ft.) of tape on the takeup reel, go to “Tape broken in mid-tape” on page 99.

2. If there is less than approximately 0.6 m (2 ft.) of tape on the takeup reel, cut off the excess tape as close to the leader pin as possible.

3. Reattach the leader pin to the remaining tape. For instructions, see “Repositioning or reattaching a leader pin” on page 54.

4. Locate the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 37) near the rear of the drive. You can use your finger to rotate the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 37) and slowly rotate the threader mechanism gear (2 in Figure 37) clockwise.

   This draws the tape leader block assembly (LBA) into the cartridge.

5. As the leader pin is secured in the cartridge, you hear the leader pin retention spring clips click into place. If you do not hear the click, continue rolling until the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 37) stops. The LBA is in the correct position.

   **Note:** Be sure to keep tension on the tape as the LBA is drawn into the cartridge.

6. Rotate the loader motor worm gear (3 in Figure 37) clockwise as viewed from the front of the drive until it stops. This action releases the LBA leader pin.

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Figure 37. Drive with cover removed to reveal gear train.

1. Threader intermediate gear
2. Threader mechanism gear
3. Loader motor worm gear
7. Rotate the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 37 on page 98) counterclockwise until the leader block is in front of the read/write head. This action moves the LBA out of the cartridge.

![Figure 38. Leader block assembly (LBA)](image)

- **1** Loader motor worm gear
- **2** Leader block assembly (LBA)

8. Rotate the loader motor worm gear (3 in Figure 37 on page 98) counterclockwise as viewed from the front of the drive until it stops.

9. Remove the cartridge from the cartridge loader tray.

10. Reassemble the drive by reversing the procedure in Step 4 in “Beginning procedure” on page 95.

11. Reassemble the drive chassis.

12. Refer to the appropriate procedure to install the new drive and return the failed drive.

**Tape broken in mid-tape**

1. With the front of the drive facing you, pull an arm’s length of tape out of the takeup reel. From the takeup reel, thread tape around the rear of the tape path and over the head rollers on the left side of the drive.

   **Note:** If there is less than approximately 5 cm (2 in.) of tape on the takeup reel, go to “Tape pulled from or broken near leader pin” on page 98.

2. From the supply reel inside the cartridge, pull approximately 0.3 m (1 ft.) of tape.

3. Make sure that the tape is not twisted. Untwist tape if required.

4. Moisten a cotton swab with water, and wet approximately 13 mm (0.5 in.) of the tape end. Overlap the tape ends, loosely mending them together.

5. Set the drive on its left side with the head and tape path facing up.

6. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 39 on page 100) clockwise, carefully guiding the mended portion of the tape to wind around the hub of the supply reel that is located inside the cartridge. Continue spooling into the cartridge until the tape is taut. The tape must remain within the flanges of the tape guiding rollers. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 39 on page 100) 10 more turns. Ensure that you do not stretch the tape.
7. Reassemble the drive by reversing the procedure in Step 4 in “Beginning procedure” on page 95.

8. Reassemble the chassis by following the steps in “Replacing the internal drive” on page 104.

9. Allow the drive to complete mid-tape recovery. This action takes several minutes. When this activity completes, push Unload to eject the cartridge.

10. Test the drive (see “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28) to determine whether it needs to be replaced.

**Tape tangled along tape path**

1. Carefully pull out excess tape and untangle.

   **Note:** If you find the tape to be broken, try one of these procedures:
   - “Tape spooled off supply reel” on page 96
   - “Tape pulled from or broken near leader pin” on page 98
   - “Tape broken in mid-tape” on page 99

2. Set the drive on its left side with the head and tape path facing up.
3. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 40) clockwise.

4. Continue spooling into the cartridge until the tape is taut and remains within the flanges of the tape guiding rollers. Turn the supply reel (4 in Figure 40) 10 turns. Ensure that you do not stretch the tape.

5. Reassemble the chassis by following the steps in “Replacing the internal drive” on page 104.

6. Allow the drive to complete mid-tape recovery. This action takes several minutes. When this activity completes, push Unload to eject the cartridge.

7. Test the drive (see “Function code 1: Run drive diagnostics” on page 28) to determine whether it needs to be replaced.

**No apparent failure or damage to tape**

1. Set the drive on its left side with the head and tape path facing up.
2. Begin spooling the tape back into the cartridge by turning the supply reel motor (4 in Figure 41) clockwise.

3. Continue spooling into the cartridge until the tape is taut and remains within the flanges of the tape guiding rollers. Ensure that you do not stretch the tape. Continue spooling until all tape is removed from the takeup reel (3 in Figure 41).

4. Locate the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 42 on page 103) near the rear of the drive. You can use your finger to rotate the threader intermediate gear (1 in Figure 42 on page 103) and slowly rotate the threader mechanism gear (2 in Figure 42 on page 103) clockwise.

This action draws the tape leader block assembly (LBA) into the cartridge.
5. As the leader pin is secured in the cartridge, you hear the leader pin retention spring clips click into place. If you do not hear the click, continue rolling until the threader intermediate gear (in Figure 42) stops. The LBA is in the correct position.

**Note:** Be sure to keep tension on the tape as the LBA is drawn into the cartridge.

6. Rotate the loader intermediate gear (in Figure 43) clockwise as viewed from the front of the drive until it stops. This action releases the LBA leader pin.

7. Rotate the threader motor worm gear (in Figure 43) counterclockwise until the leader block is in front of the read/write head. This action moves the LBA out of the cartridge.
8. Rotate the loader motor worm gear (in Figure 43 on page 103) clockwise as viewed from the front of the drive until it stops.

9. Remove the cartridge from the cartridge loader tray.

10. Reassemble the drive by reversing the procedure in Step 4 in “Beginning procedure” on page 95.

11. Reassemble the drive chassis by following the steps in “Replacing the internal drive.”

12. Refer to the appropriate procedure to install the new drive and return the failed drive.

Replacing the internal drive

Step 1. Replacing the internal drive

1. Place the internal drive part way into the chassis.
2. Reconnect the internal interface cable to the drive.
3. Reconnect the internal power cable to the drive.
4. Slide the internal drive completely into the chassis until the latch assembly locks the drive in place.

Step 2. Replacing the cover

1. Gently push the chassis into the cover.
2. Turn the unit on its side with the bottom of the unit facing you.
3. Align the four screw holes in the cover by the feet with the screw holes in the chassis.
4. Replace the 4 screws by the feet.
5. Reconnect all cables to the rear panel of the unit.
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This glossary defines the special terms, abbreviations, and acronyms that are used in this publication. If you do not find the term that you are looking for, refer to the index or to the Dictionary of Computing, 1994.

Numbers

2:1 compression
The relationship between the quantity of data that can be stored with compression as compared to the quantity of data that can be stored without compression. In 2:1 compression, twice as much data can be stored with compression as can be stored without compression.

A

Ampere.

ac
Alternating current.

access method
A technique for moving data between main storage and input or output devices.

adapter card
A circuit board that adds function to a computer.

adj
Adjustment.

AIX
Advanced Interactive Executive. IBM’s implementation of the UNIX operating system. The RS/6000 system, among others, uses AIX as its operating system.

alphanumeric
Pertaining to a character set that contains letters, numerals, and other characters, such as punctuation marks.

alter
To change.

ambient temperature
The temperature of air or other media in a designated area, particularly the area that surrounds equipment.

ampere (A)
A unit of measure for electric current that is equivalent to a flow of one coulomb per second, or to the current produced by one volt applied across a resistance of one ohm.

ANSI
American National Standards Institute.

archive
To collect and store files in a designated place.

ASCII
American National Standard Code for Information Interchange. A 7 bit coded character set (8 bits including parity check) that consists of control characters and graphic characters.

assigning a device
The establishing of the relationship of a device to a running task, process, job, or program.

assignment
The naming of a specific device to complete a function.

asynchronous
Pertaining to two or more processes that do not depend upon the occurrence of specific events such as common timing signals.

attention (notice)
A word for calling attention to the possibility of danger to a program, device, or system, or to data. Contrast with caution and danger.

ATTN
Attention.

B

backup
To make extra copies of documents or software for safekeeping.

bar code
A code that represents characters by sets of parallel bars of varying thickness and separation that are read optically by transverse scanning.

bar code label
Paper bearing a bar code and having an adhesive backing. The bar code label must be affixed to a tape cartridge to enable the library to identify the cartridge and its volume serial number.

bar code reader
A laser device that is specialized for scanning and reading bar codes and
converting them into either the ASCII or EBCDIC digital character code.

bezel  Decorative and safety cover.

bicolored  Having two colors.

bit  Either of the digits 0 or 1 when used in the binary numbering system.

BM or bill of materials  A list of specific types and amounts of direct materials that are expected to be used to produce a specific job or quantity of output.

browser  A client program that initiates requests to a Web server and displays the information that the server returns.

buffer  A routine or storage that is used to compensate for a difference in rate of flow of data or time of occurrence of events, when data is transferred from one device to another.

bus  A facility for transferring data between several devices that are located between two end points, only one device that is able to transmit at a specific moment.

byte  A string that consists of bits (usually 8) that are treated as a unit and represent a character. A fundamental data unit.

C  

capacity  The amount of data that can be contained on storage media and expressed in bytes of data.

cartridge manual rewind tool  A device that can be fitted into the reel of a cartridge and used to rewind tape into or out of the cartridge.

cartridge storage slot  Individual slot that is located within a magazine that is used to house tape cartridges.

caution (notice)  A word to call attention to possible personal harm to people. Contrast with attention and danger.

CE  Customer engineer; field engineer; service representative.
data  Any representations such as characters or analog quantities to which meaning is or might be assigned.

data buffer  The storage buffer in the control unit. This buffer is used to increase the data transfer rate between the control unit and the channel.

data cartridge  A tape cartridge that is dedicated to storing data. Contrast with cleaning cartridge.

data check  A synchronous or asynchronous indication of a condition that is caused by invalid data or incorrect positioning of data.

dc  Direct current.

degauss  To make a magnetic tape nonmagnetic by using electrical coils that carry currents that neutralize the magnetism of the tape.

degausser  A device that makes magnetic tape nonmagnetic.

degradation  A decrease in quality of output or throughput or an increase in machine error rate.

degraded  Decreased in quality of output or throughput or increased machine error rate.

deserialize  To change from serial-by-bit to parallel-by-byte.

detented  A part that is held in position with a catch or lever.

device  Any hardware component or peripheral device, such as a tape drive or tape library, that can receive and send data.

device driver  A file that contains the code that is needed to use an attached device.

DIAG  Diagnostic section of maintenance information manual.

differential  See High Voltage Differential (HVD).

direct access storage  A storage device in which the access time is independent of the location of the data.

DNS  Directory Name System. This system allows the library to recognize text-based addresses instead of numeric IP addresses.

download  To transfer programs or data from a computer to a connected device, typically a personal computer.

To transfer data from a computer to a connected device, such as a workstation or microcomputer.

DRAM  Dynamic random-access memory.

drive, magnetic tape  A mechanism for moving magnetic tape and controlling its movement.

DRV  Drive.

DSE  Data security erase.

DSP  Digital signal processor.

E

EBCDIC  Extended binary-coded decimal interchange code.

EC  Edge connector. Engineering change.

ECC  Error correction code.

EEPROM  Electrically erasable programmable read-only memory.

EIA  Electronics Industries Association.

EIA unit  A unit of measure, which is established by the Electronic Industries Association, equal to 44.45 millimeters (1.75 inches).

eject  To remove or force out from within.

Electronic mail  Correspondence in the form of messages that are transmitted between user terminals over a computer network.

email  See electronic mail.

EPO  Emergency power off.
EPROM
Erasable programmable read only memory.

EQC Equipment check.

equipment check
An asynchronous indication of a malfunction.

Error log
A data set or file in a product or system where error information is stored for later access.

ESD Electrostatic discharge.

F
fault symptom code (FSC)
A hexadecimal code that is generated by the drive or the control unit microcode in response to a detected subsystem error.

FC Feature code.

FCC Federal communications commission.

FE Field engineer, customer engineer, or service representative.

fiducial
A target that is used for teaching a physical location to a robot.

field replaceable unit (FRU)
An assembly that is replaced in its entirety when any one of its components fails.

file A named set of records that are stored or processed as a unit. Also referred to as a dataset.

file protection
The processes and procedures that are established in an information system that are designed to inhibit unauthorized access to, contamination of, or deletion of a file.

file transfer protocol (FTP)
In the Internet suite of protocols, an application layer protocol that uses TCP and Telnet services to transfer bulk-data files between machines or hosts.

firmware
Proprietary code that is delivered as microcode as part of an operating system. Firmware is more efficient than software loaded from an alterable medium and more adaptable to change than pure hardware circuitry. An example of firmware is the Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) in read-only memory (ROM) on a PC motherboard.

FLASH EEPROM
An electrically erasable programmable read-only memory (EEPROM) that can be updated.

FMR Field microcode replacement.

format The arrangement or layout of data on a data medium.

formatter Part of a magnetic tape subsystem that completes data conversion, speed matching, encoding, first-level error recovery, and interfaces to one or more tape drives.

FP File protect.

frayed Damaged as if by an abrasive substance.

FRU Field replaceable unit.

FSC Fault symptom code.

FSI Fault symptom index.

functional microcode
Microcode that is resident in the machine during normal customer operation.

G
g Gram.

GB gigabyte.

GBIC Gigabit Interface Converter.

Gbi gigabit

Generation 1
The informal name for the IBM Ultrium 1 Tape Drive, which is the first generation of the Ultrium tape drive. The Generation 1 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 100 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 15 MB per second.

Generation 2
The informal name for the second-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 2 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 200 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 35 MB per second.
Generation 3
The informal name for the third-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 3 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 400 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 135 MB per second.

Generation 4
The informal name for the fourth-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 4 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 800 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 135 MB per second.

Generation 5
The informal name for the fifth-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 5 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 1500 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 140 MB per second.

Generation 6
The informal name for the sixth-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 6 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 2500 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 160 MB per second.

Generation 7
The informal name for the seventh-generation version of the IBM Ultrium Tape Drive. The Generation 7 drive has a native storage capacity of up to 6000 GB per cartridge and a native sustained data transfer rate of 300 MB per second.

gigabit (Gbit)
1 000 000 000 bits.

gigabyte (GB)
1 000 000 000 bytes.

Gigabit Interface Converter (GBIC)
Converts copper interface to optic interface.

gnd
Ground.

H
hertz (Hz)
Unit of frequency. One hertz equals one cycle per second.

hex
Hexadecimal.

High Voltage Differential (HVD)
A logic-signaling system that enables data communication between a supported host and the library. HVD signaling uses a paired plus and minus signal level to reduce the effects of noise on the SCSI bus. Any noise that is injected into the signal is present in both a plus and minus state, and is canceled. Synonymous with differential.

HVD
SCSI Bus High Voltage Differential

Hz
Hertz (cycles per second).

IBM Spectrum Archive
Formerly known as Linear Tape File System (LTFS). A file system that works with LTO Generation tape technology to access data stored on an IBM tape cartridge.

IBM Ultrium Tape Drive
Located within the library, a data-storage device that controls the movement of the magnetic tape in an IBM LTO Ultrium Tape Cartridge. The drive houses the mechanism (drive head) that reads and writes data to the tape.

ID
Identifier.

identifier (ID)
(1) In programming languages, a lexical unit that names a language object; for example, the names of variables, arrays, records, labels, or procedures. An identifier usually consists of a letter optionally followed by letters, digits, or other characters. (2) One or more characters that are used to identify or name data element and possibly to indicate certain properties of that data element. (3) A sequence of bits or characters that identifies a program, device, or system to another program, device, or system.

IML
Initial microprogram load.
initial microprogram load (IML)
The action of loading a microprogram from an external storage to writable control storage.

initiator
The component that runs a command. The initiator can be the host system or the tape control unit.

INST Installation.

interface
A shared boundary. An interface might be a hardware component to link two devices or it might be a portion of storage or registers accessed by two or more computer programs.

interposer
The part that is used to convert a 68-pin connector to a 50-pin D-shell connector.

intervention required
Manual action is needed.

INTRO Introduction.

I/O Input/output.

IOP Input/output processor.

IPL Initial program load.

ITST Idle-time self-test.

K
kilogram (kg)
One thousand grams (approximately 2.2 pounds).

km kilometer. 1000 Meters, Approximately 5/8 mile.

L
LAN Local area network. A computer network within a limited area.

LCD See liquid crystal display.

LDAP Lightweight Directory Access Protocol. This protocol allows the library to use login and password information that is stored on a server to grant access to the library functionality.

LED Light-emitting diode.

Linear Tape File System (LTFS)
See IBM Spectrum Archive.

Linear Tape-Open (LTO)
A type of tape storage technology that is developed by the IBM Corporation, Hewlett-Packard, and Certance. LTO technology is an “open format” technology, which means that its users have multiple sources of product and media. The “open” nature of LTO technology enables compatibility between different vendors’ offerings by ensuring that vendors comply with verification standards. The LTO technology is implemented in two formats: the Accelis format focuses on fast access; the Ultrium format focuses on high capacity. The Ultrium format is the preferred format when capacity (rather than fast access) is the key storage consideration. An Ultrium cartridge has a compressed data capacity of up to 800 GB (2:1 compression) and a native data capacity of up to 400 GB.

liquid crystal display (LCD)
A low-power display technology that is used in computers and other I/O devices.

loadable
Having the ability to be loaded.

LTO cartridge memory (LTO-CM)
Within each LTO Ultrium data cartridge, an embedded electronics and interface module that can store and retrieve a cartridge's historical usage and other information.

LVD SCSI Bus Low Voltage Differential

M

m Meter. In the Metric System, the basic unit of length; equal to approximately 39.37 inches.

magnetic tape
A tape with a magnetic surface layer on which data can be stored by magnetic recording.

MAP Maintenance analysis procedure.

mask A pattern of characters that controls the retention or elimination of portions of another pattern of characters. To use a pattern of characters to control the retention or elimination of portions of another pattern of characters.

master file
A file that is used as an authority in a
specific job and that is relatively permanent, even though its contents might change. Synonymous with main file.

**MB**  
Mega Byte (expressed as data rate in MB/s or MB/second).

**Media capacity**  
The amount of data that can be contained on a storage medium, expressed in bytes of data.

**Media-type identifier**  
Pertaining to the bar code on the bar code label of the IBM Ultrium Tape Cartridge, a 2-character code, L1, that represents information about the cartridge. L identifies the cartridge as one that can be read by devices that incorporate LTO technology; 1 indicates that it is the first generation of its type.

**Mega**  
One million of.

**Meter**  
In the Metric System, the basic unit of length; equal to approximately 39.37 inches.

**Micro**  
One millionth of.

**Microcode**  
(1) One or more micro instructions.  
(2) A code, representing the instructions of an instruction set, which is implemented in a part of storage that is not program-addressable.  
(3) To design, write, and test one or more micro instructions.  
(4) See also *microprogram*.

**Microdiagnostic routine**  
A program that runs under the control of a supervisor, usually to identify field replaceable units.

**Microdiagnostic utility**  
A program that is run by the customer engineer to test the machine.

**Microinstruction**  
A basic or elementary machine instruction.

**Microprogram**  
A group of microinstructions that when run completes a planned function.  
The term microprogram represents a dynamic arrangement or selection of one or more groups of microinstructions for execution to run a particular function. The term microcode represents microinstructions that are used in a product as an alternative to hard-wired circuitry to implement certain functions of a processor or other system component.

**MIM**  
Media information message.

**mm**  
Millimeter.

**Modifier**  
That which changes the meaning.

**Mount a device**  
To assign an I/O device with a request to the operator.

**MP**  
Microprocessor.

**Ms**  
Millisecond.

**MSG**  
Message.

**Multipath**  
Pertaining to using more than one path.

**N**  
N/A  
Not applicable.

**Node**  
In a network, a point at which one or more functional units connect channels or data circuits.

**NTP**  
Network Time Protocol. This protocol allows the library to set its internal date and time that is based on the date and time of a sever.

**NVS**  
Nonvolatile storage. A storage device whose contents are not lost when power is cut off.

**O**

**Oersted**  
The unit of magnetic field strength in the un rationalized centimeter-gram-second (cgs) electromagnetic system. The oersted is the magnetic field strength in the interior of an elongated, uniformly wound solenoid that is excited with a linear current density in its winding of one abampere per 4πt centimeters of axial length.

**Offline**  
Pertaining to the operation of a functional unit without the continual control of a computer. Contrast with *online*.

**Online**  
Pertaining to the operation of a functional unit that is under the continual control of a computer. Contrast with *offline*.
OPER Operation.

ov Over voltage.

overrun Loss of data because a receiving device is unable to accept data at the rate it is transmitted.

overtightening To tighten too much.

P

parameter A variable that is given a constant value for a specified application and that can denote the application.

p bit Parity bit.

PC Parity check.

PCC Power control compartment.

PDF Portable Document Format.

PE Parity error. Product engineer.

pick Pertaining to the library, to remove, by using a robotic device, a tape cartridge from a storage slot or drive.

picker A robotic mechanism that is located inside the library that moves cartridges between the cartridge storage slots and the drive.

PM Preventive maintenance.

POR Power-on reset.

port A physical connection for communication between the 3590 and the host processor. The 3590 has two SCSI ports.

Portable Document Format (PDF) A standard that is specified by Adobe Systems, Incorporated, for the electronic distribution of documents. PDF files are compact, can be distributed globally (email, the Web, intranets, or CD-ROM), and can be viewed with the Acrobat Reader. The Acrobat Reader is software from Adobe Systems that can be downloaded at no cost from the Adobe Systems home page.

PROM Programmable read only memory.

PS Power supply.

PWR Power.

R

rack A unit that houses the components of a storage subsystem, such as the library.

rackmount kit A packaged collection of articles that are used to install the rack-mounted version of the library.

RAM Random access memory.

Random access memory A storage device into which data is entered and from which data is retrieved in a nonsequential manner.

RAS Reliability, availability, and serviceability.

record A collection of related data or words, which are treated as a unit.

recording density The number of bits in a single linear track measured per unit of length of the recording medium.

recoverable error An error condition that allows continued execution of a program.

ref Reference.

reg Register.

reinventory To inventory again.

retension The process or function of tightening the tape onto the cartridge, if it is sensed that the tape has a loose wrap on the cartridge.

robot Picker.

robotics Picker assembly.

RPQ Request for price quotation.

R/W Read/write.

S

s Seconds of time.

SAC Service Action Code. Code that is developed to indicate possible FRU or FRUs to replace to repair the hardware.

SAS Serial attached SCSI interface.

scratch cartridge A data cartridge that contains no useful data, but can be written to with new data.
SCSI  Small computer system interface.
segment  A part.
sel  Select.
serialize  To change from parallel-by-byte to serial-by-bit.
serializer  A device that converts a space distribution of simultaneous states that represents data into a corresponding time sequence of states.
servo, servos  An adjective for use in qualifying some part or aspect of a servomechanism.
servomechanism  A feedback control system in which at least one of the system signals represents mechanical motion.

Small Computer Systems Interface (SCSI)  A standard that is used by computer manufacturers for attaching peripheral devices (such as tape drives, hard disks, CD-ROM players, printers, and scanners) to computers (servers). Pronounced “scuzzy”. Variations of the SCSI interface provide for faster data transmission rates than standard serial and parallel ports (up to 160 megabytes per second). The variations include
- Fast/Wide SCSI: Uses a 16-bit bus, and supports data rates of up to 20 MBps.
- SCSI-1: Uses an 8-bit bus, and supports data rates of 4 MBps.
- SCSI-2: Same as SCSI-1, but uses a 50-pin connector instead of a 25-pin connector, and supports multiple devices.
- Ultra SCSI: Uses an 8- or 16-bit bus, and supports data rates of 20 or 40 MBps.
- Ultra2 SCSI: Uses an 8- or 16-bit bus and supports data rates of 40 or 80 MBps.
- Ultra3 SCSI: Uses a 16-bit bus and supports data rates of 80 or 160 MBps.
- Ultra160 SCSI: Uses a 16-bit bus and supports data rates of 80 or 160 MBps.

special feature  A feature that can be ordered to enhance the capability, storage capacity, or performance of a product, but is not essential for its basic work.
SR  Service representative, see also CE.
SRAM  Static random access memory.
SS  Status store.
ST  Store.
standard feature  The significant design elements of a product that are included as part of the fundamental product.
START  Start maintenance.
subsystem  A secondary or subordinate system, capable of operating independently of, or asynchronously with, a controlling system.
SUPP  Support.
sync  Synchronous, synchronize. Occurring with a regular or predictable time relationship.
T  
tachometer, tach  A device that emits pulses that are used to measure/check speed or distance.
tape cartridge  A container-holding magnetic tape that can be processed without separating it from the container.
tape void  An area in the tape in which no signal can be detected.
TCU  Tape control unit.
TH  Thermal.
thread/load operation  A procedure that places tape along the tape path.
TM  Tapemark.
U

UART Universal asynchronous receiver/transmitter.

Universal Serial Bus (USB)
An interface standard that manufacturers use to connect peripheral devices (such as tape drives, hard disk drives, and printers) to computers (host servers). Variations of the USB interface have different data transmission rates. The variations include USB 1.1, USB 2.0, USB 3.0.

unload
Prepare the tape cartridge for removal from the drive.

utilities
Utility programs.

utility programs
A computer program in general support of the processes of a computer; for instance, a diagnostic program.

uv Under voltage.

V

VOLSER Volume serial number.

volume
A certain portion of data, together with its data carrier, that can be handled conveniently as a unit.

VPD Vital product data. The information that is contained within the tape drive that requires nonvolatile storage that is used by functional areas of the drive, and information that is required for manufacturing, RAS, and engineering.

W

word A character string that is convenient for some purpose to consider as an entity.

Write Write command.

WT world trade.

X

XR External register.

XRA External register address register.
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