

# HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption QuickSpecs

**Do you need a secure encryption for drives on your HPE Gen9 and Newer servers without a lot of cost or complexity?**

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption is a controller-based data-at-rest encryption solution for any SAS/SATA drive (with the exception of tape drives) connected to the HPE Smart Array Controller or HPE Smart Host Bus Adapter (see compatibility below). HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption is a FIPS 140-2 Level 1 enterprise-class encryption solution that complies with regulations for sensitive data, such as HIPPA and Sarbanes-Oxley.

## Overview

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption is available for HPE ProLiant Gen8, Gen9, and Gen10 servers and for HPE Synergy Gen9 and Gen10 compute modules. Encryption is only supported on RAID volumes when using a controller that supports encryption. Secure Encryption is available for both local and remote key management methodologies. The remote key management mode requires Integrated Lights Out (iLO) Advanced or Scale Out editions v1.40 or later and supported remote secure key manager.

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## What's New!

- See iLO QuickSpecs for new supported remote secure key managers.
- Additional controllers have completed FIPS 140-2 validation. See below for details.

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## Models

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption (Data at Rest Encryption/per Server Entitlement) E-LTU

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### HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption

**Notes:** HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption licensing is based on the number of servers requiring encryption enablement.

Remote Key Management Mode requires a license for Integrated Lights Out Advanced or Scale Out editions (see QuickSpecs for more information), and requires supported remote secure key manager (typically sold in a clustered pair), and a client license per HPE ProLiant server connected to the remote secure key manager. See supported remote secure key manager options in this document.

**HPE Special Reminder:** Before enabling encryption on the Smart Array controller module on this system, you must ensure that your intended use of the encryption complies with relevant local laws, regulations and policies, and approvals or licenses must be obtained if applicable.

For any compliance issues arising from your operation/usage of encryption within the Smart Array controller module which violates the above-mentioned requirement, you shall bear all the liabilities wholly and solely. HPE will not be responsible for any related liabilities.

**Notes:** Mixing SR and MR controllers within the same system is neither supported nor recommended. However, an exception exists for the HPE Smart Array E208e-p SR Gen10 Controller, which is supported when installed with MR Gen10+, Gen11 controllers in Gen10, Gen10+, Gen11, and Gen12 servers.

**Notes:** For Smart Array Controllers on Gen11 and beyond, remote Controller Based Encryption and One Button Secure Erase (OBSE) are not supported

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## Overview

### Key Features

- Encryption supported on logical volumes only
- Automatic key management
- Broad encryption coverage
  - Encrypts SAS/SATA drive and controller cache memory
- Compliance with regulations such as HIPAA and Sarbanes-Oxley
- FIPS 140-2 Level 1 validated (see list of validated controllers below)
- High Availability and Scalability
  - Local Key Management Mode
  - Remote Key Management Mode
- Instant volume erase
- Security reset function
- Simplified Deployment and Management

Easy management using via HPE Smart Storage Administrator

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### Compatibility

#### Supported Controllers

##### HPE Smart Array Performance RAID P-class Controllers

HPE Smart Array P816i-a SR Gen10 (16 Int Lanes/4GB Cache/SmartCache) 12G SAS Modular LH Controller	869083-B21
HPE Smart Array P816i-a SR Gen10 (16 Internal Lanes/4GB Cache/SmartCache) 12G SAS Modular Controller	804338-B21
HPE Smart Array P408i-p SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/2GB Cache) 12G SAS PCIe Plug-in Controller	830824-B21
HPE Smart Array P408i-a SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/2GB Cache) 12G SAS Modular LH Controller	869081-B21
HPE Smart Array P408i-a SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/2GB Cache) 12G SAS Modular Controller	804331-B21
HPE Smart Array P408e-p SR Gen10 (8 External Lanes/4GB Cache) 12G SAS PCIe Plug-in Controller	804405-B21

##### HPE Smart Host Bus Adapters and Smart Array Essential RAID E-class Controllers

HPE Smart Array E208i-p SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/No Cache) 12G SAS PCIe Plug-in Controller	804394-B21
HPE Smart Array E208i-a SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/No Cache) 12G SAS Modular LH Controller	869079-B21
HPE Smart Array E208i-a SR Gen10 (8 Internal Lanes/No Cache) 12G SAS Modular Controller	804326-B21
HPE Smart Array E208e-p SR Gen10 (8 External Lanes/No Cache) 12G SAS PCIe Plug-in Controller	804398-B21

##### HPE Smart Host Bus Adapters and Smart Array SR Controllers

Microchip SmartRAID SR932i-p x32 Lanes 8GB Wide Cache NVMe/SAS 24G Controller for HPE Gen10 Plus	P04220-B21
HPE SR932i-p Gen11 x32 Lanes 8GB Wide Cache PCI SPDM Plug-in Storage Controller	P47184-B21

## Standard Features

### Automatic Key Management

Encryption keys are automatically created, saved and deleted by the controller without user intervention or knowledge when logical drives are created or deleted.

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### Controller Key Cache (Remote Mode)

HPE Smart Array Performance RAID Controllers (e.g., P408i-a, P816i-a) can optionally store all keys local to the controller required at boot time enabling the server to survive a variety of network outages.

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### Controller Password

Protects the server in the event of theft by applying a secondary password upon boot to prevent unauthorized data access.

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### Dynamic Encryption

Dynamic encryption allows for a variety of non-disruptive features

- Transition between local and remote modes seamlessly
  - Conversion of non-encrypted logical drives into encrypted logical drives
  - Rekey services for both data and key wraps
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### Encryption Keys

Data is protected using a series of keys that provide layered protection at the volume and drive levels. The solution utilizes AES 256-bit encryption keys. A primary key stored either at the controller level or on the remote secure key manager, is required to "unwrap" each successive layer.

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### FIPS Validation

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption has been designed to meet National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) approved standards. See below for controllers that have completed FIPS 140-2 validation.

#### **FIPS 140-2 Level 1 – Validation Complete** ([Link](#))

- HPE Smart Array P816i-a Controller
- HPE Smart Array P416ie-m Controller
- HPE Smart Array P408i-p Controller
- HPE Smart Array P408i-a Controller
- HPE Smart Array P408e-p Controller
- HPE Smart Array P408e-m Controller
- HPE Smart Array P204i-c Controller
- HPE Smart Array P204i-b Controller

#### **FIPS 140-2 Level 1 - Validation Complete** ([Link](#))

- HPE Smart Array P840 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P542D Controller
- HPE Smart Array P440ar Controller
- HPE Smart Array P440 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P240nr Controller
- HPE H240nr Smart HBA

#### **FIPS 140-2 Level 1 – Validation Complete** ([Link](#))

## Standard Features

The validation certificate for these controllers has been moved to the Historical List. HPE is actively engaged in activities to return these controllers to the Validated Modules List.

- HPE Smart Array P741m Controller
- HPE Smart Array P440 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P441 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P246br Controller
- HPE Smart Array P244br Controller

### **FIPS 140-2 Level 2 – Validation Complete** ([Link](#))

The validation for these controllers has been moved to the Historical List. HPE is actively engaged in activities to return these controllers to the Validated Modules List.

- HPE Smart Array P830i Controller
- HPE Smart Array P830 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P731m Controller
- HPE Smart Array P431 Controller
- HPE Smart Array P430 Controller
- HPE Smart Array 230i Controller

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## Firmware Lock

Prevents controller firmware from being modified unintentionally or by unauthorized personnel.

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## Supported Remote Secure Key Managers (Remote Mode Only)

See the iLO QuickSpecs document for details on supported remote secure key managers.

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## HPE Smart Storage Administrator

HPE Smart Storage Administrator (HPE SSA) v1.60.xx.0 and later provides the configuration and management of the cryptographic features of HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption associated with the controller.

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## Integrated Lights Out

HPE iLO Management is a comprehensive set of embedded management features supporting the complete lifecycle of the server, from initial deployment, through ongoing management, to service alerting and remote support. HPE iLO Management comes standard on all HPE ProLiant Gen8, Gen9, and Gen10 servers.

HPE iLO Advanced or Scale Out editions v 1.40 or later connect and auto register with the supported remote secure key manager. HPE iLO provides key exchange support between the controllers and the remote secure key manager to enable pre-boot support for OS disk encryption. Audit support is provided for all key management transactions.

**Notes:** For more information on iLO, visit: <http://www.hpe.com/info/ilo>

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## Instant Volume Erase

Ability to instantly cryptographically erase volumes.

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## Key Management Modes

Local Key Management Mode provides a simple key management solution, using just HPE SSA. Local Mode is focused on single server deployments where there is one Primary Key per controller that is managed by the user. All volumes still have their own unique key(s) for data encryption.

## Standard Features

**WARNING:** Hewlett Packard Enterprise recommends that you keep a record of the Primary Keys when encryption is configured in Local Mode. The Local Primary Key is never displayed by any available tool or firmware because it is considered a cryptographic secret and should be protected as such. HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption design follows NIST architecture requirements and does not allow Hewlett Packard Enterprise to assist in the recovery of the Primary Key.

Remote Key Management Mode allows for the central management and secure key storage for all HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption keys. The remote secure key manager scales to support over 25,000 attached devices and millions of encryption keys. Remote Key Management Mode requires Integrated Lights Out (iLO) Advanced or Scale Out editions v1.40 or later and supported remote secure key manager.

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## Key Rotation

Supports rekeying of all keys utilized by the controller to enable a robust key rotation strategy.

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## One-way Encryption

The HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption design is such that after a data-at-rest volume is encrypted, it cannot be converted back to plaintext. Restoration of data is required to revert back to plaintext.

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## Pre-deployment Support

Supports the ability to preconfigure all cryptographic security settings while in a server, then store the powered off controller for later use while retaining the security settings.

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## Security Reset Function

The feature clears all keys and passwords from the controller and places the controller's encryption configuration in a factory new state.

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## Two Encryption Roles

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption supports two roles for managing encryption services, a crypto officer role and a user role that has reduced privileges.

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## Volume Level Encryption

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption provides flexibility in allowing the user to selectively encrypt at the volume level, regardless of RAID level.

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## Warranty

HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption has a 90-day media replacement from date of customer purchase. Services and support, beyond the 90-day warranty, is covered through the supported HPE Smart Array controllers.

Standard Features

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## HPE Smart Array Secure Encryption Supporting Document

For additional information, see the [HPE Smart Array SR Secure Encryption Installation and User Guide](#).

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## Summary of Changes

Date	Version History	Action	Description of Change
16-Feb-2026	<a href="#">Version 22</a>	Changed	New branding applied to document.
25-Aug-2025	<a href="#">Version 21</a>	Changed	Standard Features section was updated.
		Added	Added note on mixing MR and SR controller support limitations Added SR932i-p Gen11 and Gen10 Plus to SKU list
		Removed	HPE Smart Array Performance RAID P-class Controllers and HPE Smart Host Bus Adapters and Smart Array Essential RAID E-class Controllers OBS SKUs
04-Dec-2023	<a href="#">Version 20</a>	Changed	Standard Features Section was updated
11-Sep-2023	<a href="#">Version 19</a>	Changed	Standard Features Section was updated
01-May-2023	<a href="#">Version 18</a>	Changed	Service and Support, Standard Features Sections were updated
15-Nov-2021	<a href="#">Version 17</a>	Changed	Service and Support Section was updated
18-Jan-2021	<a href="#">Version 16</a>	Changed	Standard Features Section was updated
03-Feb-2020	<a href="#">Version 15</a>	Changed	Compatibility Section was updated
13-May-2019	<a href="#">Version 14</a>	Changed	Standard Features and Compatibility Sections were updated
15-Oct-2018	<a href="#">Version 13</a>	Changed	Obsolete SKUs were removed
04-Jun-2018	<a href="#">Version 12</a>	Changed	SKU descriptions were updated.
07-May-2018	<a href="#">Version 11</a>	Changed	Overview, Standard Features, Compatibility, and Service and Support sections were updated: Updated Compatibility and FIPS Validation.
		Removed	Obsolete SKUs were deleted: 786087-B21, 698531-B21, 698529-B21, and 698530-B21.
05-Feb-2018	<a href="#">Version 10</a>	Changed	Updated Service and Support
23-Oct-2017	<a href="#">Version 9</a>	Changed	Care Pack naming and Service and Support- Parts and Materials updated.
25-Sep-2017	<a href="#">Version 8</a>	Added	Added compatibility with HPE Smart Array Gen10 Controllers.
		Changed	Overview, Standard Features, Service and Support were revised.
27-Mar-2017	<a href="#">Version 7</a>	Changed	Overview, Standard Features, Additional Features, Related Options, and Technical Specifications sections were updated.
		Added	New SKUs added in Overview and Related Options Sections: Q2F26AAE, 759557-B21, 851508-B21
		Removed	Obsolete SKUs were deleted: C9A82AAE, 815173-B21, 698535-B21, AJ940A, AJ941A, and QQ695A.
29-Apr-2016	<a href="#">Version 6</a>	Added	HPE Smart Array P240nr, P542D, P840ar SAS Controllers and HPE Smart HBA H240nr in the Related Options section.
16-Feb-2016	Version 5	Changed	Changes made throughout the QuickSpecs.
11-Dec-2015	Version 4	Removed	HPE Secure Encryption No Media E-LTU per Drive and HPE Secure Encryption No Media Flexible License per Drive were removed from the QuickSpecs.
08-Jun-2015	Version 3	Added	Added HPE Secure Encryption per Server Entitlement.

## Summary of Changes

09-Sep-2014	Version 2	Added	HPE Smart Array P244br, P440ar, P440, P441, P840 SAS Controllers were added to Models in the Related Options section. HPE Smart Host Bus Adapters were added to the Related Options section.
		Changed	Changes made throughout the QuickSpecs.
18-Feb-2014	<a href="#">Version 1</a>	New	Initial version

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