

HPE Boot Device Options

HPE ProLiant Compute XD NS204i-u 2x 960GB Boot Device (S6A36A)

What's new

- Dedicated hardware RAID 1 OS boot device
- Two HPE enterprise-class 960 GB NVMe M.2 SSDs
- Utilizes native in-box OS NVMe drivers
- Hot-plug universal installation (No longer requires a PCIe slot)
- No cables or backplanes required

Overview

Do you need to simplify data segregation? HPE Boot Device Options offer enterprise customers turnkey, resilient boot solutions that easily segregate the OS from the data storage plane in today's popular OS for virtualized environments—VMware®, Linux®, Windows.

NS204i presents itself to your management interface as a single directly connected NVMe drive, not a RAID controller. As the NS204i is a hardware boot device, only RAID 1 mode is supported and it will not operate in any other RAID mode. NS204i is plug-and-play with no need to configure or manage the device. Always ensure you are running the latest HPE iLO version and update server BIOS, FW and drivers when they become available.

Features

Simple and Secure OS Mirroring Through Dedicated Hardware RAID 1

HPE Boot Device Options is a complete, turnkey optimized that is easy to deploy—no need to configure or format, simply insert and it works, no GUI or user setup required.

Pre-configured RAID 1 boot device utilizing a dedicated internal slot, or rear or front facing installation. For Gen10 plus servers, the boot device utilizes a PCIe slot.

It uses native in-box drive support for VMware, Linux, and Windows OS.

It enables all drive bays to be used for data, greatly reducing server complexity, while providing an economical way for booting in virtualized environments.

State-of-the-Art, Hardware Accelerated RAID 1 NVMe Boot Device

HPE enterprise-class NVMe M.2 SSDs deliver enhanced data protection with power loss protection and error correction.

Increased Storage Density and Dedicated Hardware RAID 1 Resiliency for Boot Device

HPE Boot Device Options provide separate, redundant disk solutions for the OS that enables a more robust, optimized compute platform.

Dedicated hardware RAID 1 boot device mirroring helps eliminate downtime due to a failed OS drive—even if one drive fails the business continues running.

HPE Boot Devices are certified for VMware and Microsoft Azure Stack HCI for increased flexibility.

Full Hardware RAID 1 Boot Solution for VMware Environments

It is engineered with enterprise-class high-endurance NAND for non-stop data center environments.

It has integrated on-board RAID 1 for customers requiring dual boot solutions.

Technical specifications	HPE ProLiant Compute XD NS204i-u 2x 960GB Boot Device
Product Number	S6A36A
Platform supported	HPE ProLiant Compute XD Platforms, see QuickSpecs for more information
RAID levels	Preconfigured hardware RAID 1
Form factor	Dedicated slot (Gen11 and Gen12), PCIe half-height, half-length (HHHL) card (Gen10+)
Compliance	USB specification 2.0, RoHS, Lot 9
PCIe support	Gen3
Maximum drives supported	2, included in kit
Warranty	HPE Solid State Drives (SDDs) and add-in cards have a standard 3/0/0 warranty customer self repair (CSR) subject to maximum usage limitations. Maximum usage limit is the maximum amount of data that can be written to the drive. Drives that have reached this limit will not be eligible for warranty coverage.

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Defective Media Retention is optional and allows you to retain Disk or eligible SSD/Flash Drives replaced by HPE due to malfunction.

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- Accelerate AI, from pilot to production

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[For additional technical information, available models and options, please reference the QuickSpecs](#)

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