USB 3.1 (10 Gbps) dock for SATA drives

Install the drive

**Warning!** Hard drives and storage enclosures should be handled carefully, especially when they’re transported. If you’re not careful with your hard disk, you may lose data as a result. Always handle storage devices with caution.

1. Connect the external power adapter from the drive dock to a power outlet.
2. Insert a 2.5 in. or 3.5 in. drive into the drive slot on the top of the docking station. Make sure that the connectors on the drive are facing the same corner of the slot that has a cutout in the door. The label on the drive should face the front of the dock.
3. Connect the included USB 3.1 cable from the drive dock to an available USB port on your computer system. Your computer can be turned on or turned off when you connect the USB cable.
4. Press the **Power** button on the top of the drive dock. The LED under the power button should light up to indicate that the dock is powered on. The LED blinks when the drive is being accessed.

Prepare the drive

If you install a hard drive or solid-state drive that already has data on it, after you plug in the drive, it appears under **My Computer** or **Computer** with a drive letter assigned to it.

If you install a brand-new drive that doesn’t contain any data, you must prepare the drive for use.

If you use a computer that’s running Windows® 2000, Windows® XP, Windows Vista®, or Windows® 7, do the following:

1. Depending on the OS version that you’re running, do one of the following:
   - On your desktop, right-click **My Computer**.
   - On your desktop, right-click **Computer**.
2. Click **Manage**.
3. On the **Computer Management** screen, click **Disk Management**.
4. Locate the disk that is labeled **Unallocated**. To confirm that the drive is the correct one, check the drive capacity.
5. Right-click the section of the window that says **Unallocated** and click **New Partition**.
6. To set up the drive, complete the instructions in the **New Partition** wizard.

When the drive is successfully installed, the disk appears under **My Computer** or **Computer** with a drive letter assigned to it.

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**Packaging contents**

- 1 x USB 3.1 dock for SATA drives
- 1 x USB 3.1 A-to-B cable
- 1 x universal adapter
- 4 x power adapter plug (NA/UK/EU/AUS)
- 1 x instruction manual

**System requirements**

- USB-enabled computer system with an available USB port
- 2.5 in. or 3.5 in. SATA HDD or SSD

**Note:** To obtain the maximum USB throughput, StarTech.com recommends that you use a PC with a USB 3.1 Gen 2 port.

Operating systems are subject to change. For the latest requirements, please visit [www.startech.com/SDOCKU313](http://www.startech.com/SDOCKU313).

**Product overview**

**Front view**

- Drive slot
- Drive eject button
- Power button
- Power and activity LED

**Rear view**

- USB 3.1 type-B connector (host)
- DC power connector

*actual product may vary from photos*
Remove the drive

**Note:** Make sure that the drive isn't being accessed by the computer before you proceed.

1. To remove the disk drive from the operating system, do one of the following:
   - On computers running a version of Windows, click **Safely Remove Device**.
   - On computers running a version of Mac OS, drag the drive to the **trash can** icon.

For more information, see the documentation that came with your operating system.

2. Press the **Power** button on the top of the dock and wait for the dock to finish powering down.

3. To release the disk drive, press the **Drive eject** button on the top of the dock.

4. Pull the disk drive from the drive slot on the top of the docking station.