

## Installing a New Solo 1150 Hard Drive

This package includes a new hard drive kit for your Solo 1150 notebook computer and these printed instructions.

### Tools you need

You will need a small Phillips screwdriver to install the hard drive.

### Preventing static electricity discharge

The components inside your computer are extremely sensitive to static electricity, also known as *electrostatic discharge* (ESD).

**Caution**  ESD can permanently damage electrostatic discharge sensitive components in the computer. Prevent ESD damage by following ESD guidelines every time you access internal components.

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**Warning**  To avoid exposure to dangerous electrical voltages and moving parts, turn off your computer and unplug the power cord and modem cable before opening the case.

Before installing the hard drive, follow these guidelines:

- Turn off the computer power.
- Wear a grounding wrist strap (available at most electronics stores) and attach it to a bare metal part of the computer (example: monitor port).

**Warning**  To prevent risk of electric shock, do not insert any object into the vent holes of the notebook.

- Touch a bare metal surface on the back of the computer.
- Unplug the power cord and modem cable.
- Remove the battery.

Before working with computer components, follow these guidelines:

- Avoid static-causing surfaces such as carpeted floors, plastic, and packing foam.
- Remove components from their antistatic bags only when you are ready to use them. Do not lay components on the outside of antistatic bags because only the inside of the bags provide electrostatic protection.



### To install the new hard drive:

1. Follow the instructions under ["Preventing static electricity discharge"](#).
2. Shut down the notebook, then disconnect the AC adapter and modem and network cables.
3. Turn the notebook over, then remove the battery. For more information, see your user's guide.

**Warning**  Disconnect the power cord, remove the battery, and disconnect the modem and network cables before you remove the hard drive. Replace the hard drive before you restore power or reconnect the modem or network cable.

4. Remove the screw that holds the hard drive to the notebook case.



5. Slide the hard drive kit out until the connector pins disengage.

6. Lift the hard drive kit out of the hard drive bay.



7. Lay the new hard drive kit into the notebook's hard drive bay.

8. Slide the new hard drive kit in until it is firmly seated.

9. Replace the screw to secure the hard drive kit to the notebook.
10. Reinstall the battery and turn the notebook over.
11. Reconnect the AC adapter and modem and network cables.



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