

# **OptiPac-3 8600 User's Manual**

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**Configuration  
Settings**

Use this table to record the configuration settings of your Bering OptiPac cartridge disk drive subsystem.

Model \_\_\_\_\_ Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Time Zone \_\_\_\_\_

HP-IB address \_\_\_\_\_

- |                                  |                                |                                  |                             |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Option                           | <input type="radio"/> Normal   | <input type="radio"/> Fixed disk |                             |
| Drive button                     | <input type="radio"/> Enabled  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled   |                             |
| Default sector size              | <input type="radio"/> 256      | <input type="radio"/> 512        | <input type="radio"/> 1024  |
| Disk emulation                   | <input type="radio"/> 7907     | <input type="radio"/> 7908       | <input type="radio"/> 7911  |
|                                  | <input type="radio"/> 7912     | <input type="radio"/> 7914       | <input type="radio"/> 7937  |
|                                  | <input type="radio"/> 7942A    | <input type="radio"/> 7946A      | <input type="radio"/> 7957B |
|                                  | <input type="radio"/> 7958B    | <input type="radio"/> 7959B      | <input type="radio"/> 9134  |
|                                  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled |                                  |                             |
| Tape emulation<br>LX models only | <input type="radio"/> Enabled  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled   |                             |
| Fix disk vol protect             | <input type="radio"/> Enabled  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled   |                             |
| CS 80 format                     | <input type="radio"/> Enabled  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled   |                             |
| Auto spin down/up                | <input type="radio"/> Enabled  | <input type="radio"/> Disabled   |                             |

Spin down time/interval \_\_\_\_\_

Spin up time \_\_\_\_\_

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## INTRODUCTION

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Congratulations on purchasing what we think is the finest removable cartridge system on the market. Bering OptiPac-3 drives are built for years of reliable service. We're sure you'll agree as you continue to work with your drive.

Bering OptiPac-3 series drives are compatible with HP computer systems with HP-IB interfaces. In this manual we refer to the Bering OptiPac-3 subsystem as *OptiPac* and all HP systems as *computer* unless otherwise indicated.

The Bering OptiPac-3 Series is a subsystem consisting of a 3.5 inch removable magneto optical cartridge drive in combination with either an optional second removable MO cartridge drive or an optional fixed disk to meet the mass storage requirements of any operating system.

Bering Technology, Inc. offers the following OptiPac-3 models:

- Model 8601 — a single 1.3 GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive
- Model 8602 — a dual 1.3GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive
- Model 8611 — a 1.3GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive with a 1.3GB fixed disk
- Model 8601LT — a 1.3GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive which emulates a HP 9144 only
- Model 8601LX — a 1.3GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive which emulates a HP 9144 or an HP disk drive
- Model 8611LX — a 1.3GB 3.5 in. removable magneto optical cartridge disk drive with HP 9144 tape emulation and a 1.3GB fixed disk with HP disk emulation

The OptiPac subsystems provide fast, reliable storage that's always available. The installation procedure is almost identical for all models. No software or hardware modifications are required. All OptiPac drives support the latest HP disk command sets. The OptiPac 8600 series supports and emulates the CS80 command set.

The removability feature of the OptiPac 8600 series drive offers the following benefits:

- Large on-line capacity—The OptiPac provides large on-line storage capacity. The 1.3 GB capacity cartridge easily meets routine systems storage requirements in a wide range of computer applications.

- Unlimited storage—The use of multiple cartridges provides unlimited capacity for off-line storage of data. The OptiPac 8600 provides infinite storage capacity in increments of 1.3GB.
- Data transportability—The OptiPac 8600 allows individual users who maintain large, private data bases to share system resources. It permits ease of transferring data between systems or platforms.
- Data security—In security-sensitive environments data may be locked away, eliminating the inconvenience of securing the computer system or removing the entire disk drive.
- Data organization—The OptiPac 8600 allows similar types of data in projects to be maintained on individual cartridges.
- Fast backup and retrieval of archival data—The OptiPac 8600 utilizes the fast transfer rates of random access time of the disk drive to backup and retrieve archival data in a timely manner.
- The OptiPac 8600 provides transparent defect management with track and sector sparing.
- The LT and LX models emulate an HP 9144 tape drive—the cartridge drive appears to the computer as a tape drive utilizing the CS80 command set.
- The LT and LX models provide off-line tape to tape (MO cartridge) backup with the front panel controls on the OptiPac.
- The computer's backup utilities can be used to backup data to the OptiPac-3 LX and LT models as an image copy or file-by-file.

## **Tape Emulation**

Models 8601LT and 8601LX emulate the HP 9144 tape drive. The 8601LT emulates only an HP 9144 tape, while the 8601LX can emulate either an HP 9144 tape or a CS80 hard disk.

Model 8611LX can emulate the following models with a hard disk and a 9144 tape drive:

- |        |         |         |
|--------|---------|---------|
| • 7907 | • 7937  | • 7957B |
| • 7908 | • 7941A | • 7958B |
| • 7911 | • 7942A | • 7959B |
| • 7912 | • 7945A | • 9134  |
| • 7914 | • 7946A |         |

You can use the fixed disk in the 8611LX as a generic CS80 hard disk and still set the MO drive to HP 9144 tape emulation.

## Conventions in this Manual

We'll use the following conventions to make the information more precise:

- **Keys** on the keyboard are indicated by capital letters enclosed in square brackets, e.g., [ENTER], regardless of whether the characters on your keys are actually capitalized. On the other hand, **buttons** on the OptiPac are indicated by underlined capital letters alone followed by the word *button*, e.g. POWER button.
- A monospaced type font, *like this*, is used to convey text you should see on your screen, e.g., "you'll see:  
Welcome! on your monitor."
- The same font in contrast (either bold or regular) to the surrounding text, **like this**, is used to present the exact characters or keys you are to type or press, e.g., "type **UTIL** and press **[ENTER]** to continue." However, these keystrokes will not be typographically differentiated if they are conditional or theoretical. That is, you have the option of making one of several entries or we are speaking of hypothetical situations, e.g., "If you type **Y** and press **[ENTER]** the disk will be reformatted, but if you type **N** and press **[ENTER]** you will exit the program."
- A bold font, **like this**, indicates text you should see on the LCD. The font will otherwise follow the conventions herein.
- Commands, program, utility, and file names are capitalized to distinguish them from the rest of the text. However, when in a command line, they will be represented in lower case letters unless upper case (capital) letters are actually required, e.g.

in text: "... use the TYPE command to read text files."

**to be typed:**  
**type a:readme**

- Italics in any type face, *like this*, have a limited number of possible meanings:

Titles of books, booklets, or disks, e.g., *OptiPac-3 8600 User's Manual*.

Symbolic of variable words, characters, or numerals. That is, something must be in the variable's place, but the exact contents vary with different situations and cannot be specified without knowing a particular situation. Variable is not synonymous with optional. Frequently the letter(s) *n* (for numerals), or *x* (for words or characters) are used to hold the place of the variable, e.g., "the program will answer that there are *n* widgets." Note however, that a capital *N* is used for clarity when you are to type the letter *n* usually to signify *No* even though you don't actually have to capitalize the letter when you type it.

**Unpacking**

Carefully unpack your OptiPac near the location where you want to set it up, noting the packing method as you go. Save the packing materials — they'll come in handy if you ever want to transport the unit.

Besides this manual, the carton contains:

- The OptiPac drive subsystem
- A removable cartridge (2 cartridges with 8602)
- A power cable
- A warranty card

If any item is missing, please call your dealer or call Bering Customer Service at (408) 364-6500.

## INSTALLING THE OPTIPAC DRIVE

This chapter describes the installation procedure for the OptiPac Series drives.

### Quick-Start Procedure

This section describes the quick-start procedure to set up the OptiPac 8600 series. Most of the configuration is already set at the factory. There may be some adjustments necessary before the OptiPac can operate in your particular environment. (Refer to Chapter 5 for detailed instructions).

The default configuration settings are as follows:

Date/time	current date/Pacific time
HP-IB address:	0
Option	normal
Drive button	enabled
Default sector size:	1024
Emulation:	disabled
Tape emulation:	enabled (LX models)
CS80 Format:	enabled
Auto spin down:	enabled, after 30 minutes idle time
Auto spin up	disabled

1. Turn off your computer and connect the OptiPac drive.
2. Turn on the OptiPac drive.
3. Check the HP-IB address using the LCD front panel controls. Make sure all devices on the HP-IB chain have a unique address.

The HP-IB address is set within the Configurations menu using the front panel control buttons. When selecting the HP-IB address, make sure each device on the same HP-IB chain has a unique address.

4. Press the **ENTER** button to execute this function.

The following message will appear:

**HP-IB address = 0**

5. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through all the choices, then press the **ENTER** button to select the correct address.

The OptiPac will reset to the new value.

6. Insert a cartridge in the removable drive(s).
7. Turn on your computer.
8. Initialize the OptiPac with your operating system format utilities.

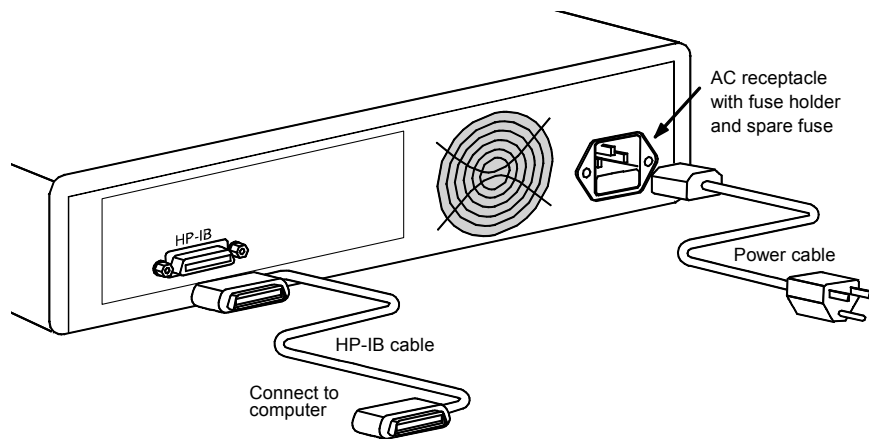
**Connecting the OptiPac Drives**

For specific installation and configuration instructions for your HP-IB based computer, refer to Chapter 5 of this manual.

These instructions are for connecting the OptiPac to an HP-IB based computer with the OptiPac HP-IB connector.

**s CAUTION:**

*Turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the wall outlet. Disconnect any other cables attached to the back panel of your computer that may be in your way.*



*Figure 2-1: Connecting the OptiPac to an HP-IB based system*

1. Connect one end of the HP-IB cable to the HP-IB connector on the back of the computer and the other end to the connector on the back panel of the OptiPac. Tighten the thumb screws by hand.
2. Connect the power cable to the back of the OptiPac. Make sure there is at least two inches of space around the back and one inch around the sides of the drive.
3. Plug the OptiPac and the computer into grounded electrical outlets.

**s CAUTION:**

*Make sure that other equipment or appliances which might generate electrical noise or a power surge are on separate circuits.*

4. Turn on the OptiPac.
5. Check the HP-IB address using the LCD front panel controls. Make sure all devices on the HP-IB chain have a unique address.

The HP-IB address is set within the Configurations menu using the front panel control buttons. When selecting the HP-IB address, make sure each device on the same HP-IB chain has a unique address.

6. Power on any other peripherals and the computer.



## OPERATING THE OPTIPAC DRIVE

This chapter describes the operating procedures for the OptiPac series drives. It is divided into four sections: "Power Up," "MO Controls," "Loading a Cartridge," and "Ejecting a Cartridge."

### Power Up

Figure 3-1 illustrates all controls and indicators required for operating the OptiPac.

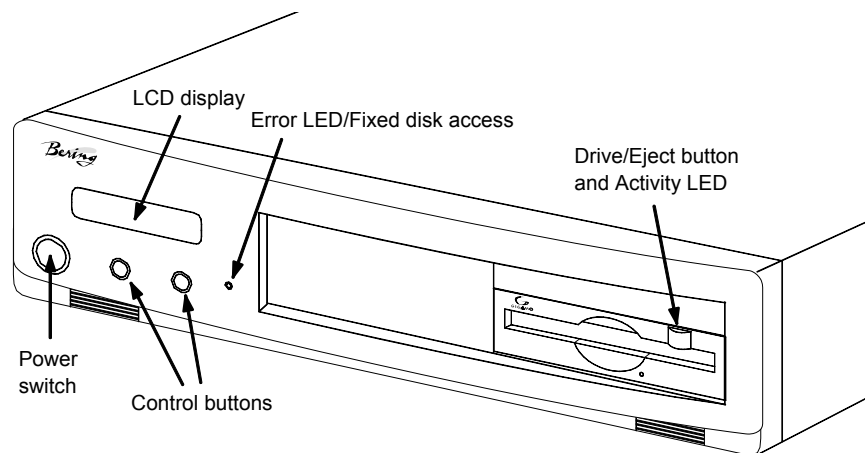


Figure 3-1: OptiPac 8601, 8611 front panel

1. Press the **POWER** switch on the front panel of the OptiPac.

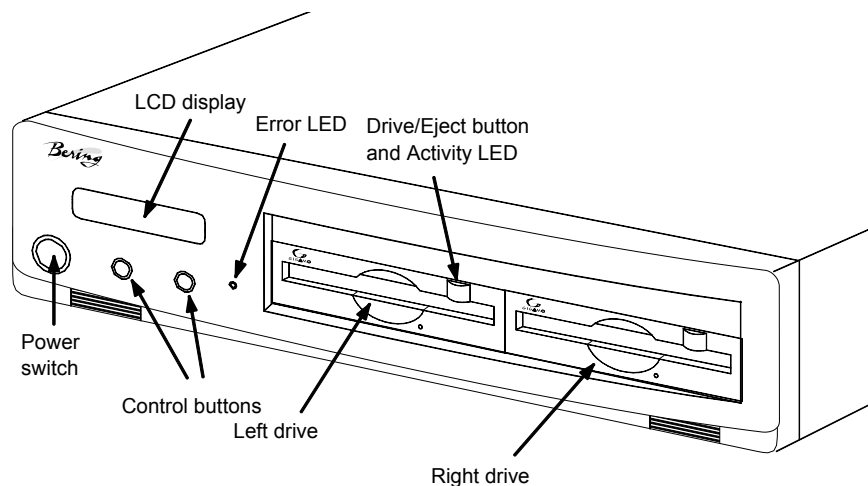


Figure 3-2: OptiPac 8602 front panel

**LCD Display**

When the OptiPac has completed its power on sequence the date and time will be displayed on the LCD.

10:23:40 AM AUTO  
Fri Jan 19, 2001

The AUTO displayed at the top of the display indicates that the Auto Spin Down function is enabled. The drive(s) will spin down after 30 minutes of inactivity. While a drive is spun down any activity on the HP-IB interface from the host computer will cause the drive to spin up.

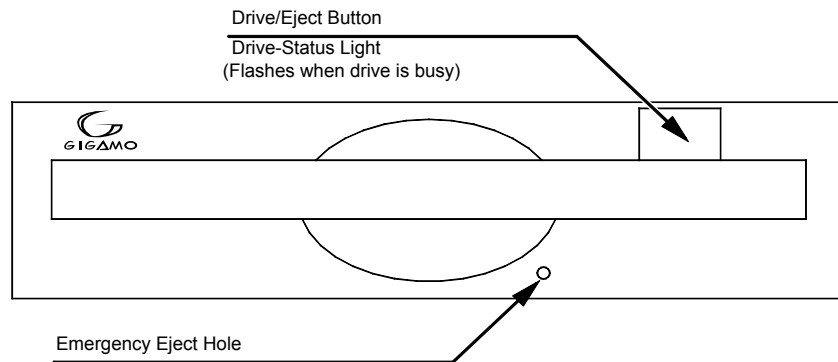
You may wish to disable the Auto Spin Down function if your operating system cannot tolerate the 10 second (approximate) time period it takes to spin the drive up. See Chapter 4 for details on enabling and disabling the Auto Spin Down and Auto Spin Up functions.

**Error LED**

The Error LED turns red and stays illuminated when a system error is detected. This LED is also used as a fixed disk access LED. It flashes green when the fixed disk in the model 8611 is accessed.

**MO Controls**

The MO drive controls are simple.



*Figure 3-3: MO controls*

**Loading a Cartridge**

Loading a data cartridge is very much like loading a diskette.

1. Make sure the OptiPac is turned on before you load a cartridge.
2. Remove the cartridge from its plastic storage case.
3. Insert the cartridge into the drive slot with the label side up and push the cartridge straight in, keeping it parallel with the top and bottom of the drive.
4. Slide the cartridge all the way into the drive.

The activity LED on the front of the removable drive will flash green as the drive spins up. After a brief test, the LED will extinguish when the

drive is ready. Thereafter, the status LED will flash whenever the removable disk is accessed.

**s CAUTION:** *Never move or transport the OptiPac with a cartridge in the drive. This may damage the cartridge and cause read/write head damage.*

**Compatibility** The OptiPac 8601, 8602, and 8611 subsystems read, write, and format ISO 128MB, 230MB, 640MB cartridges, and the GIGAMO 1.3GB MO cartridge.

**Ejecting a Cartridge** It is important to remove the cartridge before you turn off the OptiPac. If you leave the cartridge in the drive, the shutter remains open and the recording media itself is vulnerable to dust. If the OptiPac is turned off prior to cartridge removal, the automatic disk spin-down operation does not occur and the cartridge disk will spin freely for up to 45 seconds. Attempting to remove the cartridge during this time may damage the media.

The OptiPac must be turned on before you can unload a cartridge. If the Drive button is enabled, which is the default, just press the eject button on the front of the MO drive and proceed directly to step 3. If the drive button is disabled perform the following steps to eject a cartridge.

1. With the time function displayed on the LCD, push the **SELECT** button on the front panel.

The **Unload cartridge** function(s) will be displayed. For the 8602 dual-drive system two options will be available:

**Unload left cartridge**  
**Unload right cartridge**

2. Push the **ENTER** button to execute the command.

The cartridge will spin down and eject from the drive.

**Note:** NEVER eject a cartridge while the file system is mounted on your operating system.

3. Remove the cartridge carefully and place it in the protective plastic storage case immediately.

Remember to label and date the cartridge for future reference. Do not mark on labels with a graphite pencil. The graphite dust may contaminate the disk surface. Refer to Chapter 7, "Caring for The Disk Drive & Cartridge," for further information on cartridge care.

**Ejecting a Cartridge Without Power** While the OptiPac is not powered on, you can manually eject a cartridge.

**s CAUTION:** *Never manually eject a cartridge while the power is on. This can damage the drive and invalidate the warranty.*

1. Wait for 45 seconds or more after the power is off.
2. Insert a paper clip into the emergency reject hole on the front of the drive.
3. Gently push the paper clip into the hole until the cartridge pops out.
4. Return the cartridge to its protective case for storage or transport.

### Write-Protecting a Cartridge

The MO cartridge can be physically write protected pushing open the slide cover on the cartridge. This is similar to write protecting a floppy diskette.

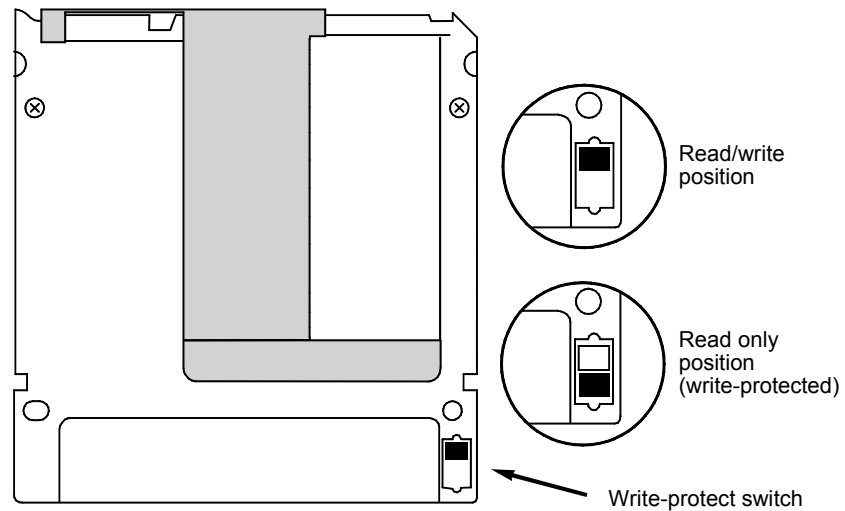


Figure 3-4: Write protecting a cartridge

This chapter describes the OptiPac configuration and operating procedures. The OptiPac features a push-button operation for performing configuration and operating procedures. This procedure is based on a hierarchical structure of system functions displayed on the disk drive's LCD. All procedures can be performed using the two front panel push-button controls: **SELECT** and **ENTER**.

These instructions should be used in conjunction with your specific HP computer's configuration procedures given in Chapter 5, "Configuring Your HP System"

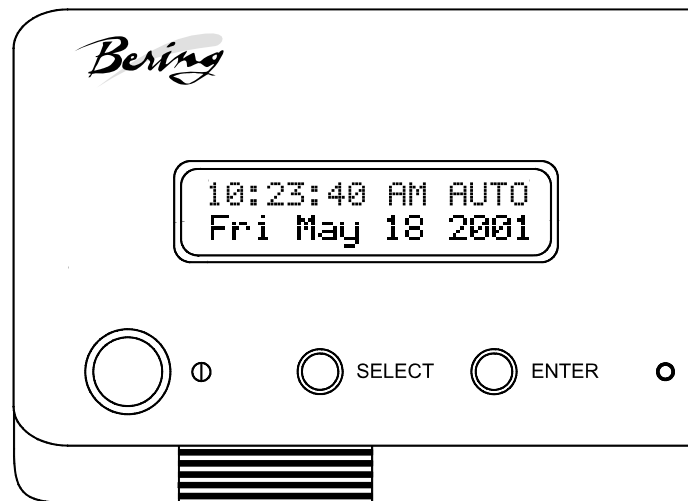


Figure 4-1: Front panel LCD and push-button controls

All system operations are performed by first selecting a function and then entering it for execution. The **SELECT** button enables you to scroll through all the available system functions and select desired choices. The **ENTER** button enables you to execute the chosen function.

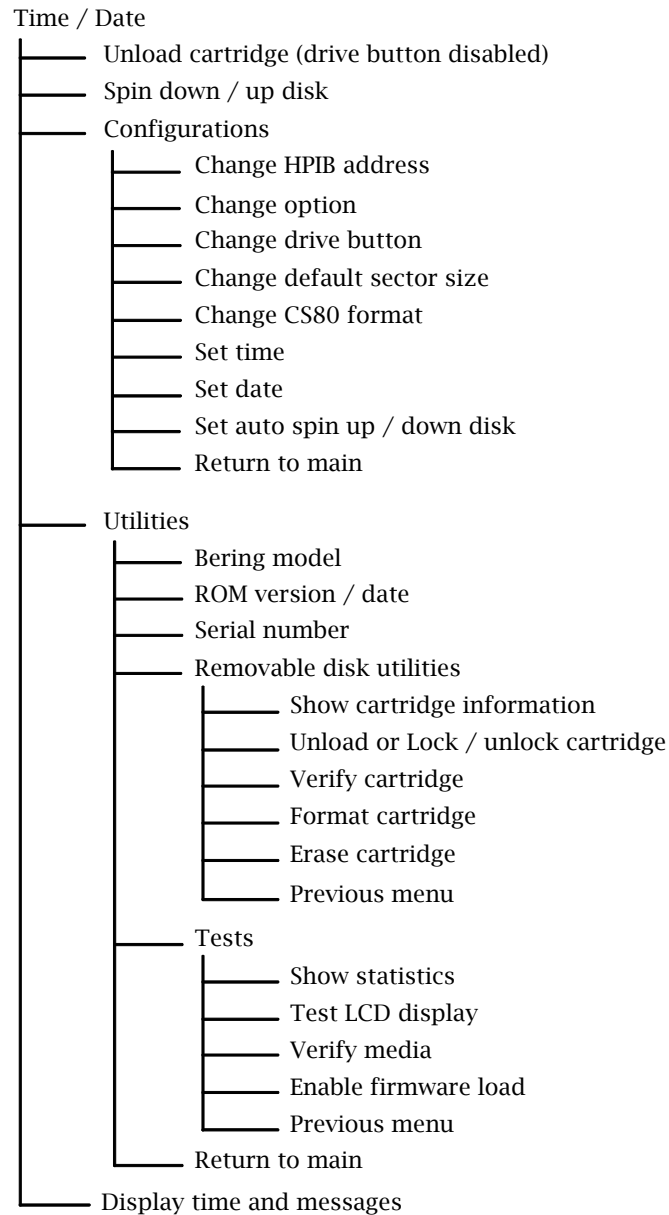
- To select a system function, press the **SELECT** button until the desired function appears on the LCD.
- To execute the chosen function or display its options, press the **ENTER** button.
- If you want to abort the current operation, press the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously.  
The abort function is allowed only during certain operations.
- To scroll or step backward in a menu, press and hold the **SELECT** button first and then the **ENTER** button.

**System  
Overviews**

This section contains the menu structures of the commands which can be accessed from the front panel LCD display and controls for the various OptiPac-3 models.

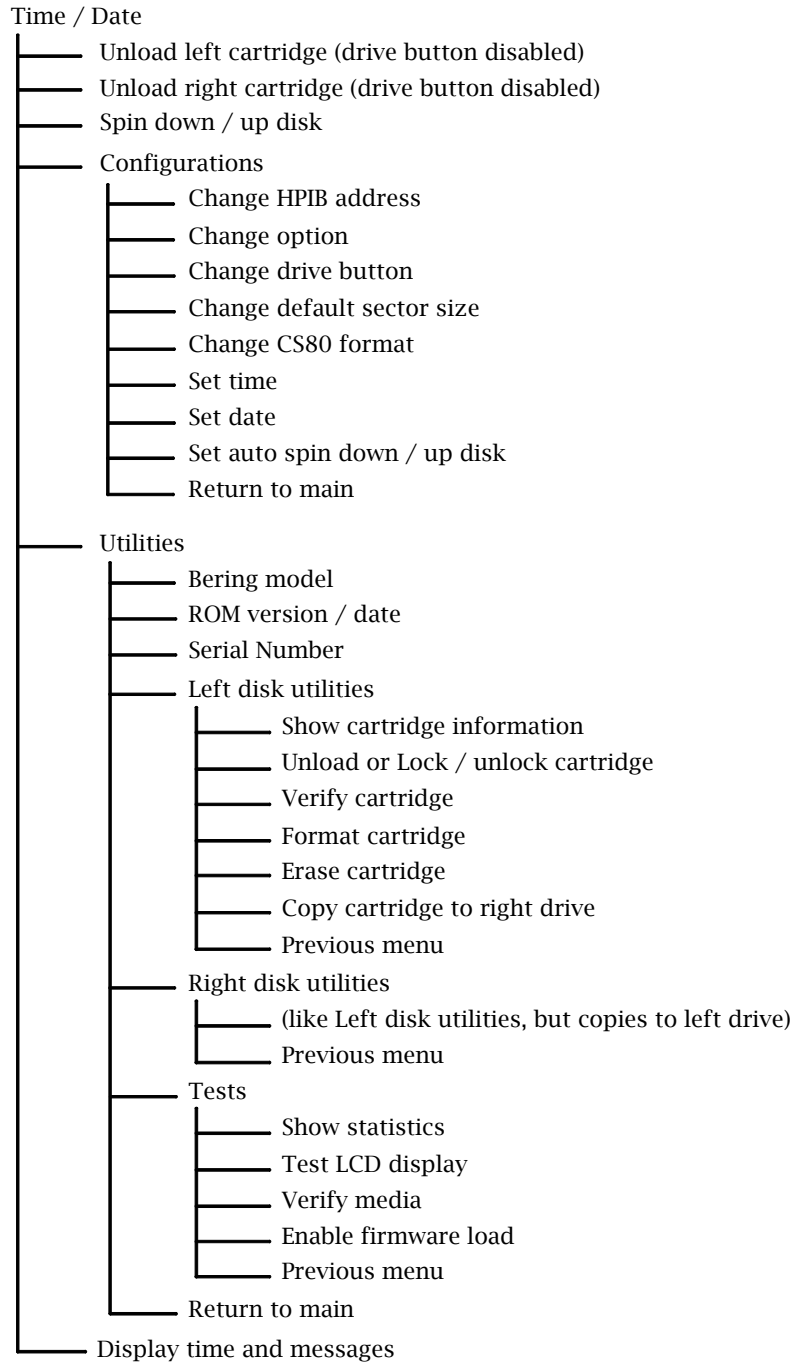
**8601 Menu Tree**

The command structure for model 8601:



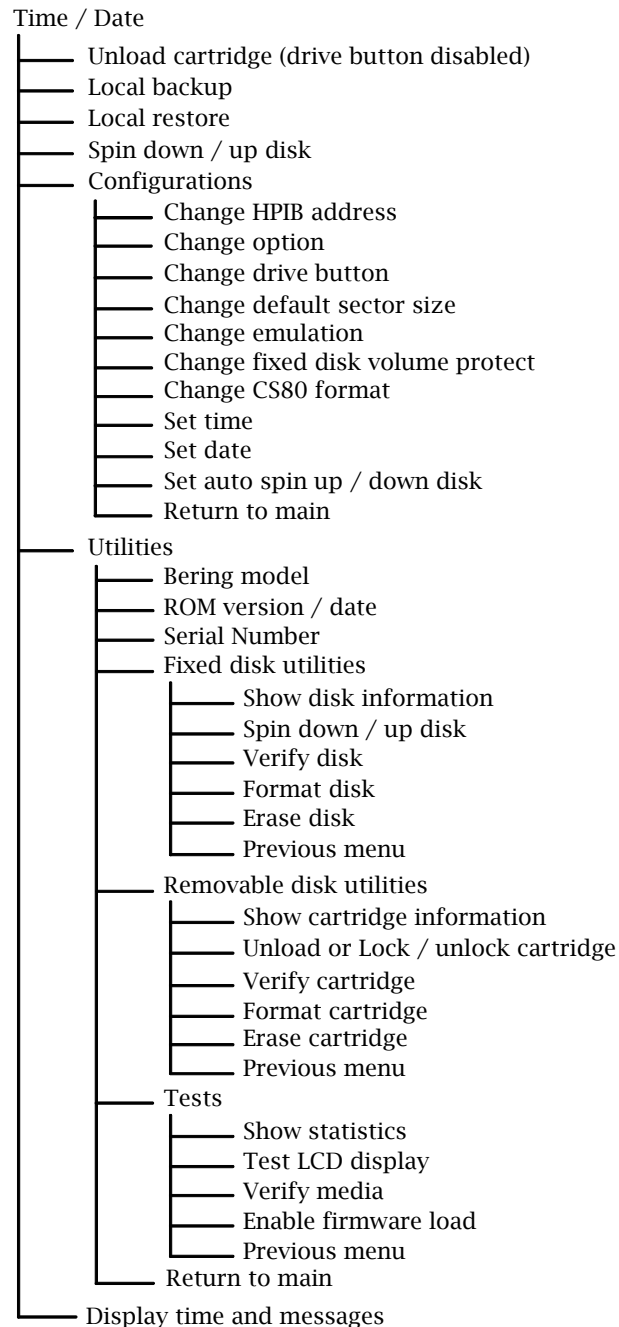
## 8602 Menu Tree

The command structure for model 8602:



**8611 Menu Tree**

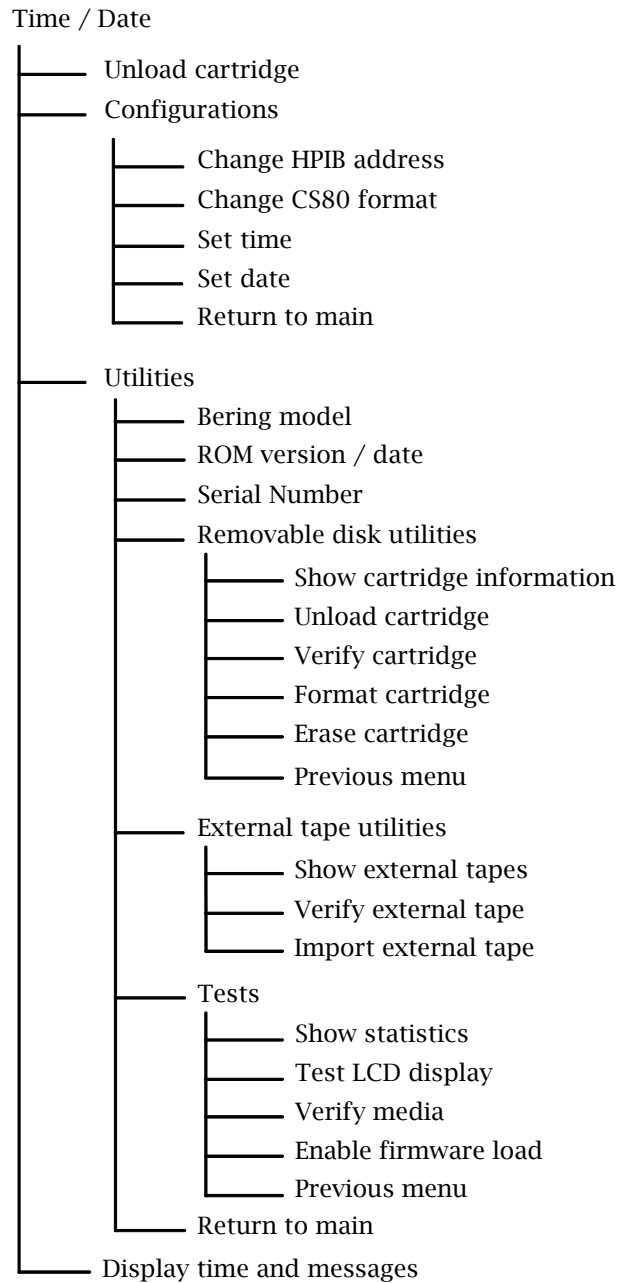
The command structure for the model 8611:





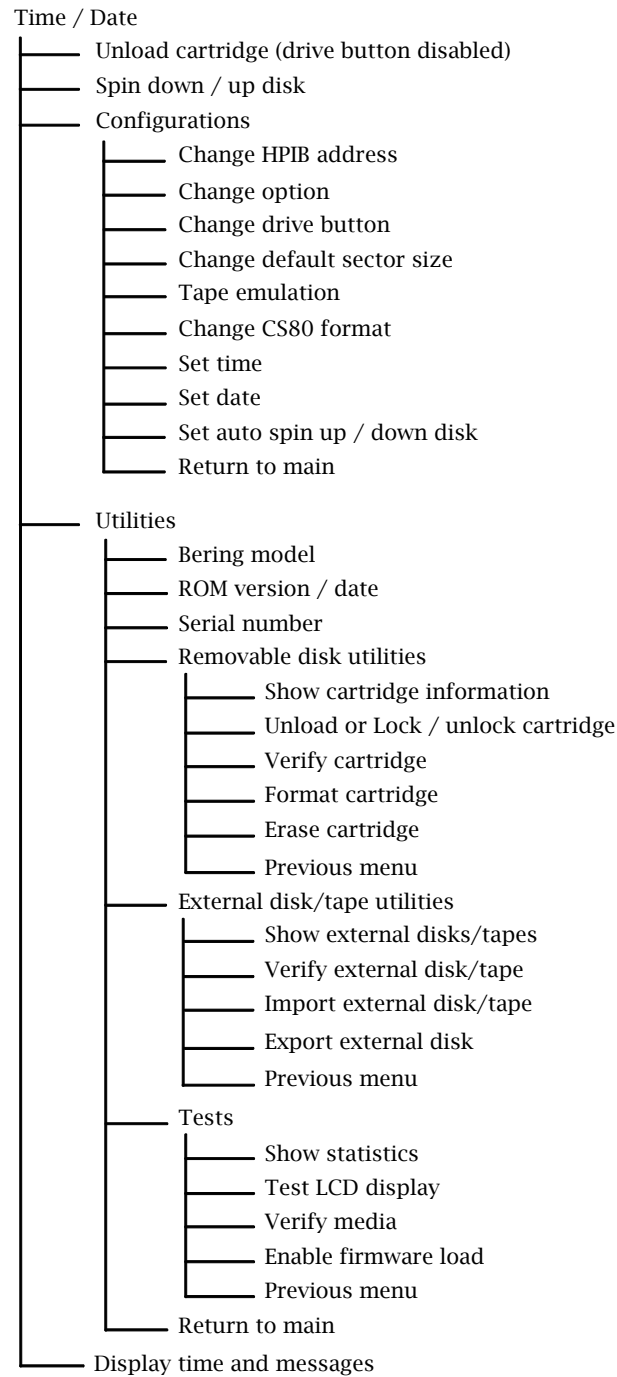
**8601LT Menu Tree**

The command structure for the model 8601LT:



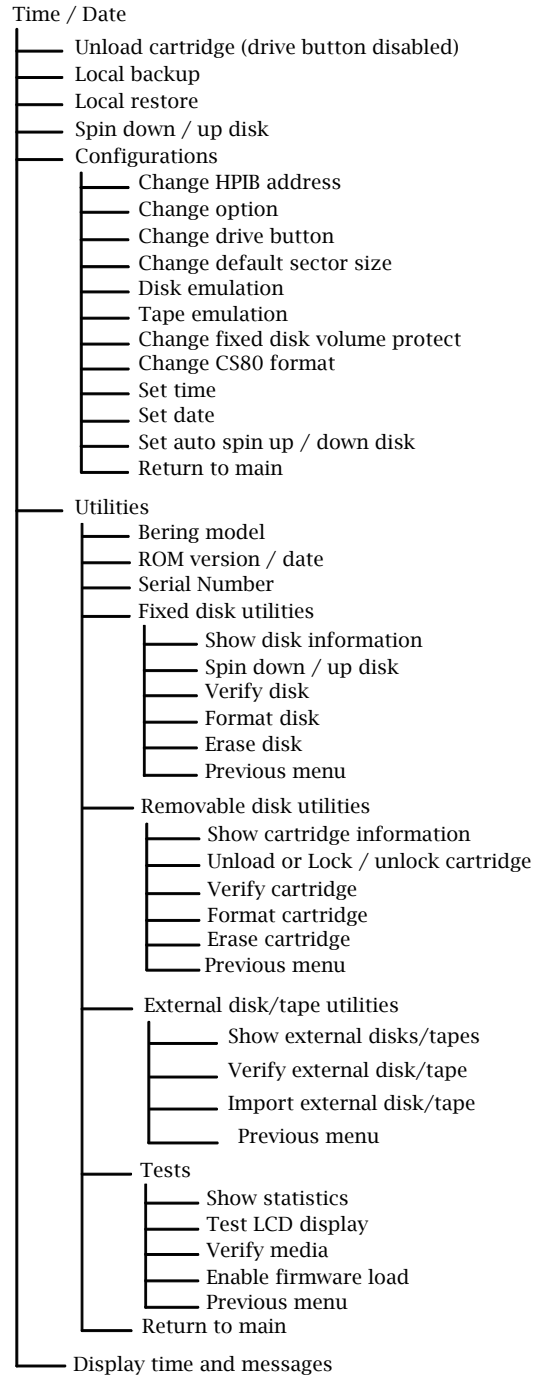
**8601LX Menu Tree**

The command structure for the model 8601LX:



## 8611LX Menu Tree

The command structure for the model 8611LX:



## Main Menu

The default display on the front panel LCD is the time/date. When the **SELECT** button is pressed, the first choice of the Main menu will be displayed. You can scroll the Main menu by repeatedly pressing the **SELECT** button. To execute the selected function or to enter the sub-menu, press the **ENTER** button. The following options are available from the Main menu:

- Unload cartridge
- Spin down / up disk
- Configurations
- Utilities
- Display time and messages

These options are available from the Main menu of the OptiPac 8602 dual-drive subsystems.

- Unload left cartridge
- Unload right cartridge
- Spin down / up disk
- Configurations
- Utilities
- Display time and messages

These options are available from the Main menu of the OptiPac 8611 subsystems.

- Unload cartridge
- Local backup
- Local restore
- Spin down / up disk
- Configurations
- Utilities
- Display time and messages

## Unload Cartridge

Use this function to unload the cartridge when the drive button is disabled (default setting).

1. Use the **SELECT** button to choose the function you want to initiate from the Main menu:

- Unload cartridge

For the 8602:

- Unload left cartridge

or

- Unload right cartridge

2. Press the **ENTER** button.

If the drive button is disabled in the Configurations menu, a request is sent to the host system for permission to remove the cartridge. If the system grants the request or if there is no response for one second, the cartridge will spin down. This is required for some operating systems and also prevents an accidental unload during cartridge use.

If the cartridge is in use by the operating system, the following message will appear.

Cartridge in use  
UNLOAD IT! (No)

3. Press the **SELECT** button to select **Yes**, if need be; when **Yes** is selected, press the **ENTER** button to spin down the cartridge.

## Local Backup

This function is available only on the OptiPac with a fixed disk, i.e. 8611. Use it to back up the fixed disk in those units. The entire image of the fixed disk is copied onto as many cartridges as are required.

**Note:** For tutorial purposes the following steps assume that you do not have a cartridge in the drive when you initiate the LOCAL BACKUP function.

1. Select Local Backup from the Main menu and press the **ENTER** button to choose this option.

You will be asked:

Erase entire  
media? No

2. If your fixed disk is formatted with multiple volumes (see the **FORMAT DISK** function), you will be asked:

Backup volume  
all ?

- a. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the choices:  
all = entire disk  
0 = volume 1  
1 = volume 2  
etc.

- b. Press the **ENTER** button to continue when your choice is visible.

3. Press the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

Load cartridge  
1 & continue? Yes

- a. If you change your mind and want to quit the **BACKUP** process, use the **SELECT** button to choose **No** and press the **ENTER** button.

You'll see:

User abort

- b. Press the **ENTER** button and you'll be returned to the Time and Date

display in the Main menu.

4. Load a cartridge which is not write-protected into the drive, wait for it to spin up, and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

You'll see:

**Loading  
CARTRIDGE**

If you inserted a blank, formatted cartridge, the backup will begin immediately. Otherwise, the message you see next will depend on your situation.

If the cartridge is not formatted or has a different size than the fixed disk you will see:

**Format  
destination? No**

- a. Use the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

You will see:

**Formatting  
CARTRIDGE**

When the cartridge has been formatted the LOCAL BACKUP procedure will automatically begin the backup without your intervention.

5. If the cartridge already contains a readable backup ...

You will see:

**Overwrite backup  
Thu May 3, 2001? No**

If that is the cartridge on which you want your backup ...

- a. Use the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

You'll see the messages detailed in step 8 if you choose **Yes**.

If you want to use a different cartridge ...

- a. Use the **SELECT** button to choose **No**, if need be, then press the **ENTER** button.

You will see:

**Unloading  
CARTRIDGE**

then you'll be prompted to:

**Remove  
cartridge!**

- b. Remove the cartridge from the drive, and press the **ENTER** button. Now you'll be notified to:

Load cartridge  
1 & continue? Yes

- c. Go back to step 4.
6. If, after you back up onto a cartridge or two, you accidentally insert a cartridge which contains part of the current backup, you will be notified:

Part of current  
cartridge set!

In that case, you'll need to eject the cartridge and replace it with the proper one.

- a. Press the **ENTER** button and you'll see:

Unloading  
CARTRIDGE

Then you'll be prompted:

Remove  
cartridge!

- b. Remove the cartridge from the drive and press the **ENTER** button. Now you'll be notified to:

Load cartridge  
1 and continue? Yes

- c. Go back to step 4 to resume the backup.

7. As the backup progresses, the record address of the fixed disk will be updated on the LCD:

Backup disk ...  
record *n*

When the cartridge is full you'll see:

Remove  
cartridge *n*

8. Press the drive button and remove the cartridge and label it carefully, including the date and cartridge number, then press the **ENTER** button to continue.

If another cartridge is required, you will be prompted to:

Load cartridge  
2 & continue? Yes

9. Load the next cartridge, wait for it to spin up, and press the **ENTER** button to choose **Yes** and continue the backup.

- a. To abort the function at any time, press and hold the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously until you see the following message:

Abort received  
Wait ...

- b. Release the buttons.  
The function will abort and you'll see:

User abort

- c. Press the **Enter** button to exit and return to the Main menu.

Continue in the loop until the backup is complete. You will be notified:

Backup done at  
10:30 pm

10. Press the **ENTER** button to exit the LOCAL BACKUP function and return to the Main menu.

## Local Restore

Use this function to restore the fixed disk in the OptiPac models with fixed disks. The entire image of the disk is restored from the cartridge(s) generated by the LOCAL BACKUP function.

You can restore the backup set in any order.

1. Load one of the cartridges from the set containing the desired backup image.
2. With the LOCAL RESTORE function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose the **RESTORE** function.

You will see one of the following messages:

Restore to  
Wed May 16, 2001? No

This message shows the date of the total fixed disk backup on the cartridge you inserted.

Restore vol *n*  
Wed May 16, 2001? No

This message shows the date of the fixed disk volume backup on the cartridge you inserted.

If you choose **No** and press the **ENTER** button you will return to the Main menu.

3. Press the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to continue.
4. If the fixed disk is not formatted or has a different sector size than the backup image. You will see:

Format  
destination? No

- a. Use the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to format the fixed disk.



You'll be notified:

**Formatting  
DISK**

Formatting the fixed disk will take up to an hour.

If you choose not to format the fixed disk by selecting **No** and pressing the **ENTER** button, you will instead see:

**User abort**

a. Press the **ENTER** button to exit.

5. If both formats match, the restoration process will begin.

As a standard restoration progresses the record address of the fixed disk is updated with the following message:

**Restore disk ...  
record *n***

When the data from a cartridge has been restored to the fixed disk, you will see:

**Remove  
cartridge *n!***

6. Remove the cartridge and press the **ENTER** button to continue. If another cartridge is required to continue or complete the restoration you will see:

**Load cartridge  
*n* to continue? Yes**

If the restoration is complete you'll see:

**Restore done at  
10:30 pm**

7. If the backup isn't complete, load the next cartridge with the backup set into the OptiPac, make sure that **Yes** is still selected, and press the **ENTER** button to continue the restoration.

If you want to stop the restoration, choose **No** and press the **ENTER** button. You'll see:

**User abort**

a. Press the **ENTER** button and you'll be returned to the Main menu.

8. If the cartridge you inserted in the OptiPac does not belong to the current backup set, you'll be advised:

**Not part of  
cartridge set!**

a. Press the **ENTER** button to unload the cartridge.

- b. Go back to step 6.
9. If the data on the cartridge is already restored you will see:  
**Data already restored!**
  - a. Press the **ENTER** button to unload the cartridge and go to step 6.
10. Press the **ENTER** button to complete and exit the **LOCAL RESTORE** process.

**Spin Down Disk**

This function will spin the drive(s) down. Using this function will help prevent wear on a drive which is constantly powered on. There is an Auto spin-down function available in the Configurations menu.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute the displayed function.  
The drive(s) will then spin down.

**Spin Up Disk**

This function will spin the drive(s) up. If the drive is already spinning, this function will have no effect.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute the displayed function.  
The drive(s) will then spin up.

**Configurations**

This function sets the HP-IB address, emulation mode, changes the drive button function, default sector size, CS80 format, command mode, and sets the date and time. See the "Configurations Submenu" section for detailed information.

**Utilities**

This function shows cartridge/disk information; locks and unlocks, verifies, and formats the cartridge; and performs test functions. Refer to the "Utilities Submenu" section for detailed information.

**Display Time And Messages**

This function exits the Main menu and displays the current date, time, and system messages.

## Configurations Submenu

This function sets the HP-IB address, changes the emulation, changes the drive button function, and sets the date and time.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Configurations** function is displayed on the Main menu.

The Menu items will vary depending on the model you have. The Configurations submenu will offer these functions:

- Change HP-IB address
- Change option
- Change drive button
- Change default sector size
- Disk emulation (fixed disk only)
- Tape emulation (8600LX models only)
- Change fixed disk volume protect (fixed disk only)
- Change CS80 format
- Set time
- Set date
- Set auto spin down / up time

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the functions.
3. To return to the Main menu, press the **ENTER** button when you see **Return to main**.

## Change HP-IB Address

This function sets the HP-IB address of the OptiPac. The values range from 0 to 7. When selecting the HP-IB address, make sure each device on the same HP-IB chain has a unique address.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute this function.

The following message will appear:

HP-IB address = 0

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through all the choices, then press the **ENTER** button to select the correct address.

The OptiPac will reset to the new value.

## Change Option

This function selects one of two special options:

**normal** — the drive will report the exact configuration of the cartridge to the host system. For example, configuration is a removable cartridge with 512 bytes/sector.

**fix[ed] disk** — the cartridge drive will report similar configuration information to the host system as in the **normal** mode, except as a fixed disk. This is for systems that can't handle a removable disk. For example, the HP9000 PASCAL and BASIC systems can't boot from a removable cartridge with an HFS directory. By setting the option to

Fixed Disk the OS will see the drive as a fixed disk, rather than a removable disk.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute this function and you'll see:  
Set option to (normal / fix disk)
2. Press the **SELECT** button to step through the normal and fix disk functions, then press the **ENTER** button to select one.

### Change Drive Button

This function enables or disables the Eject/Drive button on the cartridge drive(s). The default setting has the Drive button disabled, permitting cartridge removal only by using the Unload cartridge function. This allows the OptiPac to communicate with the host system to request permission for cartridge removal. Enabling this function allows ejection of the cartridge by pressing the eject button on the front of the drive.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute this function.  
The following message will appear:  
disable / enable drive  
button
2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between disable and enable.
3. Press the **ENTER** button to select the desired function. The disable function is recommended.

### Change Default Sec[tor] Size

This function sets the default sector size when the cartridge or fixed disk is formatted by the host computer.

1. With the Change default sec size function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose this function.

You'll see this message:

Set bytes/sector  
to same / 256 / 512 / 1024

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the selections:

same	=no change
256	=256 bytes/sector
512	=512 bytes/sector
1024	=1024 bytes/sector

A sector size of 256 bytes/sector is required for some systems. HP-UX users may use 1024 bytes/sector. See appendix A, or Show Disk / Cartridge Information in the Utilities Submenu for capacities.

3. Press the **ENTER** button to choose the desired value.

### **Disk Emulation**

This function enables or disables HP disk emulation for the OptiPac fixed disk. When enabled, the OptiPac fixed disk will emulate a HP fixed disk. The default setting is disabled.

1. With the **Change emulation** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose this function.

The following message will appear:

```
HPxxxxx disk  
emulation
```

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle through the available emulations for your OptiPac model.
3. Press the **ENTER** button to choose the desired setting.

### **Tape Emulation**

This function enables or disables HP tape emulation for the 8600LX models. When enabled, the OptiPac MO cartridge will emulate a HP 9144 tape drive. The default setting is enabled.

1. With the **Tape emulation** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose this function.

The following message will appear:

```
disable/enable tape  
emulation
```

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between **disable**, and **enable**.
3. Press the **ENTER** button to choose the desired setting.

### **Change Fix[ed] Disk Volume Protect**

This function is only available on OptiPac subsystems containing fixed disks. This function is used to toggle write-protection on or off for each individual volume on the fixed disk.

1. With the **Change fix[ed] disk volume protect** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose this function.

You'll see the following message:

```
Write protect  
volume n? No
```

2. Choose **Yes** or **No** and press the **ENTER** button to protect or unprotect each volume on the fixed disk as you step through them one-by-one.

When you've stepped through each volume on the fixed disk you'll return to the Configurations submenu.

### **Change CS80 Format**

Use this function to disable the CS80 **FORMAT** command when you want to speed up the initialization process or to prevent accidental execution of the **FORMAT** utility. The default is enabled.

**s CAUTION:**

*When the **FORMAT** command is enabled, the **INITIALIZE** utility or command can overwrite the existing directory with a new one causing the loss of all of your files.*

1. With the Change **C580** format function displayed, Press the **ENTER** button to initiate this function.

The following message will appear.

**Disable/Enable C580  
format command**

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between **disable** and **enable**.
3. Press the **ENTER** button to select the desired function.

**Set Time**

This function allows you to change the time.

1. With the **Set time** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button.

You'll see:

**Set time  
3:15:27 PM**

The actual time displayed will vary. The hour field will be blinking.

2. Press the **SELECT** button to increment the hour.

Holding the **SELECT** button will cause the hour to increment (through twelve hours) continuously. If you continue to hold down the **SELECT** button, incrementing will speed up.

To decrement the hour, press and hold the **SELECT** button, and then press the **ENTER** button. Again, decrementing will be continuous and speeds up if you hold the buttons down.

3. When the correct hour is displayed, press the **ENTER** button.
4. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct minute setting just as you did the hour.
5. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct setting for seconds.
6. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct AM/PM setting.

You will now be returned to the **Set time** option.

**Set Date**

This function allows you to change the date.

1. With the **Set date** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button.

You'll see:

**Set date  
Wed May 16, 2001**

The actual date displayed will vary. The day field will be blinking.

2. Press the **SELECT** button to increment the day.

Holding the **SELECT** button will cause the day to increment (through twelve hours) continuously. If you continue to hold down the **SELECT** button, incrementing will speed up.

To decrement the day, press and hold the **SELECT** button, and then press the **ENTER** button. Again, decrementing will be continuous and speeds up if you hold the buttons down.

3. When the correct day is displayed, press the **ENTER** button. The month field will start to blink.
4. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct month setting just as you did the day.
5. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct date setting.
6. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the correct year setting.

After you have made this setting, you'll be returned to the **Set date** option.

### **Set Auto Spin Down / Up Time**

This function sets a time for the cartridge drive to spin down and then spin up automatically at preset times or intervals. Using this function will help increase the life of the drives. Any disk access activity on the HP-IB bus to the OptiPac from the computer system will cause the drive(s) to spin back up before the preset spin up time. The Auto spin down period should be at a time when no system disk activity will be performed.

The default setting is to spin down the drives after 30 minutes of idle time. The auto spin up portion is disabled by default, meaning the drive(s) will not spin up until you manually spin them up from the front panel controls or the OptiPac is accessed by the computer.

#### **s CAUTION:**

*The spin up time may take several seconds which may cause your computer system to time-out while attempting to access the OptiPac while it is not spinning.*

1. With the **Set auto spin down/up time** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to choose this function.

The following message will appear:

**Disable / Enable auto  
spin down**

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between **disable** and **enable**.
3. Press the **ENTER** button to choose the desired setting.

If you selected **Enable auto spin down**, you will see the following message:

**Spin down base  
on idle / exact time**

4. Press **SELECT** to toggle between idle and exact then press **ENTER**. Idle means after an amount of time with no activity on the drive; exact means at an exact time of day.

If you selected idle time, you will see the following display:

Spin down after  
idling 30 min

5. Press **SELECT** to change the number from 30 to 120 min. You can make the number go down by holding **SELECT** and then pressing **ENTER**. Press **ENTER** when the desired interval is displayed.

If you selected exact time you will see the following display:

Spin down at  
10:00 AM

The actual time displayed may be different. The hour field will be blinking.

6. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the spin down hour.
7. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the spin down minute time.
8. **SELECT** and **ENTER** the spin down AM/PM setting.

You will now see the following message:

Spin up at  
10:00 AM

9. Follow the same procedure as the spin down time to set the spin up time. After doing so, you'll be returned to the Disable/Enable auto spin down function.

When you return to the main menu time display, you will see the following:

10:23:40 AM AUTO  
Wed May 16, 2001

The "AUTO" displayed in the LCD indicates that auto spin up or auto spin down is enabled, or both are enabled.

The auto spin down and spin up will occur at the same time every day until you disable the both the auto spin down and auto spin up functions.



## Utilities Submenu

This function shows cartridge information; locks and unlocks, verifies, and formats the cartridge; copies cartridge data; and performs test functions via these options:

- **MODEL NUMBER** — Displays the model number of the OptiPac.
- **ROM VERSION** — Displays the firmware version number and release date.
- **SERIAL NUMBER** — Displays the serial number of the OptiPac.
- **FIXED DISK UTILITIES** — Shows disk information; verifies, and formats the disk. Refer to the “Fixed Disk Utilities Submenu” section for detailed information.
- **REMOVABLE DISK UTILITIES** — Shows cartridge information; locks and unlocks, verifies, formats, and copies the cartridge. Refer to the “Removable Disk Utilities Submenu” section for detailed information.
- **EXTERNAL DISK/TAPE UTILITIES** — Shows information about other disk and tape units attached to the HP-IB chain, tests other disk and tape units, and imports data from other disk and tape units. This feature is found only on LT and LX models.
- **TESTS** — Shows statistics, tests the LCD, and verifies media. Refer to the “Test Submenu” section for detailed information.

To access and exit these utilities ...

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the Utilities function is displayed on the Main menu.

The Utilities submenu appears and displays the following functions:

Model number  
ROM version  
Serial number  
Fixed disk utilities  
Removable disk utilities  
External disk/tape utilities  
Tests  
Return to main

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the information or functions.
3. When you see **Return to main**, press the **ENTER** button to return to the Main menu.

## FIXED DISK UTILITIES SUBMENU

This function shows disk information; verifies, and formats the fixed disk, and spins the disk down or up. This function is available only on the 8611 model.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Fixed disk utilities** function is displayed on the Utilities submenu.

The Fixed disk utilities submenu then appears displaying the following functions:

Show DISK information  
Spin down/up disk  
Verify disk  
Format disk  
Erase disk  
Previous menu

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the information or functions.
3. You can return to the Utilities menu by pressing the **ENTER** button when you see Previous menu.

### Show DISK Information

This function displays the following about the fixed disk:

Number of volumes on disk (if more than 1)  
Volume capacity in KB  
Volume size in cylinders  
Volume cylinder size in tracks  
Volume track size in sectors  
Volume size in sectors  
Logical sector size  
Physical sector size  
Interleave  
Date disk last formatted\*  
Date disk last written\*  
Date disk last accessed\*

\* only if disk is formatted.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to scroll through each field.

### Spin Down / Up Disk

This function will spin the fixed disk drive down or up. Using this function will help prevent wear on a drive which is constantly powered on. There is an Auto spin-down function available in the Configurations menu.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to execute this function.

If the drive is already spun down, you will see the following message:

Spin up  
disk

2. Press the **ENTER** button to spin the drive up.

The drive will spin up at the first sign of activity on the HP-IB bus, or when the LCD front panel controls access the drive.

### s CAUTION:

*If the computer system attempts to access the OptiPac while it is spun down, the drive will automatically spin up, but the computer system may time-out before the drive is ready, causing a system error.*

### Verify Disk

This function scans every sector on the fixed disk for defects. If a bad sector is found, this function will terminate with the LCD showing the error.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to start.

As the verification progresses, the record address is updated. The following message will appear:

```
Verify DISK  
record n
```

2. To abort the function at any time, press and hold both the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously until the following message appears:

```
Abort received.  
wait ...
```

3. Release the buttons.

The function will abort at the appropriate time and you'll see:

```
User abort
```

4. Press the **ENTER** button to exit.

When you've exited the function, the following message will appear:

```
n complete  
verifies done
```

5. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Fixed disk utilities submenu.

### Format Disk

This function is used to format the fixed disk if the FORMAT utility is not available in your host system or if you want to partition the disk into multiple volumes. After the disk is formatted into multiple partitions, you must use the HP-IB address, unit number (0) and the volume number (0 to 7) to access each of the partitions.

**s CAUTION:** *The Format Disk function will erase all data on the fixed disk.*

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Format disk** function is displayed on the Fixed disk utilities submenu.

The Format disk submenu then appears displaying the following message:

```
Erase entire  
media? NO
```

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between YES and NO.

3. Select YES and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

The following message will appear:

**Set bytes/sector  
to same**

4. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the options (**same**, 256, 512, 1024), choose one, and press the **ENTER** button for the desired value.

We recommend that you choose 1024 bytes per sector. Refer to Chapter 5 to determine the supported sector size for your system. When you've made your choice, you'll see:

**Set interleave  
to 1**

5. Use the **SELECT** button to select button to scroll through the options (1-10), choose on and press the **ENTER** button to start the format process.

The following message will appear:

**Set volumes  
to *n***

**Note:** You must use your system software to initialize each volume created with the LCD controls, even if only one volume was created.

6. Use the **SELECT** button to scroll through the choices for number of volumes (1-8) and press the **ENTER** button to choose the desired value.

You'll see a display showing the number of volumes (vols) and the sector size (bps - bytes per sector):

**1 vols 256 bps  
continue? No**

If you choose **No** the FORMAT option will quit and you'll be returned to the Removable disk utilities menu.

7. Use the **SELECT** button to select **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button to start the format process.

The following message will appear:

**Formatting  
DISK**

Formatting will take up to 1 hour. When the process is complete, the following message will appear:

**DISK  
formatted**

8. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Fixed disk utilities submenu.

**Erase Disk**

This function will erase the entire fixed disk by performing a DOD wipe delete. This wiping of data is done by first filling the sectors with the hexadecimal characters FF and 00 three times, then to write the

hexadecimal character F6 once. This method prevents any traces of data from being read, even with sophisticated techniques.

**s CAUTION:** *The erased fixed disk will be unreadable and must be formatted again to be usable.*

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Erase disk** function is displayed on the fixed disk utilities submenu.

The Erase disk submenu will appear and ask:

**Erase entire  
media? NO**

2. Use the **SELECT** button to select **YES** and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

Upon successful completion, the following message will appear:

**DISK  
erased**

3. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the **Fixed disk utilities** submenu.

**REMOVABLE DISK  
UTILITIES  
SUBMENU**

This function shows cartridge information; locks and unlocks, verifies, and formats the cartridge.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the Removable disk utilities function is displayed on the Utilities submenu.

The Removable disk utilities submenu then appears displaying the following functions:

Show CARTRIDGE information  
 Unload cartridge (if drive button disabled)  
 Lock/Unlock cartridge (if drive button enabled)  
 Verify cartridge  
 Format cartridge  
 Erase cartridge  
 Copy cartridge to right/left drive (8602)  
 Previous menu

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the information or functions.
3. You can return to the Utilities menu by pressing the **ENTER** button when you see **Previous** menu.

**Show Cartridge  
Information**

This function displays the following about the cartridge:

Number of volumes on cartridge  
 Volume capacity in KB  
 Volume size in cylinders  
 Volume cylinder size in tracks  
 Volume track size in sectors  
 Volume size in sectors  
 Logical sector size  
 Physical sector size  
 Date cartridge last formatted\*  
 Date cartridge last written\*  
 Date cartridge last accessed\*

\* Not displayed for unformatted cartridges or cartridges formatted to be HP-compatible.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to scroll through each field.

**Unload Cartridge**

This function is available only if the Drive button is disabled in the Configurations menu. It is the same as **Unload cartridge** in the Main menu.

**Lock Cartridge /  
Unlock Cartridge**

This function is available only if the Drive button is enabled in the Configurations menu. It is used to lock the cartridge in the drive to prevent accidental ejection during cartridge use.

1. With the **Lock cartridge** function displayed, press the **ENTER** button to lock the cartridge in the drive.

The function will change to

**Unlock cartridge?**

2. To unlock the cartridge, press the **ENTER** button when the **Unlock cartridge** function is displayed.

The function will change to

**Lock cartridge?**

### **Verify Cartridge**

This function scans every sector on the cartridge for defects. If a bad sector is found, this function will terminate with the LCD showing the error.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to start.

As the verification progresses, the record address is updated. The following message will appear:

**Verify CARTRIDGE**  
**record n**

2. To abort the function at any time, press and hold both the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously until the following message appears:

**Abort received.**  
**wait ...**

3. Release the buttons.

The function will abort at the appropriate time and you'll see:

**User abort**

4. Press the **ENTER** button to exit.

When you've exited the function, the following message will appear:

**n complete**  
**verifies done**

5. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Removable disk utilities submenu.

### **Format Cartridge**

This function is used to format the cartridge if the **FORMAT** utility is not available in your host system or if you want to partition the cartridge into multiple volumes. After a cartridge is formatted into multiple partitions, you must use the HP-IB address, unit number (0) and the volume number (0 to 7) to access each of the partitions.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Format cartridge** function is displayed on the Removable disk utilities submenu.

The **Format cartridge** submenu then appears displaying the following message:

Erase entire  
media? No

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between Yes and No.
3. Select Yes and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

The following message will appear:

Set volumes  
to n

**Note:** You must use your system software to initialize each volume created using the LCD controls, even if only one volume is created.

4. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the choices for number of volumes (1-8) and press the **ENTER** button for the desired value.

The following message will appear showing the number of volumes (vols) and the sector size (bps bytes per sector):

1 vol 1024 bps  
continue? No

5. Use the **SELECT** button to select Yes and press the **ENTER** button to start the format process.

The following message will appear:

Formatting  
CARTRIDGE

Formatting will take up to 1 hour. When the process is complete, the following message will appear:

CARTRIDGE  
formatted

6. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Removable disk utilities submenu.

### Erase Cartridge

This function will erase the entire cartridge by performing a DOD wipe delete. This wiping of data is done by first filling the sectors with the hexadecimal characters FF and 00 three times, then to write the hexadecimal character F6 once. This method prevents any traces of data from being read, even with sophisticated techniques.

**s CAUTION:** *The erased cartridge will be unreadable and must be formatted again to be usable.*

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the Erase cartridge function is displayed on the Removable disk utilities submenu.

The Erase cartridge submenu will appear and ask:



Erase entire  
media? NO

2. Use the **SELECT** button to select YES and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

The Erase function will make seven erase passes through the cartridge. This function may be aborted by pressing the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons at the same time until **Abort received** is displayed. Upon successful completion, the following message will appear:

CARTRIDGE  
erased

3. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Removable disk utilities submenu.

### Copy Cartridge

This function is available only for the 8602. Use the Copy Cartridge function to copy an image of one cartridge to another.

1. Load the source and destination cartridges into the drives.
2. Choose the Copy to right cartridge or Copy to left cartridge command from the Left Cartridge Utilities, or Right Cartridge Utilities menu and press the **ENTER** button to start the command.

This warning message will appear:

Erase  
entire media? No

3. Use the **SELECT** button to choose Yes and press the **ENTER** button to continue.

If the destination cartridge is unformatted or has a different format than the source (e.g., different sector size) the following message will appear:

Format destination?  
No

- a. If you decide not to start the process, choose No and press the **ENTER** button to quit.

If you do not see the above format query, you'll automatically pick up the process with the paragraph at the top of step 5a.

4. Use the **SELECT** button to choose Yes and press the **ENTER** button to begin the process.

Formatting cartridge

will appear and formatting will take about 30 minutes. Once the destination cartridge has been formatted, the data from the source will automatically be copied.

As the copy progresses, the record address will be updated on the display:

Copy CARTRIDGE  
record n

- a. To stop the COPY process at any time, press and hold the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously until you see the following message:

Abort received  
Wait. . .

- b. Release the buttons

The function will abort and you'll see:

User abort

- c. Press the **ENTER** button to exit.

When the COPY process is complete

Unloading CARTRIDGE

will flash on the LCD momentarily and then you'll be asked to

Remove cartridge !!

5. Remove the cartridge by pushing the drive button.

You will see

Copy done at  
10:30 am

6. Press the **ENTER** button to exit the COPY process.

**EXTERNAL DISK/  
TAPE UTILITIES**

This function shows information about other disk and tape units on the HP-IB bus, verifies (tests) the external units, and imports data from external disk and tape units to the OptiPac cartridge, or to the fixed disk in the OptiPac 8611LX. This menu is only available on the 8600LX models.

**Warning:** These utilities will not function if the OptiPac and other devices on the HP-IB chain are connected to the computer and the computer is powered on. The OptiPac will lock up with a blank display. Disconnect the computer from the HP-IB cable before using the External Disk/ Tape Utilities.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the External disk/tape utilities function is displayed on the Utilities submenu.

The External disk/tape utilities submenu then appears displaying the following functions:

Show external disks/tapes  
Verify external disk/tape  
Import external disk/tape  
Previous menu

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the information or functions.
3. You can return to the Utilities menu by pressing the **ENTER** button when you see Previous menu.

**Show External  
Disks/Tapes**

This function displays the following about the external disk or tape:

Model and address  
Volume capacity in KB  
Interleave  
Logical sector size

1. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through each field.

When the last device is completed, the following message will be displayed:

**No more disks**

This message is also displayed if no devices are attached to the OptiPac.

**Verify External  
Disk/Tape**

This function reads the volume to ascertain the integrity of all sectors in the volume.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when Verify external disk/tape is displayed on the External Disk/Tape Utilities menu. The OptiPac will find the a drive on the HP-IB chain and display a message similar to the following:

Verify 7908  
at 1,0? Yes

2. If this is the drive to be verified, press the **ENTER** button while Yes is displayed; otherwise press **SELECT** to toggle to No and press the **ENTER** button to find the next available device on the HP-IB chain.

When you select a drive a message similar to the following message will be displayed:

Verifying  
7908 at 1,0

When the verify is complete the following message will be displayed:

11:22:42AM  
verified

### Import External Disk/Tape

This function imports data from another disk or tape drive to the MO cartridge in the OptiPac or the fixed disk in the OptiPac 8611LX.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when Import external disk/tape is displayed on the External Disk/Tape Utilities menu. The OptiPac will find a drive on the HP-IB chain and display a message similar to the following:

7908 at 1,0  
Import? No

2. If this is the drive to be imported to the OptiPac, press **SELECT** to toggle from No to Yes and press **ENTER**; otherwise, press **ENTER** while No is displayed to select another device. If you selected Yes a message similar to the following will be displayed:

Import to  
removable? Yes

3. Press **SELECT** to toggle between Yes and No and then press the **ENTER** button. If you selected No and this is an 8611LX, it will ask if you want to import to the fixed disk. If you selected Yes a message similar to the following will display:

Start the  
import? Yes

4. Press **ENTER** while Yes is displayed to start the import function. The progress is shown with the following message:

Import Vol 0  
Record nnnnnn

When the import is complete the following message will be displayed:

Import done at  
11:28:33AM

**Export External Disk**

This function exports data from the MO cartridge in the 8601LX to another disk drive. This function appears only on the OptiPac 8601LX.

1. Insert the cartridge containing import data from the Import External Disk function.
2. Press the **ENTER** button when Export external disk/tape is displayed on the External Disk/Tape Utilities menu. The OptiPac will check the cartridge and display the import data to be exported:

```
7908 at 0,0,0  
Jul 18, 2003? Yes
```

3. If this is the data to be exported, press **SELECT** to toggle from No to Yes and press **ENTER**; otherwise, press **ENTER** while No is displayed to abort. If you selected Yes, the OptiPac will search for available drives on the HP-IB chain and display a message similar to the following:

```
Export to 7908  
at 0,0,0? No
```

4. Press **SELECT** to toggle between Yes and No and then press the **ENTER** button. If you selected No the process will search for the next device. If you selected Yes a message similar to the following will display:

```
Start the  
Export? Yes
```

5. Press **ENTER** while Yes is displayed to start the export function. The progress is shown with the following message:

```
Export Vol 0  
Record nnnnnn
```

When the export is complete the following message will be displayed:

```
Export done at  
11:28:33AM
```

**TESTS SUBMENU**

This function shows statistics, tests the LCD, and verifies media.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Tests** function is displayed on the Utilities submenu.

The Tests submenu will appear displaying the following functions:

**Show statistics**  
**Test LCD display**  
**Verify media**  
**Enable firmware load**

2. Press the **SELECT** button to scroll through the information or functions.
3. To return to the Utilities menu, press the **ENTER** button when you see **Previous** menu.

**Show Statistics**

This function displays a list of statistical information.

1. Press the **ENTER** button and you'll see **Cartridge statistics**:
2. Press the **ENTER** button to show each of the following counters:

**Blocks read**  
**Blocks written**  
**Read errors**  
**Write errors**  
**Seek errors**  
**Other errors**

3. Press the **ENTER** button after viewing **Other errors** and you'll see:

**Clear statistic**  
**counters? No**

4. Press the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** and then press the **ENTER** button to exit.

Since the statistic counters are stored on the cartridge, this information will not be available if that cartridge becomes unreadable, or is not formatted. Normally there are no errors. Any soft errors due to dust particles or electrical noise should be recoverable using error correction code.

**Test LCD Display**

This function is used to make sure the LCD is working properly.

1. Press the **ENTER** button to start the test.

All of the dots on the LCD will be turned on. If there are any missing dots (except the last character with an \*), call the Bering Service Department for replacement.

2. Press the **ENTER** button again to exit.

## Verify Media

This function is similar to the **Verify cartridge** function in the Removable disk utilities menu, except **Verify media** processes indefinitely unless an error is found. Usually the process must be aborted by the user.

1. Press the **ENTER** button when the **Verify media** function is displayed on the Tests submenu.

The **Verify media** submenu will appear with this message:

```
Verify media
until abort? No
```

2. Press the **SELECT** button to toggle between **Yes** and **No**. For multiple verify passes, select **Yes** and press the **ENTER** button. Otherwise, select **No** for a single verify pass and press the **ENTER** button to start.

For subsystems with multiple drives you'll be asked whether you want to

```
Test all drives?
No
```

If you choose **Yes** the verification will begin immediately. If you choose **No** you will need to select the drive(s) you do want tested:

For the model 8602:

```
Test left cartridge? No
Test right cartridge? No
```

- a. Use the **SELECT** button to choose **Yes** for the drive(s) you want to test and press the **ENTER** button to begin the test procedure.

The record address is updated on the display as the verification progresses. The following message will appear:

```
Verify CARTRIDGE
record n
```

If a bad sector is found, this function will terminate with the LCD showing the error.

If you chose a single verification pass, you will be prompted when the process is complete, at that time jump to step 3.

If you chose multiple verification passes in step 2, you must stop the process yourself.

- a. To abort the function at any time, press both the **SELECT** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously and hold them until you see:

```
Abort received.
wait ...
```

- b. Release the buttons.

The function will abort at the appropriate time and you will see **User abort**. It may take some time to stop the process and the display may resume showing the records being verified while it finds a stopping place.

c. Press the **ENTER** button to exit.

Upon successful completion, you will be notified:

**n complete**  
**verifies done**

3. Press the **ENTER** button to return to the Tests submenu.

#### **Enable Firmware Load**

This function allows you to upgrade the firmware on the controller board from a cartridge. The new firmware version will be read from a cartridge and loaded into FLASH memory on the controller board. Full instructions for the upgrade will be included with the upgrade cartridge. Contact Bering Technical Support for more information on this feature.



## CONFIGURING YOUR HP SYSTEM

This chapter describes how to configure different HP-IB- based HP computer systems for the OptiPac drive. It is divided into the following sections: Series 200/300-BASIC 5.0/6.0/6.2, Series 200/300-PASCAL 3.2, Series 300-HP-UX, Series 800-HP-UX, HP 1000.

Each section describes how to boot the operating system prepare the drive, install the operating system and application software on the cartridge, and how to boot from the OptiPac drive.

It is assumed that a built-in or external flexible disk drive is connected to the computer. Other combinations of disk drives and peripherals may require modifications of the procedures and settings.

### Unit Number

Unit numbers are used for subsystems with multiple drives. The following table lists those unit numbers for the OptiPac drive.

Model	Drive	Unit #
8601	Cartridge disk	0
8602	Left drive Right drive	0 1
8611	Fixed disk Cartridge disk	0 1

*Table 5-1: Drive Unit numbers*

**Note:** If the cartridge was formatted from the front panel LCD controls, you must still perform an initialization from your system software.

**Series 200/300 -  
BASIC 5.0/6.0/  
6.2****SYSTEM  
REQUIREMENTS**

The following is a list of hardware and software required or recommended for use with the Bering OptiPac subsystem.

- The following binary programs are required:
  - CS80
  - HP-IB
- Disk Interface HP98625A and Dual Channel DMA HP98620B are recommended for a 1 MB/sec data transfer rate.
- If the Disk Interface is installed, the FHP-IB binary program is required. If you want to run BASIC with HP-UX you will need to go through the following procedures before you load BASIC.
  1. Type **su** and press **[RETURN]** to log in as a superuser.
  2. Type **cd /** and press **[RETURN]** to change to the root directory.
  3. Type **chmod 777 /** and press **[RETURN]** to write-enable the root directory.
  4. Type **shutdown -h** and press **[RETURN]** to shutdown the system.
  5. Wait for the prompt **halted**, then power down the system.

**CONFIGURATION**

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address:       0-7  
Default sector size: 1024

**MASS STORAGE  
UNIT SPECIFIER**

The computer uses the Mass Storage Unit Specifier (MSUS) to identify your disk drives. For example, the MSUS of an OptiPac might appear as follows:

" :CS80,700,0,0"

**Note:** The MSUS is composed of four parts, separated by commas:

Device type:       CS80  
Device selector:  700  
Unit number:      0 (default 0)  
Volume number:   0 (default 0)

The device type is optional with the BASIC operating system. You may type your MSUS as "**: ,700,1,4**" leaving out the device type.

The device selector is the address of your OptiPac. The first digit is the select code of your HP-IB interface. For the internal HP-IB it is usually 7. The last two digits are the HP-IB address of the OptiPac set by the front panel control buttons. The range of addresses is from 00 to 07.

For the Disk Interface card, which is normally select code 14, the MSUS will be :CS80,1400,0.

Before you can install your new OptiPac drive, you will need to load your BASIC operating system into memory from the system disks. After loading BASIC, the operating system can be installed on your OptiPac.

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If you will be sharing your disk with other operating systems such as HP-UX or PASCAL, you should usually install the other operating system before installing BASIC. Refer to "*Installing, Using, and Maintaining the BASIC System*" in your HP manual.

#### LOADING BASIC

The following procedure is to load BASIC into memory. For further information refer to the section in your BASIC manual.

**Note:** You also need to follow this procedure if your system is ROM-based.

1. Verify that the HP-IB address of your OptiPac is set as desired and that the address is different from other disk drives (i.e., HP9121 micro-floppy drive).
2. Turn off the computer.
3. Turn on the disk drives and wait for the self-test to complete.
4. Insert the BASIC system disk (disk 1) into a floppy drive.
5. Turn on the computer and hold down the **[SPACE BAR]**.

All the bootable operating systems will be listed in the upper right hand corner of the screen, e.g.

```
:HP8600,700,0,0  
1B - SYSTEM_B40  
2B - SYSTEM_B50
```

6. Choose a system to load by typing the letters to the left of the system. For instance, type **2B** to load BASIC.
7. Follow the instructions on the screen.

You will be instructed to load disk 2, BASIC Language Extension and Drivers.

8. BASIC is ready when the following message appears at the bottom of your monitor:

```
The BASIC system is now loaded for your use.
```

#### DISK INITIALIZATION

Follow this procedure to format the OptiPac disk.

1. Insert the HFS Utilities disk into the default floppy drive.
2. Type **LOAD "DISC\_UTIL"** and press **[RETURN]** to load the Utility. This may take a minute or so to complete.
3. Now run the program by pressing **[RETURN]**.

4. Next press the **[CONTINUE]** soft key to start.

The screen will display a menu from which you can select a function by using the soft keys.

5. Use the **[NEXT]** and **[PREVIOUS]** soft keys to select the **Format a disk** function from your display and press the **[SELECT]** soft key.

The display should now list a choice of drives from which to select the one to format.

For example:

```
=>                OptiPac Flexible :,700,0  
                  9122 Flexible :,701,0
```

6. Use the **[NEXT]** and **[PREVIOUS]** soft keys to select the **OptiPac disk** you want formatted and press the **[SELECT]** soft key.

The screen will display the directory format choices:

```
LIF directory format  
HFS directory format
```

7. Choose the directory format and press **[SELECT]**.

If you are not sure which format you prefer, refer to your HP BASIC manual. In general, use the HFS format for hard disks.

If the disk is already formatted, the following prompt will appear:

```
Do you wish to proceed?
```

8. Type **yes** to continue.

The format procedure will take from 20 minutes to 1 hour. When the format procedure is complete, **Done** will appear at the bottom of the screen.

## BOOTING FROM THE DISK

After the cartridge is formatted, you'll need to install the system and binaries to boot directly from the OptiPac. The next procedure is necessary for booting directly from your OptiPac.

**Note:** If you are already using HP-UX you need to be sure the root is write-enabled. Refer to the HP-UX manual for information about running BASIC and HP-UX together.

1. If the HFS utility is no longer in memory, insert the HFS Utilities disk into the floppy drive, type

`LOAD DISC_UTIL`, press **[RETURN]**, and then press **[RUN]**.

If it is already loaded into main memory, press the **[Main Menu]** soft key.

2. Insert disk 2, BASIC Language Extensions and Drivers, into the disk drive.
3. Select Store the system and binaries from product discs from the Main menu.
4. Select the OptiPac as the destination device and select the source drive from which you want to copy the system and binary files.

The source will be the floppy drive which contains the BASIC Language Extensions and Drivers disk.

5. Press **[CONTINUE]** to start storing.
6. Now you should be able to boot from the OptiPac by turning off your computer and turning it back on again, or by executing one of the following commands:

```
SYSBOOT [RETURN]
or
SYSBOOT SYSB50:,700 [RETURN]
```

Be sure to press the **[SPACE BAR]** if you have multiple systems. You should see that the SYSB50 is in the file directory.

For example:

```
lost + found
WORKSTATIONS
SYSB50
```

**Series 200/300 -  
PASCAL 3.2**

PASCAL 3.2 supports two different file formats: LIF and HFS. If HFS is desired, follow the procedures in this section. If LIF is desired, follow the procedures in the PASCAL manual.

**SYSTEM  
REQUIREMENTS**

The following is a list of hardware and software required or recommended to interface with the Bering OptiPac subsystem.

- The CS80 driver is required. Make sure it is included in the INITLIB module.
- The HFS\_DAM driver is needed to support HFS format. Make sure it is loaded into INITLIB.
- Disk Interface HP98625A and Dual Channel DMA HP98620B are recommended for a 1 MB/sec data transfer rate.
- If the Disk Interface is installed, the DISC\_INTF driver is required in the INITLIB module.

**CONFIGURATION**

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address:       0-7  
Default sector size: 1024

**BOOTING YOUR  
SYSTEM**

1. Verify that the HP-IB address of your OptiPac is set as desired and that the address is different from other disk drives.
2. Turn off your computer.
3. Turn on your disk drive and wait for the self-test to complete.
4. Insert the Pascal BOOT: disk in the floppy disk drive.
5. Turn on your computer.

Your computer will automatically load the operating system and prompt,

```
PLEASE PUT SYSVOL IN UNIT #3 AND PRESS THE X KEY.
```

6. Remove the BOOT: disk, insert the SYSVOL: disk in the floppy drive, and type **x** to continue.
7. When the screen displays `NEW SYSTEM DATE?` type the date and press **[ENTER]**.
8. When the screen displays `NEW SYSTEM CLOCK TIME?` type the time and press **[ENTER]**.

Now your screen will display the command line to indicate that it is ready for a command.

```
Command: Compiler Editor Filer Initialize Librarian  
Run eXecute Version?
```

**INITLIB  
CONFIGURATION**

To include the DISC\_INTF and the HFS\_DAM into INITLIB, the Librarian must be used.

1. Insert the ACCESS: disk into the floppy drive and type **I** to load the Librarian.
2. Make sure the BOOT: disk is online, type **I** to select the input file, and then type **BOOT:INITLIB**.

Make sure the period (.) is typed.

3. Type **O** to select the output file, then type **BOOT:NEWLIB**.

Now you should see the first module in the INITLIB listed:

M input Module: KERNEL

4. Type **T** to copy the module listed and the next module will be shown, e.g., SYSDEUS.
5. Repeat step 4 to copy modules until HP-IB appears on the screen.
6. Type **I** to change the input file to ACCESS:DISC\_INTF, then type **T** to transfer the DISC\_INTF module.
7. Type **I** to return to the original INITLIB.
8. When you see BOOT:INITLIB, press the **[SPACE BAR]** to skip the modules that are already transferred until you see HP-IB at the input module line.
9. Continue typing **T** to transfer modules until you see LIF\_DAM.
10. Remove the ACCESS: disk from the floppy drive and load the HFS: disk, type **I** to change the input file to HFS:HFS\_DAM and then type **T** to transfer the HFS\_DAM module to NEWLIB.
11. Type **I** and get the original INITLIB again (BOOT:INITLIB).
12. Press the **[SPACE BAR]** to skip the modules until LIF\_DAM is shown, then continue typing **T** to copy the rest of the modules.
13. Type **K** to keep the new NEWLIB, then type **Q** to exit.
14. Now type **F** to enter the FILER and change the file names.
15. Type **C** to change a file name.
16. When Change what file? appears, type **BOOT:INITLIB**.
17. When Change to what? appears, type **OLDLIB**.
18. Then repeat the Change command to change BOOT:NEWLIB. to **INITLIB**.

Type the period (.) too.

## 19. Reboot the system to use the new INITLIB.

**LOGICAL UNITS**

During the boot process, the TABLE utility in the operating system finds all of the available disk drives and assigns one or more logical unit numbers to each unit. Since the OptiPac disk is larger than 10MB, it will partition the disk into multiple volumes of 1MB each and assign a unit number to each volume starting with #11. Only one unit will be configured after the disk is initialized with the HFS directory format.

**DISK  
INITIALIZATION**

Use the following steps to initialize the OptiPac disk.

1. Insert the HFS: disk into the floppy disk drive and type **x** for execute.
2. When the screen displays `Execute What File?` type **HFS:MKHFS** and press **[ENTER]**.

The screen will display `Volume ID?`

3. To initialize the cartridge, type **#11**.

The screen will display:

```
WARNING: the initialization will also destroy:
#12 <no dir>
#13 <no dir>
...
```

This indicates the number of logical units assigned to the disk drive.

4. Remove the HFS: disk from the floppy drive.
5. When the screen displays `Change or examine default parameter? (Y/N)`, type **N**.
6. When the screen displays `Are you SURE you want to overwrite the disk (Y/N)`, type **Y**.
7. If the screen displays `Interleave factor? (default to 1)`, type **1** and press **[ENTER]**.
8. Reboot PASCAL so that the new HFS volume is configured into the system correctly and use the `FILER Vols` command to list the volumes.

It should list `hfs11: .`



## BOOTING FROM THE DISK

After the OptiPac is initialized, you can copy all system files onto it.

Use the following steps to copy all of the files on any floppy disk.

1. Insert the ACCESS: disk into the floppy disk drive.
2. When the command line, `Command: Compiler Editor Filer ...` appears, type **F** for FILER.
3. When the FILER line, `Filer:Change Get ...`, appears remove the ACCESS: disk and insert the BOOT: disk in the floppy disk drive.
4. Make a new directory on the OptiPac disk by typing **M**.
5. When `Make file or directory (F/D)?` appears on the screen, type **D**.
6. When `Make what directory ?` appears, type **hfs11:WORKSTATIONS** and type **Y** in response to the warning.
7. Repeat steps 4 through 6 to make another directory, but type **hfs11:WORKSTATIONS/SYSTEM** in response to the request for a directory name.
8. When the directories have been created, type **F** for FILECOPYY.
9. When the screen asks `Filecopy what file?` type **#3:=** and press **[ENTER]**.

This tells the FILECOPYY utility to copy all files from the floppy disk.

10. When the screen queries `Filecopy to what?` type **hfs11:WORKSTATIONS/SYSTEM/\$** and press **[ENTER]**.

This tells the FILECOPYY utility to copy all of the files to the volume 11 SYSTEM directory using the same file names. When the copying is complete, the FILER line, `Filer: Change Get ...` again appears on the screen.

11. Use the FILECOPYY command again to copy the system file from **#3:SYSTEM\_P** to **hfs11:SYSTEM\_P**.
12. Load the HFS: disk into the floppy drive and type **Q** to exit the FILER, and then type **X** to execute the OSINSTALL utility.
13. When the `OSINSTALL: Check Install...` command line appears, type **I** to install.
14. When `Volume: file to install...` appears, type the name of the system file: **hfs11:SYSTEM\_P**.
15. Type **Q** to quit.

The command line again appears on the screen. Now you should be able to boot from the OptiPac by pressing **[RESET]**, or turning your computer off and back on.

**Series 300 - HP-UX****SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS**

The Bering OptiPac is supported by HP-UX version 5.0 or later. The following is a list of hardware and software required or recommended for use with the Bering OptiPac drive.

- HP 98620B dual channel DMA card for a 1MB/sec data transfer rate.
- HP 98625A Disk Interface, high speed HP-IB.

**CONFIGURATION**

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address:           0-7  
Default sector size:   1024

**INSTALLING HP-UX**

The following is a summary of the procedure to install HP-UX on your OptiPac. For details, refer to the HP-UX manual.

1. Turn on the source and destination drives.  
The source device is either a floppy disk drive or a cartridge tape drive. The destination device is the OptiPac.
2. Write-enable the media containing the HP-UX software and insert it into the drive.
3. Turn on the computer and system console to boot HP-UX.
4. When prompted, type **Y** to choose the main installation interface.  
The HP-UX INSTALLATION UTILITY - MAIN MENU will appear on the screen showing the source and destination devices.
5. If the destination device doesn't indicate the address of the OptiPac, press the **[NEXT]** or **[PREVIOUS]** key to select the Change DESTINATION device function and press **[SELECT]**. Then type the correct address of the OptiPac as prompted.

**Note:** The major number of the OptiPac disk is 0.

6. Select `CONTINUE` installation process to proceed.
7. Select the correct swap sizes.
8. When the Install menu appears on the screen, select the `BEGIN` installation function.
9. When you see `Do you want to mediainit your disk?`, type **Y** to format your OptiPac.

Although the disk may be pre-formatted, it is a good idea to re-format the disk to detect any media defects encountered during shipping.

**Note:** The formatting will take from 20 minutes to 1 hour.

10. Finally, follow the instructions on the screen to load file sets or partitions onto the OptiPac.

**ADDING THE OPTIPAC TO YOUR HP-UX SYSTEM**

The following procedure describes how to add the OptiPac to your existing HP-UX system. This assumes that the OptiPac is an add-on storage device on a system with HP-UX already loaded and that there is another hard disk.

**DEVICE FILES**

The first step for installing your OptiPac drive is to create two device files: a block special file and a character special file. To do this, use the MKNOD command with the following items:

- File name: In a directory, a character device starts with r, whereas a block device does not. For example:  
/dev/dsk/OptiPac (block)  
/dev/rdsk/OptiPac (character)
- Major numbers: for the OptiPac, the major number will be 0 for block devices and 4 for the character device files.
- Minor numbers: the address-dependent minor number is the same for both block and character entries. Each minor number consists of a select code (set on the interface card), an HP-IB address (set on OptiPac), a unit number, and a volume number (set at 0). For example:

```

mknod /dev/dsk/megapac b 0 0x0e0100

```

unit 0  
HP-IB address 1  
select code 14  
major number  
block device

```

mknod /dev/rdsk/megapac c 4 0x0e0100

```

major number  
character device

**INITIALIZING YOUR OPTIPAC**

The following initialization procedure prepares your OptiPac for use by setting up a directory, checking the media for defects, and assigning an interleave factor.

1. Be sure you have created a character device file for your OptiPac.
2. Begin the initialization process by typing the MEDIAINIT command using the character special device files, similar to the following:

```
mediainit /dev/rdsk/optipac
```

Now you are ready to create a file system on the disk.

**LIF VOLUME**

If you plan to use your OptiPac to transfer files between other operating systems such as BASIC or PASCAL, you need to create a LIF volume using the LIFINIT command, as follows:

```
lifinit /dev/rdsk/optipac0
```

**CREATING A NEW FILE SYSTEM**

Use the following command to create a new file system for each drive of the OptiPac.

```
/etc/mkfs -L device_file size nsect ntrack 8192 1024  
16 10 60 2048
```

where: *device\_file* = character device file  
*size* = volume size in sectors  
*nsect* = volume track size in sectors  
*ntrack* = volume cylinder size in tracks

You can find the values in the Show Disk Information menu or listed as logical values in the specifications section of this manual.

**s CAUTION:**

*If you use the values listed in the Specifications appendix, you should confirm the values by doing the Show Disk Information option, and comparing the logical values. If they are different, use the values obtained from the front panel LCD. Make sure the logical sector size is 1024.*

**CREATING A NEW  
FILE SYSTEM USING  
NEWFS**

NEWFS may be used to create a new file system.

1. To use NEWFS, you must edit the disk information file, `/etc/disktab`, to include an entry for the OptiPac, as follows:

```
optipac :\
:n MB swap:ns#nsect:nt#ntrack:nc#ncyl:\
:s0#size:b0#blksize:f0#fragsize:\
:se#1024:rm#3600:
```

where: **n** = the size of the swap area  
in multiples of 2 MB  
**nsect** = sectors per track (see show disk  
information for logical sectors/track)  
**ntrack** = tracks per cylinder (see show disk  
information for logical cylinder size )  
**ncyl** = cylinders per drive (see show disk  
information for logical cylinders)  
**size** = nsect times ntrack times ncyl

2. Then create the file system by typing  
**newfs device\_file disk\_type**

You must be in super-user root.

where: *device\_file* = character device file for the OptiPac  
*disk\_type* = name for the OptiPac created in  
the `etc/disktab`

For example:

```
/etc/newfs /dev/rdisk/optipac optipac
```

**Series 800 HP-UX  
8.0/9.0**

The Bering OptiPac is supported by HP-UX version 8.0/9.0. The following is a list of hardware and software required for use with the Bering OptiPac drive.

**SYSTEM  
REQUIREMENTS**

- HP-IB interface configured for high-speed mode.
- Device driver disc1.

**CONFIGURATION**

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address:           0-7  
Default sector size:   1024

**Note:**

If you are installing the HP-UX system on the Bering cartridge disk, you must set the emulation to enabled. Refer to "Change Emulation" in Chapter 4.

**ADDING THE  
OPTIPAC TO YOUR  
HP-UX SYSTEM**

The following procedure describes how to add the OptiPac to your existing HP-UX system. This assumes that the OptiPac is an add-on storage device on a system with HP-UX already loaded.

**KERNEL  
CONFIGURATION**

Use SAM, the System Administration Manager tool, available in release 8.0 to configure the appropriate driver into the kernel. The drive must be connected and powered on.

1. Type **SAM** to run the program.
2. Select **Kernel Configuration** from the main menu.
3. In the **Kernel Configuration** menu, select **View/Modify I/O Configuration**.
4. In the **View/Modify I/O Configuration** menu select **Disk Drivers...**

You will see a menu similar to the following:

```
Disk Drivers
```

Select the disk drivers to add or remove from the configuration and press "Perform Task".

```

Driver                                     In Configuration?
                                           (y or n)
HP-FL Fiberlink (disc2) . . . . . n
HP-IB disk driver (disc1) . . . . . y
SCSI (disc3) . . . . . n
SCSI CD-ROM autochanger (autox0) . . . . n
```

5. If the HP-IB driver (disc1) indicates n, change it to **y**. Otherwise, exit from this menu.

- As you exit from SAM, you will be instructed to regenerate the kernel to preserve the changes you have made (only if you actually made changes). You should at this point regenerate the kernel.

## CREATING DEVICE SPECIAL FILES

You should now check the device files for your system. Do this by using the `ioscan -f` command to get more detailed information about your hardware. This command will display binding information, the LU number associated with each of your devices, the hardware status and driver status for each device.

- Type `ioscan -f` at the system prompt.

You will see a display similar to the following:

```
Class          LU    H/W Path    Driver
=====
Tape_drive    1    4.0.3      cio_ca0.hpib0.tape1
disk          4    4.0.1      cio_ca0.hpib0.disc1
```

In addition the H/W and S/W status will be listed.

**Note:** The LU listed in the table is the reference for each device. The disk line shows a drive attached to the HP-IB interface with a HP-IB address set to one. (the last digit in the H/W path: 4.0.1).

- Set the HP-IB address of the OptiPac to a number which is not on the list of disk drives, ( i.e., 3).
- Connect the OptiPac. to the system if it is not already connected and power it on.
- Run `ioscan -f` again.

The list of devices should now show the OptiPac with the HP-IB address you assigned to it.

- Create the device special files for the OptiPac by typing the two following commands:

```
cd /dev
insf
```

- Run `ioscan -f` again to determine the LU number assigned to the OptiPac.

The LU number is the number you should use to access the OptiPac

## INITIALIZING THE OPTIPAC

Use the `MEDIAINIT` command to format the media.

Use the following command to format the disk:

```
mediainit /dev/diag/dsk/cnnd0
```

*nn* = LU number

**CREATING A NEW  
FILE SYSTEM**

Use the following command to create a new file system for the disk in the OptiPac.

```
/etc/mkfs -l device_file size nsect ntrack 8192 1024  
16 10 60 2048
```

Where: *device\_file* = character device file (/dev/rdisk/cnnd0s2)  
*size* = volume size in sectors  
*nsect* = volume track size in sectors  
*ntrack* = volume cylinder size in tracks

These values can be found in Appendix A, "Specifications," of this manual.

**s CAUTION:**

*If you use the values listed in the Specifications appendix, you should confirm the values by doing the Show Disk Information option, and comparing the logical values. If they are different, use the values obtained from the front panel LCD. Make sure the logical sector size is 1024.*



## HP 1000 A

### CONFIGURATION

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address: 0-7  
Default sector size: 256

### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Device Driver: DD.33  
Interface Card: HP-IB Interface Card  
Interface Driver: ID.37

### SYSTEM RELOCATION PHASE

The following modules of code must be relocated during this phase:  
%DD.33 (Disk device driver)  
%ID.37 (HP-IB interface driver)

### TABLE GENERATION PHASE

The Interface Table (IFT) for drive ID.37 must be constructed in this phase. Use the following command:

```
IFT, %ID.37, SC: sc
```

where:sc = the octal select code of the interface card

A Device Table (DVT) must be constructed for each logical unit (LU) on the disk in this phase. Use the following command:

```
DVT, dir/%DD*33, M7935:0, LU: lu, TO:1000,  
DP:1: address :unit,  
DP:3: sb2 :sb1 :sb0,  
DP:6: tracks :bpt:0
```

where:

<i>dir</i>	=	directory containing RTE-A relocatables
<i>lu</i>	=	logical unit
<i>address</i>	=	HP-IB address of the OptiPac
<i>unit</i>	=	0 for fixed disk or left MO drive (unit 0) 400b for right drive (unit 1)
<i>sb2, sb1, sb0</i>	=	3-word starting block address of that lu
<i>tracks</i>	=	number of RTE tracks in that lu
<i>bpt</i>	=	number of blocks in each RTE track (48)

The total number of available blocks for the drive can be calculated as follows:

$$\text{blocks} = \frac{\text{Logical cylinders} * \text{Logical cylinder size} * \text{Track size} * \text{Sector size}}{256}$$

where Logical cylinders, Logical cylinder size, Track size, and Sector size can be found from the Show Disk Information on the front panel LCD display. Make sure the *Track size* entry corresponds to the *Sector size* of your drive.

Now you can calculate the total number of available RTE tracks:

Total RTE tracks =  $Blocks / bpt$

where  $bpt$  can be the same as the Track size, the RTE default of 48, or any desire value. Now you can divide the disk with Total RTE tracks into multiple Lu's. Each Lu may have a different number of tracks. For the first Lu, the values for  $sb2$ ,  $sb1$ , and  $sb0$  are 0. For the subsequent LU's, these values can be calculated as follows:

Tracks used =  $tracks\ in\ Lu0 + tracks\ in\ Lu1 \dots$

Offset =  $Tracks\ used * bpt$

$sb2 = Offset / (65536 * 65536)$

$sb1 = (Offset - sb2 * 65536 * 65536) / 65536$

$sb0 = (Offset - sb2 * 65536 * 65536 - sb1 * 65536)$

#### LIST ENTRIES

All devices with multiple LUs using the same controller must have their LU numbers placed into a node list. Use the following command:

```

NODE,   lu of subdivision 0, -
          lu of subdivision 1, -
          lu of subdivision 2, -
          lu of subdivision 3, -...

```

#### MEMORY ALLOCATION PHASE DISK LIST ALLOCATION

The maximum number of disks to be mounted on the system at one time must be described at this time. Add the total number of DVTs constructed for each disk to the number passed to the generator.

#### FORMATTING THE OPTIPAC

Before the OptiPac disk is put on line, it is a good idea to go through the format procedure. This will allow any defective tracks to be spared. Use the FORMC utility supplied by HP and enter a command similar to the following.

```

RU,FORMC,,FO,disk lu, 1

```

where:  $FO$  = the format option  
 $disk\ lu$  = the logical unit of the cartridge  
 $1$  = interleave factor

Follow the instructions in the software installation manual to load the program. Detailed instructions for FORMC can be found in the *Hewlett-Packard RTE-A Utilities Manual*.

**HP 1000 M/E/F**

**CONFIGURATION**

Use the OptiPac controls to set the configuration options according to the following settings. Refer to Chapter 4 for detailed instructions.

HP-IB address: 0-7  
Default sector size: 256

**SYSTEM  
REQUIREMENTS**

Device Driver: DVM33  
Interface Card: 12821A HP-IB Interface Card

Disks managed by DVM33 (CS80 disks) and disks managed by DVA32 (ICD disks) cannot be on the same 12821A HP-IB card.

If an additional 12821A is used, the DVM33 and \$TN33 should be used for the CS80 disks or the DVP32 and \$TC32 should be used for the ICD disks.

**SUBCHANNEL  
CONFIGURATION**

OptiPac disk subsystems are compatible with HP Command Set 80 (CS80) disk drives. Therefore, in general the system generation instructions for the CS80 disk can be applied to OptiPac disk drives. Use the following assignments.

**available blocks = available tracks \* bpt**



## CARING FOR THE DISK DRIVE

This chapter describes how to care for your OptiPac disk drive. It is divided into two sections. The “General Safeguards” section tells you what to look out for. The “Cartridge Care” section describes ways to care for your cartridges. As long as you protect your OptiPac from hazards, it will provide you with years of service.

### General Safeguards

You can preclude many problems by taking preventive measures.

- The MO disk lens head should be cleaned every three months with the Bering MO cleaning kit (ACCS-3513). The lens is cleaned by inserting a head cleaning cartridge into the powered on drive. Brushes on the cleaning cartridge wipe dust and dirt off the lens while the head mechanism moves across the brushes. The cartridge will be ejected after approximately 15 seconds.
- Avoid overheating by placing the OptiPac where adequate air flow can circulate around it. Be particularly careful to avoid blocking the cooling vent at the rear of the unit.
- Make sure it is plugged into a grounded electrical outlet. Verify that the outlet is actually grounded. The OptiPac should be on the same circuit as your computer.
- Make sure that other equipment or appliances which might generate electrical noise or a power surge (such as electric typewriters or heaters) are on separate circuits.
- Do not expose you OptiPac to extreme heat or cold. Prolonged exposure to excessive heat, direct sunlight, or freezing conditions will harm the drive.
- Keep it away from moisture, dirt, and contaminants such as spilled liquids, steam, or excessive dust. Do not smoke near the OptiPac.
- Avoid exposure to magnetic fields such as those emitted by magnets, speakers, or telephone equipment.
- Avoid bumping the OptiPac while it is running.
- Always set the OptiPac upright on a flat surface.
- Do not transport the OptiPac with a cartridge in the drive.
- Use the spin-down and auto spin-down functions if the drive will not be accessed for long periods of time. This will save wear and tear on the drive spindle and promote a much longer life for the drive.

You don't need to worry about leaving the OptiPac on for a long time it doesn't use much power. It's normal for the drive to feel warm (but not hot) after it's been running for a while.

If the OptiPac does get hot, make sure the fan is running properly, the vent at the rear is not blocked, and that the unit is placed where plenty of air can circulate around it.

## Cartridge Care

Removable cartridges are highly reliable and have a very long service life if you care for them properly.

- We recommend that each cartridge be cleaned using the Magneto Optical Cleaning Kit (ACCS-3513) every 3 months, or 300 hours of use.
- Store them properly. Remove the cartridge from the drive when you are not using it and store it in its protective case in a cool, dry, safe location.
- Do not leave the cartridge in the OptiPac after it is powered down. This leaves the cartridge shutter open and makes the recording media itself vulnerable to dust.
- Keep your cartridges clean and dry and out of harm's way. Protect cartridges from dirt, spills, and smoke. Avoid opening the shutter of the cartridge since dust and dirt can be transferred to the disk media or to the inside of the drive.
- Use them at correct temperatures. Avoid using the cartridges at extreme temperatures above 90° F (32° C) or below 60° F (16° C). To avoid permanently damaging data, the drive, cartridge, and room should all be about the same temperature when you insert the cartridge into the drive.
- Do not expose cartridges to moisture or prolonged direct sunlight.
- Do not move the drive with a cartridge loaded.
- Do not drop the cartridge.
- Label the cartridge clearly and make sure the label is securely attached before loading the cartridge. (Do not mark on labels with a graphite pencil. The graphite dust may contaminate the disk surface).
- Never apply more than one label to a cartridge.
- Apply a label only to the recessed area on the cartridge.

### ▲ CAUTION:

*Do not use defective or questionable cartridges on another OptiPac drive. You may spread the problem.*

## TROUBLESHOOTING & SERVICE

This chapter describes basic trouble-shooting procedures. It is divided into four sections: "Before You Do Anything Else," "Error Codes and LCD Messages," "Fuse Replacement," and "If You're Still Having Problems."

### Before You Do Anything Else

Often, problems you're having can be resolved by verifying that:

- The power cord is securely connected to the OptiPac and a wall outlet.
- The power is switched on, and the AC fuse in the back of the drive is not blown.
- None of the pins on the cable connectors are loose, broken, or shorted.
- All cables are installed correctly.
- The cartridge has been properly formatted.
- Each peripheral connected to your computer has a unique address.

### Error Codes and LCD Messages

Occasionally, after installing an OptiPac, the system will display a disk initialization error code upon start up. It is sometimes possible to solve the problem by following the LCD instructions. Sometimes the LCD will display an error code in the form of a number. This error code indicates a problem that may be associated with another hardware device other than the OptiPac. If this occurs, shut down your system and restart it again. If the problem still occurs, contact Bering Technical Support at (408) 364-6500.

### The Cartridge Will Not Eject

If the drive is locked, make sure you are using the "Unload Cartridge" function using the control buttons on the front panel of the OptiPac. By default, the eject button on the front of the MO drive is enabled, meaning the cartridge will eject when the eject button is pressed.

If you are still unable to eject the disk out of your drive, power off the OptiPac. Next, locate the emergency eject access hole which is located on the front of the drive. See "Ejecting a Cartridge Without Power" on page 9.

What do I do next?

Try inserting and ejecting more than one cartridge. If other cartridges will not eject, your cartridge drive may not be functioning properly. If only one cartridge will not eject properly, that one cartridge may be defective.

### Fuse Replacement

If the drive fails to power on the AC fuse may be blown. The fuse is located in the AC input jack.

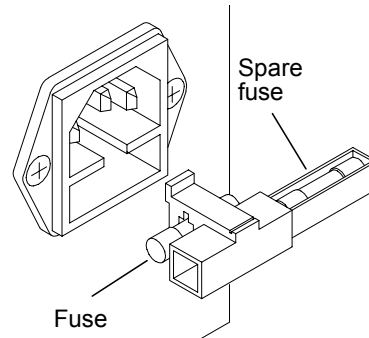


Figure 7-1: Replacing the AC fuse

### If You're Still Having Problems

If you are able to start up from another drive, but not the OptiPac, the system files on the OptiPac may be damaged.

### START-UP PROBLEMS

If you're unable to start up from an OptiPac, try starting up the computer with a floppy disk. If you're still unable to start up, the problem is with the computer rather than the OptiPac. Refer to the troubleshooting section in your computer manual for more information.

### WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS...

If you still have problems after following the procedures in this chapter, call Bering Technical Support at (408) 364-6500. When you call be ready to tell the service representative:

- The model number and serial number of the OptiPac, the firmware version of the OptiPac, the type of computer you're using, the operating system, and the software version.
- Any error messages that have appeared.
- A description of the problem(s) and the steps you've taken to correct it.

Bering Customer Service can be reached by several methods. The mailing/shipping address and phone numbers are:

Bering Technology, Inc.  
Customer Service/Technical Support  
1608 West Campbell Ave., #328  
Campbell, CA 95008

(408) 364-6500  
FAX: (408) 364-6501  
Email: [help@bering.com](mailto:help@bering.com)

### ▲ CAUTION:

*Never remove the cover of the OptiPac box. This voids the warranty.*





**MO 640MB  
Cartridge**

The following table can be used to configure your operating system for use with the MO 640MB cartridge. The MO drive is optimized for 1.3GB cartridges, so performance will be reduced when using 640MB cartridges.

Formatted capacity	634.8	634,8	634,8	MB
Logical sector size	256	512	1,024	bytes
Logical track size	68	34	17	sectors
Logical size	36	36	36	tracks (heads)
Logical cylinders	1,013	1,013	1,013	cylinders
Logical drive size	2,479,824	1,239,912	619,956	sectors

**MO 230MB  
Cartridge**

The following table can be used to configure your operating system for use with the MO 230MB cartridge.

Formatted capacity	228.9	228.9	228.9	MB
Logical sector size	256	512	1,024	bytes
Logical track size	60	30	15	sectors
Logical size	25	25	25	tracks (heads)
Logical cylinders	596	596	596	cylinders
Logical drive size	894,000	447,000	223,500	sectors

**MO 128MB  
Cartridge**

The following table can be used to configure your operating system for use with the MO 128MB cartridge.

Formatted capacity	127.0	127.0	127.0	MB
Logical sector size	256	512	1,024	bytes
Logical track size	50	25	12	sectors
Logical size	32	32	32	tracks (heads)
Logical cylinders	310	310	323	cylinders
Logical drive size	496,000	248,000	124,032	sectors

### 1.3 GB Fixed Disk

Used in 8611 and 8611LX

Formatted capacity	1,240.2	1,240.2	1,240.2	MB
Logical sector size	256	512	1,024	bytes
Logical track size	68	34	17	sectors
Logical size	36	36	36	tracks (heads)
Logical cylinders	1,979	1,979	1,979	cylinders
Logical drive size	4,844,592	2,422,296	1,211,148	sectors

#### PERFORMANCE

Rotation speed	7200	rpm
Average latency	5.6	ms
Minimum seek time	2	ms
Average seek time	12.5	ms
Maximum seek time	22	ms
HP-IB Burst transfer rate	1	MB/sec
HP-IB Average transfer rate	940	KB/sec
MTBF	300,000	Power On Hours

#### ENVIRONMENTAL (operational)

Temperature	5° to 55°	C
	41° to 131°	F
Temperature gradient	15°	C/hour
	59°	F/hour
Relative humidity	20 to 80	% non-condensing
Vibration	1	G, 5 to 250Hz
Shock	10	G, 10 ms max
Altitude	0 ~ 3,000	meters
	0 ~ 10,000	feet

#### (non-operating)

Temperature	-40° to 70°	C
	-40° to 158°	F
Relative Humidity	5 to 90	%
Vibration	2	G, 5 to 250 Hz
Shock	75	G, 10 ms max
Altitude	0 ~ 12,000	meters
	0 ~ 40,000	feet

**General**

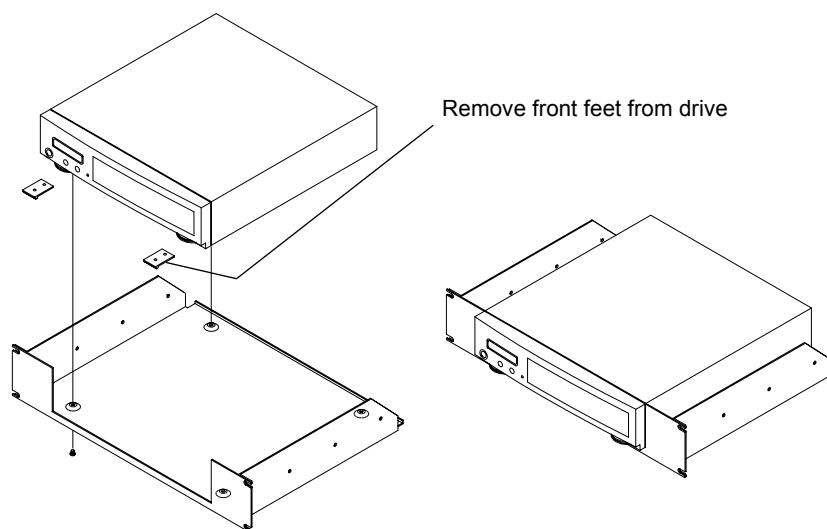
<b>Power Requirements</b>	Line voltage	100-200	volts
	Line frequency	47-63	Hz
	Current	0.5	Amp
	Fuse	"Slow blow," 1.6A, 250V	
<b>Dimensions</b>	Interface	HP-IB, CS80	
	Dimension	3" x 12.8" x 14"	
		8.25 x 32.5 x 35.5 cm	
	Shipping weight	25 lbs.	
11.3 Kg			
<b>Accessories</b>	Cartridge MO, 1.3GB, 90mm	ACCS-3070	
	Cartridge MO, 1.3GB, 90mm, 5 pack	ACCS-3071	
	HP-IB Cable 1 m (3.3 ft.)	ACCS-7110	
	HP-IB Cable 2 m (6.7 ft.)	ACCS-7115	
	Rack Mount Kit - 19"	ACCS-7206	

## RACK MOUNT

### Installation

If you purchased the rack mount kit, ACCS-7206 from Bering, these instructions will show the installation procedures. It fits in a standard 19" rack cabinet. The front is a 3.5 in. panel with the holes on 3 in. centers. The holes on the sides of the rack are 3.625 centers for installation of a standard C300S-22 slide rail. The following instructions are for installing the drive into a rack without slide rails.

1. Remove the front feet from the Bering drive by removing two screws in each foot.
2. Mount the Bering drive to the rack mount shelf with four (4) 8-32x¼ screws inserted from the bottom through the shelf into the bottom of the drive.



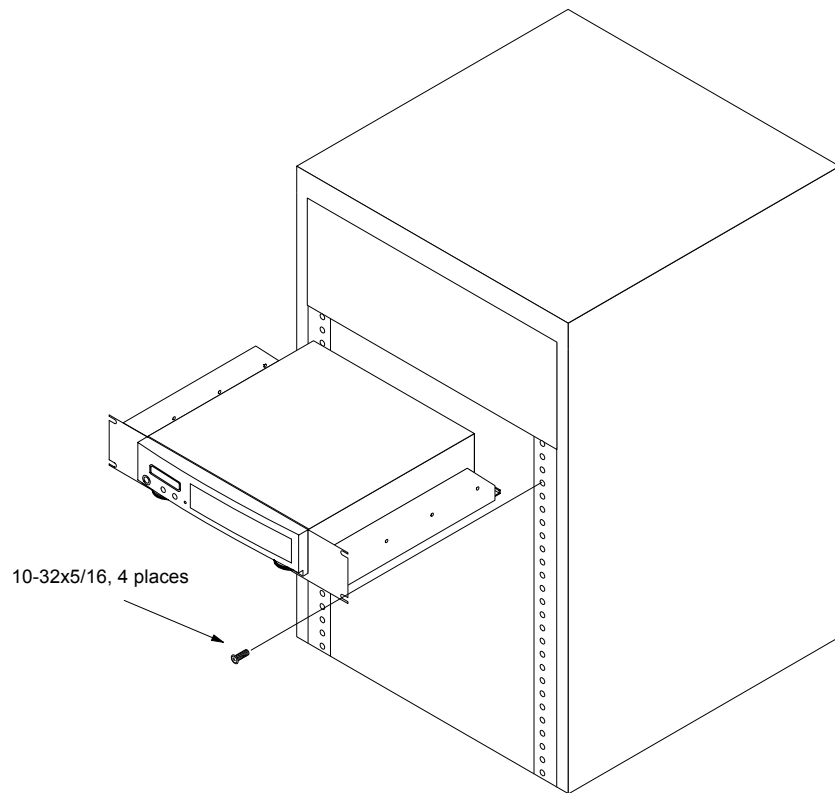
This step may be performed by turning the drive upside down and placing the shelf on the drive while aligning the screw holes.

**▲ CAUTION**

*The following steps require two people to install the unit in a cabinet.*

The shelf requires 3.5 inches of vertical clearance.

3. Insert the shelf with the Bering drive into the cabinet and hold it in place.
4. Insert the four (4) 10-32x5/16 screws from the front through the holes in the cabinet. Screw the 10-32 nuts on the screws from the rear of the panel and tighten.



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