# **USER MANUAL**

# **HDD Docking Station**

SATA to USB 3.0 with Charging & USB3.0 HUB

Thank you for purchasing our HDD Docking Station

For your safety and the satisfaction of using this product, please read this manual carefully before installation

# 1.0 Features

- Supports super speed USB3.0 up to 5Gbps  $\geq$
- Supports 2.5"&3.5"SATA I/II/III HDD or SSD
- AAAAA Supports max capacity up to 4TB or above
- Supports One Touch Backup
- Supports 3 ports USB3.0 host
- Charging Downstream Port (CDP) support, following Battery Charge Rev1.2 specification(BC 1.2)
- Dedicated Legacy Battery Charge Port (DCP)  $\geq$ support for portable device, like cellphone and tablet.
- > > Automatic Battery Charge function detection
- LED indicates power and data access and connection status of peripheral devices
- Supports plug & play  $\triangleright$

# 2.0 Package Contents

- HDD Docking Station  $\geq$
- USB3.0 cable
- User's manual
- Power adapter
- Download OTB software from our website or purchase a CD with OTB application included

# 3.0 System Requirements

- USB3.0 port or USB2.0 port (if the device is connected to an USB2.0 port, the transfer speed will drop to 480Mbps)
- Windows 2000/XP/Vista/Win7/Win8/Mac OS 10.X or above (No driver installation needed)
- OTB function does not work under Windows 98 or Mac OS.

#### 4.0 Hardware Setup Hardware Configuration and Setup

Note: Images are for example only. Actual positions of switches or connectors and pieces may vary depending on the model.





1.Make sure that those hard drives have no bad sectors. Bad sectors will cause unpredictable problems.

2.Put hard drives into the docking station. Please make sure that those hard drives are correctly and firmly connected to those SATA connectors of the docking station.

3.Connect the USB cable to the docking station and to a PC.

4.Connect the power adapter to the docking station and to power outlet.

5.Power up the docking station by pressing the power button.

6.Now the computer should detect the new hardware.

In Windows 2000/XP/Vista/7/8.It is not necessary to install driver. If Windows can't recognize the docking station, please refer to the FAQ for more information.

## USB 3.0 Host / Battery Charge

Any peripheral devices can be connected to the USB 3.0 HOST ports. You also can plug any portable devices by phone data cable for charging, like cellphone and tablet.

#### **OTB function (One Touch Backup)**

The OTB function lets you backup your data by just pressing one button. It's an easy way to backup your important data to an external hard drive. For more information, please visit our website to download the file about OTB introduction and operate software. If our products have CD with OTB included as accessory, please refer to the user manual in the CD provided.

#### When using the HDD Docking Station with Windows 2000//XP/VISTA/Win7/Win 8 or above No driver installation needed.

Connect the docking station to a PC's USB3.0 port. An icon should appear in the right corner of the task bar where indicates new hardware detected. Click the icon "My computer" and a letter of the HD should appear.

# If the letter of the HD does not appear, you should partition the HD.

## **About File System Formats**

# Windows File System Formats

There are two file system formats for windows user: NTFS and FAT32.

Use NTFS if you will be using the drive only with Windows XP, Windows Vista and or Windows 7/8(performance will generally be greater when compared to FAT32). This file system is compatible in read only mode with Mac OS 10.3 and higher. When the HD capacity you want to partition is below 32GB, You can choose FAT32 format.

Use FAT32 if you will be using your drive with both Windows and Mac. Maximum single file size is 4GB.

## **Mac File System Formats**

There are two possible file system formats for Mac users: Mac OS Extended(HFS+)and FAT32. Use HFS+ if you will be using the drive on Mac system only; performance will be generally be greater when compared to FAT32.This file system is not compatible with Windows OS.

Use FAT32 if you will be using your drive with both Windows and Mac. Maximum single file size is 4GB.

#### Create partition and format

Before beginning connect your external HD to a PC(The HD should be mounted into the external enclosure correctly). If your HD has been formatted, please skip this chapter.

The following instructions will help you to partition

and format your HD in the Disk Management of Windows XP. The operation under Windows VISTA or Win7 is similar.

**Step 1:**Right click on the "My Computer" icon,click "Manage" to initialize the Disk Management program.You can also click "Start" -> "Control Panel" -> "Administrative Tools" -> "Computer Management").

**Step 2:** Please click "disk management", right click the "Unallocated" disk and point the "new partition". (The HD appears unallocated only when your HD is not partitioned. If your HD has been partitioned and formatted, please skip this part.)

**Step 3:** Follow up the installation of "Partition Wizard" to operate the disk of partition and format.

**Step 4:** When this window shows,please select "Format this partition with the following settings" and check "Perform a quick format",then click the "Next" button .

**Step 5:** Finish the assistant.

**Step 6:** Click "My Computer" and confirm that the new "Removable" icon appears. The External Enclosure with hard disk drive is now ready for use.

# 5.0 FAQs

Does your computer's configuration meet the minimum system requirements for use with this drive?

Answer:see 3.0 section System Requirements

- Did you follow the correct installation steps for the specific interface and operating system? Answer:Review the 4.0 Hardware Setup
- Are both ends of the USB cable firmly attached? Answer: Check both ends of the USB cable and make sure that they are fully seated in their respective ports.Try disconnecting the cable,waiting 10s,and then reconnecting it.If the drive is still not recognized,restart your computer and try again.

 Is the power adapter firmly connected to an power outlet?
Answer:Plug the power adapter to an power outlet again and make sure that the power outlet works well.

- Is the power switch in the position "ON"? Answer:Turn on the docking station by putting the power switch in the position "ON".
- Does your computer's operating system support the file system?
  Answer:Check your computer's documentation and see section:About File System Formats.
- Has the drive been formatted? Answer:<u>section:Create partition and format</u>.