Preparing your computer for the HP drive

1. Shut down Windows, turn off and unplug your computer. Discharge static electricity by touching something metal (an unpainted part of your computer's case or metal file cabinet) before touching anything inside your computer.

2. CAUTION: Static electricity can damage your computer's internal parts. To discharge static electricity, touch something metal (an unpainted part of your computer's case or metal file cabinet) before touching anything inside your computer.

3. Open your computer. Be sure to use a pair of anti-static wrist straps when handling your computer components.

4. Set the HP drive jumper. Set the jumper for the HP drive to Master or Slave.

5. Connect the power cable. Locate an available power cable and plug it into the back of the HP drive. Secure the HP drive with either screws or rails. If you did not have an available power cable, you may have to purchase a Y-power connector from your computer dealer.

6. Connect the data cable. Locate the IDE controller on your motherboard. Use an IDE data cable to connect the HP drive to the IDE controller. If there isn’t an extra connector, replace the existing data cable with one that has two connectors. If you have two IDE controllers on your motherboard, try to have your HP drive share a controller with a CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive to increase performance.

7. Install the software. Insert Software Disc 1 into your CD-ROM drive. Click on the HP Quick Install icon. When the installation is complete, the software verifies a correct installation. If your HP drive isn’t installed correctly, you will be presented with on-screen troubleshooting options.

8. Complete the HP drive installation. Depending on your computer, secure the HP drive with either screws or rails. Plug in and turn on your computer. The software will then complete the installation.

9. View a short video of the drive installation process. Click on the Start Installation Video icon to watch a short video of the drive installation process.

CAUTION: Power cables only fit one way and an improper connection will damage the drive. Check the data cables for any loose connections before attaching your computer.

TIP: If the data cable is too short, buy a longer cable. TIP: If you don’t have an available power cable, you may have to purchase a Y-power connector from your computer dealer.

TIP: Jumpers are small caps that fit over pairs of pins on the back of the drive. You can pull off jumpers or replace them with needle-nose pliers.

TIP: Use a pair of anti-static wrist straps when handling your computer components.

TIP: If your bay usually have yellow, red and black wires.

TIP: If you require customer support instead, go to www.hp.com/support. If you find an error in this manual or have a suggestion for it, send e-mail to manuals@hp.com. The information you send will be used only to help us develop future revisions of this manual. You will not get a response to your e-mail. If you require customer support instead, go to www.hp.com/support. If you find an error in this manual or have a suggestion for it, send e-mail to manuals@hp.com. The information you send will be used only to help us develop future revisions of this manual. You will not get a response to your e-mail.