

HP NC510C PCIe 10 Gigabit Server Adapter

User Guide



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Warnings, cautions, and notes

-  **WARNING:** Only authorized technicians trained by HP should attempt to repair this equipment. All troubleshooting and repair procedures are detailed to allow only subassembly/module-level repair. Because of the complexity of the individual boards and subassemblies, no one should attempt to make repairs at the component level or to make modifications to any printed wiring board. Improper repairs can create a safety hazard.
-  **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of electric shock, personal injury, and damage to the equipment:
- Do not attempt to service any parts of the equipment other than those specified in the following procedure. Any other activities may require that you shut down the server and remove the power cord.
 - Installation and maintenance of this product must be performed by individuals who are knowledgeable about the procedures, precautions and hazards associated with the product.
-  **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to the equipment:
- Do not disable the power cord grounding plug. The grounding plug is an important safety feature.
 - Plug the power cord into a grounded (earthed) electrical outlet that is easily accessible at all times.
 - Unplug the power cord from the power supply to disconnect power to the equipment.
 - Do not route the power cord where it can be walked on or pinched by items placed against it. Pay particular attention to the plug, electrical outlet, and the point where the cord extends from the server.
-  **CAUTION:** To properly ventilate the system, you must provide at least 7.6 cm (3.0 in) of clearance at the front and back of the server.
-  **CAUTION:** The server is designed to be electrically grounded (earthed). To ensure proper operation, plug the AC power cord into a properly grounded AC outlet only.
-  **NOTE:** Any indications of component replacement or printed wiring board modifications may void any warranty.

Where to go for additional help

In addition to this guide, information about software drivers and utilities is available on the HP ProLiant Networking Software CD that shipped with the adapter.

HP updates networking software frequently to include new functionality and features. For the latest driver, firmware, and documentation updates go to the HP website (<http://h18004.www1.hp.com/products/servers/networking/index.html>).

HP contact information

For the name of the nearest HP authorized reseller:

- In the United States, see the HP US service locator webpage (http://www.hp.com/service_locator).
- In other locations, see the Contact HP worldwide (in English) webpage (<http://welcome.hp.com/country/us/en/wwcontact.html>).

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- In the United States, for contact options see the Contact HP United States webpage (http://welcome.hp.com/country/us/en/contact_us.html). To contact HP by phone:
 - Call 1-800-HP-INVENT (1-800-474-6836). This service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. For continuous quality improvement, calls may be recorded or monitored.
 - If you have purchased a Care Pack (service upgrade), call 1-800-633-3600. For more information about Care Packs, refer to the HP website (<http://www.hp.com>).
- In other locations, see the Contact HP worldwide (in English) webpage (<http://welcome.hp.com/country/us/en/wwcontact.html>).

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Overview

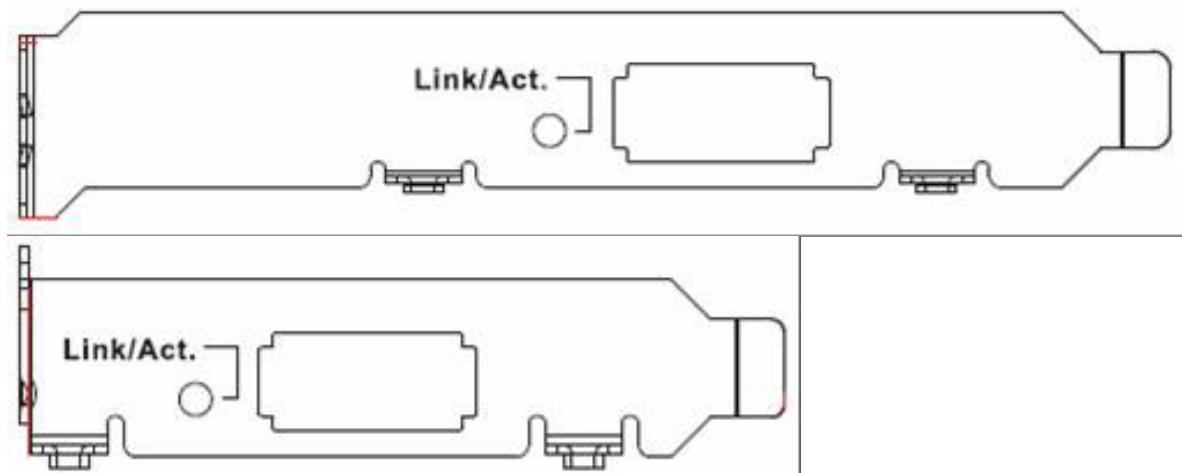
The HP NC510C PCIe 10 Gb Server Adapter is a high-performance, multifunction Ethernet adapter that delivers up to 10 Gbps over 4 pair twin-axial cabling. The network connection is made through a single-port CX4 connector. The LED indicator shows the activity and link status. See LED indicators (on page [6](#)) for details.

The NC510C adapter, which ships with a standard-height chassis bracket and also includes a low-profile chassis bracket, is a supported option for selected HP ProLiant servers and offers support for both standard and low-profile slots.

In addition to standard HP network server adapter features, the NC510C is capable of supporting teaming for load balancing and failover, Receive Side Scaling, TCP/IP Offload Engine (TOE), Accelerated iSCSI, and Remote Direct Memory Access (RDMA) that can significantly improve server throughput while reducing host CPU utilization. The teaming, TOE, accelerated iSCSI, and RDMA multifunction features are planned for future, near-term software releases.

LED indicators

The NC510C adapter has a single CX4 connector and an LED indicator that shows **Link/Act.** (link activity). Standard-height and low-profile brackets are shown below with CX4 connectors and the LED indicator.



The NC510C 10 Gigabit Server Adapter LED indicator operates as described in the following table.

LED indicator	Status	Description
Link/Act.	Off	No link to the adapter is established. The adapter is not receiving power or the cable connection is faulty.
	On (Green)	Link to the adapter is established. The adapter is receiving power and the cable connection is good.
	Flashing (Green)	The adapter is sending or receiving network data at up to 10 Gbps.

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Installation overview

This section describes installation precautions, how to install the adapter, and how to connect the network cable.

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to the equipment, consult the safety information and user documentation provided with the server before attempting the installation.

Many servers are capable of providing energy levels that are considered hazardous and are intended to be serviced only by qualified personnel who have been trained to deal with these hazards. Do not remove enclosures or attempt to bypass any interlocks that may be provided for the purpose of removing these hazardous conditions.

⚠ WARNING: Installation of this adapter should be performed by individuals who are both qualified in the servicing of computer equipment, and trained in the hazards associated with products capable of producing hazardous energy levels.

This adapter is intended to be installed in Certified (UL or CSA) ITE equipment having instructions for adding and removing user installed components such as PCI, PCI-X, and PCI Express devices. Refer to the equipment instructions to verify that it is suitable for user installed components and that it has the power capacity to support all of the installed components.

📝 NOTE: Before removing the cover of your server, refer to the HP documentation for the proper methods for installing a PCI Express card and avoiding electric shock hazards.

Preventing electrostatic discharge

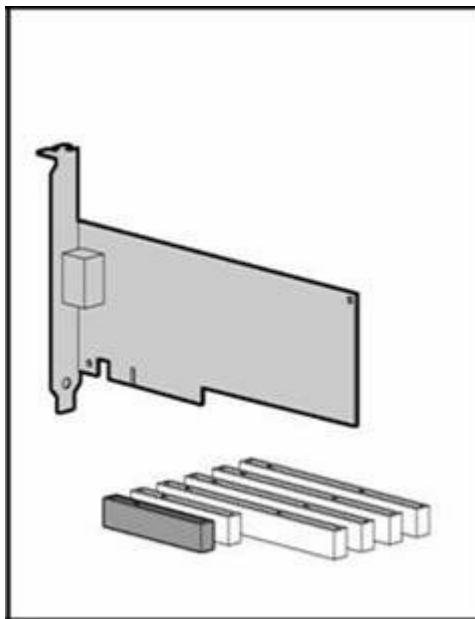
To prevent damaging the system, be aware of the precautions you need to follow when setting up the system or handling parts. A discharge of static electricity from a finger or other conductor may damage system boards or other static-sensitive devices. This type of damage may reduce the life expectancy of the device.

To prevent electrostatic damage:

- Avoid hand contact by transporting and storing products in static-safe containers.
- Keep electrostatic-sensitive parts in their containers until they arrive at static-free workstations.
- Place parts on a grounded surface before removing them from their containers.
- Avoid touching pins, leads, or circuitry.
- Always be properly grounded when touching a static-sensitive component or assembly.

Installing an adapter in a server

See the HP ProLiant server documentation for additional information on how to safely install a PCI Express card in the server.



⚠ CAUTION: If the server is not PCI Hot Plug compliant, power it down and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before removing the server access panel. Failure to do so may damage the adapter or server.

1. Power down the server.
2. Remove the power cord and server access panel. Then remove the cover bracket from a PCI Express slot.

⚠ WARNING: To reduce the risk of personal injury from hot surfaces, allow the drives and the internal system components to cool before touching them.

3. Firmly seat the adapter in a PCI Express slot and secure the adapter bracket.

>Note: For 1U type servers you may need to replace the standard profile bracket with a low profile bracket. See [Installing a low profile bracket \(on page 9\)](#).

4. Replace the access panel and plug in the power cord.

Installing a low profile bracket

You may have to install a low profile bracket to complete the product installation. The low profile bracket replaces the existing standard profile bracket shipped on the product.

To install a low profile bracket:

1. Using a correctly sized Phillips head screwdriver, carefully remove the two board lock screws located at the top and bottom of the connector. Some versions may have small spring clips on the CX4 connector posts that also must be removed.
2. Remove the standard profile bracket and place the low profile bracket over the connector. Be careful not to damage the connector or bend the low profile bracket.
3. Reinstall the two Phillips screws. Reinstallation of the spring clips (found on some versions) is optional because the clips have negligible effect on the bracket support and EMI

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CX4 Twin-axial cable

The NC510C adapter uses a 10Base-CX4 copper interface to deliver Gigabit Ethernet over four twin-axial copper cable pairs as specified in the IEEE 802.3ak standard. For troubleshooting and other information about cabling, see the CX4 connector pinout description (on page 11).

General specifications

General specifications	Value
Controller	NETXEN NX2031
Data rate	10 Gbps, full-duplex
PCI bus	8 Lane (x8) PCI Express, compatible with x4 and x8 bus widths
Cable connector	4x InfiniBand® (SFF-8470)
Cable distance	15 meters with CX4 x4 twin-axial cable
Dimensions (LxW)	6.6 x 2.5 in (16.5 x 6.4 cm) without bracket

Compliance

Compliance	Standard
IEEE	802.1p (QoS), 802.1Q (VLANs), 802.3ae (10 Gigabit Ethernet), 802.3ak (CX4), 802.3x (flow control)
Safety	UL Mark (US and Canada) EN 60950
Emissions	FCC Class A, VCCI Class A, BSMI Class A, CISPR 22 Class A, ACA Class A, EN55022 Class A, EN55024-1, ICES-003 Class A, MIC Class A

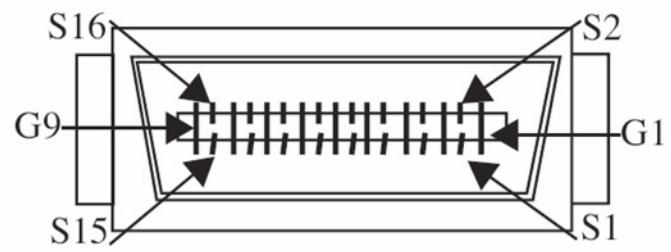
Compliance	Standard
Other	PCIe v1.1 RoHS 5, Exemption 7 IPv4, IPv6 CE ACPI 1.1a Microsoft WHQL (Windows Hardware Quality Labs) Server Design Guide version 3.0 (SDG 3.0)

Power and environmental specifications

Power and environmental specifications	Value
Operating	Temperature: 32° to 131° F (0° to 55° C) Humidity: 10% to 90% non-condensing
Non-operating	Temperature: -85° to 185° F (-65° to 85° C) Humidity: 5% to 95%
Power	1.68 A @ 12 V and 0.49 A @ 3.3 V maximum

CX4 connector pinout description

Pin	Signal name	Connector pin	Signal name
S1	Rx_L0p	S2	Rx_L0n
S3	Rx_L1p	S4	Rx_L1n
S5	Rx_L2p	S6	Rx_L2n
S7	Rx_L3p	S8	Rx_L3n
S9	Tx_L3n	S10	Tx_L3p
S11	Tx_L2n	S12	Tx_L2p
S13	Tx_L1n	S14	Tx_L1p
S15	Tx_L0n	S16	Tx_L0p
G1	Signal Shield	—	—
G2	Signal Shield	—	—
G3	Signal Shield	—	—
G4	Signal Shield	—	—
G5	Signal Shield	—	—
G6	Signal Shield	—	—
G7	Signal Shield	—	—
G8	Signal Shield	—	—
G9	Link Shield	—	—



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Regulatory compliance identification numbers

For the purpose of regulatory compliance certifications and identification, this product has been assigned a unique regulatory model number. The regulatory model number can be found on the product nameplate label, along with all required approval markings and information. When requesting compliance information for this product, always refer to this regulatory model number. The regulatory model number is not the marketing name or model number of the product.

Class A equipment

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference, in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at personal expense.

Modifications

The FCC requires the user to be notified that any changes or modifications made to this device that are not expressly approved by Hewlett-Packard Company may void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Cables

Connections to this device must be made with shielded cables with metallic RFI/EMI connector hoods in order to maintain compliance with FCC Rules and Regulations.

Canadian notice

This Class A digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe A respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

Japanese class A notice

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Laser compliance

This product may be provided with an optical storage device (that is, CD or DVD drive) and/or fiber optic transceiver. Each of these devices contains a laser that is classified as a Class 1 Laser Product in accordance with US FDA regulations and the IEC 60825-1. The product does not emit hazardous laser radiation.

Each laser product complies with 21 CFR 1040.10 and 1040.11 except for deviations pursuant to Laser Notice No. 50, dated May 27, 2001; and with IEC 60825-1:1993/A2:2001.

⚠ WARNING: Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein or in the laser product's installation guide may result in hazardous radiation exposure. To reduce the risk of exposure to hazardous radiation:

- Do not try to open the module enclosure. There are no user-serviceable components inside.
- Do not operate controls, make adjustments, or perform procedures to the laser device other than those specified herein.
- Allow only HP Authorized Service technicians to repair the unit.

The Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration implemented regulations for laser products on August 2, 1976. These regulations apply to laser products manufactured from August 1, 1976. Compliance is mandatory for products marketed in the United States.

Disposal of waste equipment by users in private households in the European Union



This symbol on the product or on its packaging indicates that this product must not be disposed of with your other household waste. Instead, it is your responsibility to dispose of your waste equipment by handing it over to a designated collection point for the recycling of waste electrical and electronic equipment. The separate collection and recycling of your waste equipment at the time of disposal will help to conserve natural resources and ensure that it is recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local city office, your household waste disposal service or the shop where you purchased the product.

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Grounding methods to prevent electrostatic discharge

Several methods are used for grounding. Use one or more of the following methods when handling or installing electrostatic-sensitive parts:

- Use a wrist strap connected by a ground cord to a grounded workstation or computer chassis. Wrist straps are flexible straps with a minimum of 1 megohm \pm 10 percent resistance in the ground cords. To provide proper ground, wear the strap snug against the skin.
- Use heel straps, toe straps, or boot straps at standing workstations. Wear the straps on both feet when standing on conductive floors or dissipating floor mats.
- Use conductive field service tools.
- Use a portable field service kit with a folding static-dissipating work mat.

If you do not have any of the suggested equipment for proper grounding, have an authorized reseller install the part.

For more information on static electricity or assistance with product installation, contact an authorized reseller.

Acronyms and abbreviations

CSA

Canadian Standards Association

DMA

direct memory access

IEEE

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

iSCSI

Internet Small Computer System Interface

MSI

Message Signaled Interrupt

MSI-X

Message Signaled Interrupt Extended

PCI Express

Peripheral Component Interconnect Express

RDMA

Remote Direct Memory Access

RSS

Receive-Side Scaling

TOE

TCP/IP Offload Engine

UTP

unshielded twisted pair

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