

# **User Manual**

## **A-DATA XPG 3.5" SSD RAID Enclosure**

### **Description:**

The RAID Enclosure is a complete RAID solution through the use of two 2.5" SATA hard disks mounted on one mini 3.5" form factor drive cage. It is used as a standard 2.5" SSD/HDD with mirroring capability (RAID 1). By mirroring technique, it maintains data in two disk drives simultaneously and securely. If one drive fails, it automatically switches operations to the functional drive and after changed a new hard drive the data is mirroring back.

### **Features:**

- \* Interface: **SATA-I/II**
- \* LED indication for Working and Failure.
- \* The dimensions match exactly as a standard 3.5" bay.
- \* Energy saving on using 2.5" SSD or HDD.
- \* For the use on desktop, server case, rack mount chassis that is with 3.5" form factor space.

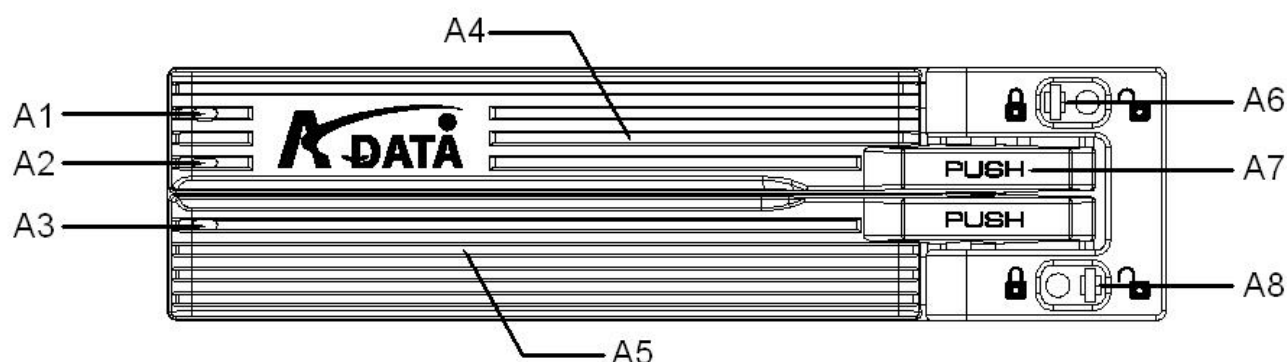
- \* Complies with SATA-I, SATA-II interface. Maximum transfer rate up to 1.5Gbps for SATA-I and 3.0Gbps for SATA-II.
- \* SSD Auto Eject when you open the front cover.
- \* Aluminum material, best heat sink.
- \* Dimension: 148.2 x 101.7 x 25.8mm (L\*W\*H)
- \* Weight: 0.23 kg

## Accessory List:

1. 3.5" RAID Enclosure \* 1
2. User Manual \* 1
3. 7 pin SATA Cable \* 1
4. Screws Bag \* 1 (With 4 screws)

## Front Panel:

### Picture A



A1 : SSD/HDD 0 Access LED

A2 : Power LED

A3: SSD/HDD 1 Access LED

A4 : Upper cover & SSD/HDD extractor

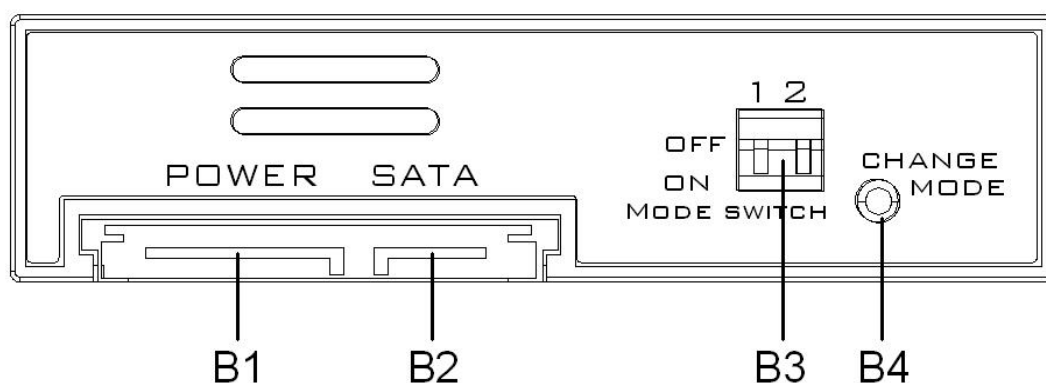
A5 : Lower cover & SSD/HDD extractor

A6 : Upper SSD/HDD Safety Lock (Push rightward to open & push leftward to lock)

A7 : Push the rise high position to open the upper & lower cover

A8 : Lower SSD/HDD Safety Lock (Push rightward to open & push leftward to lock)

## Rear Panel:



B1 : SATA 15pin power connector

B2 : SATA 7pin data connector for SSD/HDD 0

B3 : RAID mode configuration DIP switch

B4 : Change mode button

## LED Table

Check the following to see the LED Indicator Table.

SSD/HDD 0 Access LED Indicator (A1)		
Action	Message	Color
Light On	Hard Drive 0 Installed	Blue
Light Off	Hard Drive 0 uninstalled	No
Light On	Hard Drive 0 Fail	Red
Flash	Hard Drive 0 Access	Blue
Power LED Indicator (A2)		
Light On	Power is ON	Blue
Light Off	Power is OFF	No
SSD/HDD 1 Access LED Indicator (A3)		
Light On	Hard Drive 1 Installed	Blue
Light Off	Hard Drive 1 uninstalled	No
Light On	Hard Drive 0 Fail	Red
Flash	Hard Drive 1 Access	Blue

The following is the special case LED table.

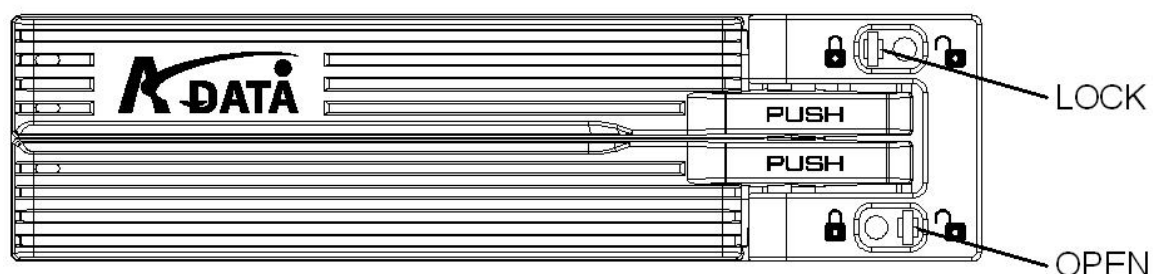
LED Indicator in special case		
Message	LED	Color / Action
Both Hard Drives installed without cable connection	A1/A2	Blue/Light on

The following is the LED Indicator in RAID modes.

RAID Mode LED Indicator			
RAID Mode	Message	LED	Color / Action
RAID 1	Reading	A1	Blue/Flash
RAID 1	Writing	A1/A3	Blue/Flash
RAID 1	SSD/HDD 0 Rebuilding	A1	Blue & Red/Flash
RAID 1	SSD/HDD 1 Rebuilding	A3	Blue & Red/Flash
JBOD	SSD/HDD 0 Access	A1	Blue/Flash
JBOD	SSD/HDD 1 Access	A3	Blue/Flash
RAID 0	Access	A1/A3	Blue/Flash

## Safety Lock

Upper SSD/HDD Safety Lock & Lower SSD/HDD Safety Lock. Push rightward to open & push leftward to lock. See Picture C.

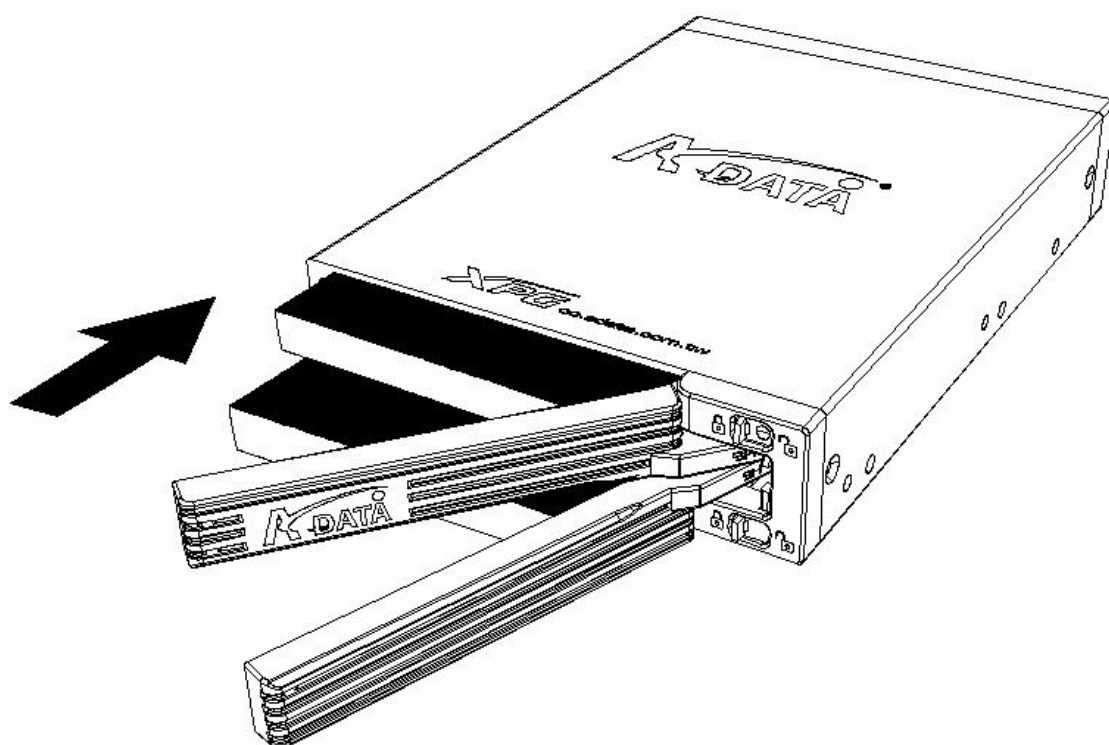


**Picture C**

## SSD/HDD Installing:

Open the upper & lower cover and put the SSD/HDD into the cage.

You can install one SSD/HDD or two SSDs/HDDs.



**Picture D**

## Hardware Installation Procedures

Please follow below procedures to complete the hardware installation:

1) Open the package, take out the product, make sure the product is brand new and all the necessary parts are included (Please check with Accessory List).

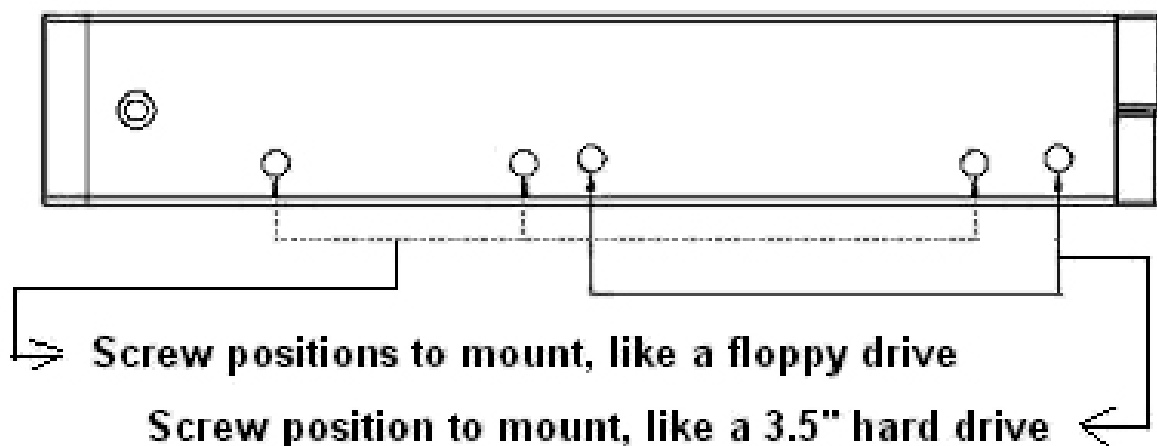
If damage or shortage occurred, please contact your distributor or where you bought.

2) Unlock the upper and lower covers (see picture C), push the lock rightward and open the two covers and then, put the two 2.5" SATA SSDs/HDDs into the box (See Picture D).

3) After both SSDs/HDDs installed, push both covers back like picture C and then, push the lock button leftward to lock both covers to secure the SSDs/HDDs inside properly.

4) Then, mount the 3.5" enclosure on the 3.5" space using the included screws to mount it on the device (desktop, case... etc.) and make all the cable connected properly and it is ready for use.

5) See the drawing of the two ways to mount the 3.5" enclosure on the Device (See Picture E).

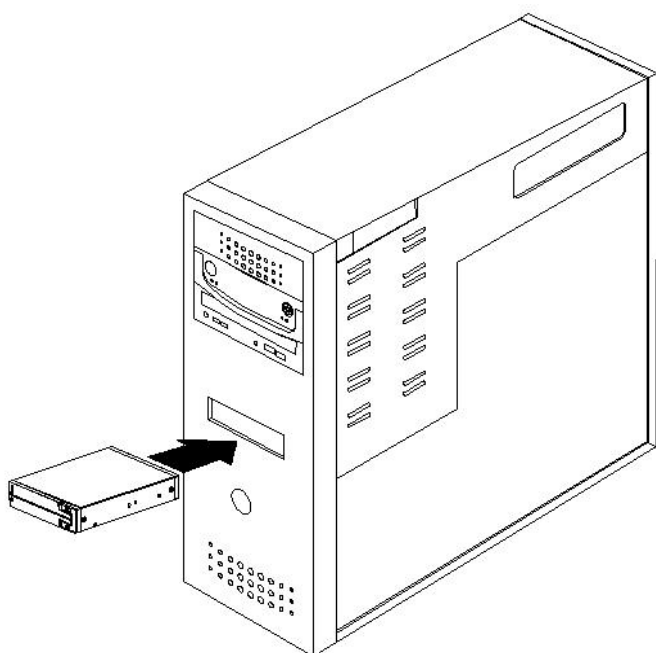


**Picture E**

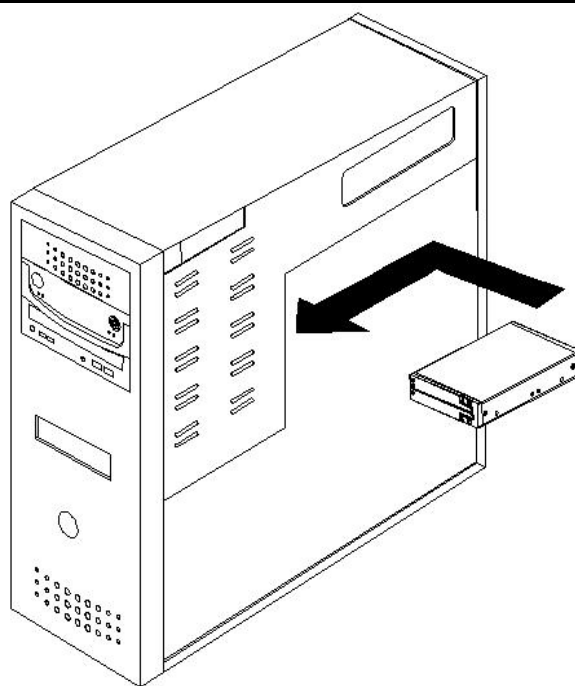
6) There are 2 ways to mount the 3.5" enclosure on the device:

- Picture F-1) Mount it on the floppy drive bay
- Picture F-2) Mount it inside the case

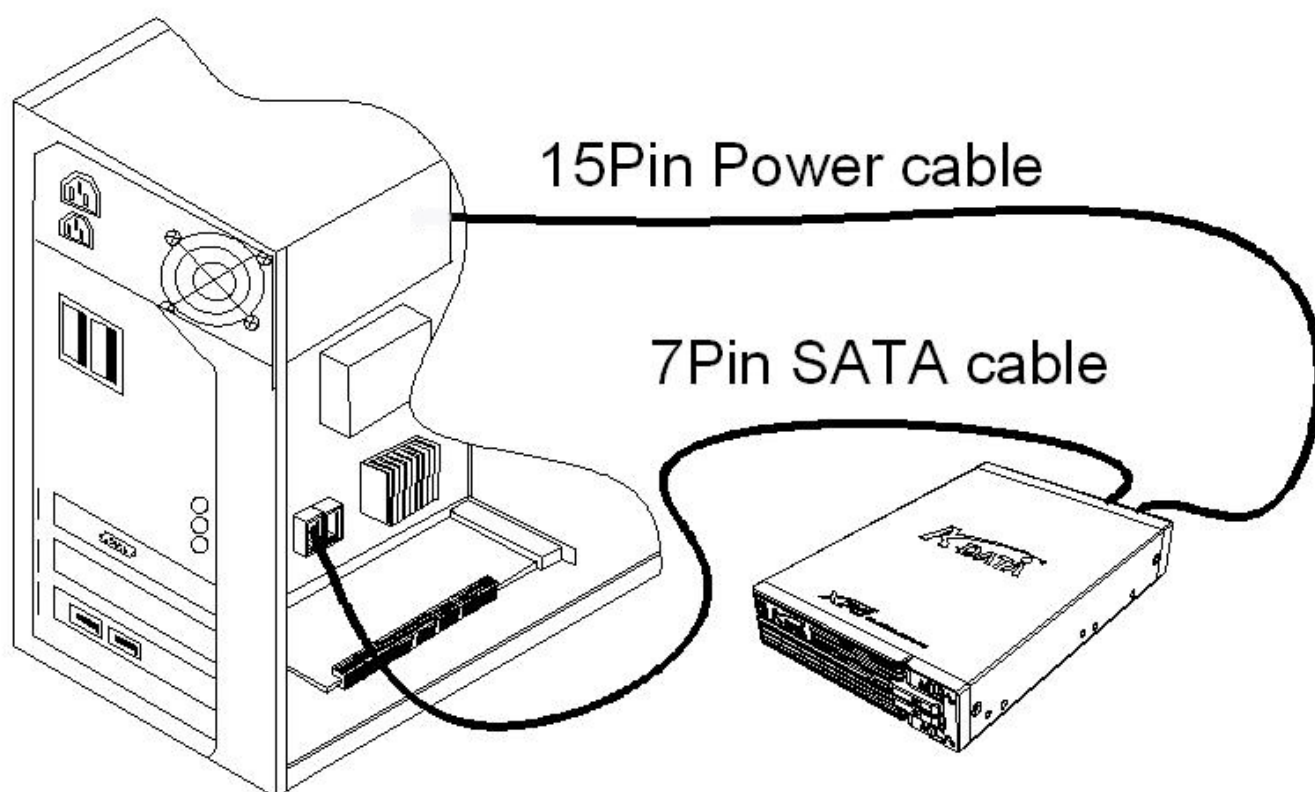
7) Connect the 3.5" enclosure with PC via 15pin SATA power cable (from Power Supply) and 7pin SATA cable (using included cable).  
(See Picture F-3)



**Picture F-1**



**Picture F-2**



**Picture F-3**



## Set the RAID mode by the DIP Switch:

RAID Status	RAID Config	
	1	2
Normal	OFF	OFF
RAID 1	OFF	ON
JBOD	ON	OFF
RAID 0	ON	ON

**DIP Switch Table**

When you want to set any RAID mode as above table, please follow below steps:

### **Step 1: Power off**

Pull out the Power Cable before you change the Dip Switch.

### **Step 2: Ready to Reset the RAID Setting**

Change the Dip Switch to **Normal Mode** position to be ready for reset.

### **Step 3: Reset Complete.**

Press **CHANGE MODE** button for 5 seconds and Plug on the Power Cable to activate the RAID setting at the same time.

## Step 4: Ready to change the RAID Mode

Pull off the Power Cable and change the Dip Switch to the RAID Mode you want.

## Step 5: Activate the RAID Mode

Press **CHANGE MODE** button for 5 seconds and Plug on the Power Cable to activate the RAID setting at the same time.

Note:

- A) If present mode is in Normal Mode, users don't need to reset.
- B) Users should wait at least 5 seconds to activate the RAID Mode and then release the Change Mode button
- C) After the selected RAID is built ready, then, to partition/format the RAID-built SSDs/HDDs. After SSDs/HDDs being formatted, they are ready to be used.

## **RAID Mode DIP Switch Setting:**

### **1. Normal Mode (Set DIP SW-1: OFF, SW-2: OFF)**

Normal Mode is without specific RAID Functions. The system recognizes two separate SSDs/HDDs of their own capacity when host supports port-multi. Example: you install 100GB and 80GB Hard Drives, and will see two separate capacities of 100GB & 80GB. If port-multi is not supported, it can recognize one HDD only.

### **2. RAID 1 Mode (Set DIP SW-1: OFF, SW-2: ON)**

RAID 1 Mode is the RAID Mode with high safety (Mirror backup). Selecting RAID 1 system will help you perfectly protect your data by building the same data in your both hard drives. However, it is the smallest capacity within RAID Modes.

For example, you install 100GB and 80GB Hard Drives, and the capacity will be one 80GB (depended on the smaller hard drive capacity) totally.

### **3. JBOD Mode (Set DIP SW-1: ON, SW-2: OFF)**

JBOD Mode will combine all of the hard drives into a single hard

drive with larger capacity.

For example, you install 100GB and 80GB Hard Drives, and the capacity will be in one 180GB (100GB+80GB) totally.

#### 4. RAID 0 Mode (Set DIP SW-1: ON, SW-2: ON)

RAID 0 Mode is the fastest RAID Mode. Advantage of RAID 0 is to achieve high performance by accumulating each individual hard disk performance. However, if any one hard disk gets defective, information stored in this RAID 0 will be invalid. RAID 0 Mode will just make use of the same size disk space in each hard disk condition.

For Example: You install 100GB and 80GB Hard Drives, and the capacity will be 160GB (80GB+80GB) totally.

## Trouble Shooting

A) Why can't I open the panel cover?

Please check the Safety Lock is at UNLOCK position.

B) Can I install or uninstall the Hard Drive anytime?

We suggest you to turn off PC before your installation.

C) Why can't I see the Hard Drive in "My Computer" after I installed?

Please check the LED Table to see if it's normal. If the LED is in normal situation. Then Please check if the SSD/HDD is formatted or not.

D) Can I install SSD \* 1 and HDD \* 1, and work well?

Yes, it'll work fine and the performance is depended on the SSD/HDD that you installed.

E) What's the default RAID mode when I get the product?

The default RAID mode is Normal Mode. And please check the RAID Mode setting steps to change the RAID Mode you want.

F) Why can't I change the RAID Mode?

Please follow the RAID Mode setting step by step. And confirm if the

CHANGE MODE button pressing while the power cable is connecting.

H) Why is the capacity small in RAID 1?

The RAID 1 is the safest RAID Mode. The RAID enclosure needs the same capacity in both Hard Drives to mirror the data. Though the capacity will be smallest, the data can rebuild automatically in case one of your hard drive is broken.

**Notice:**

1. Hot-plug function depends on your PC system. Generally, internal SATA device does not support hot-plug function. Some e-SATA devices support but also depend on the motherboard driver.

If you are not clear that your PC system supports or not, please do not change your SSD or HDD as the PC is working.

Or your PC may hang up or damage your storage device.

2. During file saving, please do not disconnect the storage device even if your PC supports hot-plug.

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