# QNAP Enterprise-class NAS Series: ES1642dc, ES1640dc Hardware User Manual

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This user manual is applicable to the following ES NAS models:

ES1642dc and ES1640dc

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- 1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
- 2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. 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. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

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Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for help.

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## Symbols in this document

Warning	This icon indicates the instructions must be strictly followed. Failure to do so could result in injury to human body or death.
Caution	This icon indicates the action may lead to disk clearance or loss OR failure to follow the instructions could result in data damage, disk damage, or product damage.

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#### **Safety Warnings**

- 1. The ES NAS can operate normally in temperatures of 0°C–40°C (32°F -104°F) and relative humidity of 5%–95%. Please make sure the environment is well-ventilated.
- 2. The power cord and devices connected to the ES NAS must provide correct supply voltage (770W, 100-240 V@50/60Hz).
- 3. Do not place the ES NAS in direct sunlight or near chemicals. Make sure the temperature and humidity of the environment are in optimized level.
- 4. Unplug the power cord and all connected cables before cleaning. Wipe the ES NAS with a dry towel. Do not use chemical or aerosol to clean the ES NAS.
- 5. Do not place any objects on the ES NAS for the server's normal operation and to avoid overheat.
- 6. Use the flat head screws in the product package to lock the hard disks in the ES NAS when installing hard disks for proper operation.
- 7. Do not place the ES NAS near any liquid.
- 8. Do not place the ES NAS on any uneven surface to avoid falling off and damage.
- 9. Make sure the voltage is correct in the location where the ES NAS is installed. Contact the distributor or the local power supply company for the information.
- 10. Do not place any object on the power cord.
- 11. Do not attempt to repair the ES NAS in any occasions. Improper disassembly of the product may expose the users to electric shock or other risks. For any enquiries, please contact the distributor.
- 12. The ES NAS models should only be installed in the server room and maintained by the authorized server manager or IT administrator. The server room is locked by key or keycard access and only certified staff is allowed to enter the server room.



#### Warning:

- Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Dispose of used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Do NOT touch the fan inside the system to avoid serious injuries.

## **Chapter 1. Introduction to QNAP ES NAS series**

The Enterprise Storage NAS (ES NAS) series offers robust functionality, exceptional reliability, and availability with the common ease of storage management being shared by all of QNAP NAS product lines.

The ES NAS series consist of two new major products: the ES1642dc and the ES1640dc. Both of these models are a good fit for the mid-range to large-scale SAN and direct-attach enterprise storage systems.

The ES NAS models have an improved 19 inches high-density frame design. It can support 16 drives, in a small, high-density footprint that helps to preserve valuable space and energy required for system cooling in data center environments.

The new ES NAS series has a high availability and serviceability architecture what supports two redundant Storage Controllers and two power supply units. In addition, the EJ1602 and EJ1600 expansion enclosure allow for the growth of the storage system up to the 128 drive maximum, by adding the 16-drive expansion units to the ES NAS's SAS drive expansion. These expansion units also have high availability features such as dual power supplies and redundant cross loop connection to their base ES NAS. The new ES NAS series provides a number of new capabilities from other enterprise-class NAS. The enhancements are:

- To deliver high performance and advanced data services, the ES NAS series uses a combination of standard enterprise-grade hardware and a storage-optimized, Enterprise operating system (QES) based on the ZFS file system at its core.
- The dual storage controllers are powered by Intel® Xeon® E5 series processors that can deliver the exceptional compute power required to concurrently run multiple modern storage workloads along with advanced data services. In addition, the two active storage controllers work as a cluster, monitoring one another so that a single controller can take over the storage resources managed by the other controller in the event of a controller failure.
- New 12 Gbps SAS technology for host and drive attachments.
- Non-disruptive firmware upgrades: Enables controller firmware upgrades to occur with no interruption to data access.
- Cache configurations are available that range from 4 drives up to 16 drives (full-SSD drive set) system cache.
- Write data is always protected by maintaining a copy in battery-backed nonvolatile storage (NVS)
  until the data is written to the HDDs.
- High-density storage enclosures offer a considerable reduction in footprint and energy consumption.

- Storage Pool Striping (across different expansion units) provides a mechanism to aggregates
  hard drives into a bigger storage space, and with the ability to support multiple RAID groups
  across different expansion enclosures. (Note that all RAID groups must have the same RAID
  type.) Storage Pool Striping helps maximize performance by reducing hot spots in arrays
  and provide better data safety.
- RAID-TP (Triple parity) provided by RAID 7 support with the specialized Storage Controller on the system
- Triple Mirroring writes data simultaneously to three separate HDDs so if two-thirds of the HDDs fail in the same RAID group, no data will be lost.
- The support for OpenStack enables the integration with the OpenStack cloud environment. After the driver is installed on the OpenStack Cinder (OpenStack Block Storage) nodes, storage volumes can be allocated by the Cinder nodes to the Nova-compute nodes. Virtual machines on the Nova-compute nodes can then use storage resources on the ES NAS.

#### Data safety and encryption

Combined with the world-class business resiliency and encryption features, the ES NAS series provides a unique combination of high availability, performance, and security. Shared folder and LUN encryption offered the QES operating system can protect business-sensitive data by utilizing drive-based hardware encryption in combination with a software key. In addition, the WORM (Write Once Read Many) function provides data tampering prevention and original content retention at shared-folder level. The LUN Encryption is available for all drive types, including flash drives (SSDs).

# **Chapter 2. Hardware Specifications**

**Caution:** Modifying the hardware, software, or firmware of the QNAP products will void the warranty. QNAP is not responsible for any form of damage or loss of data caused by modifying the QNAP products. Users should bear their own risks of all sorts of possible data loss or system instabilities due to changing the hardware parts, modifying the default system firmware or installing any unauthorized third party applications on QNAP products.

Model No.	ES1642dc	ES1640dc	
Form Factor	3U, Rackmount		
Processor	Intel Xeon E5-2420 v2		
	(2.2GHz, 6 core, 15MB L3, 80W TE	OP)	
Storage Controller	DDR3 ECC RDIMM		
(x2 for every system)	16GB x2 ( total of 32GB)		
	16GB x 1 (NVRAM)		
Number of Disk	16 x 2.5"/3.5"	16 x 2.5"/3.5"	
Drives	4 x 2.5" SSD	4 x 2.5" SSD (Default configuration	
211165	(Default configuration for	for read cache acceleration )	
	read cache acceleration )	12 X 3.5"	
	12 X 3.5"		
HDD Interface	SAS 12Gb/s; backward-	SAS 6Gb/s backward-compatible to	
	compatible to SAS 6Gb/s	SATA (SATA drives need SAS-to-SATA	
	and SATA (SATA drives need SAS-to-SATA interposer	interposer boards.)	
	boards.)		
JBOD	Two mini-SAS 12Gb/s ports (SFF-	Two mini-SAS 6Gb/s ports (SFF-8088)	
Expansion connectors	8644)		
(x2 for every system)		6477.6	
Battery-Backed Write Cache (x2 for every	M.2 2280 for NVRAM (SATA signal)	mSATA for NVRAM	
system)	Signary		
10G LAN Port (x2 for	Four SFP+ (Intel XL710-AM1)	Two RJ45 (Intel X540-BT2)	
every system)	,		
PCIe expansion slots			
(x2 for every system)	PCIe Slot x4 (Gen2 x4): Pre-installed with a dual-port mini-SAS adapter		

Fan module (x2 for	Field-replaceable fan module (60*60*38mm, 16000 RPM/12v/2.8A x 3)
every system)	
Power Supply	770W 1+1, 100-240V@50/60Hz (hot-swappable, redundant)
Temperature	0° C to 40 ºC
Relative Humidity	5 % to 95 %
Dimensions (mm)	618 (Depth) x 446.2 (Width) x 132 (Height), excluding the handles
Weight (Net)	27.75kg

# **Expansion Enclosures**

Expansion Model	EJ1602	EJ1600			
Form Factor	3U, Rackmount	3U, Rackmount			
Number of Disk	16 x 2.5"/3.5"	16 x 2.5"/3.5"			
Drives					
HDD Interface	SAS 12Gb/s backward-compatible	SAS 6Gb/s backward-compatible to			
	to	SATA (SATA drives need SAS-to-			
	SAS 6Gb/s and SATA (SATA drives	SATA interposer boards.)			
	need SAS-to-SATA interposer				
	boards.)				
JBOD	Two mini-SAS 12Gb/s ports (SFF-	Two mini-SAS 6Gb/s ports (SFF-			
expansion connector	8644)	8088)			
(x2 for every system)					
Fan module (x2 for	Field-replaceable fan module	Field-replaceable fan module			
every system)	(60*60*38mm, 16000	(60*60*38mm, 16000			
	RPM/12v/2.8A x 3)	RPM/12v/2.8A x 3)			
Power Supply	450W 100-240V@50/60Hz (hot-	450W 100-240V@50/60Hz (hot-			
	swappable, redundant)	swappable, redundant)			
Temperature	0°C to 40 °C	0°C to 40 °C			
Relative Humidity	5 % to 95 %	5 % to 95 %			
Dimensions (mm)	618 (Depth) x 446.2 (Width) x 132	618 (Depth) x 446.2 (Width) x 132			
	(Height), excluding the handles	(Height), excluding the handles			
Weight (Net) 27.75kg 27.75kg					
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# **Chapter 3. System Components**

## **Front Panel Features**

The power button, Power/Status LED indicators and LCD status display are conveniently located at the front panel for easy access.



**Note**: Refer to next section on Front Panel LEDs and Buttons for detailed descriptions on these features.

## **Font Panel LEDs and Buttons**

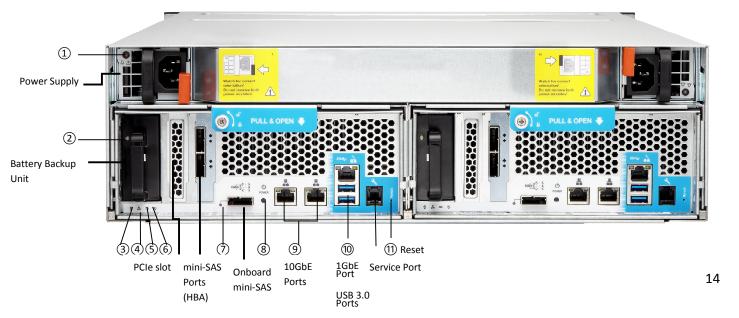
Item	Description	LED Color	Status	
1	Power on button		System power on button. To force shut down the ES NAS, press and hold it for about 5 seconds.	
2	System Power LED	Green	On = System power on Off = System power off	
3	Status	Green Orange	Green =The system is operating normally. Orange = One or more of the following conditions exist:  • There are system errors or warnings (e.g. degraded RAID mode, memory failure, fan/power supply failure, system/disk temperature too high, storage pool reaching threshold value) recorded in system logs of the QES to notify system administrators. Correct errors to reset the LED to green.  • The system is performing takeover. (*)  • The power supply unit has been unplugged.	
4	LCD status display		The two-digit number represents various states of device booting process. The left and right digits represent the left	

	00		Storage Controller and the right Storage Controller (when facing the front panel) respectively.  No-Display: BIOS booting  1: Device detecting  2: Network settings  3: System settings  4: Services start  5: System self-testing  0: System ready
5	HDD Status LEDs (upper)	Green Red	Green On = Drive is actively online.  Red = Error/Damage  Off = No HDD present
5	HDD Activity LEDs (lower)	Green	On/Slow flashing = No Drive activity Flashing = High activity on the drive or drive is being configured as part of an array  Caution: Do not replace a drive without bring it offline first in the QES. You may replace a drive online only when The drive is online and part of an array that has been configured for fault tolerance and all other drives in the array are online, and a predictive failure alert is received from the QES. For more information, refer to the software user manual.

<sup>\*</sup> The dual active-active controller system enables a single controller to take over the pool disk resources managed by the other controller in the event of a controller failure. Takeovers can be initiated manually or occur automatically when a failover event happens.

#### **Rear Panel Features**

The rear panel comprises of two Storage Controllers, each of which includes I/O expansion slots, Ethernet ports, USB connectors, an onboard mini-SAS port, SAS ports via a SAS host bus adapter, a power-on button, reset button, system management port and BBU.



**Note**: Refer to the following sections for detailed descriptions on these features.

## **Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons**

Item	Description	LED	Status
1	Power supply LED	Green Orange	On = Power turned on and power supply functioning properly
			Flashing green= System off Flashing orange= AC power cord is unplugged
			Off = One or more of the following conditions
			exist:
			<ul><li>AC power unavailable</li><li>Power supply failed</li></ul>
			Power supply exceeded current limit
2	BBU LED (on the battery module)	Green Red	Green = Normal Flashing Green = Copying data to the mSATA flash
		Orange	Red = Damage
			Orange= Charging/learning
2	6		Off = Not correctly attached to the ES NAS
3	Status	Green	Off = The system is powered off.
	4	Orange	Green = The system is operating normally. Flashing green = The system is booting.
	7		Thushing green – The system is booting.
4	Fan	Green	Green = The fan is operating normally.
		Orange	Orange = Damage/error
			Off = Not detecting any fans
5	BBU LED (on the	Green	Green = Normal
	Storage Controller)	Orange	Orange = Error/Damage
	<b>-</b>		Off = One or more of the following conditions
			exist: •The Storage Controller is not powered on
			•The system cannot detect the BBU
6	High Availability LED	Green	Green = Active state
		Orange	Flashing orange = performing takeover* or undergoing giveback**
			Orange = The Storage Controller has taken over from the
			other Storage Controller.
			Off = One or more of the following conditions exist:  • The Storage Controller has failed over to the other
			Storage Controller.
			The Storage Controller is not powered on.
7	Onboard mini-SAS	Green	Off = No link

	Port LED	Red	Green = Network link Flashing = Network activity
			Red = Error/damage
8	Power-on Button		The Power-on button of the Storage Controller. To shut down the Storage Controller, press and hold it for about 5 seconds. It provides the same function as the Power on and Shut Down function in the High Availability app on QES.
9 (Left)	10 Gigabit Ethernet RJ-45 Ports LAN1/LAN2 Speed LED	Green Orange Off	Green = 10 GbE connection Orange = 1 GbE connection Off = 100Mbps connection
9 (Right)	10 Gigabit Ethernet RJ-45 Ports LAN1/LAN2 link/activity LED	Green	Off = No link Green = Network link Flashing = Network activity
9 (for Model ES1642dc	10 Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ LAN1/LAN2 Speed LED	Green Orange Off	Green = 10 GbE connection Orange = 1 GbE connection
9 (for Model ES1642dc	10 Gigabit Ethernet SFP+ LAN1/LAN2 link/activity LED	Green Off	Off = No link Green = Network link Flashing = Network activity
10	Management Port Link/activity LED	Green Off	Off = No link Green = Network link Flashing = Network activity
10	Management Port Speed LED	Green Orange	Orange = 1 GbE connection Green = 100Mbpsconnection
11	Reset		System reset button for rebooting the Storage Controller without turning off the system power.

<sup>\*</sup> The dual active-active controller system enables the controller to take over the pool disk resources and have access to all data and serve the data upon failure of the other controller. Takeovers can be initiated manually or occur automatically when a failover event happens.

## **Storage Controllers**

With the dual-controller configuration, the controller on the left is Storage Controller A (SCA) and the right is Storage B (SCB), as named in the QES, when viewed from the rear of the system.

Dual controller configurations offer redundant access to disk storage. In case of controller or I/O path failure, the other controller will continue to provide access to disk drives.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Storage Controller A (or B) has taken over the system. Any issues on Storage Controller B (or A) have been resolved and it is ready to resume serving data. Giveback is initiated either manually or automatically.

Each storage controller features a BBU, one SAS host bus adapter (pre-installed in one of the PCIe slot), one PCIe expansion slot, an onboard mini-SAS port, power-on button, two 10 Gigabit Ethernet ports, one system management port, two USB 3.0 ports, one service port, and a reset button.

## **Redundant Power Supply**

The power supply module is a 770 Watt switching power supply. It is auto ranging, 100-127 and 200-240VAC input capable. The ES NAS has two identical power supply modules for power redundancy. If either power supply fails, the other module will keep the system running until it can be replaced.

**Note**: Refer to *Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons* for power supply LED description.

## **PCIe expansion adaptors**

The ES NAS adopts point-to-point, high-speed PCI Express (PCIe) Gen2 (x4) and Gen3 (x8) for I/O expansions. The adapters can be either device adapters or host adapters. The system can support one additional PCIe (Gen3 x8) attachment. The one with Gen2 (x4) is pre-installed with a SAS host bus adapter.

## **Onboard mini-SAS ports**

Two onboard mini Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) ports provide point-to-point 6Gb/s data (or 12Gb/s depending on the model) transmission to other storage devices.

## SAS Host Bus Adapters (HBAs)

In addition to the above external Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) host attachment port built into the Storage Controller, a pre-installed SAS HBA provides two additional mini-SAS ports for direct attachment to the expansion units. The SAS HBA supports either 12Gb/s or 6Gb/s transmission speed depending on the models. (ES1642dc comes with 12Gb/s SAS HBA whereas ES1640dc comes with 6Gb/s SAS HBA.)

## **Battery Backup Units (BBU)**

The battery is 10.8V 2200mAH.

The cache of QES NAS Storage is protected by a battery against power loss. The BBU provides power to Battery-Backed Write Cache. The battery provides power if the data in the cache needs to written to the mSATA memory card if power is disrupted. The write cache is only used if the cache battery is fully charged. If the batteries fail or are not fully charged, for example, just after powering on, the controllers automatically disable the write cache. You can schedule the BBU learning cycle in the QES; for more information, please refer to the software user manual.

## 10GbE networking

4 x SFP+ (Intel® XL710-AM1) for Model ES1642dc or 2 x RJ45 (Intel® X540-BT2) for Model ES1640dc

Architected and validated with Intel® Xeon® processor E5 v2 platform to deliver a balanced platform as this ES NAS series, the Ethernet ports base on the Intel XL710 or X540 Ethernet controller implements hardware optimizations and off-loads for exceptional performance in usage models such as TCP Stateless Off-loads. The network configuration of the QES supports Jumbo frame, port trunking

and VLAN settings for you to optimize performance and security in an IP SAN environment. 40GbE networking can be easily achieved with the installation of network cards via the PCIe expansion (PCIe Gen3 x8).

## **Storage Features**

#### **Disk drives and Disk Enclosures**

The QES NAS storage system supports up to two redundant Storage Controllers with the latest SAS 12Gb/s or 6Gb/s HDD interface (ES1642dc comes with 12Gb/s SAS HDD interface whereas ES1640dc comes with 6Gb/s HDD interface) in 16 drive configuration, which can be expanded to a maximum of 128 by attaching up to 7 expansion units . The system supports all-SSD drive set as well as SAS – SATA intermix within an enclosure. The drives are numbered 1 - 16 sequentially starting from the bottom left to the top right.

The system supports active/active controllers, with each controller being able to simultaneous process IO. In the Storage Manager of the QES, a logical unit number (LUN) is owned by a designated controller and all IO access to the LUN is through the owning controller. To take advantage of the dual active controllers for IO access, LUNs can be distributed among the controllers. LUNs ownership can be modified to balance IO access so as to balance utilization of both controllers. And with a host configured for redundant access, if a host loses IO access to a LUN through its owning controller, the failover mechanism will execute ownership transfer from one controller to the other and resume IO access through the new owning controller.

#### Solid-state drives (SSDs)

The system can accommodate superfast solid-state drives, and traditional spinning disk drives such as SAS, NL-SAS and SATA drives. (For SATA drives, please order additional SAS-to-SATA interposer boards.) However, SSDs are the best choice for I/O intensive workload and they can be used for cache acceleration in QES. Cache configurations are available that range from 4 drives up to 16 drives (full-SSD drive set) system cache. If you plan to install SSDs as partial drive set, please populate the bottom 4 drives (Drive 1~4) slots since these drives will be the system drives.

#### **RAID** implementation

RAID implementation improves data storage reliability and performance.

Redundant array of independent disks (RAID) is a method of configuring multiple disk drives in a storage subsystem for high availability and high performance. The collection of two or more disk drives presents the image of a single disk drive to the system. If a single device failure occurs, data can be read or regenerated from the other disk drives in the array. RAID implementation provides fault-tolerant data storage by storing the data in different places on multiple disk drive modules (DDMs). By placing data on multiple disks, I/O operations can overlap in a balanced way to improve the basic reliability and performance of the attached storage devices. Physical capacity can be configured as RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 5, RAID 6, RAID 7 and RAID 10, or a combination of these configurations. The specialized Storage

Controller enables the support of RAID 7 on the system. The following provides an overview of these RAID types:

#### **RAID 0 overview**

RAID 0 offers Striping, a process of dividing data into blocks and spreading the data blocks across several hard drives, but without redundancy for handling disk failures.

#### **RAID 1 overview**

Writes a mirrored copy of data to each hard drive, providing data redundancy and protection, and continues to operate as long as at least one drive is operating normally.

#### RAID 5 overview (also referred as RAID-Z1 in ZFS)

RAID 5 is a method of spreading volume data across multiple disk drives. RAID 5 increases performance by supporting concurrent accesses to the multiple disk drives within each logical volume. Data protection is provided by parity, which is stored throughout the drives in the array. If a drive fails, the data on that drive can be restored using all the other drives in the array along with the parity bits that were created when the data was stored.

#### RAID 6 overview (also referred as RAID-Z2 in ZFS)

RAID 6 is a method of increasing the data protection of arrays with volume data spread across multiple disk drives. RAID 6 increases data protection by adding an extra layer of parity over the RAID 5 implementation. By adding this protection, RAID 6 can restore data from an array with up to two failed drives. The calculation and storage of extra parity slightly reduces the capacity and performance compared to a RAID 5 array. RAID 6 is suitable for storage using archive-class disk (slower) technologies.

#### **RAID 10 overview**

RAID 10 provides high availability by combining features of RAID 0 and RAID 1. RAID 0 increases performance by striping volume data across multiple disk drives. RAID 1 provides disk mirroring, which duplicates data between two disk drives. By combining the features of RAID 0 and RAID 1, RAID 10 provides a second optimization for fault tolerance.

#### RAID- Triple Parity (or RAID 7) overview

RAID- Triple Parity primarily incorporates features from RAID level 3 and 4. RAID 7 has integrated cache and a purpose-built processor for managing the array that helps in achieving faster data read/write operations. It also has lesser dependency on parity disks because of the specialized controller. RAID 7 provides triple parity.

#### **Triple Mirroring**

Triple mirroring by has high speed of RAID-1 and high reliability of RAID-6 at the same time. Triple mirroring writes data simultaneously to three separate HDDs so if two-thirds of the HDDs fail in the same RAID group, data operation can still continue. This RAID type is useful especially for Database and OLTP which require high performance and availability.

#### **Reset Button Behavior**

Reset button: Press to reset the system settings.

System	Basic system reset	Advanced system reset	
Jystein	(1 beep)	(2 beeps)	
All ES models	3 sec	10 sec	

#### Basic system reset (3 sec)

Press the reset button for 3 seconds, a beep sound will be heard. The System administration password will be reset to default.

#### Advanced system reset (10 sec)

Press the reset button for 10 seconds; you will hear two beeps at the third and the tenth seconds. The settings such as the users and user groups previously created will be cleared. The ES NAS will reset all the system settings to default as it would by using the web-based system reset in "Control Panel" > "System Settings" > "Backup / Restore" > "Restore to Factory Default" > "Reinitialize NAS". However, resetting the ES NAS by holding the button, the data on the ES NAS will not be deleted.

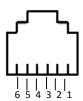
## **Management port**

The management is provided by Intel® 82579 Gigabit Ethernet controller. The management port allows you to connect to the QES desktop of the ES NAS. The default ES NAS management website is 169.254.100.100:8080. If the ES NAS has been configured to use DHCP, you can use the QNAP Qfinder Pro to check the IP address of the ES NAS. Make sure the ES NAS and the computer that runs the QNAP Qfinder Pro are connected to the same subnet. The system requires that the management IP addresses are configured on both controllers and that the controllers' management ports are connected to the management network. This should be a separate LAN or a VLAN because you should not use the production LAN or VLAN for management network traffic. To configure the management port IP Address, please refer to the software user manual. In case of the failure of the Storage Controller, you can enable takeover function from the High Availability app in QES to manage the system through the management port of the other Storage Controller with the same IP address. For more information, please see the software user manual.

## **Service port**

**Note**: The service port is the main point for hardware installation, configuration, and maintenance activities and it should only be used by QNAP technical support personnel or when you are instructed by QNAP technical support.

The service port is an RS-232 port with RJ-11 receptacle. Please use the appropriate cable/adapter (i.e.RJ-11 to DB9/DB9 to USB or RJ-11 to USB) to connect this port with your computer. The pin-outs are defined as the following:



Pin No.	Signal	Description
1	Rx1	Receive Data of UART1
2	Tx1	Transmit Data of UART1
3	GND	Ground
4	Rx2	Receive Data of UART2
5	Tx2	Transmit Data of UART2
6	GND	Ground

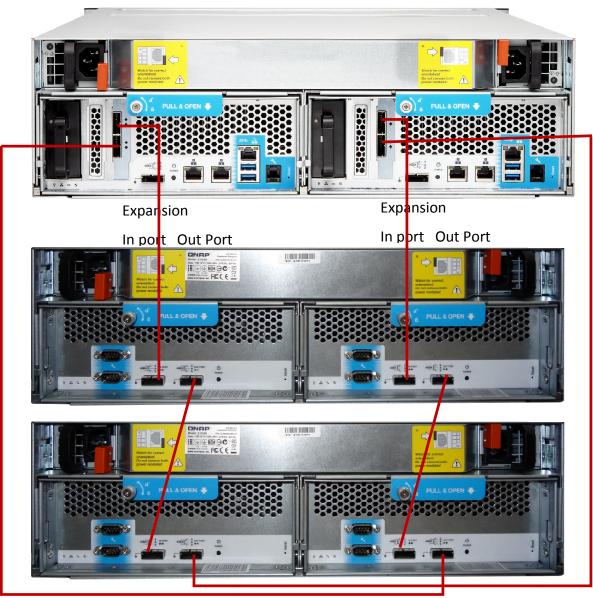
Configure the baud rate and character format of the PC or terminal to match these console port default characteristics:

- 115200 baud rate
- 8 data bits
- 1 stop bit
- No parity
- Flow control: XON/XOFF
- Default username/password: admin/admin.

## **Connecting Expansion Units**

The ES NAS Series offers the expansion enclosures for expanding the storage system beyond the internal drive count of the base enclosure. There are two models of expansions to choose from: the EJ1600 and the EJ1602. These expansions connect to the ES NAS system through the 12 or 6 Gbps SAS expansion ports (depending on the base enclosure model) on the Storage Controller.

The following figure is an example of the storage system ES1640dc and expansion enclosure EJ1600:



As shown in the above figure, the cabling scheme used for connecting these expansions creates a cross-cascaded loop configuration. This provides the expansion loops with redundant paths to the enclosures, and in the event of one expansion encountering a catastrophic failure the others are still able to continue to run. With a proper RAID layout this can provide for uninterrupted operations.

The following procedure describes the steps required to attach an expansion enclosure to a *running* ES NAS configuration.

- 1. Ensure that the status of ES NAS is online or "OK" via the QES.
- 2. Connect one end of a mini-SAS cable to either of the mini-SAS ports of the SAS HBA on Storage Controller A in the ES NAS. Connect the other end of the mini-SAS cable to the SAS IN port on the left controller in the expansion enclosure.
- 3. Connect one end of a second mini-SAS cable to either of the mini-SAS ports of the SAS HBA on Storage Controller B in the ES NAS. Connect the other end of the mini-SAS cable to the SAS IN port on the right controller in the expansion enclosure.
- 4. If there are more expansion enclosures to be connected, connect the SAS OUT port on the left controller in the expansion enclosure to the SAS IN port on the left controller in the next expansion enclosure with a mini-SAS cable. Repeat this step with the right controllers in both expansion enclosures.
- 4. Connect one end of the mini-SAS cable to the OUT port on the left controller in the *last* expansion enclosure in the configuration and use this cable to directly connect this expansion enclosure to the mini-SAS expansion port on *Storage Controller B* of the ES NAS (cross-connect to the other Storage Controller of the ES NAS).
- 5. Connect one end of the SAS cable to the OUT port on the right controller in the last expansion enclosure in the configuration and use this cable to directly connect this expansion enclosure to the mini-SAS expansion port on *Storage Controller A* of the ES NAS (cross-connect to the other Storage Controller of the ES NAS).
- 6. Connect the power cables to the new expansion enclosures and power-on the expansion enclosures.

#### Note:

- 1. If the ES NAS is not powered on, it is recommended to power-on the expansion units first and then power-on the ES NAS.
- 2. To connect a mini-SAS cable, insert the mini-SAS connector into a mini-SAS port. Make sure that it locks into place. To remove a mini-SAS cable, complete the following steps:
  - a. Put one finger into the hole on the blue plastic tab on the mini-SAS connector and gently pull on the tab to release the locking mechanism.
  - b. As you pull on the tab, pull out the connector to remove it from the port.
- 3. Use mini-SAS SFF-8088 to SFF-8088 cable to attach ES1640dc with EJ1600. And use mini-SAS SFF-8644 to SFF-8644 cable to attach ES1642dc with EJ1602.

## **Expansion Units Features**

Just like the ES NAS system, the power button, Power/Status LED indicators and LCD status display are conveniently located at the front panel on the EJ expansion units for easy access.

Item	Description	LED Color	Status
1	Power on button		System power on button
2	System Power LED	Green	On = System power on
	0		Off = System power off
3	Status	Green	Green =The system is operating normally.
		Orange	Orange = The Power Supply Unit has been unplugged.
4	LCD status display		The two-digit number represents the expansion unit number. It corresponds to the REXP# in the Storage
	01		Manager of the QES.

## **Enclosure IDs**

Each expansion enclosure has an ID number associated with it. The ID allows each enclosure to be identified properly to the ES NAS system. Each enclosure must use a unique value. The Storage Manager of the QES uses the Enclosure IDs to identify each expansion enclosure.

For both enclosure models EJ1600 and EJ1602, the enclosure ID is indicated by a two-digit LCD status display located on the front panel. The QES automatically sets the enclosure ID number as the REXP#. There are no switches on the expansion enclosures to manually set the enclosure ID.

#### **Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons**



Service Ports Onboard SAS Ports

#### **Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons**

1	Status	Green	Off = The system is powered off.
		Orange	Green = The system is operating normally.
	V		Flashing green = The system is booting.
	Ť		
2	Fan	Green	Green = The fan is operating normally.
		Orange	Orange = Damage/error
			Off = Not detecting any fans
3	Connection Status	Green	Green = Normal
		Orange	Orange = Either of the IN or Out SAS port is disconnected.
			Off = One or more of the following conditions exist:
			•The expansion unit is not powered on.
	γ		•The ES NAS system cannot detect the expansion unit.
4	High Availability LED	Green	Green = Active state
		Orange	Orange = The Expansion Controller has taken over from
			the other Expansion Controller.
			Off = One or more of the following conditions exist:
			The Expansion Controller has failed over to the other
			one.
			The Expansion Controller is not powered on.
5	Onboard SAS Port	Green	Off = No link
	LED	Red	Green = Network link
			Flashing = Network activity
			Red = Error/damage
6	Power-on Button		The Power-on button of the Expansion Controller. To shut
			down the Expansion Controller, press and hold it for
			about 5 seconds. *
7	Reset		The Expansion Controller reset button
* The	e QES does not provide p	ower-on a	nd off function for the expansion units.

## **Onboard mini-SAS ports**

Two onboard mini Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) ports provide direct attachment to the base ES NAS enclosure with 6Gb/s data transmission (or 12Gb/s depending on the expansion enclosure model).

## **Disk drives and Disk Enclosures**

#### The ES NAS system

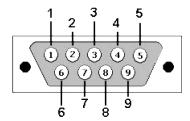
The system can accommodate superfast solid-state drives, and traditional spinning disk drives such as SAS, NL-SAS and SATA drives. (For SATA drives, please order additional SAS-to-SATA interposer boards.) However, SSDs are the best choice for I/O intensive workload and they can

be used for cache acceleration in QES. Cache configurations are available that range from 4 drives up to 16 drives (full-SSD drive set) system cache.

## Service port of expansion units

**Note**: The service port is the main point for hardware installation, configuration, and maintenance activities and it should only be used by QNAP technical support personnel or when you are instructed by QNAP technical support.

The service port of the expansion unit is an RS-232 port with DB-9 (or DE-9) receptacle. The pin-outs are defined as the following:



Pin No.	Signal	Description
1	NC	No Connection
2	Rx	Receive Data
3	Tx	Transmit Data
4	NC	No connection
5	GND	Ground
6	NC	No Connection
7	NC	No Connection
8	NC	No Connection
9	NC	No Connection

Figure: Service Port (DB-9) Pin-outs

Configure the baud rate and character format of the PC or terminal to match these console port default characteristics:

- 115200 baud rate
- 8 data bits
- 1 stop bit
- No parity
- Flow control: XON/XOFF
- Default username/password: admin/admin.

## **Chapter 4. Service and Maintenance**

**Note**: This chapter is for the person who services systems. QNAP assumes you are qualified in the servicing of computer equipment and trained in recognizing hazards in products with hazardous energy levels and are familiar with weight and stability precautions for rack installations.

## **Safety Considerations**

Before performing service procedures, review all the safety information.

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.



**WARNING**: To prevent electrostatic damage:

Avoid hand contact by transporting and storing products in static-safe containers.

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.

Before installing a device, be sure that you understand the following warnings and cautions.



**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) electric 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, electric outlet, and the point where the cord extends from the ES NAS.

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

## **Preparation Procedures**

To access some components and perform certain service procedures, you must perform one or more of the following procedures:

You must use the locking feature of the rack rails to support the ES NAS and gain access to internal components if your rack provides one.

Power down the system

If you must remove a system from a rack or a non-hot-plug component from a system, power down the system. Please refer to the next section for more details on powering down the system.

- Power down the system
- If the rack environment or the ES NAS location in the rack creates awkward conditions, remove the ES NAS from the rack. Reverse rack mounting procedure to remove the ES NAS from the rack. Please refer to the next chapter: Quick-Deploy Rack kit installation for details.

## **Powering Down the ES NAS**

**WARNING**: To reduce the risk of personal injury, electric shock, or damage to the equipment, remove the power cord to remove power from the ES NAS. The front panel Power-On button does not completely shut off system power. Portions of the power supply and some internal circuitry remain active until AC power is removed.

**IMPORTANT**: If installing a hot-plug device, it is not necessary to power down the ES NAS.

- 1. Back up the system data.
- 2. Shut down the system via the shut-down function from QES as directed by the Software User Manual.
- 3. The system power LED on the front of the system should be off now.
- 4. Disconnect the power cords.

The system is now without power.

## Replacing the battery backup unit (BBU)

Batteries can be replaced only when the LED indicates that they are failed, or by the QES's warning of possibility of failure.

Each Storage Controller contains one battery backup unit (BBU). To remove the BBU:

**Note**: If the battery module is installed, be sure the battery LED on the battery module is not blinking. If the battery LED (refer to Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons in *Chapter 3: System Components*) is blinking, the

battery module is backing up data. Wait until the LED stops blinking before continuing with the procedure.

1. Release the lock by pressing the battery module's handle. Remove the battery module by sliding it out from the Storage Controller.



To replace the component, reverse the removal procedure.

## Replacing hot-plug power supply

The system comes with two hot-plug power supplies (770W) with integrated cooling fans. These PSUs are capable of redundant power supply; when one of them fails, the other will provide power to the entire system.

To remove a hot-plug power supply:

- 1. Determine how many hot-plug power supplies are installed:
  - -If only one hot-plug power supply is installed, power down and remove the power cord from the ES NAS Disconnect the power cord from the power supply.
  - -If more than one hot-plug power supply is installed, continue with the next step.
- 2. Unplug the AC power cord.
- 3. Press the red latch next to the handle to unlock it.
- 4. Slide the power supply out of the power supply bay.



To replace the component, reverse the removal procedure. Observe the following warning.

**Warning**: To reduce the risk of electric shock or damage to the equipment, do not connect the power cord to the power supply until the power supply is installed.

## **Replacing hot-plug SAS HDDs**

#### Warning:

Do not remove the bottom 4 HDDs as they are used to install or configure the operating system.

To avoid data loss, please back up all data on the hard drives.

#### To remove a HDD:

1. First bring the storage pool that comprises this HDD that you would like to remove or replace offline. For more information, please refer to the Storage Manager app in software manual.



- 2. Press to unlock the drive.
- 3. Remove the hard drive.

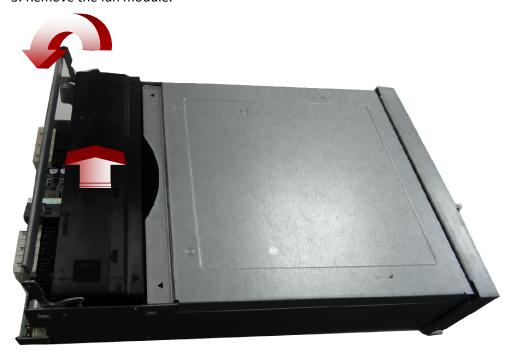
To replace the HDD, install the HDD drive on the tray with screws.



## Replacing field-replaceable fan modules

To remove a fan:

- 1. Shut down the respective Storage Controller that contains this fan either from QES (refer to the High Availability app in software manual) or by pressing the power button on the Storage Controller's back panel.
- 2. Remove the Storage Controller from the system by loosening the thumb screws on the Storage Controller.
- 3. Remove the fan module.



To replace the fan module, reverse the removal steps and push the handle (not press down the fan module) to be sure it is seated properly.

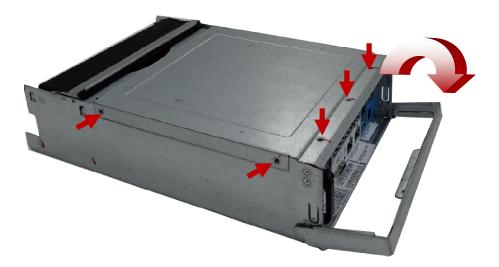
## **Installing expansion cards**

To install a PCIe expansion card:

- 1. Shutdown the respective Storage Controller on which you would like to install an expansion card from QES (refer to the High Availability app in software manual) or by pressing the power button on the Storage Controller (back panel).
- 2. Remove the Storage Controller from the system by loosening the thumb screws on the Storage Controller.



3. Take off the top cover of the Storage Controller by uninstalling the screws (3 at the top, 2 at each side).



4. Remove the screw that secures the metal bracket to the chassis then remove the metal bracket.



- 5. Align and insert the expansion card into the PCIe slot.
- 6. Replace the screw of the metal bracket to secure the card to the chassis.

**Note**: When removing or inserting the Storage Controller, please use the handle of the Storage Controller to ensure proper handling of the Storage Controller. Always lock the Storage Controller to make sure that it is seated in place after installing it to the system.

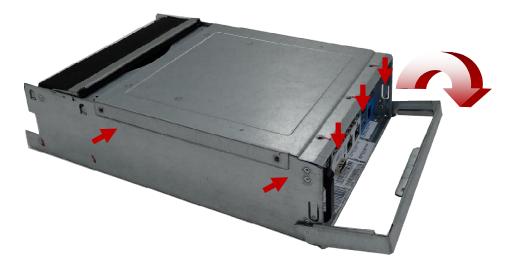
## **Installing DIMMs**

To install a DIMM:

- 1. Shutdown the respective Storage Controller on which the DIMMs are installed from QES (refer to the High Availability app in software manual) or by pressing the power button on the Storage Controller (Refer to Rear Panel LEDs and Buttons in *Chapter 3: System Components*).
- 2. Remove the Storage Controller from the system by loosening the thumb screws on the Storage Controller.



3. Take off the top cover of the Storage Controller by uninstalling the screws (3 at the top, 2 at each side).



4. Insert the DIMMs.



**Note**: To replace or upgrade a system component, refer to the QNAP website for a list of optional accessories that have been validated with the ES NAS series.

## **Chapter 5. Quick-Deploy Rack kit Installation Instructions**

#### **Overview**

This chapter details instructions for installing QNAP rack rails into square-hole racks for the 3-U ES NAS. These quick rails automatically latch into the square holes of racks and greatly reduce installation time.

#### **Kit contents**

Item	Figure
Two mounting rails (left and right)	
<b>NOTE</b> : This rail will fit a rack between 24" and 36" deep.	
Two cage nuts	
Six Phillips Screw	4



#### Caution

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. Be sure you are properly grounded (earthed) before beginning any installation procedure.



#### Caution

Always plan the rack installation so that the heaviest item is on the bottom of the rack. Install the heaviest item first, and continue to populate the rack from the bottom to the top.



#### Warning

Ensure that the rack is level and stable before working on the rack. Ensure that the rack is level and stable before working on the rack. Be sure the leveling jacks (feet) extend to the floor and that the full weight of the rack rests firmly on the floor.



Ensure that the rack has anti-tip measures in place. Such measures may include floor-bolting, anti-tip feet, ballast, or a combination of these as specified by the rack manufacturer and applicable codes.



## Warning

To reduce the risk of personal injury or damage to the equipment, at least two people are required to lift the ES NAS during installation or removal.

## **Mounting the Device**

Position left and right rack rails at the desired 'U' position in the rack (step 1 in Figure 1).

## **Important**

When installing the rack rails, be sure they are oriented Front Left and Front Right, as indicated on the rails.

**Note**: The rails can be adjusted to fit the rack.

Push the release tab to hang the hooks of the rails onto the rack holes and release the tab to snap the rails into place. Secure the back end of the rails to the back rack columns by using the screws provided (Step 2 in Figure 1).

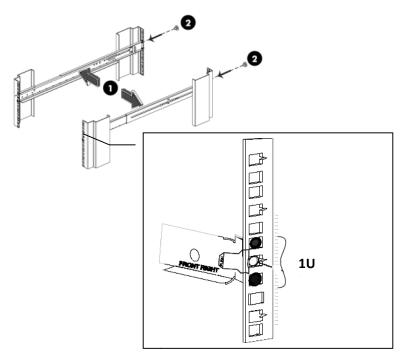


Figure 1: Attach the rails to the rack columns

Place the cage nuts 6 holes (or 2U space from the centerline of the rail) above and snapt it into the square holes of the front columns. Theses cage nuts will be used to attach the ES NAS to the rack later (Figure 2).

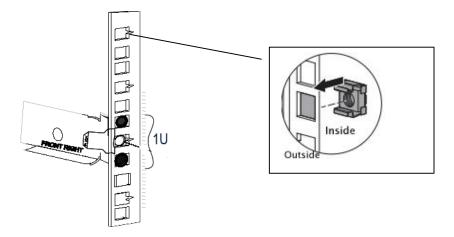


Figure 2: Attach the cage nuts to the rack columns

Slide the ES NAS into position on the rails (Figures 3).

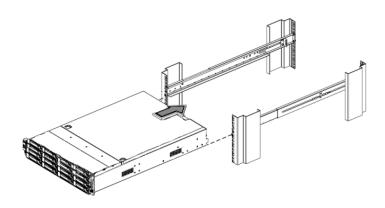


Figure 3: Insert the device into the rack

Secure the device and the front end of the rails to the front rack columns by using the screws provided (Step 1 in Figure 4). The bottom hole can be installed with only screws where as the upper hole (the centerline of 2U space above or 6 holes above) should be installed with the cage nuts (Step 3). Place the LED cap onto the device (Step 2 in Figure 4). (You might want to do this after powering on your system since the power-on button will not be accessible after the cap is attached.)



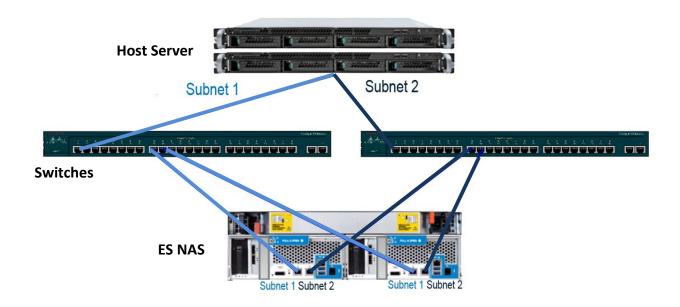
Figure 4: Attach the screws

## Appendix A: Multipathing Support for High Availability

The ES NAS supports multiple-host and multiple-port configuration in an iSCSI storage area networking (SAN) environment., which utilizes the standard Ethernet infrastructure. Moreover, it allows for the connectivity of a host computer running a Windows server-class operating system with the integrated Multipath I/O (MPIO) support. Multipathing solutions use redundant physical path components (controllers, cables, and switches) to create logical paths between the server and the storage device. In the event that one or more of these components fails, causing the path to fail, multipathing logic uses an alternate path for I/O so that applications can still access their data. Each Storage Controller should be connected by using redundant switch infrastructures to provide continued access to storage in the event of a failure in a storage fabric component. New MPIO features in Windows Server 2008 include a Device Specific Module (DSM) designed to work with storage arrays that support the storage arrays that follow the Active/Active controller model like the ES NAS. The following diagram is an example of how the configuration should be implemented.

Follow these guidelines when configuring iSCSI connections:

- Do not configure any two Ethernet interfaces on the same subnet. Each Ethernet interface must be on a separate subnet.
- The QES only allows fixed IP address configuration for Ethernet ports designated for data services.
- You should always isolate iSCSI network traffic from your business network traffic by using VLANs or separate Ethernet network hardware.



Using this configuration with MPIO, each network port on the host will be able to see both controllers to help decrease failover operations for network related failures.

## Appendix B: Beep alarm

The beep alarm can be disabled in "Control Panel" > "System Settings" > "Hardware" > "Buzzer".

Веер	Times	Description	
Short beep (0.5 Sec)	1	1) The ES NAS/SAN is starting up  2) The ES NAS/SAN is being shut down (software shutdown)  3) The user presses the reset button to reset the ES NAS/SAN  4) The ES NAS is performing giveback.	
Short beep (0.5 Sec)	2	The ES NAS is performing takeover.	
Short beep (0.5 Sec)	3	The system firmware has been updated	
Long beep (0.5 sec)	3, every 5 min	The system fan is out of function     Heart beat lost connection	
Long beep (1.5 Sec)	2	<ol> <li>The disk volume is going to be full</li> <li>The disk volume has reached its full capacity</li> <li>The hard drives on the ES NAS/SAN are in degraded mode</li> <li>BBU/power supply plug-out</li> <li>JBOD lost</li> </ol>	
	1	The ES NAS/SAN is turned off by force shutdown (hardware shutdown)      The ES NAS/SAN has been turned on successfully and is ready	

# **Appendix C. Product Compliance Class**

NAS Models	FCC	CE
ES1640dc	Class A	Class A
ES1642dc	Class A	Class A

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