



MACBOOK PRO: CARE, USE, AND SAFETY INFORMATION

Carrying Your MacBook Pro

When carrying your MacBook Pro in your backpack or sleeve, remove any small, loose items (such as paper clips, staples, or coins) that could accidentally get inside your computer through an opening, such as the optical drive slot, or get stuck inside a port.

Important: The MacBook Pro power adapter port contains a magnet that can erase data on your credit card, iPod, or other device. To preserve your data, keep magnetically sensitive items away from the power adapter port.

Cleaning Your MacBook Pro

Follow these general rules when cleaning the outside of your computer and its components:

- Shut down your MacBook Pro and detach the power adapter.
- Use a damp, soft, lint-free cloth to clean the computer's exterior. Avoid getting moisture in any openings. Do not spray any type of liquid directly on the computer.
- Don't use aerosol sprays, solvents, or abrasives.

Cleaning Your MacBook Pro Display

Follow these general rules when cleaning the screen.

- Shut down your MacBook Pro and detach the power adapter.
- Dampen a clean, soft, lint-free cloth or paper with water only and wipe the screen. Do not spray liquid directly on the screen.

Safety Instructions for Set Up and Use of Your MacBook Pro

Important: Do not place your MacBook Pro on a pillow, blanket or other soft material when it's powered on, as the material can block the airflow vents (in particular, the rear vents) and cause the computer to overheat. Never place anything over your keyboard when operating in closed-lid mode. This can cause your computer to cycle on and off, which might create excessive heat and drain your battery. Never turn on your computer unless all of its internal and external parts are in place. Operating the computer when it's open or missing parts can be dangerous and can damage your computer.

Using the Power Adapter

Always leave space around your power adapter. Do not use your MacBook Pro in a location where airflow around the power adapter or computer is confined. The AC cord provides a grounded connection.

Important: Use only the power adapter that came with your MacBook Pro computer. Adapters for other electronic devices (including other portable computers) may look similar, but they may affect your computer's performance or damage it. For best results, always use the power adapter and connect it to a grounded power outlet when one is available. When the adapter is connected properly, you will see an indicator light on the end of the cable that connects to your MacBook Pro.

Using Your MacBook Pro

When you're using your MacBook Pro or charging the battery, it's normal for the bottom of the case to get warm. For prolonged use, place your MacBook Pro on a flat, stable surface. Do not place your MacBook Pro on your lap or other body surface for extended periods of time. Prolonged body contact can cause discomfort and potentially a burn. The bottom of the MacBook Pro case functions as a cooling surface that transfers heat from inside the computer to the cooler air outside. The bottom of the case is raised slightly to allow airflow, which keeps the unit within normal operating temperatures. In addition, warm air is vented from the slots in the back of the case.

General Safety Instructions

Read and follow all instructions marked on the product and in the manual before operating your MacBook Pro. Be sure to keep the instructions handy for your reference and for others.

- Set your MacBook Pro on a stable work surface.
- Keep your computer away from sources of liquids, such as drinks, sinks, bathtubs, shower stalls, and so on.
- Protect your computer from dampness or wet weather, such as rain, snow, and fog.
- The MacBook Pro power adapter port contains a magnet. Do not place magnetically sensitive material or devices within 1 inch (25 mm) of this port.
- Never push objects of any kind into the MacBook Pro ventilation openings.

For your own safety and that of your equipment, always take the following precautions.

Disconnect the power plug (by pulling the plug, not the cord) and disconnect your Ethernet cable and any other connected devices if any of the following conditions exist:

- The power cable or plug becomes frayed or damaged.
- You spill something into the case.
- Your computer is exposed to rain or any other excess moisture.
- Your computer has been dropped or the case has been damaged.
- You suspect that your computer needs service or repair.
- You want to clean the case (use only the recommended procedure described above).

What To Do If Your MacBook Pro Gets Wet

Immediately turn off the laptop and unplug it from its power source. Open the laptop and place the keyboard upside down on a towel. Put the laptop in a safe place so that it will not be stepped on. Let the MacBook sit for 24 hours before attempting to turn it on again. If problems persist, bring it to the LCA Tech Department for further troubleshooting.

Avoid Hearing Damage

Important: Permanent hearing loss may occur if you use earbuds or headphones at high volume. Over time, your ears may adapt to a higher volume of sound, which may sound normal, but can be damaging to your hearing. Set your MacBook Pro volume to a safe level before that happens. If you experience ringing in your ears, reduce the volume or discontinue using your earbuds or headphones with your MacBook Pro.

Connectors and Ports

Never force a connector into a port. If the connector and port don't join with reasonable ease, they probably don't match. Make sure that the connector matches the port and that you have positioned the connector correctly in relation to the port. If you can't get a cable to connect to a port, bring it to the LCA Tech Department for further troubleshooting.

Additional Tips

- If you are storing your laptop in your locker, store it in the bottom section.
- When carrying your laptop with books, make sure the laptop is on top so you are not putting too much pressure on the laptop.
- Keep your computer centered on your desk.
- Do not attempt to make any additions of software or hardware to your laptop. It is not your property.
- Do not write on or scratch the case of the laptop.
- Be careful to not roll over your power cable.
- Always create a loop at the base of your power cable when wrapping it.
- Do not forcefully twist the end of the power cable when connecting it to your laptop. It is not made to turn.
- Never leave your laptop unattended. If found at school a fine will be assessed.
- Do not share or publicly display your passwords.
- Avoid using CDs with labels. These tend to peel off in the CD drive.