Remember to save your PIN in a safe place. If lost or forgotten, there is no way to access the datAshur.

If you are having difficulty please refer to this complete user manual which is loaded on your datAshur and is also available at iStorage's website: www.istorage-uk.com/support
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Introduction

**Note:** The datAshur rechargeable battery is not fully charged, we recommend the battery be charged prior to first use. Please plug in the datAshur drive to a powered USB port for 60 minutes to fully charge the battery.

Thank you for purchasing the iStorage datAshur®, an ultra secure and easy to use, hardware encrypted USB PIN activated flash drive.

datAshur Pro has attained FIPS 140-2 Level 3 certification by NIST (certificate no 1873). This is a high level US government accreditation and means the product has passed numerous tests relating to the encryption algorithm and tamper-evidence as well as to thwart attacks directed at the Critical Security Parameters.

The datAshur uses military grade CBC-AES 256-bit hardware encryption, which encrypts all data stored on the drive in real-time. The datAshur requires no software and is OS and host independent.

The datAshur incorporates a rechargeable battery allowing the user to enter a 7–15 digit PIN (Personal Identification Number) onto the on-board keypad before connecting the drive to a USB port.

Should the drive be lost or stolen, the user can rest assured that all data held on the datAshur is safe and cannot be accessed by any unauthorised person.

The datAshur can be configured with both a User and Admin PIN, making it perfect for corporate and government deployment. As the datAshur is unlocked via the onboard keypad and not a host computer, it is not vulnerable to software/hardware based key-loggers or brute force attacks.

**Caution:** The datAshur is shipped with a default User PIN of 1-1-2-2-3-3-4-4 and although it can be used straight out of the box with the default PIN, for security reasons, we **highly recommend** that a new User PIN be created immediately by following instructions under section 3 “How to change User PIN”.

If you forget your User PIN and no Admin PIN exists, or you forget both PINs, all data will be inaccessible.

**Package contents**

- iStorage datAshur drive
- Extruded Aluminium Sleeve
- QSG - Quick Start Guide
1. datAshur Layout

- **Lock LED**, stand by with the datAshur locked
- **Unlock LED**, datAshur is unlocked when flashing
- **Keypad**
- **Key Button**, used to activate the datAshur and to enter PIN codes
- **Blue LED**, when on, the datAshur is connected to the computer. when flashing data is being transferred
- **Keyring**, unscrew to add to key ring.

2. LED indicators and their actions

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<th>blink</th>
<th>Drive is locked and secure</th>
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<tr>
<td>blink</td>
<td>solid</td>
<td>No User PIN is configured</td>
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<td>double blink</td>
<td>blink together</td>
<td>Accepting User PIN verification when setting / changing the PIN</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>solid</td>
<td>double blink</td>
<td>Accepting Admin PIN verification when setting / changing the PIN</td>
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<tr>
<td>solid</td>
<td>illuminate together</td>
<td>Accepting new PIN</td>
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<tr>
<td>blink</td>
<td>blink alternately</td>
<td>Error</td>
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3. How to change the User PIN

Unless otherwise noted, all steps are performed when datAshur is NOT connected to a computer.

**Caution:** The datAshur is shipped with a default User PIN of 1-1-2-2-3-3-4-4 and although it can be used straight out of the box with the default PIN, for security reasons, we highly recommend that a new User PIN be created immediately by following instructions under section 3 “How to change User PIN”.

If you forget your User PIN and no Admin PIN exists, or you forget both PINs, all data will be inaccessible.
User PIN requirements:
• Must be between 7-15 digits in length
• Must not contain only repetitive numbers, e.g. (3-3-3-3-3-3-3)
• Must not contain only consecutive numbers, e.g. (1-2-3-4-5-6-7), (7-8-9-0-1-2-3-4), (7-6-5-4-3-2-1)
• datAshur must NOT be connected to a host

### INSTRUCTIONS | LED ACTIVITY
---|---
Press KEY Button 🛠️ | 🔴 & 🔵 will blink together
Enter User PIN to unlock drive (Factory default PIN 1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4) and press KEY Button 🛠️ | 🔴 & 🔵 will illuminate together for approximately 4 seconds and then:
| | 🔴 will blink indicating correct PIN entry
Press and hold KEY Button 🛠️ for 3 seconds | 🔴 & 🔵 will illuminate together
While 🔴 & 🔵 illuminated enter New User PIN and press KEY Button 🛠️ | 🔴 & 🔵 will blink in unison
Re-enter New User PIN and press KEY Button 🛠️ | 🔴 & 🔵 will illuminate and then change to blinking 🔵
Insert datAshur into USB port | N.B. 🔴 blinks if 1st and 2nd entries match
| | 🔴 & 🔵 blink alternately if PIN entry incorrect

**Note:** If a mistake was made while defining a new PIN or the procedure was not completed, the drive will retain the old PIN.

### 4. How to create a new User PIN

When all cryptographic parameters have been zeroed.

All cryptographic parameters (including User PIN and Admin PIN) are zeroed:

• After hacking detection has been triggered by 10 consecutive failed attempts to unlock,
• When the datAshur has been manually reset (see section 11 “How to Reset the datAshur”).

This state is evident by a solid lit RED LED indicator. It will be necessary to set a New User PIN by following these instructions.

When either of the above two scenarios occur, it will be necessary to set a new User PIN by following the instructions below.
User PIN requirements:
- Must be between 7-15 digits in length
- Must not contain only repetitive numbers, e.g. (3-3-3-3-3-3)
- Must not contain only consecutive numbers, e.g. (1-2-3-4-5-6-7), (7-8-9-0-1-2-3-4), (7-6-5-4-3-2-1)
- datAshur must NOT be connected to a host

**Password Tip:** You can create a word, name, phrase or any other Alphanumeric PIN combination by simply pressing the key with the corresponding letters on it.

Examples of these types of Alphanumeric PINs are:

- For "Password" you would press the following keys:
  7(pqrs) 2(abc) 7(pqrs) 9(wxyz) 6(mno) 7(pqrs) 3(def)
- For "iStorage" you would press:
  4(ghi) 7(pqrs) 8(tuv) 6(mno) 7(pqrs) 2(abc) 4(ghi) 3(def)

Using this method, long and easy to remember PIN CODES can be created.

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**INSTRUCTIONS** | **LED ACTIVITY**
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Press and hold KEY Button for 3 seconds | & will illuminate together
While are illuminated enter a New User PIN and press KEY Button | & will blink in unison
Re-enter New User PIN and press KEY Button | & will illuminate together for approximately 4 seconds and then:
Insert datAshur into USB port | will blink indicating correct PIN entry
will blink alternately if PIN entry incorrect

**Note:** It becomes necessary to format the datAshur at this point as all previous data is obscured with the previous encryption key (including the file allocation table).

A User PIN can only be created when the RED LED is lit in a constant state (reset) or changed when the GREEN LED is blinking (unlocked).

Neither User nor Admin PIN can be created while the drive is connected to a host computer.
Once the User PIN is created, all data stored on the datAshur is encrypted, in hardware, to the CBC-AES 256-bit specification. In order to access the data stored on the drive, you must first unlock the drive with your User PIN.

### 5. How to unlock the datAshur with a User PIN

Once unlocked, the Green LED will blink for 30 seconds, within which time the drive needs to be connected to the USB port. If no connection is detected within 30 seconds, the drive will lock and you will need to start the process of unlocking again.

#### INSTRUCTIONS vs. LED ACTIVITY

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<tr>
<td>Press <strong>KEY Button</strong></td>
<td><strong>🔒 &amp; 🔴</strong> will blink together</td>
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<tr>
<td>Enter <strong>User PIN</strong> to unlock drive</td>
<td><strong>🔒 &amp; 🔴</strong> will illuminate together for</td>
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<tr>
<td>(Factory default PIN 1,1,2,2,3,3,4,4) and press <strong>KEY Button</strong></td>
<td>approximately 4 seconds and then:</td>
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<td>Note that at this point the following occurs:</td>
<td><strong>🔒 &amp; 🔴</strong> will blink indicating the correct PIN entry</td>
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<tr>
<td>Insert your datAshur into USB port</td>
<td><strong>🔴</strong> will blink indicating the incorrect PIN entry</td>
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**Note:** Once unlocked, the Green LED will blink for 30 seconds, within which time the drive needs to be connected to the USB port. If no connection is detected within 30 seconds, the drive will lock and you will need to start the process of unlocking again.

### 6. How to lock the datAshur

The iStorage datAshur automatically locks when unplugged from the host computer or power to the USB port is turned off. Data is kept locked using CBC-AES 256-bit encryption.

### 7. How to create an Admin PIN

An Admin PIN is a useful feature for corporate deployment, for example:

- Recovering data from the datAshur and configuring a new User PIN in the event an employee has forgotten their PIN
- Retrieving data from the datAshur if an employee leaves the company

**Caution:** Entering the Admin PIN to access a locked drive will clear the User PIN. If a user forgets their PIN, access to their drive is regained by defining a new user PIN. For security reasons, we **highly recommend** that a new User PIN be created immediately once the drive has been unlocked using the Admin PIN.
Admin PIN requirements:
- Must be between 7-15 digits in length
- Must not contain only repetitive numbers, e.g. (3-3-3-3-3-3-3)
- Must not contain only consecutive numbers, e.g. (1-2-3-4-5-6-7), (7-8-9-0-1-2-3-4), (7-6-5-4-3-2-1)
- datAshur must NOT be connected to a host

If the datAshur has been reset or hacking detection has been triggered (i.e. no User or Admin PIN exist), the instructions below can be followed. If a User PIN already exists, the datAshur must be unlocked first with the user PIN by following instructions under section 5, before an Admin PIN can be created by following instructions below.

The following table depicts the possible actions when the drive is in different states:

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<tr>
<th>User PIN</th>
<th>Admin PIN</th>
<th>Possible Actions</th>
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<tr>
<td>NOT SET</td>
<td>NOT SET</td>
<td>Can set either User or Admin PIN</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Cannot access drive until User or Admin PIN is defined</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SET</td>
<td>NOT SET</td>
<td>Can change User PIN when unlocked as User</td>
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<td>Can set Admin PIN when unlocked with User PIN</td>
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<td>NOT SET</td>
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<td>Can set User PIN when drive is locked</td>
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<td>Can unlock drive with Admin PIN</td>
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<td>Can change Admin PIN when unlocked as Administrator</td>
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<td>Can perform Administrator commands</td>
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<tr>
<td>SET</td>
<td>SET</td>
<td>Can unlock drive with either User or Admin PIN</td>
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<td>Can change User PIN when unlocked as User</td>
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The drive has to be unlocked in User mode in order to proceed with configuring an Admin PIN. It is set by following the instructions below:

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<tr>
<td>Double press the KEY Button and hold on the 2nd press for 3 seconds</td>
<td>will double blink once and then turn solid</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter the New Admin PIN and press KEY Button</td>
<td>will double blink if correct PIN entry or will blink alternately if PIN entry incorrect</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Re - Enter the New Admin PIN and press KEY Button</td>
<td>will illuminate together for approximately 2 seconds and then: will double blink indicating correct PIN entry</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Note that at this point the following occurs:</td>
<td>will double blink if 1st and 2nd entries match will blink alternately if PIN entry incorrect</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Insert your datAshur into USB port</td>
<td>will illuminate in a constant state will illuminate and flicker</td>
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</table>

Note: A double blink indicates the drive is unlocked in Admin mode. A single blink indicates the drive is unlocked in User mode.
Figure 1 shows the GREEN blinking characteristics when the drive is opened in User mode (top - single blink) and Admin mode (bottom - double blink).

![Mode indication diagram](image)

Figure 1: Mode indication

Figure 2 shows the difference between pressing KEY Button to set a User PIN vs. setting the Admin PIN.

![Mode selection diagram](image)

Figure 2: Key entry for mode selection

8. How to unlock with Admin PIN

**Caution**: Entering the Admin PIN to access a locked drive will clear the User PIN. If a user forgets their PIN, access to their drive is regained by defining a new user PIN. For security reasons, we **highly recommend** that a new User PIN be created immediately once the drive has been unlocked using the Admin PIN.

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<td>Press the KEY Button twice in succession (similar to double-clicking a mouse)</td>
<td>(\text{(\text{\textcolor{red}{#}}) (\text{\textcolor{green}{#}})}) will double blink together (Figure 1. above)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Enter Admin PIN Press KEY Button</td>
<td>(\text{(\text{\textcolor{red}{#}}) (\text{\textcolor{green}{#}})}) will illuminate together as self-tests are run (\text{(\text{\textcolor{red}{#}}) (\text{\textcolor{green}{#}})}) will double blink if admin entered correct PIN (\text{(\text{\textcolor{red}{#}}) (\text{\textcolor{green}{#}})}) will blink if incorrect PIN was entered</td>
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**Note**: Once unlocked, the GREEN LED will double blink for 30 seconds, within which time the drive needs to be connected to a USB port. If no connection has been detected within 30 seconds the drive will lock.
9. How to change Admin PIN

**Caution:** Entering the Admin PIN to access a locked drive will clear the User PIN. If a user forgets their PIN, access to their drive is regained by defining a new user PIN. For security reasons, we **highly recommend** that a new User PIN be created immediately once the drive has been unlocked using the Admin PIN.

Admin PIN requirements:
- Must be between 7-15 digits in length
- Must not contain only repetitive numbers, e.g. (3-3-3-3-3-3-3)
- Must not contain only consecutive numbers, e.g. (1-2-3-4-5-6-7), (7-8-9-0-1-2-3-4), (7-6-5-4-3-2-1)
- datAshur must NOT be connected to a host

Once an Admin PIN has been created, the datAshur needs to be unlocked by the administrator in order to change the Admin PIN. The Admin PIN cannot be changed from the User mode.

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| Enter **Admin PIN** Press **Key Button** | 🔴 & 🔵 will illuminate together as self-tests are run  
will double blink if admin entered correct **PIN**  
will blink if incorrect **PIN** was entered |
| Double press the **KEY Button** and hold on the 2nd press for 3 seconds | 🔴 & 🔵 will double blink once and then turn solid |
| Enter the **New Admin PIN** and press **KEY Button** | 🔴 & 🔵 will double blink if correct **PIN** entry or  
will blink alternately if **PIN** entry incorrect |
| Re-enter the **New Admin PIN** and press **KEY Button** | 🔴 & 🔵 will illuminate together for approximately 2 seconds and then:  
will double blink indicating correct **PIN** entry |
| **Note that at this point the following occurs:** | 🔴 & 🔵 will double blink if 1st and 2nd entries match  
will blink alternately if **PIN** entry incorrect |
| Insert your datAshur into USB port | 🔵 will illuminate in a constant state  
will illuminate and flicker |

**Note:** The **GREEN LED** will double blink for 30 seconds, within which time the drive needs to be connected to a USB port. If no connection has been detected within 30 seconds, the drive will lock.
10. How to Reset the datAshur

In the event both Admin and User PIN have been forgotten, or user wants to delete all stored data, please follow the instructions below:

The reset process will clear all cryptographic parameters including both User and Admin PIN. This means a new User PIN will have to be defined in order to re-enable the drive. Also, since this will force the creation of a new encryption key, the datAshur will have to be reformatted (see section 11 or 12).

Caution: Resetting the datAshur will make all data on the drive inaccessible forever.

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<td>Press and hold KEY Button &amp; number button together for 3 seconds</td>
<td>&amp; will illuminate together</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Release buttons</td>
<td>&amp; will blink in unison</td>
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<tr>
<td>Enter 9 9 9</td>
<td>&amp; will blink in unison</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Press KEY Button</td>
<td>&amp; will turn off</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Press KEY Button</td>
<td>will remain in solid state Indicates User PIN must be set prior to use</td>
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</table>

11. How to configure the datAshur with Windows OS

In the event that hacking detection has been triggered by entering the incorrect PIN 10 times in succession or the drive has been reset, all data on the drive will be lost forever.

Once a New User PIN has been created, the datAshur will need to be initialised and formatted.

To initialise your datAshur, do the following:

1. Create a New User PIN (see section 4).
2. Unlock the datAshur by entering the New User PIN and connect to a computer’s USB port.
3. The computer should notify the user with the following message:

![Format disk dialog box](image)

4. Proceed by clicking on **Format disk**. Select **FAT32** or **NTFS** depending on your needs, enter a **Volume Label** and click **Start**.

![Format Removable Disk dialog box](image)

5. Click **OK** to continue with formatting the drive.

![Warning dialog box](image)

**Warning**: This procedure will erase ALL data on the drive.

6. The procedure will finish formatting the drive and confirm that formatting has been completed. While the datAshur is formatting the **BLUE LED** will be flashing.

![Format Complete](image)

Once finished, the **BLUE LED** becomes solid and your datAshur is ready for use.
In case that the formatting wizard does not appear, please follow the procedure below:

1. **Windows 7:** Right click **Computer** and then click **Manage** and then select **Disk Management**  
   **Windows 8:** Right click left corner of desktop and select **Disk Management**  
   **Windows 10:** Right click on the start button and select **Disk Management**

2. In the Computer Management window under the **Disk Management** tab, the datAshur is recognised as a removable device in raw format.

3. In the blank area under the unallocated section right click **Removable Raw Drive** and select **Format**.

4. The Format window will open.  
   Enter a new **Volume Label**.  
   Select **FAT32** or **NTFS** depending on your needs and click **OK**.

5. Click **OK** on the **Format** warning window to continue with formatting the drive.

**Warning:** This procedure will erase ALL data on the drive.
6. The procedure will finish formatting and return to the Disk Management window.

   While the datAshur is formatting the BLUE LED will start flashing.

   ![Disk Management Window]

   When finished, the BLUE LED becomes solid and your datAshur is ready for use.

12. Configure the drive with Mac OS

   In the event that hacking detection has been triggered by entering the incorrect PIN 10 times in succession or the drive has been reset, all data on the drive will be lost forever.

   Once a New User PIN has been created, the datAshur will need to be initialised and formatted.

   To format your datAshur on Mac OS computers, do the following:

   1. Create a New User PIN (see section 4).
   2. Unlock the datAshur by entering the New User PIN and connect to a Mac computer's USB port.
   3. The system will prompt you with INITIALISE window.

   ![Initialization Window]

   4. Press INITIALISE and select the datAshur in the Disk Utility window.
To format your datAshur on Mac OS computers, do the following:

5. Click on the datAshur on the left side of the Disk Utility window.
6. Choose Erase from the contextual menu on the right side of the window.
7. Select MS-DOS for the Volume Format.
8. Click Erase.

9. The formatted datAshur will appear in the Disk Utility window and will mount onto the desktop.

13. Brute Force Hacking Detection

After 10 consecutive incorrect PIN attempts, the following occurs:

- All cryptographic parameters are zeroed
- The User and Admin PINs are deleted
- All data previously stored on the drive will be lost forever

The datAshur, unlike other similar drives, is preprogrammed with an unlimited number of randomly generated encryption keys. Each time hacking is detected (i.e. the wrong PIN is entered a total of 10 consecutive times), all cryptographic parameters are zeroed including User and Admin PIN. Once a new User PIN is created the drive randomly generates a new encryption key. Because of this, the datAshur will have to be formatted after each time the defence mechanism is triggered.
14. FAQ’s - Frequently Asked Questions

Caution: There are no “Back Doors” to our products, we cannot retrieve a forgotten PIN or retrieve any data off the drives unless the PIN is known.

We strongly recommend that you carefully read this User Manual, shipped with the device or available for download on our website before contacting us for technical support.

Below are answers for the most frequently asked questions:

**Q. HOW DO I USE THE datAshur FOR THE FIRST TIME?**

**A.** The datAshur comes with a default User PIN which will unlock the device for the first time, allowing the user to create their own unique User and Admin PIN.

Please follow this procedure:

1. Press **KEY** Button
2. Enter 1-1-2-2-3-3-4-4
3. Press **KEY** Button
4. The **GREEN LED** light will indicate the device is unlocked

**Q. WHAT IS A USER PIN CODE?**

**A.** The User PIN (Personal Identification Number) can be changed to almost any number that is desired.

To create your New User PIN refer to section 4 on page 6 and follow the guidelines below:

- Must be between 7-15 digits in length
- Must not contain only repetitive numbers, e.g. (3-3-3-3-3-3-3)
- Must not contain only consecutive numbers, e.g. (1-2-3-4-5-6-7), (7-8-9-0-1-2-3-4), (7-6-5-4-3-2-1)
- datAshur must NOT be connected to a host

**Password Tip:** You can create a word, name, phrase or any other Alphanumerical PIN combination by simply pressing the key with the corresponding letters on it.

Examples of these types of Alphanumerical PINs are:

- For “**Password**” you would press the following keys:
  - 7(pqrs) 2(abc) 7(pqrs) 7(pqrs) 9(wxyz) 6(mno) 7(pqrs) 3(def)
- For “**iStorage**” you would press:
  - 4(ghi) 7(pqrs) 8(tuv) 6(mno) 7(pqrs) 2(abc) 4(ghi) 3(def)

Using this method, long and easy to remember PIN CODES can be created.
Q. **HOW DO I UNLOCK THE datAshur IF THE BATTERY IS DEAD?**

*A.* Your datAshur has a built-in rechargeable battery. Even if the battery is fully discharged you can still continue to use the drive by following the instructions below:

- Connect the datAshur to a USB port on any computer
- While connected to the computer, enter the User or Admin PIN to unlock the drive
- While connected to the USB port, the internal battery will automatically charge - this is shown by a flashing **BLUE LED**.

We recommend you keep the datAshur connected for approximately 1 hour to fully charge the battery.

Q. **HOW DO I CHANGE THE DEFAULT PIN CODE?**

*A.* Please follow this procedure:

- Press the **Key** Button
- Within 10 seconds enter the Current User PIN and press the **Key** Button again
- Press and hold the **Key** Button for 3 seconds
- Enter a New User PIN number (The PIN must be 7 - 15 digits long)
- Press the **Key** Button to store the New User PIN
- Re-enter the New User PIN number
- Press the **Key** Button to confirm the New User PIN.

Q. **WHAT IF I FORGET MY PIN CODE ON MY datAshur?**

*A.* If you forget the User and Admin PIN, there is absolutely no way of gaining access to the data stored on the drive, there are no back doors into the drive.

You will need to completely reset the datAshur by following the directions in this User Manual. By resetting the drive, all data stored on the datAshur will be deleted.

When the datAshur is reset the following occurs:

- A new encryption key is generated
- The User and Admin PIN are deleted
- All the data on the datAshur is deleted
- A new User PIN will need to be set
- The datAshur will need to be formatted
Q. HOW DO I CREATE AN ADMIN PIN?

A. The Admin PIN is useful in a corporate environment where an Administrator can provide access to the datAshur if the User PIN is forgotten or unavailable.

Please follow this procedure:

Press the Key Button
Enter the User PIN within 10 seconds and press the Key Button.
Rapidly press the Key Button twice and hold the Key Button on the second press for 4 seconds.
Enter a new Admin PIN and press the Key Button.

NOTE: If the LEDs in the above step are “single blinking” then the first key press did not register or was not fast enough.
If you continue, you will be changing the User PIN.
Re-enter the New Admin PIN and press the Key Button.

Q. WHAT IS BRUTE FORCE OR HACKING ATTEMPT PROTECTION?

A. 10 consecutive incorrect PIN entries will activate the brute force mechanism and will completely reset the drive as follows:

- A new encryption key is generated.
- The User and Admin PIN are deleted.
- All the data on the datAshur is deleted.
- A new User PIN will need to be set.
- The datAshur will need to be reformatted.

Q. HOW DO I RESET THE datAshur?

A. In case the User PIN is forgotten, or if you would like to delete all data stored on the drive and configure a New User PIN, the RESET process will clear the User and Admin PIN, the encryption key and will destroy all data. This means a New User PIN will have to be defined in order to re-enable the datAshur.

Also, since this forces the creation of a new encryption key, the datAshur will have to be reformatted.

Please follow this procedure:

Press and hold the Key Button and the number 2 Button for 3 seconds.
Press 9 - 9 - 9 and press the Key Button.
Press the Key Button again.

NOTE: When the solid RED LED is on, a New User PIN will need to be set.
Q. HOW DO I CREATE A NEW USER PIN AFTER RESETTING THE datAshur?

A. Once the datAshur has been reset either with the method from the previous step or from a brute force attack (10 unsuccessful attempts to unlock) a New User PIN will need to be defined.

Please follow this procedure:

Press and hold the Key Button for 3 seconds.
Within 10 seconds enter the New User PIN.
Press the Key Button to save.
Re-enter the New User PIN number & press the Key Button.
If the New User PIN was accepted, the GREEN LED will be flashing.

The datAshur will be unlocked and be ready to format.

Q. HOW SHOULD I FORMAT MY DRIVE?

A. The datAshur drives come formatted to FAT32 filing system by default. This will allow you to use the datAshur across all platforms (Windows, Apple, Linux) with a file size limitation of up to 4GB.

Q. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE USER MODE AND ADMIN MODE?

A. For an ordinary user we recommend to have just one PIN code, whereas in a corporate environment we strongly suggest creating an Admin PIN and User PIN. When in admin mode you will be able to change the User PIN code.

Q. HOW DO I ACCESS ADMIN MODE?

A. Please follow this procedure:

Press the Key Button 2 times.
Within 10 seconds enter the Admin PIN.
Connect the datAshur to a USB port within 30 seconds.

Q. HOW many unique User ID’s can I create?

A. The Administrator feature allows enrollment of 1 unique User ID and 1 Administrator. If a User forgets their PIN, the datASHur can be unlocked using the Admin PIN.
15. Technical Support

iStorage provides the following helpful resources for you:

iStorage's Website
https://www.istorage-uk.com

E-mail correspondence
support@istorage-uk.com

Telephone support with our Technical Support Department on +44 (0) 20 8991-6260.
iStorage's Technical Support Specialists are available from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
GMT - Monday through Friday.

16. Warranty and RMA information

Three Year Warranty:

iStorage offers a 3-year warranty on the iStorage datAshur against defects in materials and workmanship under normal use. The warranty period is effective from the date of purchase either directly from iStorage or an authorised reseller.

Disclaimer and terms of warranty:

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