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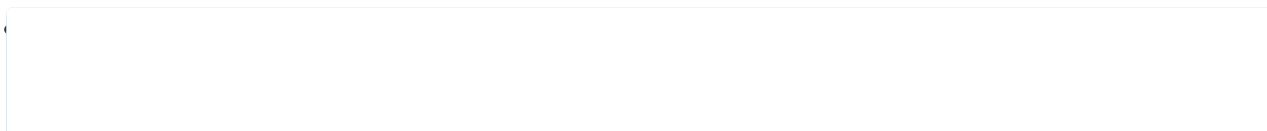
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Conserving Battery Power

How long a fully charged battery pack lasts when you are using the computer depends on a number of factors, such as:



How is the computer configured?



How much do you use the display panel instead of an external monitor?



How much do you use the hard disk and other drives?

Do you use any optional devices that the battery supplies power to, such as a PC Card?

What are your working conditions (operating time decreases at low temperatures)?

See earlier in this chapter for information on maximizing battery life.

What to do when the battery runs low

When the battery runs low you have these options:

Plug the computer into a live AC outlet and recharge the battery.

Save your work and turn off the computer.

If you don't manage to do any of these things before the battery completely runs out of power, the computer automatically enters Hibernate mode and keeps track of where you were so that when you turn on the power by using AC adapter again, you can continue where you left off. (You can configure the computer to enter Standby mode instead. The default setting is Hibernate.)

When the battery capacity is below 5%, the system is protected and can't be re-powered on without the AC power being connected. In this situation, the Battery LED will light amber for a short time to indicate this condition. Keep depressing the power button, and the LED will blink amber.



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