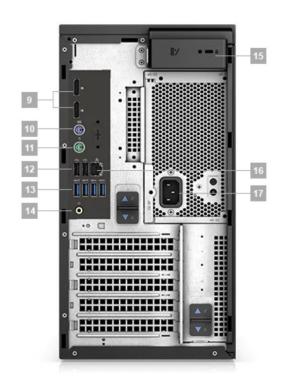


# Avid Configuration Guidelines DELL 3640 workstation Tower 4, 6 or 8 Core CPU System





## **Ports & Slots**

1. Power button | 2. Universal Audio Jack | 3. USB 3.2, Type A (Gen 2, 10Gbps)\* | 4. USB 3.2, Type A (Gen 2, 10Gbps)\* | 5. Optical Drive (optional) | 6. SD Card reader (optional) | 7. USB 3.2, Type C [10Gb] | 8. USB 3.2, Type A [5Gb] (Power share) | 9. Display Port 1.4 (2) | 10. PS2 Keyboard | 11. PS2 Mouse | 12. USB 2.0 Type A | 13. USB 3.2, Type A Gen 2 10Gbps (2 on left) Gen 1 5Gbps (2 on right) | 14. Audio Jack | 15. Lock slot | 16. RJ45 Network Connection | 17. Power Connection

#### 3640 Hardware Configuration

## Supported Intel Xeon and 10th Generation Intel Core i7/i9 CPU Choices

- Intel core i7-10700 2.9 Ghz, turbo up to 4.8 Ghz 8-core
- Intel core i7-10700K 3.8 Ghz, turbo up to 5.1 Ghz 8-core
- Intel core i9-10900 2.8 Ghz, turbo up to 5.2 Ghz 10-core
- Intel core i9-10900K 3.7 Ghz, turbo up to 5.3 Ghz 10-core (Best Performance tower)
- Xeon W-1250 3.3 Ghz, turbo up to 4.7 Ghz 6-core
- Xeon W-1250P 4.1 Ghz, turbo up to 4.8 Ghz 6-core
- Xeon W-1270 3.4 Ghz, turbo up to 5.0 Ghz 8-core
- Xeon W-1270P 3.8 Ghz, turbo up to 5.1 Ghz 8-core
- Xeon W-1290 3.2 Ghz, turbo up to 5.2 Ghz 10-core
- Xeon W-1290P 3.7 Ghz, turbo up to 5.3 Ghz 10-core (Best Performance tower)

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#### Supported Video Cards

- 1.) NVIDIA P620 2GB PCIe video board
- 2.) NVIDIA P1000 4GB PCI-e video board
- 3.) NVIDIA P2200 5GB PCI-e video board (recommended performance/price)
- 4.) NVIDIA RTX 4000 8GB PCI-e video board (Best performance)
- 5.) AMD Radeon Pro W5500 8GB PCle video board
- 6.) AMD Radeon Pro W5700 8GB PCIe video board

## Note – Some high end CPUs and Graphics cards require the 460W or 550W chassis option

<u>System Disk Drive</u> – 500 GB (recommended) M.2 PCIe NVMe. DELL also offers slower 7200 RPM SATA HDD boot drive options which are acceptable. Recommend a DELL qualified drive be selected.

### Standard AVID memory configuration:

- Systems using the Xeon CPU's will use DDR4-2933MHz ECC memory (up to 4 DIMMs per system)
- Systems using core i7 will use DDR4-2933Mhz Non-ECC memory (up to 4 DIMMs per system)
- 128 GB memory max for this system
- Each CPU has 2 memory lanes optimal bandwidth when 2 or 4 memory lanes filled
  - o 32GB (2 x 16GB) DDR4 2933MHz memory (Requires two 16GB DIMMs)

Memory modules must be installed according to manufacturer's requirements

## Optional AVID memory configuration:

- 16GB (2 x 8GB) DDR4 2933 memory (Requires two 8GB DIMMs)
- 32GB (4 x 8GB) DDR4 2933 memory (Requires four 8GB DIMMs)
- 64GB (4 x 16GB) DDR4 2933 memory (Requires four 16GB DIMMs)
- 64GB (2 x 32GB) DDR4 2933 memory (Requires two 32GB DIMMs)
- 128GB (4 x 32GB) DDR4 2933 memory (Requires four 32GB DIMMs)

#### Memory configuration constraints

- No other memory configurations are formally supported in AVID environments.
- Un-balanced memory configurations which mix and match memory module sizes and locations will result in a poor performing, non-optimal operating environment.

# 2.) Qualified Operating Systems, Avid Client Editing Applications for the DELL 3640:

# **DELL Supports:**

o Microsoft® Windows 10 Pro for workstations 64-bit Version 2004

# Not Supported -

- Microsoft® Windows 7 any version
- Microsoft Windows 8 or 8.1 any version

Media Composer Application	Minimum Rev
Media Composer	2019.12
Media Composer 7.x, 8.x, 2018.x	Not supported
NewsCutter 11.x	Not Supported

# 3.) Qualified O.S., Hardware and shared storage supported:

	Qualified / Supported		
Nitris DX, Mojo DX	NOT SUPPORTED End of support 3/31/2020		
	Yes – Supported		
Artist DNxIO/ DNxIQ (PCIe or thunderbolt connection)	<u>PCle Guidance</u>		
Artist DNxIV/DNxIP/DNxID (thunderbolt only connection)	PCIe preferred as it requires less system over-head due to direct PCIe to PCIe connection between the host CPU and Artist DNxIQ		
	<u>Thunderbolt Guidance</u>		
	Thunderbolt 2 & 3 - higher system over-head, not recommended to share Thunderbolt devices on the same Thunderbolt bus with DNxID, DNxIV		
	DNxIO would require TB3 to TB2 converter		
	Thunderbolt 3 offers support of cable lengths up to 60-meters (via qualified Corning Thunderbolt cables) for users needing to physically place the Artist DNxIO at longer distances from the host CPU Workstation.		
3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Qualified Hardware	See release notes and Avid website for information regarding supported 3 <sup>rd</sup> party hardware (vendor qualified)		
NEXIS / ISIS Single 1Gb Ethernet Client NEXIS Dual 1Gb Ethernet Client	ISIS 5500 / 5000 , 7500 / 7000		
Intel i350 T2V2, i219, X722	Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.		
NEXIS / ISIS Ultra Hi-res (10Gbit) client			
Myricom Single or dual Port 10Gbit	ISIS 5500 / 5000 , 7500 / 7000 Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.5		
Atto FFRM-NS11,NS12 NT11, NT12	720.5		
NEXIS 40Gigabit			
Atto FFRM-NQ 41/42	Avid NEXIS Pro, E2, E2 SSD, E4, E5, E5 NL V20.5		

# 4.) AVID qualified HBA info

AVID qualified HBA	AVID Part Number	Slot Location	Function
Avid Artist DNxIO HBA  Avid Artist DNxIQ HBA	Avid part # 7030-30048-02 BMD PCIe cable kit	#3	Avid Artist DnxIO interface HBA Avid Artist DNxIQ interface HBA
DELL Thunderbolt 3 adapter card	Not stocked by AVID	#3	2 ports TB3
Atto R680, H680	Not stocked by AVID	#3	Local SAS Storage
LSI 9200-8e SAS controller	7030-30036-01	#3	Local SAS Storage:
Vendor qualified 3 <sup>rd</sup> party hardware X4 PCIe	Not stocked by AVID	#3	Vendor qualified 3 <sup>rd</sup> party hardware interface. See release notes and Avid website for information regarding supported 3 <sup>rd</sup> party hardware
Atto FFRM-NS11,NS12, NT11, NT12 10 Gb single or dual port	Not stocked by AVID	#3	Shared Storage: NEXIS Optical Gb-Ethernet
Intel i350-T2 – Dual Gb NIC	Not stocked by AVID	#3	Shared Storage: NEXIS Copper Gb-Ethernet Dual Gb NEXIS Connectivity
Intel X520, X540, X710 single or dual port 10Gb	Not stocked by AVID	#3	Shared Storage: NEXIS Optical Gb-Ethernet
Myricom10G-PCIE-8B-S 10G-PCIE-8B2-2S, 10G-PCIE-8C2-2T	7030-30041-01	#3	Shared Storage: NEXIS 10Gb-Ethernet

### Notes:

- Avid HIB part # 7030-30048-01 is no longer supported with DNxIO (use # 7030-30048-02 only)
- Avid artist DnxIQ requires BMD cable kit and PCIe card Avid HIB card is NOT supported with DNxIQ
- DELL thunderbolt 3 PCIe cards are specific to each system. Make sure you order the correct TB3 card for this system.

# 5.) Slot Configuration:

Slot Configuration Information (Tower and SFF)			
Slot#	Electrical	Mechanical	
1	x16 PCI-E Gen 3	X16 PCIe	Graphics Card: Nvidia P620, P1000, P2200, RTX4000 AMD W5500, W5700
2	Legacy PCI 32	Old PCI	Not Used (PCI)
3	X4 PCI-E Gen 3	X4 PCIe	Avid/BMD HIB card for DNxIO, DNxIQ, DELL Thunderbolt 3 adapter card for DNxIQ, DnxIO, DNxIV, DNxIP, or DNxID  3 <sup>rd</sup> party PCIe Open IO card (PCIe x4 or less) Shared storage PCIe card
M 1	M.2 slot 1 PCI-E Gen 3	M.2 x4	DELL NVMe SSD storage cards
M 2	M.2 slot 2 PCI-E Gen 3	M.2 x4	DELL NVMe SSD storage cards
	EmbeddedIntel I219-LM Gb NIC	PCI-E x1 Gen 3	Qualified for Avid Nexis/ISIS

# 6.) Use of embedded NIC ports for Nexis/ISIS connectivity Important Information

The Dell 3640 has one embedded NIC ports. This port is qualified for Nexis

For proper operation and connectivity of the Intel network interface with NEXIS the following settings are required:

- 1. For the Intel NIC driver, under the performance settings, change the following parameters:
  - Receive Buffers to 1024
  - Transmit Buffers to 1024
- 2. Disable the windows firewall.

# 7.) Required system BIOS settings for AVID environments:

Use latest version from Vendor website

<u>Please Note:</u> CPU Hyper-threading should be enabled in all configurations. It is currently enabled by default by DELL for shipping 3640 systems

#### 3640 Required system BIOS changes:

- 1. Verify CPU Processors are set to Hyper-Threading
- During boot up press F1 at the DELL splash screen to invoke Set Up.
- Select the Performance tab
- Select Hyper-Threading
- Verify setting is Enabled (or enable if currently set to disable)

# 8.) Graphics Drivers:

AVIDSoftware	Version(s)	GPU	Driver Required
Media Composer	2020.6 and later	Nvidia cards	Nvidia 442.50
		AMD W5500, W5700	AMD driver 2020.Q3
		Nvidia cards	Nvidia 441.28
Media Composer 2019.12.x	AMD W5500, W5700	AMD driver 2019.Q4	

After installation of the AVID software the supported Nvidia driver can be found in the following directory: Program Files / Avid / Utilities / Nvidia.

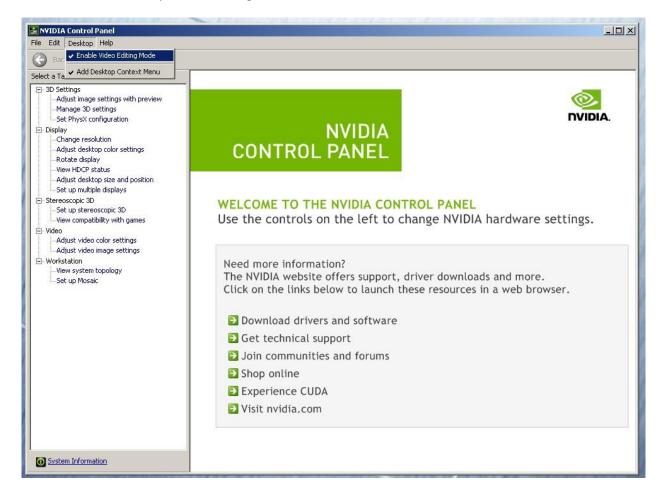
See Avid Media Composer version matrix for Nvidia driver version https://avid.secure.force.com/pkb/articles/en\_US/Compatibility/en267087

<sup>\*\*</sup> The AMD graphics driver is NOT included with MC release builds. You can find this driver on the AMD web page <a href="https://www.amd.com/en/support">https://www.amd.com/en/support</a>

<sup>\*</sup> AMD W5500, W5700 require AMD driver released 20.Q3 or later

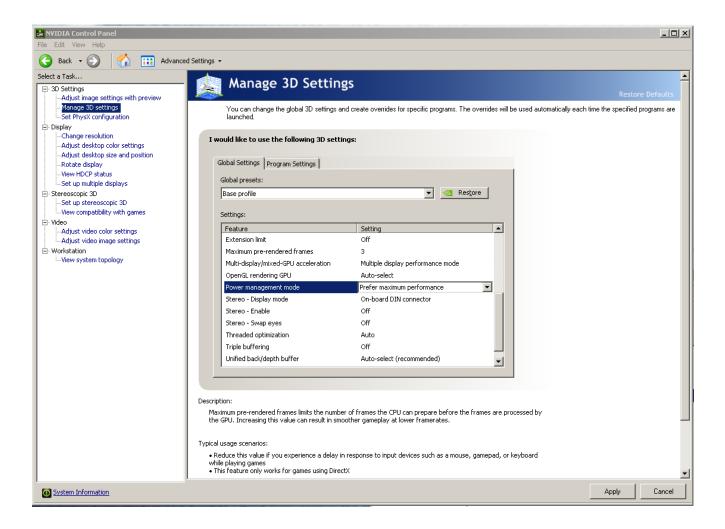
### Set optimized Nvidia driver settings for Avid editing environments:

- 1. See picture below
- 2. Right-Click on the desktop and select Nvidia Control Panel
- 3. Select the "Desktop" menu selection in the control panel menu bar.
- 4. Enable "Desktop -> Video Editing Mode



- 5. Select Manage 3D Settings
- 6. Select "Global Settings" Tab
- 7. Under the "Global Settings" tab select "3D App Default Global Settings" (Same as Base Profile)
- 8. Scroll down and locate the "Power Management Mode" feature. The default setting is "Adaptive"

9. For the "Power management mode" feature, select "Prefer maximum performance" as shown in the picture below.



- 10. Depress the "Apply" button.
- 11. Nvidia driver optimization settings for Avid environments are complete.

## 9.) GPU monitor connectivity:

The Nvidia Quadro P2200 graphics card has four Display-Port ports. The P620 and P1000 has 4 mini-display ports. All 4 ports can be used simultaneously.

The AMD W5500 graphics card has four full size display ports. The W5700 has 5 mini display ports.

(Important: Display-ports are not HDMI ports; at first glance they do look very similar to HDMI ports)

## 10.) Serial Port Deck Control

The DELL 3640 workstation does NOT have an embedded serial port. Primary or secondary / additional serial port deck control can be established via USB to serial adapters. See Avid KB for more info.

## 11.) O.S. setting recommendations for optimum performance with Avid Editing applications:

The following links provide O.S. setting suggestions for ensuring optimum performance when working with your Avid editing application with a Windows operating system.

- Optimizations for Video Editors - windows 10

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# **Revision Update**

Revision	Date	Name	Update
Rev A	Oct 21, 2020	Dave Pimm	Initial release of the DELL 3640 configuration guide