



## Recommended Computer Minimums for Purchasing

### Basic Use

- Memory: 16GB RAM (DDR4)
- CPU series: Intel i5 or i7
- CPU generation: 12<sup>th</sup> generation or later preferred, 11<sup>th</sup> generation ok
  - The CPU model number tells you what generation it is. For example, an Intel i5-12360 is an 12<sup>th</sup> generation processor. The underlined number, the first number(s) after the series, is the generation number so you will always know the generation without the need to look it up online.
- Networking: 802.11ax or 802.11ac
- Storage: Check your current usage for size needed.
  - Solid state drive (SSD/NVMe) – these boot fast, reboot fast, and come out of sleep or hibernation faster than traditional hard drives and use less energy.
  - Hybrid – only if you have large amounts of data that must be stored on this device. Includes faster SSD drive for the operating system in addition to a hard disk drive (HDD) for data storage.

### Business Use

- Same as above but with the following modifications:
- Memory: 16–32GB RAM (DDR4)
- Operating system: Depends upon the environment.
  - In a business environment with a server managing user accounts and credentials, Windows Pro is required.
  - In a business environment where business resources are all in the cloud, Windows Pro is still recommended because it includes disk encryption.
  - For personal use, Windows Home is fine if you are not worried about disk encryption.
- Connector types: If you plan to connect it to a display of some sort or projector, etc., make sure the connector types match. The most recent types are Display port and HDMI.

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