

Replacing a Controller Canister in the E5612 or the E5624 Controller-Drive Tray to Replace a Failed Host Interface Card

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Use this procedure to replace a controller in which the host interface card (HIC) has failed.

Before you replace the controller canister, gather antistatic protection, a new controller canister, and a controller air blocker.

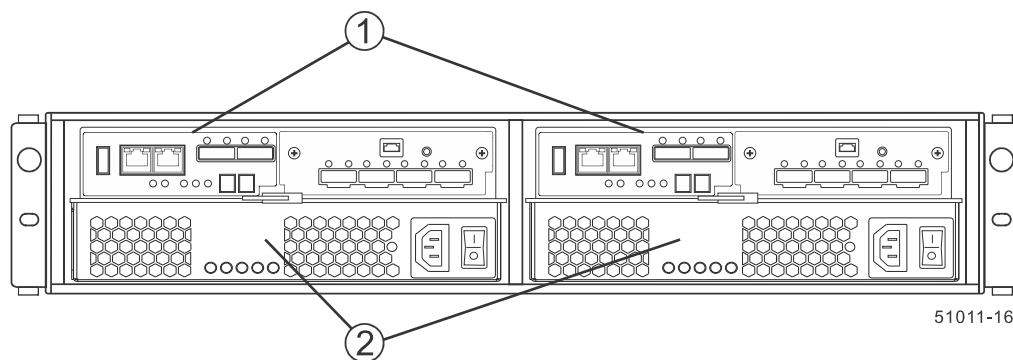
When you install a new controller, you must remove the battery from the failed controller, and install it in the new controller. This procedure includes that task.

ATTENTION Possible loss of data access – Your new controller must have the same host interface card (HIC) as the controller you are replacing. If the HICs do not match, do not attempt this procedure. The presence of mismatched controllers causes your storage array to lock down when you bring the new controller on line. You lose access to your data until the problem is corrected.

ATTENTION Possible loss of data access – If the controller that you are replacing manages any secure volumes, the new controller needs the correct security key to manage those volumes. After you replace the controller and restore power to the controller-drive tray, you can use SANtricity® Storage Manager to load the key from the file in which it was saved. Be sure that such a file exists and that you know the pass phrase required to install the security key before you replace the controller.

ATTENTION Possible hardware damage – Because you perform this procedure with the power turned on, the equipment might overheat if the controller slot is left open for more than three minutes. To prevent the possibility of overheating, you must insert the controller air blocker into the empty controller slot when you service the controller.

Figure 1. E5612 Controller-Drive Tray or E5624 Controller-Drive Tray



1. Controller Canister
2. Power-Fan Canister

Removing a Controller Canister from the E5612 Controller-Drive Tray or the E5624 Controller-Drive Tray

ATTENTION Possible hardware damage – To prevent electrostatic discharge damage to the tray, use proper antistatic protection when handling tray components.

ATTENTION Possible extended outage – You must replace the controller with the power turned on to ensure auto-code synchronization of the native controller firmware to the new controller and to prevent the possibility of an extended outage.

1. Gather support data about your storage array by using one of these methods:
 - Use the storage management software to collect and save a support bundle of your storage array. From the Array Management Window toolbar, select **Monitor > Health > Collect Support Data Manually**. Then name and specify a location on your system where you want to store the support bundle.
 - Use the command line interface (CLI) to run the **save storageArray supportData** command to gather comprehensive support data about the storage array. For more information about this command, refer to the current version of the *Command Line Interface and Script Commands Programming Guide*.

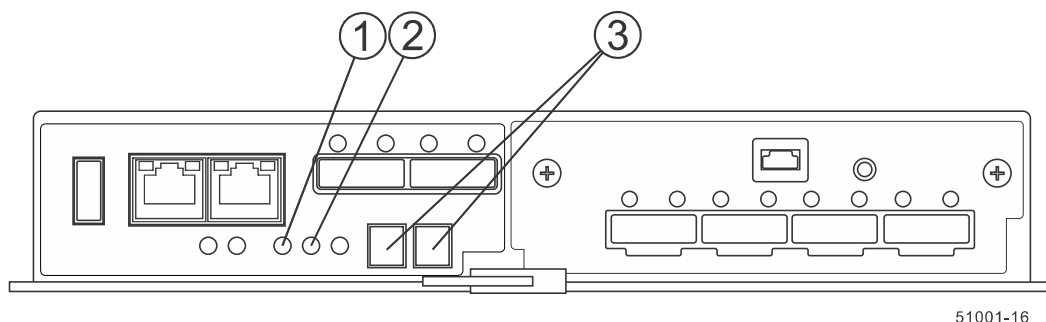
NOTE Gathering support data can temporarily impact performance on your storage array.

2. Did the Recovery Guru direct you to replace a failed controller canister?
 - **Yes** – Go to step [3](#).
 - **No** – Run the Recovery Guru to identify the failed controller canister, and go to step [3](#).
3. Locate the failed controller canister by checking the Controller Service Action Required LEDs shown in the following figure.

If a fault is detected, the amber Controller Service Action Required LED is on. You can safely remove the controller canister when the blue Controller Service Action Allowed LED is on.

NOTE Your controller canister might have a different number and type of host interface connectors than what is shown in the following figure.

Figure 2. E5600 Controller Service Action LEDs



1. Controller Service Action Allowed LEDs (Blue)
2. Controller Service Action Required LEDs (Amber)
3. Seven-Segment Display

4. Record the information from the seven-segment display on the rear of the controller-drive tray.

The display flashes a sequence of codes. To find information about the displayed diagnostic codes, refer to the *E5600 Controller-Drive Tray and Related Drive Trays Installation Guide*.

5. Is the Controller Service Action Allowed LED to on?
 - **Yes** – Go to step [8](#).
 - **No** – Go to step [6](#).
6. Use either the GUI (first bullet) or the CLI (second bullet) to take the appropriate controller offline.
 - From the **Hardware** pane in the **Array Management Window**, right-click the picture of the controller that you want to take offline, and then select **Advanced > Place > Offline**.
 - Run the following command:

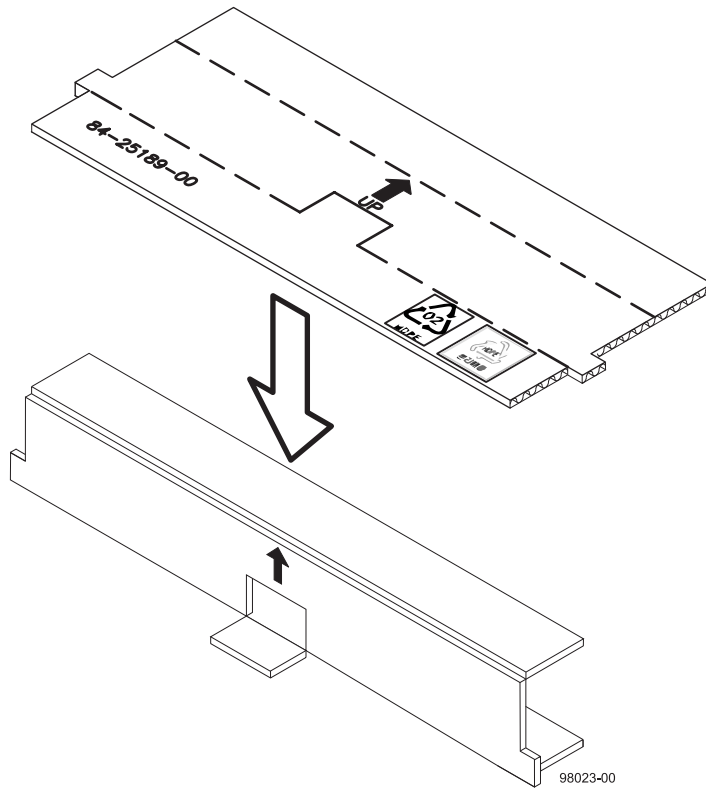

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smCLI <DNS-network-name-or-IP-address> -c  
"set controller [(a | b)] availability=offline";
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7. Wait for the Controller Service Action Allowed LED to come on.
This indication might take several minutes for a large configuration.
8. Put on antistatic protection.

ATTENTION Potential degraded performance – To prevent degraded performance, do not twist, fold, pinch, or step on the cables. Many cables have a minimum bending radius. Check the specifications for your cables, and do not bend any cable tighter than the minimum specified radius.

9. Label each of the interface cables and Ethernet cables attached to the controller canister so that you can reconnect each cable correctly after you reinstall the controller canister.
10. Disconnect all of the interface cables and Ethernet cables from the failed controller canister without disturbing the other canister.
11. If the failed controller canister contains a Fibre Channel HIC or an InfiniBand HIC, remove the small form-factor pluggable (SFP) transceivers (for Fibre Channel) or quad SFP (QSFP) transceivers (for InfiniBand) from the HIC and save them for possible reuse.

12. Prepare the controller air blocker by removing it from its packaging and folding it inward at right angles so it is ready to insert into the open controller slot.

Figure 3. Controller Air Blocker



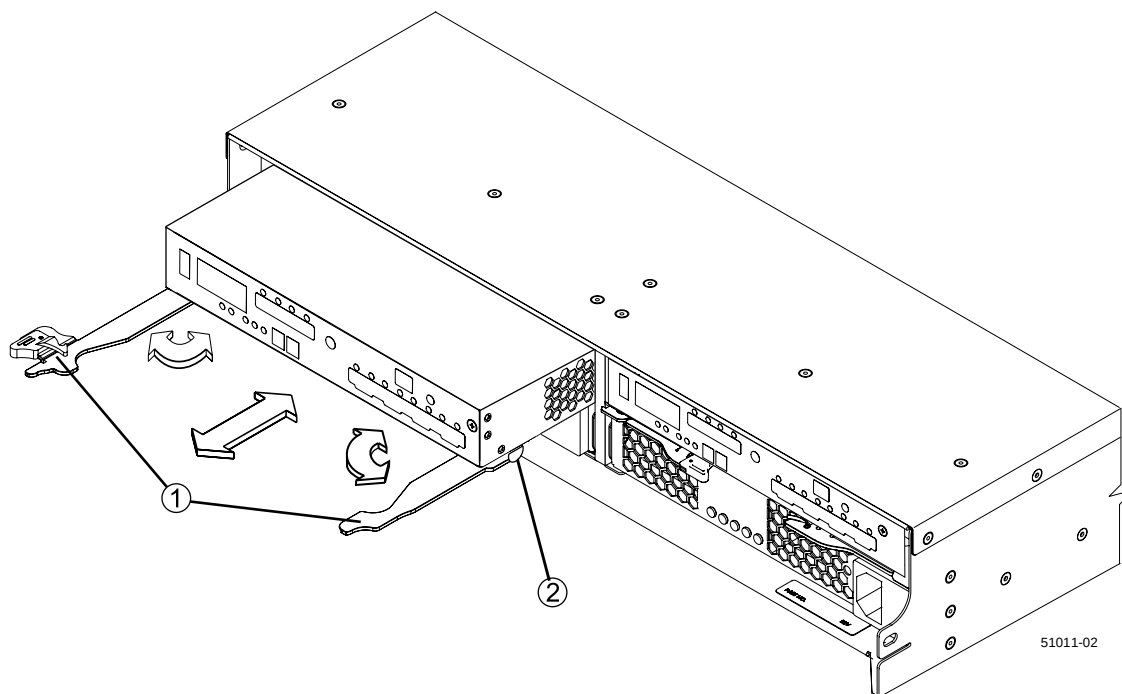
13. Remove the failed controller canister.

NOTE The following figures show the controller in the left-hand position within the controller-drive tray. However, you might be removing the controller and inserting the controller air blocker in the right-hand position. The required actions are similar.

- a. Unlock and pull out the release levers to release the controller canister.

- b. Using the release levers and your hands, pull the controller canister out of the controller-drive tray.

Figure 4. Removing and Replacing a Controller Canister



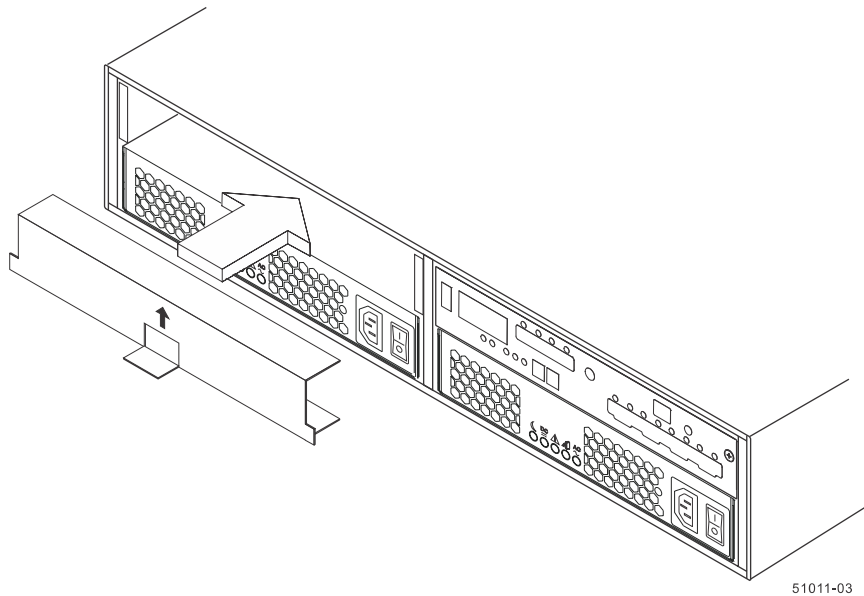
1. Release Lever
2. Controller Canister

- c. Set the failed controller canister on a flat, static-free surface with the release levers up.

ATTENTION Possible hardware damage – Because you perform this procedure with the power turned on, the equipment might overheat if the controller slot is left open for more than three minutes. To prevent the possibility of overheating, you must insert the controller air blocker into the controller slot when servicing the controller.

14. Insert the controller air blocker into the open controller slot to make sure that correct airflow is maintained.

Figure 5. Inserting the Controller Air Blocker into the Open Controller Slot

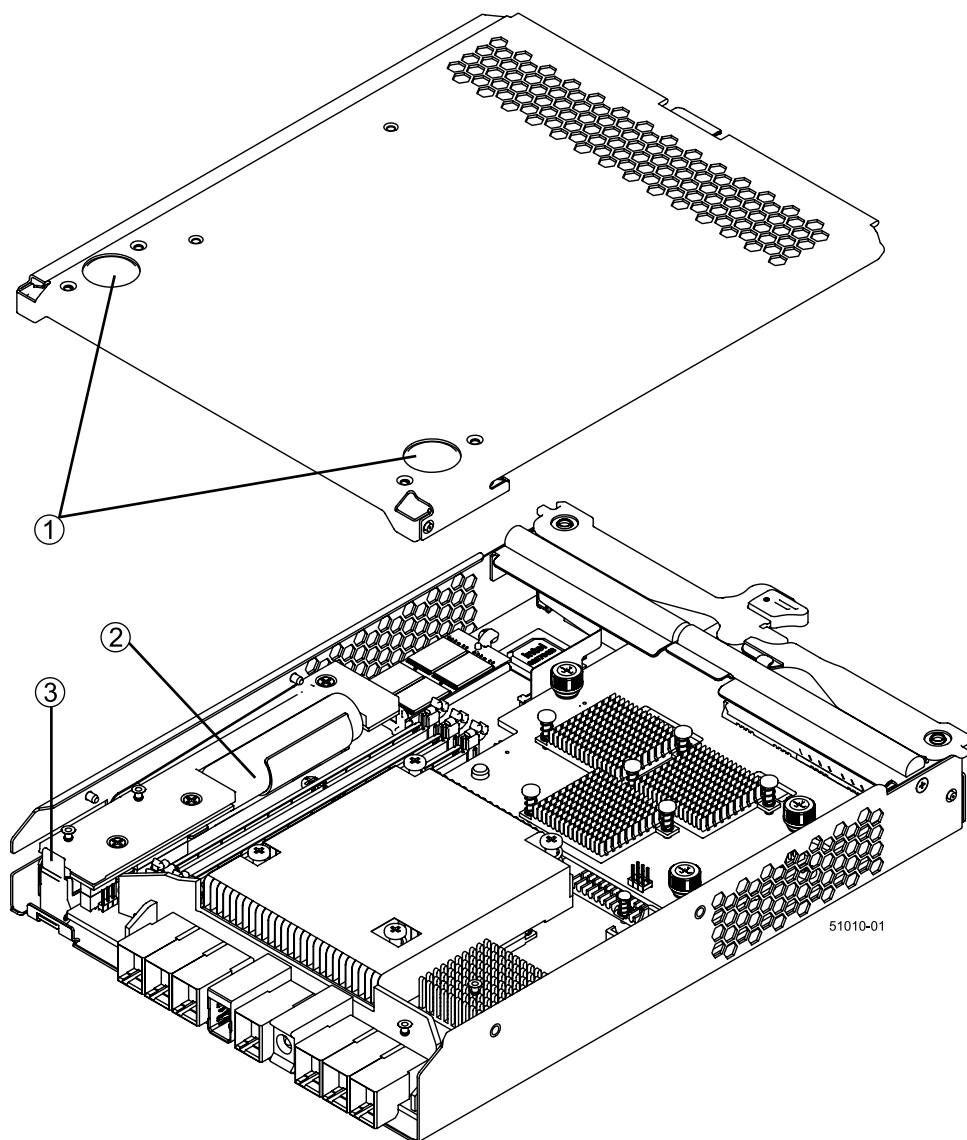


15. Remove the battery from the failed controller canister by performing these steps:

- a. Press down on both of the top cover latch buttons as you slide the top cover off the controller canister.

- b. Move the battery locking tab down to pull the battery out of the controller canister.

Figure 6. Controller Cover and Internal Parts



1. Top Cover Latch Buttons
2. Battery Circuit Board
3. Battery Locking Tab

- c. Remove the controller battery by sliding it towards the rear of the failed controller canister.

Installing a Controller Canister in the E5600 Controller-Drive Trays

1. Unpack the new controller canister.
 - a. Set the new controller canister on a flat, static-free surface near the controller-drive tray with the top cover up.
 - b. Save all of the packing materials so that you can ship the failed controller canister.

2. Push down the two top cover latch buttons that secure the top cover to the new controller canister.
3. Remove the top cover by sliding it to the rear of the new controller canister.
4. Insert the battery at a slight downward angle into the controller canister. Slide the battery towards the front of the controller canister, making sure that the battery slides under the side guide pins as you continue to slide the battery to correctly seat it against the back surface.

ATTENTION If the battery is not correctly seated, you cannot reinstall the top cover on the controller canister as directed later. To make sure that the controller battery is seated correctly, you might need to slide it out and insert it again. You know it is secure when you hear it click into place, and the locking handle does not move out of its upright position when you wiggle it.

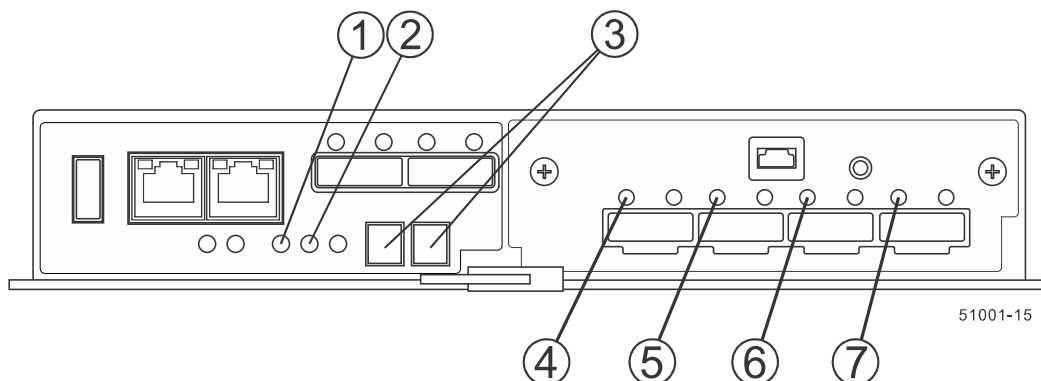
5. Move the locking tab up to secure the new battery circuit board to the controller canister.
6. Reinstall the top cover on the new controller canister by sliding the top cover forward until the top cover latch buttons click.
7. Remove the controller air blocker from the controller slot.
8. Slide the new controller canister all the way into the controller-drive tray. Rotate the release levers towards the center of the controller canister to lock it into place.
9. If you removed SFP transceivers (for Fibre Channel) or the QSFP transceivers (for InfiniBand) from the HIC in the old controller canister, install them in the new controller canister.
10. Reconnect all of the cables that you disconnected.
11. Use either the GUI (first bullet) or the CLI (second bullet) to bring the controller online.
 - From the Hardware pane in the Array Management Window, right-click the picture of the controller, and select **Advanced > Place > Online**.
 - Run the following command: `smCLI <DNS-network-name-or-IP-address> -c "set controller [(a | b)] availability=online";`

Checking the New E5600 Controller Canister

1. Look at the LEDs on the new controller canister to make sure that the new controller is booting correctly. The Host Link Service Action Required LEDs turn green during the reboot. The seven-segment display shows the sequence OS+ Sd+ blank- to indicate that the controller is performing Start-of-day (SOD) processing. After the controller successfully completes rebooting, the seven-segment display shows the tray ID matching the

seven-segment display on the second controller. You can then discover the new controller canister by using the storage management software.

Figure 7. LED Status and Seven-Segment Display



1. Controller Service Action Allowed LED (Blue)
 2. Controller Service Action Required LED (Amber)
 3. Seven-Segment Display
 4. Host Link 1 Service Action Required LED (Amber)
 5. Host Link 2 Service Action Required LED (Amber)
 6. Host Link 3 Service Action Required LED (Amber)
 7. Host Link 4 Service Action Required LED (Amber)
2. Look at the Controller Service Action Required LEDs. Based on the LED status, perform one of these actions:
 - **All of the amber Service Action Required LEDs are off, and the Array Management Window indicates an Optimal status** – Go to step [5](#).
 - **Any of the controller-drive tray's Service Action Required LEDs are on, or the Controller Service Action Required LED is on** – Check that the controller canister has been installed correctly and that all of the cables are correctly seated. Reinstall the controller canister, if necessary. Go to step [4](#).
 3. Did this action correct the problem?
 - **Yes** – Go to step [5](#).
 - **No** – If the problem is not resolved, contact your Technical Support Representative.
 4. Using the LEDs and the storage management software, check the status of all of the trays in the storage array.
 5. Does any component have a Needs Attention status?
 - **Yes** – Click the Recovery Guru toolbar button in the **Array Management Window**, and complete the recovery procedure. If the problem is not resolved, contact your Technical Support Representative.
 - **No** – Go to step [7](#).
 6. Remove the antistatic protection.
 7. Gather support data about your updated storage array by using one of these methods:
 - Use the storage management software to collect and save a support bundle of your storage array. From the Array Management Window toolbar, select **Monitor > Health > Collect Support Data Manually**. Then name and specify a location on your system where you want to store the support bundle.
 - Use the CLI to run the **save storageArray supportData** command to gather comprehensive support data about the storage array.

For more information about the CLI command, refer to the current version of the *Command Line Interface and Script Commands Programming Guide*.

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