

Quad M.2 PCIe Adapter Card, PCIe x16 to Quad NVMe or AHCI M.2 SSDs, PCI Express 4.0, 7.8GBps/Drive, Bifurcation Required, Windows/Linux Compatible - TAA

**Product ID:** QUAD-M2-PCIE-CARD-B



This Quad M.2 PCIe SSD Adapter adds up to four high performance PCIe M.2 SSDs (NVMe and AHCI) using the PCIe x16 slot of a desktop, workstation, or server.

Take full advantage of the fast performance and compact size of PCIe M.2 internal solid-state drives, with read and write speeds up to 7.8GBps per drive.

No on-board chip leads to wide system compatibility. This card requires PCIe bifurcation, meaning it easily integrates into any system with an available x16 PCIe slot that supports PCIe bifurcation.

Utilize software RAID, such as Storage Spaces (Microsoft) or mdraid/mdadm (Linux), to build a RAID array, adding redundancy or enhancing system performance.

The PCIe M.2 NGFF (M Key or B+M Key) adapter supports PCIe NVMe and PCIe AHCI M.2 SSDs including 2242, 2260, 2280 and 22110mm drives. The PCIe M.2 Adapter Card does not require any software or drivers, meaning it works with most operating systems - if the computer/motherboard supports bifurcation.

The pre-installed full-profile vented bracket increases air flow to improve heat dissipation, which aids in maintaining optimal and reliable operating temperatures.

The QUAD-M2-PCIE-CARD-B is backed for 2-years by StarTech.com, including free 24/5 multi-lingual technical assistance

## Certifications, Reports and Compatibility





## Applications

- Connect four PCIe M.2 SSDs to your desktop computer or server to boost system speed and increase internal data storage
- Get ultra-fast data access, ideal for high-performance workstations

## Features

- **HIGH PERFORMANCE:** Install 4x PCIe M.2 SSDs (NVMe or AHCI) into a computer or server through an available x16 PCI Express 4.0 slot for ultra-fast data access, capable of reaching high performance read and write speeds up to 7.8GBps per drive
- **WIDE COMPATIBILITY:** This Quad M.2 PCIe Adapter card was extensively tested to ensure compatibility with Samsung 980 Pro, 970 EVO, 950 EVO, SM951, and other 2242/2260/2280/22110mm PCIe M-Key M.2 SSDs Not compatible with SATA based M.2 drives
- **BACKWARDS COMPATIBILITY:** Compatible with PCIe 3.0 motherboards with PCIe bifurcation and an available x16 PCIe slot PCIe bifurcation is required This M.2 Adapter works with most workstation and server OS's such as Windows, Windows Server, and Linux
- **SOFTWARE RAID FUNCTIONALITY:** The M.2 PCI Express adapter enables access to the M.2 PCIe SSDs individually With OS or 3rd party RAID software, build an array to add redundancy, more capacity, or performance through RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 5, RAID 10 or JBOD
- **VENTED BRACKETS:** This PCIe M.2 NVMe Adapter Card comes with a pre-installed full profile bracket The vented bracket allows for better air flow which helps maintain optimal and reliable performance while helping to avoid drive throttling

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## Hardware

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| Warranty               | 2 Years                       |
| Interface              | M.2 PCIe                      |
| Bus Type               | PCI Express                   |
| Number of Drives       | 4                             |
| Drive Size             | 22 mm - M.2 NVMe              |
| Compatible Drive Types | M.2 (PCIe, NVMe, M-Key, NGFF) |
| Drive Installation     | Fixed                         |

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| Supported Drive Height(s) | 2242  |
|                           | 2260  |
|                           | 2280  |
|                           | 22110 |

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#### Performance

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| Type and Rate           | PCI Express 4.0 (16 Gbps per lane) |
| Hardware Raid Supported | No                                 |
| Hot Swap Capability     | No                                 |
| MTBF                    | 4,353,192 hrs                      |

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#### Connector(s)

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| Drive Connectors | 4 - M.2 (NVMe, M-Key, PCIe x4) |
| Host Connectors  | 1 - PCI Express x16            |

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#### Software

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| OS Compatibility | No Drivers or Software Required |
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#### Special Notes / Requirements

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| System and Cable Requirements | For multiple drives to be detected by the host system, bifurcation support is required on the computer/motherboard.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Note                          | <p>NVMe SSDs require drivers provided by the manufacture of the drive or may be natively provided by the OS (Windows 8 and later). Earlier OS versions do not feature native NVMe support.</p> <p>Consult the documentation that came with the Computer/Motherboard for details regarding how to enable and configure PCIe Bifurcation.</p> |

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#### Indicators

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| LED Indicators | 4 - Header pins, for drive activity |
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#### Environmental

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| Operating Temperature | -40C to 80C (-40F to 176F) |
| Storage Temperature   | -40C to 85C (-40F to 185F) |
| Humidity              | 15 ~ 90% RH                |

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