GETAC UPGRADES VERSATILE S400 SEMI-RUGGED LAPTOP COMPUTER

Speed, Graphics, Performance, and Versatility Make S400 Semi-Rugged Laptop Ideal for Military, Utilities, Police, Fire, and Field Service Professionals

IRVINE, CA. November 27, 2012 — Getac Inc., a leading manufacturer of rugged computers, announced today that it has upgraded nearly every feature of its popular S400 semi-rugged laptop, including speed, performance, sunlight readability and connectivity. Already boasted as one of the most rugged semi-rugged laptops manufactured, the S400 combines high-performance with the ruggedness needed to perform in harsh and demanding environments typically experienced by military, utility, police, fire and field service personnel.

The increased performance of the upgraded Getac S400 begins with a third-generation Intel Core processor, offered in two options including the powerful i5-3320M vPro™ processor. Clocking in at 2.6GHz with Turbo Boost speeds up to 3.3 GHz, the S400 semi-rugged laptop performs up to 91% faster than the previous generation and has the power needed for the most demanding tasks — from intricate mapping to live video processing and license plate recognition.¹ Hyper-Threading technology, designed to enhance performance by allowing each processor core to handle multiple tasks simultaneously, is included in every S400.

The brilliant 14” display is now even brighter. Available with an 800 NITS QuadraClear™ display with glove-friendly multi-touch touch, the S400 can be easily viewed in direct sunlight. The Intel HD Graphics, now integrated directly into the processor, providing nearly 300% graphics performance gain.¹ The S400 can also be configured with ATi E6760 discrete graphics featuring 1GB of dedicated memory for even greater frames per second with incredible responsiveness.

"We designed the S400 with the goal of creating the most rugged laptop in the semi-rugged category," explains Jim Rimay, president of Getac. "With the faster processors, improved graphics and enhanced security features, the S400 is the most powerful and versatile semi-rugged computer we've made."

To increase versatility and security, the S400 can now be configured with a 13.56MHz contactless SmartCard/RFID reader. The S400 has surpassed the most rigid tests for rugged performance and incorporates several features essential for unwavering functionality and protection in the field. For starters, the S400 semi-rugged laptop’s rugged features include a water-resistant keyboard with optional backlit keys, IP5X, and MIL-STD 810G compliance for temperature, shock, and vibration. And, the optional integrated 4G LTE wireless or 3G Gobi mobile broadband technology allows remote workers to stay connected everywhere they go.

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The outer construction of the S400 body is comprised of Getac’s KryptoShell™ body material, which allows the notebook to meet or exceed MIL-STD-810G temperature, shock, and vibration specifications — including a 3 foot drop on six faces and -4°F-140°F operating temperature. The island-style keyboard features individually isolated keys designed to reduce damage from rough use. And, while competing semi-rugged notebooks will throttle down the CPU to as little as 36% to avoid overheating, the advanced thermal design of the S400 allows it to maintain over 89% performance even at 140°F.

Other changes include the upgrade to Bluetooth 4.0, three USB 3.0 ports, a standard 500GB hard drive or optional solid-state drive up to 256GB and a higher capacity 8700mAh battery. Additionally, programmable hot keys can be custom set to trigger common actions or act as emergency keys for safety applications. The new Getac S400 semi-rugged laptop starts at $1,699 MSRP² and will begin shipping in December.

About Getac
Getac is a key subsidiary of MiTAC-Synnex Business Group (2011 consolidated revenue $25.3 billion USD). Getac was established in 1989 as a joint venture with GE Aerospace to supply defense electronic products. Today, Getac’s business includes rugged notebooks, rugged tablet PCs, and rugged handheld devices for military, police, fire, utility, insurance, and field service customers. For more information, visit us.getac.com.

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1) Testing conducted by Getac in November 2012. Performance tests are conducted using specific computer systems and reflect the approximate performance of the S400 at the time of testing.
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