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System Board
User's Manual

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• Use the correct AC input voltage range.

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- Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommend by the manufacturer.
- Dispose of used batteries according to the battery manufacturer's instructions.

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- Increase the separation between the equipment and the receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio TV technician for help.

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Notice

This user's manual contains detailed information about the system board. If, in some cases, some information doesn't match those shown in the multilingual manual, the multilingual manual should always be regarded as the most updated version. The multilingual manual is included in the system board package.

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System Board

This user's manual is for the 748-A and 748-AL system boards. The only difference between these boards is the 748-AL system board supports onboard LAN.

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Chapter 1 - Introduction

1.1 Features and Specifications

I.I.I Features

Chipset

• SiS® chipset

North bridge: SiS[®] 748
South bridge: SiS[®] 963L

Processor

The system board is equipped with Socket A for PGA processor. It is also equipped with a switching voltage regulator that automatically detects 1.100V to 1.850V.

- AMD Athlon[™] XP 266/333/400MHz FSB
- AMD Athlon™ 200/266MHz FSB

System Memory

- Three 184-pin DDR DIMM sockets
- Supports up to 3GB memory (unbuffered DIMM)
- Supports PC1600 (DDR200), PC2100 (DDR266), PC2700 (DDR333) or PC 3200 (DDR 400) DDR SDRAM DIMM, 2.5V type
- L2 cache memory
 - Athlon[™] XP / Athlon[™] processor: built-in 256KB Level 2 pipelined burst cache

| DIMMs | Memory Size | DIMMs | Memory Size |
|--------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| 2MBx64 | 16MB | 16MBx64 | I 28MB |
| 4MB×64 | 32MB | 32MB×64 | 256MB |
| 8MBx64 | 64MB | 64MB×64 | 512MB |

Expansion Slots

The system board is equipped with I AGP slot and 5 PCI slots.

AGP (Accelerated Graphics Port)

AGP is an interface designed to support high performance 3D graphics cards. It utilizes a dedicated pipeline to access system memory for texturing, z-buffering and alpha blending. The universal AGP slot supports AGP 8x with up to 2132MB/sec. bandwidth and AGP 4x with up to 1066MB/sec. bandwidth for 3D graphics applications. AGP in this system board will deliver faster and better graphics to your PC.

Onboard Audio Features

- C-Media 6-channel codec
- AC'97 2.2 extension compliant codec
- Supports Microsoft® DirectSound/DirectSound 3D
- AC'97 supported with full duplex, independent sample rate converter for audio recording and playback
- S/PDIF-in/out interface
- 6-channel audio output

S/PDIF

S/PDIF is a standard audio file transfer format that transfers digital audio signals to a device without having to be converted first to an analog format. This prevents the quality of the audio signal from degrading whenever it is converted to analog. S/PDIF is usually found on digital audio equipment such as a DAT machine or audio processing device. The S/PDIF connector on the system board sends surround sound and 3D audio signal outputs to amplifiers and speakers and to digital recording devices like CD recorders.

6-channel Audio

The 6-channel audio output function is supported by using the 4-channel connector, the audio jacks at the rear panel and configuring the audio driver. Please refer to chapters 2 and 4

Onboard LAN Features (748-AL only)

- Realtek 820 I BL Phy fast ethernet controller
- Integrated IEEE 802.3, I0BASE-T and I00BASE-TX compatible PHY
- 32-bit PCI master interface
- Integrated power management functions
- Full duplex support at both 10 and 100 Mbps
- Supports IEEE 802.3u auto-negotiation
- Supports wire for management

PCI Bus Master IDE Controller

- Two PCI IDE interfaces support up to four IDE devices
- Supports ATA/33, ATA/66, ATA/100 and ATA/133 hard drives
- UDMA Modes 3, 4, 5 and 6 Enhanced IDE (data transfer rate up to 133MB/sec.)
- Bus mastering reduces CPU utilization during disk transfer
- Supports ATAPI CD-ROM, LS-120 and ZIP

IrDA Interface

The system board is equipped with an IrDA connector for wireless connectivity between your computer and peripheral devices. The IRDA (Infrared Data Association) specification supports data transfers of 115K baud at a distance of 1 meter.

USB Ports

The system board supports USB 2.0 and USB 1.1 ports. USB 1.1 supports 12Mb/second bandwidth while USB 2.0 supports 480Mb/second bandwidth providing a marked improvement in device transfer speeds between your computer and a wide range of simultaneously accessible external Plug and Play peripherals.

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BIOS

- Award BIOS, Windows® 98/2000/ME/XP Plug and Play compatible
- CPU overclocking in IMHz stepping
- CPU/DIMM/AGP/Chipset overvoltage
- Supports SCSI sequential boot-up
- Flash EPROM for easy BIOS upgrades
- Supports DMI 2.0 function
- 2Mbit flash memory

Desktop Management Interface (DMI)

The system board comes with a DMI 2.0 built into the BIOS. The DMI utility in the BIOS automatically records various information about your system configuration and stores these information in the DMI pool, which is a part of the system board's Plug and Play BIOS. DMI, along with the appropriately networked software, is designed to make inventory, maintenance and troubleshooting of computer systems easier.

Rear Panel I/O Ports (PC 99 color-coded connectors)

- 2 USB 2.0/1.1 ports
- I RJ45 LAN port (748-AL only)
- 2 DB-9 serial ports
- I DB-25 parallel port
- I mini-DIN-6 PS/2 mouse port
- I mini-DIN-6 PS/2 keyboard port
- I game/MIDI port
- 3 audio jacks: line-out, line-in and mic-in

I/O Connectors

- 2 connectors for 4 additional external USB 2.0/1.1 ports
- I front audio connector for external line-out and mic-in jacks
- 2 internal audio connectors (CD-in and AUX-in)
- I S/PDIF-in/out connector
- I 4-channel connector
- I connector for IrDA interface
- 2 IDE connectors
- I floppy drive connector

- I ATX power supply connector
- I Wake-On-LAN connector
- 3 fan connectors for CPU fan, chassis fan and 2nd chassis fan connectors

1.1.2 System Health Monitor Functions

The system board is capable of monitoring the following "system health" conditions.

- Monitors CPU/system temperature and overheat alarm
- Monitors CPU/I.8V/±12V/5V/3.3V/3VSB(V)/5VSB(V) voltages and failure alarm
- Monitors CPU/chassis fan speed and failure alarm
- Read back capability that displays temperature, voltage and fan speed

1.1.3 Intelligence

CPU Temperature Protection

The CPU Temperature Protection function has the capability of monitoring the CPU's temperature during system boot-up. To prevent CPU overheat and damage, the system will automatically shutdown once it has detected that the CPU's temperature exceeded the temperature limit pre-defined by the system.

Overvoltage

The Overvoltage function allows you to manually adjust to a higher core voltage that is supplied to the CPU, AGP, DRAM and/ or chipset. Although this function is supported, we do not recommend that you use a higher voltage because unstable current may be supplied to the system board causing damage.

CPU Overclocking

The CPU Overclocking function allows you to adjust the processor's bus clock. However, overclocking may result to the processor's or system's instability and are not guaranteed to provide better system performance.

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Dual Function Power Button

Depending on the setting in the "Power Button Override" field of the Power Management Setup, this switch will allow the system to enter the Soft-Off or Suspend mode.

Wake-On-Ring

This feature allows the system that is in the Suspend mode or Soft Power Off mode to wake-up/power-on to respond to calls coming from an external modem or respond to calls from a modem PCI card that uses the PCI PME (Power Management Event) signal to remotely wake up the PC.



Important:

If you are using a modem add-in card, the 5VSB power source of your power supply must support a minimum of \geq 720mA.

Wake-On-LAN

This feature allows the network to remotely wake up a Soft Power Down (Soft-Off) PC. It is supported via the onboard LAN port, via a PCI LAN card that uses the PCI PME (Power Management Event) signal or via a LAN card that uses the Wake-On-LAN connector. However, if your system is in the Suspend mode, you can power-on the system only through an IRQ or DMA interrupt.



Important:

The 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥720mA.

Wake-On-Keyboard/Wake-On-Mouse

This function allows you to use the PS/2 keyboard or PS/2 mouse to power-on the system.



Important:

The 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥720mA.

Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse

This function allows you to use a USB keyboard or USB mouse to wake up a system from the S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state.



Important:

- If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 2 USB ports, the 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥1.5A.
- If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 3 or more USB ports, the 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥2A.

RTC Timer to Power-on the System

The RTC installed on the system board allows your system to automatically power-on on the set date and time.

ACPI STR

The system board is designed to meet the ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) specification. ACPI has energy saving features that enables PCs to implement Power Management and Plug-and-Play with operating systems that support OS Direct Power Management. Currently, only Windows® 98/2000/ME/XP supports the ACPI function. ACPI when enabled in the Power Management Setup will allow you to use the Suspend to RAM function.

With the Suspend to RAM function enabled, you can power-off the system at once by pressing the power button or selecting "Standby" when you shut down Windows® 98/2000/ME/XP without having to go through the sometimes tiresome process of closing files, applications and operating system. This is because the system is capable of storing all programs and data files during the entire operating session into RAM (Random Access Memory) when it powers-off. The operating session will resume exactly where you left off the next time you power-on the system.



Important:

The 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥IA.

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AC Power Failure Recovery

When power returns after an AC power failure, you may choose to either power-on the system manually, let the system power-on automatically or return to the state where you left off before power failure occurs.

Virus Protection

Most viruses today destroy data stored in hard drives. The system board is designed to protect the boot sector and partition table of your hard disk drive.

1.2 Package Checklist

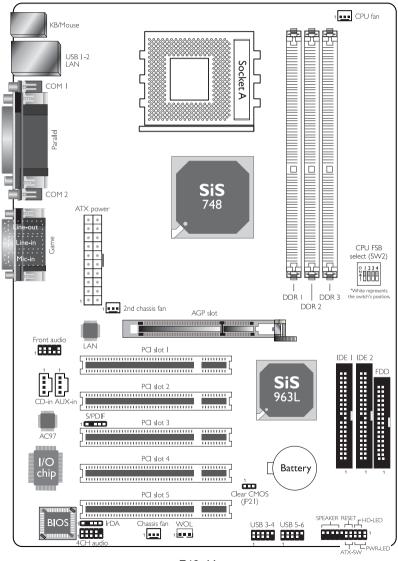
The system board package contains the following items:

- ☑ The system board
- ☑ A user's manual
- ☑ One IDE cable for ATA/33, ATA/66, ATA/100 or ATA/133 IDE drives
- ☑ One 34-pin floppy disk drive cable
- ☑ One "Mainboard Utility" CD

If any of these items are missing or damaged, please contact your dealer or sales representative for assistance.

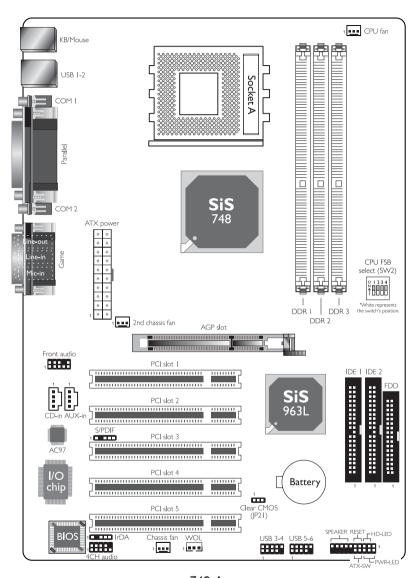
Chapter 2 - Hardware Installation

2.1 System Board Layout



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Note:

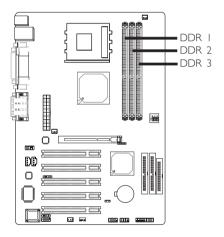
The illustrations on the following pages are based on the system board that supports onboard LAN.



Warning:

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage your system board, processor, disk drives, add-in boards, and other components. Perform the upgrade instruction procedures described at an ESD workstation only. If such a station is not available, you can provide some ESD protection by wearing an antistatic wrist strap and attaching it to a metal part of the system chassis. If a wrist strap is unavailable, establish and maintain contact with the system chassis throughout any procedures requiring ESD protection.

2.2 System Memory

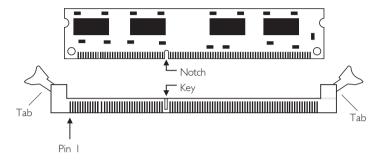


The system board supports DDR SDRAM DIMM. Double Data Rate SDRAM (DDR SDRAM) is a type of SDRAM that doubles the data rate through reading and writing at both the rising and falling edge of each clock. This effectively doubles the speed of operation therefore doubling the speed of data transfer.

Refer to chapter I (System Memory section) for detailed specification of the memory supported by the system board.

2.2.1 Installing the DIM Module

A DIM module simply snaps into a DIMM socket on the system board. Pin I of the DIM module must correspond with Pin I of the socket.



- I. Pull the "tabs" which are at the ends of the socket to the side.
- 2 Position the DIMM above the socket with the "notch" in the module aligned with the "key" on the socket.
- 3. Seat the module vertically into the socket. Make sure it is completely seated. The tabs will hold the DIMM in place.

2.3 CPU

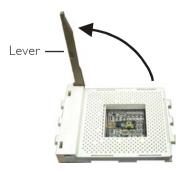
2.3.1 Overview

The system board is equipped with a surface mount Socket A CPU socket. This socket is exclusively designed for installing an AMD CPU.



2.3.2 Installing the CPU

- I. Make sure the PC and all other peripheral devices connected to it has been powered down.
- 2 Disconnect all power cords and cables.
- 3. Locate Socket A on the system board.
- 4. Unlock the socket by pushing the lever sideways, away from the socket, then lifting it up to a 90° angle. Make sure the socket is lifted to at least this angle otherwise the CPU will not fit in properly.



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5. Position the CPU above the socket then align the gold mark on the corner of the CPU (designated as pin I) with pin I of the socket.



Important:

Handle the CPU by its edges and avoid touching the pins.

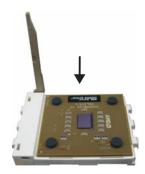


6. Insert the CPU into the socket until it is seated in place. The CPU will fit in only one orientation and can easily be inserted without exerting any force.

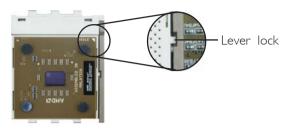


Important:

Do not force the CPU into the socket. Forcing the CPU into the socket may bend the pins and damage the CPU.



7. Once the CPU is in place, push down the lever to lock the socket. The lever should click on the side tab to indicate that the CPU is completely secured in the socket.



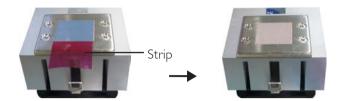
2.3.3 Installing the Fan and Heat Sink

The CPU must be kept cool by using a CPU fan with heat sink. Without sufficient air circulation across the CPU and heat sink, the CPU will overheat damaging both the CPU and system board.

I. Before you install the fan / heat sink, you must apply a thermal paste onto the top of the CPU. The thermal paste, which is usually supplied together with the CPU, looks somewhat similar to the one shown below. Do not spread the paste all over the surface. When you place the heat sink on top of the CPU, the compound will disperse evenly.



Do not apply the paste if the fan / heatsink already has a patch of thermal paste on its underside. Peel the strip that covers the paste then place the fan / heat sink on top of the CPU.



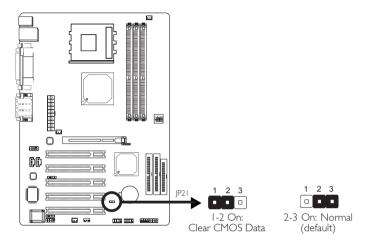
2. After placing the fan / heat sink on top of the CPU, latch the retaining clip on one side of the fan heat sink onto the protruding tab on the side of the socket.



- 3. Push down the other retaining clip until it latches and lock onto the protruding tab on that side of the socket. Make sure there is sufficient air circulation across the CPU fan and heat sink.
- 4. Connect the CPU fan's cable connector to the CPU fan connector on the system board.

2.4 Jumper Settings

2.4.1 Jumper Settings for Clearing CMOS Data



If you encounter the following,

- a) CMOS data becomes corrupted.
- b) You forgot the keyboard, supervisor or user password.
- c) You are unable to boot-up the computer system because the processor's ratio/clock was incorrectly set in the BIOS.

you can reconfigure the system with the default values stored in the ROM BIOS.

To load the default values stored in the ROM BIOS, please follow the steps below.

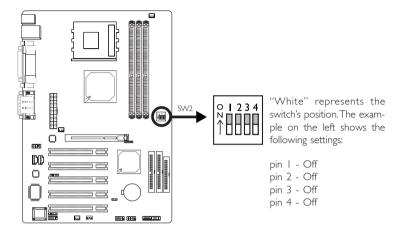
- 1. Power-off the system and unplug the power cord.
- 2. Set JP21 pins 1 and 2 to On. Wait for a few seconds and set JP21 back to its default setting, pins 2 and 3 On.
- 3. Now plug the power cord and power-on the system.

If your reason for clearing the CMOS data is due to incorrect setting of the processor's ratio/clock in the BIOS, please proceed to step 4.

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- 4. After powering-on the system, press to enter the main menu of the BIOS.
- 5. Select the Frequency/Voltage Control submenu and press <Enter>.
- 6. Set the "CPU Frequency" or "CPU Ratio" field to its default setting or an appropriate bus clock or frequency ratio. Refer to the Frequency/Voltage Control section in chapter 3 for more information.
- 7. Press <Esc> to return to the main menu of the BIOS setup utility. Select "Save & Exit Setup" and press <Enter>.
- 8. Type <Y> and press <Enter>.

2.4.2 Jumper Settings for Selecting the CPU's FSB (Front Side Bus)



| CPU FSB | I | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 100MHz | Off | Off | On | Off |
| 133MHz* | Off | Off | Off | Off |
| 167MHz | On | Off | Off | On |
| 200MHz | On | On | Off | On |

[&]quot;*" denotes default setting

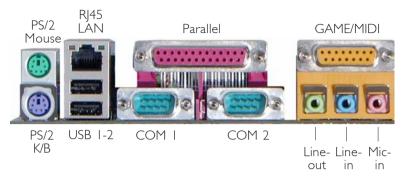
SW2 is used to select the front side bus of the CPU installed on the system board.



Important:

- Overclocking may result to the CPU's or system's instability
 and are not guaranteed to provide better system performance. If you are unable to boot your system due to
 overclocking, make sure to set the DIP switch back to its
 default settings.
- To ensure proper boot up and operation of your system, you
 must power-off the system then turn off the power supply's
 switch or unplug the AC power cord prior to altering the
 setting.

2.5 Rear Panel I/O Ports

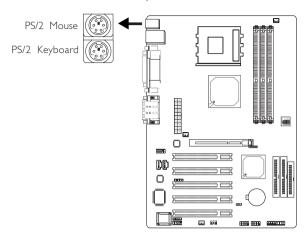


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2.5.1 PS/2 Mouse and PS/2 Keyboard Ports



The system board is equipped with an onboard PS/2 mouse (Green) and PS/2 keyboard (Purple) ports - both at location CN2 of the system board. The PS/2 mouse port uses IRQ12. If a mouse is not connected to this port, the system will reserve IRQ12 for other expansion cards.



Warning:

Make sure to turn off your computer prior to connecting or disconnecting a mouse or keyboard. Failure to do so may damage the system board.

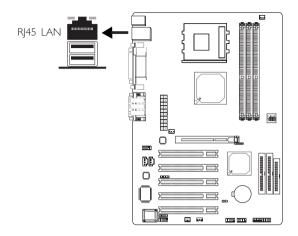
Wake-On-Keyboard/Mouse

The Wake-On-Keyboard/Mouse function allows you to use the keyboard or mouse to power-on the system. To use this function:

BIOS Setting:

"PS2KB Wakeup From S3/S4/S5" and "PS2MS Wakeup From S3/S4/S5" ("PM Wake Up Events" section) in the Power Management Setup submenu of the BIOS must be set accordingly. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.5.2 RJ45 LAN Port (748-AL only)



The 748-AL system board is equipped with an onboard RJ45 LAN port at location CNI of the system board. It allows the system board to connect to a local area network by means of a network hub.

BIOS Setting

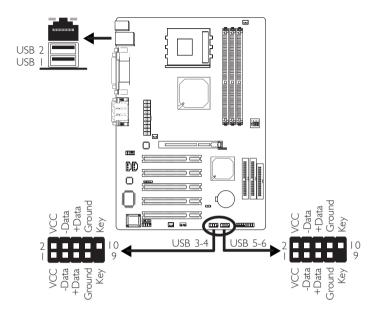
Enable or disable the onboard LAN in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("SIS OnChip PCI Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

To wake up the system via the LAN port, set the "MACPME Power Up Control" field ("PM Wake Up Events" section) in the Power Management Setup submenu of the BIOS to Enabled.

Driver Installation

Install the "LAN Drivers". Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

2.5.3 Universal Serial Bus Ports



Two onboard USB 2.0/1.1 ports (Black) are at location CN1 of the system board.

J3 (USB 3-4) and J5 (USB 5-6) connectors allow you to connect 4 additional USB 2.0/1.1 ports. The additional USB ports, which are mounted on card-edge brackets, will be provided as options. If you wish to use the optional USB ports, install the card-edge bracket to the system chassis then insert the connector that is attached to the USB port cables to J3 and/or J5.

BIOS Setting

Configure the onboard USB in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("SIS OnChip PCI Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

If you are using a USB 2.0 device, you must enable the USB 2.0 function in the same BIOS submenu mentioned above.

Driver Installation

You may need to install the proper drivers in your operating system to use the USB device. Refer to your operating system's manual or documentation for more information.

If you are using a USB 2.0 device, install the "SiS USB 2.0 Drivers". Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse

The Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function allows you to use a USB keyboard or USB mouse to wake up a system from the S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state. To use this function:

· BIOS Setting:

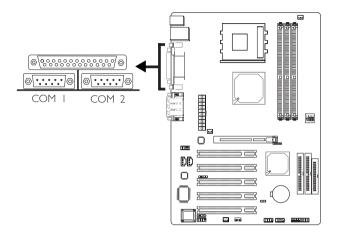
"USB Port Wake Up Control" ("PM Wake Up Events" section) in the Power Management Setup submenu of the BIOS must be set to Enabled. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.



Important:

- If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 2 USB ports, the 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥1.5A.
- If you are using the Wake-On-USB Keyboard/Mouse function for 3 or more USB ports, the 5VSB power source of your power supply must support ≥2A.

2.5.4 Serial Ports



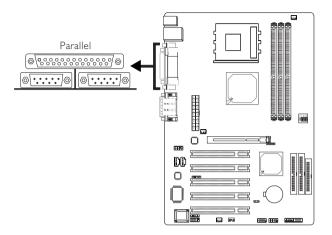
The system board is equipped with two onboard serial ports (COM I: CN3 and COM 2: CN4) - both in Teal/Turquoise color.

These ports are RS-232C asynchronous communication ports with 16C550A-compatible UARTs that can be used with modems, serial printers, remote display terminals, and other serial devices.

BIOS Setting

Select the serial ports' I/O address in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("Onboard Super IO Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.5.5 Parallel Port



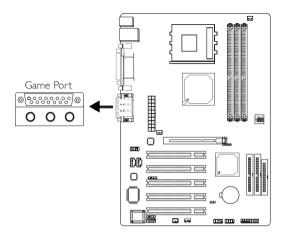
The system board has a standard parallel port (Burgundy) at location CN5 for interfacing your PC to a parallel printer. It supports SPP, ECP and EPP.

| Setting | Function | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| SPP (Standard Parallel Port) | Allows normal speed operation but in one direction only. | |
| ECP (Extended Capabilities Port) | Allows parallel port to operate in bidirectional mode and at a speed faster than the SPP's data transfer rate. | |
| EPP (Enhanced Parallel Port) | Allows bidirectional parallel port operation at maximum speed. | |

BIOS Setting

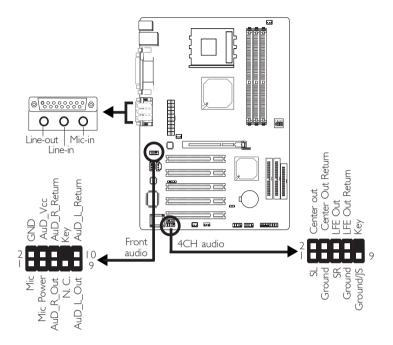
Select the parallel port's mode in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("Onboard Super IO Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.5.6 Game Port



The Game/MIDI port is identical to that of a standard PC game adapter or game I/O port. Connect an analog joystick to the I5-pin D-sub connector (Gold) at location CN6 of the system board. This port works well with any application that is compatible with the standard PC joystick.

2.5.7 Audio



Audio Jacks

The system board is equipped with 3 audio jacks. A jack is a one-hole connecting interface for inserting a plug.

Line-out Jack (Lime)

This jack is used to connect external speakers for audio output from the system board. Using this jack disables the front audio's line-out function.

• Line-in Jack (Light Blue)

This jack can be connected to the line-out jack of any external audio devices such as Hi-fi set, CD player, AM/FM radio tuner, synthesizer, etc. Connect a stereo cable from the line-out jack of your external device to this line-in jack.

Mic-in Jack (Pink)

This jack is used to connect an external microphone. Use the C-Media application software to select between using this jack and the front audio's mic-in jack.

Front Audio

The front audio connector (J15) allows you to connect to the line-out and mic-in jacks that are at the front panel of your system. Using this connector will disable the rear audio's line-out and mic-in functions.

Remove the jumper caps from pins 5-6 and pins 9-10 of J15 prior to connecting the front audio cable connector. Make sure pin I of the cable connector is aligned with pin I of J15. If you are not using this connector, make sure to replace the jumper caps back to their original pin locations.

| Pins 5-6 and 9-10 short (default) | The front audio is disabled. The rear audio is enabled. |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Pins 5-6 and 9-10 open | The front audio is enabled. The rear audio is disabled. |

4-channel Audio

The 4-channel audio connector (J7) supports 4 audio output signals: center channel, subwoofer, rear right channel and rear left channel. The 4 audio output signals together with the line-out jack (at the rear panel) support 6-channel audio output.

One card-edge bracket, mounted with a rear jack and a center/subwoofer jack, will be provided as an option. Remove the jumper caps from pins 2-4 and pins 6-8 of J7 prior to connecting the audio cable connector. Make sure pin 1 of the cable connector is

Hardware Installation

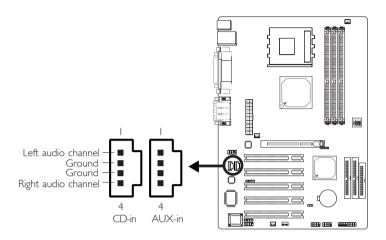
aligned with pin I of J7. If you are not using this connector, replace the jumper caps back to their original pin locations. Now install the card-edge bracket to the system chassis.

Driver Installation

Install the "Realtek Audio Drivers". An audio software application program will at the same time be installed into your system. This program will allow you to configure 2-channel, 4-channel and 6-channel audio modes as well as configure the audio effects. Refer to chapter 4 for more information.

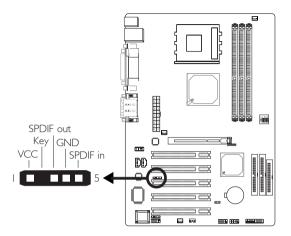
2.6 I/O Connectors

2.6.1 Internal Audio Connectors



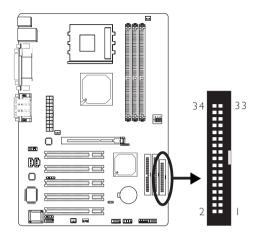
The CD-in (J14) and AUX-in (J13) connectors are used to receive audio from a CD-ROM drive, TV tuner or MPEG card.

2.6.2 S/PDIF Connector



The system board is equipped with a S/PDIF connector. One cardedge bracket, mounted with S/PDIF ports, will be provided as an option. Install the card-edge bracket to the system chassis then connect the audio cable connector to JI7. Make sure pin I of the audio cable connector is aligned with pin I of JI7.

2.6.3 Floppy Disk Drive Connector



The system board is equipped with a shrouded floppy disk drive connector that supports two standard floppy disk drives. To prevent improper floppy cable installation, the shrouded floppy disk header has a keying mechanism. The 34-pin connector on the floppy cable can be placed into the header only if pin I of the connector is aligned with pin I of the header.

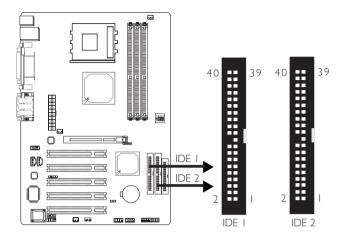
Connecting the Floppy Disk Drive Cable

Install one end of the floppy disk drive cable into the shrouded floppy disk header (J8) on the system board and the other end-most connector to the drive you want to designate as Drive A. If you are connecting another drive (Drive B), install the middle connector of the cable to the drive. The colored edge of the daisy chained ribbon cable should be aligned with pin 1 of J8.

BIOS Setting

Enable or disable this function in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("Onboard Super I/O Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.6.4 IDE Disk Drive Connector



The system board is equipped with two shrouded PCI IDE headers that will interface four Enhanced IDE (Integrated Drive Electronics) disk drives. To prevent improper IDE cable installation, each shrouded PCI IDE header has a keying mechanism. The 40-pin connector on the IDE cable can be placed into the header only if pin I of the connector is aligned with pin I of the header.

Each IDE connector supports 2 devices, a Master and a Slave. Use an IDE ribbon cable to connect the drives to the system board. An IDE ribbon cable have 3 connectors on them, one that plugs into an IDE connector on the system board and the other 2 connects to IDE devices. The connector at the end of the cable is for the Master drive and the connector in the middle of the cable is for the Slave drive.

Connecting the IDE Disk Drive Cable

Install one end of the IDE cable into the IDE I header (JI) on the system board and the other connectors to the IDE devices.

If you are adding a third or fourth IDE device, use another IDE cable and install one end of the cable into the IDE 2 header (J2) on the system board and the other connectors to the IDE devices.



Note:

Refer to your disk drive user's manual for information about selecting proper drive switch settings.

Adding a Second IDE Disk Drive

When using two IDE drives, one must be set as the master and the other as the slave. Follow the instructions provided by the drive manufacturer for setting the jumpers and/or switches on the drives.

The system board supports Enhanced IDE or ATA-2, ATA/33, ATA/66, ATA/100 or ATA/133 hard drives. We recommend that you use hard drives from the same manufacturer: In a few cases, drives from two different manufacturers will not function properly when used together. The problem lies in the hard drives, not the system board.



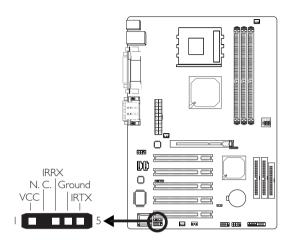
Important:

If you encountered problems while using an ATAPI CD-ROM drive that is set in Master mode, please set the CD-ROM drive to Slave mode. Some ATAPI CD-ROMs may not be recognized and cannot be used if incorrectly set in Master mode.

BIOS Setting

Enable or disable the onboard primary or secondary IDE in the Integrated Peripherals submenu ("SIS OnChip IDE Device" section) of the BIOS. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.6.5 IrDA Connector



Connect your IrDA cable to connector J6 on the system board.



Note:

The sequence of the pin functions on some IrDA cable may be reversed from the pin function defined on the system board. Make sure to connect the cable to the IrDA connector according to their pin functions.

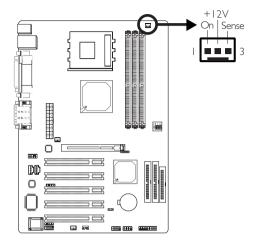
BIOS Setting

Set "UART Mode Select" ("Onboard Super IO Device" section) in the Integrated Peripherals submenu of the BIOS to the type of IrDA standard supported by your device.

Driver Installation

You may need to install the proper drivers in your operating system to use the IrDA function. Refer to your operating system's manual or documentation for more information.

2.6.6 CPU Fan Connector

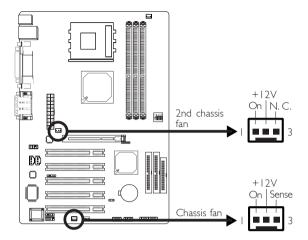


The CPU must be kept cool by using a fan with heatsink. Connect the CPU fan to the 3-pin fan connector at location J9 of the system board. The system is capable of monitoring the speed of the CPU fan.

BIOS Setting

The "PC Health Status" submenu of the BIOS will display the current speed of the CPU fan. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.6.7 Chassis Fan and 2nd Chassis Fan Connectors

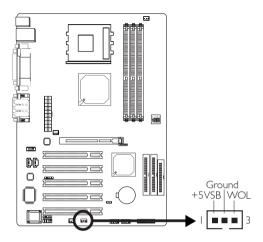


The chassis fan connector (J11) and second chassis fan connector (J12) are used to connect cooling fans. The cooling fans will provide adequate airflow throughout the chassis to prevent overheating the CPU and system board components. The system is capable of monitoring the speed of the chassis fan.

BIOS Setting

The "PC Health Status" submenu of the BIOS will display the current speed of the chassis fan. Refer to chapter 3 for more information.

2.6.8 Wake-On-LAN Connector



Your LAN card package should include a cable. Connect one end of the cable to the wakeup header on the card and the other end to location J16 on the system board. The network will detect Magic Packet and assert a wakeup signal to power-up the system. Refer to the add-in card's manual for details. Note: Your LAN card must support the remote wake up function.



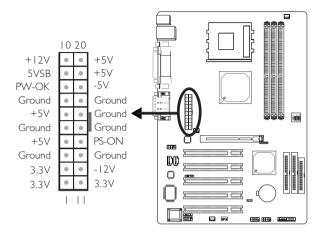
Important:

The 5VSB power source of your power supply must support >720mA

BIOS Setting

To use the Wake-On-LAN function, you must enable the "Ring Power Up Control" field ("PM Wake Up Events" section) in the Power Management Setup of the BIOS.

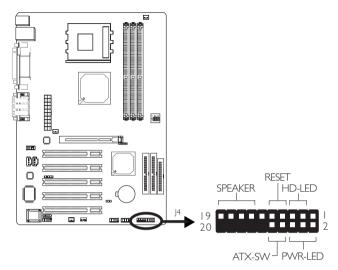
2.6.9 Power Connectors



We recommend that you use a power supply that complies with the ATX12V Power Supply Design Guide Version 1.1. An ATX12V power supply has a standard 20-pin ATX main power connector that must be inserted onto the CN7 connector.

The system board requires a minimum of 250 Watt power supply to operate. Your system configuration (amount of memory, add-in cards, peripherals, etc.) may exceed the minimum power requirement. To ensure that adequate power is provided, use a 300 Watt (or greater) power supply.

2.6.10 Front Panel Connectors



HD-LED: Primary/Secondary IDE LED

This LED will light when the hard drive is being accessed.

RESET: Reset Switch

This switch allows you to reboot without having to power off the system thus prolonging the life of the power supply or system.

SPEAKER: Speaker Connector

This connects to the speaker installed in the system chassis.

ATX-SW: ATX Power Switch

Depending on the setting in the BIOS setup, this switch is a "dual function power button" that will allow your system to enter the Soft-Off or Suspend mode. Refer to "Power Button Override" in the Power Management Setup (Chapter 3).

PWR-LED: Power/Standby LED

When the system's power is on, this LED will light. When the system is in the SI (POS - Power On Suspend) or S3 (STR - Suspend To RAM) state, it will blink every second.

Note:

If a system did not boot-up and the Power/Standby LED did not light after it was powered-on, it may indicate that the CPU or memory module was not installed properly. Please make sure they are properly inserted into their corresponding socket.

| | Pin | Pin Assignment |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| HD-LED (Primary/Secondary IDE LED) | 3 5 | HDD LED Power HDD |
| Reserved | 14 16 | N. C. N. C. |
| ATX-SW (ATX power switch) | 8 10 | PWRBT+ PWRBT- |
| Reserved | 18 20 | N. C. N. C. |
| RESET (Reset switch) | 7 9 | Ground H/W Reset |
| SPEAKER (Speaker connector) | 13 15 17 19 | Speaker Data N. C. Ground Speaker Power |
| PWR-LED (Power/Standby LED) | 2 4 6 | LED Power (+) LED Power (+) LED Power (-) or Standby Signal |

Chapter 3 - BIOS Setup

3.1 Award BIOS Setup Utility

The Basic Input/Output System (BIOS) is a program that takes care of the basic level of communication between the processor and peripherals. In addition, the BIOS also contains codes for various advanced features found in this system board. This chapter explains the Setup Utility for the Award BIOS.

After you power up the system, the BIOS message appears on the screen and the memory count begins. After the memory test, the following message will appear on the screen:

Press DEL to enter setup

If the message disappears before you respond, restart the system or press the "Reset" button. You may also restart the system by pressing the <Ctrl> <Alt> and keys simultaneously.

When you press , the main menu screen will appear.



3.1.1 Standard CMOS Features

Use the arrow keys to highlight "Standard CMOS Features" and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear.

The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

3.1.1.1 Date

The date format is <day>, <month>, <date>, <year>. Day displays a day, from Sunday to Saturday. Month displays the month, from January to December: Date displays the date, from 1 to 31. Year displays the year, from 1990 to 2098.

3.1.1.2 Time

The time format is <hour>, <minute>, <second>. The time is based on the 24-hour military-time clock. For example, I p.m. is I 3:00:00. Hour displays hours from 00 to 23. Minute displays minutes from 00 to 59. Second displays seconds from 00 to 59.

3.1.1.3 IDE Primary Master, IDE Primary Slave, IDE Secondary Master and IDE Secondary Slave

Move the cursor to the "IDE Primary Master", "IDE Primary Slave", "IDE Secondary Master" or "IDE Secondary Slave" field, then press <Enter>.

The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

IDE HDD Auto Detection

Detects the parameters of the drive. The parameters will automatically be shown on the screen.

IDE Primary Master/Slave and IDE Secondary Master/Slave

The drive type information should be included in the documentation from your hard disk vendor. If you select "Auto", the BIOS will auto-detect the HDD & CD-ROM drive at the POST stage and show the IDE for the HDD & CD-ROM drive. If a hard disk has not been installed, select "None".

Access Mode

For hard drives larger than 528MB, you would typically select the LBA type. Certain operating systems require that you select CHS or Large. Please check your operating system's manual or Help desk on which one to select.

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Capacity

Displays the approximate capacity of the disk drive. Usually the size is slightly greater than the size of a formatted disk given by a disk checking program.

Cylinder

This field displays the number of cylinders.

Head

This field displays the number of read/write heads.

Precomp

This field displays the number of cylinders at which to change the write timing.

Landing Zone

This field displays the number of cylinders specified as the landing zone for the read/write heads.

Sector

This field displays the number sectors per track.

3.1.1.4 Drive A and Drive B

These fields identify the types of floppy disk drives installed.

| None | No floppy drive is installed |
|----------------|--|
| 360K, 5.25 in. | 5-1/4 in. standard drive; 360KB capacity |
| 1.2M, 5.25 in. | 5-1/4 in. AT-type high-density drive; 1.2MB capac- |
| | ity |
| 720K, 3.5 in. | 3-1/2 in. double-sided drive; 720KB capacity |
| 1.44M, 3.5 in. | 3-1/2 in. double-sided drive; 1.44MB capacity |
| 2.88M, 3.5 in. | 3-1/2 in. double-sided drive; 2.88MB capacity |
| | |

3.1.1.5 Video

This field selects the type of video adapter used for the primary system monitor. Although secondary monitors are supported, you do not have to select the type. The default setting is EGA/VGA.

| EGA/VGA | Enhanced Graphics Adapter/Video Graphics Array. |
|---------|---|
| | For EGA, VGA, SVGA and PGA monitor adapters. |
| CGA 40 | Color Graphics Adapter. Power up in 40-column |
| | mode. |
| CGA 80 | Color Graphics Adapter. Power up in 80-column |
| | mode. |
| Mono | Monochrome adapter. Includes high resolution |

3.1.1.6 Halt On

This field determines whether the system will stop if an error is detected during power up. The default setting is All Errors.

monochrome adapters.

| No Errors | The | system | boot | will | not | stop | for | any | errors | de- |
|-----------|-------|--------|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|--------|-----|
| | tecte | ed. | | | | | | | | |

All Errors The system boot will stop whenever the BIOS detects a non-fatal error.

All, But Keyboard The system boot will not stop for a keyboard error; it will stop for all other errors.

All, But Diskette The system boot will not stop for a disk error; it will stop for all other errors.

All, But Disk/Key The system boot will not stop for a disk or keyboard error; it will stop for all other errors.

3.1.1.7 Base Memory

Displays the amount of base (or conventional) memory installed in the system. The value of the base memory is typically 512K for systems with 512K memory installed on the motherboard or 640K for systems with 640K or more memory installed on the motherboard.

3.1.1.8 Extended Memory

Displays the amount of extended memory detected during bootup.

3.1.1.9 Total Memory

Displays the total memory available in the system.

3.1.2 Advanced BIOS Features

The Advanced BIOS Features allows you to configure your system for basic operation. Some entries are defaults required by the system board, while others, if enabled, will improve the performance of your system or let you set some features according to your preference.



The screen above list all the fields available in the Advanced BIOS Features submenu, for ease of reference in this manual. In the actual CMOS setup, you have to use the scroll bar to view the fields. The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

3.1.2.1 Virus Warning

This field protects the boot sector and partition table of your hard disk drive. When this field is enabled, the Award BIOS will monitor the boot sector and partition table of the hard disk drive. If an attempt is made to write to the boot sector or partition table of the hard disk drive, the BIOS will halt the system and an error message will appear.

After seeing the error message, if necessary, you will be able to run an anti-virus program to locate and remove the problem before any damage is done.

Many disk diagnostic programs which attempt to access the boot sector table will cause the warning message to appear. If you are running such a program, we recommend that you first disable this

field. Also, disable this field if you are installing or running certain operating systems like Windows® 98/2000/ME/XP or the operating system may not install nor work.

3.1.2.2 CPU Internal Cache and External Cache

These fields speed up the memory access. The default is Enabled, which provides better performance by enabling cache.

3.1.2.3 Ouick Power On Self Test

This field speeds up Power On Self Test (POST) whenever the system is powered on. The BIOS will shorten or skip some check items during POST. To attain the shortest POST time, select "Fast".

3.1.2.4 First Boot Device, Second Boot Device, Third Boot Device and Boot Other Device

Select the drive to boot first, second and third in the "First Boot Device" "Second Boot Device" and "Third Boot Device" fields respectively. The BIOS will boot the operating system according to the sequence of the drive selected. Set "Boot Other Device" to Enabled if you wish to boot from another device.

3.1.2.5 Swap Floppy Drive

When this field is enabled and the system is booting from the floppy drive, the system will boot from drive B instead of drive A. When this field is disabled and the system is booting from the floppy drive, the system will boot from drive A. You must have two floppy drives to use this function.

3.1.2.6 Boot Up NumLock Status

This allows you to determine the default state of the numeric keypad. By default, the system boots up with NumLock on wherein the function of the numeric keypad is the number keys. When set to Off, the function of the numeric keypad is the arrow keys.

3.1.2.7 Gate A20 Option

This entry allows you to select how gate A20 is handled. Gate A20 is a device used to address memory above I Mbyte. Initially, gate A20 was handled via the keyboard controller. Today, while keyboards still provide this support, it is more common, and much faster, for the system chipset to provide support for gate A20.

3.1.2.8 Typematic Rate Setting

Disabled Continually holding down a key on your keyboard will cause the BIOS to report that the key is down.

Enabled The BIOS will not only report that the key is down, but will first wait for a moment, and, if the key is still down, it will begin to report that the key has been depressed repeatedly. For example, you would use such a feature to accelerate cursor movements with the arrow keys. You can then select the typematic rate and typematic delay in the "Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)" and "Typematic Delay (Msec)" fields below.

3.1.2.9 Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)

This field allows you to select the rate at which the keys are accelerated.

3.1.2.10 Typematic Delay (Msec)

This field allows you to select the delay between when the key was first depressed and when the acceleration begins.

3.1.2.11 Security Option

This field determines when the system will prompt for the password - everytime the system boots or only when you enter the BIOS setup. Set the password in the Set Supervisor/User Password submenu.

System The system will not boot and access to Setup will be denied unless the correct password is entered at the prompt.

Setup The system will boot, but access to Setup will be denied unless the correct password is entered at the prompt.

3.1.2.12 APIC Mode

Leave this field in its default setting.

3.1.2.13 MPS Version Control for OS

This field is used to select the MPS version that the system board is using.

3.1.2.14 OS Select for DRAM > 64MB

This field allows you to access the memory that is over 64MB in OS/2.

3.1.2.15 HDD S.M.A.R.T. Capability

The system board supports SMART (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) hard drives. SMART is a reliability prediction technology for ATA/IDE and SCSI drives. The drive will provide sufficient notice to the system or user to backup data prior to the drive's failure. The default is Disabled. If you are using hard drives that support S.M.A.R.T., set this field to Enabled. SMART is supported in ATA/33 or later hard drives.

3.1.2.16 Video BIOS Shadow

Determines whether video BIOS will be copied to RAM. Video Shadow will increase the video speed. Note that some graphics boards require that this option be disabled. The default value is Fnabled.

Enabled Video shadow is enabled. Disabled Video shadow is disabled.

3.1.2.17 Small Logo(EPA) Show

Enabled The EPA logo will appear during system boot-up.

Disabled The EPA logo will not appear during system boot-up.

3.1.3 Advanced Chipset Features

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This section gives you functions to configure the system based on the specific features of the chipset. The chipset manages bus speeds and access to system memory resources. These items should not be altered unless necessary. The default settings have been chosen because they provide the best operating conditions for your system. The only time you might consider making any changes would be if you discovered some incompatibility or that data was being lost while using your system.

3.1.3.1 Advanced Host Control

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear.

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Memory Hole At 15M-16M

In order to improve system performance, certain space in memory can be reserved for ISA cards. This memory must be mapped into the memory space below 16MB. When enabled, the CPU assumes the 15-16MB memory range is allocated to the hidden ISA address range instead of the actual system DRAM. When disabled, the CPU assumes the 15-16MB address range actually contains DRAM memory. If more than 16MB of system memory is installed, this field must be disabled to provide contiguous system memory.

CI State Disconnect to C3 State Disconnect

The options are Enabled and Disabled.

CI State Self-Refresh to C3 State Self-Refresh

The options are Enabled and Disabled.

CPU Command ACK Limit

The options are 4 and 8.

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3.1.3.2 Advanced DRAM Control I

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear.



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Auto Configuration

The default setting is Performance.

DDR SDRAM CAS Latency

This field is used to select the clock cycle of the SDRAM CAS latency time. The option selected specifies the time before SDRAM starts a read command after receiving it.

CPU/DRAM Bypass Ctrl

The options are Auto and Disabled.

3.1.3.3 AGP Aperture Size

This field is relevant to the memory-mapped graphics data of the AGP card installed in your system. Leave this in its default setting.

3.1.3.4 AGP Fast Write Support

When the AGP Fast Write function is enabled, it will improve the system's performance.

3.1.3.5 System BIOS Cacheable

When this field is enabled, accesses to the system BIOS ROM addressed at F0000H-FFFFFH are cached, provided that the cache controller is enabled. The larger the range of the Cache RAM, the higher the efficiency of the system.

3.1.3.6 Video RAM Cacheable

When enabled, it allows the video RAM to be cacheable thus providing better video performance. If your graphics card does not support this function, set this field to Disabled.

3.1.4 Integrated Peripherals

| SIS OnChip IDE Device | [Press Enter] | Item Help | | |
|---|--|--------------|--|--|
| F SIS OnChip PCI Device Dobard Superio Device IDE HDD Block Mode Init Display First IDECHO Access Interface USB0 Access Interface USB1 Access Interface USB2 Access Interface USB2 Access Interface MAC Access Interface Audio Access Interface | Press Enter1 Press Enter1 Enabled1 IAGP1 EDB Bus 1 | Menu Level ▶ | | |

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3.1.4.1 SIS OnChip IDE Device

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear.



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Internal PCI/IDE

This field allows you to enable or disable the primary and secondary IDE controller.

Both Allows you to configure the IDE Primary Master/ Slave PIO, IDE Secondary Master/Slave PIO, Primary Master/Slave UltraDMA and Secondary

Master/Slave UltraDMA fields.

Disabled Select this option if you want to use a different

hard drive controller.

Primary Allows you to configure the IDE Primary Master/

Slave PIO and Primary Master/Slave UltraDMA

fields.

Secondary Allows you to configure the IDE Secondary Mas-

ter/Slave PIO and Secondary Master/Slave

UltraDMA fields.

IDE Primary Master/Slave PIO and IDE Secondary Master/Slave PIO

PIO means Programmed Input/Output. Rather than have the BIOS issue a series of commands to effect a transfer to or from the disk drive, PIO allows the BIOS to tell the controller what it wants and then let the controller and the CPU perform the complete task by themselves. Your system supports five modes, 0 (default) to 4, which primarily differ in timing. When Auto is selected, the BIOS will select the best available mode after checking your drive.

Auto The BIOS will automatically set the system according to your hard disk drive's timing.

Mode 0-4 You can select a mode that matches your hard disk drive's timing. Caution: Do not use the wrong setting or you will have drive errors.

Primary Master/Slave UltraDMA and Secondary Master/Slave UltraDMA

These fields allow you to set the Ultra DMA in use. When Auto is selected, the BIOS will select the best available option after checking your hard drive or CD-ROM.

Auto The BIOS will automatically detect the settings

for you.

Disabled The BIOS will not detect these categories.

IDE DMA Transfer Access

The options are Enabled and Disabled.

IDE Burst Mode

When the IDE Burst Mode function is enabled, it will reduce the latency time between each drive's read and write cycle. To enable this function, make sure the "Internal PCI/IDE" field is not disabled.

3.1.4.2 SIS OnChip PCI Device

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear:

The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

SIS USB Controller

Enabled Enables the onboard USB. You can further configure the USB in the following 4 fields.

Disabled Disables the onboard USB.

USB Ports Number

This field is used to select the number of USB ports you want enabled.

USB 2.0 Support

If you are using a USB 2.0 device, this field must be set to Enabled.

USB Keyboard Support

By default, this field is Disabled. However, if you are using a USB keyboard under DOS, make sure to enable this function.

USB Mouse Support

This field is used to enable or disable the USB mouse.

SIS AC97 Audio

Auto Select this option when using the onboard AC97 codec.

Disabled Select this option when using a PCI sound card.

SIS 10/100M Ethernet (748-AL only)

This field is used to enable or disable the onboard LAN.

SIS MAC Address Input

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>, then enter the MAC address. This field is configurable only if the "SIS 10/100M Ethernet" field is set to Enabled.

3.1.4.3 Onboard Super IO Device

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear:



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Onboard FDC Controller

Enabled Enables the onboard floppy disk controller. Disabled Disables the onboard floppy disk controller.

Onboard Serial Port I and Onboard Serial Port 2

Auto The system will automatically select an I/O address for the onboard serial port I and serial port 2.

3F8/IRQ4, 2F8/IRQ3, 3E8/IRQ4, 2E8/IRQ3 Allows you to manually select an I/O address for the onboard serial port I and serial port 2.

Disabled Disables the onboard serial port I and/or serial port

UART Mode Select

The system board supports IrDA function for wireless connectivity between your computer and peripheral devices. You may not use IrDA and the COM 2 serial port at the same time. If you are using the COM 2 serial port, make sure this field is set to Normal

To use the IrDA function, follow the steps below.

- Connect your IrDA cable to connector J6 on the system board.
- Set the "UART Mode Select" field to the type of IrDA standard supported by your IrDA peripheral/device. For better transmission of data, your IrDA peripheral device must be within a 30° angle and within a distance of I meter.
- 3. Set the "UR2 Duplex Mode" field appropriately.

UR2 Duplex Mode

Half Data is completely transmitted before receiving data. Full Transmits and receives data simultaneously.

Onboard Parallel Port

378/IRQ7, 3BC/IRQ7, 278/IRQ5 Selects the I/O address and IRQ for the onboard parallel port.

Disabled Disables the onboard parallel port.

Parallel Port Mode

The options are SPP, EPP, ECP and ECP+EPP. These apply to a standard specification and will depend on the type and speed of your device. Refer to your peripheral's manual for the best option.

SPP

Allows normal speed operation but in one direction only.

"ECP (Extended Capabilities Port)"

Allows parallel port to operate in bidirectional mode and at a speed faster than the normal mode's data transfer rate.

"EPP (Enhanced Parallel Port)"

Allows bidirectional parallel port operation at maximum speed.

If you selected EPP, the "EPP Mode Select" field is selectable. If you selected ECP, the "ECP Mode Use DMA" field is selectable. If you selected ECP+EPP, both "EPP Mode Select" and "ECP Mode Use DMA" are selectable.

ECP Mode Use DMA

This is used to select a DMA channel of the parallel port.

3.1.4.4 IDE HDD Block Mode

Enabled The IDE HDD uses the block mode. The system BIOS will check the hard disk drive for the maximum block size the system can transfer. The block size will depend on the type of hard disk drive.

Disabled The IDE HDD uses the standard mode

3.1.4.5 Init Display First

This field is used to select whether to initialize the AGP or PCI first when the system boots.

AGP When the system boots, it will first initialize the

AGP.

PCI Slot When the system boots, it will first initialize PCI.

3.1.4.6 IDECH0 Access Interface and IDECH1 Access Interface

These fields are used to select the access interface of the IDE devices.

3.1.4.7 USB0 Access Interface, USB1 Access Interface and USB2 Access Interface

These fields are used to select the access interface of the USB devices.

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3.1.4.8 USB2.0 Access Interface

This field is used to select the access interface of the USB 2.0 device.

3.1.4.9 MAC Access Interface and Audio Access Interface

These fields are used to select the access interface of the MAC and audio device.

3.1.5 Power Management Setup

The Power Management Setup allows you to configure your system to most effectively save energy.

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Phoenix - AwardBIOS CMOS Setup Utility
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ACPI function | Isnabled| | Item Help
ACPI Suspend Type | S1(POS)|
Power Management | User Define| | Menu Level |
Uideo Off Option | Susp.Stby -> Off| Uideo Off Method | DPMS Supported| |
Switch Function | Ibneak/Wake| | Wolfer Wester | Wolfer Wester |
HODDER Use IR | Instant Off| | Power Button Override | IInstant Off| | Power State Resume Control[falways Off| | Power State Sta
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3.1.5.1 ACPI Function

This function should be enabled only in operating systems that support ACPI. Currently, only Windows® 98/2000/ME/XP supports this function. If you want to use the Suspend to RAM function, make sure this field is enabled then select "S3(STR)" in the "ACPI Suspend Type" field.

3.1.5.2 ACPI Suspend Type

This field is used to select the type of Suspend mode.

SI(POS) Enables the Power On Suspend function.

S3(STR) Enables the Suspend to RAM function. If you are using the Windows® 98 operating system, refer to "Using the Suspend to RAM Function" in appendix A for more information.

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3.1.5.3 Power Management

This field allows you to select the type (or degree) of power saving by changing the length of idle time that elapses before the Suspend mode field is activated.

Min Saving Minimum power saving time for the Suspend

mode = 1 Hour

Max Saving Maximum power saving time for the Suspend

mode = 1 Min.

User Define Allows you to set the power saving time in the

"Suspend Mode" field.

3.1.5.4 Suspend Mode

This is selectable only when the Power Management field is set to User Define. When the system enters the Suspend mode according to the power saving time selected, the CPU and onboard peripherals will be shut off.

3.1.5.5 Video Off Option

Always On The system BIOS will never turn off the

screen.

Suspend -> Off The screen is off when the system is in the

Suspend mode.

All Modes -> Off The screen is off when the system is in the

Doze, Standby or Suspend mode.

3.1.5.6 Video Off Method

This determines the manner in which the monitor is blanked.

V/H SYNC + Blank This selection will cause the system to

turn off the vertical and horizontal synchronization ports and write blanks to the

video buffer.

Blank Screen This option only writes blanks to the video

buffer.

DPMS Initializes display power management signaling.

Use this option if your video board supports it.

3.1.5.7 Switch Function

The options are Disabled and Break/Wake.

3.1.5.8 MODEM Use IRO

This field is used to set an IRQ channel for the modem installed in your system.

3.1.5.9 Hot Key Function As

This field allows you to use the <Ctrl>, <Alt> and <Backspace> keys to enter the Power Off or Suspend mode.

Power Off Press the <Ctrl>, <Alt> and <Backspace> keys si-

multaneously to enter the power off mode.

Suspend Press the <Ctrl>, <Alt> and <Backspace> keys si-

multaneously to enter the Suspend mode.

Disable Disables the hot key function.

3.1.5.10 HDD Off After

This is selectable only when the Power Management field is set to User Define. When the system enters the HDD Power Down mode according to the power saving time selected, the hard disk drive will be powered down while all other devices remain active.

3.1.5.11 Power Button Override

This field allows you to select the method of powering off your system.

Delay 4 Sec. Regardless of whether the Power Management function is enabled or disabled, if the power button is pushed and released in less than 4 sec, the system enters the Suspend mode. The purpose of this function is to prevent the system from powering off in case you accidentally "hit" or pushed the power button. Push and release again in less than 4 sec to restore. Pushing the power button for more than 4 seconds will power off the system.

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Instant-Off Pressing and then releasing the power button at once will immediately power off your system.

3.1.5.12 Power State Resume Control

Always Off V

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system's power is off. You must press the Power button to power-on the system.

Always On

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system will automatically power-on.

Keep Pre-State

When power returns after an AC power failure, the system will return to the state where you left off before power failure occurs. If the system's power is off when AC power failure occurs, it will remain off when power returns. If the system's power is on when AC power failure occurs, the system will power-on when power returns.

3.1.5.13 PM Wake Up Events

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear:

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IRQ [3-7, 9-15], NMI

The options are Enabled and Disabled.

IRQ 8 Break Suspend

When this field is enabled, access to IRQ 8 will cause the system to wake up from the Suspend mode.

Ring Power Up Control

This field is used to enable or disable the Wake-On-Ring and Wake-On-LAN function.

- Wake-On-Ring When enabled, the system will power-on to respond to calls coming from an external modem.
- Wake-On-LAN When enabled, the LAN card in the system will allow the network to power-on a Soft Power Down (Soft-Off) PC. However, if your system is in the Suspend mode, you can wake up the system only through an IRQ or DMA interrupt. Your LAN card must support the remote wake up function. Refer to "Wake-On-LAN Connector" in chapter 2 for more information.

MACPME Power Up Control

This field is used to enable the Wake-On-LAN function of the onboard LAN.

PCIPME Power Up Control

Enabled This field should be set to Enabled only if your PCI card such as LAN card or modem card uses the PCI PME (Power Management Event) signal to remotely wake up the system. Access to the LAN card or PCI card will cause the system to wake up. Refer to the card's documentation for more information.

Disabled The system will not wake up despite access to the PCI card.

USB Port Wake Up Control

This field, when enabled, allows you to use a USB device to wake up the system.

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PS2KB Wakeup From S3/S4/S5

This field allows you to use the PS/2 keyboard to wake up the system from the S3/S4/S5 state.

Any Key Use any keyboard keys to wake up the system from the S3/S4/S5 state.

Hot Key Use any of the function keys, between F1 and F12, to wake up the system from the S3/S4/S5 state.

Password Use a password to wake up the system from the S3/S4/S5 state. Select this option and press <Enter>. Enter your password. You can enter up to 5 characters. Type in exactly the same password to confirm, then press <Enter>.



Important:

If you forgot the password, you must power-off the system, unplug the power cord and clear the CMOS data. Follow the steps in the "Jumper Settings for Clearing CMOS Data" section in chapter 2.

PS2MS Wakeup from S3/S4/S5

This field allows you to use the PS/2 mouse to wake up the system from the S3/S4/S5 state.

Disable Disables the PS/2 mouse wake up function.

Click Click the PS/2 mouse to wake up the system.

Move & Click Move and click the PS/2 mouse to wake up the system.

Power Up By Alarm

Enabled When Enabled, you can set the date and time you would like the Soft Power Down (Soft-Off) PC to power-on in the "Month Alarm", "Day of Month Alarm" and "Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm" fields. However, if the system is being accessed by incoming calls or the network prior to the date and time set in these fields, the system will give priority to the incoming calls or network.

Disabled Disables the automatic power-on function. (default)

Month Alarm

This is used to select the month you would like the PC to power-on.

Day of Month Alarm

| 0 | The system will power-on everyday according to |
|------|--|
| | the time set in the "Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm" field. |
| 1-31 | Select a date you would like the system to |
| | power-on. The system will power-on on the set |
| | date, and time set in the "Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm" |
| | field. |

Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm

This is used to set the time you would like the system to power-on. If you want the system to power-on everyday as set in the "Day of Month Alarm" field, the time set in this field must be later than the time of the RTC set in the Standard CMOS Features submenu.

Reload Global Timer Events

When enabled, access to the specified field (Primary IDE, Secondary IDE, FDD/COM/LPT Port or PCI PIRQ[A-D]#) will cause the system to wake up completely from the power management mode. When disabled, the system will not wake up from the power management mode despite access to the specified field.

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3.1.6 PnP/PCI Configurations

This section describes configuring the PCI bus system. It covers some very technical items and it is strongly recommended that only experienced users should make any changes to the default settings.



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3.1.6.1 Reset Configuration Data

Enabled The BIOS will reset the Extended System Configuration Data (ESCD) once automatically. It will then recreate a new set of configuration data.

Disabled The BIOS will not reset the configuration data.

3.1.6.2 Resources Controlled By

The Award Plug and Play BIOS has the capability to automatically configure all of the boot and Plug and Play compatible devices.

Auto The system will automatically detect the settings for you.

Manual Choose the specific IRQ in the "IRQ Resources" field respectively.

3.1.6.3 IRQ Resources

Move the cursor to this field and press <Enter>. This field is used to set each system interrupt to either Reserved or PCI Device.



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3.1.6.4 PCI/VGA Palette Snoop

This field determines whether the MPEG ISA/VESA VGA cards can work with PCI/VGA or not. The default value is Disabled.

Enabled MPEG ISA/VESA VGA cards work with PCI/VGA.

Disabled MPEG ISA/VESA VGA cards does not work with PCI/VGA.

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3.1.7 PC Health Status



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3.1.7.1 CPU (V)

This field shows the detected voltage of the processor.

3.1.7.2 VCC 1.8V, VCC 3.3V, +5V, +12V, 3VSB(V), -12V and 5VSB(V)

These fields show the output voltage of the power supply.

3.1.7.3 Current CPU Temperature, Current System Temp., Current CPU Fan Speed and Current Chassis Fan Speed

These fields show the current temperature of the CPU, internal temperature of the system, and the current fan speed of the CPU and chassis fans in RPM (Revolutions Per Minute).



Note:

The onboard hardware monitor function is capable of detecting "system health" conditions but if you want a warning message to pop-up or a warning alarm to sound when an abnormal condition occurs, you must install the Hardware Monitor utility. This utility is included in the CD that came with the system board. Refer to the Hardware Monitor section in chapter 4 for more information.

3.1.8 Frequency/Voltage Control

| Auto Detect DIMM/PCI Clk [Enabled] Spread Spectrum [Disabled] | Item Help |
|---|--------------|
| Spread Spectrum CPU Frequency CPU Ratio DRAM Voltage Regulator AGP Voltage Regulator (Chipset Voltage Regulator CPU Voltage Regulator CPU Voltage Regulator CPU Voltage Regulator CPU Span Frequency Ratio CPU Span Frequency | Menu Level ▶ |

The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

3.1.8.1 Auto Detect DIMM/PCI Clk

When enabled, the system will automatically send clock signals to existing DIMM or PCI devices.

3.1.8.2 Spread Spectrum

Leave this field in its default setting. Do not alter this setting unless advised by an engineer or technician.

3.1.8.3 CPU Frequency

This field provides several options for selecting the external system bus clock of the processor. The available options allow you to adjust the processor's bus clock by IMHz increment.



Important:

Selecting an external bus clock other than the default setting may result to the processor's or system's instability and are not guaranteed to provide better system performance.

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3.1.8.4 CPU Ratio

This field is used to select the CPU's ratio.

3.1.8.5 DRAM Voltage Regulator

This field allows you to manually select higher voltage supplied to the DRAM. If you want to use the DRAM's default voltage, leave this field in its default setting.



Important:

Although this function is supported, we do not recommend that you use a higher voltage because unstable current may be supplied to the system board causing damage.

3.1.8.6 AGP Voltage Regulator

This field allows you to manually select higher voltage supplied to the AGP. If you want to use the default voltage, leave this field in its default setting.



Important:

Although this function is supported, we do not recommend that you use a higher voltage because unstable current may be supplied to the system board causing damage.

3.1.8.7 Chipset Voltage Regulator

This field allows you to manually select higher voltage supplied to the chipset. If you want to use the default voltage, leave this field in its default setting.



Important:

Although this function is supported, we do not recommend that you use a higher voltage because unstable current may be supplied to the system board causing damage.

3.1.8.8 CPU Voltage Regulator

This field allows you to manually adjust to a higher core voltage that is supplied to the CPU. If you want to use the CPU's default core voltage, leave this field in its default setting, which is "Default". The CPU's Vcore will be generated according to the CPU VID configuration.



Important:

Although this function is supported, we do not recommend that you use a higher voltage because unstable current may be supplied to the system board causing damage.

3.1.8.9 CPU:DRAM Frequency Ratio

This field is used to select the ratio between the CPU and DRAM clocks.

3.1.8.10 DRAM Frequency

This field will show the detected frequency of the DDR SDRAM DIMM.

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3.1.9 Load Fail-Safe Defaults

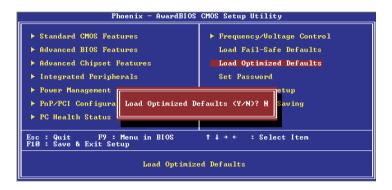
The "Load Fail-Safe Defaults" option loads the troubleshooting default values permanently stored in the ROM chips. These settings are not optimal and turn off all high performance features. You should use these values only if you have hardware problems. Highlight this option in the main menu and press <Enter>.



If you want to proceed, type <Y> and press <Enter>. The default settings will be loaded.

3.1.10 Load Optimized Defaults

The "Load Optimized Defaults" option loads optimized settings from the BIOS ROM. Use the default values as standard values for your system. Highlight this option in the main menu and press <Enter>.



Type <Y> and press <Enter> to load the Setup default values.

3.1.11 Set Password

If you want to protect your system and setup from unauthorized entry, set a password with the "System" option selected in the Advanced BIOS Features. If you want to protect access to setup only, but not your system, set a password with the "Setup" option selected in the Advanced BIOS Features. You will not be prompted for a password when you cold boot the system.

Use the arrow keys to highlight "Set Password" and press <Enter>.

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Phoenix - AwardBIOS CMOS Setup Utility
► Standard CMOS Features
                                           ► Frequency/Voltage Control
► Advanced BIOS Features
                                             Load Fail-Safe Defaults
 ► Advanced Chipset Features
                                             Load Optimized Defaults
► Integrated Peripherals
                                             Set Password
 ► Power Management Setup
                                             Save & Exit Setup
► PnP/PCI Configurati
                                                       ut Saving
                        Enter Password:
 ► PC Health Status
Esc: Quit F9: Menu in BIOS
F10: Save & Exit Setup
                         Change/Set/Disable Password
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Type in the password. You are limited to eight characters. When done, the message below will appear:

Confirm Password:

You are asked to verify the password. Type in exactly the same password. If you type in a wrong password, you will be prompted to enter the correct password again. To delete or disable the password function, highlight "Set Supervisor Password" and press <Enter>, instead of typing in a new password. Press the <Esc> key to return to the main menu.

3.1.12 Save & Exit Setup

When all the changes have been made, highlight "Save & Exit Setup" and press <Enter>.

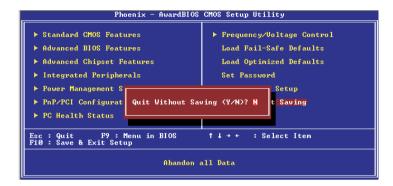


Type "Y" and press <Enter>. The modifications you have made will be written into the CMOS memory, and the system will reboot. You will once again see the initial diagnostics on the screen. If you wish to make additional changes to the setup, press <Ctrl> <Alt> <Esc> simultaneously or after memory testing is done.

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3.1.13 Exit Without Saving

When you do not want to save the changes you have made, highlight "Exit Without Saving" and press <Enter>.



Type "Y" and press <Enter>. The system will reboot and you will once again see the initial diagnostics on the screen. If you wish to make any changes to the setup, press <Ctrl> <Alt> <Esc> simultaneously or after memory testing is done.

3.2 Updating the BIOS

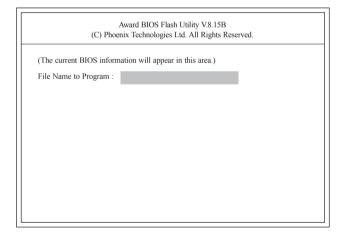
To update the BIOS, you will need the new BIOS file and a flash utility, AWDFLASH.EXE. You can download them from DFI's web site or contact technical support or your sales representative.



Note:

AWDFLASH.EXE works only in DOS mode.

- I. Save the new BIOS file along with the flash utility AWDFLASH.EXE to a floppy disk.
- 2 Reboot the system and enter the Award BIOS Setup Utility to set the first boot drive to "Floppy".
- 3. Save the setting and reboot the system.
- 4. After the system booted from the floppy disk, execute the flash utility by typing AWDFLASH.EXE. The following screen will appear.



5. Type the new BIOS file name onto the gray area that is next to "File Name to Program" then press <Enter>.

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6. The following will appear.

Do You Want to Save BIOS (Y/N)

This question refers to the current existing BIOS in your system. We recommend that you save the current BIOS and its flash utility; just in case you need to reinstall the BIOS. To save the current BIOS, press <Y> then enter the file name of the current BIOS. Otherwise, press <N>.

7. The following will then appear.

Press "Y" to Program or "N" to Exit

8. Press <Y> to flash the new BIOS.

Chapter 4 - Supported Softwares

4.1 Desktop Management Interface (DMI)

The system board comes with a DMI built into the BIOS. DMI, along with the appropriately networked software, is designed to make inventory, maintenance and troubleshooting of computer systems easier. With DMI, a network administrator or MIS engineer can remotely access some information about a particular computer system without physically going to it. Quite often a service call may be unnecessary as the problem can be solved remotely.

The DMI utility in the BIOS automatically records various information about your system configuration. Information about the type and speed of CPU, type and amount of memory for each memory slot, BIOS revision level, types of add-in PCI boards and components, certain revision numbers of hardware installed, etc. are automatically detected and stored in the DMI pool, which is a part of the system board's Plug and Play BIOS. Additional information, such as ISA based peripherals, which may not be automatically detected, can be manually recorded in the DMI pool by using the Add DMI menu. The DMI pool data is then verified or updated whenever the system hardware or setup is altered.

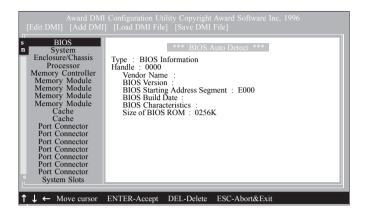
4.1.1 Running the DMI Utility

To run the DMI utility, type: DMICFG.EXE. You can download this utility from ftp.dfiusa.com - /utilities/DMI directory.

The DMI utility must run in real mode with at least 180K of base memory. Memory managers like HIMEM.SYS (required by Windows) must not be installed. You may do this by using one of the 3 methods listed below.

- I. Boot up from a system diskette without the AUTOEXEC.BAT and CONFIG.SYS files,
- 2. "REM" HIMEM.SYS in the CONFIG.SYS, or
- Press <F5> during bootup to bypass your AUTOEXEC.BAT and CONFIG.SYS files.

4.1.2 Using the DMI Utility



The four menus located on top of the DMI Configuration Utility screen are Edit DMI, Add DMI, Load DMI File and Save DMI File. Use the \leftarrow or \rightarrow (left or right) arrow keys to select a menu from the Menu bar:

On the left side of the screen is a list of the system configuration items. Use the \uparrow or \downarrow (up or down) arrow keys to select an item.

The commands at the bottom of the screen will allow you to navigate through the various setup menus.

Edit DMI

- I. Use the \leftarrow or \rightarrow arrow keys to select the Edit DMI menu.
- 2. Highlight the item on the left screen that you would like to edit by using the ↑ or ↓ arrow keys, then press <Enter>.
- The cursor will move to the screen you select allowing you to edit information. The screen will also display the auto-detected information.
- 4. Press <FI0> to update the edited information into the flash ROM.

Add DMI

- I. Use the \leftarrow or \rightarrow arrow keys to select the Add DMI menu.
- Highlight the item on the left screen that you would like to add by using the ↑ or ↓ arrow keys, then press <Enter>.
- The cursor will move to the screen you select allowing you to enter information about the added item.
- 4. Press <FIO> to save information into the flash ROM.

To view information about the added items, go to the Edit DMI menu.

Load DMI File

- 1. Use the \leftarrow or \rightarrow arrow keys to select the Load DMI File menu.
- 2. The following message will appear.

Press [Enter] to select DMI file for load

Press <Fnter>

- 3. The DMI files will appear on the screen. Select the file you would like to load and press <Enter>.
- 4. The following message will appear.

Do you want to execute? (Y/N)

Type <Y>. All previous DMI structures will be destroyed and the new file will be saved into the flash ROM.

Save DMI File

- 1. Use the \leftarrow or \rightarrow arrow keys to select the Save DMI File menu.
- 2. The following message will appear.

Press [Enter] to select DMI file for save

Press <Enter>.

Enter the directory and filename under which you would like the DMI file saved.

4.2 Drivers, Utilities and Software Applications

The CD that came with the system board contains drivers, utilities and software applications required to enhance the performance of the system board.

Insert the CD into a CD-ROM drive. The autorun screen (Mainboard Utility CD) will appear. If after inserting the CD, "Autorun" did not automatically start (which is, the Mainboard Utility CD screen did not appear), please go directly to the root directory of the CD and double-click "Setup".



4.2.1 SiS AGP Drivers

The SiS AGP driver includes the SIS VxD driver and SiS Miniport driver:

To install the AGP driver, please follow the steps below.

- I. On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "CHIPSET" icon.
- 2 Click "SiS AGP Drivers" on the main screen. The screen below will appear.



- 3. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 4. Restart the system.

4.2.2 Audio Drivers

The audio drivers are supported in the following operating systems: Windows[®] 98, Windows[®] 98 SE, Windows[®] ME, Windows NT[®] 4.0. Windows[®] 2000 and Windows[®] XP.

To install the driver, please follow the steps below.

- On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "AUDIO" icon.
- 2. Click "Audio Drivers" on the main menu. The following screen will appear.



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3. Click "Install Device Driver". The following screen will appear.



- 4. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 5. Reboot the system for the driver to take effect.



Note:

The 3D Audio Configuration software, which is an audio panel for setting basic audio configurations, will at the same time be installed into your system. Refer to the "3D Audio Configuration" section in this chapter for more information.

4.2.3 SiS USB 2.0 Drivers

To install the USB 2.0 driver, please follow the steps below.

- I. On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "USB" icon.
- 2. Click "SiS USB 2.0 Drivers" on the main screen. The screen below will appear.



- 3. Click "Yes" to continue.
- 4. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 5. Restart the system.



Note:

- A "Yellow" mark will appear in Windows® 9x and Windows® ME's Device Manager because these operating systems does not support USB 2.0.
- If you are using Windows® XP, you must install the Windows Service Pack I USB 2.0 driver which comes available after you have installed the operating system.
- Currently, only Windows® 2000 supports USB 2.0.

4.2.4 LAN Drivers

To install the LAN driver, please follow the steps below.

- On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "NETWORK" icon.
- 2. Click "LAN Drivers" on the main screen. The screen below will appear.



- 3. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 4. Restart the system.

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4.2.5 SiS IDE Drivers

To install the IDE driver, please follow the steps below.

- I. On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "TOOLS" icon.
- 2. Click "SiS IDE Drivers" on the main screen. The screen below will appear.



- 3. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 4. Restart the system.

4.2.6 Microsoft DirectX 8.1

To install, please follow the steps below.

- I. On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "TOOLS" icon.
- 2 Click "Microsoft DirectX 8.1" on the main menu. The following screen will appear:



- 3. Click "Yes" to continue.
- 4. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 5. Reboot the system for the driver to take effect.



Note:

If you are using Windows[®] XP, you do not need to install "Microsoft DirectX 8.1" because it is already supported by the operating system..

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The system board comes with the Hardware Monitor utility contained in the provided CD. It is capable of monitoring the system's hardware conditions such as the temperature of the CPU and system, voltage, and speed of the CPU and system fans. It also allows you to manually set a range to the items being monitored. If the values are over or under the set range, a warning message will pop-up. The utility can also be configured so that a beeping alarm will sound whenever an error occurs. We recommend that you use the "Default Setting" which is the ideal setting that would keep the system in good working condition.

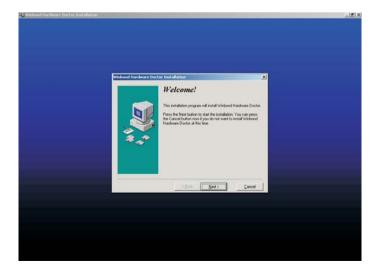


Note:

Use this utility only in Windows® 98, Windows® 98 SE, Windows® ME, Windows® 2000, or Windows® XP operating system.

To install Hardware Monitor, please follow the steps below.

- I. On the left side of the autorun screen, click the "TOOLS" icon.
- 2. Click "Hardware Monitor" on the main screen. The screen below will appear.



- 3. Follow the prompts on the screen to complete installation.
- 4. Restart the system.

4.3 3D Audio Configuration

When you install the audio driver, the 3D Audio Configuration software will at the same time be installed into your system. 3D Audio Configuration is an audio panel for setting basic audio configurations. It allows you to configure 2-channel, 4-channel and 6-channel audio modes as well as configure the audio effects. After installing the audio driver and rebooting the system, you can run 3D Audio Configuration either from the taskbar or from the Control Panel.

 Right-click the 3D Audio Configuration icon which you will find in the taskbar at the lower right corner of the desktop screen.



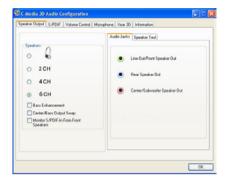
b. On your Windows desktop, click Start, point to Settings then click Control Panel. The Control Panel dialog box will appear. Double-click CMI Audio Config.



Supported Softwares

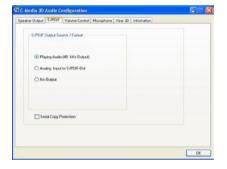
Speaker Output

When you open 3D Audio Configuration, the default screen that appears is the Speaker Output. This is where you will configure analog output settings to speakers.



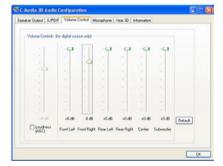
S/PDIF

This panel is used to configure S/PDIF output which provides a low-distortion digital data transfer between audio devices.



Volume Control

This panel provides digital volume control for all 6 channels. You can regulate each volume to the speaker when playing digital sound sources.



4.4 Installation Notes

- I. "Autorun" ONLY supports the Windows® 98, Windows® 98 SE, Windows® ME, Windows® 2000, and Windows® XP operating systems. If after inserting the CD, "Autorun" did not automatically start (which is, the Main Board Utility CD screen did not appear), please go directly to the root directory of the CD and double-click "Setup".
- 2. All steps or procedures to install software drivers are subject to change without notice as the softwares are occassionally updated. Please go to DFI's web site at "http://www.dfi.com/support1/download2.asp" for the latest version of the drivers or software applications.

Appendix A - Using the Suspend to RAM Function

A.I Using the Suspend to RAM Function

If you are using the Windows[®] 98 operating system, please follow the steps below.

- I. Select "Power Management Setup" in the main menu screen and press <Enter>.
- 2. In the "ACPI Function" field, select "Enabled".
- 3. In the "ACPI Suspend Type" field, select "S3(STR)".



The settings on the screen are for reference only. Your version may not be identical to this one.

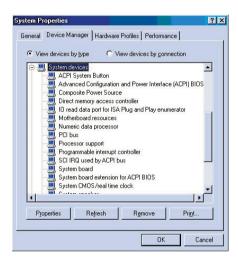
- 4. Press <Esc> to return to the main menu.
- 5. Select "Save & Exit Setup" and press <Enter>. Type <Y> and press <Enter>.
- 6. Install Windows® 98 by typing the following parameter. This is to ensure that the ACPI function is supported.

If you have previously installed Windows® 98, you need to upgrade the system in order to support ACPI. Please contact Microsoft for upgrade information.

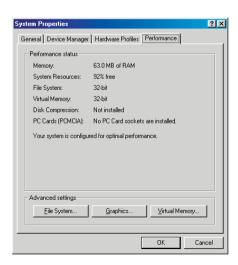
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7. Boot Windows® 98. In the Windows® 98 desktop, click the Start button. Move the cursor to Settings, then click Control Panel.

To check whether ACPI was properly installed, double-click the System icon. In the System Properties dialog box, click the "Device Manager" tab. In "View devices by type", click "System devices".



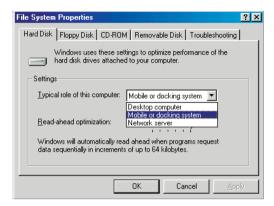
8. Double-click the System icon. In the System Properties dialog box, click the Performance tab.



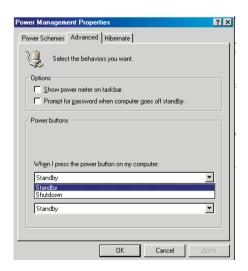


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9. Click File System. In the "Typical role of this computer" field, select "Mobile or docking system". Click Apply, then click OK. Restart the computer:



- 10. Repeat step 7 to open the Control Panel dialog box. Double-click the Power Management icon.
- II. Click the Advanced tab. In the "When I press the power button on my computer" field, select "Standby".





Using the Suspend to RAM Function

12. After completing the steps above and you want to power-off the computer, you do not need to go through the process of closing files, applications and operating system. You can power-off the computer at once by pressing the power button or selecting "Standby" when you shut down Windows® 98.

To power-on the computer, just press the power button. The operating session where you left off when you power-off the computer will resume in not more than 8 seconds.

If you have changed the color or resolution (in the Display Properties dialog box), do not apply the settings without restarting. You must restart the computer.





Important:

If you are unable to use the Suspend to RAM function (after performing the steps above in Windows® 98 or when you are in Windows® 2000/ME/XP), please check whether your add-in cards or devices support this function. If this function is not supported, you need to download the appropriate driver from their respective website.

Appendix B - System Error Message

When the BIOS encounters an error that requires the user to correct something, either a beep code will sound or a message will be displayed in a box in the middle of the screen and the message, PRESS FI TO CONTINUE, CTRL-ALT-ESC or DEL TO ENTER SETUP, will be shown in the information box at the bottom. Enter Setup to correct the error.

B.I POST Beep

There are two kinds of beep codes in the BIOS. One code indicates that a video error has occured and the BIOS cannot initialize the video screen to display any additional information. This beep code consists of a single long beep followed by three short beeps. The other code indicates that a DRAM error has occured. This beep code consists of a single long beep.

B.2 Error Messages

One or more of the following messages may be displayed if the BIOS detects an error during the POST. This list indicates the error messages for all Awards BIOSes:

CMOS BATTERY HAS FAILED

The CMOS battery is no longer functional. It should be replaced.



Caution:

Danger of explosion if battery incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Dispose of used batteries according to the battery manufacturer's instructions.

CMOS CHECKSUM ERROR

Checksum of CMOS is incorrect. This can indicate that CMOS has become corrupt. This error may have been caused by a weak battery. Check the battery and replace if necessary.

DISPLAY SWITCH IS SET INCORRECTLY

The display switch on the mainboard can be set to either monochrome or color. This indicates the switch is set to a different

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setting than indicated in Setup. Determine which setting is correct, either turn off the system and change the jumper or enter Setup and change the VIDEO selection.

FLOPPY DISK(S) fail (80)

Unable to reset floppy subsystem.

FLOPPY DISK(S) fail (40)

Floppy type mismatch.

Hard Disk(s) fail (80)

HDD reset failed.

Hard Disk(s) fail (40)

HDD controller diagnostics failed.

Hard Disk(s) fail (20)

HDD initialization error.

Hard Disk(s) fail (10)

Unable to recalibrate fixed disk.

Hard Disk(s) fail (08)

Sector Verify failed.

Keyboard is locked out - Unlock the key

The BIOS detects that the keyboard is locked. Keyboard controller is pulled low.

Keyboard error or no keyboard present

Cannot initialize the keyboard. Make sure the keyboard is attached correctly and no keys are being pressed during the boot.

Manufacturing POST loop

System will repeat POST procedure infinitely while the keyboard controller is pull low. This is also used for the M/B burn in test at the factory.

BIOS ROM checksum error - System halted

The checksum of ROM address F0000H-FFFFFH is bad.

Memory test fail

The BIOS reports memory test fail if the memory has error(s).

Appendix C - Troubleshooting

C.I Troubleshooting Checklist

This chapter of the manual is designed to help you with problems that you may encounter with your personal computer. To efficiently troubleshoot your system, treat each problem individually. This is to ensure an accurate diagnosis of the problem in case a problem has multiple causes.

Some of the most common things to check when you encounter problems while using your system are listed below.

- 1. The power switch of each peripheral device is turned on.
- 2. All cables and power cords are tightly connected.
- The electrical outlet to which your peripheral devices are connected is working. Test the outlet by plugging in a lamp or other electrical device.
- 4. The monitor is turned on.
- 5. The display's brightness and contrast controls are adjusted properly.
- 6. All add-in boards in the expansion slots are seated securely.
- 7. Any add-in board you have installed is designed for your system and is set up correctly.

Monitor/Display

If the display screen remains dark after the system is turned on:

- 1. Make sure that the monitor's power switch is on.
- Check that one end of the monitor's power cord is properly attached to the monitor and the other end is plugged into a working AC outlet. If necessary, try another outlet.
- 3. Check that the video input cable is properly attached to the monitor and the system's display adapter.
- 4. Adjust the brightness of the display by turning the monitor's brightness control knob.

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The picture seems to be constantly moving.

- 1. The monitor has lost its vertical sync. Adjust the monitor's vertical sync.
- 2. Move away any objects, such as another monitor or fan, that may be creating a magnetic field around the display.
- 3. Make sure your video card's output frequencies are supported by this monitor.

The screen seems to be constantly wavering.

I. If the monitor is close to another monitor, the adjacent monitor may need to be turned off. Fluorescent lights adjacent to the monitor may also cause screen wavering.

Power Supply

When the computer is turned on, nothing happens.

- Check that one end of the AC power cord is plugged into a live outlet and the other end properly plugged into the back of the system.
- 2. Make sure that the voltage selection switch on the back panel is set for the correct type of voltage you are using.
- 3. The power cord may have a "short" or "open". Inspect the cord and install a new one if necessary.

Floppy Drive

The computer cannot access the floppy drive.

- I. The floppy diskette may not be formatted. Format the diskette and try again.
- 2. The diskette may be write-protected. Use a diskette that is not write-protected.
- 3. You may be writing to the wrong drive. Check the path statement to make sure you are writing to the targeted drive.
- 4. There is not enough space left on the diskette. Use another diskette with adequate storage space.

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Hard Drive

Hard disk failure.

- I. Make sure the correct drive type for the hard disk drive has been entered in the BIOS.
- If the system is configured with two hard drives, make sure the bootable (first) hard drive is configured as Master and the second hard drive is configured as Slave. The master hard drive must have an active/bootable partition.

Excessively long formatting period.

 If your hard drive takes an excessively long period of time to format, it is likely a cable connection problem. However, if your hard drive has a large capacity, it will take a longer time to format.

Parallel Port

The parallel printer doesn't respond when you try to print.

- I. Make sure that your printer is turned on and that the printer is on-line
- 2. Make sure your software is configured for the right type of printer attached.
- Verify that the onboard LPT port's I/O address and IRQ settings are configured correctly.
- 4. Verify that the attached device works by attaching it to a parallel port that is working and configured correctly. If it works, the printer can be assumed to be in good condition. If the printer remains inoperative, replace the printer cable and try again.



Serial Port

The serial device (modem, printer) doesn't output anything or is outputting garbled characters.

- I. Make sure that the serial device's power is turned on and that the device is on-line.
- 2. Verify that the device is plugged into the correct serial port on the rear of the computer.
- 3. Verify that the attached serial device works by attaching it to a serial port that is working and configured correctly. If the serial device does not work, either the cable or the serial device has a problem. If the serial device works, the problem may be due to the onboard I/O or the address setting.
- 4. Make sure the COM settings and I/O address are configured correctly.

Keyboard

Nothing happens when a key on the keyboard was pressed.

- 1. Make sure the keyboard is properly connected.
- 2. Make sure there are no objects resting on the keyboard and that no keys are pressed during the booting process.

Mainboard

- I. Make sure the add-in card is seated securely in the expansion slot. If the add-in card is loose, power off the system, re-install the card and power up the system.
- 2. Check the jumper settings to ensure that the jumpers are properly set.
- 3. Verify that all memory modules are seated securely into the memory sockets.
- 4. Make sure the memory modules are in the correct locations.
- 5. If the board fails to function, place the board on a flat surface and seat all socketed components. Gently press each component into the socket.
- 6. If you made changes to the BIOS settings, re-enter setup and load the BIOS defaults.