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Safety information

Electrical safety

- To prevent electrical shock hazard, disconnect the power cable from the electrical outlet before relocating the system.
- When adding or removing devices to or from the system, ensure that the power cables for the devices are unplugged before the signal cables are connected. If possible, disconnect all power cables from the existing system before you add a device.
- Before connecting or removing signal cables from the motherboard, ensure that all power cables are unplugged.
- Seek professional assistance before using an adapter or extension cord. These devices could interrupt the grounding circuit.
- Ensure that your power supply is set to the correct voltage in your area. If you are not sure about the voltage of the electrical outlet you are using, contact your local power company.
- If the power supply is broken, do not try to fix it by yourself. Contact a qualified service technician or your retailer.

Operation safety

- Before installing the motherboard and adding devices on it, carefully read all the manuals that came with the package.
- Before using the product, ensure all cables are correctly connected and the power cables are not damaged. If you detect any damage, contact your dealer immediately.
- To avoid short circuits, keep paper clips, screws, and staples away from connectors, slots, sockets and circuitry.
- Avoid dust, humidity, and temperature extremes. Do not place the product in any area where it may become wet.
- Place the product on a stable surface.
- If you encounter technical problems with the product, contact a qualified service technician or your retailer.

About this guide

This user guide contains the information you need when installing and configuring the motherboard.

How this guide is organized

This guide contains the following parts:

Chapter 1: Product introduction

This chapter describes the features of the motherboard and the new technology it supports.

Chapter 2: Hardware information

This chapter lists the hardware setup procedures that you have to perform when installing system components. It includes description of the switches, jumpers, and connectors on the motherboard.

Chapter 3: BIOS setup

This chapter tells how to change system settings through the BIOS Setup menus. Detailed descriptions of the BIOS parameters are also provided.

Chapter 4: Software support

This chapter describes the contents of the support DVD that comes with the motherboard package and the software.

Chapter 5: Multiple GPU technology support

This chapter describes how to install and configure multiple ATI[®] CrossFireXTM and NVIDIA[®] SLITM graphics cards.

Where to find more information

Refer to the following sources for additional information and for product and software updates.

1. ASUS websites

The ASUS website provides updated information on ASUS hardware and software products. Refer to the ASUS contact information.

2. Optional documentation

Your product package may include optional documentation, such as warranty flyers, that may have been added by your dealer. These documents are not part of the standard package.

Conventions used in this guide

To ensure that you perform certain tasks properly, take note of the following symbols used throughout this manual.



DANGER/WARNING: Information to prevent injury to yourself when trying to complete a task.



CAUTION: Information to prevent damage to the components when trying to complete a task.



IMPORTANT: Instructions that you MUST follow to complete a task.



NOTE: Tips and additional information to help you complete a task.

Typography

Bold text	Indicates a menu or an item to select.
Italics	Used to emphasize a word or a phrase.
<key></key>	Keys enclosed in the less-than and greater-than sign means that you must press the enclosed key.
	Example: <enter> means that you must press the Enter or Return key.</enter>
<key1> + <key2> + <key3></key3></key2></key1>	If you must press two or more keys simultaneously, the key names are linked with a plus sign (+).
	Example: <ctrl> + <alt> + </alt></ctrl>

CPU	LGA1155 socket for Intel [®] 3rd/2nd Generation Core [™] i7 / Core [™] i5 / Core [™] i3 / Pentium [®] / Celeron [®] Processors Supports 22/32nm CPU Supports Intel [®] Turbo Boost Technology 2.0 * The Intel [®] Turbo Boost Technology 2.0 support depends on the CPU types. ** Refer to www.asus.com for Intel CPU support list
Chipset	Intel [®] Z77 Express Chipset
Memory	4 x DIMM, max. 32GB, DDR3 2600 (O.C.)* / 2400 (O.C.)* / 2200(O.C.)* / 2133(O.C.) / 1866(O.C.) / 1600 / 1333 / 1066 MHz, non-ECC, un-buffered memory Dual channel memory architecture Supports Intel [®] Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) * Hyper DIMM support is subject to the physical characteristics of individual CPUs. Please refer to Memory QVL (Qualified Vendors List) for details.
Expansion slots	2 x PCI Express 3.0*/2.0 x16 slots (single at x16, or dual at x8 / x8 mode) 1 x PCI Express 2.0 x16 slot [black] (max. at x4 mode, compatible with PCIe x1 and x4 devices) 4 x PCI Express 2.0 x1 slots**
	 * PCIe 3.0 speed is supported by Intel[®] 3rd generation Core[™] processors. ** The PCIe x1_2 shares bandwidth with SATA6G_E12. SATA6G_E12 is enabled by default for system resource optimization.
VGA	Integrated Graphics Processor - Intel [®] HD Graphics support Multi-VGA output support: DisplayPort/HDMI port Supports DisplayPort 1.1a with max. resolution of 2560 x 1600 @60Hz Supports HDMI 1.4a with max. resolution of 1920 x 1200 @60Hz Supports Intel [®] InTru [™] 3D/Quick Sync Video/Clear Video HD Technology/Insider [™]
Multi-GPU support	Supports NVIDIA [®] Quad-GPU SLI [™] Technology (with 2 PClex16 graphics card) Supports AMD [®] 3-Way/Quad-GPU CrossFireX [™] Technology (with 2 PClex16 graphics card) Supports Lucidlogix Virtu MVP Technology* *LucidLogix Virtu MVP supports Windows [®] 7 operating systems.

Storage	Intel® Z77 Express Chipset - 2 x SATA 6.0 Gb/s ports (gray) with RAID 0, 1, 5, 10 support - 4 x SATA 3.0 Gb/s ports (blue) with RAID 0, 1, 5, 10 support - Supports Intel® Smart Response Technology, Intel® Rapid Start Technology, Intel® Smart Connect Technology* Marvell® 9128 PCle SATA 6Gb/s controller - 2 x SATA 6Gb/s ports (navy blue) with RAID 0, 1 support ASMedia® SATA 6Gb/s controller** - 2 x eSATA 6Gb/s ports * Supports on Intel® Core™ processor family with Windows® 7 operating systems. ** These SATA ports are for data hard drives only. ATAPI devices are not supported.
LAN	Dual Gigabit LAN controllers—802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE) appliance Intel® 82579V Gigabit LAN controller—Dual interconnect between the Integrated LAN controller and Physical Layer (PHY) Realtek® 8111F Gigabit LAN controller
Wireless Data Network	Wi-Fi 802.11 a/b/g/n supports dual frequency band 2.4/5 GHz ASUS Wi-Fi GO! Utility
Bluetooth	Bluetooth v4.0 Bluetooth v3.0 + HS
Audio	 Realtek[®] ALC898 8-channel high definition audio CODEC Absolute Pitch 192khz/24bit True BD Lossless Sound BD audio layer content protection DTS UltraPC II DTS Connect Supports jack-detection, multi-streaming and front panel jack-retasking Optical S/PDIF out ports at back I/O
USB	 2 x ASMedia[®] USB 3.0 controllers - supports ASUS USB 3.0 Boost UASP Mode 4 x USB 3.0/2.0 ports at back panel (blue) Intel[®] Z77 Express Chipset - supports ASUS USB 3.0 Boost Turbo Mode* 2 x USB 3.0/2.0 ports at mid-board for front panel support 2 x USB 3.0/2.0 ports at back panel (blue) Intel[®] Z77 Express Chipset 8 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports (4 ports at mid-board, 4 ports at back panel) * The USB 3.0 ports only support Windows[®] 7 or later versions. UASP standard only supports Windows[®] 8.

ASUS unique features

ASUS Dual Intelligent Processors 3 - SMART DIGI+ Power Control

Smart DIGI+:

- Smart DIGI+ Key quickly delivers a higher VRM frequency, voltage, and current for superior CPU/iGPU/ DRAM overclocking performance with one switch.
- Smart CPU Power Level (VRD 12.5 Ready) provides the best digital power saving conditions.

CPU Power

- Industry leading digital 20-phase power design (16-phase for CPU, 4-phase for iGPU)
- ASUS CPU power utility

DRAM Power

- Industry leading digital 2-phase DRAM power design
- ASUS DRAM power utility

ASUS EPU

- EPU, EPU switch

ASUS TPU

- Auto Tuning, TurboV, GPU Boost, TPU switch

ASUS Wi-Fi GO!:

- Wi-Fi GO! Function: DLNA Media Hub, Smart Motion Control, Remote Desktop, Remote Keyboard & Mouse, File Transfer, Capture & Send (available with V1.01.00 or later)
- Wi-Fi GO! Remote for portable Smartphone/Tablet supporting iOS 3.2 or later, and Android 2.3 or later systems.
- Wi-Fi Engine for network sharing and connection: Client Mode and AP Mode.

ASUS Exclusive Features:

- Network iControl featuring instant network bandwidth domination for top network program in use.
- ASUS SSD Caching
- USB 3.0 Boost featuring the latest USB 3.0 UASP standard
- USB Charger+ featuring quick-charging function for all
- smart devices.
- Al Charger+
- Disk Unlocker featuring 3TB+ HDD support
- AI Suite II
- Anti Surge
- MemOK!

P8Z77-V DELUXE specifications summary			
ASUS unique features	ASUS Quiet Thermal Solution:		
	 ASUS Fan Xpert 2 featuring Fan Auto Tuning function for optimized speed control ASUS Fanless Design: Heat-pipe solution 		
	 ASUS EZ DIY: ASUS USB BIOS Flashback with USB BIOS Flashback Wizard for EZ BIOS download scheduling ASUS UEFI BIOS EZ Mode featuring friendly graphics user interface ASUS O.C. Tuner ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3 ASUS EZ Flash 2 		
	ASUS Q-Design: - ASUS Q-Code - ASUS Q-Shield - ASUS Q-LED (CPU, DRAM, VGA, Boot Device LED) - ASUS Q-Slot - ASUS Q-DIMM - ASUS Q-Connector		
ASUS exclusive overclocking features	Precision Tweaker 2: - vCore: Adjustable CPU voltage at 0.005V increment - vCCIO: Adjustable I/O voltage at 0.00625V increment - vCCSA: 144-step system agent voltage control - vDRAM Bus: 160-step Memory voltage control - vPCH: 90-step Chipset voltage control - iGPU: 255-step iGPU voltage control - vCPU_PLL: 160-step CPU & PCH PLL voltage control		
	 SFS (Stepless Frequency Selection): BCLK/PCIE frequency tuning from 80MHz up to 300MHz at 0.1MHz increment 		
	Overclocking Protection: - ASUS C.P.R.(CPU Parameter Recall)		
Back Panel I/O Ports	1 x DisplayPort 1 x HDMI port 1 x BT4 connector for ASUS Wi-Fi GO! cad (Wi-Fi 802.11 a/b/g/n and Bluetooth v4.0/3.0+HS) 1 x Optical S/PDIF Out port 2 x eSATA ports 2 x LAN (RJ-45) ports (1 x Intel® LAN) 6 x USB 3.0/2.0 ports (blue, 1 supports USB BIOS Flashback) 4 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports		
	1 x USB BIOS Flashback button 8-channel Audio I/O ports		

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Internal I/O connectors	1 x USB 3.0/2.0 connector supports additional 2 USB ports (19-pin) 2 x USB 2.0/1.1 connectors support additional 4 USB ports 4 x SATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors (2 x gray; 2 x navy blue) 4 x SATA 3.0 Gb/s connectors (blue) 1 x CPU Fan connector (4-pin) 1 x CPU Optional Fan connector (4-pin) 4 x Chassis Fan connectors (4-pin) 4 x Chassis Fan connectors (4-pin) Front panel audio connector (4-Pin) 1 x S/PDIF out header 24-pin EATX Power connector 8-pin EATX 12V Power connector System Panel (Q-Connector) 1 x MemOK! button 1 x Clear CMOS button 1 x TPU switch 1 x Power-on switch 1 x Reset switch
BIOS features	64 Mb Flash ROM, UEFI AMI BIOS, PnP, DMI 2.0, WfM 2.0, SM BIOS 2.5, ACPI 2.0a, Multi-language BIOS, ASUS EZ Flash 2, ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3, F12 PrintScreen function, F3 Shortcut function, and ASUS DRAM SPD (Serial Presence Detect) memory information
Manageability	WfM 2.0, DMI 2.0, WOL by PME, PXE
Support DVD contents	Drivers ASUS Utilities ASUS Update Anti-virus software (OEM version)
Form factor	ATX form factor: 12 in. x 9.6 in. (30.5 cm x 24.4 cm)

*Specifications are subject to change without notice.



1.1 Welcome!

Thank you for buying an ASUS® P8Z77-V DELUXE motherboard!

The motherboard delivers a host of new features and latest technologies, making it another standout in the long line of ASUS quality motherboards!

Before you start installing the motherboard, and hardware devices on it, check the items in your package with the list below.

1.2 Package contents

Check your motherboard package for the following items.

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ASUS P8Z77-V DELUXE motherboard	User manual	Support DVD	
4 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s cables	2 x Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s cables	1 x ASUS SLI™ bridge connector	
1 x ASUS Q-Shield	1 x ASUS Wi-Fi GO! card (Wi-Fi 802.11 a/b/g/n and Bluetooth v4.0/3.0+HS)	1 x 2-in-1 ASUS Q-Connector kit	
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2 x Wi-Fi Ring moving antennas			
 If any of the above items is damaged or missing, contact your retailer. The illustrated items above are for reference only. Actual product specifications may vary with different models. 			

1.3 Special features

1.3.1 Product highlights

LGA1155 socket for Intel[®] Second/Third Generation Core[™] i7 / Core[™] i5 / Core[™] i3 / Pentium[®] / Celeron[®] Processors

This motherboard supports the Intel[®] 3rd/2nd generation Core[™] i7/i5/i3/Pentium[®]/Celeron[®] processors in the LGA1155 package, with iGPU, memory, and PCI Express controllers integrated to support onboard graphics out with dedicated chipsets, 2-channel (4 DIMMs) DDR3 memory, and 16 PCI Express 3.0/2.0 lanes. This provides great graphics performance. Intel[®] 3rd/2nd generation Core[™] i7/i5/i3/Pentium[®]/Celeron[®] processors are among the most powerful and energy efficient CPUs in the world.

Intel® Z77 Express Chipset

The Intel[®] Z77 Express Chipset is a single-chipset designed to support the 1155 socket Intel[®] 3rd/2nd generation Core[™] i7/i5/ i3/Pentium[®]/Celeron[®] processors. It provides improved performance by utilizing serial point-to-point links, allowing increased bandwidth and stability. Additionally, Z77 chipset provides 4 USB 3.0 ports for 10 times faster data retrieval speed. Moreover, Intel[®] Z77 Express Chipset can also enable iGPU function, letting users enjoy the latest Intel[®] integrated graphic performance.

PCI Express[®] 3.0

PCI Express® 3.0 (PCIe 3.0) is the latest PCI Express bus standard with improved encoding schemes that provide twice the performance of the current PCIe 2.0. The total bandwidth for a x16 link reaches a maximum of 32Gb/s, double the 16Gb/s of PCIe 2.0 (in x16 mode). As such, PCIe 3.0 provides users an unprecedented data speeds, combined with the convenience and seamless transition offered by complete backward compatibility with PCIe 1.0 and PCIe 2.0 devices. PCIe 3.0 will become a must-have feature for users who wish to improve and optimize graphic performance, as well as have the latest technology available to them.

* PCI 3.0 speed is supported by Intel[®] 3rd generation Core™ processors.

Dual-Channel DDR3 2600(O.C.) / 2400(O.C.) / 2200(O.C.) / 2133(O.C.) / 1866(O.C.) / 1600 / 1333 / 1066 MHz Support

The motherboard supports DDR3 memory that features data transfer rates of DDR3 2600(O.C.) / 2400(O.C.) / 2200(O.C.) / 2133(O.C.) / 1866(O.C.) / 1600 / 1333 / 1066 MHz to meet the higher bandwidth requirements of the latest 3D graphics, multimedia, and Internet applications. The dual-channel DDR3 architecture enlarges the bandwidth of your system memory to boost system performance.

* Due to Intel 2nd generation processor's behavior, DDR3 2200 and above, 2000/1800 MHz memory modules run at DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.

Quad-GPU SLI™ and Quad-GPU CrossFireX™ Support

Flexible Multi-GPU Solutions, Your Weapon of Choice!

P8Z77-V DELUXE brings you the multi-GPU choice of either SLI™ or CrossFireX. The motherboard features the most powerful Intel[®] Z77 platform to optimize PCIe allocation in multiple GPU configurations. Expect a brand-new gaming style you've never experienced before!

Intel® Smart Response Technology

SSD Speed with HDD Capacity

Intel[®] Smart Response Technology boosts overall system performance. It uses an installed fast SSD (min 18.6GB available capacity required) as a cache for frequently accessed data. Key benefits include reduced load and wait times, and lower power consumption through the elimination of unnecessary hard drive spin. This technology combines SSD performance with hard drive capacity, operating up to 6X faster than a hard drive-only system, and an important part of Green ASUS eco-friendly computing.

* Intel[®] Smart Response Technology is supported by 2nd/3rd generation Intel[®] Core™ processor family on Windows[®] 7™ operating systems.

** Operating systems must be installed on the HDD to launch Intel[®] Smart Response Technology. The capacity of the SSD is reserved for caching function.

Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology

Your computer can receive web updates with fresh content for selected applications, even when the system is in sleep mode. This means less time waiting for applications to update, and sync with the cloud, leading to a more efficient computing experience.

Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology

Allows your computer to quickly resume from a low-power hibernate state in seconds. Saving system memory to the designed SSD, it provides your computer a faster wake-up response time, while still keeping the energy use low.

Complete USB 3.0 Integration

ASUS facilitates the strategic USB 3.0 accessibility for both the front and rear panel – 8 USB 3.0 ports in total. Experience the latest plug & play connectivity at speeds up to 10 times faster than USB 2.0. The P8Z77-V DELUXE affords greater convenience to high speed connectivity.

Extra SATA 6.0 Gb/s Support

The Intel® Z77 Express Chipset natively supports the next-generation Serial ATA (SATA) interface, delivering up to 6.0 Gb/s data transfer. ASUS provides extra SATA 6.0 Gb/s ports with enhanced scalability, faster data retrieval, and double the bandwidth of current bus systems.

Dual Gigabit LAN support

The P8Z77-V DELUXE features the dual Gigabit LAN design which complies with 802.3az Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE) standard, and allows a PC to serve as a network gateway for managing traffic between two separate networks. Moreover, this motherboard also implements one Intel[®] Gigabit LAN controller which reduces power consumption during normal operation, and enhances faster transfer speed through a dual interconnection between the Integrated LAN controller and physical layer (PHY).

1.3.2 Dual Intelligent Processors 3.1 with New DIGI+ Power Control

The world's first Dual Intelligent Processors from ASUS pioneered twin onboard chips - TPU (TurboV Processing Unit) and EPU (Energy Processing Unit). Dual Intelligent Processors 3 builds on that foundation with new SMART DIGI+ power control, which includes multiple digital voltage controllers, allowing ultra-precise tuning for the CPU, iGPU and DRAM. It's upgraded with one-click extreme performance optimization and selectable CPU wattage levels, offering easier power control and better power savings with the user-friendly AI Suite II utility.

Smart DIGI+ Technology

Get incredible performance increases with TPU and the all-new SMART DIGI+.

Up to 85% CPU O.C. Performance Boost

Always at the forefront of digital power design, ASUS propels you into the future standard of power management by SMART DIGI+ Technology, which works with the TPU (TurboV Processing Unit) to give an exceptional increase in CPU overclocking performance. When combined, you can adjust CPU ratios manually in the TPU and enable the all new SMART DIGI+ Key by a single click to see an extreme boost in TPU frequency up to 85%.

CPU Power Wattage cut in half!

SMART DIG+ Technology also includes the Smart CPU Power Level profile, which reduces CPU power consumption to a specific indicated wattage with a single click, creating a cooler and quieter PC. With the support for the next generation Intel[®] VRD 12.5 power design, ASUS once again leaps to the future of innovation.

TPU

Unleash your performance with ASUS' simple onboard switch or AI Suite II utility. The TPU chip offers precise voltage control and advanced monitoring through Auto Tuning and TurboV functions. Auto tuning offers a user friendly way to automatically optimize the system for fast, yet stable clock speeds, while TurboV enables unlimited freedom to adjust CPU frequencies and ratios for optimized performance in diverse situations.

EPU

Tap into the world's first real-time PC power saving chip through a simple onboard switch or AI Suite II utility. Get total system-wide energy optimization by automatically detecting current PC loadings and intelligently moderating power consumption. This also reduces fan noise and extends component longevity.

1.3.3 ASUS Exclusive Features

Wi-Fi GO!

ASUS Wi-Fi GO! makes enjoying home entertainment easier than ever! Exclusive Wi-Fi functions provide DLNA streaming so you can enjoy a home theater PC, while providing remote access to your PC with a smart device. ASUS Wi-Fi GO! leads the market by integrating Wi-Fi connectivity, DLNA access, and all smart devices with a one-stop utility for a futuristic connected lifestyle.

Wi-Fi hotspot setup for convenience:

Quickly set up and connect anywhere at home, thanks to instant soft access point and device detection. Build your network without an extra router!

Turn smartphones and tablets into a remote control:

- Remote Desktop access your PC from a tablet? No sweat! Control your PC in real-time from a mobile device for complete comfort. This function brings notebook-like convenience by creating a virtual remote desktop, offering portable access to your data in desktop with a smartphone or pad.
- 2. Motion control your PC entertaining ang customizable! Using natural gestures, you can move directionally to use applications with a smartphone or tablet's motion sensors. For example, in media players you can fast forward, go next, stop or create a music playing motion control profile. You can even set program sensor scenarios to design your own motion-based game!
- 3. Remote keyboard and mouse sit back and control your computer by using your tablet's built-in QWERTY keyboard to type and click!

DLNA streaming made easy:

Enjoy HD content, music anf photos from the PC on your DLNA devices via Wi-Fi connectivity, the perfect match for creating your own home theater!

Easy file and screenshot transfers:

Send and share files and screenshots from your PC to your smart devices directly with a touch over Wi-Fi.

GPU Boost

GPU Boost accelerates the integrated GPU for extreme graphics performance. The userfriendly interface facilitates flexible frequency adjustments. It easily delivers stable systemlevel upgrades for every use.

USB 3.0 Boost

New ASUS USB 3.0 Boost technology supports UASP (USB Attached SCSI Protocol), the latest USB 3.0 standard. Witht USB 3.0 Boost technology, a USB device's transmission speed is significantly increased up to 170%, adding to an already impressive fast USB 3.0 transfer speed. ASUS software automatically accelerates data speeds for compatible USB 3.0 peripherals without the need for any user interaction.

USB Charger+

With a dedicated onboard controller, quick-charge all your smart devices such as iProducts, smartphones, tablets, and more, all up to 3x faster, even when the PC is powered off, in sleep, or hibernation modes.

ASUS SSD Caching

SSD Caching from ASUS is easier than ever. At 3X faster, this feature boosts system performance by using an installed SSD with no capacity limitations as a cache for frequently accessed data. Harness a combination of SSD-like performance and response, and hard drive capacity with just one click, no rebooting needed, and instant activation for complete ease of use, and even prevent data loss with included backup functionality.

USB BIOS Flashback

A truly revolutionary hardware-based BIOS update solution. USB BIOS Flashback offers the most convenient way to update the BIOS! It allows users to update new UEFI BIOS versions even without hardware such as a CPU or a DRAM installed into the motherboard. Just plug in a USB flash drive containing the BIOS file, and press the BIOS Flashback button for 3 seconds with the power supply connected. The UEFI BIOS then automatically updates without requiring further interaction. With its new complementary Windows[®] application, users can regularly check for UEFI BIOS updates, and download the latest BIOS automatically. Hassle-free updating for the ultimate convenience!

Network iControl

With a single-click on/off button, the application currently in use has its data and network bandwidth prioritized over other programs. Moreover, you can prioritize your favorite software easily by configuring profiles through the intuitive user interface. Within the profile, the programs can be pre-scheduled to run in a specific time period to avoid network congestion. and long-waits on downloads. Auto PPPoE network connection gives a one-step setup. Overall, it's an intuitive network bandwidth control center.

Al Suite II

With its user-friendly interface, ASUS AI Suite II consolidates all the exclusive ASUS features into one simple to use software package. It allows you to supervise overclocking, energy management, fan speed control, voltage and sensor readings, and even interact with mobile devices via Wi-Fi. This all-in-one software offers diverse and ease to use functions, with no need to switch back and forth between different utilities.

MemOK!

Any Memory is A-OK!

MemOK! quickly ensures memory boot compatibility. This remarkable memory rescue tool receives a mere push of a button to patch memory issues. MemOK! determines fail-safe s and dramatically improves your system boot success. Get your system up and running in no time!

1.3.4 ASUS Quiet Thermal Solution

ASUS Fan Xpert 2 - featuring Fan Auto Tuning mode for the Ultimate Cool and Quiet

Hardware-level ASUS Fan Xpert 2 provides the most customizable settings for an even cooler and quieter computing environment. Upgraded with the Fan Auto Tuning mode, it enables tailored fan speed settings for each CPU and chassis fan, with exclusive automatic fan speed detection, which scans each fan to run at specific settings based on different criteria, achieving the best balance of cooling performance and low noise. Fan Xpert 2 also includes an RPM Fixed Mode for users who wish to reduce noise levels to near 0dB with highly specific fan speed control. It reacts to system loads for greater control.

ASUS Fanless Design—Heat-pipe solution

The ASUS heat-pipe features 0-dB thermal solution that offers you a noiseless PC environment. Not only the beautiful shape upgrades the visual enjoyment for motherboard users, but also the heat-pipe design lowers the temperature of the chipset and power phase area through high efficient heat-exchange. Combined with usability and aesthetics, the ASUS heat-pipe gives you an extremely silent and cooling experience with its elegant appearance.

DO NOT uninstall the heat-pipe by yourself. Doing so may bend the tubing and affect the heat dissipation performance.

1.3.5 ASUS EZ DIY

ASUS UEFI BIOS (EZ Mode)

Flexible and Easy BIOS Interface

Media-renowned UEFI BIOS offers the first mouse-controlled graphical BIOS designed with selectable modes and native support for hard drives over 2.2 TB. Users can also drag and drop boot priorities with the exclusive EZ Mode, while Advanced Mode offers inticrate settings.

New upgrade! Quick and easy information for enhanced system control

- F12 BIOS snapshot hotkey
- F3 Shortcut for most accessed information
- ASUS DRAM SPD (Serial Presence Detect) information detecting faulty DIMMs, and helping with difficult POST situations.

ASUS Q-Design

DIY Quickly, DIY Easily!

ASUS Q-Design enhances your DIY experience. All of Q-LED, Q-Code, Q-Slot, and Q-DIMM design speed up and simplify the DIY process!

ASUS Q-Shield

Easy and Comfortable Installations

The specially designed ASUS Q-Shield does without the usual "fingers" - making it convenient and easy to install. With better electric conductivity, it ideally protects your motherboard against static electricity and shields it against Electronic Magnetic Interference (EMI).

ASUS Q-Connector

Make Connection Quick and Accurate!

The ASUS Q-Connector allows you to connect or disconnect the chassis front panel cables in one easy step with one complete module. This unique adapter eliminates the trouble of plugging in one cable at a time, making the connection quick and accurate.

ASUS EZ-Flash 2

ASUS EZ Flash 2 is a user-friendly utility that allows you to update the BIOS without using a bootable floppy disk or an OS-based utility.

1.3.6 Other special features

LucidLogix Virtu MVP

LucidLogix Virtu MVP featuring HyperFormance[™] Technology boosts your discrete graphics card up to 30% beyond its original performance. Designed for Intel[®] processor graphics and Windows[®] 7 PCs, it perfectly combines the performance of discrete graphic cards with fast computing iGPU. Also, with newly designed Virtual Sync, users can enjoy a smoother gaming experience by eliminating tearing artifacts. LucidLogix Virtu MVP can also dynamically assign tasks to the best available graphics resource, based on power, performance, and system load. This allows users to fully utilize 3x faster video conversion with Intel[®] Quick Sync Video 2.0 technology while retaining high-end 3D rendering and gaming performance, provided by both NVIDIA and AMD graphic cards. When the discrete graphic cards are not required, it puts the power use down to zero, making the system more environmentally friendly. For users searching for perfection, LucidLogix Virtu MVP provides great graphical performance, and best flexibility and efficiency.

* LucidLogix Virtu MVP supports Windows® 7 operating system.

** Intel® Quick Sync Video feature is supported by 3rd/2nd generation Intel® Core™ processor family

DisplayPort 1.1a Support

DisplayPort is a digital display interface standard that delivers up to 10.8 Gbps of bandwidth over standard cables, providing billions of colors and bi-directional communications, thus enabling the fastest refresh rates, and the highest resolution digital display through a single cable. Also, it supports HDCP copy protection for Blu-ray discs. Simply output 3D signals through the connected DisplayPort 1.1a cable with your 3D display, then you can sit back and enjoy a perfect 3D animation experience.

HDMI 1.4a Support

High Definition Multimedia Surface (HDMI) is a set of digital video standards that delivers mulit-channel audio and uncompressed digital video for full HD 1080p visuals through a single cable. Supporting HDCP copy protection such as HD DVD and blu-ray discs, HDMI provides you with the highest quality home theater experience.

DTS UltraPC II

DTS UltraPC II delivers an exceptional 7.1 surround experience through the most popular PC audio setups—your existing stereo speakers or headphones. In addition to virtual surround, it upgrades the original sound to new levels with Audio Restoration, recreating dynamic range of audio files. Symmetry mode improves the balance of perceived loudness across different input sources, and enhances boost audio quality through high hand low frequency equalization. With these technologies, users experience better home theater audio with ease.

DTS Connect

Expand Your PC Audio Experience

To get the most out of your audio entertainment across all formats and quality levels, DTS Connect combines two enabling technologies, DTS Neo:PC[™] upmixes stereo sources (CDs, MP3s, WMAs, internet radio) into as many as 7.1 channels of incredible surround sound. Consumers can connect their PC to a home theater system. DTS Interactive is capable of performing mult-channel encoding of DTS bitstreams on personal computers, and sending encoded bitstreams out of a digital audio connection (such as S/PDIF or HDMI) designed to deliver audio to an external decoder.

ErP Ready

The motherboard is European Union's Energy-related Products (ErP) ready, and ErP requires products to meet certain energy efficiency requirement in regards to energy consumptions. This is in line with ASUS vision of creating environment-friendly and energy-efficient products through product design and innovation to reduce carbon footprint of the product and thus mitigate environmental impacts.

2.1 Before you proceed

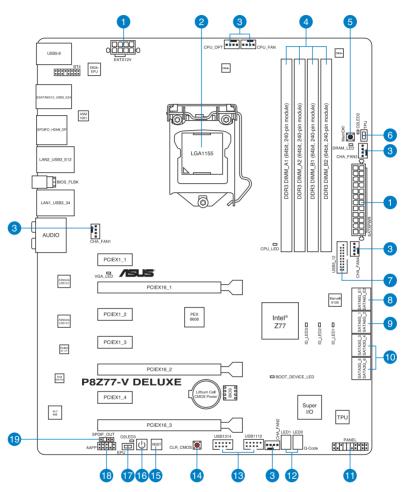
Take note of the following precautions before you install motherboard components or change any motherboard settings.



- Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- Before handling components, use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safely grounded object or a metal object, such as the power supply case, to avoid damaging them due to static electricity.
- Hold components by the edges to avoid touching the ICs on them.
- Whenever you uninstall any component, place it on a grounded antistatic pad or in the bag that came with the component.
- Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the ATX power supply is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, or components.

2.2 Motherboard overview

2.2.1 Motherboard layout



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Refer to 2.2.7 Internal connectors and 2.3.10 Rear panel connection for more information about rear panel connectors and internal connectors.

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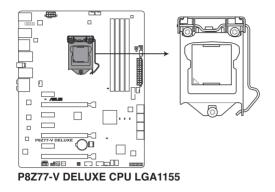
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2.2.2 Central Processing Unit (CPU)

The motherboard comes with a surface mount LGA1155 socket designed for the Intel[®] 3rd/2nd Generation Core[™] i7 / Core[™] i5 / Core[™] i3 / Pentium / Celeron Processors.





Ensure that all power cables are unplugged before installing the CPU.

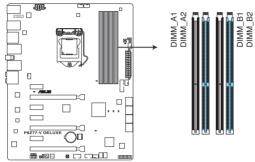
- The LGA1156 CPU is incompatible with the LGA1155 socket. DO NOT install a LGA1156 CPU on the LGA1155 socket.
- Upon purchase of the motherboard, ensure that the PnP cap is on the socket and the socket contacts are not bent. Contact your retailer immediately if the PnP cap is missing, or if you see any damage to the PnP cap/socket contacts/motherboard components. ASUS will shoulder the cost of repair only if the damage is shipment/ transit-related.
- Keep the cap after installing the motherboard. ASUS will process Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) requests only if the motherboard comes with the cap on the LGA1155 socket.
- The product warranty does not cover damage to the socket contacts resulting from incorrect CPU installation/removal, or misplacement/loss/incorrect removal of the PnP cap.

2.2.3 System memory

The motherboard comes with four Double Data Rate 3 (DDR3) Dual Inline Memory Modules (DIMM) slots.

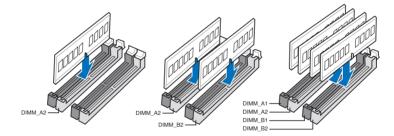


A DDR3 module is notched differently from a DDR or DDR2 module. DO NOT install a DDR or DDR2 memory module to the DDR3 slot.



P8Z77-V DELUXE 240-pin DDR3 DIMM socket

Recommended memory configurations



Memory configurations

You may install 1GB, 2GB, 4GB and 8GB unbuffered and non-ECC DDR3 DIMMs into the DIMM sockets.

 You may install varying memory sizes in Channel A and Channel B. The system maps the total size of the lower-sized channel for the dual-channel configuration. Any excess memory from the higher-sized channel is then mapped for single-channel operation.

- Due to Intel[®] 2nd generation processors' behavior, DDR3 2200 and above, 2000/1800 MHz memory module will run at DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.
- According to Intel CPU spec, DIMM voltage below 1.65V is recommended to protect the CPU.
- Always install DIMMs with the same CAS latency. For optimum compatibility, we
 recommend that you obtain memory modules from the same vendor.
- Due to the memory address limitation on 32-bit Windows OS, when you install 4GB
 or more memory on the motherboard, the actual usable memory for the OS can be
 about 3GB or less. For effective use of memory, we recommend that you do any of the
 following:
 - Use a maximum of 3GB system memory if you are using a 32-bit Windows OS.
 - Install a 64-bit Windows OS when you want to install 4GB or more on the motherboard.

For more details, refer to the Microsoft[®] support site at http://support.microsoft.com/kb/929605/en-us.

- This motherboard does not support DIMMs made up of 512Mb (64MB) chips or less (Memory chip capacity counts in Megabit, 8 Megabit/Mb = 1 Megabyte/MB).
- The default memory operation frequency is dependent on its Serial Presence Detect (SPD), which is the standard way of accessing information from a memory module. Under the default state, some memory modules for overclocking may operate at a lower frequency than the vendor-marked value. To operate at the vendor-marked or at a higher frequency, refer to section 3.4 Ai Tweaker menu for manual memory frequency adjustment.
- For system stability, use a more efficient memory cooling system to support a full memory load (4 DIMMs) or overclocking condition.

P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2600(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip Brand	Chip	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optiona		
venuors	Fait NO.	5120	DS	Brand	NO.	rinning	vonage	1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM
G.skill	F3-20800CL10-16GBZMD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	10-12-12-28	1.65	•	•	•
Team	TXD38192M2600HC10QDC-L(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS			10-12-12-31	1.65	•	•	

* The 2600MHz memory modules above are supported on Intel[®] 3rd generation processors by this motherboard; however, the actual frequency support varied depending on the O.C. margin of the installed CPU.

** Due to Intel 2nd generation processors' behavior, DDR3 2200 and above/2000/1800 MHz memory module runs ay DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.



P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2500(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip Brand	Chip	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)			
			03	Dranu	NO.			1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM	
G.Skill	F3-20000CL10Q-16GBZHD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	10-11-11-31	1.65	•	•	•	

* The 2500MHz memory modules above are supported on Intel[®] 3rd generation processors by this motherboard; however, the actual frequency support varied depending on the O.C. margin of the installed CPU.

** Due to Intel 2nd generation processors' behavior, DDR3 2200 and above/2000/1800 MHz memory module runs ay DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.

P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2400(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No. S	Size	SS/ DS	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)			
			03	Dranu	NO.			1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM	
CORSAIR	CMGTX8(XMP)	8GB(4x2GB)	SS	-	-	10-12-10-30	1.65		•	•	
CORSAIR	CMGTX3(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.65		•		
G.Skill	F3-19200CL11Q-16GBZHD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	11-11-11-31	1.65			•	
G.Skill	F3-19200CL9Q-16GBZMD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-11-31	1.65		•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-19200CL9D-4GBPIS(XMP)	4G(2x2G)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-28	1.65		•		
GEIL	GOC316GB2400C10QC(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	10-11-11-30	1.65	•	•	•	
GEIL	GOC316GB2400C11QC(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	11-11-11-30	1.65	•	•	•	
Kingston	KHX2400C11D3K4/8GX(XMP)	8GB(4x2GB)	SS	-	-	11-13-11-30	1.65		•		
Transcend	TX2400KLU-4GK (381850)(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•	
Transcend	TX2400KLU-4GK(374243)(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•	

* The 2400MHz memory modules above are supported on Intel[®] 3rd generation processors by this motherboard; however, the actual frequency support varied depending on the O.C. margin of the installed CPU.

** Due to Intel 2nd generation processors' behavior, DDR3 2200 and above/2000/1800 MHz memory module runs ay DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.

P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2200(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip	Chip	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)		
			DS	Brand	NO.			1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM
G.SKILL	F3-17600CL7D-4GBFLS(XMP)	4G(2x2G)	DS	-	-	7-10-10-28	1.65	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-17600CL8D-4GBPS(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
GEIL	GET34GB2200C9DC(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-28	1.65	•	•	•
GEIL	GET38GB2200C9ADC(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-28	1.65	•	•	•
KINGMAX	FLKE85F-B8KHA(XMP)	4G(2x2G)	DS	-	-	-	1.5~1.7	•	•	•
KINGMAX	FLKE85F-B8KJAA-FEIS(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	Kingmax	N/A	-	-	•	•	•

* The memory modules in 2200MHz and above are supported on Intel[®] 3rd generation processors by this motherboard; however, the actual frequency support varies depending on the O.C. margin of the installed CPU.

** Due to Intel 2nd generation processors' behavior, DDR3 2200 and above/2000/1800 MHz memory module runs ay DDR3 2133/1866/1600 MHz frequency as default.

P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2133(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/ DS	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMN	l socket s (Optional	
			05	Brand	NU.			1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM
A-DATA	8154A 1044(XMP)	2GB	SS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.55-1.75	•	•	•
A-DATA	AX3U2133C2G9B(XMP)	2GB	SS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.55~1.75	•	•	
A-DATA	AX3U2133GC2G9B(XMP)	2GB	SS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.55-1.75	•	•	
Apacer	78.BAGE4.AFD0C(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	-	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMT4GX3M2A2133C9(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-24	1.65	•	•	
CORSAIR	CMT4GX3M2B2133C9(Ver7.1)(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMT4GX3M2B2133C9(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-27	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-17000CL9Q-16GBXLD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-28	1.65	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-17066CL9Q-16GBTDD(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•		•
G.SKILL	F3-17066CL9D-8GBPID(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•
GEIL	GE34GB2133C9DC(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-28	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3T1K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3T1K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3W1K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3X2K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3X2K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2133C9AD3T1FK4/8GX(XMP)	8GB(4x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
Patriot	PVV34G2133C9K(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.66	•	•	•

P8Z77-V DELUXE Motherboard Qualified Vendors Lists (QVL) DDR3 2000(O.C.) MHz capability

Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)		
venuors		5120	DS	Brand	Chip NO.	ming	vonage	1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM
A-DATA	AX3U2000GB2G9B(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.55~1.75	•	•	•
A-DATA	AX3U2000GC4G9B(XMP)	4GB	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.55~1.75	•	•	•
Apacer	78.AAGD5.9KD(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-27	-	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMT6GX3M3A2000C8(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-9-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-16000CL9D-4GBRH(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-16000CL9D-4GBTD(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•
GEIL	GUP34GB2000C9DC(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-28	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX2000C9AD3T1K3/6GX(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
Transcend	TX2000KLN-8GK (388375)(XMP)	4GB	DS	-	-	-	1.6	•	•	•
AEXEA	AXA3ES2G2000LG28V(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	
AEXEA	AXA3ES4GK2000LG28V(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•
Patriot	PX7312G2000ELK(XMP)	12GB(3x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.65	•	•	•
Patriot	PV736G2000ELK(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-20	1.65	•	•	•
Silicon Power	SP002GBLYU200S02(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	-	-	•	•	•
Team	TXD32048M2000C9(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288RT-20	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
Team	TXD32048M2000C9-L(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288LT-20	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
Team	TXD32048M2000C9-L(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288RT-20	9-9-9-24	1.6	•	•	•

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Vendors F	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)			
vendors	Part No.	Size	DS	Brand	Chip NO.	riming	vonage	1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM	
A-DATA	AX3U1866GC2G9B(XMP)	2GB	SS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.55~1.75	•	•	•	
A-DATA	AX3U1866GC4G9B(XMP)	4GB	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.55~1.75	•	•	•	
CORSAIR	CMZ8GX3M2A1866C9(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-27	1.5	•	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-14900CL9Q-16GBXL(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-28	1.5	•	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-15000CL9D-4GBTD(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-14900CL9D-8GBSR(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-10-9-28	1.5	•	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-14900CL9Q-8GBFLD(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.6	•	•	•	
KINGSTON	KHX1866C9D3T1K3/3GX(XMP)	3GB(3x1GB)	SS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•	
Patriot	PXD34G1866ELK(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	SS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•	
Patriot	PXD38G1866ELK(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-11-9-27	1.65	•	•	•	
Team	TXD32048M1866C9(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288RT-16	9-9-9-24	1.65	•	•	•	

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Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Optional)			
			03	Dranu	NO.			1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM	
G.SKILL	F3-14400CL9D-4GBRL(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.6	•	•	•	

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Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/ DS	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage		MM soci ort (Opt	ional)
			05	Brand				1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMM
A-DATA	AM2U16BC2P1	2GB	SS	A-DATA	3CCD-1509A	-	-	•	•	
A-DATA	AM2U16BC4P2	4GB	DS	A-DATA	3CCD-1509A	-	-	•	•	
A-DATA	AX3U1600GC4G9(XMP)	4GB	DS	-	-	-	1.55~1.75	•	•	•
A-DATA	AX3U1600PC4G8(XMP)	4GB	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.55~1.75	•	•	•
CORSAIR	HX3X12G1600C9(XMP)	12GB(6x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.6	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMZ16GX3M4A1600C9(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	
CORSAIR	CMG4GX3M2A1600C6	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	6-6-6-18	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMD4GX3M2B1600C8	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMX4GX3M2A1600C8(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMP6GX3M3A1600C8(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMP6GX3M3A1600C8(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMX6GX3M3C1600C7(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-8-7-20	1.65	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMZ8GX3M2A1600C8(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.5	•	•	•
Crucial	BL12864BN1608.8FF(XMP)	2GB(2x1GB)	SS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
Crucial	BL25664BN1608.16FF(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL7Q-16GBXH(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	7-8-7-24	1.6	•		•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL9Q-16GBXL(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•		•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL7D-4GBECO(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-8-7-24	-	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL8D-4GBRM(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.6	•	•	
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL9D-4GBECO(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.35	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL9D-8GBRL(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL9D-8GBSR2(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.25	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-12800CL8D-8GBECO(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.35	•	•	
GEIL	GET316GB1600C9QC(XMP)	16GB(4x4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-28	1.6	•	•	•
GEIL	GUP34GB1600C7DC(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-24	1.6	•	•	•

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Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/ DS	Chip	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	DIMM socket support (Option		
venuors	Fall NO.	5126	DS	Brand	Chip NO.	ming	vonage	1 DIMM	2 DIMM	4 DIMN
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K3/12GX(XMP)	12GB(3x4GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3T1BK3/12GX(XMP)	12GB(3x4GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K3/12GX(XMP)	12GB(3x4GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K6/24GX(XMP)	24GB(6x4GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C8D3K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8	1.65	•	•	
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3LK2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3X2K2/4GX(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K3/6GX(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3K3/6GX(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3T1K3/6GX(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3T1K3/6GX(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.65	•	•	•
KINGSTON	KHX1600C9D3P1K2/8G	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.5	•	•	•
OCZ	OCZ3BE1600C8LV4GK	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8	1.65	•	•	<u> </u>
OCZ	OCZ3X1600LV6GK(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8	1.65	•	•	•
OCZ	OCZ3X1600LV6GK(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8	1.65	•	•	•
Super Talent	WP160UX4G9(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	-	•	•	•
Super Talent	WB160UX6G8(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	-	•	•	•
Super Talent	WB160UX6G8(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS		-	8	-	•	•	•
Transcend	JM1600KLN-8GK	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	Transcend	TK483P CW3	-	-	•	•	•
AEXEA	AXA3PS4GK1600S18V(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	-	1.65	•	•	
Asint	SLZ3128M8-EGJ1D(XMP)	2GB	DS	Asint	3128M8 -GJ1D	-	-	•	•	•
EK Memory	EKM324L28BP8-I16(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	-	•	•	•
EK Memory	EKM324L28BP8-I16(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	9	-	•	•	•
GoodRam	GR1600D364L9/2G	2GB	DS	GoodRam	GF1008 KC-JN	-	-	•	•	•
KINGTIGER	KTG2G1600PG3(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	-	-	•	•	•
Mushkin	996805(XMP)	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	6-8-6-24	1.65	•	•	•
Mushkin	998805(XMP)	6GB(3x2GB)	DS	-	-	6-8-6-24	1.65	•	•	•
Patriot	PX7312G1600LLK(XMP)	12GB(3x4GB)	DS	-	-	8-9-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
Patriot	PGS34G1600LLKA2	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.7	•	•	•
Patriot	PGS34G1600LLKA	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-20	1.7	•	•	•
PATRIOT	PGS34G1600LLKA	4GB(2x2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-20	1.7	•	•	
Patriot	PVV38G1600LLK(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	8-9-8-24	1.65	•	•	
Patriot	PX538G1600LLK(XMP)	8GB(2x4GB)	DS	-	-	8-9-8-24	1.65	•	•	
SanMax	SMD-4G68HP-16KZ	4GB	DS	Hynix	H5TQ2G8 3BFRPBC	-	1.5	•	•	•
Team	TXD31024M1600C8-D(XMP)	1GB	SS	Team	T3D1288R T-16	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•
Team	TXD32048M1600C7-L(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288L T-16	7-7-7-24	1.65	•	•	
Team	TXD32048M1600HC8-D(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288R T-16	8-8-8-24	1.65	•	•	•

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Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage		MM soci	
			20					1 DIMM	2 DIMM	DIMM
A-DATA	AD63I1B0823EV	2GB	SS	A-DATA	3CCA-1509A	-	-	•	•	•
A-DATA	AXDU1333GC2G9(XMP)	2GB	SS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.25~1.35	•	•	•
A-DATA	AD63I1C1624EV	4GB	DS	A-DATA	3CCA-1509A	-	-	•	•	•
A-DATA	SU3U1333W8G9(XMP)	8GB	DS	ELPIDA	J4208BASE-DJ-F	-	-	•	•	•
Apacer	78.01GC6.9L0	1GB	SS	Apacer	AM5D5808DEJSBG	9	-	•	•	•
Apacer	78.A1GC6.9L1	2GB	DS	Apacer	AM5D5808FEQSBG	9	-	•	•	•
Apacer	78.B1GDE.9L10C	4GB	DS	Apacer	AM5D5908CEHSBG	9	-	•	•	•
CORSAIR	TW3X4G1333C9A	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	
CORSAIR	CMX8GX3M2A1333C9(XMP)	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
CORSAIR	CMX8GX3M4A1333C9	8GB(4 x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
Crucial	BL25664BN1337.16FF(XMP)	2GB	DS	-	-	7-7-7-24	1.65	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10600CL9D-4GBNT	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	G.SKILL	D3 128M8CE9 2GB	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10666CL7D-4GBRH(XMP)	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-21	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10666CL8D- 4GBECO(XMP)	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	-	-	8-8-8-24	1.35	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10666CL9D-8GBRL	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10666CL9D-8GBRL	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
G.SKILL	F3-10666CL9D-8GBXL	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	
GEIL	GET316GB1333C9QC	16GB (4x 4GB	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	•
GEIL	GG34GB1333C9DC	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	GEIL	GL1L128M88BA115 FW	9-9-9-24	1.3	•	•	•
GEIL	GG34GB1333C9DC	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	GEIL	GL1L128M88BA15B	9-9-9-24	1.3	•	•	•
GEIL	GVP34GB1333C9DC	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5	•	•	
GEIL	GB34GB1333C7DC	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	GEIL	GL1L128M88BA15FW	7-7-7-24	1.5	•	•	•
GEIL	GG34GB1333C9DC	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	GEIL	GL1L128M88BA12N	9-9-9-24	1.3	•	•	•
GEIL	GVP38GB1333C9DC	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9-24	1.5			
GEIL	GVP38GB1333C7QC	8GB (4x 2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7-24	1.5			
Hynix	HMT112U6TFR8A-H9	1GB	SS	Hynix	H5TC1G83TFR					
Hynix	HMT325U6BFR8C-H9	2GB	SS	Hynix	H5TQ2G83BFR	-	-			
Hynix	HMT125U6BFR8C-H9	2GB	DS	Hynix	H5TQ1G83BFRH9C	9	-			
KINGMAX	FLFE85F-C8KL9	2GB	SS	KINGMAX	KFC8FNLXF-DXX-15A	-	-		•	•
KINGMAX	FLFE85F-C8KM9	2GB	SS	Kingmax	KFC8FNMXF-BXX-15A	-	-			
KINGMAX	FLFE85F-B8KL9	2GB	DS	KINGMAX	KFB8FNLXL-BNF-15A			•	•	•
KINGMAX	FLEE65E-C8KL9	4GB	DS	KINGMAX	KFC8FNLXF-DXX-15A					
KINGMAX	FLEE65E-C8KM9	4GB	DS	Kingmax	KFC8FNMXF-BXX-15A	-				
KINGSTON	KVR1333D3N9/1G	1GB	SS	Elpida	J1108BDSE-DJ-F	9	1.5		•	
KINGSTON	KVR1333D3S8N9/2G	2GB	SS	Micron	IFD77 D9LGK	-	1.5			
KINGSTON	KVR1333D3N9/2G	2GB	DS	Kingston	D1288JPNDPLD9U	9	1.5	•	•	
KINGSTON	KHX1333C9D3UK2/4GX(XMP)	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9	1.25		•	
KINGSTON	KVR1333D3N9K2/4G	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	KINGSTON	D1288JEMFPGD9U	-	1.5			
KINGSTON	KVR1333D3E9S/4G	4GB	DS	Elpida	J2108ECSE-DJ-F	9	1.5			
MICRON	MT4JTF12864AZ-1G4D1	40B	SS	Micron	D9I GQ	3	1.5	•		
MICRON	MT4JTF125664AZ-1G4D1	2GB	SS	Micron	D9LGK	-				
MICRON	MT8JTF25664AZ-1G4D1	2GB 2GB	SS	Micron	D9LGK	-		•	•	•
					D9PFJ	-		•	•	
MICRON MICRON	MT8JTF25664AZ-1G4M1 MT16JTF51264AZ-1G4D1	2GB 4GB	SS DS	MICRON	D9PFJ D9LGK	-	-	•	•	•
OCZ	0CZ3P1333LV3GK		SS	IVIICIUII	Darak	-	-	•	•	•
OCZ		3GB(3 x 1GB)		-	-			•	•	•
	OCZ3G1333LV4GK OCZ3P1333LV4GK	4GB (2x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9	1.65	•	•	•
OCZ		4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	-	-	7-7-7	1.65	•	•	•
OCZ	OCZ3G1333LV8GK	8GB (2x 4GB)	DS	-	-	9-9-9	1.65	•	•	-
OCZ PSC	OCZ3RPR1333C9LV8GK PC310600U-9-10-A0	8GB (2x 4GB) 1GB	DS	- PSC	- A3P1GE3EGE	9-9-9	1.65	•	•	•
						-	-		•	•
PSC	PC310600U-9-10-B0	2GB	DS	PSC	A3P1GF3FGF	-	-	•		•
SAMSUNG	M378B2873EH1-CH9	1GB	SS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846E	-	-	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B2873FHS-CH9	1GB	SS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F	-	-	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B5773DH0-CH9	2GB	SS	SAMSUNG	K4B2G08460	-	-		•	•

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			001					DIMM socket support (Optional)		
Vendors	Part No.	Size	SS/ DS	Chip Brand	Chip NO.	Timing	Voltage	1 2 4		
				1				DIMM	DIMM	DIM
SAMSUNG	M378B5673FH0-CH9	2GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F	-	•	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B5273BH1-CH9	4GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B2G0846B-HCH9	9	-	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B5273CH0-CH9	4GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B2G0846C	K4B2G 0846C	-	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B5273DH0-CH9	4GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B2G08460	-	-	•	•	•
SAMSUNG	M378B1G73AH0-CH9	8GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B4G0846A-HCH9	-	-	•	•	•
Transcend	JM1333KLN-2G	2GB	SS	Transcend	TK483PCW3	-	-	•	•	•
Transcend	TS256MLK64V3N (585541)	2GB	SS	Micron	ICD77 D9LGK	9	-	•	•	•
Transcend	TS256MLK64V3N (566577)	2GB	SS	Hynix	H5TQ2G83BFR	9	-	•	•	•
Transcend	TS256MLK64V3N (574206)	2GB	SS	Micron	D9LGK	9	-	•	•	•
Transcend	JM1333KLN-4G (583782)	4GB	DS	Transcend	TK483PCW3	9	-	•	•	•
Transcend	JM1333KLN-4G	4GB	DS	Transcend	TK483PCW3	-	-	•	•	•
Transcend	TS512MLK64V3N (585538)	4GB	DS	Micron	IED27 D9LGK	9	-	•	•	•
Transcend	TS512MLK64V3N (574831)	4GB	DS	Micron	D9LGK	9	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT1GHU64B8F1333S	1GB	SS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F	-	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT1GHU72C8G1333S	1GB	SS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F(ECC)	-	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT2GHU64B8G1333M	2GB	DS	Micron	D9KPT	-	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT2GHU64B8G1333S	2GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F	-	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT2GHU72D8G1333M	2GB	DS	Micron	D9KPT(ECC)	-	-	•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT2GHU72D8G1333S	2GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F(ECC)	-		•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT4GHU64B8H1333H	4GB	DS	Hynix	H5TQ2G83AFR	-		•	•	•
ACTICA	ACT4GHU72D8H1333H	4GB	DS	Hynix	H5TQ2G83AFR(ECC)	-		•	•	•
ATP	AQ56M72E8BJH9S	2GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B1G0846F(ECC)			•	•	
ATP	AQ12M72E8BKH9S	4GB	DS	SAMSUNG	K4B2G0846C(ECC)			•	•	
BUFFALO	D3U1333-1G	1GB	SS	Elpida	J1108BFBG-DJ-F	-	-	•	•	•
BUFFALO	D3U1333-2G	2GB	DS	Elpida	J1108BFBG-DJ-F			•	•	
BUFFALO	D3U1333-4G	4GB	DS	NANYA	NT5CB256M8BN-CG			•	•	•
EK Memory	EKM324L28BP8-I13	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS	-	-	9	-	•	•	-
Elixir	M2F2G64CB88B7N-CG	2GB	SS	Elixir	N2CB2G808N-CG	-	-	•	•	
Elixir	M2F2G64CB88D7N-CG	2GB	SS	Elixir	M2CB2G8BDN-CG			•		
Elixir	M2F4G64CB8HB5N-CG	4GB	DS	Elixir	N2CB2G808N-CG			•		
Elixir	M2F4G64CB8HD5N-CG	4GB	DS	Elixir	M2CB2G8BDN-CG					
GoodRam	GR1333D364L9/2G	2GB	DS	Qimonda	IDSH1G-03A1F1 C-13H	-		•	•	•
KINGTIGER	F10DA2T1680	2GB	DS	KINGTIGER	KTG1333PS1208 NST-C9	-		•	•	•
KINGTIGER	KTG2G1333PG3	2GB	DS					•		
Patriot	PSD32G13332	2GB	DS	Prtriot	PM128M8D3BU-15	9		•		
Patriot	PGS34G1333LLKA	4GB(2 x 2GB)	DS			7-7-7-20	1.7			
Patriot	PG38G1333EL(XMP)	8GB	DS				1.5	•		
SanMax	SMD4G68H1P-13HZ	4GB	DS	Hynix	H5TQ2G83BFRH9C		1.5			
RIDATA	C304627CB1AG22Fe	2GB	DS	RIDATA	C304627CB1AG2 2Fe	9	-	•	•	•
Ridata	E304459CB1AG32Cf	4GB	DS	RIDATA	E304459CB1AG3 2Cf	9		•	•	•
Silicon Power	SP001GBLTE133S01	1GB	SS	NANYA	NT5CB128M8AN-CG	-		•	•	•
Silicon Power	SP001GBLTU1333S01	1GB	SS	NANYA	NT5CB128M8AN-CG	-		•	•	
Silicon Power	SP001GBLTU133S02	1GB	SS	S-POWER	10YT3E5	9				
Silicon Power	SP002GBLTE133S01	2GB	DS	NANYA	NT5CB128M8AN-CG				•	
Silicon Power	SP002GBLTU133S02	2GB	DS	S-POWER	10YT3E0	9				+
Team	TXD31024M1333C7(XMP)	1GB	SS	Team	T3D1288LT-13	7-7-7-21	1.75			-
Team	TXD31048M1333C7-D(XMP)	1GB	SS	Team	T3D1288LT-13	7-7-7-21	1.75		-	
Team	TXD31048M1333C7-D(XMP)	2GB	DS	Team	T3D1288LT-13	7-7-7-21	1.75	-		



Side(s): SS - Single-sided DS - Double-sided DIMM support:

- 1 DIMM: Supports one (1) module inserted into any slot as Single-channel memory configuration. We suggest that you install the module into A2 slot.
- 2 DIMMs: Supports two (2) modules inserted into either the blue slots or the black slots as one pair of Dual-channel memory configuration. We suggest that you install the modules into slots A2 and B2 for better compatibility.
- 4 DIMMs: Supports four (4) modules inserted into both the blue and black slots as two pairs of Dual-channel memory configuration.

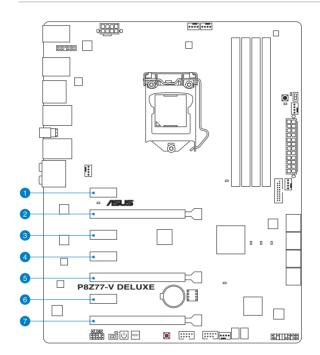


- ASUS exclusively provides hyper DIMM support function.
- Hyper DIMM support is subject to the physical characteristics of individual CPUs. Load the X.M.P. or D.O.C.P. settings in the BIOS for the hyper DIMM support.
- Visit the ASUS website for the latest QVL.

2.2.4 Expansion slots



Ensure to unplug the power cord before adding or removing expansion cards. Failure to do so may cause you physical injury and damage motherboard components.



Slot No.	Slot Description
1	PCle 2.0 x1_1 slot
2	PCIe 3.0/2.0 x16_1 slot (single at x16 or dual at x8/x8 mode)
3	PCle 2.0 x1_2 slot
4	PCle 2.0 x1_3 slot
5	PCIe 3.0/2.0 x16_2 slot (at x8 mode)
6	PCle 2.0 x1_4 slot
7	PCIe 2.0 x16_3 slot [black] (at x4 mode, compatible with PCIe x1 and x4 devices)

	PCI Express operating mode						
VGA configuration	PCle 3.0/2.0 x16_1	PCle 3.0/2.0 x16_2					
Single VGA/PCIe card	x16 (Recommend for single VGA)	N/A					
Dual VGA/PCIe card	x8	x8					



- In single VGA card mode, use the PCIe 3.0/2.0 x16_1 slot (navy blue) for a PCI Express x16 graphics card to get better performance.
- In CrossFireX[™] or SLI[™] mode, use the PCle 3.0/2.0 x16_1 and PCle 3.0/2.0 x16_2 slots for PCl Express x16 graphics cards to get better performance.
- We recommend that you provide sufficient power when running CrossFireX[™] or SLI[™] mode. Refer to page 2-31 for details.
- Connect a chassis fan to the motherboard connector labeled CHA_FAN1/2 when using multiple graphics cards for better thermal environment. See page 2-30 for details.
- The PCIe 3.0 speed is supported by Intel[®] 3rd generation Core™ processors.
- The PClex1_2 shares bandwidth with SATA6G_E12. SATA6G_E12 is enabled by default for system resource optimization.

	Α	в	С	D	E	F	G	н
Intel PCH SATA Controller #0	-	-	-	shared	-	-	-	-
Intel PCH SATA Controller #1	-	-	-	shared	-	-	-	-
SMBUS Controller		-	shared	-	-	-	-	-
Thermal Controller		-	shared	_	-	-	-	-
EHCI #0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	shared
EHCI #1	shared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PCIE x16_1	shared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PCIE x16_2		shared	_	_	-	_	-	-
PCIE x16_3	shared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASMedia USB 3.0 #0	shared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASMedia USB 3.0 #1	-	-	shared	-	-	-	-	-
Intel 82579V LAN	-	-	-	_	shared	-	-	-
PEX 8608 PCIE Bridge	-	-	_	shared	-	_	_	-
ASMedia SATA Controller	shared	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marvell 9128 Hardware RAID Controller	_	shared	-	_	_	-	_	-

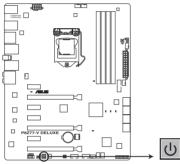
IRQ assignments for this motherboard

2.2.5 Onboard switches

Onboard switches allow you to fine-tune performance when working on a bare or opencase system. This is ideal for overclockers and gamers who continually change settings to enhance system performance.

1. Power-on switch

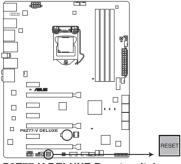
The motherboard comes with a power-on switch that allows you to power up or wake up the system. The switch also lights up when the system is plugged to a power source indicating that you should shut down the system and unplug the power cable before removing or plugging in any motherboard component. The illustration below shows the location of the onboard power-on switch.



P8Z77-V DELUXE Power on switch

2. Reset switch

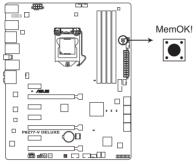
Press the reset switch to reboot the system.



P8Z77-V DELUXE Reset switch

3. MemOK! switch

Installing DIMMs that are incompatible with the motherboard may cause system boot failure, and the DRAM_LED near the MemOK! switch lights continuously. Press and hold the MemOK! switch until the DRAM_LED starts blinking to begin automatic memory compatibility tuning for successful boot.



P8Z77-V DELUXE MemOK! switch



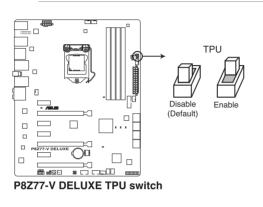
- Refer to section 2.2.6 Onboard LEDs for the exact location of the DRAM_LED.
- The DRAM_LED also lights when the DIMM is not properly installed. Turn off the system and reinstall the DIMM before using the MemOK! function.
- The MemOK! switch does not function under Windows™ OS environment.
- During the tuning process, the system loads and tests failsafe memory settings. It takes about 30 seconds for the system to test one set of failsafe settings. If the test fails, the system reboots and test the next set of failsafe settings. The blinking speed of the DRAM_LED increases, indicating different test processes.
- Due to memory tuning requirement, the system automatically reboots when each timing set is tested. If the installed DIMMs still fail to boot after the whole tuning process, the DRAM_LED lights continuously. Replace the DIMMs with ones recommended in the Memory QVL (Qualified Vendors Lists) in this user manual or on the ASUS website at www.asus.com.
- If you turn off the computer and replace DIMMs during the tuning process, the system continues memory tuning after turning on the computer. To stop memory tuning, turn off the computer and unplug the power cord for about 5–10 seconds.
- If your system fail to boot due to BIOS overclocking, press the MemOK! switch to boot and load BIOS default settings. A messgae will appear during POST reminding you that the BIOS has been restored to its default settings.
- We recommend that you download and update to the latest BIOS version from the ASUS website at www.asus.com after using the MemOK! function.

4. TPU switch

Turning this switch to **Enable** will automatically optimize the system for fast, yet stable clock speeds.

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For ensuring the system performance, turn the switch setting to **Enable** when the system is powered off.



The TPU LED (O2LED2) near the TPU switch lights when the switch setting is turned to **Enable**. Refer to section **2.2.6 Onboard LEDs** for the exact location of the TPU LED.

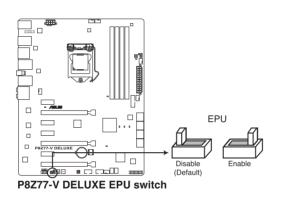
- If you change the switch setting to Enable under the OS environment, the TPU function will be activated after the next system bootup.
- You may use the TurboV and Auto Tuning feature in the TurboV EVO application, adjust the BIOS setup program, or enable the TPU switch at the same time. However, the system will use the last setting you have made.

5. EPU switch

Turning this switch to **Enable** will automatically detect the current PC loadings and intelligently moderate the power consumption.

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For ensuring the system performance, turn the switch setting to **Enable** when the system is powered off.





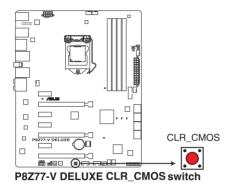
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The EPU LED (O2LED3) near the EPU switch lights when the switch setting is turned to **Enable**. Refer to section **2.2.6 Onboard LEDs** for the exact location of the EPU LED.

- If you change the switch setting to Enable under the OS environment, the EPU function will be activated after the next system bootup.
- You may change the EPU settings in the software application or BIOS setup program, and enable the EPU function at the same time. However, the system will use the last setting you have made.

6. Clear CMOS switch

Turning this switch to clear the BIOS setup information, only when the systems hangs due to overclocking.

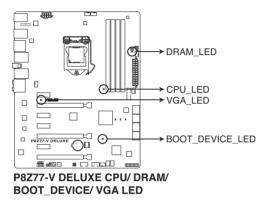


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2.2.6 Onboard LEDs

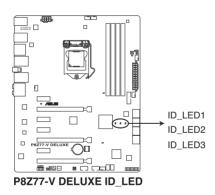
1. POST State LEDs

The POST State LEDs of CPU, DRAM, VGA card, and HDD indicate key components status during POST (Power-on Self Test). If an error is found , the LED next to the error device will continue lighting until the problem is solved. This user-friendly design provides an intuitional way to locate the root problem within a second.



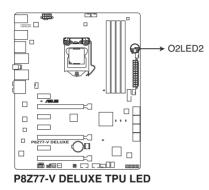
2. ID LEDs

The ID LEDs provide an elegant embellishment to the motherboard design.



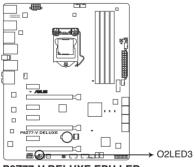
3. TPU LED

The TPU LED lights when the TPU switch is turned to **Enable**.



4. EPU LED

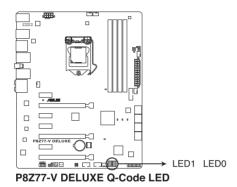
The EPU LED lights when the EPU switch is turned to **Enable**.



P8Z77-V DELUXE EPU LED

5. Q-Code LEDs

The Q-Code LED design provides you the 2-digit display, allowing you to know the system status. Refer to the Q-Code table below for details.



Q-Code table

Code	Description
00	Not used
01	Power on. Reset type detection (soft/hard).
02	AP initialization before microcode loading
03	System Agent initialization before microcode loading
04	PCH initialization before microcode loading
06	Microcode loading
07	AP initialization after microcode loading
08	System Agent initialization after microcode loading
09	PCH initialization after microcode loading
0B	Cache initialization
0C – 0D	Reserved for future AMI SEC error codes
0E	Microcode not found
0F	Microcode not loaded
10	PEI Core is started
11 – 14	Pre-memory CPU initialization is started
15 – 18	Pre-memory System Agent initialization is started
19 – 1C	Pre-memory PCH initialization is started
2B – 2F	Memory initialization
30	Reserved for ASL (see ASL Status Codes section below)
31	Memory Installed
32 – 36	CPU post-memory initialization
37 – 3A	Post-Memory System Agent initialization is started

Q-Code table (continued)

Code	Description
3B – 3E	Post-Memory PCH initialization is started
<u>36 - 32</u> 4F	DXE IPL is started
46	Memory initialization error. Invalid memory type or incompatible memory
50 - 53	speed
54	Unspecified memory initialization error
55	Memory not installed
56	Invalid CPU type or Speed
57	CPU mismatch
58	CPU self test failed or possible CPU cache error
59	CPU micro-code is not found or micro-code update is failed
5A	Internal CPU error
5B	Reset PPI is not available
5C – 5F	Reserved for future AMI error codes
E0	S3 Resume is stared (S3 Resume PPI is called by the DXE IPL)
E1	S3 Boot Script execution
E2	Video repost
E3	OS S3 wake vector call
E4 – E7	Reserved for future AMI progress codes
E8	S3 Resume Failed
E9	S3 Resume PPI not Found
EA	S3 Resume Boot Script Error
EB	S3 OS Wake Error
EC – EF	Reserved for future AMI error codes
F0	Recovery condition triggered by firmware (Auto recovery)
F1	Recovery condition triggered by user (Forced recovery)
F2	Recovery process started
F3	Recovery firmware image is found
F4	Recovery firmware image is loaded
F5 – F7	Reserved for future AMI progress codes
F8	Recovery PPI is not available
F9	Recovery capsule is not found
FA	Invalid recovery capsule
FB – FF	Reserved for future AMI error codes
60	DXE Core is started
61	NVRAM initialization
62	Installation of the PCH Runtime Services
63 - 67	CPU DXE initialization is started
68	PCI host bridge initialization
69	System Agent DXE initialization is started
6A	System Agent DXE SMM initialization is started

Q-Code table (continued)

Code	Description
6B – 6F	System Agent DXE initialization (System Agent module specific)
70	PCH DXE initialization is started
71	PCH DXE SMM initialization is started
72	PCH devices initialization
73 – 77	PCH DXE Initialization (PCH module specific)
78	ACPI module initialization
79	CSM initialization
7A – 7F	Reserved for future AMI DXE codes
90	Boot Device Selection (BDS) phase is started
91	Driver connecting is started
92	PCI Bus initialization is started
93	PCI Bus Hot Plug Controller Initialization
94	PCI Bus Enumeration
95	PCI Bus Request Resources
96	PCI Bus Assign Resources
97	Console Output devices connect
98	Console input devices connect
99	Super IO Initialization
9A	USB initialization is started
9B	USB Reset
9C	USB Detect
9D	USB Enable
9E – 9F	Reserved for future AMI codes
<u>A0</u>	IDE initialization is started
<u>A1</u>	IDE Reset
A2	IDE Detect
<u>A3</u>	IDE Enable
A4	SCSI initialization is started
A5	SCSI Reset
A6	SCSI Detect
<u>A7</u>	SCSI Enable
<u>A8</u>	Setup Verifying Password
<u>A9</u>	Start of Setup
AA	Reserved for ASL (see ASL Status Codes section below)
AB	Setup Input Wait
AC	Reserved for ASL (see ASL Status Codes section below)
AD	Ready To Boot event
AE	Legacy Boot event
AF	Exit Boot Services event
B0	Runtime Set Virtual Address MAP Begin

Q-Code table (continued)

Code	Description
B1	Runtime Set Virtual Address MAP End
B2	Legacy Option ROM Initialization
B3	System Reset
B4	USB hot plug
B5	PCI bus hot plug
B6	Clean-up of NVRAM
B7	Configuration Reset (reset of NVRAM settings)
B8– BF	Reserved for future AMI codes
D0	CPU initialization error
D1	System Agent initialization error
D2	PCH initialization error
D3	Some of the Architectural Protocols are not available
D4	PCI resource allocation error. Out of Resources
D5	No Space for Legacy Option ROM
D6	No Console Output Devices are found
D7	No Console Input Devices are found
D8	Invalid password
D9	Error loading Boot Option (LoadImage returned error)
DA	Boot Option is failed (StartImage returned error)
DB	Flash update is failed
DC	Reset protocol is not available

ACPI/ASL Checkpoints

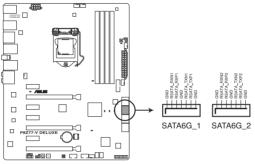
Code	Description
0x01	System is entering S1 sleep state
0x02	System is entering S2 sleep state
0x03	System is entering S3 sleep state
0x04	System is entering S4 sleep state
0x05	System is entering S5 sleep state
0x10	System is waking up from the S1 sleep state
0x20	System is waking up from the S2 sleep state
0x30	System is waking up from the S3 sleep state
0x40	System is waking up from the S4 sleep state
0xAC	System has transitioned into ACPI mode. Interrupt controller is in PIC mode.
0xAA	System has transitioned into ACPI mode. Interrupt controller is in APIC mode.

2.2.7 Internal connectors

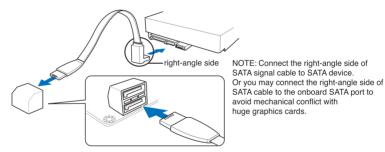
1. Intel[®] Z77 Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors (7-pin SATA6G_1/2 [gray])

These connectors connect to Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s hard disk drives via Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s signal cables.

If you installed Serial ATA hard disk drives, you can create a RAID 0, 1, 5, and 10 configuration with the Intel[®] Rapid Storage Technology through the onboard Intel[®] Z77 chipset.



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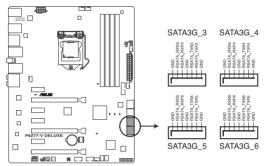


- These connectors are set to [AHCI Mode] by default. If you intend to create a Serial ATA RAID set using these connectors, set the SATA Mode item in the BIOS to [RAID Mode]. Refer to section 3.5.3 SATA Configuration for details.
- Before creating a RAID set, refer to section 4.4 RAID configurations or the manual bundled in the motherboard support DVD.
- When using NCQ, set the SATA Mode in the BIOS to [AHCI Mode]. Refer to section 3.5.3 SATA Configuration for details.
- You must install Windows[®] XP Service Pack 3 or later versions before using Serial ATA hard disk drives. The Serial ATA RAID feature is available only if you are using Windows[®] XP SP3 or later versions.

2. Intel[®] Z77 Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s connectors (7-pin SATA3G_3-6 [blue])

These connectors connect to Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s hard disk drives and optical disc drives via Serial ATA 3.0 Gb/s signal cables.

If you installed Serial ATA hard disk drives, you can create a RAID 0, 1, 5, and 10 configuration with the Intel[®] Rapid Storage Technology through the onboard Intel[®] Z77 chipset.



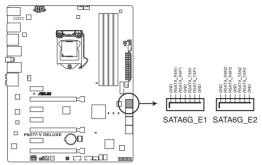
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- These connectors are set to [AHCI Mode] by default. If you intend to create a Serial ATA RAID set using these connectors, set the SATA Mode item in the BIOS to [RAID Mode]. Refer to section 3.5.3 SATA Configuration for details.
- Before creating a RAID set, refer to section 4.4 RAID configurations or the manual bundled in the motherboard support DVD.
- When using NCQ, set the SATA Mode in the BIOS to [AHCI Mode]. Refer to section 3.5.3 SATA Configuration for details.
- You must install Windows[®] XP Service Pack 3 or later versions before using Serial ATA hard disk drives. The Serial ATA RAID feature is available only if you are using Windows[®] XP SP3 or later versions.

3. Marvell[®] Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors (7-pin SATA6G_E1/E2 [navy blue])

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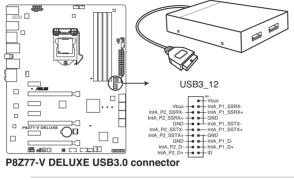
P8Z77-V DELUXE Marvell® SATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors



- You must install Windows[®] XP Service Pack 3 or later versions before using Serial ATA hard disk drives.
- When using NCQ, set the Marvell Storage Controller item in the BIOS to [Enabled]. Refer to section 3.5.6 Onboard Devices Configuration for details.
- Press <Ctrl> + <M> during POST to enter the Marvell RAID utility to create or delete a RAID configuration.
- If you want to install a Windows operating system to a RAID configuration created using the Marvell SATA controller, you have to create a RAID driver disk using the motherboard support DVD and load the driver during OS installation. For 32/64bit Windows XP OS, load first the Marvell shared library driver, and then load Marvell 91xx SATA Controller Driver. For Windows Vista / Windows 7 OS, load only the Marvell 91xx SATA Controller Driver.
- Connect one HDD and one SSD to Marvell[®]SATA6G_E1/E2 connectors for a high performance of ASUS SSD Caching.
- The SATA6G_E1/E2 connectors are recommended for regular use.

4. USB 3.0 connector (20-1 pin USB3_12)

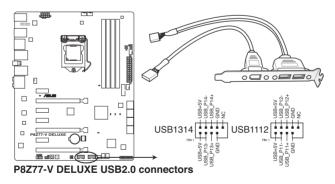
This connector is for the additional USB 3.0 ports, and complies with the USB 3.0 specificaton that supports up to 480 MBps connection speed. If the USB 3.0 front panel cable is available from your system chassis, with this USB 3.0 connector, you can have a front panel USB 3.0 solution.



The USB 3.0 box is purchased separately.
 Due to Intel[®] limitations, the USB3_12 only supports Windows[®] 7 operating system.

5. USB 2.0 connectors (10-1 pin USB1112; USB1314)

These connectors are for USB 2.0 ports. Connect the USB module cable to any of these connectors, then install the module to a slot opening at the back of the system chassis. These USB connectors comply with USB 2.0 specification that supports up to 48 MBps connection speed.





Never connect a 1394 cable to the USB connectors. Doing so will damage the motherboard!

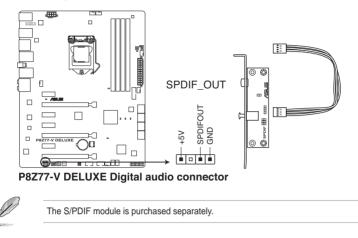
You can connect the front panel USB cable to the ASUS Q-Connector (USB, blue) first, and then install the Q-Connector (USB) to the USB connector onboard if your chassis supports front panel USB ports.



The USB 2.0 module is purchased separately.

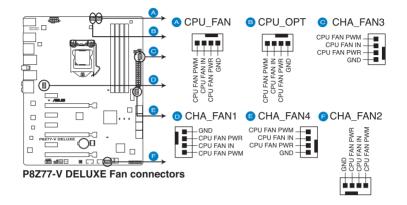
6. Digital audio connector (4-1 pin SPDIF_OUT)

This connector is for an additional Sony/Philips Digital Interface (S/PDIF) port(s). Connect the S/PDIF Out module cable to this connector, then install the module to a slot opening at the back of the system chassis.



7. CPU, chassis, and power fan connectors (4-pin CPU_FAN; 4-pin CPU_OPT; 4-pin CHA_FAN1-4)

Connect the fan cables to the fan connectors on the motherboard, ensuring that the black wire of each cable matches the ground pin of the connector.



Do not forget to connect the fan cables to the fan connectors. Insufficient air flow inside the system may damage the motherboard components. These are not jumpers! Do not place jumper caps on the fan connectors!

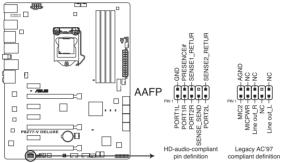


- The CPU_FAN connector supports the CPU fan of maximum 1A (12 W) fan power.
- Only the CPU_FAN, CHA_FAN 1/2/3/4 connectors support the ASUS FAN Xpert 2 feature.
- If you install two VGA cards, we recommend that you plug the rear chassis fan cable to the motherboard connector labeled CHA_FAN1 or CHA_FAN2 for better thermal environment.

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8. Front panel audio connector (10-1 pin AAFP)

This connector is for a chassis-mounted front panel audio I/O module that supports either HD Audio or legacy AC`97 audio standard. Connect one end of the front panel audio I/O module cable to this connector.

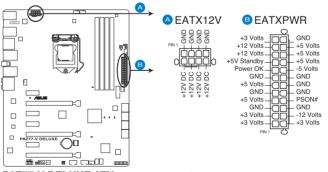


P8Z77-V DELUXE Analog front panel connector

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- We recommend that you connect a high-definition front panel audio module to this connector to avail of the motherboard's high-definition audio capability.
- If you want to connect a high-definition front panel audio module to this connector, set the Front Panel Type item in the BIOS setup to [HD]; if you want to connect an AC'97 front panel audio module to this connector, set the item to [AC97]. By default, this connector is set to [HD].

9. ATX power connectors (24-pin EATXPWR; 8-pin EATX12V)

These connectors are for ATX power supply plugs. The power supply plugs are designed to fit these connectors in only one orientation. Find the proper orientation and push down firmly until the connectors completely fit.



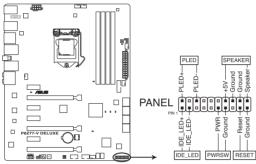
P8Z77-V DELUXE ATX power connectors



- For a fully configured system, we recommend that you use a power supply unit (PSU) that complies with ATX 12 V Specification 2.0 (or later version) and provides a minimum power of 350 W.
- Do not forget to connect the 4-pin/8-pin EATX12 V power plug; otherwise, the system will not boot.
- Use of a PSU with a higher power output is recommended when configuring a system with more power-consuming devices. The system may become unstable or may not boot up if the power is inadequate.
- If you want to use two or more high-end PCI Express x16 cards, use a PSU with 1000W power or above to ensure the system stability.
- If you are uncertain about the minimum power supply requirement for your system, refer to the Recommended Power Supply Wattage Calculator at http://support.asus. com/PowerSupplyCalculator/PSCalculator.aspx?SLanguage=en-us for details.

10. System panel connector (20-8 pin PANEL)

This connector supports several chassis-mounted functions.



P8Z77-V DELUXE System panel connector

System power LED (2-pin PLED)

This 2-pin connector is for the system power LED. Connect the chassis power LED cable to this connector. The system power LED lights up when you turn on the system power, and blinks when the system is in sleep mode.

Hard disk drive activity LED (2-pin IDE_LED)

This 2-pin connector is for the HDD Activity LED. Connect the HDD Activity LED cable to this connector. The IDE LED lights up or flashes when data is read from or written to the HDD.

System warning speaker (4-pin SPEAKER)

This 4-pin connector is for the chassis-mounted system warning speaker. The speaker allows you to hear system beeps and warnings.

ATX power button/soft-off button (2-pin PWRSW)

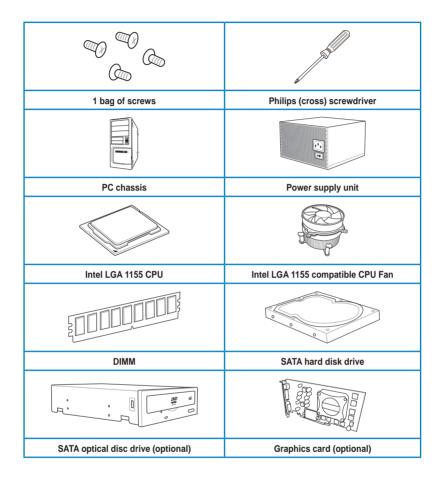
This connector is for the system power button. Pressing the power button turns the system on or puts the system in sleep or soft-off mode depending on the BIOS settings. Pressing the power switch for more than four seconds while the system is ON turns the system OFF.

Reset button (2-pin RESET)

This 2-pin connector is for the chassis-mounted reset button for system reboot without turning off the system power.

2.3 Building your computer system

2.3.1 Additional tools and components to build a PC system



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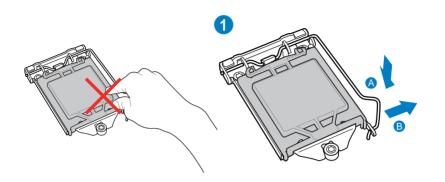
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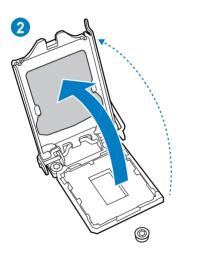
The tools and components in the table above are not included in the motherboard package.

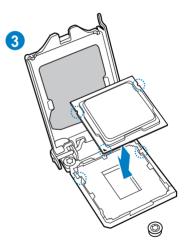
2.3.2 CPU installation



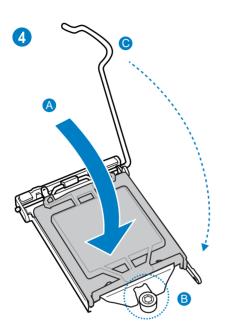
The LGA1156 CPU is incompatible with the LGA1155 socket. DO NOT install a LGA1156 CPU on the LGA1155 socket.

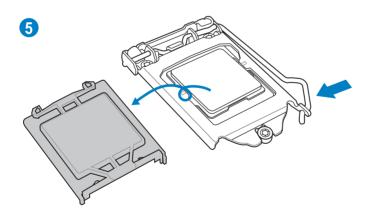






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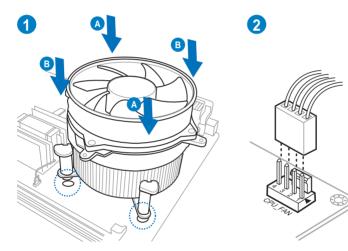


2.3.3 CPU heatsink and fan assembly installation



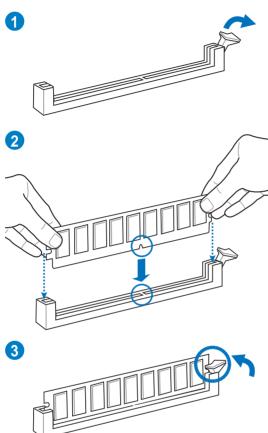
Apply the Thermal Interface Material to the CPU heatsink and CPU before you install the heatsink and fan if necessary.

To install the CPU heatsink and fan assembly

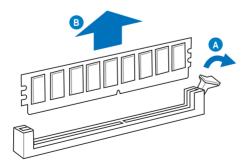


To uninstall the CPU heatsink and fan assembly

2.3.4 DIMM installation



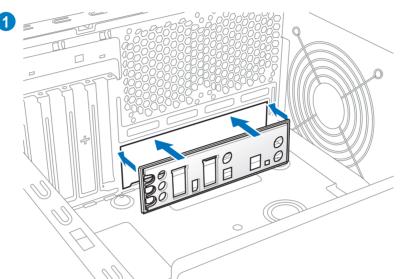
To remove a DIMM



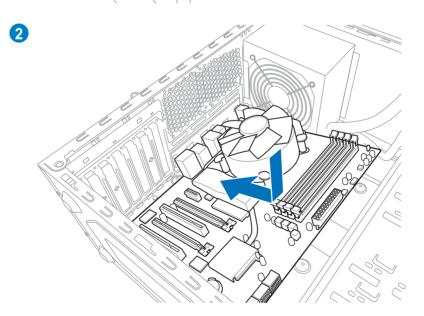
2.3.5 Motherboard installation

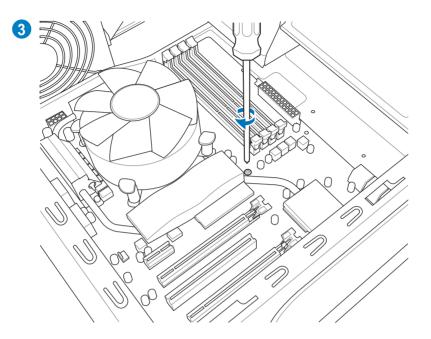


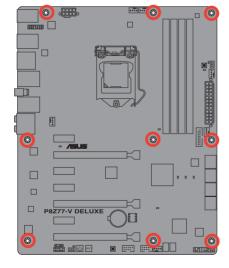
The diagrams in this section are for reference only. The motherboard layout may vary with models, but the installation steps remain the same.







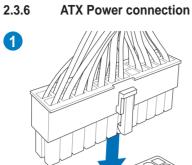




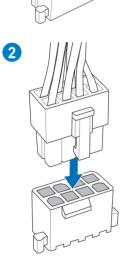


DO NOT overtighten the screws! Doing so can damage the motherboard.

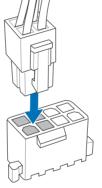
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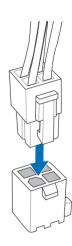






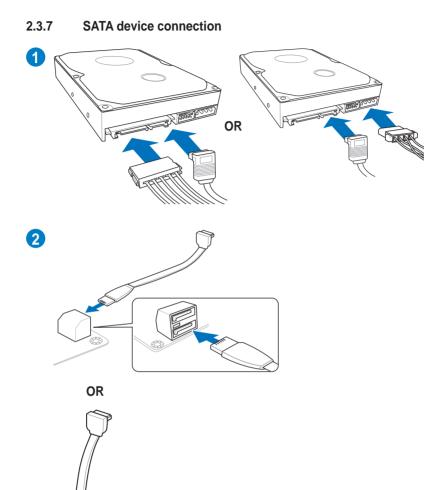
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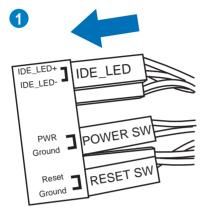
Chapter 2: Hardware information

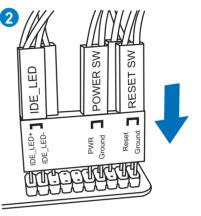


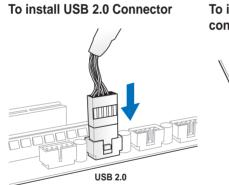
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2.3.8 Front I/O Connector

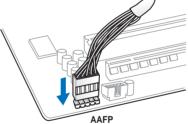
To install ASUS Q-Connector



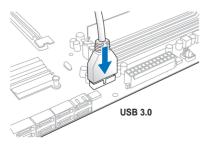




To install front panel audio connector

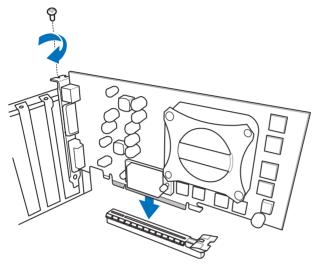


To install USB 3.0 Connector

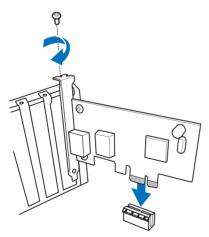


2.3.9 Expansion Card installation

To install PCIe x16 cards



To install PCIe x1 cards

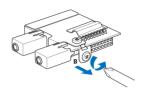


2.3.10 Wireless and Bluetooth Module Installation Wi-Fi 802.11a/b/g/n, Bluetooth v4.0/3.0 + HS

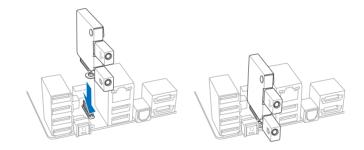


Ensure to disconnect the power supply unit from the motherboard before installing/ uninstalling the Wireless and Bluetooth Module.

1. Unfasten screw B from the Wireless & Bluetooth Module.



 Align the Module to the BT4 connector (the second item at the motherboard's back IO area). Connect the pins and make sure the screw hole matches the hole on the motherboard.



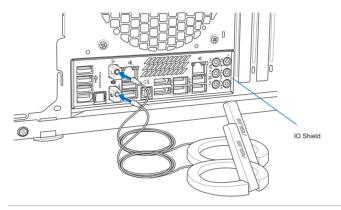
 Be sure to secure the Module to the motherboard by properly fastening screw B from underneath the motherboard.





The module MUST be screwed to the motherboard to avoid loosening during use.
 Handle the screwdriver with care to avoid scratching the motherboard and causing defects.

- 4. Attach the IO shield onto the computer chassis, and place the motherboard flatly into the chassis.
- 5. Fasten the screws onto the motherboard.
- 6. Locate the connecting jacks of the Module from the exterior IO area of the computer chassis, and attach the Wi-Fi Bluetooth Ring Moving Antenna. When you hear the clicking sound, the antenna connectors are properly inserted. Give a slight pull to determine that the installation is complete.





Be sure to install the BT4 driver before installing the Wi-Fi GO! software.

2.3.11 USB BIOS Flashback

USB BIOS Flashback offers the most convenient way to flash the BIOS. It allows overclockers to try new BIOS versions easily without having to enter their existing BIOS or operating system. Just plug in USB storage and push the dedicated button for 3 seconds, and the BIOS is automatically flashed using standby power. Worry-free overclocking for the ultimate convenience!

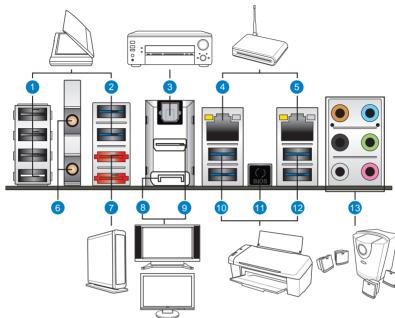
- 1 Download the BIOS Flashback program from the ASUS service website (www.asus.com). Save it to a USB portable disk, and place it in the root directory.
- 2 Plug the USB flash drive to the bottom port LAN1_USB3_34 connector in the back I/O.
- 3 Press the BIOS Flashback button for 3 seconds, and the light will begin to flash (on the third second).
- 4 The Flashback function is enabled once the light starts to flash.
- 5 The flashing rate of the light signal accelerates along with the updating speed.
- 6. BIOS update is complete once the light signal goes out.



USB BIOS Flashback port

- Do not unplug portable disk, power system, or press the CLR_CMOS button while BIOS update is ongoing, otherwise update will be interrupted. In case of interruption, please follow the recommended procedures again to complete BIOS update.
 - 2. If the light flashes for five seconds and turns into a stable lighting, this means that the BIOS Flashback is not operating properly. This may be caused by:1. Improper installation of the portable disk.2. Error in file name or incompatibility in file format.If this is the case, please restart the system to turn off the light.
- Updating BIOS may have risks. If the BIOS program is damaged during the process causing the system unable to reboot, please contact the local service station for help.

2.3.12 Rear panel connection



Re	Rear panel connectors					
1.	USB 2.0 ports 5, 6, 7 and 8	8. DisplayPort				
2.	ASMedia USB 3.0 ports 3 and 4, support ASUS USB 3.0 Boost UASP Mode	9. HDMI port				
3.	Optical S/PDIF Out port	10. ASMedia USB 3.0 ports 1 and 2, support ASUS USB 3.0 Boost UASP Mode				
4.	Realtek [®] LAN (RJ-45) port**	11. USB BIOS Flashback button				
5.	Intel [®] LAN (RJ-45) port** (Recommended for single LAN usage)	 Intel USB 3.0 ports 3 and 4, support ASUS USB 3.0 Boost UASP Mode. Bottom port supports USB BIOS Flashback and USB Charger+ 				
6.	ASUS Wi-Fi GO! card (Wi-Fi 802.11 and Bluetooth v4.0/30.+HS)*	13. Audio I/O ports***				
7.	External SATA ports 1 and 2					

*, ** and ***: Refer to the tables on the next page for LAN port LED, and audio port definitions.



Due to Intel[®] limitations, the USB3_1-2 only support Windows[®] 7 operating system.



- Press the Clear CMOS switch to clear BIOS setup information only when the system hangs due to overclocking.
- DO NOT insert a different connector to the external SATA port.
- Due to USB 3.0 controller limitation, USB 3.0 devices can only be used under Windows[®] OS environment and after the USB 3.0 driver installation.
- USB 3.0 devices can only be used as data storage only.
- We strongly recommend that you connect USB 3.0 devices to USB 3.0 ports for faster and better performance for your USB 3.0 devices.
- If you want to use the hot-plug function of the external SATA ports, you have to set the ASMedia[®] 1061 SATA controllers item in the BIOS setting to [Enabled] and install the ASMedia[®] 1061 SATA controllers from the motherboard support DVD. Refer to section 3.5.6 Onboard Devices Configuration for details.

* Bluetooth module LED indications

Status	Description
Off	No link
Blue	Linked
Blinking	Data activity

* Wi-Fi LED indications

Status	Description
Off	No link
Green	Linked



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ASUS Wi-Fi GO! card automatically sets itself to the country's available Wi-Fi channels,

** LAN ports LED indications

Activity Link LED		Speed LED		
Status	Description	Status	Description	
OFF	No link	OFF	10 Mbps connection	
ORANGE	Linked	ORANGE	100 Mbps connection	
BLINKING	BLINKING Data activity		1 Gbps connection	



*** Audio 2, 4, 6, or 8-channel configuration

Port	Headset 2-channel	4-channel	6-channel	8-channel
Light Blue	Line In	Line In	Line In	Line In
Lime	Line Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out
Pink	Mic In	Mic In	Mic In	Mic In
Orange	-	-	Center/Subwoofer	Center/Subwoofer
Black	-	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out
Gray	-	-	-	Side Speaker Out

2.3.13 Audio I/O connections

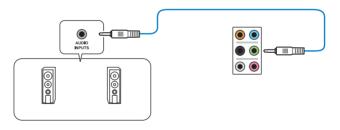
Audio I/O ports



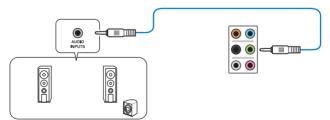
Connect to Headphone and Mic



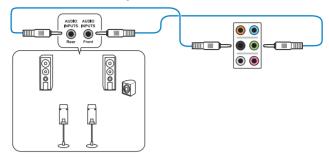
Connect to Stereo Speakers



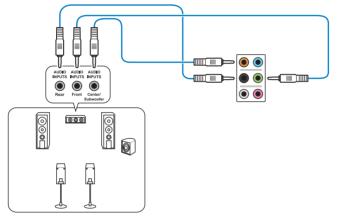
Connect to 2.1 channel Speakers



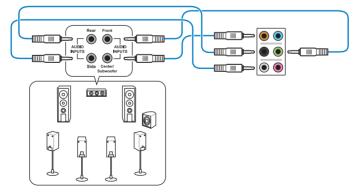
Connect to 4.1 channel Speakers



Connect to 5.1 channel Speakers



Connect to 7.1 channel Speakers





When the DTS UltraPC II function is enabled, ensure to connect the rear speaker to the gray port.

2.4 Starting up for the first time

- 1. After making all the connections, replace the system case cover.
- 2. Be sure that all switches are off.
- 3. Connect the power cord to the power connector at the back of the system chassis.
- 4. Connect the power cord to a power outlet that is equipped with a surge protector.
- 5. Turn on the devices in the following order:
 - a. Monitor
 - b. External SCSI devices (starting with the last device on the chain)
 - c. System power
- 6. After applying power, the system power LED on the system front panel case lights up. For systems with ATX power supplies, the system LED lights up when you press the ATX power button. If your monitor complies with the "green" standards or if it has a "power standby" feature, the monitor LED may light up or change from orange to green after the system LED turns on.

The system then runs the power-on self tests or POST. While the tests are running, the BIOS beeps (refer to the BIOS beep codes table below) or additional messages appear on the screen. If you do not see anything within 30 seconds from the time you turned on the power, the system may have failed a power-on test. Check the jumper settings and connections or call your retailer for assistance.

BIOS Beep	Description
One short beep	VGA detected
	Quick boot set to disabled
	No keyboard detected
One continuous beep followed by two	No memory detected
short beeps then a pause (repeated)	
One continuous beep followed by three short beeps	No VGA detected
One continuous beep followed by four short beeps	Hardware component failure

7. At power on, hold down the <Delete> key to enter the BIOS Setup. Follow the instructions in Chapter 3.

2.5 Turning off the computer

While the system is ON, pressing the power switch for less than four seconds puts the system on sleep mode or soft-off mode, depending on the BIOS setting. Pressing the power switch for more than four seconds lets the system enter the soft-off mode regardless of the BIOS setting. Chapter 2

3.1 Knowing BIOS



The new ASUS UEFI BIOS is a Unified Extensible Interface that complies with UEFI architecture, offering a user-friendly interface that goes beyond the traditional keyboardonly BIOS controls to enable a more flexible and convenient mouse input. Users can easily navigate the new UEFI BIOS with the same smoothness as their operating system. The term "BIOS" in this user manual refers to "UEFI BIOS" unless otherwise specified.

BIOS (Basic Input and Output System) stores system hardware settings such as storage device configuration, overclocking settings, advanced power management, and boot device configuration that are needed for system startup in the motherboard CMOS. In normal circumstances, the default BIOS settings apply to most conditions to ensure optimum performance. We recommend that you not change the default BIOS settings except in the following circumstances:

- An error message appears on the screen during the system bootup and requests you to run the BIOS Setup.
- You have installed a new system component that requires further BIOS settings or update.



Inappropriate settings of the BIOS may result to instability or failure to boot. We strongly recommend that you change the BIOS settings only with the help of a trained service personnel.

3.2 BIOS setup program

A BIOS setup program is provided for BIOS item modification. When you start up the computer, the system provides you with the opportunity to run this program. Press during the Power-On Self-Test (POST) to enter the Setup utility. Otherwise, POST continues with its test routines.

If you wish to enter Setup after POST, press <Ctrl> + <Alt> + <Delete>, or press the reset button on the system chassis to restart the system. You can also turn the system off and then turn it back on to restart the system. Do this last option only if the first two failed.



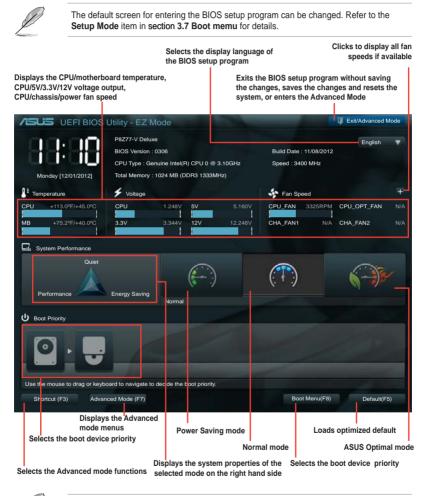
- The BIOS setup screens shown in this section are for reference purposes only, and may not exactly match what you see on your screen.
- Ensure that a USB mouse is connected to your motherboard if you want to use the mouse to control the BIOS setup program.
- If the system becomes unstable after changing any BIOS setting, load the default settings to ensure system compatibility and stability. Select the Load Optimized Defaults item under the Exit menu. See section 3.9 Exit Menu for details.
- If the system fails to boot after changing any BIOS setting, try to clear the CMOS and reset the motherboard to the default value. See section 2.2.5 Onboard switches for information on how to erase the RTC RAM.
- The BIOS setup program does not support the bluetooth devices.

The BIOS setup program is designed to make it as easy to use as possible. Being a menu-driven program, it lets you scroll through the various submenus and select from the available options using a keyboard or a USB mouse.

The BIOS setup program can be used under two modes: **EZ Mode** and **Advanced Mode**. You can change modes from the **Exit** menu or from the **Exit/Advanced Mode** button in the **EZ Mode/Advanced Mode** screen.

3.2.1 EZ Mode

By default, the EZ Mode screen appears when you enter the BIOS setup program. The EZ Mode provides you an overview of the basic system information, and allows you to select the display language, system performance mode and boot device priority. To access the Advanced Mode, click **Exit/Advanced Mode**, then select **Advanced Mode** or press F7 hot key for the advanced BIOS settings.





• The boot device options vary depending on the devices you installed to the system.

 The Boot Menu(F8) button is available only when the boot device is installed to the system.

3.2.2 Advanced Mode

The Advanced Mode provides advanced options for experienced end-users to configure the BIOS settings. The figure below shows an example of the Advanced Mode. Refer to the following sections for the detailed configurations.

To access the Advanced Mode, click Exit, then select Advanced Mode or press F7 hotkey.

Back button Menu items	Menu bar	Configuration fields		General help
/SUS UEFI BIOS Ut	ility - Advanced Mod	le		Ç Exit
:= •	k ⊑0	CI	ڻ ا	-
Main Ai Tw			Boot	Tool
Back Advanced Ont HD Audio Controller Front Panel Type	xoard Devices Configuration >	Enabled HD	Enabled/Dis	sabled Bluetooth Controller
SPDIF Out Type Bluetooth Controller		SPDIF Enabled		
PCI Express X1_2 Slot (Blue	Bluetooth Controller	AUTO		
ASM1061 Storage Controller	Disabled	Enabled		
ASM1061 Storage OPROM	Enabled	Enabled		
ASM1061 Storage Controller	(Rear)	Enabled		
ASM1061 Storage OPROM		Enabled	→←: Select	
Realtek LAN Controller		Enabled	Enter: Sele	
Realtek PXE OPROM		Disabled	F1: Genera F2: Previou	
ASMedia USB 3.0 Controller		Enabled		zed Defaults ESC: Exit
ASMedia USB 3.0 Battery Ch	arging Support	Enabled	F12: Print S	Screen
		ight (C) 2012 American M	egatrends, Inc.	
Submenu item	Pop-up window	Sc	roll bar	Navigation keys

Menu bar

The menu bar on top of the screen has the following main items:

Main	For changing the basic system configuration				
Ai Tweaker	For changing the overclocking settings				
Advanced	For changing the advanced system settings				
Monitor For displaying the system temperature, power status, and changing the fan settings.					
Boot	For changing the system boot configuration				
Tool For configuring options for special functions					
Exit	For selecting the exit options and loading default settings				

Menu items

The highlighted item on the menu bar displays the specific items for that menu. For example, selecting **Main** shows the Main menu items.

The other items (Ai Tweaker, Advanced, Monitor, Boot, Tool, and Exit) on the menu bar have their respective menu items.

Back button

This button appears when entering a submenu. Press <Esc> or use the USB mouse to click this button to return to the previous menu screen.

Submenu items

A greater than sign (>) before each item on any menu screen means that the item has a submenu. To display the submenu, select the item and press <Enter>.

Pop-up window

Select a menu item and press <Enter> to display a pop-up window with the configuration options for that item.

Scroll bar

A scroll bar appears on the right side of a menu screen when there are items that do not fit on the screen. Press the Up/Down arrow keys or <Page Up> / <Page Down> keys to display the other items on the screen.

Navigation keys

At the bottom right corner of the menu screen are the navigation keys for the BIOS setup program. Use the navigation keys to select items in the menu and change the settings.

General help

At the top right corner of the menu screen is a brief description of the selected item. Use <F12> key to capture the BIOS screen and save it to the removable storage device.

Configuration fields

These fields show the values for the menu items. If an item is user-configurable, you can change the value of the field opposite the item. You cannot select an item that is not user-configurable.

A configurable field is highlighted when selected. To change the value of a field, select it and press <Enter> to display a list of options.

3.3 Main menu

The Main menu screen appears when you enter the Advanced Mode of the BIOS Setup program. The Main menu provides you an overview of the basic system information, and allows you to set the system date, time, language, and security settings.

/ISUS UEFI BI	OS Utility - Adva	anced Mode	100	-	Exit
	€ie	Ξθ	C.	ц С	a
Main	Ai Tweaker		Monitor	Boot	
1.00					
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Security

The Security menu items allow you to change the system security settings.

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- If you have forgotten your BIOS password, erase the CMOS Real Time Clock (RTC) RAM to clear the BIOS password. See section **2.3.5 Onboard switches** for information on how to erase the RTC RAM.
- The Administrator or User Password items on top of the screen show the default Not Installed. After you set a password, these items show Installed.

Administrator Password

If you have set an administrator password, we recommend that you enter the administrator password for accessing the system. Otherwise, you might be able to see or change only selected fields in the BIOS setup program.

To set an administrator password:

- 1. Select the Administrator Password item and press <Enter>.
- 2. From the Create New Password box, key in a password, then press <Enter>.
- 3. Confirm the password when prompted.

To change an administrator password:

- 1. Select the Administrator Password item and press <Enter>.
- From the Enter Current Password box, key in the current password, then press <Enter>.
- 3. From the Create New Password box, key in a new password, then press <Enter>.
- 4. Confirm the password when prompted.

To clear the administrator password, follow the same steps as in changing an administrator password, but press <Enter> when prompted to create/confirm the password. After you clear the password, the **Administrator Password** item on top of the screen shows **Not Installed**.

User Password

If you have set a user password, you must enter the user password for accessing the system. The **User Password** item on top of the screen shows the default **Not Installed**. After you set a password, this item shows **Installed**.

To set a user password:

- 1. Select the User Password item and press <Enter>.
- 2. From the Create New Password box, key in a password, then press <Enter>.
- 3. Confirm the password when prompted.

To change a user password:

- 1. Select the User Password item and press <Enter>.
- From the Enter Current Password box, key in the current password, then press <Enter>.
- 3. From the Create New Password box, key in a new password, then press < Enter>.
- 4. Confirm the password when prompted.

To clear the user password, follow the same steps as in changing a user password, but press <Enter> when prompted to create/confirm the password. After you clear the password, the **User Password** item on top of the screen shows **Not Installed**.

3.4 Ai Tweaker menu

The Ai Tweaker menu items allow you to configure overclocking-related items.

Be cautious when changing the settings of the Ai Tweaker menu items. Incorrect field values can cause the system to malfunction.

The configuration options for this section vary depending on the CPU and DIMM model you installed on the motherboard.

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Scroll down to display the following items:

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DRAM Voltage		Auto	
VCCSA Voltage		Auto	
VCCIO Voltage	1.062V	Auto	
CPU PLL Voltage		Auto	
PCH Voltage		Auto	→←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item
DRAM DATA REF Voltage on CHA		Auto	+/-: Change Opt.
DRAM CTRL REF Voltage on CHA		Auto	F1: General Help F2: Previous Values
DRAM DATA REF Voltage on CHB		Auto	F5: Optimized Defaults F10: Save ESC: Exit
DRAM CTRL REF Voltage on CHB		Auto	F12: Print Screen
CPU Spread Spectrum		Auto	
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Ai Overclock Tuner [Auto]

Allows you to select the CPU overclocking options to achieve the desired CPU internal frequency. Select any of these preset overclocking configuration options:

[Auto] Loads the optimal settings for the system.

[Manual] Allows you to individually set overclocking parameters.

[X.M.P.] If you install memory modules supporting the eXtreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.) Technology, choose this item to set the profiles supported by your memory modules for optimizing the system performance.

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The following two items appear only when you set the Ai Overclocking Tuner to [Manual].

BCLK/PCIE Frequency [XXX]

Allows you to adjust the CPU and VGA frequency to enhance the system performance. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. You can also key in the desired value using the numeric keypad. The values range from 80.0MHz to 300.0MHz.

eXtreme Memory Profile

This item appears only when you set the Ai Overclocking Tuner item to [X.M.P.] and allows you to select the X.M.P. mode supported by your memory module.

Configuration options: [Profile #1] [Profile #2]

Turbo Ratio [Auto]

Allows you to set the CPU ratio automatically or manually.

[Auto] Sets all Turbo Ratio to Intel[®] CPU default settings automatically.

[Manual] Sets the Turbo Ratio for every core-activation condition of a full unlocked CPU manually.



When the Turbo Ratio is set to [Manual], the following item appears:

Ratio Synchronizing Control [Enabled]

[Enabled] Allows you to set an individual Turbo Ratio for every core-activation condition [Disabled] Allows you to set one single Turbo Ratio for all core-activation conditions.

1-Core Ratio Limit [Auto]

Allows you to set the 1-Core Ratio Limit

[Auto] Select to apply the CPU default Turbo Ratio setting

[Manual] Select to to manually assign a 1-Core Ration Limit value that is higher than or equal to the 2-Core Ratio Limit.

2-Core Ratio Limit [Auto]

Allows you to set the 2-Core Ratio Limit

[Auto] Select to apply the CPU default Turbo Ratio setting

[Manual] Select to to manually assign a 2-Core Ratio Limit value that is higher than or equal to the 3-Core Ratio Limit. 1-Core Limit must not be set to [Auto]

3-Core Ratio Limit [Auto]

Allows you to set the 3-Core Ratio Limit

[Auto] Select to apply the CPU default Turbo Ratio setting

[Manual] Select to to manually assign a 3-Core Ratio Limit value that is higher than or equal to the 4-Core Ratio Limit. 1-Core/2-Core Ratio Limit must not be set to [Auto]

4-Core Ratio Limit [Auto]

Allows you to set the 4 Core Ratio Limit

[Auto] Select to apply the CPU default Turbo Ratio setting

[Manual] Select to to manually assign a 4-Core Ratio Limit value that is higher than or equal to the 3-Core Ratio Limit. 1-Core/2-Core/3-Core Limit must not be set to [Auto]

Internal PLL Overvoltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the internal PLL voltage. Configuration options: [Auto] [Enabled] [Disabled]

Memory Frequency [Auto]

Allows you to set the memory operating frequency. The configuration options vary with the BCLK/PCIE Frequency item settings.

iGPU Max. Frequency [Auto]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The values range from 900MHz to 3000MHz with a 50MHz interval.

CPU bus speed : DRAM speed ratio mode [Auto]

Allows you to set the CPU bus speed to DRAM speed ratio mode.

[Auto] DRAM speed is set to the optimized settings.

[100:133] The CPU bus speed to DRAM speed ratio is set to 100:133.

[100:100} The CPU bus speed to DRAM speed ratio is set to 100:100.

EPU Power Saving Mode [Disabled]

Allows you to enable or disable the EPU power saving function. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

EPU Setting [Auto]

This item appears only when you set the \mbox{EPU} Power Saving MODE item to [Enabled.] and allows you to select the EPU power saving mode.

Configuration options: [Auto] [Light Power Saving Mode] [Medium Power Saving Mode] [Max Power Saving Mode]

OC Tuner

OC Tuner automatically overclocks the frequency and voltage of CPU and DRAM for enhancing the system performance. Configuration options: [OK] [Cancel]

DRAM Timing Control

The sub-items in this menu allow you to set the DRAM timing control features. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. To restore the default setting, type [auto] using the keyboard and press the <Enter> key.



Changing the values in this menu may cause the system to become unstable! If this happens, revert to the default settings.

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DRAM RAS# to CAS# Dela y			Auto			
DRAM RAS# PRE Time			Auto			
			Auto			
DRAM COMMAND Mode			Auto	-		
Secondary Timings DRAM RAS# to RAS# Delay			Auto			
			Auto			
			Auto		→←: Select Screen	
			Auto			
DRAM READ to PRE Time			Auto	-	Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt.	
DRAM FOUR ACT WIN Time			Auto		F1: General Help F2: Previous Values	
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				Auto	F5: Optimized Defaults F10: Save ESC: Exit
				Auto	F12: Print Screen
MRC fast Boot				Enabled	
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Primary Timings

DRAM CAS# Latency [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [3 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

DRAM RAS# to CAS# Delay [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

DRAM RAS# PRE Time [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

<u>DRAM RAS# ACT Time [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [40 DRAM Clock]

DRAM COMMAND Mode [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [1 DRAM Clock] [2 DRAM Clock] [3 DRAM Clock]

Secondary Timings

<u>DRAM RAS# to RAS# Delay [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock]

DRAM REF Cycle Time [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [48 DRAM Clock] – [511 DRAM Clock]

<u>DRAM Refresh Interval [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [48 DRAM Clock] – [511 DRAM Clock]

DRAM WRITE Recovery Time [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [5 DRAM Clock] – [31 DRAM Clock]

DRAM READ to PRE Time [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

DRAM FOUR ACT WIN Time [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [16 DRAM Clock] – [63 DRAM Clock]

DRAM WRITE to READ Delay [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [4 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

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DRAM RTL (CHA) [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [1 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

DRAM RTL (CHB) [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [1 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

Third Timings

<u>tWRDR (DD) [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock] tRWDR (DD) [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

tRWSR [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

tRR (DD) [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock]

tRR (DR) [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock]

<u>tRRSR [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

<u>tWW (DD) [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock]

<u>tWW (DR) [Auto]</u> Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [7 DRAM Clock]

tWWSR [Auto] Configuration options: [Auto] [0 DRAM Clock] – [15 DRAM Clock]

MRC Fast Boot

Allows you to enable or disable the MRC fast boot.

[Enabled]	Enables the MRC fast boot.
[Disable]	Disables the function.CPU Power Management

CPU Power Management

The sub-items in this menu allow you to set the CPU ratio and features.

CPU Ratio [Auto]

Allows you to manually adjust the maximum non-turbo CPU ratio. Use <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The valid value ranges vary according to your CPU model.

Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology [Enabled] Allows you to enable or disable the Enhanced Intel® SpeedStep Technology (EIST).

- [Disabled] Disables this function.
- [Enabled] The operating system dynamically adjusts the processor voltage and core frequency which may result in decreased average consumption and decreased average heat production.

Turbo Mode [Enabled]

Allows you to enable your core processor's speed to run faster than the marked frequency in a specific condition. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]



The following items appears only when you set the Turbo Mode to [Enabled].

Long Duration Power Limit [Auto]

Allows you to limit the turbo ratio's long duration power. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value.

Long Duration Maintained [Auto]

Allows you to maintain the turbo ratio's long duration power. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value.

Short Duration Power Limit [Auto]

Allows you to limit the turbo ratio's long duration power. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value.

Primary Plane Current Limit [Auto]

Maximum instantaneous current allowed at any given time for CPU cores Use <+> and <-> key to adjust the value at 0.125A increment.

Secondary Plane Current Limit [Auto]

Maximum instantaneous current allowed at any given time for Internal Graphics cores. Use <+> and <-> key to adjust the value at 0.125A increment.

DIGI+ Power Control

CPU Load-Line Calibration [Auto]

Load-line is defined by Intel VRM spec and affects CPU voltage. The CPU working voltage will decrease proportionally to CPU loading. Higher value gets a higher voltage and better overclocking performance, but increases the CPU and VRM thermal. This item allows you to adjust the voltage range from the following percentages to boost the system performance: 0% (Regular), 25% (Medium), 50% (High), 75% (Ultra High) and 100% (Extreme). Configuration options: [Auto] [Regular] [Medium] [High] [Ultra High] [Extreme]



The actual performance boost may vary depending on your CPU specification.

CPU Voltage Frequency [Auto]

Frequency switching affects the VRM transient response, and the thermal component. Higher frequency gets quicker transient response.

Configuration options: [Auto] [Manual]



DO NOT remove the thermal module when switching to Manual Mode. The thermal conditions should be monitored.

VRM Spread Spectrum [Disabled]

This item appears only when you set the **Frequency** item to **[Auto]** and allows you to enable the spread spectrum to enhance system stability.

VRM Fixed Frequency Mode [XXX]

This item appears only when you set the **VRM Frequency** item to [Manual] and allows you to set a fixed VRM frequency. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The values range from 300k Hz to 500k Hz with a 10k Hz interval.

CPU Power Phase Control [Auto]

Allows you to control the power phase based on the CPU's demands. Configuration options: [Auto] [Standard] [Optimized] [Extreme] [Manual Adjustment]



DO NOT remove the thermal module when switching to Extreme and Manual Mode. The thermal conditions should be monitored.

CPU Power Duty Control [T.Probe]

DIGI + VRM Duty control adjusts the current and thermal conditions of every component's phase.

Configuration options: [T. Probe] - Select to maintain the VRM thermal balance. [Extreme] - Select to maintain the current VRM balance.

CPU Current Capability [100%]

Allows you to configure the total power range, and extends the overclocking frequency range simultaneously.

Configuration options: [100%] [110%] [120%] [130%] [140%]



Choose a higher value when overclocking, or under a high CPU loading for extra power support.

CPU Power Thermal Control [130]

A higher temperature brings a wider CPU power thermal range and extends the overclocking tolerance to enlarge the O.C. potential. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The values range from 130 to 151.



DO NOT remove the thermal module. The thermal conditions should be monitored.

CPU Power Response Control [Auto]

The DIG+ VRM controller provides a faster, and precise power response rate for the CPU. Apply a higher value for an extreme overclocking. Configuration options: [Auto] [Regular: 100%] [Medium: 150%] [Fast: 200%]

[Ultra Fast: 250%]



The actual performance boost may vary depending on your CPU configuration.

iGPU Load-line Calibration [Auto]

Allows you to set the iGPU Load-line Calibration. Configuration options: [Auto] [Regular] [High] [Extreme]

iGPU Current Capability [100%]

Allows you to set the iGPU Current Capability. Configuration options: [100%] [110%] [120%] [130%] [140%]



DO NOT remove the thermal module while changing the DIGI+ VRM related parrameters . The thermal conditions should be monitored.



Some of the following items are adjusted by typing the desired values using the numeric keypad and press the <Enter> key. You can also use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. To restore the default setting, type [auto] using the keyboard and press the <Enter> key.

DRAM Current Capability [Auto]

A higher value brings a wider total power range, and extends the overclocking range simultaneously.

Configuration options: [100%] [110%] [120%] [130%]

DRAM Voltage Frequency [Auto]

Allows you to adjust the DRAM switching frequency. Assign a fixed high DRAM frequency to increase the O.C. range, or a low DRAM frequency for a better system stability. Configuration options: [Auto] [Manual]

DRAM Fixed Frequency Mode [300]

This item only appears when you set the DRAM Frequency Mode item to **[Manual]**, and allows you to set a fixed DRAM frequency. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The values range from 300k Hz to 500k Hz with a 10k Hz interval.

DRAM Power Phase Control [Auto]

[Auto]	Allows you to set the Auto mode.
[Optimized]	Allows you to set the ASUS optimized phase tuning profile.
[Extreme]	Allows you to set the full phase mode.

DRAM Power Thermal Control [110]

A higher temperature brings a wider DRAM power thermal range, and extends the overclocking tolerance to enlarge the O.C. potential. Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the value. The values range from 110 to 131.



DO NOT remove the thermal module. The thermal conditions must be monitored.

CPU Voltage [Offset Mode]

[Manual Mode] Allows you to set a fixed CPU voltage.

[Offset Mode] Allows you to set the Offset voltage.

Offset Mode Sign [+]

This item appears only when you set the CPU Voltage item to [Offset Mode].

[+] To offset the voltage by a positive value.

[-] To offset the voltage by a negative value.

CPU Offset Voltage [Auto]

This item appears only when you set the **CPU Voltage** item to [Offset Mode] and allows you to set the Offset voltage. The values range from 0.005V to 0.635V with a 0.005V interval.

CPU Manual Voltage [Auto]

This item appears only when you set the **CPU Voltage** item to [Manual Mode] and allows you to set a fixed CPU voltage. The values range from 0.800V to 1.990V with a 0.005V interval.



Refer to the CPU documentation before setting the CPU voltage. Setting a high voltage may damage the CPU permanently, and setting a low voltage may make the system unstable.

iGPU Voltage [Offset Mode]

 [Manual Mode]
 Allows you to set a fixed iGPU voltage.

 [Offset Mode]
 Allows you to set the offset voltage.

iGPU Offset Mode Sign [+]

[+] To offset the voltage by a positive value.

[-] To offset the voltage by a negative value.

iGPU Offset Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the iGPU Offset voltage. The values range from 0.005V to 0.635V with a 0.005V interval.

iGPU Manual Voltage [Auto]

This item appears only when you set the iGPU Voltage to [Manual Mode], and allows you to set a fixed iGPU voltage. The values range from 0.800V to 1.990V with a 0.005V interval.

DRAM Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the DRAM voltage. The values range from 1.20V to 1.99V with a 0.005V interval.



According to Intel CPU specifications, DIMMs with voltage requirement over 1.65V may damage the CPU permanently. We recommend you install the DIMMs with the voltage requirement below 1.65V.

VCCSA Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the VCCSA voltage. The values range from 0.80V to 1.70V with a 0.00625V interval.

VCCIO Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the VCCIO voltage. The values range from 0.80V to 1.70V with a 0.00625V interval.

CPU PLL Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the CPU and PCH PLL voltage. The values range from 1.20V to 2.20V with a 0.00625V interval.

PCH Voltage [Auto]

Allows you to set the Platform Controller Hub voltage. The values range from 0.80V to 1.70V with a 0.01V interval.



 The values of the CPU PLL Voltage, CPU Manual Voltage, CPU Offset Voltage, iGPU Manual Voltage, iGPU Offset Voltage, DRAM Voltage, VCCSA Voltage, VCCIO Voltage, and PCH Voltage items are labeled in different color, indicating the risk levels of high voltage settings.

The system may need better cooling system to work stably under high voltage settings.

	White	Yellow	Pink	Red
CPU Manual Voltage	0.8V-1.04V	1.045V-1.09V	1.095V-1.14V	1.145V–1.99V
CPU Offset Voltage	0.005V-0.05V	0.055V-0.1V	0.105V-0.15V	0.155V– 0.635V
iGPU Manual Votlage	0.8V-1.04V	1.045V-1.09V	1.095V-1.14V	1.145V-1.99
iGPU Offset Voltage	0.005V-0.05V	0.55V-0.1V	0.105V- 0.155V	0.16V-0.635V
DRAM Voltage	1.2V-1.575V	1.58V-1.65V	1.655V- 1.725V	1.73V-1.99V
VCCSA Voltage	0.80000V- 0.96875V	0.97500V- 1.01250V	1.01875V- 1.06250V	1.06875V- 1.70000V
VCCIO Voltage	0.80000V- 1.10000V	1.10625V- 1.15000V	1.15625V- 1.20625V	1.21250V- 1.70000V
CPU PLL Voltage	1.20000V- 1.88750V	1.89375V- 1.97500V	1.98125V- 2.06875V	2.07500V- 2.20000V
PCH Voltage	0.80000V- 1.10000V	1.11000V- 1.15000V	1.16000V- 1.20000V	1.21000V- 1.70000V

DRAM DATA REF Voltage on CHA/B [Auto]

Allows you to set the DRAM DATA Reference Voltage on Channel A/B. The values range from 0.395x to 0.630x with a 0.005x interval. Different ratio might enhance DRAM overclocking ability.

DRAM CTRL REF Voltage on CHA/B [Auto]

Allows you to set the DRAM Control Reference Voltage on Channel A/B. The values range from 0.395x to 0.630x with a 0.005x interval. Different ratio might enhance DRAM overclocking ability.

CPU Spread Spectrum [Auto]

[Auto]	Automatic configuration.
[Disabled]	Enhances the BCLK overclocking ability.
[Enabled]	Sets to [Enabled] for EMI control.

3.5 Advanced menu

The Advanced menu items allow you to change the settings for the CPU and other system devices.



Be cautious when changing the settings of the Advanced menu items. Incorrect field values can cause the system to malfunction.

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3.5.1 CPU Configuration

The items in this menu show the CPU-related information that the BIOS automatically detects.



The items shown in this screen may be different due to the CPU you installed.

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1 Code Cache			32 kB x 2			
_2 Cache			256 kB x 2	6.6		
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	r		Enabled	F	12: Print Screen	

Intel Adaptive Thermal Monitor [Enabled]

[Enabled]Enables the overheated CPU to throttle its clock speed to cool down.[Disabled]Disables the CPU thermal monitor function.

Active Processor Cores [All]

Allows you to choose the number of CPU cores to activate in each processor package. Configuration options: [All] [1] [2] [3]

Limit CPUID Maximum [Disabled]

[Enabled] Allows legacy operating systems to boot even without support for CPUs with extended CPUID functions.

[Disabled] Disables this function.

Execute Disable Bit [Enabled]

[Enabled] Enables the No-Execution Page Protection Technology.

[Disabled] Forces the XD feature flag to always return to zero (0).

Intel® Virtualization Technology [Disabled]

[Enabled] Allows a hardware platform to run multiple operating systems separately and simultaneously, enabling one system to virtually function as several systems.

[Disabled] Disables this function.

Hardware Prefetcher [Enabled]

[Enabled] Allows a hardware platform to run multiple operating systems separately and simultaneously, enabling one system to virtually function as several systems.

[Disabled] Disables this function.

Adjacent Cache Line Prefetch [Enabled]

[Enabled] Allows a hardware platform to perform adjacent cache line prefetching. [Disabled] Disables this function.

CPU Power Management Configuration

This item allows you to manage and configure the CPU's power.

CPU Ratio [Auto]

Allows you to set the ratio between the CPU Core Clock and the BCLK Frequency. Use <+> and <-> keys to adjust the ratio. The valid value ranges vary according to your CPU model.

Enhanced Intel SpeedStep Technology [Enabled]

 Allows you to enable or disable the Enhanced Intel® SpeedStep Technology (EIST).

 [Disabled]
 The CPU runs at its default speed.

 [Enabled]
 The operating system controls the CPU speed.

Turbo Mode [Enabled]

Allows you to set the processor cores to run faster than the marked frequency in a specific condition.

Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]



This item appears only when you set the EIST to [Enabled], and allows you to enable or disable the Intel $^{\otimes}$ Turbo Mode Technology.

CPU C1E [Auto]

[Enabled] Enables the C1E support function. This function must be enabled to enable or disable the Intel® Turbo Mode Technology.

[Disabled] Disables the function.

CPU C3 Report [Auto]

Allows you to disable or enable the CPU C3 report to OS.

CPU C6 Report [Auto]

Allows you to disable or enable the CPU C6 report to OS.

3.5.2 PCH Configuration



High Precision Timer [Enabled]

Allows you to enable or disable the High Precision Event Timer. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Intel Smart Connect Technology [Disabled]

Allow you to enable or disable Intel Smart Connect Technology.

Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Intel Rapid Start Technology [Disabled]

Allows you to enable or disable Intel Rapid Start Technology.

Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

3.5.3 SATA Configuration

While entering Setup, the BIOS automatically detects the presence of SATA devices. The SATA Port items show **Not Present** if no SATA device is installed to the corresponding SATA port.

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Main Ai Tweaker Advanced	Monitor	Boot	Tool
Back Advanced SATA Configuration >			
SATA Configuration		(1) IDE Mode. (2) AHO RAID Mode.	
SATA Mode	AHCI Mode	in the mode.	
S.M.A.R.T. Status Check	Enabled		
SATA 6G_1 (Gray)	Empty		
Hot Plug	Disabled		
SATA 6G_2 (Gray)	Empty		
Hot Plug	Disabled		
SATA 3G_3 (Blue)	Empty		
Hot Plug	Disabled	→: Select Screen	
SATA 3G_4 (Blue)	Empty	↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt.	
Hot Plug	Disabled	F1: General Help	
SATA 3G_5 (Blue)	Empty	F2: Previous Values F5: Optimized Defau F10: Save ESC: E	
Hot Plug	Disabled	F12: Print Screen	
SATA 3G_6 (Blue)	Empty		

Scroll down to display the following items:

Hot Plug	Disabled
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SATA Mode Selection [AHCI Mode]

Allows you to set the SATA configuration.

[Disabled] [IDE Mode]	Disables the SATA function. Set to [IDE Mode] when you want to use the Serial ATA hard disk drives as Parallel ATA physical storage devices.
[AHCI Mode]	Set to [AHCI Mode] when you want the SATA hard disk drives to use the AHCI (Advanced Host Controller Interface). The AHCI allows the onboard storage driver to enable advanced Serial ATA features that increases storage performance on random workloads by allowing the drive to internally optimize the order of commands.
[RAID Mode]	Set to [RAID Mode] when you want to create a RAID configuration from the SATA hard disk drives.

S.M.A.R.T. Status Check [Enabled]

S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis and Reporting Technology) is a monitor system. When read/write of your hard disk errors occur, this feature allows the hard disk to report warning messages during the POST.

Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Hot Plug [Disabled]

These items appear only when you set the **SATA mode** item to [AHCI Mode] or [RAID Mode], and allow you to enable/disable SATA Hot Plug Support. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.5.4 System Agent Configuration



Memory Remap Feature [Enabled]

Allows you to enable remapping the memory above 4GB.

[Enabled] Enables the function.

[Disabled] Disables this function.

Graphics Configuration [Auto]

Allows you to select a primary display from iGPU, and PCIe graphical devices.

Primary Display [Auto]

Allows you to select which of the iGPU/PCIE Graphics device should be the Primary Display. Configuration options: [Auto] [IGPU] [PCIE]

iGPU Memory [64M]

Allows you to select the amount of system memory allocated to DVMT 5.0 used by the iGPU.

Render Standby [Enabled]

Allows you to enable the Intel Graphics Render Standby support to reduce the iGPU power use when idle. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

iGPU Multi-Monitor [Disabled]

Allows you to enable the iGPU Multi-Monitor. For Lucid Virtu MVP function supports, set this item to [Enabled] to empower both integrated and discrete graphics. iGPU shared system memory size is fixed in 64MB.

Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

NB PCIe Configuration

Allows you to configure the NB PCI Express settings.

<u>PCIEX16_1 Link Speed [Auto]</u> Allows you to configure the PCIEX16_1 speed. Configuration options: [Auto] [Gen1] [Gen2] [Gen3]

<u>PCIEX16_2 Link Speed [Auto]</u> Allows you to configure PCIEX16_2 speed. Configuration options: [Auto] [Gen1] [Gen2] [Gen3]

3.5.5 USB Configuration

The items in this menu allow you to change the USB-related features.

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Main	Ai Tweaker Vanced\ USB Configuration	Advanced	Monitor	ل Boot	Tool
	d, 1 Mouse, 2 Hubs			Enables Legacy USE option disables legac USB devices are con option will keep USB available only for EFI	ey support if no inected. DISABLE devices
Legacy USB Supp Legacy USB3.0 St Intel xHCI Mode EHCI Hand-off			Enabled Enabled Enabled Disabled		db



The $\ensuremath{\mathsf{USB}}$ bevices item shows the auto-detected values. If no USB device is detected, the item shows $\ensuremath{\mathsf{None}}$.

Legacy USB Support [Enabled]

[Enabled] Enables the support for USB devices on legacy operating systems (OS).

- [Disabled] The USB devices can be used only for the BIOS setup program.
- [Auto] Allows the system to detect the presence of USB devices at startup. If detected, the USB controller legacy mode is enabled. If no USB device is detected, the legacy USB support is disabled.

Legacy USB3.0 Support [Enabled]

[Enabled] Enables the support for USB 3.0 devices on legacy operating systems (OS).

[Disabled] Disables the function.

Intel xHCI Mode [Smart Auto]

- [Auto] Keeps the last operation of xHCI controller in OS during bootup.
- [Smart Auto] Enables the operation of xHCI controller.

[Disabled] Disables the function.

EHCI Hand-off [Disabled]

- [Enabled] Enables the support for operating systems without an EHCI hand-off feature.
- [Disabled] Disables the function.

UEFI BIOS Utility - Advar	nced Mode			🚺 Exit
Main Ai Tweaker	E0 Advanced	Monitor	ل Boot	
Back Advanced\ Onboard Devices C	onfiguration >			
HD Audio controller			Enabled/Disabled Az	
Front Panel Type	l	HD		
SPDIF Out Type	l	SPDIF		
Bluetooth Controller	l	Enabled		
PCI Express X1_2 Slot (Blue) bandwidth	l	AUTO		
ASM1061 Storage Controller (Front)		Enabled		
ASM1061 Storage OPROM	l	Enabled		
ASM1061 Storage Controller (Rear)		Enabled	→←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item Enter: Select	
ASM1061 Storage OPROM	1	Enabled	+/-: Change Opt.	
Realtek LAN Controller	l	Enabled	F1: General Help F2: Previous Values	
Realtek PXE OPROM	1	Disabled	F5: Optimized Defau F10: Save ESC: E	
ASmedia USB 3.0 Controller	[Enabled	F12: Print Screen	
ASmedia USB 3.0 Battery Charging Support				

3.5.6 Onboard Devices Configuration

Scroll down to display the following items:

ASmedia USB 3.0 Controller 2	Enabled	+/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help
ASmedia USB 3.0 Battery Charging Support	Disabled	F2: Previous Values F5: Optimized Defaults
Intel LAN controller	Enabled	F10: Save ESC: Exit F12: Print Screen
ntel PXE OPROM	Disabled	
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HD Audio Controller [Enabled]

[Enabled] [Disabled]

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Enables the High Definition Audio Controller. Disables the controller.

The following two items appear only when you set the Azalia HD Audio item to [Enabled].

Front Panel Type [HD]

Allows you to set the front panel audio connector (AAFP) mode to legacy AC'97 or highdefinition audio depending on the audio standard that the front panel audio module supports.

[HD]	Sets the front panel audio connector (AAFP) mode to high definition audio.
[AC97]	Sets the front panel audio connector (AAFP) mode to legacy AC'97

SPDIF Out Type [SPDIF]

[SPDIF]	Sets to [SPDIF] for SPDIF audio output.
[HDMI]	Sets to [HDMI] for HDMI audio output.

Bluetooth Controller [Enabled]

- [Enabled] Enables the onboard bluetooth controller.
- [Disabled] Disables the controller.

Wi-Fi Controller [Enabled]

[Enabled]	Enables the onboard Wi-Fi controller.
[Disabled]	Disables the controller.

PCI Express X1 2 Slot (Blue) bandwidth

[Auto]	SATA6G_E1/E2 is enabled. (PCleX1_2 slot is disabled for system resource optimization.)
[X1]	PCleX1_2 slot runs at X1 mode. (SATA6G_E1/E2 is disabled for system resource optimization.)

Marvell Storage Controller [Enabled]

Allows you to select the Marvell storage controller operating mode.

[Disabled] Disables the controller.

[Enabled] Enables the controller.

Marvell Storage OPROM [Enabled]

This item appears only when you set the previous item to [Enabled] and allows you to enable or disable the OptionRom of the Marvell storage controller. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Marvell Storage Firmware Check and Update [Disabled]

- [Disabled] Disables firmware check and update.
- [Enabled] Enables firmware check and update.

ASM1061 Storage Controller (Rear) [Enabled]

Allows you to select the ASM1061 storage controller operating mode.

- [Disabled] Disables the controller.
- [Enabled] Enables the controller.

ASM1061 Storage OPROM [Enabled]

This item appears only when you set the previous item to [Enabled] and allows you to enable or disable the OptionRom of the ASM1061storage controller. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

Realtek LAN Controller [Enabled]

[Enabled]Enables the Realtek LAN controller.[Disabled]Disables the controller.

Realtek PXE OPROM [Disabled]

This item appears only when you set the previous item to [Enabled] and allows you to enable or disable the PXE OptionRom of the Realtek LAN controller. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

ASmedia USB 3.0 Controller (USB3_E12) [Enabled]

[Disabled] Disables the controller.

ASmedia USB 3.0 Battery Charging Support [Disabled]

[Enabled]	Enables Asmedia USB 3.0 fast battery charging support for USB 3.0
	devices complying with the BC 1.1 regulation.
[Disabled]	Disables battery charging support.

ASmedia USB 3.0 Controller (USB3_E34) [Enabled]

[Enabled]	Enables the second USB 3.0 controller.
[Disabled]	Disables the controller 2.

Intel LAN Controller [Enabled]

[Enabled]	Enables the Intel LAN controller.
[Disabled]	Disables the controller.

Intel PXE OPROM [Disabled]

This item appears only when you set the previous item to [Enabled] and allows you to enable or disable the PXE OptionRom of the Intel LAN controller. Configuration options: [Enabled] [Disabled]

3.5.7 APM



ErP Ready [Disabled]

This item allows user to switch off some power at S5 to get the system ready for ErP requirement. When set enabled to Enabled, all other PME options will be switched off. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

Restore AC Power Loss [Power Off]

- [Power On] The system goes into on state after an AC power loss.
- [Power Off] The system goes into off state after an AC power loss.
- [Last State] The system goes into either off or on state, whatever the system state was before the AC power loss.

Power On By PCIE/PCI [Disabled]

- [Disabled] Disables the PCIE/PCI devices to generate a wake-on-LAN feature of the Intel/Realtek LAN device.
- [Enabled] Enables the PCIE/PCI devices to generate a wake-on-LAN feature of the Intel/Realtek LAN device.

Power On By RTC [Disabled]

[Disabled] Disables RTC to generate a wake event.

[Enabled] When set to [Enabled], the items **RTC Alarm Date (Days)** and **Hour/ Minute/Second** will become user-configurable with set values.

3.5.8 Network Stack

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Network Stack [Disable Link]

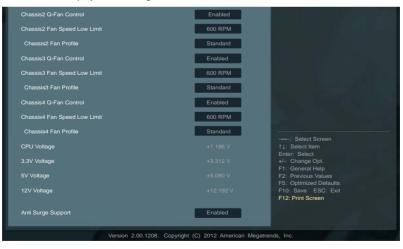
This item allows user to disable or enable the UEFI network stack. Configuration options: [Disable Link] [Enable]

3.6 Monitor menu

The Monitor menu displays the system temperature/power status, and allows you to change the fan settings.

	BIOS Utility - Adv	anced Mode			[Exit
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Main	Ai Tweaker	Advanced	Monitor	Boot	Tool
CPU Temperature			+73ºC / +163ºF		
MB Temperature			+31ºC / +87ºF		
CPU Fan Speed			4192 RPM		
CPU OPT Speed			N/A		
Chassis Fan 1 Spee			N/A		
Chassis Fan 2 Spee			N/A		
Chassis Fan 3 Spee			N/A		
Chassis Fan 4 Spee			N/A		
CPU Q-Fan Control		l	Enabled	→←: Select Screen	
CPU Fan Speed Lo	w Limit	l	600 RPM		
CPU Fan Profile		Standard	+/-: Change Opt. F1: General Help F2: Previous Values		
Chassis1 Q-Fan Control		l	Enabled	F5: Optimized Defa F10: Save ESC: I	
Chassis1 Fan Spee		1	600 RPM	F10: Save ESC: 1 F12: Print Screen	
Chassis1 Fan Prof	ïle	l	Standard		

Scroll down to display the following items:



CPU Temperature / MB Temperature [xxxºC/xxxºF]

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects and displays the CPU and motherboard temperatures. Select **Ignore** if you do not wish to display the detected temperatures.

CPU Fan Speed [xxxx RPM] or [Ignore] / [N/A] CPU OPT Speed [xxxx RPM] or [Ignore] / [N/A] Chassis Fan 1/4 Speed [xxxx RPM] or [Ignore] / [N/A]

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects and displays the CPU, chassis, and power fan speed in rotations per minute (RPM). If the fan is not connected to the motherboard, the field shows N/A. Select **Ignore** if you do not wish to display the detected speed.

CPU Q-Fan Control [Enabled]

[Disabled] Disables the CPU Q-Fan control feature. [Enabled] Enables the CPU Q-Fan control feature.

CPU Fan Speed Low Limit [600 RPM]

This item appears only when you enable the **CPU Q-Fan Control** feature and allows you to disable or set the CPU fan warning speed. Configuration options: [Ignore] [200 RPM] [300 RPM] [400 RPM] [500 RPM] [600 RPM]

CPU Fan Profile [Standard]

This item appears only when you enable the **CPU Q-Fan Control** feature and allows you to set the appropriate performance level of the CPU fan.

[Standard]	Sets to [Standard] to make the CPU fan automatically adjust depending on the CPU temperature.
[Silent]	Sets to [Silent] to minimize the fan speed for quiet CPU fan operation.
[Turbo]	Sets to [Turbo] to achieve maximum CPU fan speed.
[Manual]	Sets to [Manual] to assign detailed fan speed control parameters.



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The following four items appear only when you set CPU Fan Profile to [Manual].

CPU Upper Temperature [70]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the upper limit of the CPU temperature. The values range from 40° C to 90° C.

CPU Fan Max. Duty Cycle(%) [100]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the maximum CPU fan duty cycle. The values range from 20% to 100%. When the CPU temperature reaches the upper limit, the CPU fan will operate at the maximum duty cycle.

CPU Lower Temperature [20]

Displays the lower limit of the CPU temperature.

CPU Fan Min. Duty Cycle(%) [20]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the minimum CPU fan duty cycle. The values range from 0% to 100%. When the CPU temperature is under 40°C, the CPU fan will operate at the minimum duty cycle.

Chassis Q-Fan Control 1/4 [Enabled]

[Disabled] Disables the Chassis Q-Fan control feature.

[Enabled] Enables the Chassis Q-Fan control feature.

Chassis Fan Speed Low Limit 1/4 [600 RPM]

This item appears only when you enable the **Chassis Q-Fan Control** feature and allows you to disable or set the chassis fan warning speed.

Configuration options: [Ignore] [200 RPM] [300 RPM] [400 RPM] [500 RPM] [600 RPM]

Chassis Fan 1/4 Profile [Standard]

This item appears only when you enable the **Chassis Q-Fan Control** feature and allows you to set the appropriate performance level of the chassis fan.

- [Standard] Sets to [Standard] to make the chassis fan automatically adjust depending on the chassis temperature.
- [Silent] Sets to [Silent] to minimize the fan speed for quiet chassis fan operation.

[Turbo] Sets to [Turbo] to achieve maximum chassis fan speed.

[Manual] Sets to [Manual] to assign detailed fan speed control parameters.



The following four items appear only when you set Chassis Fan Profile to [Manual].

Chassis Upper Temperature [70]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the upper limit of the CPU temperature. The values range from 40° C to 90° C.

Chassis Fan Max. Duty Cycle(%) [100]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the maximum chassis fan duty cycle. The values range from 20% to 100%. When the chassis temperature reaches the upper limit, the chassis fan will operate at the maximum duty cycle.

Chassis Lower Temperature [40]

Displays the lower limit of the chassis temperature.

CPU Fan Min. Duty Cycle(%) [60]

Use the <+> and <-> keys to adjust the minimum chassis fan duty cycle. The values range from 0% to 100%. When the chassis temperature is under 40°C, the chassis fan will operate at the minimum duty cycle.

CPU Voltage, 3.3V Voltage, 5V Voltage, 12V Voltage

The onboard hardware monitor automatically detects the voltage output through the onboard voltage regulators. Select **Ignore** if you do not want to detect this item.

Anti Surge Support [Enabled]

This item allows you to enable or disable the Anti Surge function. Configuration options: [Disabled] [Enabled]

3.7 Boot menu

The Boot menu items allow you to change the system boot options.

ISUIS UEFI BIO	OS Utility - Adva	anced Mode			Exit
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Main	Ai Tweaker	Advanced	Monitor	Boot	
				Select the keyboard I	
Bootup NumLock State					
Full Screen Logo		I	Enabled		
Wait for 'F1' If Error		1	Enabled		
Fast Boot			Enabled		
Option ROM Messages			Force BIOS		
Setup Mode		I	EZ Mode		
UEFI/Legacy Boot		I	Enable bot		
Boot Option Priorities				100 m	
				→←: Select Screen ↑↓: Select Item	
Boot Override				Enter: Select +/-: Change Opt.	
				F1: General Help	
				F2: Previous Values	
				F5: Optimized Defau F10: Save ESC: E	
				F12: Print Screen	

Bootup NumLock State [On]

[On]	Sets the power-on state of the NumLock to [On].
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[Off] Sets the power-on state of the NumLock to [Off].

Full Screen Logo [Enabled]

Enables the full screen logo display feature.
Disables the full screen logo display feature.
Set this item to [Enabled] to use the ASUS MyLogo 2 [™] feature.

Wait For 'F1' If Error [Enabled]

[Disabled] Disables this function.

[Enabled] The system waits for the <F1> key to be pressed when error occurs.

Option ROM Messages [Force BIOS]

[Force BIOS] The third-party ROM messages will be forced to display during the boot sequence.

[Keep Current] The third-party ROM messages will be displayed only if the third-party manufacturer had set the add-on device to do so.

Setup Mode [EZ Mode]

[Advanced Mode] Sets Advanced Mode as the default screen for entering the BIOS setup program.

[EZ Mode] Sets EZ Mode as the default screen for entering the BIOS setup program.

UEFI/Legacy Boot [Enable both UEFI and Legacy]

[Enable both UEFI and Legacy]	Enables both UEFI and Legacy boot.
[Disable UEFI]	Enables the Legacy boot, and disables the UEFI
	boot.
[Disable Legacy]	Enables the UEFI booth, and disables the Legacy boot.

PCI ROM Priority [Legacy ROM]

[Legacy ROM]	Launch Legacy ROM
[EFI Compatibe ROM]	Launch UEFI Compatible ROM

Boot Option Priorities

These items specify the boot device priority sequence from the available devices. The number of device items that appears on the screen depends on the number of devices installed in the system.

• To select the boot device during system startup, press <F8> when ASUS Logo appears.



- To access Windows OS in Safe Mode, do any of the following: - Press <F5> when ASUS Logo appears.
- Press <F8> after POST.

Boot Override

These items displays the available devices. The number of device items that appears on the screen depends on the number of devices installed in the system. Click an item to start booting from the selected device.

3.8 Tools menu

The Tools menu items allow you to configure options for special functions. Select an item then press <Enter> to display the submenu.

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Main	Ai Tweaker	Advanced	Monitor	Boot	Tool
				Be used to update B	IOS
> ASUS EZ Flash 2 Utility					
> ASUS O.C. Profile					
> ASUS SPD Information					
> ASUS Drive X	> ASUS Drive Xpert				

3.8.1 ASUS EZ Flash 2 Utility

Allows you to run ASUS EZ Flash 2. When you press <Enter>, a confirmation message appears. Use the left/right arrow key to select between [Yes] or [No], then press <Enter> to confirm your choice.



For more details, refer to section 3.10.2 ASUS EZ Flash 2 utility.

3.8.2. ASUS O.C. Profile

This item allows you to store or load multiple BIOS settings.

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Main	Ai Tweaker	Advanced	Monitor	Boot	Tool
Back	Tool\ ASUS O.C. Profile >				
O.C. Profile Cor	nfiguration			Save BIOS settings	
Setup Profile 1 S	Status :		Not Installed		
Setup Profile 2 S	Status :		Not Installed		
Setup Profile 3 Status :			Not Installed		
Setup Profile 4 Status :			Not Installed		
Setup Profile 5 Status :			Not Installed		
Setup Profile 6 Status :			Not Installed		
Setup Profile 7 Status :			Not Installed		
Setup Profile 8 S	Status :		Not Installed		
Add Your CMOS	S Profile				
			_		
Save to Profi	ile	1			



The Setup Profile Status items show Not Installed if no profile is created.

Save to Profile

Allows you to save the current BIOS settings to the BIOS Flash, and create a profile. Key in a profile number from one to eight, press <Enter>, and then select **Yes**.

Load from Profile

Allows you to load the previous BIOS settings saved in the BIOS Flash. Key in the profile number that saved your BIOS settings, press <Enter>, and then select Yes.



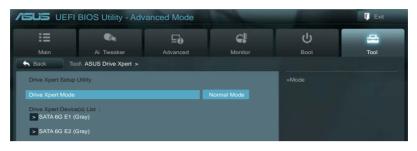
- DO NOT shut down or reset the system while updating the BIOS to prevent the system boot failure!
- We recommend that you update the BIOS file only coming from the same memory/CPU configuration and BIOS version.

3.8.3. ASUS SPD Information

Allows you to view the DRAM SPD information.



3.8.4. ASUS Drive Xpert





 You can only make one Drive Xpert change a time before you save BIOS settings and restart the computer.

Drive Xpert Mode

- [Normal Mode] Allows you to use the SATA6G_E1 and SATA6G_E2 connectors as normal SATA connectors.
- [Super Speed] Allows you to use the **Super Speed** function that combines two hard drives as one single drive partition.
- [EZ Backup] Allows you to use the EZ Backup function that copies and maintains an identical image of data from the SATA6G_E1 drive to the SATA6G_E2 drive.

When using only one hard disk in **Normal Mode**, connect the hard disk to the SATA6G_E1 connector on the motherboard.



- All original data of the two hard drives will be erased for Super Speed setup.
- All original data of the SATA6G_E2 hard disk will be erased for EZ Backup setup.

Drive Xpert Device(s) List:

SATA 6G E1 (Gray) / SATA 6G E2 (Gray)

Press <Enter> to display the information of the hard disks which are connected to the SATA6G_E1 and SATA6G_E2 connectors on the motherboard.

3.9 Exit menu

The Exit menu items allow you to load the optimal default values for the BIOS items, and save or discard your changes to the BIOS items. You can access the **EZ Mode** from the Exit menu.

Exit
Save Changes & Reset
Discard Changes & Exit
ASUS EZ Mode
Launch EFI Shell from filesystem device

Load Optimized Defaults

This option allows you to load the default values for each of the parameters on the Setup menus. When you select this option or if you press <F5>, a confirmation window appears. Select **Yes** to load the default values.

Save Changes & Reset

Once you are finished making your selections, choose this option from the Exit menu to ensure the values you selected are saved. When you select this option or if you press <F10>, a confirmation window appears. Select **Yes** to save changes and exit.

Discard Changes & Exit

This option allows you to exit the Setup program without saving your changes. When you select this option or if you press <Esc>, a confirmation window appears. Select **Yes** to discard changes and exit.

ASUS EZ Mode

This option allows you to enter the EZ Mode screen.

Launch EFI Shell from filesystem device

This option allows you to attempt to launch the EFI Shell application (shellx64.efi) from one of the available filesystem devices.

3.10 Updating BIOS

The ASUS website publishes the latest BIOS versions to provide enhancements on system stability, compatibility, or performance. However, BIOS updating is potentially risky. If there is no problem using the current version of BIOS, **DO NOT manually update the BIOS**. Inappropriate BIOS updating may result in the system's failure to boot. Carefully follow the instructions of this chapter to update your BIOS if necessary.



Visit the ASUS website (www.asus.com) to download the latest BIOS file for this motherboard.

The following utilities allow you to manage and update the motherboard BIOS setup program.

- 1. ASUS Update: Updates the BIOS in Windows[®] environment.
- 2. ASUS EZ Flash 2: Updates the BIOS using a USB flash drive.
- ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3: Restores the BIOS using the motherboard support DVD or a USB flash drive when the BIOS file fails or gets corrupted.
- 4. **ASUS BIOS Updater:** Updates and backups the BIOS in DOS environment using the motherboard support DVD and a USB flash disk drive.

Refer to the corresponding sections for details on these utilities.

Save a copy of the original motherboard BIOS file to a USB flash disk in case you need to restore the BIOS in the future. Copy the original motherboard BIOS using the **ASUS** Update or **BIOS Update** utilities.

3.10.1 ASUS Update utility

The ASUS Update is a utility that allows you to manage, save, and update the motherboard BIOS in Windows[®] environment. The ASUS Update utility allows you to:

- Update the BIOS directly from the Internet
- Download the latest BIOS file from the Internet
- Update the BIOS from an updated BIOS file
- Save the current BIOS file
- View the BIOS version information

This utility is available in the support DVD that comes with the motherboard package.



ASUS Update requires an Internet connection either through a network or an Internet Service Provider (ISP).

Launching ASUS Update

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch ASUS Update by clicking **Update > ASUS Update** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.



Quit all Windows® applications before you update the BIOS using this utility.

Updating the BIOS through the Internet

To update the BIOS through the Internet:

 From the ASUS Update screen, select Update BIOS from Internet, and then click Next.

2. Select the ASUS FTP site nearest you to avoid network traffic.

If you want to enable the BIOS downgradable function and auto BIOS backup function, check the checkboxs before the two items on the screen.

3. Select the BIOS version that you want to download. Click **Next**.

- You can decide whether to change the BIOS boot logo, which is the image appearing on screen during the Power-On Self-Tests (POST). Click Yes if you want to change the boot logo or No to continue.
- 5. Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the update process.



Updating the BIOS through a BIOS file

To update the BIOS through a BIOS file:

1. From the ASUS Update screen, select **Update BIOS from file**, and then click **Next**.

2. Locate the BIOS file from the Open window, click **Open**, and click **Next**.





- You can decide whether to change the BIOS boot logo. Click Yes if you want to change the boot logo or No to continue.
- 4. Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the update process.





- The screenshots in this section are for reference only. The actual BIOS information vary by models.
- Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.

3.10.2 ASUS EZ Flash 2 utility

The ASUS EZ Flash 2 feature allows you to update the BIOS without having to use a bootable floppy disk or an OS-based utility.



Before you start using this utility, download the latest BIOS from the ASUS website at www.asus.com.

To update the BIOS using EZ Flash 2:

- 1. Insert the USB flash disk that contains the latest BIOS file to the USB port.
- Enter the Advanced Mode of the BIOS setup program. Go to the Tool menu to select ASUS EZ Flash Utility and press <Enter> to enable it.

			🚺 Exit
ASUSTek EZ Flash BIOS ROM Utility V	00.75		
Flash Info MODEL: P8Z77-V Deluxe		30	DATE: 11/08/2012
₩ fs0:\			
Drive	Folder Info		
f60A f51A		4194304 P8Z77VI	D.ROM
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MODEL:			DATE:
Help Info			
[Enter] Select or Load	[Tab] Switch [Up/Down/Pa	geUp/PageDown/Home/End] N	love [Esc] Exit [F2] Backup
-			CONTRACTOR OF STREET,

- 3. Press <Tab> to switch to the Drive field.
- Press the Up/Down arrow keys to find the USB flash disk that contains the latest BIOS, and then press <Enter>.
- 5. Press <Tab> to switch to the Folder Info field.
- 6. Press the Up/Down arrow keys to find the BIOS file, and then press <Enter> to perform the BIOS update process. Reboot the system when the update process is done.



- This function can support devices such as a USB flash disk with FAT 32/16 format and single partition only.
- DO NOT shut down or reset the system while updating the BIOS to prevent system boot failure!



Ensure to load the BIOS default settings to ensure system compatibility and stability. Select the **Load Optimized Defaults** item under the **Exit** menu. See section **3.9 Exit Menu** for details.

3.10.3 ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3 utility

The ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3 utility is an auto recovery tool that allows you to restore the BIOS file when it fails or gets corrupted during the updating process. You can restore a corrupted BIOS file using the motherboard support DVD or a USB flash drive that contains the BIOS file.



The BIOS file in the motherboard support DVD may be older than the BIOS file published on the ASUS official website. If you want to use the newer BIOS file, download the file at support.asus.com and save it to a USB flash drive.

Recovering the BIOS

To recover the BIOS:

- 1. Turn on the system.
- Insert the motherboard support DVD to the optical drive, or the USB flash drive containing the BIOS file to the USB port.
- 3. The utility automatically checks the devices for the BIOS file. When found, the utility reads the BIOS file and enters ASUS EZ Flash 2 utility automatically.
- The system requires you to enter BIOS Setup to recover BIOS setting. To ensure system compatibility and stability, we recommend that you press <F5> to load default BIOS values.



DO NOT shut down or reset the system while updating the BIOS! Doing so can cause system boot failure!

3.10.4 ASUS BIOS Updater

The ASUS BIOS Updater allows you to update BIOS in DOS environment. This utility also allows you to copy the current BIOS file that you can use as a backup when the BIOS fails or gets corrupted during the updating process.



The succeeding utility screens are for reference only. The actual utility screen displays may not be same as shown.

Before updating BIOS

- 1. Prepare the motherboard support DVD and a USB flash drive in FAT32/16 format and single partition.
- Download the latest BIOS file and BIOS Updater from the ASUS website at http:// support.asus.com and save them on the USB flash drive.



NTFS is not supported under DOS environment. Do not save the BIOS file and BIOS Updater to a hard disk drive or USB flash drive in NTFS format.

- Do not save the BIOS file to a floppy disk due to low disk capacity.
- 3. Turn off the computer and disconnect all SATA hard disk drives (optional).

Booting the system in DOS environment

- 1. Insert the USB flash drive with the latest BIOS file and BIOS Updater to the USB port.
- Boot your computer. When the ASUS Logo appears, press <F8> to show the BIOS Boot Device Select Menu. Insert the support DVD into the optical drive and select the optical drive as the boot device.



- 3. When the **Make Disk** menu appears, select the **FreeDOS command prompt** item by pressing the item number.
- 4. At the FreeDOS prompt, type d: and press <Enter> to switch the disk from Drive C (optical drive) to Drive D (USB flash drive).

Welcome t	to FreeDOS	(http://www.freedos.org)!
C:\>d:		
D:\>		

Updating the BIOS file

To update the BIOS file using BIOS Updater

1. At the FreeDOS prompt, type bupdater /pc /g and press <Enter>.

D:\>bupdater /pc /g

2. The BIOS Updater screen appears as below.

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λ:	P8Z77VD.CAP 2097152 2012-01-06 17:30:48
	lect or Load [Tab] Switch [V] Drive Info iome/End] Move [B] Backup [Esc] Exit

 Press <Tab> to switch between screen fields and use the <Up/Down/Home/End> keys to select the BIOS file and press <Enter>. BIOS Updater checks the selected BIOS file and prompts you to confirm BIOS update.



4. Select **Yes** and press <Enter>. When BIOS update is done, press <ESC> to exit BIOS Updater. Restart your computer.



DO NOT shut down or reset the system while updating the BIOS to prevent system boot failure!

- For BIOS Updater version 1.04 or later, the utility automatically exits to the DOS prompt after updating BIOS.
- Ensure to load the BIOS default settings to ensure system compatibility and stability. Select the Load Optimized Defaults item under the Exit BIOS menu. See Chaper 3 of your motherboard user manual for details.
- Ensure to connect all SATA hard disk drives after updating the BIOS file if you have disconnected them.

4.1 Installing an operating system

This motherboard supports Windows[®] XP/ 64-bit XP/ 7 / 64-bit 7 operating systems (OS). Always install the latest OS version and corresponding updates to maximize the features of your hardware.

- Motherboard settings and hardware options vary. Use the setup procedures presented in this chapter for reference only. Refer to your OS documentation for detailed information.
 - Ensure that you install the Windows® XP Service Pack 3 or later versions before installing the drivers for better compatibility and system stability.

4.2 Support DVD information

The support DVD that comes with the motherboard package contains the drivers, software applications, and utilities that you can install to avail all motherboard features.



The contents of the support DVD are subject to change at any time without notice. Visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for updates.

4.2.1 Running the support DVD

Place the support DVD into the optical drive. The DVD automatically displays the Drivers menu if Autorun is enabled in your computer. Click each menu tab and select the items you want to install.

The Drivers menu shows the available T device drivers if the system detects c installed devices. Install the necessary c drivers to use the devices. d

The Make Disk menu contains items to create the RAID/AHCI driver disk. The Manual menu contains the list of supplementary user manuals. Click an item to open the folder of the user manual.





If Autorun is NOT enabled in your computer, browse the contents of the support DVD to locate the file ASSETUP.EXE from the BIN folder. Double-click the ASSETUP.EXE to run the DVD.

4.2.2 Obtaining the software manuals

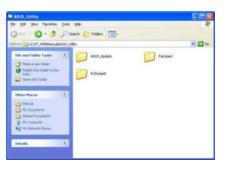
The software manuals are included in the support DVD. Follow the instructions below to get the necessary software manuals.

The software manual files are in Portable Document Format (PDF). Install the Adobe[®] Acrobat[®] Reader from the Utilities menu before opening the files.

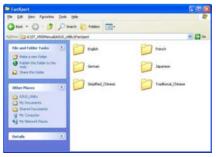
 Click the Manual tab. Click ASUS Motherboard Utility Guide from the manual list on the left.



2. The **Manual** folder of the support DVD appears. Double-click the folder of your selected software.



 Some software manuals are provided in different languages. Double-click the language to show the software manual.





The screenshots in this section are for reference only. The actual software manuals containing in the support DVD vary by models.

4.3 Software information

Most of the applications in the support DVD have wizards that will conveniently guide you through the installation. View the online help or readme file that came with the software application for more information.

4.3.1 Al Suite II

Al Suite II is an all-in-one interface that integrates several ASUS utilities and allows users to launch and operate these utilities simultaneously.

Installing AI Suite II

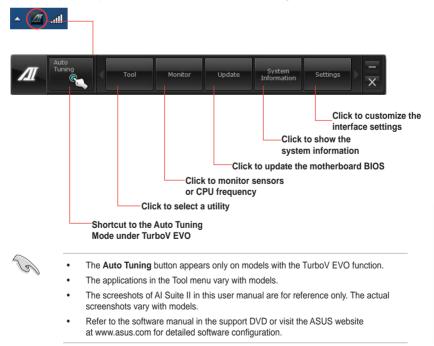
To install AI Suite II on your computer

- 1. Place the support DVD to the optical drive. The Drivers installation tab appears if your computer has enabled the Autorun feature.
- 2. Click the Utilities tab, then click Al Suite II.
- 3. Follow the onscreen instructions to complete installation.

Using AI Suite II

Al Suite II automatically starts when you enter the Windows® operating system (OS). The Al Suite II icon appears in the Windows® notification area. Click the icon to open the Al Suite II main menu bar.

Click each button to select and launch a utility, to monitor the system, to update the motherboard BIOS, to display the system information, and to customize the settings of AI Suite II.



4.3.2 TurboV EVO

ASUS TurboV EVO introduces **TurboV** that allows you to manually adjust the CPU frequency and related voltages as well as **Auto Tuning** function that offers automatic and easy overclocking and system level up. After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch TurboV EVO by clicking **Tool > TurboV EVO** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.



Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.

TurboV

TurboV allows you to overclock the BCLK frequency, CPU voltage, IMC voltage, and DRAM Bus voltage in Windows[®] environment and takes effect in real-time without exiting and rebooting the OS.



Refer to the CPU documentation before adjusting CPU voltage settings. Setting a high voltage may damage the CPU permanently, and setting a low voltage may make the system unstable.

For system stability, all changes made in TurboV will not be saved to BIOS settings and will not be kept on the next system boot. Use the **Save Profile** function to save your customized overclocking settings and manually load the profile after Windows starts.



Using Advanced Mode

Click on the Advanced Mode tab to adjust the advanced voltage settings.



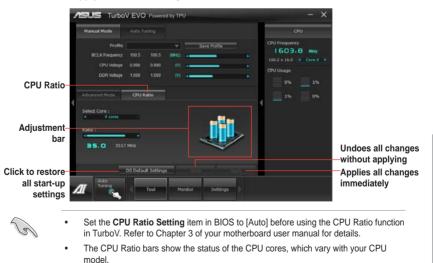
CPU Ratio

Allows you to manually adjust the CPU ratio.

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The first time you use CPU Ratio, go to AI Tweaker > CPU Power Management in BIOS and set the Turbo Ratio item to [Maximum Turbo Ratio setting in OS].

- 1. Click on the **CPU Ratio** tab.
- 2. Drag the adjustment bar upwards or downwards to the desired value.
- 3. Click on Apply to make the change take effect.



GPU Boost

GPU Boost overclocks the integrated iGPU for the best graphics performance.

- 1. Click **More Settings**, and then click the **GPU Boost** tab.
- 2. Adjust the **iGPU Max Frequency** and **iGPU Voltage**.
- 3. Click **Yes** to make the change takes effect.



Auto Tuning

ASUS TurboV EVO includes two auto tuning modes, providing the most flexible auto-tuning options.

- The overclocking result varies with the CPU model and the system configuration.
- To prevent overheating from damaging the motherboard, a better thermal environment is strongly recommended.
- Fast Tuning: fast CPU overclocking
- Extreme Tuning: extreme overclocking for CPU and memory

Using Fast Tuning

- 1. Click the **Auto Tuning** tab and then click **Fast**.
- Read through the warning messages and click OK to start auto-overclocking.



 TurboV automatically overclocks the CPU, saves BIOS settings and restarts the system. After re-entering Windows, a message appears indicating auto tuning success. Click OK to exit.

Using Extreme Tuning

- 1. Click the **Auto Tuning** tab and then click **Extreme**.
- 2. Read through the warning messages and click **OK** to start auto-overclocking.
- TurboV automatically overclocks the CPU and memory and restarts the system. After re-entering Windows, a message appears indicating the current overclocking result. To keep the result, click Stop.
- If you did not click Stop in the previous step, TurboV automatically starts further system overclocking and stability test. An animation appears indicating the overclocking process. Click Stop if you want to cancel the Overclocking process.
- TurboV automatically adjusts and saves BIOS settings and restarts the system. After re-entering Windows, a message appears indicating auto tuning success. Click OK to exit.



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4.3.3 DIGI+ Power Control

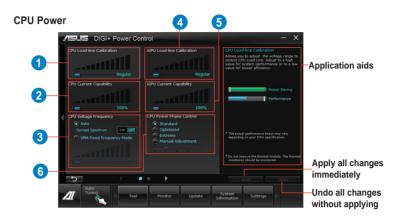
DIGI+ PowerControl allows you to adjust the VRM voltage and frequency modulation to enhance reliability and stability. It also provides profile settings to achieve the highest power efficiency, generating less heat to prolong component lifespan, and minimize power loss. After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch DIGI+ Power Control by clicking **Tool > DIGI+ Power Control** on the AI Suite II main menu bar. Select **CPU Power** or **DRAM Power** to adjust the power control settings.

Smart DIGI+



Function no.	Function description
1	Smart DIGI+ Key Quickly delivers a higher VRM frequency, voltage, and current for superior CPU/iGPU/DRAM overclocking performance with one switch.
2	Smart CPU Power Level - 45W CPU power usage is limited to 45W to achieve the best digital power saving conditions.
3	Smart CPU Power Level - 35W CPU power usage is limited to 35W to achieve the best digital power saving mode.
4	OC Now! Adjusts the CPU ratio in TurboV EVO.
5	Default (Smart DIGI+ Setting) Sets your CPU/iGPU/DRAM power to default settings.
6	Default (Smart CPU Power Level) Sets your power consumption to CPU default setting.
(S)	 Enabling the Smart CPU Power Level may decrease the total power delivery to the CPU, and affect the CPU performance under a heavy system load. The system restores to its default settings on the next startup.

Only Intel® 3rd generation processors support the Smart DIGI+ Technology feature.

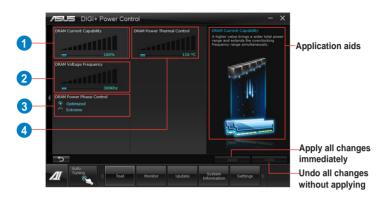




Function no.	Function description
1	CPU Load-line Calibration It allows you to adjust the voltage settings and control the system temperature. Higher load-line calibration could get higher voltage and good overclocking performance but increases the CPU and VRM thermal.
2	CPU Current Capability CPU Current Capability provides wider total power range for overclocking. A higher value setting gets higher VRM power consumption delivery.
3	CPU Voltage Frequency Switching frequency will affect the VRM transient response and component thermal. Higher frequency gets quicker transient response.

Function no.	Function description
4	iGPU Load-line Calibration Load-line is defined by Intel VRM specifications, and affects the iGPU voltage. The iGPU working voltage decreases proportionally to integrated graphics loading. A higher value can get a higher iGPU voltage, and a good performance, but decreases the CPU and VRM thermal conditions.
5	iGPU Current Capability A higher value brings wider total iGPU power range, and extends the overclocking frequency range simultaneously to enhance the iGPU performance.
6	CPU Power Phase Control Increase phase number under heavy system loading to get more transient and better thermal performance. Reduce phase number under light system loading to increase VRM efficiency. * The system automatically set the default to [Extreme] when using the Intel®
	iGPU.
7	CPU Power Thermal Control A higher temperature brings a wider CPU power thermal range, and extends the overclocking tolerance to enlarge overclocking potential.
8	CPU Power Response Control The DIGI+ VRM controller provides a faster and precise power response rate for CPU. Apply a higher value for an extreme overclocking.
9	CPU Power Duty Control CPU Power Duty Control adjusts the current of every VRM phase and the thermal of every phase component.

DRAM Power



Function no.	Function description
1	DRAM Current Capability A higher value brings a wider total power range and extends the overclocking frequency range simultaneously.
2	DRAM Voltage Frequency Allows you to adjust the DRAM switching frequency for system stability or to increase OC Range.
3	DRAM Power Phase Control Select Extreme for full phase mode to increase system performance or select Optimized for ASUS optimized phase tuning profile to increase DRAM power efficiency.
4	DRAM Power Thermal Control A higher temperature brings a wider DRAM power thermal range, and extends the overclocking tolerance to enlarge overclocking potential.



The actual performance boost may vary depending on your CPU specification. Do not remove the thermal module. The thermal conditions must be monitored.

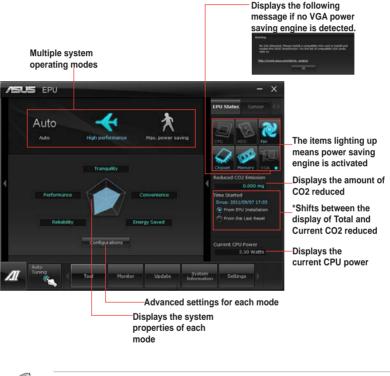
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4.3.4 EPU

EPU is an energy-efficient tool that satisfies different computing needs. This utility provides several modes that you can select to save system power. Selecting Auto mode will have the system shift modes automatically according to current system status. You can also customize each mode by configuring settings like CPU frequency, GPU frequency, vCore Voltage, and Fan Control.

Launching EPU

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch EPU by clicking **Tool > EPU** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.



- *• Select From EPU Installation to show the CO2 that has been reduced since you installed EPU.
 - *• Select From the Last Reset to show the total CO2 that has been reduced since you click the Clear button Const .
 - Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.

4.3.5 USB 3.0 Boost

The ASUS exclusive USB 3.0 Boost provides speed boost for USB 3.0 devices and the up-to-date support of USB Attached SCSI Protocol (UASP). With USB 3.0 Boost, you can accelerate the transfer speed of your USB 3.0 devices with ease.

Launching USB 3.0 Boost

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch USB 3.0 Boost by clicking **Tool > USB 3.0 Boost** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.

Configuring USB 3.0 Boost

- 1. Connect a USB 3.0 device to the USB 3.0 port.
- USB 3.0 Boost automatically detects the property of the connected device and switches to Turbo mode or UASP mode (if UASP is supported by the connected device).
- 3. You can manually switch the USB 3.0 mode back to Normal mode at any time.





- Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.
- Due to Intel[®] chipset limitation, Intel[®] USB 3.0 ports do not support ASUS 3.0 Boost in Windows XP operating system.
- Use the USB 3.0 devices for high performance. The data transfer speed varies with USB devices.

4.3.6 USB BIOS Flashback Wizard

This utility allows you to check and save the latest BIOS version to a USB storage device. With ASUS USB BIOS Flashback hardware feature, the system BIOS is conveniently updated without booting your system.



Scheduling the latest BIOS download

- 1. In the **Download Setting** field, tick **Schedule (days)** and select the number of days for the next download update available.
- 2. Click **Apply** to save the BIOS download schedule. Click **Cancel** to cancel the changes made.

Downloading the updated BIOS



Plug the flash drive before you start downloading.

- 1. Click Check for New BIOS Update to look for an updated BIOS firmware.
- 2. Wait for the system to check the latest BIOS firmware.



 After the utility detects a new BIOS firmware, save the BIOS firmware by clicking from the Save to field, select the USB flashdrive, and click Download.



4. After the download is complete, click **OK**.



After you download the BIOS file to your flash drive, you can update the motherboard's BIOS. Refer to **2.3.11 USB BIOS Flashback** for details.

4.3.7 ASUS SSD Caching

This feature boosts system performance by using an installed SSD with no capacity limitations as a cache for frequently accessed data. Harness a combination of SSD-like performance and response and hard drive capacity with just one click. No rebooting is needed with instant activation for complete ease of use.

Launching ASUS SSD Caching

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch ASUS SSD Caching by clicking **Tool > ASUS SSD Caching** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.

Configuring ASUS SSD Caching

- Connect one HDD and one SSD to the the Marvell[®] SATA ports (SATA6G_E1/ E2). ASUS SSD Caching automatically detects the HDD and SSD.
- Click on Caching Now! to initialize the connected disks. Initialization status is shown on the program interface.
- 3. Caching function will be activated once initialization is complete.
- Click on **Disable** when deactivating SSD caching.





- During initialization, you can proceed with doing any system operations. You can
 check the caching status later or wait for a pop-up message notifying that initialization
 is completed.
- For regular usage, the SATA6G_E1/E2 connectors are recommended for data drives.
- After disabling SSD Caching, the SSD will become a non-configurable disk in Windows OS. To use the SSD again for normal functions, go to Disk Management to reconfigure the SSD.

4.3.8 Probe II

Probe II is a utility that monitors the computer's vital components, and detects and alerts you of any problem with these components. Probe II senses fan rotations, CPU temperature, and system voltages, among others. With this utility, you are assured that your computer is always at a healthy operating condition.

Launching Probe II

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch Probe II by clicking **Tool > Probe II** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.

Configuring Probe II

Click the **Voltage/Temperature/Fan Speed** tabs to activate the sensors or to adjust the sensor threshold values. The **Preference** tab allows you to customize the time interval of sensor alerts, or change the temperature unit.





Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.

4.3.9 Sensor Recorder

Sensor Recorder monitors the changes in the system voltage, temperature, and fan speed on a timeline. The History Record function allows you to designate specific time spans on record to keep track of the three system statuses for certain purposes.

Launching Sensor Recorder

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch Sensor Recorder by clicking Tool > Sensor Recorder on the Al Suite II main menu bar.

Using Sensor Recorder

Click on Voltage/ Temperature/ Fan Speed tabs for the status you want to monitor. Colored lines will automatically appear on the diagram to indicate the immediate changes in the system status.



Using History Record

- 1. Click on the History Record tab and adjust the settings on the left for Record Interval and Record Duration according to need.
- 2. Click on Start Recording to start measurement and recording of each sensor.
- 3. To stop recording, click on Recording again.
- 4. To track the recorded contents, set Type/ Date/ Select display items to display the history details.





Click on Monitor > Sensor on the AI Suite II main menu bar and a highlight of the system statuses will appear on the right panel.

4.3.10 ASUS Update

ASUS Update lays out the options for updating BIOS on your system. Update BIOS utility on your system or simply save the utility for later use just by following the directions on this convenient updating feature.

Launching ASUS Update

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch ASUS Update by clicking **Update> ASUS Update** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.

Using ASUS Update

Select the way you would like to do with the BIOS utility. Click on **Next** and follow the instructions to complete your request.



Update BIOS from Internet Download the latest BIOS utility from the ASUS service website (www.asus.com) and follow the suggested procedures to update the BIOS version on your system.

- Download BIOS from Internet
 Download the latest BIOS utility from the ASUS service website (www.asus.com) and save for later use.
- Update BIOS from file
 Use the BIOS utility demanded from a source file to update the BIOS version on your system.
- Save BIOS to file

Back up the current BIOS utility on your system to another file or USB disk to save for later use.



There may be risks of system crash when updating BIOS. Backing up the original BIOS utility is recommended before updating.

4.3.11 MyLogo2

This MyLogo utility lets you customize the boot logo. The boot logo is the image that appears on screen during the Power-On-Self-Tests (POST). Personalize your computer from the very beginning!

Launching ASUS Update

After installing AI Suite II from the motherboard support DVD, launch MyLogo by clicking **Update> MyLogo** on the AI Suite II main menu bar.



Using MyLogo

Select the way you would like to do update your boot logo. Then click Next and follow the given instructions.

Change the BIOS boot logo of my motherboard

1. Under Current BIOS, click **Browse** and choose the desired image for your boot logo. Then click on Next.



- 2. Click on Auto Tune to adjust image size compatibility or adjust the resolution bar.
- 3. You can click on Booting Preview to preview the boot image. Then click Next.
- 4. Click on Flash to start updating the image to the boot logo.
- 5. Click on Yes to reboot or you can also see the new logo next time you restart your computer.

Æ	SUS MyLogo — X
	Preview and resolution adjustment.
	E:\pic2011\201104 ND trip\20110419 Chicago\20110419CH01.3PG
4	CHICAGO Eleview
	Resolution 80%
	Back Next
Л	Turning Tool Monitor Update

Change the boot logo of a downloaded BIOS file and update (or do not update) this BIOS to the motherboard

- 1. At BIOS File, **Browse** to download the requested BIOS file to your system. This utility will help you detect the compatibility of the BIOS version.
- 2. Then at Picture File, Browse to select the desired image for boot logo. Click Next.
- 3. Follow steps 2-5 in Change the BIOS boot logo of my motherboard to complete logo update.



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The fullscreen logo application in BIOS utility must be enabled for MyLogo to take effect.

4.3.12 Audio configurations

The Realtek[®] audio CODEC provides 8-channel audio capability to deliver the ultimate audio experience on your computer. The software provides Jack-Sensing function, S/PDIF Out support, and interrupt capability. The CODEC also includes the Realtek[®] proprietary UAJ[®] (Universal Audio Jack) technology for all audio ports, eliminating cable connection errors, and giving users plug and play convenience.

Follow the installation wizard to install the Realtek[®] Audio Driver from the support DVD that came with the motherboard package.

If the Realtek audio software is correctly installed, you will find the **Realtek HD Audio Manager** icon on the taskbar. Doubleclick on the icon to display the Realtek HD Audio Manager.



Realtek HD Audio Manager

A. Realtek HD Audio Manager with DTS UltraPC II for Windows[®] 7[™] Configuration option tabs (vary with the audio devices connected)



Analog and digital connector status

B. Realtek HD Audio Manager for Windows XP



- Refer to the software manual in the support DVD or visit the ASUS website at www.asus.com for detailed software configuration.
 - Due to Intel[®] Z77 platform does not support Windows[®] Vista[™], Realtek HD Audio driver is only supported by Windows[®] 7[™]/Windows[®] XP[™].
 - To play Blu-Ray disc, make sure to use an HDCP compliant monitor.

4.4 RAID configurations

The motherboard supports the following SATA RAID solutions:

- Intel[®] Rapid Storage Technology with RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 10 and RAID 5 support.
- Marvell[®] RAID utility with RAID 0 and RAID 1 support.
 - You must install Windows[®] XP Service Pack 3 or later versions before using Serial ATA hard disk drives. The Serial ATA RAID feature is available only if you are using Windows[®] XP SP3 or later versions.
 - Due to Windows[®] XP / Vista limitation, a RAID array with the total capacity over 2TB cannot be set as a boot disk. A RAID array over 2TB can only be set as a data disk only.
 - If you want to install a Windows[®] operating system to a hard disk drive included in a RAID set, you have to create a RAID driver disk and load the RAID driver during OS installation. Refer to section 4.5 Creating a RAID driver disk for details.

4.4.1 RAID definitions

RAID 0 (Data striping) optimizes two identical hard disk drives to read and write data in parallel, interleaved stacks. Two hard disks perform the same work as a single drive but at a sustained data transfer rate, double that of a single disk alone, thus improving data access and storage. Use of two new identical hard disk drives is required for this setup.

RAID 1 (Data mirroring) copies and maintains an identical image of data from one drive to a second drive. If one drive fails, the disk array management software directs all applications to the surviving drive as it contains a complete copy of the data in the other drive. This RAID configuration provides data protection and increases fault tolerance to the entire system. Use two new drives or use an existing drive and a new drive for this setup. The new drive must be of the same size or larger than the existing drive.

RAID 5 stripes both data and parity information across three or more hard disk drives. Among the advantages of RAID 5 configuration include better HDD performance, fault tolerance, and higher storage capacity. The RAID 5 configuration is best suited for transaction processing, relational database applications, enterprise resource planning, and other business systems. Use a minimum of three identical hard disk drives for this setup.

RAID 10 is data striping and data mirroring combined without parity (redundancy data) having to be calculated and written. With the RAID 10 configuration you get all the benefits of both RAID 0 and RAID 1 configurations. Use four new hard disk drives or use an existing drive and three new drives for this setup.

4.4.2 Installing Serial ATA hard disks

The motherboard supports Serial ATA hard disk drives. For optimal performance, install identical drives of the same model and capacity when creating a disk array.

To install the SATA hard disks for a RAID configuration:

- 1. Install the SATA hard disks into the drive bays.
- 2. Connect the SATA signal cables.
- 3. Connect a SATA power cable to the power connector on each drive.

4.4.3 Setting the RAID item in BIOS

You must enable the RAID function in the BIOS Setup before creating RAID set(s) using SATA HDDs. To do this:

- 1. Enter the BIOS Setup during POST.
- 2. Go to the Advanced menu > SATA Configuration, and then press <Enter>.
- 3. Set the SATA Mode item to [RAID Mode].
- 4. Save your changes, and then exit the BIOS Setup.

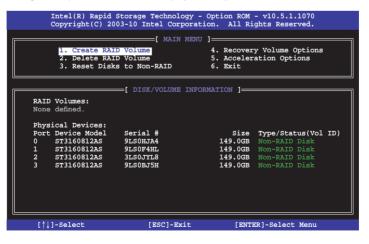
Refer to Chapter 3 for details on entering and navigating through the BIOS Setup.

Due to chipset limitation, when set any of SATA ports to RAID mode, all SATA ports run at RAID mode together.

4.4.4 Intel[®] Rapid Storage Technology Option ROM utility

To enter the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology Option ROM utility:

- 1. Turn on the system.
- 2. During POST, press <Ctrl> + <I> to display the utility main menu.



The navigation keys at the bottom of the screen allow you to move through the menus and select the menu options.

The RAID BIOS setup screens shown in this section are for reference only and may not exactly match the items on your screen.



The utility supports maximum four hard disk drives for RAID configuration.

Creating a RAID set

To create a RAID set:

 From the utility main menu, select 1. Create RAID Volume and press <Enter>. The following screen appears:



- 2. Enter a name for the RAID set and press <Enter>.
- When the RAID Level item is selected, press the up/down arrow key to select a RAID level to create, and then press <Enter>.
- 4. When the **Disks** item is selected, press <Enter> to select the hard disk drives you want to include in the RAID set. The **SELECT DISKS** screen appears:

Port	Drive Model	Serial #	Size	Status
0	ST3160812AS	9LSOHJA4	149.0GB	Non-RAID Disk
1	ST3160812AS	9LSOF4HL	149.0GB	Non-RAID Disk
2	ST3160812AS	3LS0JYL8	149.0GB	Non-RAID Disk
3	ST3160812AS	9LS0BJ5H	149.0GB	Non-RAID Disk
	Select 2 to	6 disks to use	in creating	the volume.

- 5. Use the up/down arrow key to select a drive, and then press <Space> to select. A small triangle marks the selected drive. Press <Enter> after completing your selection.
- Use the up/down arrow key to select the stripe size for the RAID array (for RAID 0, 10 and 5 only),and then press <Enter>. The available stripe size values range from 4KB to 128KB. The following are typical values: RAID 0: 128KB RAID 10: 64KB RAID 5: 64KB



We recommend a lower stripe size for server systems, and a higher stripe size for multimedia computer systems used mainly for audio and video editing.

- 7. When the **Capacity** item is selected, enter the RAID volume capacity that you want and press <Enter>. The default value indicates the maximum allowed capacity.
- 8. When the **Create Volume** item is selected, press <Enter>. The following warning message appears:



9. Press <Y> to create the RAID volume and return to the main menu, or <N> to go back to the **CREATE VOLUME** menu.

Deleting a RAID set



Take caution when deleting a RAID set. You will lose all data on the hard disk drives when you delete a RAID set.

To delete a RAID set:

1. From the utility main menu, select **2. Delete RAID Volume** and press <Enter>. The following screen appears:

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		[HE	LP]		
	Deleting a volume will reset the disks to non-RAID.				
		ING: ALL DISK D	ATA WILL BE	DELETED.	
		does not apply			
[1	†↓]-Select	[ESC]-Previou	us Menu	[DEL]-Delet	e Volume

2. Use the up/down arrow key to select the RAID set you want to delete, and then press . The following warning message appears:



 Press <Y> to delete the RAID set and return to the utility main menu, or press <N> to return to the DELETE VOLUME menu.

Exiting the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology Option ROM utility

To exit the utility:

1. From the utility main menu, select **5. Exit**, and then press <Enter>. The following warning message appears:



2. Press <Y> to exit or press <N> to return to the utility main menu.

4.4.5 Marvell RAID utility

The onboard Marvell SATA 6.0 Gb/s controller allows you to create a RAID 0 or RAID 1 array using two SATA hard disk drives. Refer to Chapter 2 of your motherboard user manual for the exact location of the Marvell SATA 6.0 Gb/s connector.

To enter the Marvell utility, press <Ctrl> + <M> during POST.



All exisiting data on the hard disk drives will be erased when creating or deleting a RAID array. Ensure that you have back up all your data in your hard disk drives before making any change to the drive status.

Topology IBA 0: Marvell 0 Virtual Disks Free Physical Disks PD 0: ST3160812AS PD 8: ST3160812AS	Information Vendor ID : 1B4B Device ID : 9130 Revision ID : B1 BIOS Version : 1.0.0.1028 Firmware Version: 2.2.0.1105 PCIe Speed Rate : 5.0Gbps Configure SATA as: AHCI Mode
Help	

Create a RAID Array

- 1. Move the selection bar to HBA 0: Marvell 0 and press <Enter>.
- 2. Select Configuration Wizard and press <Enter>.



 Press <Space> to select the hard drives to be included in the RAID array. An asterisk (*) appears in front of the selected hard drive. After selecting all the drives needed for the RAID array, press <Enter> to continue.

HBA 0: Marvell 0 Virtual Disks Free Physical Disks PD 0: ST3160812AS PD 8: ST3160812AS	sksCreate Virtual Dis RATD Level market Max Size(MB) : Stripe Size : Gigabyte Rounding : Gigabyte Rounding : Quick Init : Name : Threshold(%) : Next	RAID 0 0000000000000000000000000000000000
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 Use the up or down arrow key to move the selection bar and press <Enter> to configure further RAID settings.

RAID Level: Select a RAID Level. Configuration options: [RAID 0] [RAID 1]

Stripe Size: Specifies the size of single data block on the virtual disk. In general, a larger stripe size is recommended for applications requiring large data transfers such as audio, video, and graphics. A smaller stripe size is better for applications with content in much smaller size, such as e-mails and documents. Configuration options: [32K] [64K]

Gigabyte Rounding: In the event of a single physical disk failure in a RAID 1 virtual disk, Gigabyte Rounding allows the replacement physical disk to be of a size slightly smaller than the existing physical disk. The capacity of the rebuilt virtual disk equals to the size of the smaller physical disk included in the RAID 1 array. The configuration options represent the tolerance value of drive capacity difference. Configuration options: [None] [1G] [10G]

Name: Enter a name with 1-10 letters (no special characters) for the RAID array.

5. Move the selection bar to **Next** and press <Enter>. The following warning message appears:



Press <Y> to create the RAID array, or press <N> to cancel. The new RAID array appears under Virtual Disks, as shown in the image below.

Topology HEA 0: Marvell 0 Virtual Disks VD 0: New_VD PD 0: ST3160812AS PD 8: ST3160812AS Free Physical Disks	
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6. Press <F10>. The following warning message appears:



Press <Y> to save the RAID setting and exit the Marvell RAID utility.

Delete an existing RAID Array

1. Select the RAID array to delete and press <Enter>. Select Delete and press <Enter>.

Topology HBA 0: Marvell 0 Virtual Disks VD 0: New VD PD 0: ST316 PD 8: ST316 Free Physical Disks	tatus Tripte Size AID Mode Size BGA Status Number of PDs	: RAIDO : 304128MB : N/A
Help Delete the selected vir ENTER: Operation F10:		

2. The following warning message appears:



Press <Y> to delete the selected RAID array. The following warning message appears:



Press <Y> to delete the Master Boot Record (MBR) from the selected RAID array.

3. Press <F10>. The following warning message appears:



Press <Y> to save the RAID setting and exit the Marvell RAID utility.

4.4.6 Introduction to Intel[®] 2012 Desktop responsiveness technologies

This document details the overview of the installation and configuration procedures of the Intel® 2012 Desktop responsiveness technologies.

Intel® 2012 Desktop responsiveness technologies feature the three technologies:

- Intel[®] Smart Response Technology
- Intel® Rapid Start Technology
- Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology

System Requirements for Intel[®] 2012 Desktop responsiveness technologies

In order for the system to run smoothly for the Intel® 2012 Desktop responsiveness, you must meet the following requirements:

- 1. CPU: Intel[®] 3rd/2nd generation Core Processor family
- 2. OS: Windows® 7 operating systems
- 3. SSD: One dedicated SSD (Solid State Disk) to support Intel[®] Smart Response and Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology is necessary.

Refer to the **SSD Capacity Requirements** table for the information of SSD size, partition capacity, and system memory requirements.

4. HDD: At least one HDD (Hard Disk Drive) for the system OS drive.

5. DRAM: To enable Intel® Rapid Start Technology, DRAM size smaller than 8GB is required.



Ensure to enable the acceleration of Intel[®] Smart Response Technology before creating the partition for the Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology.

SSD Capacity Requirements

SSD Partition Capacity			System DRAM	
	Requirements	2GB	4GB	8GB
	Intel [®] Rapid Start	2GB	4GB	8GB
suc	Intel [®] Smart Response	20GB	20GB	20GB
rage combinations	Intel [®] Smart Response and Intel [®] Rapid Start	Separate 20GB and 2GB partition (SSD size > 22GB)	Separate 20GB and 4GB partition (SSD size > 24GB)	Separate 20GB and 8GB partition (SSD size > 28GB)
Intel [®] storage	Intel [®] Smart Response, Intel [®] Rapid Start, and Intel [®] Smart Connect	Separate 20GB and 2GB partition (SSD size > 22GB)	Separate 20GB and 4GB partition (SSD size > 24GB)	Separate 20GB and 8GB partition (SSD size > 28GB)



 The SSD used for Intel[®] Rapid Start and Intel[®] Smart Response is not allowed for creating RAID.

- Due to OS behavior, Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology works inefficiently with over 4G system memory under Windows[®] 7 32-bit operating system.
- Only Intel[®] internal SATA ports (gray and blue) support Intel[®] 2012 Desktop responsiveness technologies.
- The performance of Intel[®] Smart Response Technology and Intel[®] Rapid Storage Technology vary by the installed SSD.

Intel® Smart Response Technology

Intel[®] Smart Response Technology boosts overall system performance. It uses an installed fast SSD (min. 20GB available) as a cache for frequently accessed operations, speeding up hard drive/main memory interaction. Key benefits are expedited hard drive speeds, reduced load and wait times, and maximized storage utilization. Power consumption also goes down by reducing unnecessary hard drive spin.



Before applying Intel[®] Smart Response Technology, setting the SATA Mode BIOS item to [RAID mode] in BIOS setup is necessary. Refer to section **3.5.3 SATA Configuration** for details

Installing Intel[®] Smart Response Technology

- 1. Place the support DVD to the optical drive. The Drivers installation tab appears if your computer has enabled the Autorun feature.
- 2. Click the Drivers tab, then click Intel® Rapid Storage Technology Driver software.
- 3. Follow the onscreen instructions to complete the installation.

Using the Intel[®] Smart Response Technology

1. Click Accelerate to launch Smart Response Technology settings.



- 2. a. Select the SSD you want to use to accelerate your storage system.
 - b. Select the size allocated for SSD caching.
 - c. Select which HDD for caching.
 - Enhanced mode: WRITE THROUGH, write to SSD and HDD at the same time.

Maximized mode: WRITE BACK, write to SSD and write back to HDD in a later time.

elect the solid state drive you want to use to accelerat	e your storage system:
(8) 55D on part 1: 19 G8 O SSD on part 2: 19 G8	
elect the size allocated for the cache memory:	
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elect the acceleration mode:	
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 Select Disable Acceleration to disable this function, and select Change Mode to switch acceleration mode to Enhanced/ Maximized.





- To enable Intel[®] Smart Response Technology, you need at least one SSD (≧20GB) and a HDD, and only one SSD can be assigned for caching.
- If you want to restore the OS, go to BIOS Option ROM > Acceleration Options and remove the Disks/Volume Acceleration to disable Intel[®] Smart Response Technology. Refer to Chapter 4, section Installing Serial ATA hard disk for the entry of BIOS Option ROM.
- The maximum caching size on the SSD is 64GB. If it exceeds, the storage capacity left out for caching can still be identified by the system for normal storage.

Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology

Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology allows you to quickly resume your computer from sleeping mode. Saving your computer's system memory to the configured SSD provides a faster wake-up response time, but keeps the energy in a low profile.

Before applying Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology, go to Advanced Mode > Advanced > PCH Configuration in BIOS item, and enable Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology.



 Ensure to follow the procedure Creating a partition precisely to enable the Intel Rapid Start function. Error message appears if you install the Intel[®] Rapid Start Utility before creating a partition.

Creating a partition

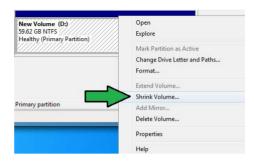


- Ensure to backup your data before using the Microsoft partition tool. Incorrect partitioning process will result to data loss.
- Adjusting the DRAM to a high frequency will result to unstable system performance.

1. Go to Start, right-click Computer > Manage > Disk Management.

2. Select the SSD that you want to create the partition.

 Right click the New Volume that you want to shrink from, and select Shrink Volume.



- 4. If your SSD is not initialized and unformatted:
 - a. Right click the disk that you want to create the partition, and select Initialize.
 - Right click the unallocated volume, select New Simple Volume, and follow the remaining steps.





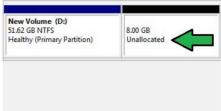
If your SSD is smaller than 64GB, and is set to **Full disk capacity** caching option for Intel[®] Smart Response, you can not see any volume in the Disk Management. Ensure to set your cache memory value of **18.6GB** in Intel[®] Smart Response to allow enough capacity for the Intel[®] Rapid Start partition.

 Key in the required partition size, and must be equal to the system DRAM memory (1GB = 1024MB). Click Shrink.

> Go to Start > Control Panel > System and Security > System, and check the DRAM size information.

The unallocated volume is allocated to the selected disk.





- To launch the disk partitioning tool, click Start > Programs > Accessories > Command Prompt tool.
- 7. Type diskpart and press Enter.
- In the diskpart prompt, type list disk after DISKPART, and press Enter. Select the disk with the unallocated volume by typing select disk x (x = disk number), and press Enter.

Disk ###	Status	Size	Free	Dyn	Gpt
Disk Ø Disk 1	Online Online Online	2794 GB 59 GB	1024 KB 8 GB		*
ISKPART> :	select disk 1				

iskPart succeeded in creating the specified partition

The value "x" refers to a disk number where you created the unallocated partition. Refer to step 5 for details about the unallocated disk space in the SSD.

DISKPART>

DISKPART> create partition primary

- Type create partition primary, and press Enter.
- After creating a primary partition, type detail disk, and press Enter to view the details of the partitioned disk.
- Select the RAW volume which has the same size as the shrinked volume, type select volume x (x = number), and press Enter to store the Intel[®] Rapid Start partition.

ISHYBHY2 detail disk 4 cTD4 478202 4 cTD4 478202

DISKPART> select volume 3 Volume 3 is the selected volume. DISKPART>

The value " \mathbf{x} " refers to a disk number where you want to create the store partition.

12. Type set id=84 override, press Enter, and wait for the "shrinking process" until the Disk Management utility identifies a new partition called Hibernation Partition.





The **Hibernation Partition** does not appear when you choose "GPT (GUID Partition Table store type". Ensure the "Unallocated" disappears from the volume, and a new partition is identified.

13. Reboot the system after creating the partition.



The partition for Intel® Rapid Start Technology is incomplete if the computer is not rebooted, and this results to function failure of Intel® Rapid Start Technology.

Enabling and disabling the Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology under the OS



Install the Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology first from your support DVD in order to launch the Intel[®] Rapid Start Manager.

After creating the partition, launch the Intel® Rapid Start Manager to enable or disable the Intel® Rapid Start Technology.

 Click the Show hidden icons arrow from the right side of the task bar, and click Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology Manager icon.



Tick On in the Status field to enable the function, and click Save. 2.

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CI the scroll bar to the desired time. When the system is idle for more than the time period you set, the system automatically goes into the Intel® Rapid Start mode. Default time is 10 minutes.

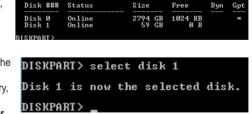
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Recovering the partition

This procedure allows you to delete the Intel® Rapid Start Technology from your system, and recover the partition you made for the Intel Rapid® Start Technology installation.

list disk

- Run the Command Prompt tool. 1.
- 2. Type diskpart and press Enter.
- 3. At the diskpart prompt, type list disk after DISKPART. and press Enter.
- 4. Select the disk (SSD) where the Intel® Rapid Start Technology is installed for volume recovery, type select disk x (x = number), and press Enter.



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The value "x" refers to a disk number where you want to delete the store partition.

 Type list partition, press Enter, and select the partition where the Intel® Rapid Start Technology is installed by typing select partition x (x = number), and press Enter.

Partition	###	Туре	Size	Offset
Partition Partition			51 GB 8 GB	1024 KB 51 GB
DISKPART> se	elect	partition 2		
Partition 2	is n	ow the selected pa	rtition.	



The value "x" refers to a disk number where you want to delete the store partition.

6. Type delete partition override, and press Enter. The diskpart utility deletes the selected partition.



- 7. In the desktop, click Start, right-click Computer, and click Manage.
- In the Computer Management window, click Disk Management, right click the shrinked new volume, and select Extend Volume.



9. As the Extend Volume Wizard appears, click **Next**.



10. Click **Next** after selecting the default selected disk.

You can use space on one or more disks to ext	
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< Remove	A
Total volume size in megabytes (MB):	109999
Maximum available space in MB:	8192
Select the amount of space in MB:	8192

- 11. Extend volume setup is completed. Click **Finish** to recover the Intel[®] Rapid Start Technology partition.
- 12. Reboot the system after deleting the partition.
- Go to Start > Control Panel > Programs > Programs and Features > to remove the Intel® Rapid Start Manager for the complete deletion of Intel® Rapid Start Technology.

Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology

The Intel® Smart Connect Technology is a feature that provides the latest content updates and energy efficiency to your computer's platform.

Once installed and activated, the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology periodically wakes up the system from sleeping mode, performs user state gathering, and initiates re-entry to sleeping mode to wake-up after a set time interval.

- Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology supports Windows[®] Live Mail, Microsoft Outlook, and Seesmic applications.
 - It is necessary to enable the items of the PCH Configuration in the BIOS before applying the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology. Go to Advanced Mode > Advanced > PCH Configuration, and enable the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology.

Installing the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology

- 1. Place the support DVD to the optical drive.
- 2. Go to Utilities, and click Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology.
- 3. As the setup wizard appears, click Next to begin the setup.
- 4. Tick I accept the terms in the License Agreement, and click Next.

5. Select all and click **Next** for **Custom Setup**.

Select the way you want features to be installed	(inte
Click the icons in the tree below to change the w	ay features will be installed.
GCT94	This feature requires 200KB on your hard drive.
	Browse

- 6. Click Install to proceed the installation.
- Click Yes to restart your system, and for the newly installed Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology to take effect.

Using the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology

- Before the system goes to sleep mode, ensure to keep your applications on the desktop, and enter the applications, passwords.
- Ensure that the internet is in connection when enabling the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology.
- 1. Click Start > All Programs > Intel > Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology.
- 2. In the **Basic** tab, click **Enable Updating**. When enabled, the **Advanced** tab is available for advanced function settings.

	tab is activated Click to view version ating is enabled information and help topics	
Click to configure the basic settings Click to enable or disable the function		When updating is enabled, click to reset all settings to default.
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3. To disable the updating function, click **Disable Updating**. Clicking this button automatically disables the configuration in the **Advanced** tab. To reset to defaults, click **Reset All to Defaults**.

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 In the Advanced tab, set up the schedule during low power usage time period for power saving. This setting only applies to the assigned time period.

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			End at	7:00 AM	•
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5. In the **Help** tab, click **About** to view the feature's version. Click **Topics** to learn more about the Intel[®] Smart Connect Technology and its configuration.

4.5 Creating a RAID driver disk

A floppy disk with the RAID driver is required when installing a Windows[®] operating system on a hard disk drive that is included in a RAID set.

- The motherboard does not provide a floppy drive connector. You have to use a USB floppy disk drive when creating a SATA RAID driver disk.
 - Windows® XP may not recognize the USB floppy disk drive due to Windows® XP limitation. To work around this OS limitation, refer to section 4.5.4 Using a USB floppy disk drive.

4.5.1 Creating a RAID driver disk without entering the OS

To create a RAID driver disk without entering the OS:

- 1. Boot your computer.
- 2. Press during POST to enter the BIOS setup utility.
- 3. Set the optical drive as the primary boot device.
- 4. Insert the support DVD into the optical drive.
- 5. Save changes and exit BIOS.
- 6. When the Make Disk menu appears, press <1> to create a RAID driver disk.
- 7. Insert a formatted floppy disk into the USB floppy disk drive, then press <Enter>.
- 8. Follow the succeeding screen instructions to complete the process.

4.5.2 Creating a RAID driver disk in Windows®

To create a RAID driver disk in Windows®:

- 1. Start Windows®.
- 2. Plug the USB floppy disk drive and insert a floppy disk.
- 3. Place the motherboard support DVD into the optical drive.
- 4. Go to the **Make Disk** menu, and then click **Intel AHCI/RAID Driver Disk** to create a RAID driver disk.
- 5. Select USB floppy disk drive as the destination disk.
- 6. Follow the succeeding screen instructions to complete the process.



Write-protect the floppy disk to avoid a computer virus infection.

4.5.3 Installing the RAID driver during Windows® OS installation

To install the RAID driver in Windows® XP:

- 1. During the OS installation, the system prompts you to press the F6 key to install thirdparty SCSI or RAID driver.
- 2. Press <F6>, and then insert the floppy disk with RAID driver into the USB floppy disk drive.
- When prompted to select the SCSI adapter to install, select the RAID driver for the corresponding OS version.
- 4. Follow the succeeding screen instructions to complete the installation.

To install the RAID driver for Windows® Vista or later OS:

- 1. During the OS installation, click **Load Driver** to allow you to select the installation media containing the RAID driver.
- 2. Insert the USB flash drive with RAID driver into the USB port or the support DVD into the optical drive, and then click **Browse**.
- Click the name of the device you've inserted, go to Drivers > RAID, and then select the RAID driver for the corresponding OS version. Click OK.
- 4. Follow the succeeding screen instructions to complete the installation.



Before loading the RAID driver from a USB flash drive, you have to use another computer to copy the RAID driver from the support DVD to the USB flash drive.

4.5.4 Using a USB floppy disk drive

Due to OS limitation, Windows® XP may not recognize the USB floppy disk drive when you install the RAID driver from a floppy disk during the OS installation.

To solve this issue, add the USB floppy disk drive's Vendor ID (VID) and Product ID (PID) to the floppy disk containing the RAID driver. Refer to the steps below:

- 1. Using another computer, plug the USB floppy disk drive, and insert the floppy disk containing the RAID driver.
- Right-click My Computer on the Windows[®] desktop or start menu, and then select Manage from the pop-up window.

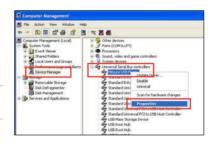
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 Select Device Manager. From the Universal Serial Bus controllers, right-click xxxxx USB Floppy, and then select Properties from the pop-up window.



The name of the USB floppy disk drive varies with different vendors.

4. Click **Details** tab. The Vendor ID (VID) and Product ID (PID) are displayed.





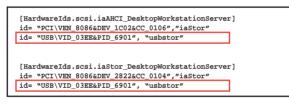
- 5. Browse the contents of the RAID driver disk to locate the file **txtsetup.oem**.
- Double-click the file. A window appears, allowing you to select the program for opening the oem file.

Windows ? 🛛
Windows cannot open this file: File: txtsetup.cem To open this file, Windows needs to know what program created it. Windows ang oonline tookik up automatically, or you can manually select from a list of programs on your computer What do you want to do? Use the West service to find the appropriate program
• Select the program from a list
OK Cancel

7. Use Notepad to open the file.



- Find the [Hardwarelds.scsi.iaAHCI_DesktopWorkstationServer] and [Hardwarelds.scsi.iaStor_DesktopWorkstationServer] sections in the txtsetup.oem file.
- 9. Type the following line to the bottom of the two sections: id = "USB\VID_xxxx&PID_xxxx", "usbstor"





Add the same line to both sections.

The VID and PID vary with different vendors.

10. Save and exit the file.

5.1 ATI[®] CrossFireX[™] technology

The motherboard supports the ATI[®] CrossFireX[™] technology that allows you to install multi-graphics processing units (GPU) graphics cards. Follow the installation procedures in this section.

5.1.1 Requirements

- In Dual CrossFireX mode, you should have two identical CrossFireX-ready graphics cards or one CrossFireX-ready dual-GPU graphics card that are ATI[®] certified.
- Ensure that your graphics card driver supports the ATI CrossFireX technology. Download the latest driver from the AMD website (www.amd.com).
- Ensure that your power supply unit (PSU) can provide at least the minimum power required by your system. See Chapter 2 for details.



We recommend that you install additional chassis fans for better thermal environment.

 Visit the ATI Game website (http://game.amd.com) for the latest certified graphics card and the supported 3D application list.

5.1.2 Before you begin

For ATI CrossFireX to work properly, you have to uninstall all existing graphics card drivers before installing ATI CrossFireX graphics cards to your system.

To uninstall existing graphics card drivers:

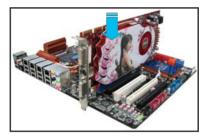
- 1. Close all current applications.
- For Windows XP, go to Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs. For Windows Vista, go to Control Panel > Programs and Features.
- 3. Select your current graphics card driver/s.
- 4. For Windows XP, select Add/Remove. For Windows Vista, select Uninstall.
- 5. Turn off your computer.

5.1.3 Installing two CrossFireX[™] graphics cards



The following pictures are for reference only. The graphics cards and the motherboard layout may vary with models, but the installation steps remain the same.

- 1. Prepare two CrossFireX-ready graphics cards.
- Insert the two graphics card into the PCIEX16 slots. If your motherboard has more than two PCIEX16 slots, refer to Chapter 2 in this user manual for the locations of the PCIEX16 slots recommended for multi-graphics card installation.
- 3. Ensure that the cards are properly seated on the slots.
- Align and firmly insert the CrossFireX bridge connector to the goldfingers on each graphics card. Ensure that the connector is firmly in place.







- Connect two independent auxiliary power sources from the power supply to the two graphics cards separately.
- 6. Connect a VGA or a DVI cable to the graphics card.



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5.1.4 Installing the device drivers

Refer to the documentation that came with your graphics card package to install the device drivers.

Ensure that your PCI Express graphics card driver supports the ATI[®] CrossFireX[™] technology. Download the latest driver from the AMD website (www.amd.com).

5.1.5 Enabling the ATI[®] CrossFireX[™] technology

After installing your graphics cards and the device drivers, enable the CrossFireX[™] feature through the ATI Catalyst[™] Control Center in Windows environment.

Launching the ATI Catalyst Control Center

To launch the ATI Catalyst Control Center:

 Right-click on the Windows[®] desktop and select Catalyst(TM) Control Center. You can also right-click the ATI icon in the Windows notification area and select Cayalist Control Center.



 The Catalyst Control Center Setup Assistant appears when the system detects the existance of multi-graphics cards. Click Go to continue to the Catalyst Control Center Advanced View window.





Enabling Dual CrossFireX technology

- In the Catalyst Control Center window, click Graphics Settings > CrossFireX > Configure.
- From the Graphics Adapter list, select the graphics card to act as the display GPU.
- 3. Select Enable CrossFireX.
- 4. Click **Apply**, and then click **OK** to exit the window.



5.2 NVIDIA[®] SLI[™] technology

The motherboard supports the NVIDIA® SLITM (Scalable Link Interface) technology that allows you to install multi-graphics processing units (GPU) graphics cards. Follow the installation procedures in this section.

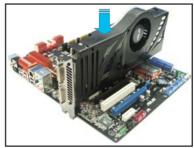
5.2.1 Requirements

- In SLI mode, you should have two identical SLI-ready graphics cards that are NVIDIA[®] certified.
- Ensure that your graphics card driver supports the NVIDIA SLI technology. Download the latest driver from the NVIDIA website (www.nvidia.com).
- Ensure that your power supply unit (PSU) can provide at least the minimum power required by your system. See Chapter 2 for details.
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- We recommend that you install additional chassis fans for better thermal environment.
- Visit the NVIDIA zone website (http://www.nzone.com) for the latest certified graphics card and supported 3D application list.

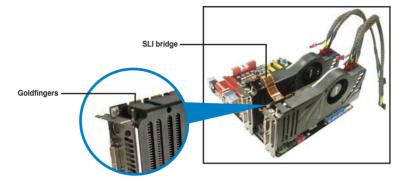
5.2.2 Installing two SLI-ready graphics cards

The following pictures are for reference only. The graphics cards and the motherboard layout may vary with models, but the installation steps remain the same.

- 1. Prepare two SLI-ready graphics cards.
- Insert the two graphics card into the PCIEX16 slots. If your motherboard has more than two PCIEX16 slots, refer to Chapter 2 in this user manual for the locations of the PCIEX16 slots recommended for multi-graphics card installation.
- 3. Ensure that the cards are properly seated on the slots.



- Align and firmly insert the SLI bridge connector to the goldfingers on each graphics card. Ensure that the connector is firmly in place.
- 5. Connect two independent auxiliary power sources from the power supply to the two graphics cards separately.
- 6. Connect a VGA or a DVI cable to the graphics card.



5.2.3 Installing the device drivers

Refer to the documentation that came with your graphics card package to install the device drivers.



Ensure that your PCI Express graphics card driver supports the NVIDIA[®] SLITM technology. Download the latest driver from the NVIDIA website (www.nvidia.com).

5.2.4 Enabling the NVIDIA[®] SLI[™] technology

After installing your graphics cards and the device drivers, enable the SLI feature in NVIDIA[®] Control Panel under the Windows[®] Vista[™] operating system.

Launching the NVIDIA Control Panel

You can launch the NVIDIA Control Panel by the following two methods.

 Right click on the empty space of the Windows[®] desktop and select NVIDIA Control Panel.
 The NVIDIA Control Panel window appears (See Step B5).



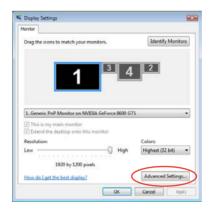
B1. If you cannot see the NVIDIA Control Panel item in step (A), select **Personalize**.



B2. From the Personalization window, select Display Settings.



B3. From the Display Settings dialog box, click **Advanced Settings**.



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B4. Select the NVIDIA GeForce tab, and then click Start the NVIDIA Control Panel.



B5. The NVIDIA Control Panel window appears.

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Enabling SLI settings

From the NVIDIA Control Panel window, select **Set SLI Configuration**. Click **Enable SLI** and set the display for viewing SLI rendered content. When done, click **Apply**.



5.3 LucidLogix Virtu MVP

LucidLogix Virtu MVP allows your computer's VGA output and discrete graphic cards to perform better, respond faster and process media files smoother within a low power environment. Its GPU virtualization assigns tasks to the best available graphic source while the newly-designed Virtual Vsync gives you a smoother gaming experience.

- LucidLogix Virtu MVP supports Windows 7[®] operating systems.
- Intel[®] Quick Sync Video feature is supported by the 3rd/2nd generation Intel[®] Core[™] processor family.
- iGPU Multi-Monitor support option must be enabled in BIOS and install both Intel[®] Graphics Accelerator, and graphics card driver before installing LucidLogix Virtu MVP from ASUS support DVD. Refer to 3.5.4 System Configuration for details.
- Hyperformance[®] and Virtual Sync are enabled when using more than one discrete GPU at the same time.
- Supports NVIDIA® GF4xx/5xx series and AMD® HD5xxx/6xxx series graphic cards.
- We do not recommended to use LucidLogix Virtu MVP under RAID mode.

5.3.1 Installing LucidLogix Virtu MVP

To install LucidLogix Virtu MVP:

- 1. Insert the support DVD in the optical drive. The **ASUS Support Wizard** appears if your computer has enabled the Autorun feature.
- 2. Click the Utilites tab, then click LucidLogix Virtu MVP Software.
- 3. Follow the succeeding onscreen instructions to complete the installation.



After you successfully installed the LucidLogix Virtu MVP, the LucidLogix Virtu MVP icon appears in the notification area.

5.3.2 Setting up your display

LucidLogix Virtu MVP solution comes with two distinct modes that allows you to enjoy better graphics either from your built-in video output (i-Mode) or from a discrete graphics card (d-Mode).

i-Mode

To use LucidLogix Virtu MVP in i-Mode, the display must be connected to the onboard video output.



Ensure to set the Primary Display to iGPU in BIOS to activate i-Mode support.

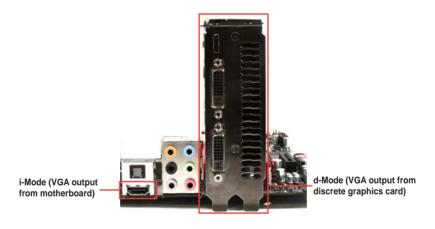
d-Mode

To use LucidLogix Virtu MVP in d-Mode, the display must be connected to the installed graphics card.



Ensure to set the Primary Display to PCIE or PCIE/PCI in BIOS to enable d-Mode support.

d-Mode is recommended for an enhanced 3D gaming performance.



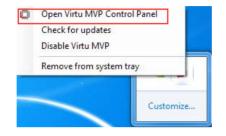


The motherboard's IO ports and discrete graphic card is for reference only and may vary in different models.

5.3.3 Configuring LucidLogix Virtu MVP

Launch the Virtu MVP Control Panel to allow you to configure the main features, adjust the performance settings and select applications for graphical virtualization.

To open the control panel, right-click LucidLogix Virtu MVP icon in the notification area and select **Open Virtu MVP Control Panel**.



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LucidLogix Virtu MVP is automatically activated when your system is powered on. Select **Remove from system tray** if you want to remove LucidLogix Virtu MVP icon from the notification area.

Main

Allows you to turn ON/OFF the GPU virtualization. Also from the Main tab, you can set to show or hide the In-Game icon.



- Click to turn ON/OFF the LucidLogix Virtu MVP

Performance

Allows you to turn ON/OFF the Hyperformance® or Virtual Vsync function.



Applications

Allows you to select applications for graphic virtualization.



Click to add, edit, or remove programs

See the descriptions of these columns below:

- D column allows you to run applications with the discrete graphic card. Select D to enable 3D graphical performance for that application.
- I column allows to run applications with iGPU. Select I for applications with media extensive performance.
- H column allows you to run applications with Hyperformance[®]. Tick H to enhance graphical performance for that application.



Actual graphical performance varies with the application used and graphics card installed.

Appendices

Notices

Federal Communications Commission Statement

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference.
- This device must accept any interference received including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to 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.



The use of shielded cables for connection of the monitor to the graphics card is required to assure compliance with FCC regulations. Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

IC: Canadian Compliance Statement

Complies with the Canadian ICES-003 Class B specifications. This device complies with RSS 210 of Industry Canada. This Class B device meets all the requirements of the Canadian interference-causing equipment regulations.

This device complies with Industry Canada license exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Cut appareil numérique de la Classe B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada. Cet appareil numérique de la Classe B respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

Cet appareil est conforme aux normes CNR exemptes de licence d'Industrie Canada. Le fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes :

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(2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, y compris celles susceptibles de provoquer un fonctionnement non souhaité de l'appareil.

Canadian Department of Communications Statement

This digital apparatus does not exceed the Class B limits for radio noise emissions from digital apparatus set out in the Radio Interference Regulations of the Canadian Department of Communications.

This class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

VCCI: Japan Compliance Statement

VCCI Class B Statement

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KC: Korea Warning Statement

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Complying with the REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals) regulatory framework, we published the chemical substances in our products at ASUS REACH website at http://csr.asus.com/english/REACH.htm.



DO NOT throw the motherboard in municipal waste. This product has been designed to enable proper reuse of parts and recycling. This symbol of the crossed out wheeled bin indicates that the product (electrical and electronic equipment) should not be placed in municipal waste. Check local regulations for disposal of electronic products.



DO NOT throw the mercury-containing button cell battery in municipal waste. This symbol of the crossed out wheeled bin indicates that the battery should not be placed in municipal waste.

ASUS Recycling/Takeback Services

ASUS recycling and takeback programs come from our commitment to the highest standards for protecting our environment. We believe in providing solutions for you to be able to responsibly recycle our products, batteries, other components as well as the packaging materials. Please go to http://csr.asus.com/english/Takeback.htm for detailed recycling information in different regions.

RF Equipment Notices

CE: European Community Compliance Statement

The equipment complies with the RF Exposure Requirement 1999/519/EC, Council Recommendation of 12 July 1999 on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0–300 GHz). This wireless device complies with the R&TTE Directive.

Wireless Radio Use

This device is restricted to indoor use when operating in the 5.15 to 5.25 GHz frequency band.

Exposure to Radio Frequency Energy

The radiated output power of the Wi-Fi technology is below the FCC radio frequency exposure limits. Nevertheless, it is advised to use the wireless equipment in such a manner that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized.

FCC Bluetooth Wireless Compliance

The antenna used with this transmitter must not be colocated or operated in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter subject to the conditions of the FCC Grant.

Bluetooth Industry Canada Statement

This Class B device meets all requirements of the Canadian interference-causing equipment regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la Class B respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

BSMI: Taiwan Wireless Statement

於 5.25GHz 至 5.35GHz 區域內操作之 無線設備的警告聲明

工作頻率 5.250 ~ 5.350GHz 該頻段限於室內使用。

Japan RF Equipment Statement

この製品は、周波数帯域5.15~5.35GHzで動作しているときは、屋内においてのみ使用可能です。

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