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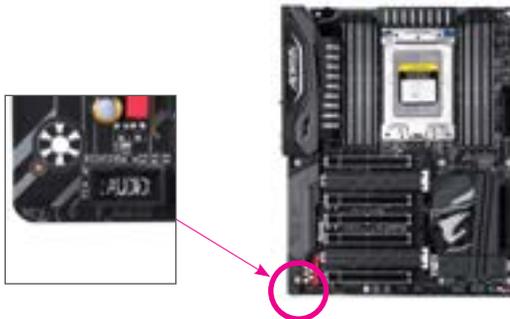


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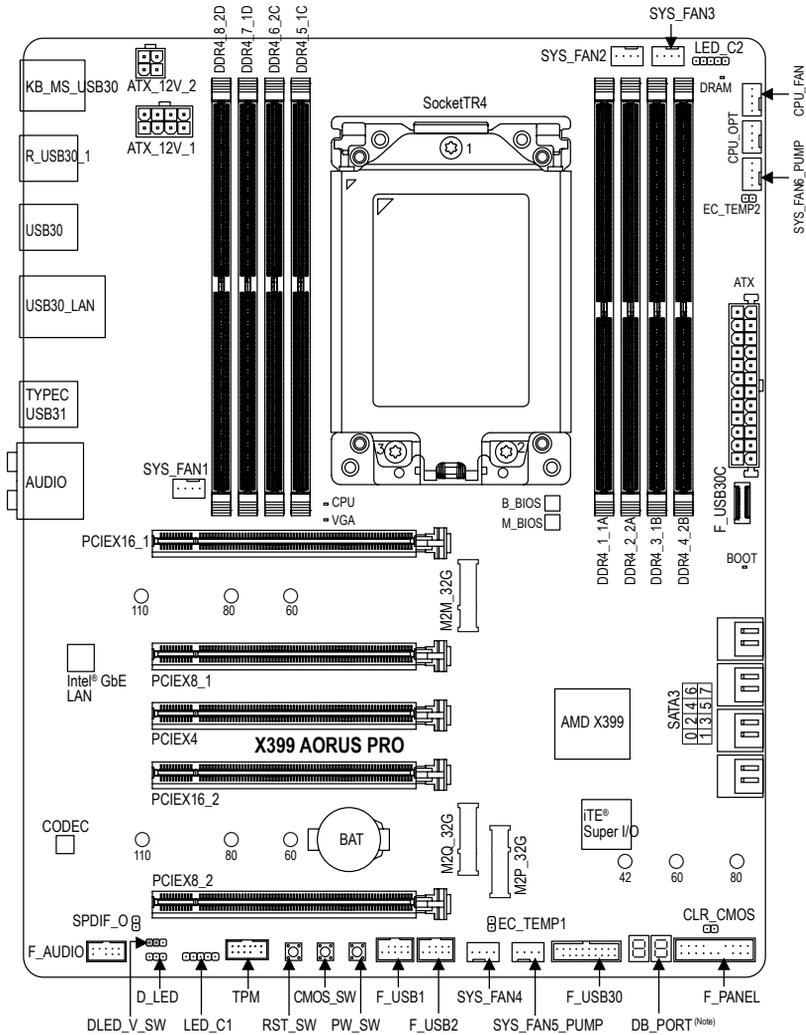
- X399 AORUS PRO motherboard
- Motherboard driver disk
- User's Manual
- Quick Installation Guide
- Four SATA cables
- One G Connector
- I/O Shield
- M.2 screw(s)/M.2 standoff(s)

The box contents above are for reference only and the actual items shall depend on the product package you obtain.
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Optional Items

- 2-port USB 2.0 bracket (Part No. 12CR1-1UB030-6*R)
- eSATA bracket (Part No. 12CF1-3SATPW-4*R)
- 3.5" Front Panel with 2 USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports (Part No. 12CR1-FPX582-2*R)

X399 AORUS PRO Motherboard Layout



(Note) For debug code information, please refer to Chapter 6.

Chapter 1 Hardware Installation

1-1 Installation Precautions

The motherboard contains numerous delicate electronic circuits and components which can become damaged as a result of electrostatic discharge (ESD). Prior to installation, carefully read the user's manual and follow these procedures:

- Prior to installation, make sure the chassis is suitable for the motherboard.
- Prior to installation, do not remove or break motherboard S/N (Serial Number) sticker or warranty sticker provided by your dealer. These stickers are required for warranty validation.
- Always remove the AC power by unplugging the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the motherboard or other hardware components.
- When connecting hardware components to the internal connectors on the motherboard, make sure they are connected tightly and securely.
- When handling the motherboard, avoid touching any metal leads or connectors.
- It is best to wear an electrostatic discharge (ESD) wrist strap when handling electronic components such as a motherboard, CPU or memory. If you do not have an ESD wrist strap, keep your hands dry and first touch a metal object to eliminate static electricity.
- Prior to installing the motherboard, please have it on top of an antistatic pad or within an electrostatic shielding container.
- Before connecting or unplugging the power supply cable from the motherboard, make sure the power supply has been turned off.
- Before turning on the power, make sure the power supply voltage has been set according to the local voltage standard.
- Before using the product, please verify that all cables and power connectors of your hardware components are connected.
- To prevent damage to the motherboard, do not allow screws to come in contact with the motherboard circuit or its components.
- Make sure there are no leftover screws or metal components placed on the motherboard or within the computer casing.
- Do not place the computer system on an uneven surface.
- Do not place the computer system in a high-temperature or wet environment.
- Turning on the computer power during the installation process can lead to damage to system components as well as physical harm to the user.
- If you are uncertain about any installation steps or have a problem related to the use of the product, please consult a certified computer technician.
- If you use an adapter, extension power cable, or power strip, ensure to consult with its installation and/or grounding instructions.

1-2 Product Specifications

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|  CPU | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ SocketTR4: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AMD Ryzen™ Threadripper™ processor (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.) |
|  Chipset | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ AMD X399 |
|  Memory | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 8 x DDR4 DIMM sockets supporting up to 128 GB of system memory ◆ Quad channel memory architecture ◆ Support for DDR4 2667/2400/2133 MHz memory modules ◆ Support for ECC Un-buffered DIMM 1Rx8/2Rx8 memory modules ◆ Support for non-ECC Un-buffered DIMM 1Rx8/2Rx8/1Rx16 memory modules ◆ Support for Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) memory modules (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.) |
|  Audio | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Realtek® ALC1220 codec ◆ High Definition Audio ◆ 2/4/5.1/7.1-channel ◆ Support for S/PDIF Out |
|  LAN | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Intel® GbE LAN chip (10/100/1000 Mbit) |
|  Expansion Slots | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 2 x PCI Express x16 slots, running at x16 (PCIEX16_1, PCIEX16_2) ◆ 2 x PCI Express x16 slots, running at x8 (PCIEX8_1, PCIEX8_2) (The PCIEX16 and PCIEX8 slots conform to PCI Express 3.0 standard.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 1 x PCI Express x16 slot, running at x4 (PCIEX4) (The PCIEX4 slot conforms to PCI Express 2.0 standard.) |
|  Multi-Graphics Technology | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Support for AMD Quad-GPU CrossFire™ and 4-Way/3-Way/2-Way AMD CrossFire™ technologies ◆ Support for NVIDIA® Quad-GPU SLI™ and 4-Way/3-Way/2-Way NVIDIA® SLI™ technologies |
|  Storage Interface | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Chipset: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 x M.2 connectors (Socket 3, M key, type 2260/2280/22110 SATA and PCIe x4/x2 SSD support) (M2M_32G) (M2Q_32G) - 1 x M.2 connector (Socket 3, M key, type 2242/2260/2280 SATA and PCIe x4/x2 SSD support) (M2P_32G) - 8 x SATA 6Gb/s connectors - Support for RAID 0, RAID 1, and RAID 10 |
|  USB | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ CPU: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 8 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports on the back panel ◆ Chipset: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 x USB Type-C™ port on the back panel, with USB 3.1 Gen 2 support - 1 x USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-A port (red) on the back panel - 1 x USB Type-C™ port with USB 3.1 Gen 1 support, available through the internal USB header - 2 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports available through the internal USB header - 4 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports available through the internal USB headers |

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|  | Internal Connectors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 1 x 24-pin ATX main power connector ◆ 1 x 8-pin ATX 12V power connector ◆ 1 x 4-pin ATX 12V power connector ◆ 1 x CPU fan header ◆ 1 x water cooling CPU fan header ◆ 4 x system fan headers ◆ 2 x system fan/water cooling pump headers ◆ 1 x addressable LED strip header ◆ 1 x addressable LED strip power select jumper ◆ 2 x RGB (RGBW) LED strip headers ◆ 3 x M.2 Socket 3 connectors ◆ 8 x SATA 6Gb/s connectors ◆ 1 x front panel header ◆ 1 x front panel audio header ◆ 1 x S/PDIF Out header ◆ 1 x USB Type-C™ header with USB 3.1 Gen 1 support ◆ 1 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 header ◆ 2 x USB 2.0/1.1 headers ◆ 1 x Trusted Platform Module (TPM) header (2x6 pin, for the GC-TPM2.0_S module only) ◆ 1 x power button ◆ 1 x reset button ◆ 1 x Clear CMOS button ◆ 2 x temperature sensor headers ◆ 1 x Clear CMOS jumper |
|  | Back Panel Connectors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 1 x PS/2 keyboard/mouse port ◆ 1 x USB Type-C™ port, with USB 3.1 Gen 2 support ◆ 1 x USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-A port (red) ◆ 8 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports ◆ 1 x RJ-45 port ◆ 1 x optical S/PDIF Out connector ◆ 5 x audio jacks |
|  | I/O Controller | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ iTE® I/O Controller Chip |
|  | Hardware Monitor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Voltage detection ◆ Temperature detection ◆ Fan speed detection ◆ Water cooling flow rate detection ◆ Overheating warning ◆ Fan fail warning ◆ Fan speed control <p style="margin-left: 40px;">* Whether the fan (pump) speed control function is supported will depend on the fan (pump) you install.</p> |

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|  BIOS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 2 x 128 Mbit flash ◆ Use of licensed AMI UEFI BIOS ◆ Support for DualBIOS™ ◆ PnP 1.0a, DMI 2.7, WfM 2.0, SM BIOS 2.7, ACPI 5.0 |
|  Unique Features | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Support for APP Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Available applications in APP Center may vary by motherboard model. Supported functions of each application may also vary depending on motherboard specifications. - 3D OSD - @BIOS - AutoGreen - Cloud Station - EasyTune - Fast Boot - Game Boost - ON/OFF Charge - RGB Fusion - Smart Backup - Smart Keyboard - Smart TimeLock - Smart HUD - System Information Viewer - Smart Survey - USB Blocker - USB DAC-UP 2 ◆ Support for Q-Flash ◆ Support for Xpress Install |
|  Bundled Software | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Norton® Internet Security (OEM version) ◆ XSplit Gamecaster + Broadcaster (12 months license) ◆ cFosSpeed |
|  Operating System | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Support for Windows 10 64-bit |
|  Form Factor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ ATX Form Factor; 30.5cm x 24.4cm |

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Please visit GIGABYTE's website for support lists of CPU, memory modules, SSDs, and M.2 devices.



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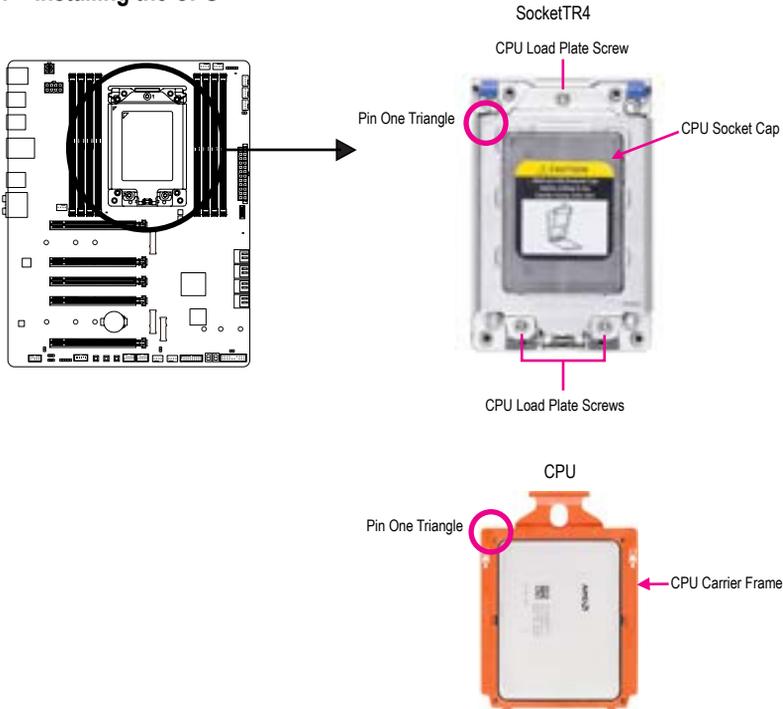
1-3 Installing the CPU and CPU Cooler



Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the CPU:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the CPU.
(Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest CPU support list.)
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing the CPU to prevent hardware damage.
- Prepare a T20 star screwdriver or use the included T20 star wrench.
- Apply an even and thin layer of thermal grease on the surface of the CPU.
- Do not turn on the computer if the CPU cooler is not installed, otherwise overheating and damage of the CPU may occur.
- Set the CPU host frequency in accordance with the CPU specifications. It is not recommended that the system bus frequency be set beyond hardware specifications since it does not meet the standard requirements for the peripherals. If you wish to set the frequency beyond the standard specifications, please do so according to your hardware specifications including the CPU, graphics card, memory, hard drive, etc.

1-3-1 Installing the CPU

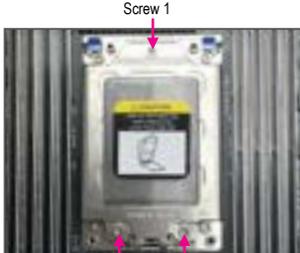


The CPU carrier frame must be slid into the CPU rail frame with the CPU. Do not remove the CPU from the CPU carrier frame.

Follow the steps below to correctly install the CPU into the motherboard CPU socket.



- **Before installing the CPU, make sure to turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the CPU.**
- **To protect the socket contacts, do not remove the CPU socket cap unless the CPU is inserted into the CPU socket. Save the cap properly and always replace it when the CPU is removed.**



Step 1:
On the CPU metal load plate, there are three screws marked as 1, 2, 3. To loosen/tighten these screws, you need a T20 star screwdriver (or use the included T20 star wrench). The OPEN and CLOSE markings indicate in what order to loosen/tighten the screws. To open the CPU metal load plate, loosen the screws in 3>2>1 sequence. To close the CPU metal load plate, tighten the screws in 1>2>3 sequence.



Step 2:
To open the CPU metal load plate, start by loosening Screw 3, then Screw 2, and finally Screw 1. After all three screws are loosened, gently lift the load plate to its fully open position.



Step 3:
Use your fingers to pull up the tabs on the two sides of the CPU rail frame to release the CPU rail frame from the CPU socket. Then lift the rail frame.



Step 4:
Use one hand to hold the rail frame and the other to slide the CPU socket cap out of the rail frame.



Step 5:
Grasp the top portion of the CPU carrier frame and align the edges of the CPU carrier frame with the rails of the CPU rail frame. Then slide the carrier frame into the rails until it stops sliding in. (Grasp the CPU carrier frame carefully, do not touch the socket contacts.)



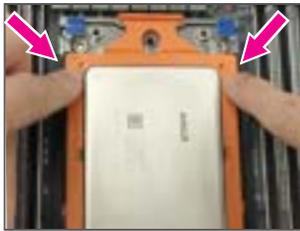
Make sure the edges of the CPU carrier frame are installed correctly on the rails.



Step 6:
Push the carrier frame into place and you will hear a "click" sound when it is pushed to the bottom.



Warning ! The CPU carrier frame cannot be placed outside the rails.



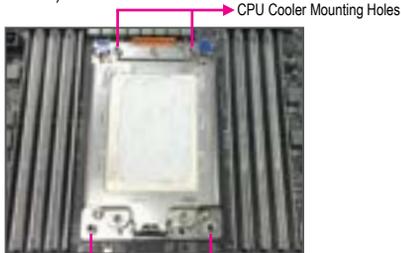
Step 7:
After installing the CPU, use two fingers to push down on the upper portion of the sides of the CPU carrier frame to fasten the rail frame back to the CPU socket.



Step 8:
Close the metal load plate. With one finger pressing down on the load plate, begin tightening Screw 1 slightly. Then do the same to Screw 2 and Screw 3. Next, fully tighten the three screws. Make sure the motherboard is placed on a stable surface during the tightening process.

1-3-2 Installing the CPU Cooler

Refer to the steps below to correctly install the CPU cooler on the motherboard. For a 180W CPU, we recommend that you install a water cooling system to ensure proper heat dissipation and a stable system operation. (Actual installation process may differ depending the CPU cooler to be used. Refer to the user's manual for your CPU cooler.)



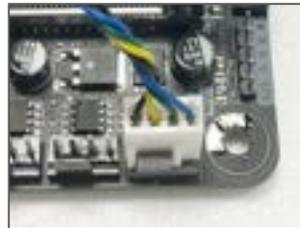
Step 1:
Apply an even and thin layer of thermal grease on the surface of the installed CPU.



Step 2:
Place the cooler atop the CPU, aligning the four mounting screws with the mounting holes around the CPU socket. (Note that the spacing between the upper two screws is not the same as that between the lower two screws, please make sure to align the screws correctly).



Step 3:
Use one hand to hold the cooler and the other to tighten the screws in a diagonal sequence with a T20 star screwdriver. Begin tightening a screw with a few turns and repeat with the screw diagonally opposite the one you just tightened. Then do the same to the other pair. Next, fully tighten the four screws.



Step 4:
Finally, attach the power connector of the CPU cooler to the CPU fan header (CPU_FAN) on the motherboard.



Use extreme care when removing the CPU cooler because the thermal grease/tape between the CPU cooler and CPU may adhere to the CPU. Inadequately removing the CPU cooler may damage the CPU.

1-4 Installing the Memory



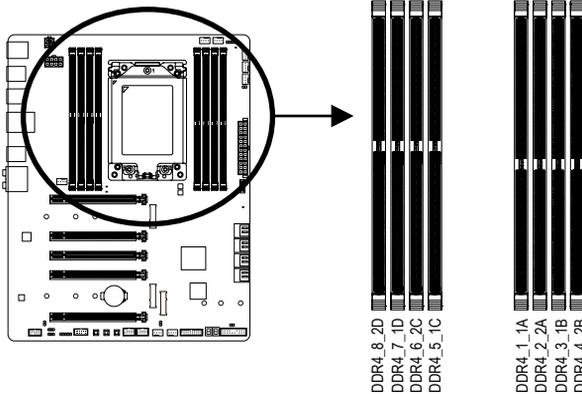
Read the following guidelines before you begin to install the memory:

- Make sure that the motherboard supports the memory. It is recommended that memory of the same capacity, brand, speed, and chips be used. (Go to GIGABYTE's website for the latest supported memory speeds and memory modules.)
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing the memory to prevent hardware damage.
- Memory modules have a foolproof design. A memory module can be installed in only one direction. If you are unable to insert the memory, switch the direction.

1-4-1 Quad Channel Memory Configuration

This motherboard supports Quad Channel Technology. After the memory is installed, the BIOS will automatically detect the specifications and capacity of the memory. The eight DDR4 memory sockets are divided into four channels and each channel has two memory sockets as following:

- ▶▶ Channel A: DDR4_1_1A, DDR4_2_2A
- ▶▶ Channel B: DDR4_3_1B, DDR4_4_2B
- ▶▶ Channel C: DDR4_5_1C, DDR4_6_2C
- ▶▶ Channel D: DDR4_7_1D, DDR4_8_2D



▶▶ Refer to the table below for memory installation according to the number of the memory modules you want to install:

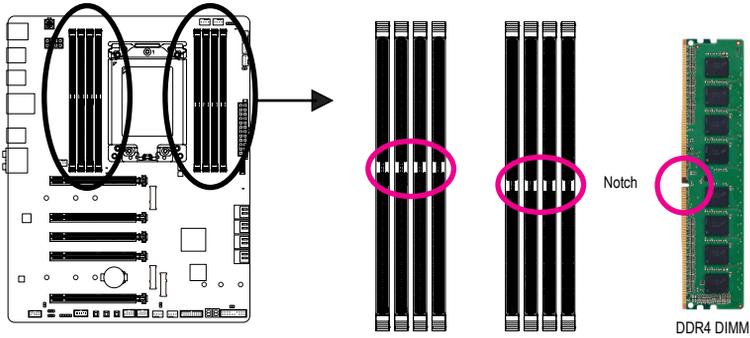
| | DDR4_8_2D | DDR4_7_1D | DDR4_6_2C | DDR4_5_1C | DDR4_1_1A | DDR4_2_2A | DDR4_3_1B | DDR4_4_2B |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 Module | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ |
| 2 Modules | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ |
| 4 Modules | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✓ |
| 6 Modules | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| 8 Modules | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |

✓ : Installed, ✗ : Not Installed.

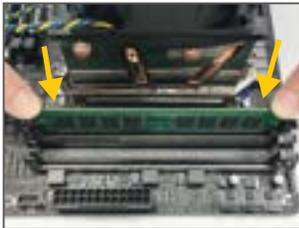
Note: When installing the memory, make sure to begin with the second socket of each channel, such as DDR4_2_2A, DDR4_4_2B, DDR4_6_2C, or DDR4_8_2D.

1-4-2 Installing a Memory

 Before installing a memory module, make sure to turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the memory module. DDR4 and DDR3 DIMMs are not compatible to each other or DDR2 DIMMs. Be sure to install DDR4 DIMMs on this motherboard.

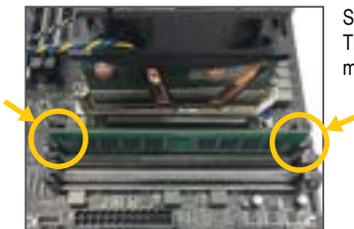


A DDR4 memory module has a notch, so it can only fit in one direction. Follow the steps below to correctly install your memory modules in the memory sockets.



Step 1:

Note the orientation of the memory module. Spread the retaining clip at the right end of the memory socket. Place the memory module on the socket. As indicated in the picture on the left, place your fingers on the top edge of the memory, push down on the memory and insert it vertically into the memory socket.



Step 2:

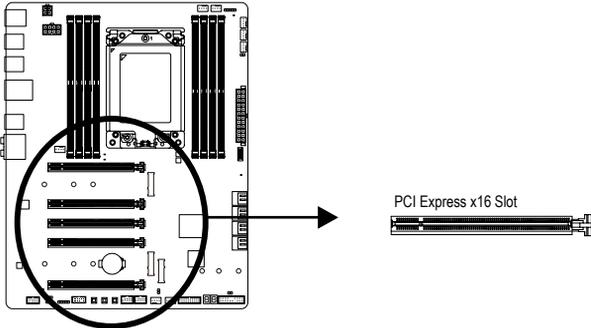
The clip at the right end of the socket will snap into place when the memory module is securely inserted.

1-5 Installing an Expansion Card



Read the following guidelines before you begin to install an expansion card:

- Make sure the motherboard supports the expansion card. Carefully read the manual that came with your expansion card.
- Always turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing an expansion card to prevent hardware damage.



Follow the steps below to correctly install your expansion card in the expansion slot.

1. Locate an expansion slot that supports your card. Remove the metal slot cover from the chassis back panel.
2. Align the card with the slot, and press down on the card until it is fully seated in the slot.
3. Make sure the metal contacts on the card are completely inserted into the slot.
4. Secure the card's metal bracket to the chassis back panel with a screw.
5. After installing all expansion cards, replace the chassis cover(s).
6. Turn on your computer. If necessary, go to BIOS Setup to make any required BIOS changes for your expansion card(s).
7. Install the driver provided with the expansion card in your operating system.

Example: Installing and Removing a PCI Express Graphics Card:



- Installing a Graphics Card:
Gently push down on the top edge of the card until it is fully inserted into the PCI Express slot. Make sure the card is securely seated in the slot and does not rock.



- Removing the Card:
Gently push back on the lever on the slot and then lift the card straight out from the slot.

1-6 Setting up AMD CrossFire™/NVIDIA® SLI™ Configuration

A. System Requirements

- Windows 10 64-bit operating system
- A CrossFire/SLI-supported motherboard with two or more PCI Express x16 slots and correct driver
- CrossFire/SLI-ready graphics cards of identical brand and chip and correct driver
(For the latest GPUs that support the 4-way/3-way CrossFire/SLI technology, please refer to the AMD/NVIDIA® website.) ^(Note 1)
- CrossFire^(Note 2)/SLI bridge connectors
- A power supply with sufficient power is recommended (Refer to the manual of your graphics cards for the power requirement)

B. Connecting the Graphics Cards

Step 1:

Observe the steps in "1-5 Installing an Expansion Card" and install CrossFire/SLI graphics cards on the PCI Express x16 slots.

Step 2:

Insert the CrossFire ^(Note 2)/SLI bridge connectors in the CrossFire/SLI gold edge connectors on top of the cards.

Step 3:

Plug the display cable into the graphics card on the PCIEX16_1 slot.

C. Configuring the Graphics Card Driver

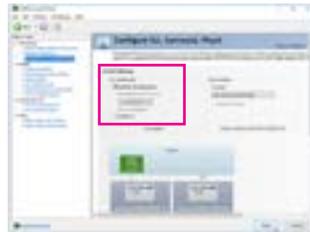
C-1. To Enable CrossFire Function

After installing the graphics card driver in the operating system, go to the **AMD RADEON SETTINGS** screen. Browse to **Gaming/Global Settings** and ensure **AMD CrossFire** is set to **On**.



C-2. To Enable SLI Function

After installing the graphics card driver in the operating system, go to the **NVIDIA Control Panel**. Browse to the **Configure SLI, Surround, PhysX** screen and ensure **Maximize 3D performance** is enabled.



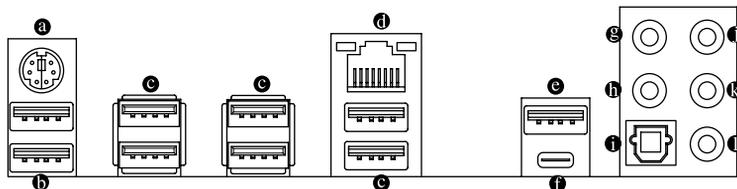
(Note 1) When using dual core graphics cards, only 2-way is supported.

(Note 2) The bridge connector(s) may be needed or not depending on your graphics cards.



Procedure and driver screen for enabling CrossFire/SLI technology may differ by graphics cards and driver version. Refer to the manual that came with your graphics cards for more information about enabling CrossFire/SLI technology.

1-7 Back Panel Connectors



a PS/2 Keyboard/Mouse Port

Use this port to connect a PS/2 mouse or keyboard.

b USB 3.1 Gen 1 Port

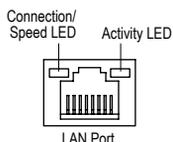
The USB 3.1 Gen 1 port supports the USB 3.1 Gen 1 specification and is compatible to the USB 2.0 specification. You can connect a USB DAC to this port or use this port for USB devices.

c USB 3.1 Gen 1 Port

The USB 3.1 Gen 1 port supports the USB 3.1 Gen 1 specification and is compatible to the USB 2.0 specification. Use this port for USB devices.

d RJ-45 LAN Port

The Gigabit Ethernet LAN port provides Internet connection at up to 1 Gbps data rate. The following describes the states of the LAN port LEDs.



Connection/Speed LED:

| State | Description |
|--------|--------------------|
| Orange | 1 Gbps data rate |
| Green | 100 Mbps data rate |
| Off | 10 Mbps data rate |

Activity LED:

| State | Description |
|----------|--|
| Blinking | Data transmission or receiving is occurring |
| On | No data transmission or receiving is occurring |

e USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-A Port (Red)

The USB 3.1 Gen 2 Type-A port supports the USB 3.1 Gen 2 specification and is compatible to the USB 3.1 Gen 1 and USB 2.0 specification. Use this port for USB devices.

f USB Type-C™ Port

The reversible USB port supports the USB 3.1 Gen 2 specification and is compatible to the USB 3.1 Gen 1 and USB 2.0 specification. Use this port for USB devices.

g Center/Subwoofer Speaker Out (Orange)

Use this audio jack to connect center/subwoofer speakers.

h Rear Speaker Out (Black)

Use this audio jack to connect rear speakers.

i Optical S/PDIF Out Connector

This connector provides digital audio out to an external audio system that supports digital optical audio. Before using this feature, ensure that your audio system provides an optical digital audio in connector.

j Line In/Side Speaker Out (Blue)

The line in jack. Use this audio jack for line in devices such as an optical drive, walkman, etc.



- When removing the cable connected to a back panel connector, first remove the cable from your device and then remove it from the motherboard.
- When removing the cable, pull it straight out from the connector. Do not rock it side to side to prevent an electrical short inside the cable connector.

③ Line Out/Front Speaker Out (Green)

The line out jack. This jack supports audio amplifying function. For better sound quality, it is recommended that you connect your headphone/speaker to this jack (actual effects may vary by the device being used).

④ Mic In/Side Speaker Out (Pink)

The Mic in jack.

Audio Jack Configurations:

| Jack | Headphone/ 2-channel | 4-channel | 5.1-channel | 7.1-channel |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| ③ Center/Subwoofer Speaker Out | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| ④ Rear Speaker Out | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| ④ Line In/Side Speaker Out | | | | ✓ |
| ③ Line Out/Front Speaker Out | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| ④ Mic In/Side Speaker Out | | | | ✓ |

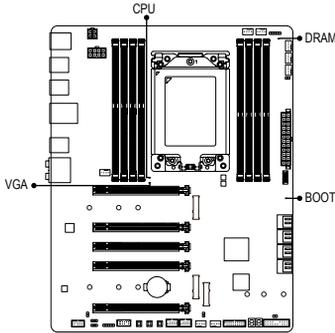


- If you want to install a Side Speaker, you need to retask either the Line in or Mic in jack to be Side Speaker out through the audio driver.
- To enable or configure the audio amplifying function for the Line out jack, please access the HD Audio Manager application.

1-8 Onboard LEDs and Buttons

Status LEDs

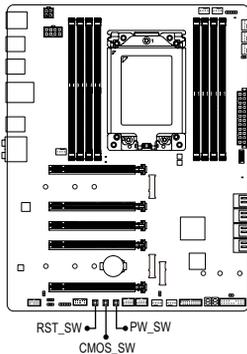
The status LEDs show whether the CPU, memory, graphics card, and operating system are working properly after system power-on. If the CPU/DRAM/VGA LED is on, that means the corresponding device is not working normally; if the BOOT LED is on, that means you haven't entered the operating system yet.



- CPU:** CPU status LED
- DRAM:** Memory status LED
- VGA:** Graphics card status LED
- BOOT:** Operating system status LED

Quick Buttons

This motherboard has 3 quick buttons: power button, reset button and clear CMOS button. The power button and reset button allow users to quickly turn on/off or reset the computer in an open-case environment when they want to change hardware components or conduct hardware testing. Use this button to clear the BIOS configuration and reset the CMOS values to factory defaults when needed.

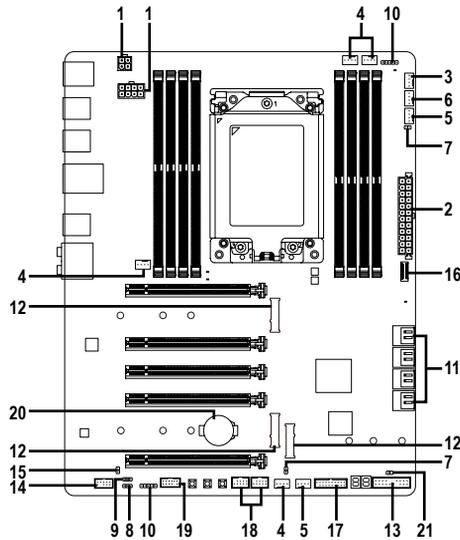


- PW_SW:** Power Button
- RST_SW:** Reset Button
- CMOS_SW:** Clear CMOS Button



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before using the clear CMOS button.
- Do not use the clear CMOS button when the system is on, or the system may shutdown and data loss or damage may occur.
- After system restart, go to BIOS Setup to load factory defaults (select Load Optimized Defaults) or manually configure the BIOS settings (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," for BIOS configurations).

1-9 Internal Connectors



| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1) ATX_12V_1/ATX_12V_2 | 12) M2M_32G/M2Q_32G/M2P_32G |
| 2) ATX | 13) F_PANEL |
| 3) CPU_FAN | 14) F_AUDIO |
| 4) SYS_FAN1/2/3/4 | 15) SPDIF_O |
| 5) SYS_FAN5/6_PUMP | 16) F_USB30C |
| 6) CPU_OPT | 17) F_USB30 |
| 7) EC_TEMP1/EC_TEMP2 | 18) F_USB1/F_USB2 |
| 8) D_LED | 19) TPM |
| 9) DLED_V_SW | 20) BAT |
| 10) LED_C1/LED_C2 | 21) CLR_CMOS |
| 11) SATA3 0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7 | |



Read the following guidelines before connecting external devices:

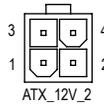
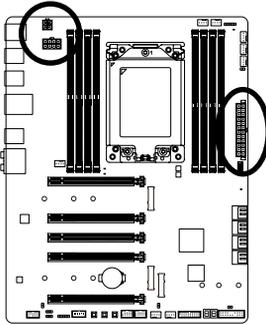
- First make sure your devices are compliant with the connectors you wish to connect.
- Before installing the devices, be sure to turn off the devices and your computer. Unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the devices.
- After installing the device and before turning on the computer, make sure the device cable has been securely attached to the connector on the motherboard.

1/2) ATX_12V_1/ATX_12V_2/ATX (2x4, 2x2 12V Power Connectors and 2x12 Main Power Connector)

With the use of the power connector, the power supply can supply enough stable power to all the components on the motherboard. Before connecting the power connector, first make sure the power supply is turned off and all devices are properly installed. The power connector possesses a foolproof design. Connect the power supply cable to the power connector in the correct orientation.

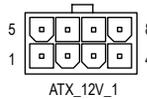
The 12V power connector mainly supplies power to the CPU. If the 12V power connector is not connected, the computer will not start.

 To meet expansion requirements, it is recommended that a power supply that can withstand high power consumption be used (500W or greater). If a power supply is used that does not provide the required power, the result can lead to an unstable or unbootable system.



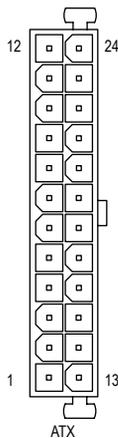
ATX_12V_2:

| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | GND |
| 2 | GND |
| 3 | +12V |
| 4 | +12V |



ATX_12V_1:

| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | GND (Only for 2x4-pin 12V) |
| 2 | GND (Only for 2x4-pin 12V) |
| 3 | GND |
| 4 | GND |
| 5 | +12V (Only for 2x4-pin 12V) |
| 6 | +12V (Only for 2x4-pin 12V) |
| 7 | +12V |
| 8 | +12V |

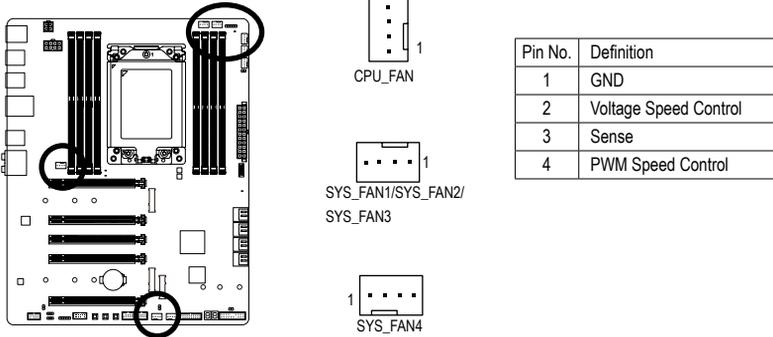


ATX:

| Pin No. | Definition | Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 3.3V | 13 | 3.3V |
| 2 | 3.3V | 14 | -12V |
| 3 | GND | 15 | GND |
| 4 | +5V | 16 | PS_ON (soft On/Off) |
| 5 | GND | 17 | GND |
| 6 | +5V | 18 | GND |
| 7 | GND | 19 | GND |
| 8 | Power Good | 20 | NC |
| 9 | 5VSB (stand by +5V) | 21 | +5V |
| 10 | +12V | 22 | +5V |
| 11 | +12V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX) | 23 | +5V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX) |
| 12 | 3.3V (Only for 2x12-pin ATX) | 24 | GND (Only for 2x12-pin ATX) |

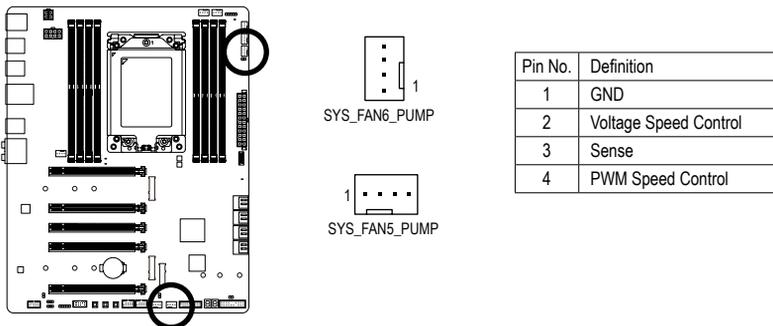
3/4) CPU_FAN/SYS_FAN1/SYS_FAN2/SYS_FAN3/SYS_FAN4 (Fan Headers)

All fan headers on this motherboard are 4-pin. Most fan headers possess a foolproof insertion design. When connecting a fan cable, be sure to connect it in the correct orientation (the black connector wire is the ground wire). The motherboard supports CPU fan speed control, which requires the use of a CPU fan with fan speed control design. For optimum heat dissipation, it is recommended that a system fan be installed inside the chassis.



5) SYS_FAN5_PUMP/SYS_FAN6_PUMP (System Fan/Water Cooling Pump Headers)

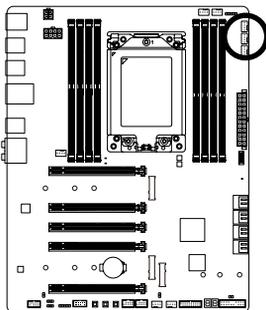
The fan/pump header is 4-pin and possesses a foolproof insertion design. Most fan headers possess a foolproof insertion design. When connecting a fan cable, be sure to connect it in the correct orientation (the black connector wire is the ground wire). The speed control function requires the use of a fan with fan speed control design. For optimum heat dissipation, it is recommended that a system fan be installed inside the chassis. The header also provides speed control for a water cooling pump, refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," "M.I.T.," for more information



- Be sure to connect fan cables to the fan headers to prevent your CPU and system from overheating. Overheating may result in damage to the CPU or the system may hang.
- These fan headers are not configuration jumper blocks. Do not place a jumper cap on the headers.

6) CPU_OPT (Water Cooling CPU Fan Header)

The fan header is 4-pin and possesses a foolproof insertion design. Most fan headers possess a foolproof insertion design. When connecting a fan cable, be sure to connect it in the correct orientation (the black connector wire is the ground wire). The speed control function requires the use of a fan with fan speed control design.



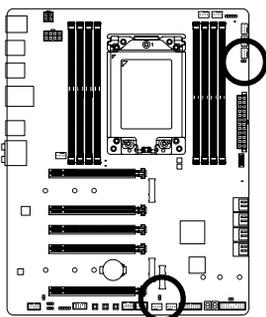
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|-----------------------|
| 1 | GND |
| 2 | Voltage Speed Control |
| 3 | Sense |
| 4 | PWM Speed Control |



- Be sure to connect fan cables to the fan headers to prevent your CPU and system from overheating. Overheating may result in damage to the CPU or the system may hang.
- These fan headers are not configuration jumper blocks. Do not place a jumper cap on the headers.

7) EC_TEMP1/EC_TEMP2 (Temperature Sensor Headers)

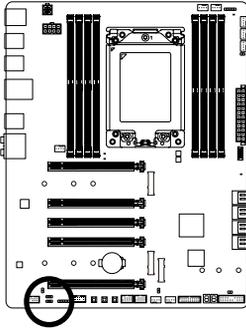
Connect the thermistor cables to the headers for temperature detection.



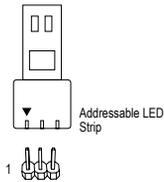
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | SENSOR IN |
| 2 | GND |

8) D_LED (Addressable LED Strip Header)

The header can be used to connect a standard 5050 addressable LED strip, with maximum power rating of 2A (12V or 5V) and maximum length of 5m or maximum number of 300 LEDs.



| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | V |
| 2 | D |
| 3 | G |



Connect your addressable LED strip to the header. There are 12V and 5V addressable LED strips. Be sure to verify the voltage requirements of your addressable LED strip and set the DLED_V_SW jumper accordingly. The power pin (marked with a triangle on the plug) of the LED strip must be connected to Pin 1 of the addressable LED strip header. Incorrect connection may lead to the damage of the LED strip.



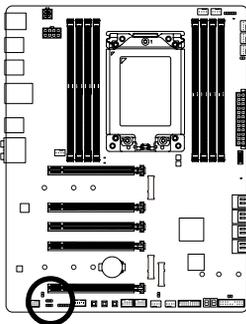
For how to turn on/off the lights of the LED strip, refer to the instructions on in Chapter 5, "Unique Features," "APP Center\RGB Fusion."



Before installing the devices, be sure to turn off the devices and your computer. Unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the devices.

9) DLED_V_SW (Addressable LED Strip Power Select Jumper)

This jumper allows you to select the supply voltage of the D_LED header. Be sure to verify the voltage requirements of your addressable LED strip and set the correct voltage with this jumper before connection. Incorrect connection may lead to the damage of the LED strip.



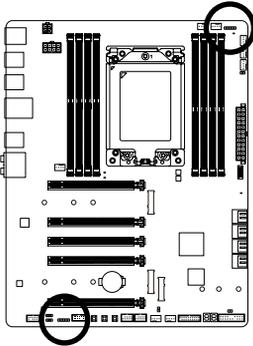
1-2: 5V (Default)



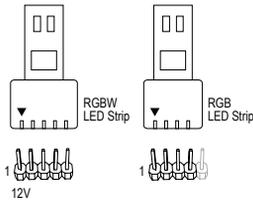
2-3: 12V

10) LED_C1/LED_C2 (RGB (RGBW) LED Strip Headers)

The headers can be used to connect a standard 5050 RGB (RGBW) LED strip (12V/G/R/B/W), with maximum power rating of 2A (12V) and maximum length of 2m.



| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | 12V |
| 2 | G |
| 3 | R |
| 4 | B |
| 5 | W |



Connect your RGB (RGBW) LED strip to the header. The power pin (marked with a triangle on the plug) of the LED strip must be connected to Pin 1 (12V) of this header. Incorrect connection may lead to the damage of the LED strip.



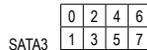
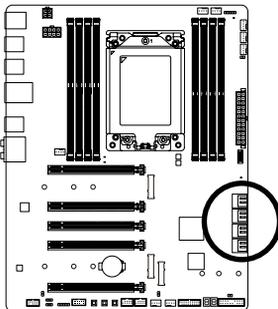
For how to turn on/off the lights of the LED strip, refer to the instructions on in Chapter 5, "Unique Features," "APP Center\RGB Fusion."



Before installing the devices, be sure to turn off the devices and your computer. Unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the devices.

11) SATA3 0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7 (SATA 6Gb/s Connectors)

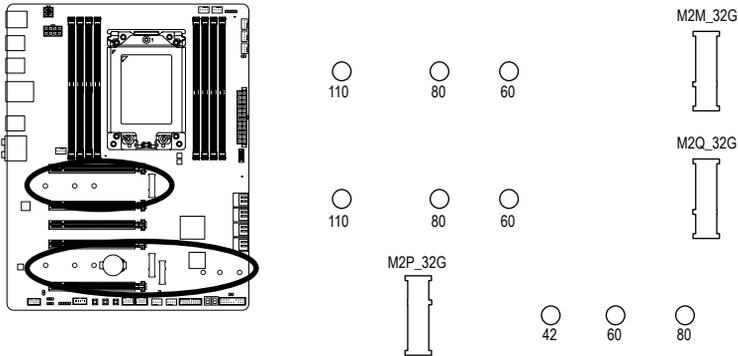
The SATA connectors conform to SATA 6Gb/s standard and are compatible with SATA 3Gb/s and SATA 1.5Gb/s standard. Each SATA connector supports a single SATA device. The AMD Chipset supports RAID 0, RAID 1, and RAID 10. Refer to Chapter 3, "Configuring a RAID Set," for instructions on configuring a RAID array.



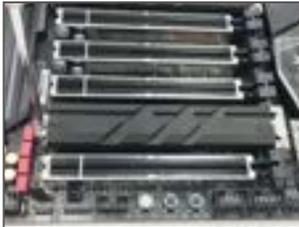
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | GND |
| 2 | TXP |
| 3 | TXN |
| 4 | GND |
| 5 | RXN |
| 6 | RXP |
| 7 | GND |

12) M2M_32G/M2Q_32G/M2P_32G (M.2 Socket 3 Connectors)

The M.2 connectors support M.2 SATA SSDs and M.2 PCIe SSDs and support SATA RAID configuration. Refer to Chapter 3, "Configuring a RAID Set," for instructions on configuring a RAID array.



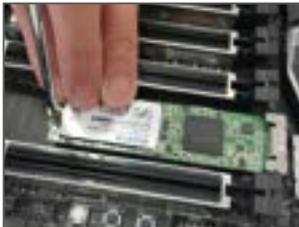
Follow the steps below to correctly install an M.2 SSD in the M.2 connector.



Step 1:
Get a screw and a standoff from the included M.2 screw kit. Locate the M.2 connector where you will install the M.2 SSD, use a screwdriver to unfasten the screw on the heatsink and then remove the heatsink.(Only the M2P_32G connector has the heatsink)



Step 2:
Locate the proper mounting hole for the M.2 SSD to be installed and then tighten the standoff first. Insert the M.2 SSD into the M.2 connector at an angle.



Step 3:
Press the M.2 SSD down and then secure it with the screw. Replace the heatsink and secure it to the original hole.



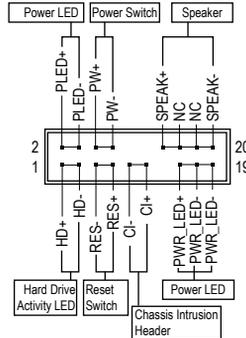
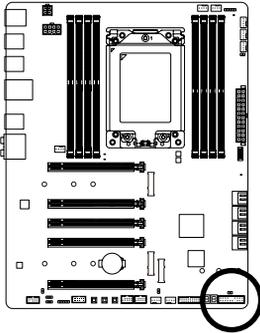
Step 4:
The installation is completed, as shown in the picture above.



Select the proper hole for the M.2 SSD to be installed and refasten the screw and standoff.

13) F_PANEL (Front Panel Header)

Connect the power switch, reset switch, speaker, chassis intrusion switch/sensor and system status indicator on the chassis to this header according to the pin assignments below. Note the positive and negative pins before connecting the cables.



- **PLED/PWR_LED** (Power LED, Yellow/Purple):

| System Status | LED |
|---------------|-----|
| S0 | On |
| S3/S4/S5 | Off |

Connects to the power status indicator on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the system is operating. The LED is off when the system is in S3/S4 sleep state or powered off (S5).

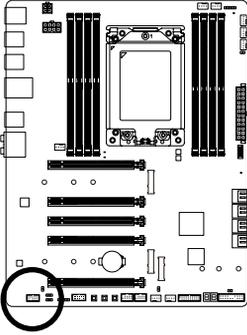
- **PW** (Power Switch, Red):
Connects to the power switch on the chassis front panel. You may configure the way to turn off your system using the power switch (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," "Power," for more information).
- **SPEAK** (Speaker, Orange):
Connects to the speaker on the chassis front panel. The system reports system startup status by issuing a beep code. One single short beep will be heard if no problem is detected at system startup.
- **HD** (Hard Drive Activity LED, Blue):
Connects to the hard drive activity LED on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the hard drive is reading or writing data.
- **RES** (Reset Switch, Green):
Connects to the reset switch on the chassis front panel. Press the reset switch to restart the computer if the computer freezes and fails to perform a normal restart.
- **CI** (Chassis Intrusion Header, Gray):
Connects to the chassis intrusion switch/sensor on the chassis that can detect if the chassis cover has been removed. This function requires a chassis with a chassis intrusion switch/sensor.
- **NC** (Orange): No Connection.



The front panel design may differ by chassis. A front panel module mainly consists of power switch, reset switch, power LED, hard drive activity LED, speaker and etc. When connecting your chassis front panel module to this header, make sure the wire assignments and the pin assignments are matched correctly.

14) F_AUDIO (Front Panel Audio Header)

The front panel audio header supports High Definition audio (HD). You may connect your chassis front panel audio module to this header. Make sure the wire assignments of the module connector match the pin assignments of the motherboard header. Incorrect connection between the module connector and the motherboard header will make the device unable to work or even damage it.



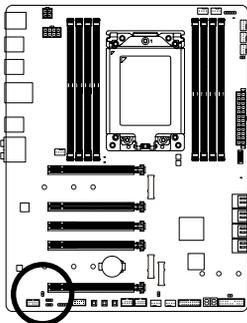
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | MIC2_L |
| 2 | GND |
| 3 | MIC2_R |
| 4 | NC |
| 5 | LINE2_R |
| 6 | Sense |
| 7 | FAUDIO_JD |
| 8 | No Pin |
| 9 | LINE2_L |
| 10 | Sense |



Some chassis provide a front panel audio module that has separated connectors on each wire instead of a single plug. For information about connecting the front panel audio module that has different wire assignments, please contact the chassis manufacturer.

15) SPDIF_O (S/PDIF Out Header)

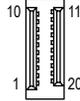
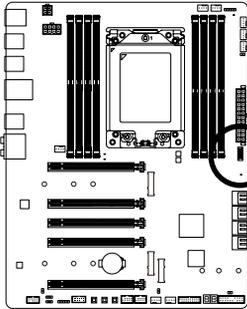
This header supports digital S/PDIF Out and connects a S/PDIF digital audio cable (provided by expansion cards) for digital audio output from your motherboard to certain expansion cards like graphics cards and sound cards. For example, some graphics cards may require you to use a S/PDIF digital audio cable for digital audio output from your motherboard to your graphics card if you wish to connect an HDMI display to the graphics card and have digital audio output from the HDMI display at the same time. For information about connecting the S/PDIF digital audio cable, carefully read the manual for your expansion card.



| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | SPDIFO |
| 2 | GND |

16) F_USB30C (USB Type-C™ Header with USB 3.1 Gen 1 Support)

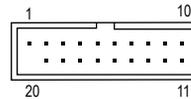
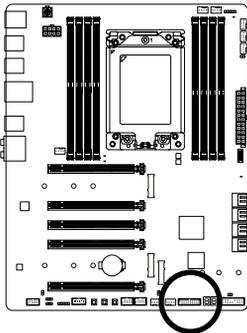
The header conforms to USB 3.1 Gen 1 specification and can provide one USB port.



| Pin No. | Definition | Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|---------|------------|
| 1 | VBUS | 11 | VBUS |
| 2 | TX1+ | 12 | TX2+ |
| 3 | TX1- | 13 | TX2- |
| 4 | GND | 14 | GND |
| 5 | RX1+ | 15 | RX2+ |
| 6 | RX1- | 16 | RX2- |
| 7 | VBUS | 17 | GND |
| 8 | CC1 | 18 | D- |
| 9 | NC | 19 | D+ |
| 10 | NC | 20 | CC2 |

17) F_USB30 (USB 3.1 Gen 1 Header)

The header conforms to USB 3.1 Gen 1 and USB 2.0 specification and can provide two USB ports. For purchasing the optional 3.5" front panel that provides two USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports, please contact the local dealer.



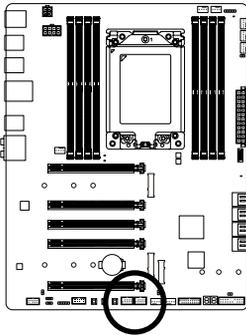
| Pin No. | Definition | Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|---------|------------|
| 1 | VBUS | 11 | D2+ |
| 2 | SSRX1- | 12 | D2- |
| 3 | SSRX1+ | 13 | GND |
| 4 | GND | 14 | SSTX2+ |
| 5 | SSTX1- | 15 | SSTX2- |
| 6 | SSTX1+ | 16 | GND |
| 7 | GND | 17 | SSRX2+ |
| 8 | D1- | 18 | SSRX2- |
| 9 | D1+ | 19 | VBUS |
| 10 | NC | 20 | No Pin |



Prior to installing the USB front panel, be sure to turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the USB front panel.

18) F_USB1/F_USB2 (USB 2.0/1.1 Headers)

The headers conform to USB 2.0/1.1 specification. Each USB header can provide two USB ports via an optional USB bracket. For purchasing the optional USB bracket, please contact the local dealer.



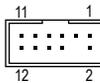
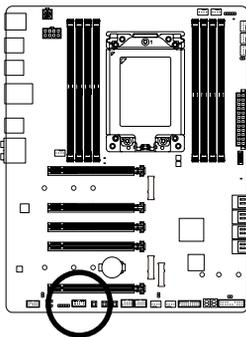
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | Power (5V) |
| 2 | Power (5V) |
| 3 | USB DX- |
| 4 | USB DY- |
| 5 | USB DX+ |
| 6 | USB DY+ |
| 7 | GND |
| 8 | GND |
| 9 | No Pin |
| 10 | NC |



- Do not plug the IEEE 1394 bracket (2x5-pin) cable into the USB 2.0/1.1 header.
- Prior to installing the USB bracket, be sure to turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet to prevent damage to the USB bracket.

19) TPM (Trusted Platform Module Header)

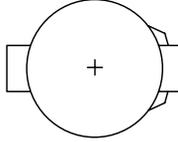
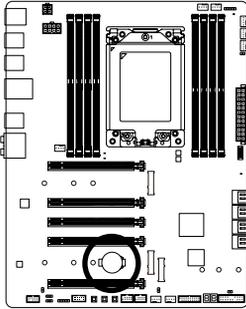
You may connect a TPM (Trusted Platform Module) to this header.



| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | LAD0 |
| 2 | VCC3 |
| 3 | LAD1 |
| 4 | No Pin |
| 5 | LAD2 |
| 6 | LCLK |
| 7 | LAD3 |
| 8 | GND |
| 9 | LFRAME |
| 10 | NC |
| 11 | SERIRQ |
| 12 | LRESET |

20) BAT (Battery)

The battery provides power to keep the values (such as BIOS configurations, date, and time information) in the CMOS when the computer is turned off. Replace the battery when the battery voltage drops to a low level, or the CMOS values may not be accurate or may be lost.



You may clear the CMOS values by removing the battery:

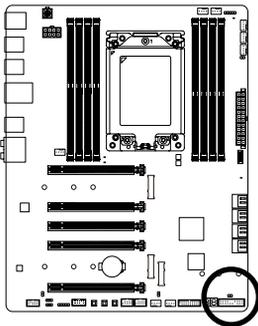
1. Turn off your computer and unplug the power cord.
2. Gently remove the battery from the battery holder and wait for one minute. (Or use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the positive and negative terminals of the battery holder, making them short for 5 seconds.)
3. Replace the battery.
4. Plug in the power cord and restart your computer.



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord before replacing the battery.
- Replace the battery with an equivalent one. Damage to your devices may occur if the battery is replaced with an incorrect model.
- Contact the place of purchase or local dealer if you are not able to replace the battery by yourself or uncertain about the battery model.
- When installing the battery, note the orientation of the positive side (+) and the negative side (-) of the battery (the positive side should face up).
- Used batteries must be handled in accordance with local environmental regulations.

21) CLR_CMOS (Clear CMOS Jumper)

Use this jumper to clear the BIOS configuration and reset the CMOS values to factory defaults. To clear the CMOS values, use a metal object like a screwdriver to touch the two pins for a few seconds.



Open: Normal



Short: Clear CMOS Values



- Always turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before clearing the CMOS values.
- After system restart, go to BIOS Setup to load factory defaults (select Load Optimized Defaults) or manually configure the BIOS settings (refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup," for BIOS configurations).

Chapter 2 BIOS Setup

BIOS (Basic Input and Output System) records hardware parameters of the system in the CMOS on the motherboard. Its major functions include conducting the Power-On Self-Test (POST) during system startup, saving system parameters and loading operating system, etc. BIOS includes a BIOS Setup program that allows the user to modify basic system configuration settings or to activate certain system features.

When the power is turned off, the battery on the motherboard supplies the necessary power to the CMOS to keep the configuration values in the CMOS.

To access the BIOS Setup program, press the <Delete> key during the POST when the power is turned on.

To upgrade the BIOS, use either the GIGABYTE Q-Flash or @BIOS utility.

- Q-Flash allows the user to quickly and easily upgrade or back up BIOS without entering the operating system.
- @BIOS is a Windows-based utility that searches and downloads the latest version of BIOS from the Internet and updates the BIOS.

For instructions on using the Q-Flash and @BIOS utilities, refer to Chapter 5, "BIOS Update Utilities."



- Because BIOS flashing is potentially risky, if you do not encounter problems using the current version of BIOS, it is recommended that you not flash the BIOS. To flash the BIOS, do it with caution. Inadequate BIOS flashing may result in system malfunction.
- It is recommended that you not alter the default settings (unless you need to) to prevent system instability or other unexpected results. Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's failure to boot. If this occurs, try to clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values. (Refer to the "Load Optimized Defaults" section in this chapter or introductions of the battery/CMOS_SW button in Chapter 1 for how to clear the CMOS values.)

2-1 Startup Screen

The following startup Logo screen will appear when the computer boots.



Function Keys

Function Keys:

: BIOS SETUP/Q-FLASH

Press the <Delete> key to enter BIOS Setup or to access the Q-Flash utility in BIOS Setup.

<F9>: SYSTEM INFORMATION

Press the <F9> key to display your system information.

<F12>: BOOT MENU

Boot Menu allows you to set the first boot device without entering BIOS Setup. In Boot Menu, use the up arrow key <↑> or the down arrow key <↓> to select the first boot device, then press <Enter> to accept. The system will boot from the device immediately.

Note: The setting in Boot Menu is effective for one time only. After system restart, the device boot order will still be based on BIOS Setup settings.

<END>: Q-FLASH

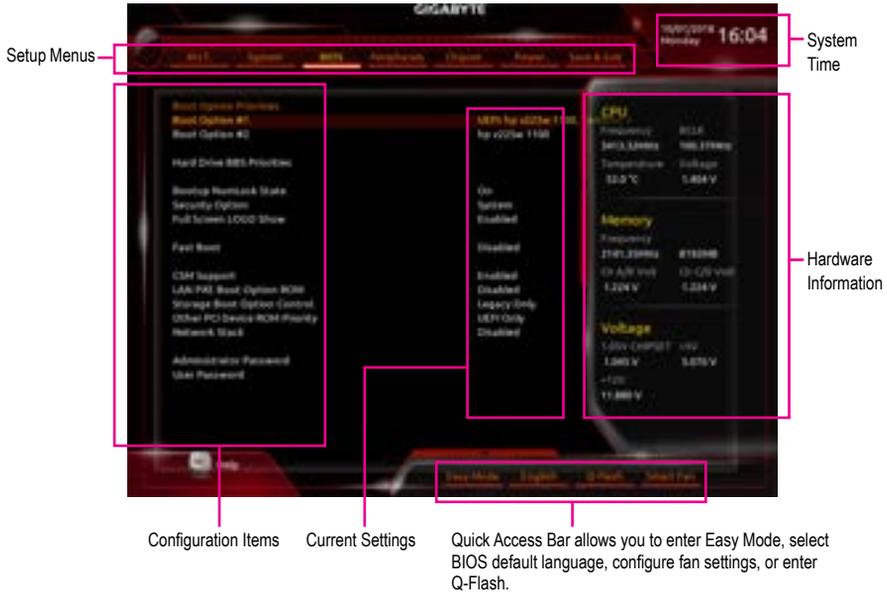
Press the <End> key to access the Q-Flash utility directly without having to enter BIOS Setup first.

2-2 The Main Menu

Classic Setup

The Classic Setup mode provides detailed BIOS settings. You can press the arrow keys on your keyboard to move among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter a sub-menu. Or you can use your mouse to select the item you want.

(Sample BIOS Version: E1)

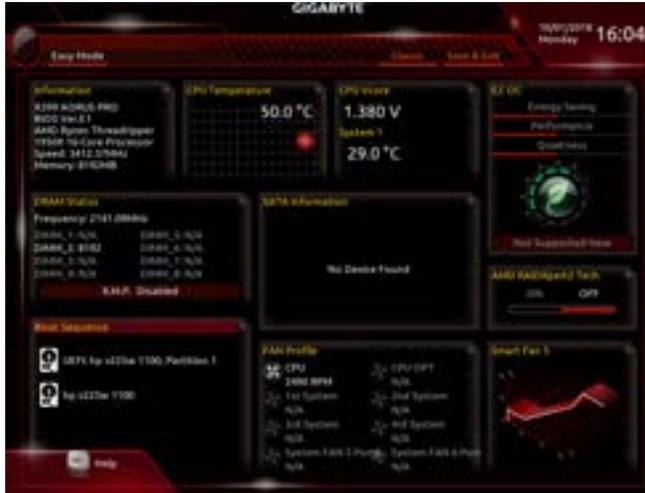


Classic Setup Function Keys

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| <←><→> | Move the selection bar to select a setup menu |
| <↑><↓> | Move the selection bar to select an configuration item on a menu |
| <Enter> | Execute command or enter a menu |
| <+>/<Page Up> | Increase the numeric value or make changes |
| <->/<Page Down> | Decrease the numeric value or make changes |
| <F1> | Show descriptions of the function keys |
| <F2> | Switch to Easy Mode |
| <F5> | Restore the previous BIOS settings for the current submenus |
| <F7> | Load the Optimized BIOS default settings for the current submenus |
| <F8> | Access the Q-Flash utility |
| <F9> | Display system information |
| <F10> | Save all the changes and exit the BIOS Setup program |
| <F12> | Capture the current screen as an image and save it to your USB drive |
| <Esc> | Main Menu: Exit the BIOS Setup program Submenus: Exit current submenu |

B. Easy Mode

Easy Mode allows users to quickly view their current system information or to make adjustments for optimum performance. In Easy Mode, you can use your mouse to move through configuration items or press <F2> to switch to the Classic Setup screen.



2-3 M.I.T.



Whether the system will work stably with the overclock/overvoltage settings you made is dependent on your overall system configurations. Incorrectly doing overclock/overvoltage may result in damage to CPU, chipset, or memory and reduce the useful life of these components. This page is for advanced users only and we recommend you not to alter the default settings to prevent system instability or other unexpected results. (Inadequately altering the settings may result in system's failure to boot. If this occurs, clear the CMOS values and reset the board to default values.)

▶ Advanced Frequency Settings



⊞ Host Clock Value

Displays the current operating Host Clock frequency.

☞ **CPU Clock Ratio**

Allows you to alter the clock ratio for the installed CPU. The adjustable range is dependent on the CPU being installed.

☞ **CPU Frequency**

Displays the current operating CPU frequency.

▶ **Advanced CPU Core Settings**



☞ **CPU Clock Ratio, CPU Frequency**

The settings above are synchronous to those under the same items on the **Advanced Frequency Settings** menu.

☞ **Core Performance Boost**

Allows you to determine whether to enable the Core Performance Boost (CPB) technology, a CPU performance-boost technology. (Default: Auto)

☞ **AMD Cool&Quiet function**

- ▶▶ Enabled Lets the AMD Cool'n'Quiet driver dynamically adjust the CPU clock and VID to reduce heat output from your computer and its power consumption. (Default)
- ▶▶ Disabled Disables this function.

☞ **SVM Mode**

Virtualization enhanced by Virtualization Technology will allow a platform to run multiple operating systems and applications in independent partitions. With virtualization, one computer system can function as multiple virtual systems. (Default: Disabled)

☞ **Global C-state Control**

Allows you to determine whether to let the CPU enter C6 mode in system halt state. When enabled, the CPU core frequency will be reduced during system halt state to decrease power consumption. The C6 state is a more enhanced power-saving state than C1. (Default: Auto)

☞ **Power Supply Idle Control**

Enables or disables Package C6 State.

- ▶▶ Typical Current Idle Disables this function.
- ▶▶ Low Current Idle Enables this function.
- ▶▶ Auto Lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default)

☞ **Opcache Control**

Enables or disables Opcache. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

☞ **Downcore Control**

Allows you to select the number of CPU cores to enable (the number of CPU cores may vary by CPU). **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

☞ **SMT Mode**

Allows you to enable or disable the CPU Simultaneous Multi-Threading technology. This feature only works for operating systems that support multi-processor mode. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

☞ **Extreme Memory Profile (X.M.P.)** ^(Note)

Allows the BIOS to read the SPD data on XMP memory module(s) to enhance memory performance when enabled.

- ▶▶ Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- ▶▶ Profile1 Uses Profile 1 settings.
- ▶▶ Profile2 ^(Note) Uses Profile 2 settings.

☞ **System Memory Multiplier**

Allows you to set the system memory multiplier. **Auto** sets memory multiplier according to memory SPD data. (Default: Auto)

☞ **Memory Frequency (MHz)**

The first memory frequency value is the normal operating frequency of the memory being used; the second is the memory frequency that is automatically adjusted according to the **System Memory Multiplier** settings.

(Note) This item is present only when you install a CPU and a memory module that support this feature.

► **Advanced Voltage Settings**



This sub-menu allows you to set CPU, chipset and memory voltages.

► PC Health Status



⊞ **Reset Case Open Status**

- ▶ Disabled Keeps or clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status. (Default)
- ▶ Enabled Clears the record of previous chassis intrusion status and the **Case Open** field will show "No" at next boot.

⊞ **Case Open**

Displays the detection status of the chassis intrusion detection device attached to the motherboard CI header. If the system chassis cover is removed, this field will show "Yes", otherwise it will show "No". To clear the chassis intrusion status record, set **Reset Case Open Status** to **Enabled**, save the settings to the CMOS, and then restart your system.

⊞ **CPU Vcore/Vcore SOC/CPU VDD18/DRAM Channel A/B Voltage/DRAM Channel C/D Voltage/DDRVpp A/B/DDRVpp C/D/+3.3V/+5V/5VSB/1.05V CHIPSET Voltage/+12V/VCORE SIO**

Displays the current system voltages.

► **Miscellaneous Settings**



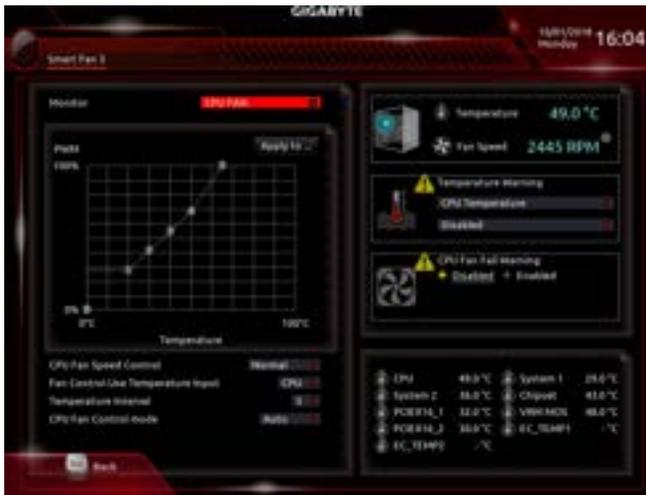
○ **PCIe Slot Configuration**

Allows you to set the operation mode of the PCI Express slots to Gen 1, Gen 2, or Gen 3. Actual operation mode is subject to the hardware specification of each slot. **Auto** lets the BIOS automatically configure this setting. (Default: Auto)

○ **3DMark01 Enhancement**

Allows you to determine whether to enhance some legacy benchmark performance. (Default: Disabled)

► **Smart Fan 5 Settings**



☞ **Monitor**

Allows you to select a target to monitor and to make further adjustment. (Default: CPU FAN)

☞ **Fan Speed Control**

Allows you to determine whether to enable the fan speed control function and adjust the fan speed.

- ▶▶ Normal Allows the fan to run at different speeds according to the temperature. You can adjust the fan speed with System Information Viewer based on your system requirements. (Default)
- ▶▶ Silent Allows the fan to run at slow speeds.
- ▶▶ Manual Allows you to control the fan speed in the curve graph.
- ▶▶ Full Speed Allows the fan to run at full speeds.

☞ **Fan Control Use Temperature Input**

Allows you to select the reference temperature for fan speed control.

☞ **Temperature Interval**

Allows you to select the temperature interval for fan speed change.

☞ **Fan/Pump Control Mode**

- ▶▶ Auto Lets the BIOS automatically detect the type of fan/pump installed and sets the optimal control mode. (Default)
- ▶▶ Voltage Voltage mode is recommended for a 3-pin fan/pump.
- ▶▶ PWM PWM mode is recommended for a 4-pin fan/pump.

☞ **Temperature**

Displays the current temperature of the selected target area.

☞ **Fan Speed**

Displays current fan/pump speeds.

☞ **Flow Rate**

Displays the flow rate of your water cooling system.

☞ **Temperature Warning**

Sets the warning threshold for temperature. When temperature exceeds the threshold, BIOS will emit warning sound. Options are: Disabled (default), 60°C/140°F, 70°C/158°F, 80°C/176°F, 90°C/194°F.

☞ **Fan/Pump Fail Warning**

Allows the system to emit warning sound if the fan/pump is not connected or fails. Check the fan/pump condition or fan/pump connection when this occurs. (Default: Disabled)

2-4 System



This section provides information on your motherboard model and BIOS version. You can also select the default language used by the BIOS and manually set the system time.

System Language

Selects the default language used by the BIOS.

System Date

Sets the system date. The date format is week (read-only), month, date, and year. Use <Enter> to switch between the Month, Date, and Year fields and use the <Page Up> or <Page Down> key to set the desired value.

System Time

Sets the system time. The time format is hour, minute, and second. For example, 1 p.m. is 13:00:00. Use <Enter> to switch between the Hour, Minute, and Second fields and use the <Page Up> or <Page Down> key to set the desired value.

Access Level

Displays the current access level depending on the type of password protection used. (If no password is set, the default will display as **Administrator**.) The Administrator level allows you to make changes to all BIOS settings; the User level only allows you to make changes to certain BIOS settings but not all.

2-5 BIOS



☞ **Boot Option Priorities**

Specifies the overall boot order from the available devices. Removable storage devices that support GPT format will be prefixed with "UEFI:" string on the boot device list. To boot from an operating system that supports GPT partitioning, select the device prefixed with "UEFI:" string.

Or if you want to install an operating system that supports GPT partitioning such as Windows 10 64-bit, select the optical drive that contains the Windows 10 64-bit installation disk and is prefixed with "UEFI:" string.

☞ **Hard Drive/CD/DVD ROM Drive/Floppy Drive/Network Device BBS Priorities**

Specifies the boot order for a specific device type, such as hard drives, optical drives, floppy disk drives, and devices that support Boot from LAN function, etc. Press <Enter> on this item to enter the submenu that presents the devices of the same type that are connected. This item is present only if at least one device for this type is installed.

☞ **Bootup NumLock State**

Enables or disables Numlock feature on the numeric keypad of the keyboard after the POST. (Default: On)

☞ **Security Option**

Specifies whether a password is required every time the system boots, or only when you enter BIOS Setup. After configuring this item, set the password(s) under the **Administrator Password/User Password** item.

▶▶ Setup A password is only required for entering the BIOS Setup program.

▶▶ System A password is required for booting the system and for entering the BIOS Setup program. (Default)

☞ **Full Screen LOGO Show**

Allows you to determine whether to display the GIGABYTE Logo at system startup. **Disabled** skips the GIGABYTE Logo when the system starts up. (Default: Enabled)

☞ **Fast Boot**

Enables or disables Fast Boot to shorten the OS boot process. **Ultra Fast** provides the fastest bootup speed. (Default: Disabled)

☞ **SATA Support**

- ▶▶ Last Boot HDD Only Except for the previous boot drive, all SATA devices are disabled before the OS boot process completes. (Default)
- ▶▶ All Sata Devices All SATA devices are functional in the operating system and during the POST. This item is configurable only when **Fast Boot** is set to **Enabled** or **Ultra Fast**.

☞ **VGA Support**

Allows you to select which type of operating system to boot.

- ▶▶ Auto Enables legacy option ROM only.
- ▶▶ EFI Driver Enables EFI option ROM. (Default)

This item is configurable only when **Fast Boot** is set to **Enabled** or **Ultra Fast**.

☞ **USB Support**

- ▶▶ Disabled All USB devices are disabled before the OS boot process completes.
- ▶▶ Full Initial All USB devices are functional in the operating system and during the POST. (Default)
- ▶▶ Partial Initial Part of the USB devices are disabled before the OS boot process completes.

This item is configurable only when **Fast Boot** is set to **Enabled**. This function is disabled when **Fast Boot** is set to **Ultra Fast**.

☞ **PS2 Devices Support**

- ▶▶ Disabled All PS/2 devices are disabled before the OS boot process completes.
- ▶▶ Enabled All PS/2 devices are functional in the operating system and during the POST. (Default)

This item is configurable only when **Fast Boot** is set to **Enabled**. This function is disabled when **Fast Boot** is set to **Ultra Fast**.

☞ **NetWork Stack Driver Support**

- ▶▶ Disabled Disables booting from the network. (Default)
- ▶▶ Enabled Enables booting from the network.

This item is configurable only when **Fast Boot** is set to **Enabled** or **Ultra Fast**.

☞ **CSM Support**

Enables or disables UEFI CSM (Compatibility Support Module) to support a legacy PC boot process.

- ▶▶ Enabled Enables UEFI CSM. (Default)
- ▶▶ Disabled Disables UEFI CSM and supports UEFI BIOS boot process only.

☞ **LAN PXE Boot Option ROM**

Allows you to select whether to enable the legacy option ROM for the LAN controller. (Default: Disabled)

This item is configurable only when **CSM Support** is set to **Enabled**.

☞ **Storage Boot Option Control**

Allows you to select whether to enable the UEFI or legacy option ROM for the storage device controller.

- ▶▶ Disabled Disables option ROM.
- ▶▶ UEFI Only Enables UEFI option ROM only.
- ▶▶ Legacy Only Enables legacy option ROM only. (Default)

This item is configurable only when **CSM Support** is set to **Enabled**.

☞ **Other PCI Device ROM Priority**

Allows you to select whether to enable the UEFI or Legacy option ROM for the PCI device controller other than the LAN, storage device, and graphics controllers.

- ▶ Disabled Disables option ROM.
- ▶ UEFI Only Enables UEFI option ROM only. (Default)
- ▶ Legacy Only Enables legacy option ROM only.

This item is configurable only when **CSM Support** is set to **Enabled**.

☞ **Network Stack**

Disables or enables booting from the network to install a GPT format OS, such as installing the OS from the Windows Deployment Services server. (Default: Disabled)

☞ **Ipv4 PXE Support**

Enables or disables IPv4 PXE Support. This item is configurable only when **Network Stack** is enabled.

☞ **Ipv4 HTTP Support**

Enables or disables HTTP boot support for IPv4. This item is configurable only when **Network Stack** is enabled.

☞ **Ipv6 PXE Support**

Enables or disables IPv6 PXE Support. This item is configurable only when **Network Stack** is enabled.

☞ **Ipv6 HTTP Support**

Enables or disables HTTP boot support for IPv6. This item is configurable only when **Network Stack** is enabled.

☞ **IPSEC Certificate**

Enables or disables the Internet Protocol Security. This item is configurable only when **Network Stack** is enabled.

☞ **Administrator Password**

Allows you to configure an administrator password. Press <Enter> on this item, type the password, and then press <Enter>. You will be requested to confirm the password. Type the password again and press <Enter>. You must enter the administrator password (or user password) at system startup and when entering BIOS Setup. Differing from the user password, the administrator password allows you to make changes to all BIOS settings.

☞ **User Password**

Allows you to configure a user password. Press <Enter> on this item, type the password, and then press <Enter>. You will be requested to confirm the password. Type the password again and press <Enter>. You must enter the administrator password (or user password) at system startup and when entering BIOS Setup. However, the user password only allows you to make changes to certain BIOS settings but not all.

To cancel the password, press <Enter> on the password item and when requested for the password, enter the correct one first. When prompted for a new password, press <Enter> without entering any password. Press <Enter> again when prompted to confirm.

NOTE: Before setting the User Password, be sure to set the Administrator Password first.

2-6 Peripherals



- **AMD CPU fTPM**
Enables or disables the TPM 2.0 function integrated in the AMD CPU. (Default: Disabled)
- **Initial Display Output**
Specifies the first initiation of the monitor display from the installed PCI Express graphics cards.
 - PCIe 1 Slot Sets the graphics card on the PCIEX16_1 slot as the first display. (Default)
 - PCIe 2 Slot Sets the graphics card on the PCIEX8_1 slot as the first display.
 - PCIe 3 Slot Sets the graphics card on the PCIEX4 slot as the first display.
 - PCIe 4 Slot Sets the graphics card on the PCIEX16_2 slot as the first display.
 - PCIe 5 Slot Sets the graphics card on the PCIEX8_2 slot as the first display.
- **Legacy USB Support**
Allows USB keyboard/mouse to be used in MS-DOS. (Default: Enabled)
- **XHCI Hand-off**
Determines whether to enable XHCI Hand-off feature for an operating system without XHCI Hand-off support. (Default: Enabled)
- **EHCI Hand-off**
Determines whether to enable EHCI Hand-off feature for an operating system without EHCI Hand-off support. (Default: Disabled)
- **USB Mass Storage Driver Support**
Enables or disables support for USB storage devices. (Default: Enabled)
- **Mass Storage Devices**
Displays a list of connected USB mass storage devices. This item appears only when a USB storage device is installed.

☞ **RGB Fusion**

Allows you to set the LED lighting mode for the motherboard.

- ▶▶ Off Disables this function.
- ▶▶ Pulse Mode All LEDs simultaneously fade in and fade out.
- ▶▶ Color Cycle All LEDs simultaneously cycle through a full spectrum of colors.
- ▶▶ Static Mode All LEDs emit a single color. (Default)
- ▶▶ Flash Mode All LEDs simultaneously flash on and off.
- ▶▶ Double Flash All LEDs flash in an interlaced pattern.

☞ **LEDs in Sleep, Hibernation, and Soft Off States**

Allows you to set the lighting mode of the motherboard LEDs in system S3/S4/S5 state.

This feature is supported only with a 5V addressable LED strip.

- ▶▶ Off Disables the selected lighting mode when the system enters S3/S4/S5 state. (Default)
- ▶▶ On Enables the selected lighting mode when the system enters S3/S4/S5 state.

☞ **DAC-UP 2 Rear USB 3.0 (Output Voltage of USB 3.1 Gen 1 Ports on the Back Panel)**

Allows you to increase the output voltage of the USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports on the back panel (the ones below the PS/2 keyboard/mouse port) to strengthen the stability of your USB device(s).

- ▶▶ Normal Keeps the original output voltage. (Default)
- ▶▶ Disable USB bus power Disables the power of the USB connectors. High-end audio players may connect their own external USB power source.
- ▶▶ Voltage Compensation +0.1V Adds 0.1V to the original output voltage.
- ▶▶ Voltage Compensation +0.2V Adds 0.2V to the original output voltage.
- ▶▶ Voltage Compensation +0.3V Adds 0.3V to the original output voltage.

☞ **OnBoard LAN Controller**

Enables or disables the onboard LAN function. (Default: Enabled)

☞ **HD Audio Controller**

Enables or disables the onboard audio function. (Default: Enabled)

If you wish to install a 3rd party add-in audio card instead of using the onboard audio, set this item to **Disabled**.

☞ **Above 4G Decoding**

Enables or disables 64-bit capable devices to be decoded in above 4 GB address space (only if your system supports 64-bit PCI decoding). Set to **Enabled** if more than one advanced graphics card are installed and their drivers are not able to be launched when entering the operating system (because of the limited 4 GB memory address space). (Default: Disabled)

▶ **Trusted Computing**

Enables or disables Trusted Platform Module (TPM).

▶ **NVMe Configuration**

Displays information on your M.2 NVME PCIe SSD if installed.

▶ **AMD CBS**

This sub-menu provides AMD CBS-related configuration options.

2-7 Chipset



- ⊞ **IOMMU**
Enables or disables AMD IOMMU support. (Default: Auto)
- ⊞ **SB Clock Spread Spectrum**
Enables or disables CPU PCIe Spread Spectrum. (Default: Enabled)
- ⊞ **PCIEx16_1 Bandwidth**
Allows you to divide the bandwidth of the PCIEx16_1 slot. (Default: x16)
- ⊞ **PCIEx8_1 Bandwidth**
Allows you to divide the bandwidth of the PCIEx8_1 slot. (Default: x8)
- ⊞ **PCIEx16_2 Bandwidth**
Allows you to divide the bandwidth of the PCIEx16_2 slot. (Default: x16)
- ⊞ **PCIEx8_2 Bandwidth**
Allows you to divide the bandwidth of the PCIEx8_2 slot. (Default: x8)
- ⊞ **SATA Mode**
Enables or disables RAID for the SATA controllers integrated in the Chipset or configures the SATA controllers to AHCI mode.
 - ▶▶ RAID Enables RAID for the SATA controller.
 - ▶▶ AHCI Configures the SATA controllers to AHCI mode. Advanced Host Controller Interface (AHCI) is an interface specification that allows the storage driver to enable advanced Serial ATA features such as Native Command Queuing and hot plug. (Default)
- ⊞ **NVMe RAID mode**
Allows you to determine whether to use your M.2 NVMe PCIe SSDs to configure RAID. (Default: Disabled)
- ⊞ **Chipset SATA Port Enable**
Enables or disables the integrated SATA controllers. (Default: Enabled)
- ⊞ **Chipset SATA Port 0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7**
Displays the information of the connected SATA device.

2-8 Power



☞ AC BACK

Determines the state of the system after the return of power from an AC power loss.

- ▶▶ Always Off The system stays off upon the return of the AC power. (Default)
- ▶▶ Always On The system is turned on upon the return of the AC power.
- ▶▶ Memory The system returns to its last known awake state upon the return of the AC power.

☞ Power On By Keyboard

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 keyboard wake-up event.

Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

- ▶▶ Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- ▶▶ Any Key Press any key to turn on the system.
- ▶▶ Keyboard 98 Press POWER button on the Windows 98 keyboard to turn on the system.
- ▶▶ Password Set a password with 1~5 characters to turn on the system.

☞ Power On Password

Set the password when **Power On By Keyboard** is set to **Password**.

Press <Enter> on this item and set a password with up to 5 characters and then press <Enter> to accept. To turn on the system, enter the password and press <Enter>.

Note: To cancel the password, press <Enter> on this item. When prompted for the password, press <Enter> again without entering the password to clear the password settings.

☞ Power On By Mouse

Allows the system to be turned on by a PS/2 mouse wake-up event.

Note: To use this function, you need an ATX power supply providing at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

- ▶▶ Disabled Disables this function. (Default)
- ▶▶ Move Move the mouse to turn on the system.
- ▶▶ Double Click Double click on left button on the mouse to turn on the system.

☞ **ErP**

Determines whether to let the system consume least power in S5 (shutdown) state. (Default: Disabled)

Note: When this item is set to **Enabled**, the following functions will become unavailable: Resume by Alarm, power on by mouse, and power on by keyboard.

☞ **Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN**

Configures the way to turn off the computer in MS-DOS mode using the power button.

▶▶ Instant-Off Press the power button and then the system will be turned off instantly. (Default)

▶▶ Delay 4 Sec. Press and hold the power button for 4 seconds to turn off the system. If the power button is pressed for less than 4 seconds, the system will enter suspend mode.

☞ **Resume by Alarm**

Determines whether to power on the system at a desired time. (Default: Disabled)

If enabled, set the date and time as following:

▶▶ Wake up day: Turn on the system at a specific time on each day or on a specific day in a month.

▶▶ Wake up hour/minute/second: Set the time at which the system will be powered on automatically.

Note: When using this function, avoid inadequate shutdown from the operating system or removal of the AC power, or the settings may not be effective.

☞ **Wake on LAN**

Enables or disables the wake on LAN function. (Default: Enabled)

☞ **High Precision Event Timer**

Enables or disables High Precision Event Timer (HPET) in the operating system. (Default: Enabled)

2-9 Save & Exit



☞ Save & Exit Setup

Press <Enter> on this item and select **Yes**. This saves the changes to the CMOS and exits the BIOS Setup program. Select **No** or press <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

☞ Exit Without Saving

Press <Enter> on this item and select **Yes**. This exits the BIOS Setup without saving the changes made in BIOS Setup to the CMOS. Select **No** or press <Esc> to return to the BIOS Setup Main Menu.

☞ Load Optimized Defaults

Press <Enter> on this item and select **Yes** to load the optimal BIOS default settings. The BIOS default settings help the system to operate in optimum state. Always load the Optimized defaults after updating the BIOS or after clearing the CMOS values.

☞ Boot Override

Allows you to select a device to boot immediately. Press <Enter> on the device you select and select **Yes** to confirm. Your system will restart automatically and boot from that device.

☞ Save Profiles

This function allows you to save the current BIOS settings to a profile. You can create up to 8 profiles and save as Setup Profile 1~ Setup Profile 8. Press <Enter> to complete. Or you can select **Select File in HDD/FDD/USB** to save the profile to your storage device.

☞ Load Profiles

If your system becomes unstable and you have loaded the BIOS default settings, you can use this function to load the BIOS settings from a profile created before, without the hassles of reconfiguring the BIOS settings. First select the profile you wish to load and then press <Enter> to complete. You can select **Select File in HDD/FDD/USB** to input the profile previously created from your storage device or load the profile automatically created by the BIOS, such as reverting the BIOS settings to the last settings that worked properly (last known good record).

Chapter 3 Configuring a RAID Set

RAID Levels

| | RAID 0 | RAID 1 | RAID 10 |
|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|---|
| Minimum Number of Hard Drives | ≥2 | 2 | 4 |
| Array Capacity | Number of hard drives * Size of the smallest drive | Size of the smallest drive | (Number of hard drives/2) * Size of the smallest drive |
| Fault Tolerance | No | Yes | Yes |

To configure SATA hard drive(s), follow the steps below:

- A. Install hard drive(s) in your computer.
- B. Configure SATA controller mode in BIOS Setup.
- C. Configure a RAID array in RAID BIOS (Note)
- D. Install the SATA RAID/AHCI driver and operating system

Before you begin

- At least two SATA hard drives or M.2 SATA SSDs (to ensure optimal performance, it is recommended that you use two hard drives with identical model and capacity).
- A Windows setup disk.
- Motherboard driver disk.
- A USB thumb drive.

3-1 Configuring SATA Controllers

A. Installing SATA hard drive(s) in your computer

Install the hard drives/SSDs in the SATA/M.2 connectors on the motherboard. Then connect the power connectors from your power supply to the hard drives.

(Note) Skip this step if you do not want to create RAID array on the SATA controller.

B. Configuring SATA controller mode in BIOS Setup

Make sure to configure the SATA controller mode correctly in system BIOS Setup.

Step 1:

Turn on your computer and press <Delete> to enter BIOS Setup during the POST (Power-On Self-Test). Under **Chipset**, ensure **Chipset SATA Port Enable** is enabled. Set **SATA Mode** to **RAID** (Figure 1).



Figure 1



The BIOS Setup menus described in this section may differ from the exact settings for your motherboard. The actual BIOS Setup menu options you will see shall depend on the motherboard you have and the BIOS version.

C. UEFI RAID Configuration

Step 1:

In BIOS Setup, go to **BIOS** and set **CSM Support** to **Disabled** (Figure 2). Save the changes and exit BIOS Setup.



Figure 2

Step 2:

After the system reboot, enter BIOS Setup again. Then enter the **Peripherals\RAIDXpert2 Configuration Utility** sub-menu (Figure 3).



Figure 3

Step 3:

On the RAIDxpert2 Configuration Utility screen, press <Enter> on **Array Management** to enter the **Create Array** screen. Then, select a RAID level (Figure 4). RAID levels supported include RAID 0, RAID 1, and RAID 10 (the selections available depend on the number of the hard drives being installed). Next, press <Enter> on **Select Physical Disks** to enter the **Select Physical Disks** screen.



Figure 4

Step 4:

On the **Select Physical Disks** screen, select the hard drives to be included in the RAID array and set them to **Enabled**. Next, use the down arrow key to move to **Apply Changes** and press <Enter> (Figure 5). Then return to the previous screen and set the **Array Size**, **Array Size Unit**, **Read Cache Policy** and **Write Cache Policy**.



Figure 5

Step 5:
After setting the capacity, move to **Create Array** and press <Enter> to begin. (Figure 6)



Figure 6

After completing, you'll be brought back to the **Array Management** screen. Under **Manage Array Properties** you can see the new RAID volume and information on RAID level, array name, array capacity, etc. (Figure 7)



Figure 7

Delete RAID Volume

To delete a RAID array, select the array to be deleted on the **RAIDXpert2 Configuration Utility\Array Management\Delete Array** screen. Press <Enter> on **Delete Array** to enter the **Delete** screen. Then set **Confirm** to **Enabled** and press <Enter> on **Yes** (Figure 8).



Figure 8

3-2 Installing the SATA RAID/AHCI Driver and Operating System

With the correct BIOS settings, you are ready to install the operating system.

A. Installing Windows

As some operating systems already include SATA RAID/AHCI driver, you do not need to install separate RAID/AHCI driver during the Windows installation process. After the operating system is installed, we recommend that you install all required drivers from the motherboard driver disk using "Xpress Install" to ensure system performance and compatibility. If the operating system to be installed requires that you provide additional SATA RAID/AHCI driver during the OS installation process, please refer to the steps below:

Step 1:

Copy the **Hw10** folder under the **\BootDrv** folder in the driver disk to your USB thumb drive.

Step 2:

Boot from the Windows setup disk and perform standard OS installation steps. When the screen requesting you to load the driver appears, select **Browse**.

Step 3:

Insert the USB thumb drive and then browse to the location of the driver. The location of the driver is as follows:
Windows 64-bit: `\Hw10\RAID\x64`

Step 4:

On the next screen, select **AMD-RAID Bottom Device** and click **Next**. Then repeat Step 2 and Step 3. When a screen as shown in Figure 1 appears, select **AMD-RAID Controller** and click **Next** to load the driver. Finally, continue the OS installation.

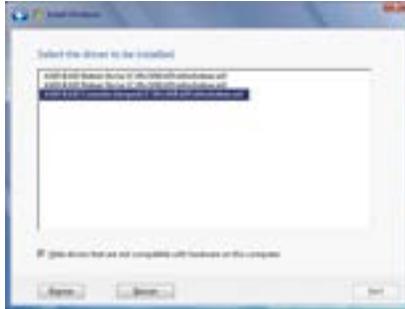


Figure 1

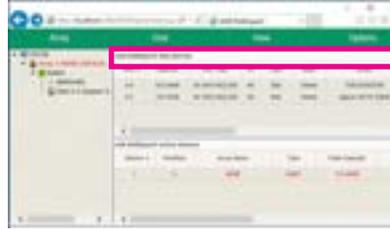
B. Rebuilding an Array

Rebuilding is the process of restoring data to a hard drive from other drives in the array. Rebuilding applies only to fault-tolerant arrays such as RAID 1 and RAID 10 arrays. To replace the old drive, make sure to use a new drive of equal or greater capacity. The procedures below assume a new drive is added to replace a failed drive to rebuild a RAID 1 array.

While in the operating system, make sure the Chipset and RAID drivers have been installed from the motherboard driver disk. Next, on the driver disk autorun screen, select **AMD Raid Utility** in **Application Software\Install Application Software** to install. Then, double-click the **RAIDXpert2** icon on the desktop to launch the RAID utility.



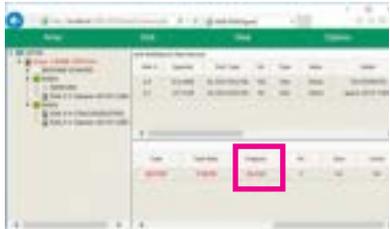
Step 1:
Enter the login ID and password (default: "admin"), and then click **Submit** to launch **AMD RAIDxpert2**.



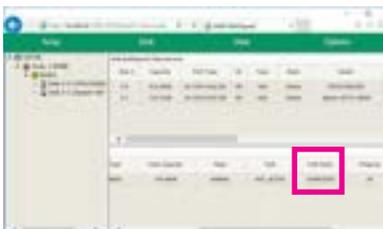
Step 2:
In the **Disk Devices** section, left-click your mouse twice on the newly-added hard drive.



Step 3:
On the next screen, select **Assign as Global Spare** and click **Confirm**.



Step 4:
During the rebuild process, you can select the array that is being built (displayed in red) in the **Active Volumes** section to check the current progress.



Step 5:
Then rebuild is complete when the **Task State** column shows "COMPLETED."

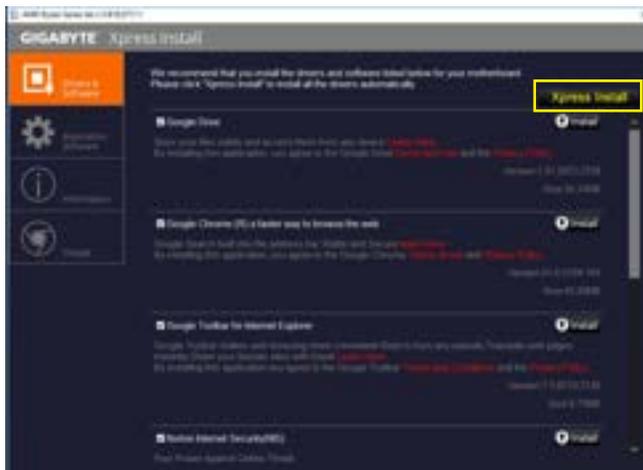
Chapter 4 Drivers Installation



- Before installing the drivers, first install the operating system.
- After installing the operating system, insert the motherboard driver disk into your optical drive. Click on the message "Tap to choose what happens with this disc" on the top-right corner of the screen and select "Run Run.exe." (Or go to My Computer, double-click the optical drive and execute the Run.exe program.)

4-1 Drivers & Software

"Xpress Install" will automatically scan your system and then list all of the drivers that are recommended to install. You can click the **Xpress Install** button and "Xpress Install" will install all of the selected drivers. Or click the arrow  icon to individually install the drivers you need.



- Please ignore the popup dialog box(es) (e.g. the **Found New Hardware Wizard**) displayed when "Xpress Install" is installing the drivers. Failure to do so may affect the driver installation.
- Some device drivers will restart your system automatically during the driver installation. After the system restart, "Xpress Install" will continue to install other drivers.

Chapter 5 Unique Features

5-1 BIOS Update Utilities

GIGABYTE motherboards provide two unique BIOS update tools, Q-Flash™ and @BIOS™. GIGABYTE Q-Flash and @BIOS are easy-to-use and allow you to update the BIOS without the need to enter MS-DOS mode.

What is DualBIOS™?

Motherboards that support DualBIOS have two BIOS onboard, a main BIOS and a backup BIOS. Normally, the system works on the main BIOS. However, if the main BIOS is corrupted or damaged, the backup BIOS will take over on the next system boot to ensure normal system operation. For the sake of system safety, users cannot update the backup BIOS manually.

What is Q-Flash™?

With Q-Flash you can update the system BIOS without having to enter operating systems like MS-DOS or Windows first. Embedded in the BIOS, the Q-Flash tool frees you from the hassles of going through complicated BIOS flashing process.

What is @BIOS™?

@BIOS allows you to update the system BIOS while in the Windows environment. @BIOS will download the latest BIOS file from the nearest @BIOS server site and update the BIOS.

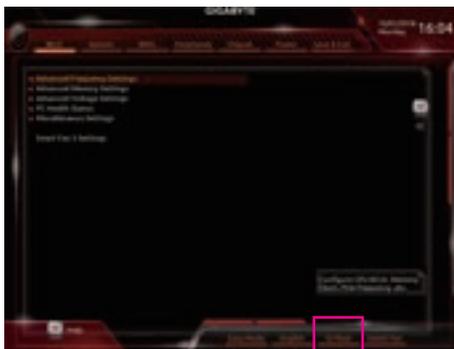
5-1-1 Updating the BIOS with the Q-Flash Utility

A. Before You Begin

1. From GIGABYTE's website, download the latest compressed BIOS update file that matches your motherboard model.
2. Extract the file and save the new BIOS file (e.g. X399AORUSPRO.F1) to your USB flash drive, or hard drive.
Note: The USB flash drive or hard drive must use FAT32/16/12 file system.
3. Restart the system. During the POST, press the <End> key to enter Q-Flash. Note: You can access Q-Flash by either pressing the <End> key during the POST or click the **Q-Flash** icon (or press the <F8> key) in BIOS Setup. However, if the BIOS update file is saved to a hard drive in RAID/AHCI mode or a hard drive attached to an independent SATA controller, use the <End> key during the POST to access Q-Flash.



Because BIOS flashing is potentially risky, please do it with caution. Inadequate BIOS flashing may result in system malfunction.



Select **Q-Flash** to access Q-Flash

B. Updating the BIOS

In the main menu of Q-Flash, use the keyboard or mouse to select an item to execute. When updating the BIOS, choose the location where the BIOS file is saved. The following procedure assumes that you have saved the BIOS file to a USB flash drive.

Step 1:

1. Insert the USB flash drive containing the BIOS file into the computer. In the main screen of Q-Flash, select **Update BIOS**.



- The **Save BIOS** option allows you to save the current BIOS file.
- Q-Flash only supports USB flash drive or hard drives using FAT32/16/12 file system.
- If the BIOS update file is saved to a hard drive in RAID/AHCI mode or a hard drive attached to an independent SATA controller, use the <End> key during the POST to access Q-Flash.

2. Select the BIOS update file.



Make sure the BIOS update file matches your motherboard model.

Step 2:

The screen will show that the BIOS file is being read from your USB flash drive. Please select **Fast** or **Intact** to begin the BIOS update. The screen will then display the update process.



- Do not turn off or restart the system when the system is reading/updating the BIOS.
- Do not remove the USB flash drive or hard drive when the system is updating the BIOS.

Step 3:

The system will restart after the update process is complete.

Step 4:

During the POST, press <Delete> to enter BIOS Setup. Select **Load Optimized Defaults** on the **Save & Exit** screen and press <Enter> to load BIOS defaults. System will re-detect all peripheral devices after a BIOS update, so we recommend that you reload BIOS defaults.



Select **Yes** to load BIOS defaults

Step 5:

Select **Save & Exit Setup** and press <Enter>. And then select **Yes** to save settings to CMOS and exit BIOS Setup. The procedure is complete after the system restarts.

5-1-2 Updating the BIOS with the @BIOS Utility

A. Before You Begin

1. In Windows, close all applications and TSR (Terminate and Stay Resident) programs. This helps prevent unexpected failures when performing a BIOS update.
2. If the BIOS is being updated via the Internet, ensure the Internet connection is stable and do NOT interrupt the Internet connection (for example, avoid a power loss or switching off the Internet). Failure to do so may result in a corrupted BIOS or a system that is unable to start.
3. GIGABYTE product warranty does not cover any BIOS damage or system failure resulting from an inadequate BIOS flashing.



B. Using @BIOS

1. Update the BIOS Using the Internet Update Function:



Click **Update from Server**, select the @BIOS server site closest to your location and then download the BIOS file that matches your motherboard model. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete.



If the BIOS update file for your motherboard is not present on the @BIOS server site, please manually download the BIOS update file from GIGABYTE's website and follow the instructions in "Update the BIOS without Using the Internet Update Function" below.

2. Update the BIOS without Using the Internet Update Function:



Click **Update from File**, then select the location where you save the BIOS update file obtained from the Internet or through other source. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete.

3. Save the Current BIOS File:



Click **Save to File** to save the current BIOS file.

4. Change the Boot-up Logo:



Click **Upload new image** in Face-Wizard and you will be able to change the boot-up logo with your own picture, creating a personalized boot-up screen. Click **Backup current image** to save the current boot-up logo.



Supported image formats include jpg, bmp, and gif.

C. After Updating the BIOS

Restart your system after updating the BIOS.



- Make sure that the BIOS file to be flashed matches your motherboard model. Updating the BIOS with an incorrect BIOS file could cause your system not to boot.
- Do not turn off the system or remove the power during the BIOS update process, or the BIOS may corrupt and the system may not boot.

5-2 APP Center

GIGABYTE App Center gives you easy access to a wealth of GIGABYTE apps that help you get the most from your GIGABYTE motherboard ^(Note). Using a simple, unified user interface, GIGABYTE App Center allows you to easily launch all GIGABYTE apps installed on your system, check related updates online, and download the apps, drivers, and BIOS.

Running the APP Center

Insert the motherboard driver disk. On the Autorun screen, go to **Application Software** \ **Install GIGABYTE Utilities** to install GIGABYTE App Center and the selected apps. Restart your computer after the installation is complete. In Desktop mode, click the App Center icon  in the notification area to launch the App Center utility (Figure 1). On the main menu, you can select an app to run or click **LiveUpdate** to update an app online.



Figure 1

If the App Center is closed, you can restart it by clicking **Launch App Center** on the Start menu (Figure 2).



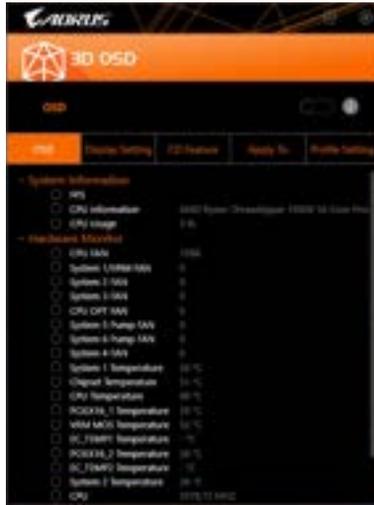
Figure 2

(Note) Available applications in APP Center may differ by motherboard model. Supported functions of each application may also vary depending on motherboard specifications.

5-2-1 3D OSD

3D OSD ^(Note) automatically detects and displays your system information during games, allowing you to easily get hold of your system information without switching between screens.

The 3D OSD Interface



Using 3D OSD

Main Menu:

Allows you to enable or disable the 3D OSD feature and to select the type of real-time system information you wish to display. 3D OSD will detect and display a list of available options.

Configuration Menu:

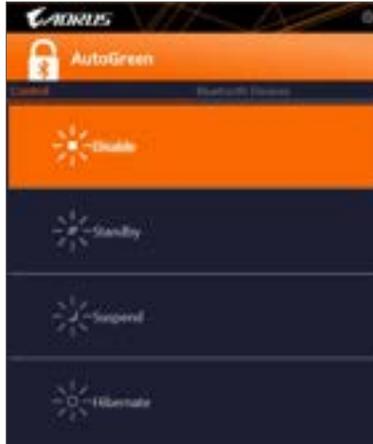
Allows you to set a hotkey for enabling /disabling 3D OSD and specify the font size/location/color of the displayed information.

(Note) Please ensure that DirectX End-User Runtime has been installed on your system prior to installing 3D OSD.

5-2-2 AutoGreen

AutoGreen^(Note) is an easy-to-use tool that provides users with simple options to enable system power savings via a Bluetooth-enabled smart phone/tablet device. When the device is out of the range of the computer's Bluetooth receiver, the system will enter the specified power saving mode. Before using this app, you need to turn on Bluetooth on both your computer and smart phone/tablet device.

The AutoGreen Interface



Control Tab:

The **Control** tab allows you to select a system power saving mode.

| Button | Description |
|-----------|------------------------------|
| Disable | Disables this function |
| Standby | Enters Power on Suspend mode |
| Suspend | Enters Suspend to RAM mode |
| Hibernate | Enters Suspend to Disk mode |

Bluetooth Devices Tab:

The **Bluetooth** tab allows you to pair your smart phone/tablet device with the Bluetooth receiver on your computer. Press **Refresh** to let AutoGreen search for the Bluetooth devices around you. A message will appear on both your computer and smart phone/tablet device prompting you to compare the passcodes on the two devices. Confirm to complete the pairing process.

(Note) Once your smart phone/tablet device has been paired with your AutoGreen-enabled computer, you'll not be able to use it to connect to other Bluetooth device(s).

5-2-3 Cloud Station

GIGABYTE Cloud Station (Server) is composed of HomeCloud, GIGABYTE Remote, Remote OC, and HotSpot, which allow your smart phone, tablet device, and remote computer to communicate, share resources, and control the host computer via wireless connection. Cloud Station allows your computer to share files with another computer that has Cloud Station (Server) installed.

Before You Begin:

- To use HomeCloud, GIGABYTE Remote, and Remote OC, you must install GIGABYTE Cloud Station on your smart phone/tablet device. (For Android systems, please download the app from Google Play; for iOS systems, please download it from App Store.)^(Note 1)
- To share HomeCloud files between computers, you need to install Cloud Station (Server) on the host computer and Cloud Station on the remote computer.
- Your smart phone/tablet device must have Android 4.0/iOS 6.0 or above version.
- The first time you use HomeCloud, GIGABYTE Remote, and Remote OC, you must sign in with your Google/Facebook/Windows Live account. Be sure to use the same account to sign in on your smart phone/tablet device and computers.

HomeCloud

HomeCloud allows you to upload/download/back up files^(Note 2) from your smart phone/tablet device/computer to the host computer.

The HomeCloud Interface

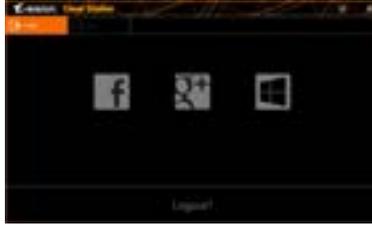
Cloud Station (Server):



(Note 1) You can use your smart phone/tablet device to scan the QR code on the HomeCloud UI to link to the download page of the GIGABYTE Cloud Station on App Store or Google Play.

(Note 2) For iOS systems, the file types are limited to image/video files.

Cloud Station:



Using HomeCloud

Step 1:

Launch HomeCloud on the host computer (installed with Cloud Station (Server)), sign in with your Google/Facebook/Windows Live account or select the account on the **Account List**. Then enable **HomeCloud Function**. To automatically enable this function after system reboot, enable **Always run on next reboot**.

Step 2:

Run Cloud Station on your smart phone/tablet device/remote computer, sign in with the same account you use for HomeCloud on your host computer. Tap on **HomeCloud** to perform the following functions:

On the Host Computer:

| Option | Function |
|--------------|--|
| Account List | Displays currently signed in account(s). |
| Remove | Remove the selected account. |
| Share Folder | Displays the shared folder directory of the currently signed in account. |
| Open Folder | Access the shared folder of the currently signed in account. |

On the Smart Phone/Tablet Device/Remote Computer:

| Option | Function |
|-------------------|---|
| All Picture Files | File Upload: Tap on the folder, browse and select the files inside. Tap on the menu icon and select Upload selected Files to upload the files to your computer. File Download: Tap on the folder and then tap on the menu icon, select Download Files . You can browse the files and select the files that you want to download to your smart phone/tablet device. |
| All Music Files | |
| All Video Files | |
| All Files | |
| User Contacts | Tap on the folder and then tap on the menu icon to use the options including Backup to remote, Restore From remote, View Remote Contact, and Reselect Computers . |
| Call Log | |

GIGABYTE Remote

GIGABYTE Remote allows you to use your smart phone/tablet device to remotely control the mouse/keyboard/Windows Media Player on your computer.

The GIGABYTE Remote Interface



Using GIGABYTE Remote

Step 1:

On the host computer, launch GIGABYTE Remote and enable **GIGABYTE Remote Function**. To automatically enable this function after system reboot, enable **Always run on next reboot**.

Step 2:

Run GIGABYTE Cloud Station on your smart phone/tablet device, sign in with the same account you use for HomeCloud on your computer. Tap on **Remote Control** to perform the following remote controls:

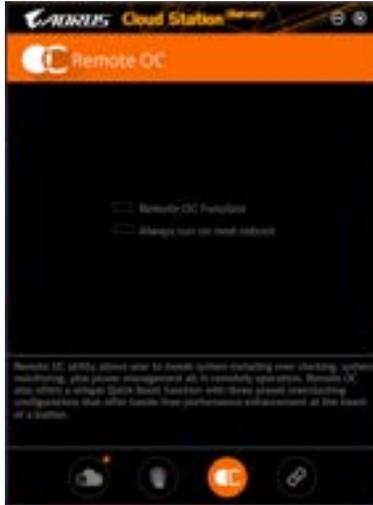
On the Smart Phone/Tablet Device:

| Option | Function |
|----------|--|
| Mouse | Remotely perform mouse functionalities including dragging, right/left-clicking, and holding the mouse left button. |
| Keyboard | Remotely control your keyboard such as text input (tap on Real-Time Mode to type texts) or deletion. |
| Media | Remotely configure and control the currently running Windows Media Player application on your computer. |

Remote OC

Remote OC provides you with remote control options including overlocking and system tweaking, system monitoring plus the ability to also remotely power down/reset the PC when needed.

The Remote OC Interface



Using Remote OC

Step 1:

On the host computer, launch Remote OC and enable **Remote OC Function**. To automatically enable this function after system reboot, enable **Always run on next reboot**.

Step 2:

Run GIGABYTE Cloud Station on your smart phone/tablet device, sign in with the same account you use for HomeCloud on your computer. Tap on **Remote OC** to perform the following functions:

On the Smart Phone/Tablet Device:

| Option | Function |
|-------------|--|
| Tuner | Allows you to change CPU/memory frequency and voltage settings. |
| INFO | Displays the system information, including the CPU, motherboard, and memory. |
| HW MONIT | Allows you to monitor system temperatures, voltages, and fan speeds. |
| QUICK BOOST | Provides you with three preset overlocking configurations. |
| CONTROL | Allows you to remotely reboot or shut down your computer. |

HotSpot

HotSpot turns your computer into a virtual wireless access point and allows you to share your connection with your other wireless devices. Make sure your computer has been connected to a network and Wi-Fi is enabled.

The HotSpot Interface



Using HotSpot:

Configuring your host computer:

The options are as follows. Make sure to click **Start** to complete.

- **Make this network connection available for sharing:**
Select a currently running network connection you want to share.
- **Available HotSpot device:**
Select a network virtual adapter. If there are more than one Wi-Fi card on your computer, you need to select the one you want to use from the list.
- **SSID:**
The hotspot SSID name. You can keep the default name or create your own one.
- **HotSpot Password(must have at least 8 characters):**
The password is required when other wireless devices want to access the Internet through the virtual wireless access point. You can keep the default name or create your own one. The password must have at least 8 characters and cannot be empty.

Sharing your connection with other wireless devices:

First make sure Wi-Fi is enabled on the wireless devices. Then browse to the network configuration screen, search for available Wi-Fi networks, and tap the name of your virtual wireless access point, enter the password, and confirm.

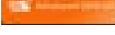
5-2-4 EasyTune

GIGABYTE's EasyTune is a simple and easy-to-use interface that allows users to fine-tune their system settings or do overclock/overvoltage in Windows environment.

The EasyTune Interface



Tabs Information

| Tab | Description |
|---|--|
|  | The Smart Boost tab provides you with different levels of CPU frequency to choose to achieve desired system performance. After making changes, be sure to restart your system for these changes to take effect. |
|  | The Advanced CPU OC tab allows you to set CPU base clock, frequency, and voltages, and integrated graphics frequency. You can save the current settings to a profile. You can create up to 2 profiles. |
|  | The Advanced DDR OC tab allows you to set the memory clock. |
|  | The Advanced Power tab allows you to adjust voltages. |
|  | The HotKey tab allows you to set hotkeys for your profiles. |



Available functions in EasyTune may vary by motherboard model and CPU. Grayed-out area(s) indicates that the item is not configurable or the function is not supported.

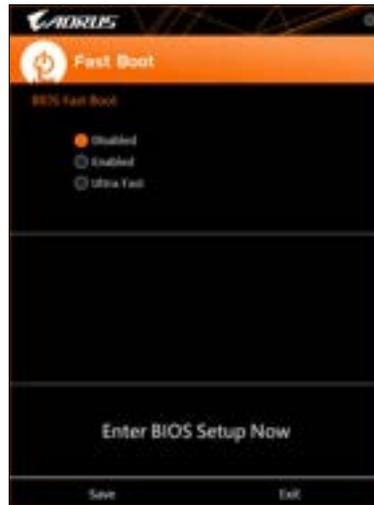


Incorrectly doing overclock/overvoltage may result in damage to the hardware components such as CPU, chipset, and memory and reduce the useful life of these components. Before you do the overclock/overvoltage, make sure that you fully know each function of EasyTune, or system instability or other unexpected results may occur.

5-2-5 Fast Boot

Through the simple GIGABYTE Fast Boot interface, you can enable or change the Fast Boot setting right in the operating system.

The Fast Boot Interface



Using Fast Boot

- **BIOS Fast Boot:**

This option is the same as the **Fast Boot** option ^(Note) in BIOS Setup. It allows you to enable or disable the fast boot function to shorten OS boot time.

After you configure the settings, click **Save** to save and click **Exit**. The settings will take effect on next boot. If you click the **Enter BIOS Setup Now** button, the system will restart and enter BIOS Setup immediately.

(Note) For more details about this function, refer to Chapter 2, "BIOS Setup."

5-2-7 RGB Fusion

This application allows you to enable or specify the lighting mode of the onboard LEDs and rear panel LEDs ^(Note 1) while in the Windows environment.

The RGB Fusion Interface



Using RGB Fusion

- The  icon on the top right corner: Allows you to enable or disable the LED lighting.
The  icon on the top right corner: Allows your computer to connect to the GIGABYTE RGB Fusion app installed on your handheld devices. ^(Note 2)
- **Basic** ^(Note 3): Allows to you to configure the lighting behaviour of all LEDs/armor LEDs.
 - Pulse** — All LEDs simultaneously fade in and fade out.
 - Music** — All LEDs are synchronized with your music.
 - Color Cycle** — All LEDs simultaneously cycle through a full spectrum of colors.
 - Static** — All LEDs emit a single color.
 - Flash** — All LEDs simultaneously flash on and off.
 - Random** — Single LED regions flash randomly.
 - Wave** — A full color spectrum cascades throughout the armor LED.
 - Double Flash** — All LEDs flash in an interlaced pattern.
 - DEMO** — The LEDs/addressable LED strip cycle through a full spectrum of analog/digital colors.

(Note 1) This function is available only on motherboards with an I/O shield that has audio LEDs.

(Note 2) Please download the **RGB Fusion** app from App Store or Google Play.

(Note 3) Regions/Modes/Colors available may vary by motherboard.



- **Advanced** ^(Note): Allows you to configure the lighting behaviour and color of the LEDs in each region. You can save the settings as a profile and create up to three customized profiles.
 - Pulse** — The selected region LEDs simultaneously fade in and fade out.
 - Static** — The selected region LEDs emit a single color.
 - Flash** — The selected region LEDs simultaneously flash on and off.
 - Custom** — The selected region LEDs can customize the Color stop, mode, color, transition and duration.
 - Double Flash** — The selected region LEDs flash in an interlaced pattern.
 - Off** — Disable the selected region LEDs.
 - Digital Light** — Provides multiple digital lighting mode throughout the armor LED and LED strip.
 - Calibration** — Calibrate LED colors.



- **Intelligent**: LEDs emit various colors based on the condition of your PC.

(Note) Regions/Modes/Colors available may vary by motherboard.

5-2-8 Smart TimeLock

GIGABYTE Smart TimeLock allows you to effectively manage computer or Internet usage time with simple rules and options.

The Smart TimeLock Interface



Using Smart TimeLock

Click the lock icon  on the bottom left corner and enter the password ^(Note). Set the time when a user can or cannot use your computer for weekdays and weekends. The **Lock Mode** on the bottom right corner allows you to choose to turn off the computer or only close the Internet connection during the specified time period. Click **Save** to save the settings and click **Exit** to exit.

An alert will appear 15 minutes and 1 minute prior to the default shutdown time. When the alert appears, you can enter the password to extend the usage time or click **Cancel** to close the alert. If you respond **Cancel**, you will be requested to enter the password to extend the usage time again when the default shutdown time arrives, or the computer will shutdown right away.

(Note) You can set the **User Password** in the system BIOS Setup program to prevent the system time being changed by other users.

5-2-9 Smart Keyboard

GIGABYTE Smart Keyboard allows you to set your own hotkeys using the F1 through F12 keys. You can use the customized hotkeys to change the mouse sensitivity, replace a word or password, open a file or an application, all of which helps to make the most out of your keyboard and mouse.

The Smart Keyboard Interface



Using Smart Keyboard

Select one of the F1 through F12 keys and configure the following functions:

- **Marco Key:**
Allows you to assign key strokes to the selected key, or use the key to record mouse location, or set time interval between each keystroke.
- **Sniper Key:**
Using this option, you can switch the mouse sensitivity when you are in sniper mode for better sniper accuracy.
- **Smart Cut:**
Allows you to create keyboard shortcuts for a file or an application.
- **Smart Key:**
Allows you to give the selected key the ability to replace a word or password.
- **Disable:**
Allows you to disable the functionality of particular key(s).

After completing the settings, make sure to click **Enable keyboard monitor function** on the top right corner.

- **Save:**
Save current settings as a profile.
- **Load:**
Load a previously save profile.

(Note) It is recommended that Smart Keyboard be closed if it violates the end user license agreement of your game.

5-2-10 Smart Backup

Smart Backup allows you to back up a partition as an image file every hour. You can use these images to restore your system or files when needed.



The Smart Backup main menu:

| Button | Description |
|--------------------|---|
| Settings | Allows you to select the source and destination partition |
| Start | Allows you to create a rescue drive |
| Backup Now | Allows you to perform the backup immediately |
| File Recovery... | Allows you to recover your files from the backup image |
| System Recovery... | Allows you to recover your system from the backup image |



- Smart Backup only supports NTFS file system.
- You need to select the destination partition in **Settings** the first time you use Smart Backup.
- The **Backup Now** button will be available only after 10 minutes you have logged in Windows.
- Select the **Always run on next reboot** checkbox to automatically enable Smart Backup after system reboot.

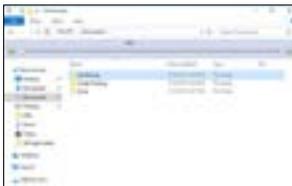


Creating a backup:

Click the **Settings** button on the main menu. In the **Settings** dialog box, select the source partition and destination partition and click **OK**. The initial backup will start after 10 minutes and regular backup will be performed hourly. Note: By default, all partitions on the system drive are selected as the backup source. The backup destination cannot be on the same partition as the backup source.

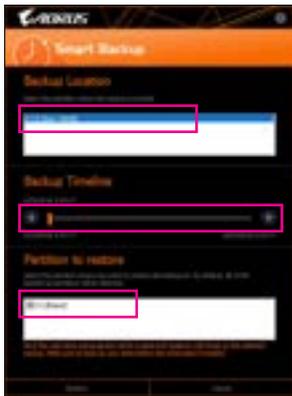
Saving the backup to a network location:

If you want to save the backup to a network location, select **Browse network location**. Make sure your computer and the computer where you want to save the backup are in the same domain. Choose the network location where you want to store the backup and enter the user name and password. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete.



Recovering a file:

Click the **File Recovery** button on the main menu. Use the time slider on the top of the popped out window to select a previous backup time. The right pane will display the backed-up partitions in the backup destination (in the **My Backup** folder). Browse to the file you want and copy it.



Recovering your system with Smart Backup:

Steps:

1. Click the **System Recovery** button on the main menu.
2. Select the location where your backup is saved.
3. Use the time slider to select a time point.
4. Select a partition backup created on the selected time point and click **Restore**.
5. Confirm whether to restart your system to proceed with the restore immediately or later. Once you respond "Yes" the system will restart to the Windows recovery environment. Follow the onscreen instructions to restore your system.



All of your files and programs will be deleted and replaced with those on the selected backup. If needed, be sure to make a copy of your data before the restore.

5-2-11 Smart HUD

GIGABYTE Smart HUD provides you with the ability to watch a video on YouTube or Twitch simultaneously during gameplay by simply setting the URLs on the UI. The easy-to-use UI allows you to memorize frequently used URLs, set window position and size, and change window transparency. Also, you can control Smart HUD videos and volume with hotkeys.

The Smart HUD Interface



Using Smart HUD

- The  icon on the top right corner:
Allows you to open the Smart HUD window.

- **Configuration Menu:**

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| [+] / edit | Add or remove video URLs or add preference. |
| Positioning | Select the window position. |
| Resolution | Select the window size. |
| Transparency | Set the window transparency. |

- **Hot Keys:**

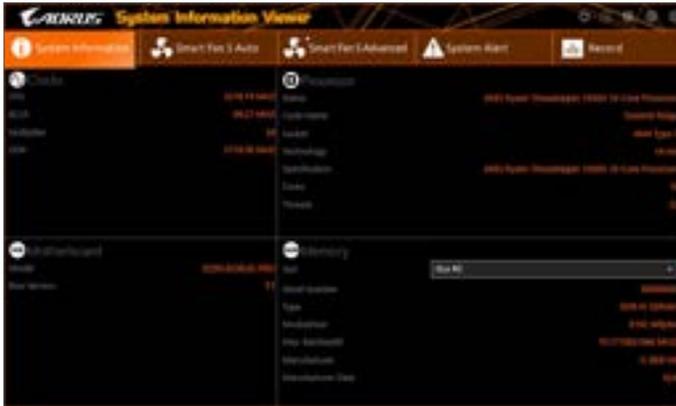
| | |
|-----------|---------------------|
| Alt + F7 | Start, pause |
| Alt + F8 | Fast forward |
| Alt + F9 | Fast backward |
| Alt + F10 | Replay |
| Alt + F11 | Increase the volume |
| Alt + F12 | Decrease the volume |

(Note) Please ensure that DirectX End-User Runtime has been installed on your system prior to installing Smart HUD.

5-2-12 System Information Viewer

GIGABYTE System Information Viewer allows you to monitor and adjust the fan speed in the operating system. You can also display the hardware monitor information on the desktop to view the system status at any time.

The System Information Viewer Interface



Tabs Information

| Tab | Description |
|---|--|
|  | The System Information tab provides information on the installed CPU, motherboard, and the BIOS version. |
|  | The Smart Fan 5 Auto tab allows you to specify a Smart Fan mode. |
|  | The Smart Fan 5 Advance tab allows you to adjust the smart fan speed. The fans will run at different speeds according to system temperatures. Using the Smart Fan option you can adjust the fan's workload according system temperatures or you can fix the fan speeds using the RPM Fixed Mode option. Click the Calibrate button and the fan speed will be shown in relation to overall fan workload after calibration. The Reset button can revert the fan settings back to the last saved values. |
|  | The System Alert tab allows you to monitor hardware temperature, voltage and fan speed, and set temperature/fan speed alarm.  allows you to select what information to be displayed in quick mode (by default, all of the hardware information are displayed);  allows you to enable alert notification, click Apply after selection. |
|  | The Record tab allows you to record changes in system voltages, temperatures, and fan speeds. Please note, the recording will stop if you exit the Record tab during the recording process. |

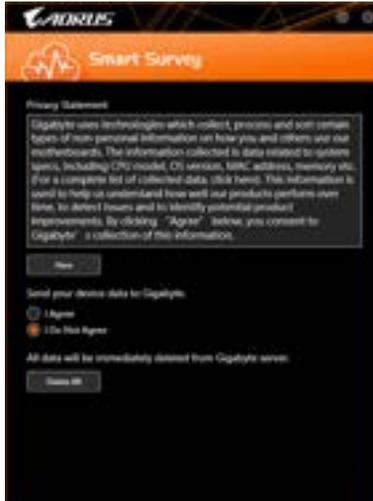


The speed control function requires the use of a fan with fan speed control design.

5-2-13 Smart Survey

GIGABYTE Smart Survey collects, processes, and sort certain types of non-personal information on how you and others use our motherboards. The information collected is data related to system specs, including CPU model, OS version, MAC address, memory etc. This information is used to help us understand how well our products perform over time, to detect issues and to identify potential product improvements.

The Smart Survey Interface



Using Smart Survey

- **Clicking "Here":**
Allows you to check the complete list of collected data.
- **Sending Device Data to GIGABYTE:**
Selecting **I Agree** means you consent to GIGABYTE's collection of your device data. Smart Survey will not collect any data if you select **I Do Not Agree**.
- **Clicking "Delete All":**
All data will be immediately deleted from Gigabyte server.

5-2-14 USB Blocker

GIGABYTE USB Blocker provides you with an easy-to-use interface that allows you to block certain USB device types on your PC. Devices classes that are blocked will be ignored by the operating system.

The USB Blocker Interface



Using USB Blocker

Select the class of USB device that you would like to block or unblock. Double left-click to change the **Blocked** or **Unblocked** status and click **OK**. Then enter your password and click **OK** to complete.

5-2-15 USB DAC-UP 2

GIGABYTE USB DAC-UP 2 allows you to increase the output voltage of the USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports on the front or back panel to strengthen the stability of your USB device(s).

The USB DAC-UP 2 Interface



Using USB DAC-UP 2

Click the drop down list on the right of the USB 3.1 Gen 1 connector you want to adjust the voltage and choose an option. Then click **Apply**. After the system restarts, the settings will be synchronized with the BIOS settings. The options are as follows:

- Normal: Keeps the original output voltage.
- Disable USB bus power: Disables the power of the USB connectors. High-end audio players may connect their own external USB power source.
- Voltage Compensation +0.1V: Adds 0.1V to the original output voltage.
- Voltage Compensation +0.2V: Adds 0.2V to the original output voltage.
- Voltage Compensation +0.3V: Adds 0.3V to the original output voltage.

(Note) Connectors available may vary by motherboard.

Chapter 6 Appendix

6-1 Configuring Audio Input and Output

After you install the included motherboard drivers, make sure your Internet connection works properly. The system will automatically install the audio driver from Microsoft Store. Restart the system after the audio driver is installed.

6-1-1 Configuring 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio

The motherboard provides five audio jacks on the back panel which support 2/4/5.1/7.1-channel ^(Note) audio. The picture to the right shows the default audio jack assignments.



To configure 4/5.1/7.1-channel audio, you have to retask either the Line in or Mic in jack to be Side speaker out through the audio driver.

A. Configuring Speakers

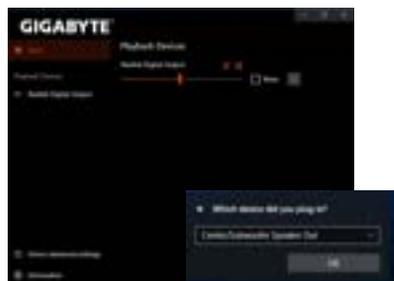
Step 1:

Go to the Start menu click the **Realtek Audio Console**.



Step 2:

Connect an audio device to an audio jack. The **Which device did you plug in?** dialog box appears. Select the device according to the type of device you connect. Then click **OK**.



(Note) 2/4/5.1/7.1-Channel Audio Configurations:

Refer to the following for multi-channel speaker configurations.

- 2-channel audio: Headphone or Line out.
- 4-channel audio: Front speaker out and Rear speaker out.
- 5.1-channel audio: Front speaker out, Rear speaker out, and Center/Subwoofer speaker out.
- 7.1-channel audio: Front speaker out, Rear speaker out, Center/Subwoofer speaker out, and Side speaker out.

Step 3:

On the **Speakers** screen, click the **Speaker Configuration** tab. In the **Speaker Configuration** list, select **Stereo**, **Quadraphonic**, **5.1 Speaker**, or **7.1 Speaker** according to the type of speaker configuration you wish to set up. Then the speaker setup is completed.

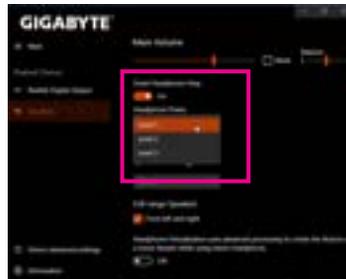


B. Configuring Sound Effect

You may configure an audio environment on the **Speakers** tab.

C. Enabling Smart Headphone Amp

The Smart Headphone Amp feature automatically detects impedance of your head-worn audio device, whether earbuds or high-end headphones to provide optimal audio dynamics. To enable this feature, connect your head-worn audio device to the Line out jack. Enable the **Smart Headphone Amp** feature. The **Headphone Power** list below allows you to manually set the level of headphone volume, preventing the volume from being too high or too low.

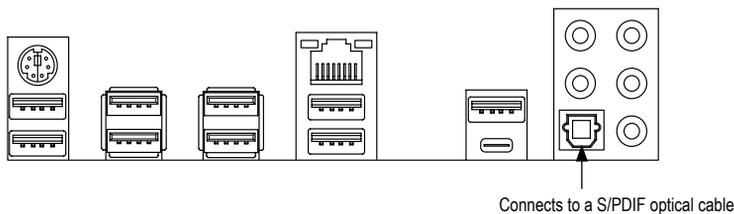


6-1-2 Configuring S/PDIF Out

The S/PDIF Out jack can transmit audio signals to an external decoder for decoding to get the best audio quality.

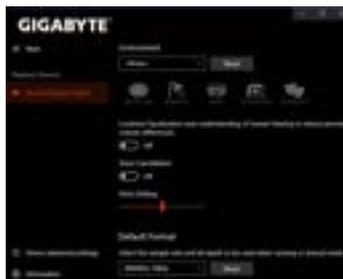
1. Connecting a S/PDIF Out Cable:

Connect a S/PDIF optical cable to the corresponding S/PDIF out connector as shown below and an external decoder for transmitting the S/PDIF digital audio signals.



2. Configuring S/PDIF Out:

On the **Realtek Digital Output** screen, select the sample rate and bit depth in the **Default Format** section.

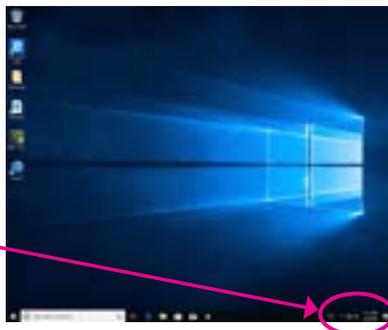


6-1-3 Stereo Mix

The following steps explain how to enable Stereo Mix (which may be needed when you want to record sound from your computer).

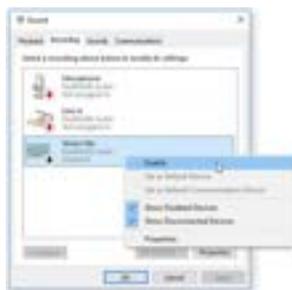
Step 1:

Locate the  icon in the notification area and right-click on this icon. Select **Sounds**.



Step 2:

On the **Recording** tab, right-click on **Stereo Mix** item and select **Enable**. Then set it as the default device. (if you do not see **Stereo Mix**, right-click on an empty space and select **Show Disabled Devices**.)



Step 3:

Now you can access the **HD Audio Manager** to configure **Stereo Mix** and use **Voice Recorder** to record the sound.



6-1-4 Using the Voice Recorder

After setting up the audio input device, to open the **Voice Recorder**, go to the Start menu and search for **Voice Recorder**.



A. Recording Audio

1. To begin the recording, click the **Record** icon .
2. To stop the recording, click the **Stop recording** icon .

B. Playing the Recorded Sound

The recordings will be saved in Documents>Sound Recordings. Voice Recorder records audio in MPEG-4 (.m4a) format. You can play the recording with a digital media player program that supports the audio file format.

6-2 Troubleshooting

6-2-1 Frequently Asked Questions

To read more FAQs for your motherboard, please go to the **SupportFAQ** page on GIGABYTE's website.

Q: Why is the light of my keyboard/optical mouse still on after the computer shuts down?

A: Some motherboards provide a small amount of standby power after the computer shuts down and that's why the light is still on.

Q: How do I clear the CMOS values?

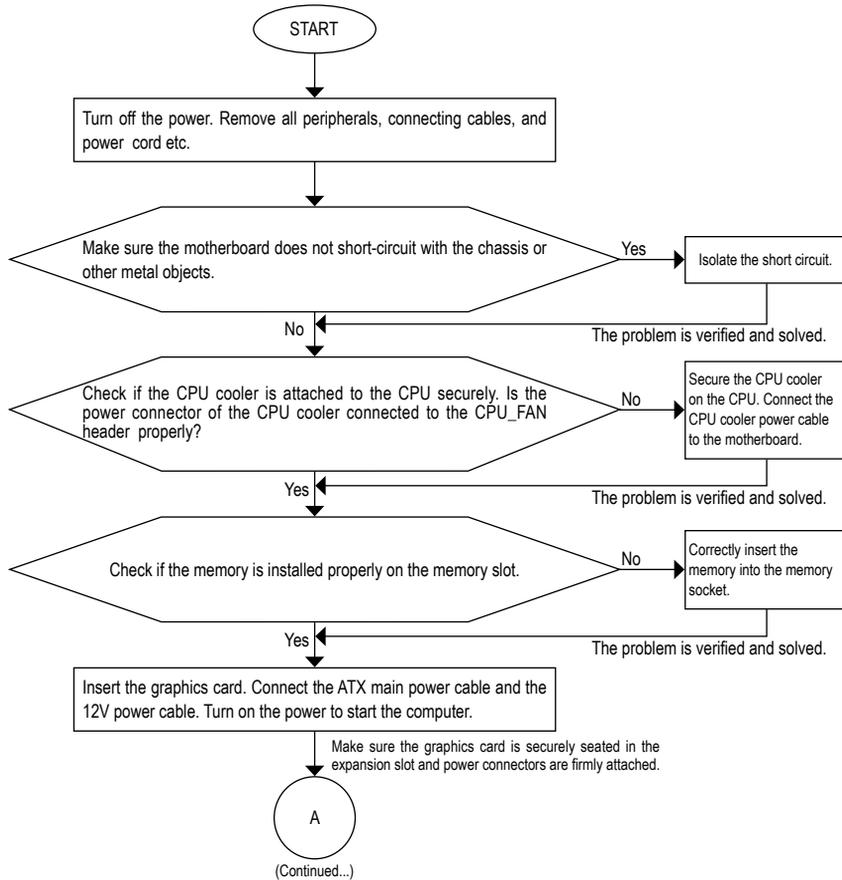
A: For motherboards that have a Clear CMOS button, press this button to clear the CMOS values (before doing this, please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord). For motherboards that have a Clear CMOS jumper, refer to the instructions in Chapter 1 to short the jumper to clear the CMOS values. If your board doesn't have this jumper/button, refer to the instructions on the motherboard battery in Chapter 1. You can temporarily remove the battery from the battery holder to stop supplying power to the CMOS, which will clear the CMOS values after about one minute.

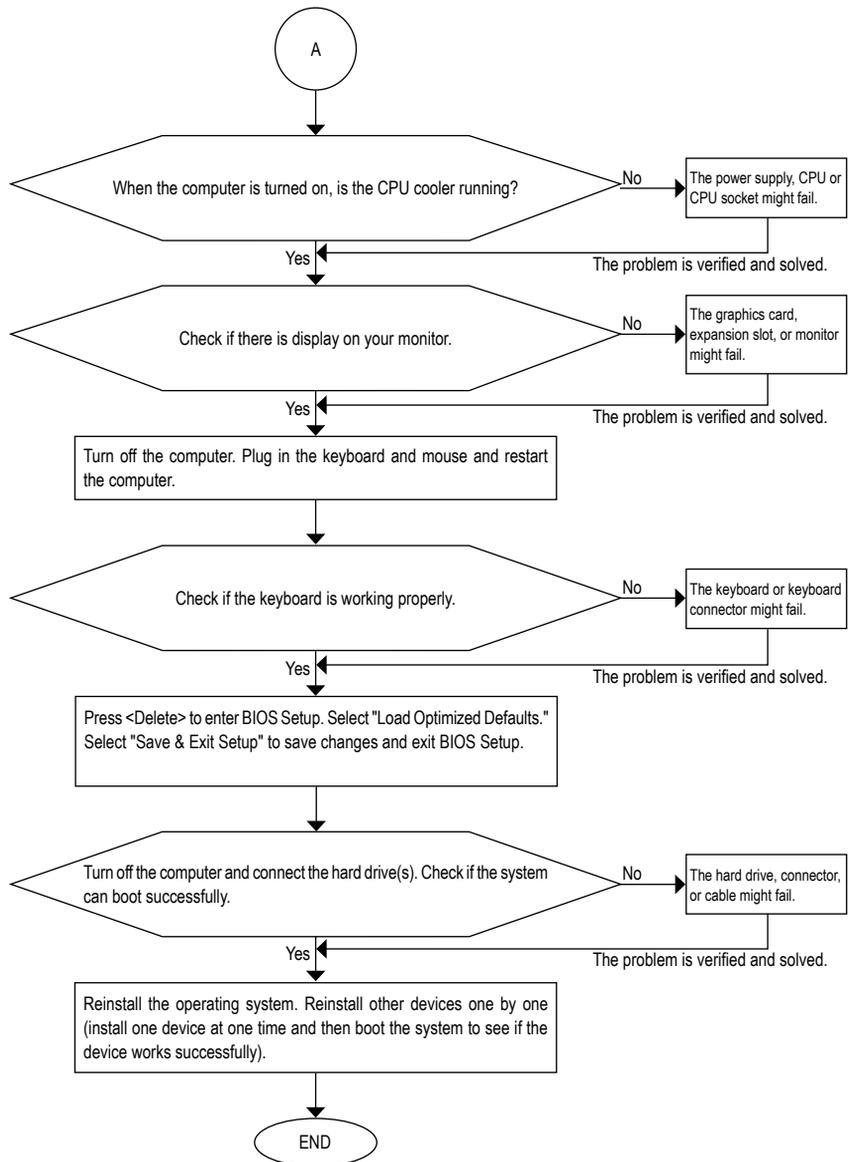
Q: Why do I still get a weak sound even though I have turned my speaker to the maximum volume?

A: Make sure your speaker is equipped with an internal amplifier. If not, try a speaker with power/amplifier.

6-2-2 Troubleshooting Procedure

If you encounter any troubles during system startup, follow the troubleshooting procedure below to solve the problem.





If the procedure above is unable to solve your problem, contact the place of purchase or local dealer for help. Or go to the **Support Technical Support** page to submit your question. Our customer service staff will reply you as soon as possible.

6-3 Debug LED Codes

Regular Boot

| Code | Description |
|-------|---|
| 10 | PEI Core is started. |
| 11 | Pre-memory CPU initialization is started. |
| 12~14 | Reserved. |
| 15 | Pre-memory North-Bridge initialization is started. |
| 16~18 | Reserved. |
| 19 | Pre-memory South-Bridge initialization is started. |
| 1A~2A | Reserved. |
| 2B~2F | Memory initialization. |
| 31 | Memory installed. |
| 32~36 | CPU PEI initialization. |
| 37~3A | IOH PEI initialization. |
| 3B~3E | PCH PEI initialization. |
| 3F~4F | Reserved. |
| 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 is started. |
| 69 | IOH DXE initialization. |
| 6A | IOH SMM initialization. |
| 6B~6F | Reserved. |
| 70 | PCH DXE initialization. |
| 71 | PCH SMM initialization. |
| 72 | PCH devices initialization. |
| 73~77 | PCH DXE initialization (PCH module specific). |
| 78 | ACPI Core initialization. |
| 79 | CSM initialization is started. |
| 7A~7F | Reserved for AML use. |
| 80~8F | Reserved for OEM use (OEM DXE initialization codes). |
| 90 | Phase transfer to BDS (Boot Device Selection) from DXE. |
| 91 | Issue event to connect drivers. |

| Code | Description |
|-------------|---|
| 92 | PCI Bus initialization is started. |
| 93 | PCI Bus hot plug initialization. |
| 94 | PCI Bus enumeration for detecting how many resources are requested. |
| 95 | Check PCI device requested resources. |
| 96 | Assign PCI device resources. |
| 97 | Console Output devices connect (ex. Monitor is lighted). |
| 98 | Console input devices connect (ex. PS2/USB keyboard/mouse are activated). |
| 99 | Super IO initialization. |
| 9A | USB initialization is started. |
| 9B | Issue reset during USB initialization process. |
| 9C | Detect and install all currently connected USB devices. |
| 9D | Activated all currently connected USB devices. |
| 9E~9F | Reserved. |
| A0 | IDE initialization is started. |
| A1 | Issue reset during IDE initialization process. |
| A2 | Detect and install all currently connected IDE devices. |
| A3 | Activated all currently connected IDE devices. |
| A4 | SCSI initialization is started. |
| A5 | Issue reset during SCSI initialization process. |
| A6 | Detect and install all currently connected SCSI devices. |
| A7 | Activated all currently connected SCSI devices. |
| A8 | Verify password if needed. |
| A9 | BIOS Setup is started. |
| AA | Reserved. |
| AB | Wait user command in BIOS Setup. |
| AC | Reserved. |
| AD | Issue Ready To Boot event for OS Boot. |
| AE | Boot to Legacy OS. |
| AF | Exit Boot Services. |
| B0 | Runtime AP installation begins. |
| B1 | Runtime AP installation ends. |
| B2 | Legacy Option ROM initialization. |
| B3 | System reset if needed. |

| Code | Description |
|-------------|-----------------------------|
| B4 | USB device hot plug-in. |
| B5 | PCI device hot plug. |
| B6 | Clean-up of NVRAM. |
| B7 | Reconfigure NVRAM settings. |
| B8~BF | Reserved. |
| C0~CF | Reserved. |

S3 Resume

| Code | Description |
|-------------|---|
| E0 | S3 Resume is started (called from DXE IPL). |
| E1 | Fill boot script data for S3 resume. |
| E2 | Initializes VGA for S3 resume. |
| E3 | OS S3 wake vector call. |

Recovery

| Code | Description |
|-------------|---|
| F0 | Recovery mode will be triggered due to invalid firmware volume detection. |
| F1 | Recovery mode will be triggered by user decision. |
| F2 | Recovery is started. |
| F3 | Recovery firmware image is found. |
| F4 | Recovery firmware image is loaded. |
| F5~F7 | Reserved for future AMI progress codes. |

Error

| Code | Description |
|-------------|---|
| 50~55 | Memory initialization error occurs. |
| 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 failed. |
| 5C~5F | Reserved. |
| D0 | CPU initialization error. |
| D1 | IOH initialization error. |

| Code | Description |
|-------------|--|
| 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 initialization. |
| D6 | No Console Output Devices are found. |
| D7 | No Console Input Devices are found. |
| D8 | It is an invalid password. |
| D9~DA | Can't load Boot Option. |
| DB | Flash update is failed. |
| DC | Reset protocol is failed. |
| DE~DF | Reserved. |
| E8 | S3 resume is failed. |
| E9 | S3 Resume PPI is not found. |
| EA | S3 Resume Boot Script is invalid. |
| EB | S3 OS Wake call is failed. |
| EC~EF | Reserved. |
| F8 | Recovery PPI is invalid. |
| F9 | Recovery capsule is not found. |
| FA | Invalid recovery capsule. |
| FB~FF | Reserved. |

Regulatory Statements

Regulatory Notices

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Our Commitment to Preserving the Environment

In addition to high-efficiency performance, all GIGABYTE motherboards fulfill European Union regulations for RoHS (Restriction of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment) and WEEE (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) environmental directives, as well as most major worldwide safety requirements. To prevent releases of harmful substances into the environment and to maximize the use of our natural resources, GIGABYTE provides the following information on how you can responsibly recycle or reuse most of the materials in your "end of life" product.

Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) Directive Statement

GIGABYTE products have not intended to add and safe from hazardous substances (Cd, Pb, Hg, Cr+6, PBDE and PBB). The parts and components have been carefully selected to meet RoHS requirement. Moreover, we at GIGABYTE are continuing our efforts to develop products that do not use internationally banned toxic chemicals.

Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive Statement

GIGABYTE will fulfill the national laws as interpreted from the 2002/96/EC WEEE (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) directive. The WEEE Directive specifies the treatment, collection, recycling and disposal of electric and electronic devices and their components. Under the Directive, used equipment must be marked, collected separately, and disposed of properly.

WEEE Symbol Statement



The symbol shown below is on the product or on its packaging, which indicates that this product must not be disposed of with other waste. Instead, the device should be taken to the waste collection centers for activation of the treatment, collection, recycling and disposal procedure. The separate collection and recycling of your waste equipment at the time of disposal will help to conserve natural resources and ensure that it is recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. For more information about where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local government office, your household waste disposal service or where you purchased the product for details of environmentally safe recycling.

- When your electrical or electronic equipment is no longer useful to you, "take it back" to your local or regional waste collection administration for recycling.
- If you need further assistance in recycling, reusing in your "end of life" product, you may contact us at the Customer Care number listed in your product's user's manual and we will be glad to help you with your effort.

Finally, we suggest that you practice other environmentally friendly actions by understanding and using the energy-saving features of this product (where applicable), recycling the inner and outer packaging (including shipping containers) this product was delivered in, and by disposing of or recycling used batteries properly. With your help, we can reduce the amount of natural resources needed to produce electrical and electronic equipment, minimize the use of landfills for the disposal of "end of life" products, and generally improve our quality of life by ensuring that potentially hazardous substances are not released into the environment and are disposed of properly.

Battery Information

European Union—Disposal and recycling information
GIGABYTE Recycling Program (available in some regions)



This symbol indicates that this product and/or battery should not be disposed of with household waste. You must use the public collection system to return, recycle, or treat them in compliance with the local regulations.

FCC Notice (U.S.A. Only)

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 the 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 into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- ◆ Consult a dealer or experienced TV/radio technician for help.

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- ◆ This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS-210.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Cet appareil numérique de classe B est conforme aux normes canadiennes ICES-003 et RSS-210.
- ◆ Son fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) cet appareil ne doit pas causer d'interférence et (2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, notamment les interférences qui peuvent affecter son fonctionnement.



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