When you installing AGP card, please make sure the following notice is fully understood and practiced. If your AGP card has "AGP 4X/8X(1.5V) notch"(show below), please make sure your AGP card is AGP 4X/8X(1.5V).





Caution: AGP 2X(3.3V) card is not supported by VIA[®] KT400. You might experience system unable to boot up normally. Please insert an AGP 4X/8X(1.5V) card

Example 1: Diamond Vipper V770 golden finger is compatible with 2X/4X mode AGP slot. It can be switched between AGP 2X(3.3V) or 4X (1.5V) mode by adjusting the jumper. The factory default for this card is 2X(3.3V).

The GA-7VA (or any AGP 4X only) motherboards might not function properly, if you install this card without switching the jumper to 4X(1.5V) mode in it.

Example 2: Some ATi Rage 128 Pro graphics cards made by "Power Color", the graphics card manufacturer & some SiS 305 cards, their golden finger is compatible with 2X(3.3V)/4X(1.5V) mode AGP slot, but they support 2X(3.3V) only. The GA-7VA (or any AGP 4X only) motherboards might not function properly, If you install this card in it.

Note : Although Gigabyte's AG32S(G) graphics card is based on ATi Rage 128 Pro chip, the design of AG32S(G) is compliance with AGP 4X(1.5V) specification. Therefore, AG32S (G)will work fine with VIA[®] KT400 based motherboards.



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| WARNIN | G: Never run the processor without the heatsink properly and firmly attached. PERMANENT DAMAGE WILL RESULT! |
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| Mise en ge | arde : Ne faites jamais tourner le processeur sans que le dissipateur de chaleur soit fix correctement et fermement. UN DOMMAGE PERMANENT EN RÉSULTERA ! |
| Achtung: | Der Prozessor darf nur in Betrieb genommen werden, wenn der W rmeableiter ordnungsgem ß und fest angebracht ist. DIES HAT EINEN PERMANENTEN SCHADEN ZUR FOLGE! |
| Adverten | cia: Nunca haga funcionar el procesador sin el disipador de calor instalado correcta y firmemente. ;SE PRODUCIRÁ UN DAÑO PERMANENTE! |
| | inca execute o processador sem o dissipador de calor estar adequado e firmemente nectado. O RESULTADO SERÁ UM DANO PERMANENTE! |
| 勞告 ; | 将数热板牢固地安装到处理器上之前,不要运行处理器。过热将水运损坏处理器! |
| 警告:) | 將散熱器牢固地安裝到處理器上之前,不要運行處理器 "過熱將永遠損壞處理器! |
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| EN 55013 | Limits and methods of measurement of radio disturbance characteristics of broadcast receivers and associated equipment | EN 61000-3-3* | Disturbances in supply systems cause by household appliances and similar electrical equipment "Voltage fluctuations" |
| EN 55014 | Limits and methods of measurement of radio disturbance characteristics of household electrical appliances, portable tools and similar electrical | ⊠ EN 50081-1 | Generic emission standard Part 1: Residual commercial and light industry Generic immunity standard Part 1: |
| C EN 55015 | apparatus Limits and methods of measurement of radio disturbance characteristics of fluorescent lamps and luminaries | EN 55081-2 | Residual commercial and light industry Generic emission standard Part 2: Industrial environment |
| EN 55020 | Immunity from radio interference of broadcast receivers and associated equipment | EN 55082-2 | Generic emission standard Part 2: Industrial environment |
| EN 55022 | Limits and methods of measurement of radio disturbance characteristics of information technology equipment | ENV 55104 | Immunity requirements for household appliances tools and similar apparatus |
| DIN VDE 0855 part 10 part 12 | Cabled distribution systems; Equipment for receiving and/or distribution from sound and television signals | EN50091-2 | EMC requirements for uninterruptible power systems (UPS) |
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| Model Number | ::GA-7VA | | |
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GA-7VA AMD Socket A Processor Motherboard

USER'S MANUAL

AMD Athlon[™]/ Athlon[™] XP / Duron[™] Socket A Processor Motherboard Rev. 2001 12ME-7VA-2001

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Item Checklist

- ☑ The GA-7VA motherboard
- ☑ IDE cable x 2/ Floppy cable x 1
- Motherboard Settings Label
- ☑ GA-7VA user's manual
- RAID Manual
- ☑ CD for motherboard driver & utility (Driver CD)
- ☑ Quick PC Installation Guide



- ☑ 2 Port USB Cable x 1
- 4 Port USB Cable x 1
- □ Audio combo Kit x1
- □ IEEE 1394 Cable x1
- □ SPDIF KIT x1 (SPD Kit)
- □ I/O Shield

Computer motherboards and expansion cards contain very delicate Integrated Circuit (IC) chips. To protect them against damage from static electricity, you should follow some precautions whenever you work on your computer.

- 1. Unplug your computer when working on the inside.
- Use a grounded wrist strap before handling computer components. If you do not have one, touch both of your hands to a safely grounded object or to a metal object, such as the power supply case.
- Hold components by the edges and try not touch the IC chips, leads or connectors, or other components.
- 4. Place components on a grounded antistatic pad or on the bag that came with the components whenever the components are separated from the system.
- 5. Ensure that the ATX power supply is switched off before you plug in or remove the ATX power connector on the motherboard.

Installing the motherboard to the chassis...

If the motherboard has mounting holes, but they don't line up with the holes on the base and there are no slots to attach the spacers, do not become alarmed you can still attach the spacers to the mounting holes. Just cut the bottom portion of the spacers (the spacer may be a little hard to cut off, so be careful of your hands). In this way you can still attach the motherboard to the base without worrying about short circuits. Sometimes you may need to use the plastic springs to isolate the screw from the motherboard PCB surface, because the circuit wire may be near by the hole. Be careful, don't let the screw contact any printed circuit write or parts on the PCB that are near the fixing hole, otherwise it may damage the board or cause board malfunctioning.

Chapter 1 Introduction

Features Summary

| Form Factor | • 29.3cm x 20.0cm ATX size form factor, 4 layers PCB. |
|----------------------|---|
| CPU | Socket A processor |
| | AMD Athlon [™] /Athlon [™] XP/ Duron [™] (K7) |
| | 128K L1 & 256K/64K L2 cache on die |
| | 200/266/333MHz FSB and DDR bus speeds |
| | Supports 1.4GHz and faster |
| Chipset | VIA KT400A Memory/AGP/PCI Controller (PAC) |
| | VIA VT8235 Integrated Peripheral Controller (PSIPC) |
| Memory | 3 184-pin DDR sockets |
| | Supports DDR DRAM PC1600/PC2100/PC2700/PC3200 |
| | Supports up to 3.0GB DDR (Max) |
| | Supports only 2.5V DDR DIMM |
| I/O Control | • IT8705 |
| Slots | 1 AGP slot supports 8X/4X/2X mode(1.5V) & AGP 3.0 Compliant |
| | 5 PCI slots supports 33MHz & PCI 2.2 compliant |
| On-Board IDE | 2 IDE controllers provides IDE HDD/CD-ROM (IDE1, IDE2) with |
| | PIO, Bus Master (Ultra DMA33/ATA66/ATA100/ATA133) |
| | operation modes. |
| On-Board Peripherals | • 1 Floppy port supports 2 FDD with 360K, 720K,1.2M, 1.44M |
| | and 2.88M bytes. |
| | 1 Parallel port supports Normal/EPP/ECP mode |
| | 2 Serial port (COMA & COMB) |
| | • 6 x USB 2.0/1.1 (4 by cable) |
| Hardware Monitor | CPU/System Fan Revolution detect |
| | CPU/System temperature detect |
| | System Voltage Detect |
| | Thermal shutdown function |

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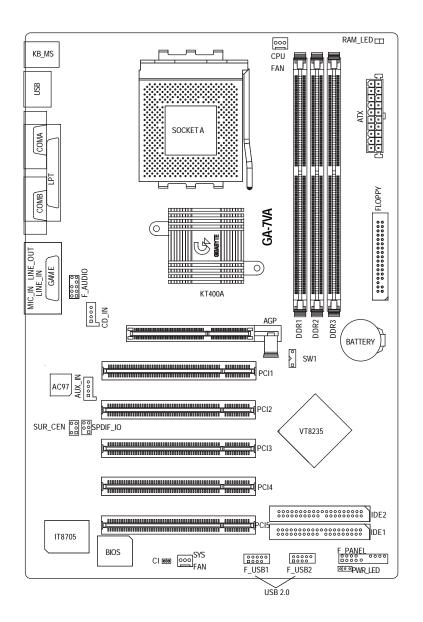
Introduction

| On-Board Sound | Realtek ALC650 CODEC |
|---------------------|---|
| | Line Out / 2 front speaker |
| | Line In / 2 rear speaker(by s/w switch) |
| | Mic In / center& subwoofer(by s/w switch) |
| | SPDIF Out /SPDIF In |
| | CD In / AUX In / Game port |
| On-Board USB 2.0 | Built in VIA VT8235 Chipset |
| PS/2 Connector | PS/2 Keyboard interface and PS/2 Mouse interace |
| BIOS | Licensed Award BIOS, 2M bit flash ROM |
| | Supports Q-Flash |
| Additional Features | PS/2 Keyboard power on by password, PS/2 Mouse power on |
| | External Modem wake up |
| | STR(Suspend-To-RAM) |
| | AC Recovery |
| | Poly fuse for keyboard over-current protection |
| | USB KB/Mouse wake up from S3 |
| | Supports @BIOS |
| | Supports EasyTune 4 |
| Overclocking | Over Voltage (DDR/AGP/CPU) by BIOS |
| | Over Clock (DDR/AGP/CPU/PCI) by BIOS |

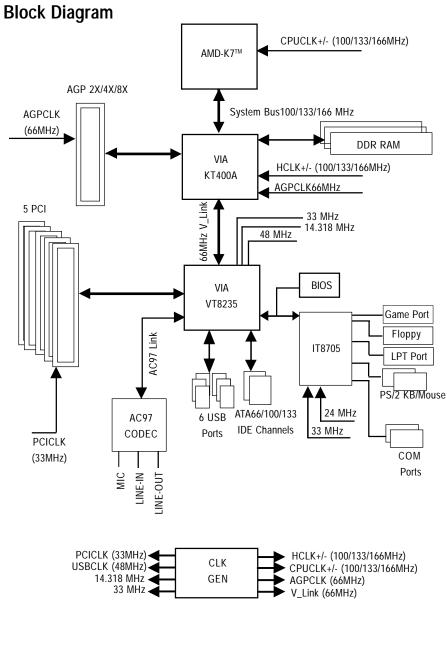


Please set the CPU host frequency in accordance with your processor's specifications. We don't recommend you to set the system bus frequency over the CPU's specification because these specific bus frequencies are not the standard specifications for CPU, chipset and most of the peripherals. Whether your system can run under these specific bus frequencies properly will depend on your hardware configurations, including CPU, Chipsets,SDRAM,Cards....etc.

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GA-7VA Motherboard Layout

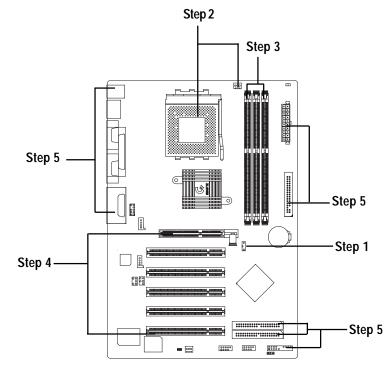


GA-7VA Motherboard

Chapter 2 Hardware Installation Process

To set up your computer, you must complete the following steps:

- Step 1- Set Dip Switch (CK_RATIO) and system Switch (SW1)
- Step 2- Install the Central Processing Unit (CPU)
- Step 3- Install memory modules
- Step 4- Install expansion cards
- Step 5- Connect ribbon cables, cabinet wires, and power supply
- Step 6- Setup BIOS software
- Step 7- Install supporting software tools

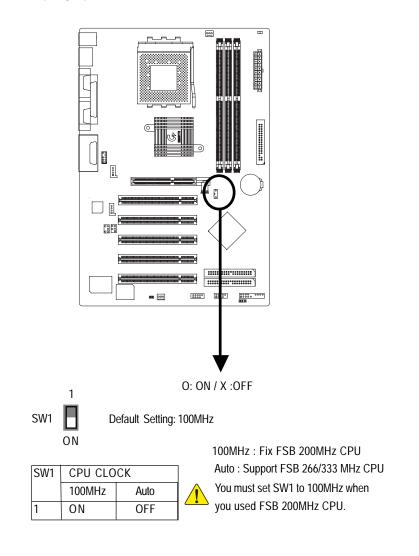


Congratulations you have accomplished the hardware installation! Turn on the power supply or connect the power cable to the power outlet. Continue with the BIOS/software installation.

Step 1: Install the Central Processing Unit (CPU)

Step1-1: CPU Speed Setup

The system bus frequency can be switched at 100/133/166MHz by adjusting system switch (SW1). (The internal frequency depend on CPU.)



GA-7VA Motherboard

Step1-2: CPU Installation



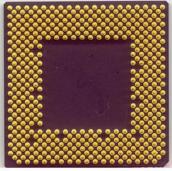
Before installing the processor, adhere to the following warning:1.Please make sure the CPU type is supported by the motherboard.2.If you do not match the CPU socket Pin 1 and CPU cut edge well, it will cause improper installation. Please change the insert orientation.



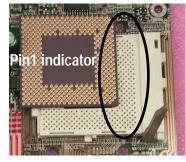
CPU Top View



1. Pull up the CPU socket lever and up to 90-degree angle.



CPU Bottom View



2. Locate Pin 1 in the socket and look for a (golden) cut edge on the CPU upper corner. Then insert the CPU into the socket.

Step1-3:CPU Heat Sink Installation

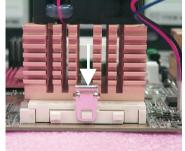
Before installing the CPU Heat Sink , adhere to the following warning:

- 1. Please use AMD approved cooling fan.
 - 2. We recommend you to apply the thermal paste to provide better heat conduction between your CPU and Cooling Fan.
 - 3. Make sure the CPU fan power cable is plugged in to the CPU fan connector, this completes the installation.

Please refer to CPU cooling fan user's manual for more detail installation procedure.



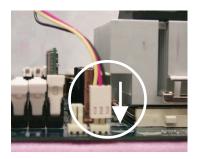
1. Press down the CPU socket lever and finish CPU installation.



3. Fasten the heatsink supporting-base onto the CPU socket on the mainboard.



2. Use qualified fan approved by AMD.



4. Make sure the CPU fan is plugged to the CPU fan connector, than install complete.

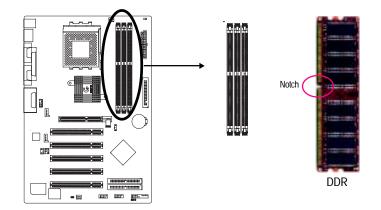
Step 2: Install memory modules

CAUTION

Before installing the memory modules, adhere to the following warning: 1. When DIMM LED is ON, do not install / remove DIMM from socket.

2. Please note that the DIMM module can only fit in one direction due to the one notch. Wrong orientation will cause improper installation. Please change the insert orientation.

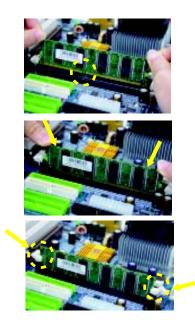
The motherboard has 3 dual inline memory module(DIMM) sockets. The BIOS will automatically detects memory type and size. To install the memory module, just push it vertically into the DIMM Slot. The DIMM module can only fit in one direction due to the notch. Memory size can vary between sockets.



Support Unbuffered DDR DIMM Sizes type:

| | 64 Mbit (2Mx8x4 banks) | 64 Mbit (1Mx16x4 banks) | 128 Mbit(4Mx8x4 banks) |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| | 128 Mbit(2Mx16x4 banks) | 256 Mbit(8Mx8x4 banks) | 256 Mbit(4Mx16x4 banks) |
| | 512 Mbit(16Mx8x4 banks) | 512 Mbit(8Mx16x4 banks) | |
| Total System Memory (Max3GB) | | | |
| | | | |

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- 1. The DIMM slot has a notch, so the DIMM memory module can only fit in one direction.
- 2. Insert the DIMM memory module vertically into the DIMM slot. Then push it down.
- Close the plastic clip at both edges of the DIMM slots to lock the DIMM module. Reverse the installation steps when you wish to remove the DIMM module.

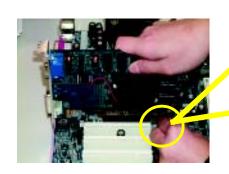
DDR Introduction

Established on the existing SDRAM infrastructure, DDR (Double Data Rate) memory is a high performance and cost-effective solution that allows easy adoption for memory vendors, OEMs, and system integrators.

DDR memory is a great evolutionary solution for the PC industry that builds on the existing SDRAM architecture, yet make the awesome advances in solving the system performance bottleneck by doubling the memory bandwidth. Nowadays, with the highest bandwidth of 3.2GB/s of DDR400 memory and complete line of DDR400/333/266/200 memory solutions, DDR memory is the best choice for building high performance and low latency DRAM subsystem that are suitable for servers, workstations, and full range of desktop PCs.

Step 3: Install expansion cards

- 1. Read the related expansion card's instruction document before install the expansion card into the computer.
- 2. Remove your computer's chassis cover, necessary screws and slot bracket from the computer.
- 3. Press the expansion card firmly into expansion slot in motherboard.
- 4. Be sure the metal contacts on the card are indeed seated in the slot.
- 5. Replace the screw to secure the slot bracket of the expansion card.
- 6. Replace your computer's chassis cover.
- 7. Power on the computer, if necessary, setup BIOS utility of expansion card from BIOS.
- 8. Install related driver from the operating system.



AGP Card

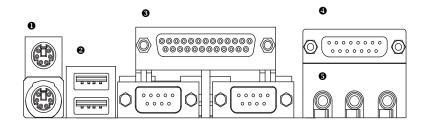


Please carefully pull out the small whitedrawable bar at the end of the AGP slot when you try to install/ Uninstall the AGP card. Please align the AGP card to the onboard AGP slot and press firmly down on the slot . Make sure your AGP card is locked by the small white- drawable bar.

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Step 4: Connect ribbon cables, cabinet wires, and power supply

Step4-1 : I/O Back Panel Introduction

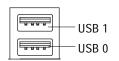


PS/2 Keyboard and PS/2 Mouse Connector



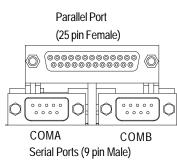
PS/2 Mouse Connector (6 pin Female) PS/2 Keyboard Connector ≻This connector supports standard PS/2 keyboard and PS/2 mouse.

USB Connector



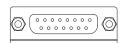
➤ Before you connect your device(s) into USB connector(s), please make sure your device(s) such as USB keyboard, mouse, scanner, zip, speaker..etc. Have a standard USB interface. Also make sure your OS supports USB controller. If your OS does not support USB controller, please contact OS vendor for possible patch or driver upgrade. For more information please contact your OS or device(s) vendors.

Parallel Port ,VGA port and Serial Ports (COMA)



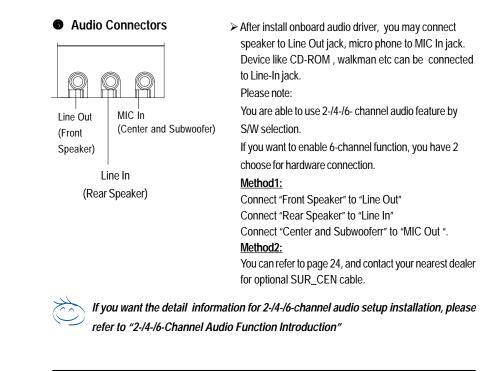
This connector supports 2 standard COM ports and 1 Parallel port. Device like printer can be connected to Parallel port; mouse and modem etc can be connected to Serial ports.

Game /MIDI Ports



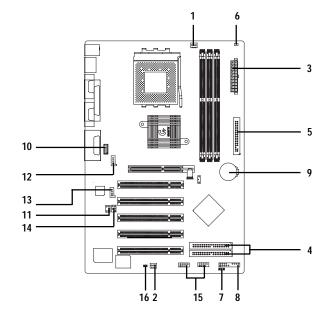
This connector supports joystick, MIDI keyboard and other relate audio devices.





Hardware Installation Process

Step4-2 : Connectors Introduction

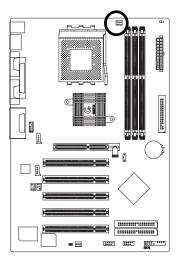


| 1) CPU_FAN | 9) BATTERY |
|--------------|-------------------|
| 2) SYS_FAN | 10) F_AUDIO |
| 3) ATX_POWER | 11) SUR_CEN |
| 4) IDE1/IDE2 | 12) CD_IN |
| 5) FDD | 13) AUX_IN |
| 6) RAM_LED | 14) SPDIF_IO |
| 7) PWR_LED | 15) F_USB1/F_USB2 |
| 8) F_PANEL | 16) CI |
| | |

1) CPU_FAN (CPU FAN Connector)

Please note, a proper installation of the CPU cooler is essential to prevent the CPU from running under abnormal condition or damaged by overheating. The CPU fan connector supports Max. current up to 600 mA.

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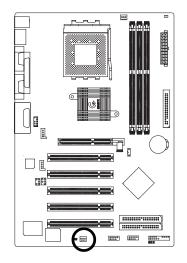


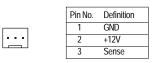
| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | GND |
| 2 | +12V |
| 3 | Sense |

2) SYS_FAN (System FAN Connector)

This connector allows you to link with the cooling fan on the system case to lower the system temperature.

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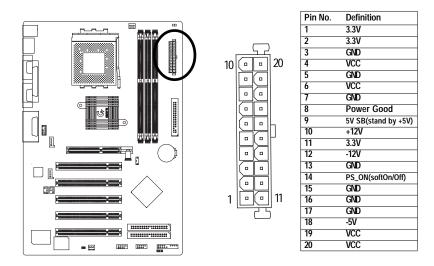




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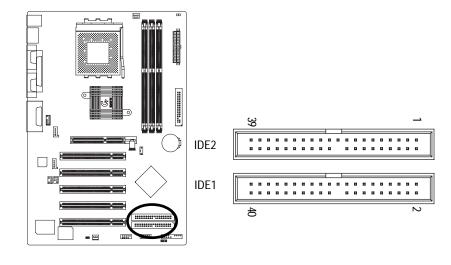
3) ATX_POWER (ATX Power)

AC power cord should only be connected to your power supply unit after ATX power cable and other related devices are firmly connected to the mainboard.



4) IDE1/ IDE2(IDE1/IDE2 Connector)

Please connect first harddisk to IDE1 and connect CDROM to IDE2. The red stripe of the ribbon cable must be the same side with the Pin1.

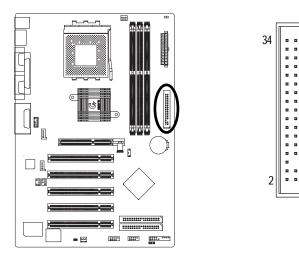


5) FDD (Floppy Connector)

Please connect the floppy drive ribbon cables to FDD. It supports 360K,720K,1.2M,1.44M and 2.88Mbytes floppy disk types. The red stripe of the ribbon cable must be the same side with the Pin1.

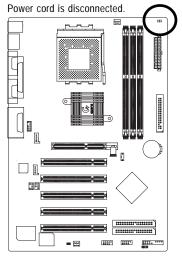
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6) RAM_LED

Do not remove memory modules while DIMM LED is on. It might cause short or other unexpected damages due to the 2.5V stand by voltage. Remove memory modules only when AC



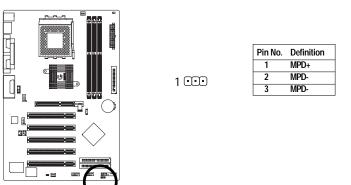
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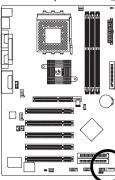
7) PWR_LED

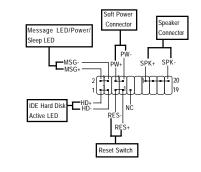
PWR_LED is connect with the system power indicator to indicate whether the system is on/off. It will blink when the system enters suspend mode. If you use dual color LED, power LED will turn to another color.



8) F_PANEL (2x10 pins connector)

Please connect the power LED, PC peaker, reset switch and power switch etc of your chassis front panel to the F_PANEL connector according to the pin assignment above.

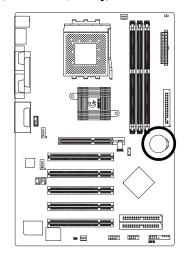


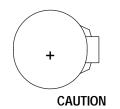


| HD (IDE Hard Disk Active LED) | Pin 1: LED anode(+) | |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| (Blue) | Pin 2: LED cathode(-) | |
| SPK (Speaker Connector) | Pin 1: VCC(+) | |
| (Amber) | Pin 2- Pin 3: NC | |
| | Pin 4: Data(-) | |
| RES (Reset Switch) | Open: Normal Operation | |
| (Green) | Close: Reset Hardware System | |
| PW (Soft Power Connector) | Open: Normal Operation | |
| (Red) | Close: Power On/Off | |
| MSG(Message LED/Power/ | Pin 1: LED anode(+) | |
| Sleep LED)(Yellow) | Pin 2: LED cathode(-) | |
| NC(Purple) | NC | |

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9) BATTERY (Battery)





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

If you want to erase CMOS...

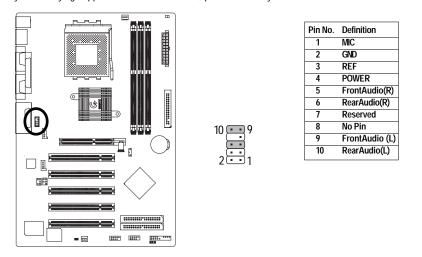
 $1.Turn\ \text{OFF}$ the computer and unplug the power cord.

2.Remove the battery, wait for 30 second. 3.Re-install the battery.

4.Plug the power cord and turn ON the computer.

10) F_AUDIO (F_AUDIO Connector)

If you want to use Front Audio connector, you must remove 5-6, 9-10 Jumper. In order to utilize the front audio header, your chassis must have front audio connector. Also please make sure the pin assignment on the cable is the same as the pin assignment on the MB header. To find out if the chassis you are buying support front audio connector, please contact your dealer.

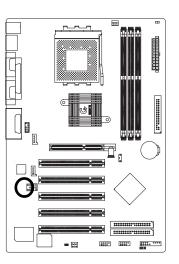


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11) SUR_CEN

Please contact your nearest dealer for optional SUR_CEN cable.

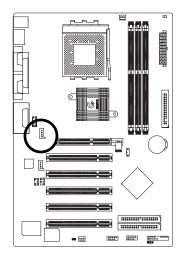


| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | SUR OUTL |
| 2 | SUR OUTR |
| 3 | GND |
| 4 | No Pin |
| 5 | CENTER_OUT |
| 6 | BASS_OUT |
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12) CD_IN (CD IN,Blank)

Connect CD-ROM or DVD-ROM audio out to the connector.

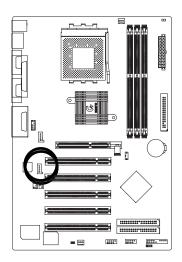


| Pin No. | Definition |
|---------|------------|
| 1 | CD-L |
| 2 | GND |
| 3 | GND |
| 4 | CD_R |

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13) AUX_IN (AUX In Connector)

Connect other device(such as PCI TV Tunner audio out)to the connector.



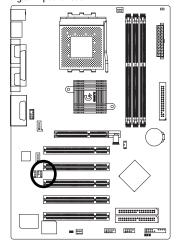
| , | Pin No. | Definition |
|----------|---------|------------|
| • | 1 | AUX-L |
| <u> </u> | 2 | GND |
| | 3 | GND |
| | 4 | AUX_R |

14) SPDIF_IO (SPDIF In/Out)

The SPDIF output is capable of providing digital audio to external speakers or compressed AC3 data to an external Dolby Digital Decoder. Use this feature only when your stereo system has digital input function.

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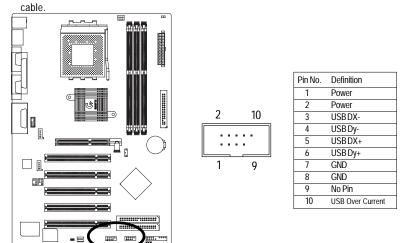


| - | Pin No. | Definition |
|---|---------|------------|
| 5 | 1 | VCC |
| 1 | 2 | No Pin |
| | 3 | SPDIF |
| | 4 | SPDIFI |
| | 5 | GND |
| | 6 | GND |
| | | |

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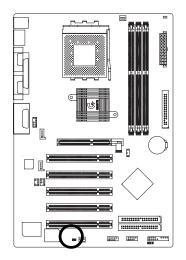
15) F_USB1 / F_USB2(Front USB Connector, Yellow)

Be careful with the polarity of the front USB connector. Check the pin assignment while you connect the front USB cable. Please contact your nearest dealer for optional front USB



16) CI (CASE OPEN)

This 2 pin connector allows your system to enable or disable the "case open" item in BIOS if the system case begin remove.





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Chapter 3 BIOS Setup

BIOS Setup is an overview of the BIOS Setup Program. The program that allows users to modify the basic system configuration. This type of information is stored in battery-backed CMOS RAM so that it retains the Setup information when the power is turned off.

ENTERING SETUP

After power on the computer, pressing **** immediately during POST (Power On Self Test) it will allow you to enter standard BIOS CMOS SETUP.

If you require more advanced BIOS settings, please go to "Advanced BIOS" setting menu. To enter Advanced BIOS setting menu, press "Ctrl+F1" key on the BIOS screen.

CONTROL KEYS

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|------------------|---|--|
| <个> | Move to previous item | |
| <\$ | Move to next item | |
| < (> | Move to the item in the left hand | |
| < > > | Move to the item in the right hand | |
| <esc></esc> | Main Menu - Quit and not save changes into CMOS Status Page Setup Menu and | |
| | Option Page Setup Menu - Exit current page and return to Main Menu | |
| <+/PgUp> | Increase the numeric value or make changes | |
| <-/PgDn> | Decrease the numeric value or make changes | |
| <f1></f1> | General help, only for Status Page Setup Menu and Option Page Setup Menu | |
| <f2></f2> | Item help | |
| <f3></f3> | Reserved | |
| <f4></f4> | Reserved | |
| <f5></f5> | Restore the previous CMOS value from CMOS, only for Option Page Setup Menu | |
| <f6></f6> | Load the default CMOS value from BIOS default table, only for Option Page Setup | |
| | Menu | |
| <f7></f7> | Load the Setup Defaults | |
| <f8></f8> | Q-Flash | |
| <f9></f9> | Reserved | |
| <f10></f10> | Save all the CMOS changes, only for Main Menu | |
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GETTING HELP

Main Menu

The on-line description of the highlighted setup function is displayed at the bottom of the screen.

Status Page Setup Menu / Option Page Setup Menu

Press F1 to pop up a small help window that describes the appropriate keys to use and the possible selections for the highlighted item. To exit the Help Window press <Esc>.

The Main Menu (For example: BIOS Ver. : E1)

Once you enter Award BIOS CMOS Setup Utility, the Main Menu (Figure 1) will appear on the screen. The Main Menu allows you to select from eight setup functions and two exit choices. Use arrow keys to select among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter the sub-menu.

| Standard CMOS Features | Load Fail-Safe Defaults | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Advanced BIOS Features | Load Optimized Defaults | |
| ► Integrated Peripherals | Set Supervisor Password | |
| ▶ Power Management Setup | Set User Password | |
| ▶ PnP/PCI Configurations | Save & Exit Setup | |
| ►PC Health Status | Exit Without Saving | |
| ► Frequency/Voltage Control | | |
| ESC:Quit | ↑↓→←: Select Item | |
| F8:Q-Flash | F10:Save & Exit Setup | |
| Time, Date, Hard Disk Type | | |

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Figure 1: Main Menu

• Standard CMOS Features

This setup page includes all the items in standard compatible BIOS.

• Advanced BIOS Features

This setup page includes all the items of Award special enhanced features.

• Integrated Peripherals

This setup page includes all onboard peripherals.

- **Power Management Setup** This setup page includes all the items of Green function features. **PnP/PCI** Configurations This setup page includes all the configurations of PCI & PnP ISA resources. PC Health Status This setup page is the System auto detect Temperature, voltage, fan, speed. **Frequency/Voltage Control** This setup page is control CPU's clock and frequency ratio. Load Fail-Safe Defaults Fail-Safe Defaults indicates the value of the system parameters which the system would be in safe configuration.
 - Load Optimized Defaults

Optimized Defaults indicates the value of the system parameters which the system would be in better performance configuration.

Set Supervisor password

Change, set, or disable password. It allows you to limit access to the system and Setup, or just to Setup.

Set User password

Change, set, or disable password. It allows you to limit access to the system.

Save & Exit Setup

Save CMOS value settings to CMOS and exit setup.

Exit Without Saving

Abandon all CMOS value changes and exit setup.

Standard CMOS Features

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| Standard CMOS Features | | |
|---|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Date (mm:dd:yy) | Thu, Feb 21 2002 | Item Help |
| Time (hh:mm:ss) | 22:31:24 | Menu Level 🕨 |
| ►IDE Primary Master | [Press Enter None] | Change the day, month, |
| ►IDE Primary Slave | [Press Enter None] | year |
| ►IDE Secondary Master | [Press Enter None] | <week></week> |
| ►IDE Secondary Slave | [Press Enter None] | Sun. to Sat. |
| Drive A | [1.44M, 3.5"] | <month></month> |
| Drive B | [None] | Jan. to Dec. |
| Floppy 3 Mode Support | [Disabled] | <day></day> |
| | | 1 to 31(or maximun allowed |
| Halt On | [All, But Keyboard] | in the month.) |
| Base Memory | 640K | <year></year> |
| Extended Memory | 130048K | 1999 to 2098 |
| Total Memory | 131072K | |
| ↑↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help | | |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults | | |

Figure 2: Standard CMOS Features

Date

 The date format is <week>, <month>, <day>, <year>.

 >Week
 The week, from Sun to Sat, determined by the BIOS and is display only

 >Month
 The month, Jan. Through Dec.

 >Day
 The day, from 1 to 31 (or the maximum allowed in the month)

 >Year
 The year, from 1999 through 2098

Time

The times format in <hour> <minute> <second>. The time is calculated base on the 24-hour military-time clock. For example, 1 p.m. is 13:00:00.

☞IDE Primary Master, Slave / Secondary Master, Slave

The category identifies the types of hard disk from drive C to F that has been installed in the computer. There are two types: auto type, and manual type. Manual type is user-definable; Auto type which will automatically detect HDD type.

Note that the specifications of your drive must match with the drive table. The hard disk will not work properly if you enter improper information for this category.

If you select User Type, related information will be asked to enter to the following items. Enter the information directly from the keyboard and press <Enter>. Such information should be provided in the documentation form your hard disk vendor or the system manufacturer.

| ► Capacity: | The hard disk size. The unit is Mega Bytes. |
|----------------|--|
| ► Access Mode: | The options are: Auto / Large / LBA / Normal. |
| ► Cylinder: | The cylinder number of hard disk. |
| Head | The read / Write head number of hard disk. |
| ➡ Precomp | The cyliner number at which the disk driver changes the write current. |
| ► Landing Zone | The cylinder number that the disk driver heads(read/write) are seated when the |
| | disk drive is parked. |
| ➡ SECTORS | The sector number of each track define on the hard disk. |

If a hard disk has not been installed select NONE and press <Enter>.

Drive A / Drive B

The category identifies the types of floppy disk drive A or drive B that has been installed in the computer.

| ► None | No floppy drive installed |
|-----------------|--|
| ▶ 360K, 5.25 ". | 5.25 inch PC-type standard drive; 360K byte capacity. |
| ▶1.2M, 5.25". | 5.25 inch AT-type high-density drive; 1.2M byte capacity |
| | (3.5 inch when 3 Mode is Enabled). |
| ₱720K, 3.5 ". | 3.5 inch double-sided drive; 720K byte capacity |
| ▶1.44M, 3.5 ". | 3.5 inch double-sided drive; 1.44M byte capacity. |
| ▶2.88M, 3.5 ". | 3.5 inch double-sided drive; 2.88M byte capacity. |

Floppy 3 Mode Support (for Japan Area)

| ➡ Disabled | Normal Floppy Drive. (Default value) |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| ► Drive A | Enabled 3 mode function of Drive A. |
| ► Drive B | Enabled 3 mode function of Drive B. |
| ➡ Both | Drive A & B are 3 mode Floppy Drives. |

✤Halt on

The category determines whether the computer will stop if an error is detected during power up.

| NO Errors | The system boot will not stop for any error that may be detected and you will be prompted. |
|---------------------|---|
| ► All Errors | Whenever the BIOS detects a non-fatal error the system will be stopped. |
| ► All, But Keyboar | The system boot will not stop for a keyboard error; it will stop for |
| | all other errors. (Default value) |
| ► All, But Diskette | The system boot will not stop for a disk error; it will stop for all |
| | other errors. |
| ► All, But Disk/Key | The system boot will not stop for a keyboard or disk error; it will |
| | stop for all other errors. |

Memory

The category is display-only which is determined by POST (Power On Self Test) of the BIOS.

Base Memory

The POST of the BIOS will determine the amount of base (or conventional) memory installed in the system.

The value of the base memory is typically 512 K for systems with 512 K memory installed on the motherboard, or 640 K for systems with 640 K or more memory installed on the motherboard.

Extended Memory

The BIOS determines how much extended memory is present during the POST. This is the amount of memory located above 1 MB in the CPU's memory address map.

Advanced BIOS Features

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| Advanced BIOS Features | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| First Boot Device | [Floppy] | Item Help |
| Second Boot Device | [HDD-0] | Menu Level► |
| Third Boot Device | [CDROM] | |
| Password Check | [Setup] | |
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| ↑↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:\ | /alue F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General | Help |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defa | ults F7:Optimized Defaults | |

Figure 3: Advanced BIOS Features

First / Second / Third Boot device

 ${\ensuremath{{ \ensuremath{\mathbb S}}}}$ This feature allows you to select the boot device priority.

| ➡ Floppy | Select your boot device priority by Floppy. |
|-------------|--|
| ▶LS120 | Select your boot device priority by LS120. |
| ➡ HDD-0~3 | Select your boot device priority by HDD-0~3. |
| ➡SCSI | Select your boot device priority by SCSI. |
| ➡ CDROM | Select your boot device priority by CDROM. |
| ▶ LAN | Select your boot device priority by LAN. |
| ► USB-CDROM | Select your boot device priority by USB-CDROM. |
| ► USB-ZIP | Select your boot device priority by USB-ZIP. |
| ₩USB-FDD | Select your boot device priority by USB-FDD. |
| ▶USB-HDD | Select your boot device priority by USB-HDD. |
| ► ZIP | Select your boot device priority by ZIP. |
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled this function. |
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BIOS Setup

Password Check

| System | The system can not boot and can not access to Setup page will be denied |
|---------|---|
| | if the correct password is not entered at the prompt. |
| ➡ Setup | The system will boot, but access to Setup will be denied if the correct |
| | password is not entered at the prompt. (Default value) |

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Integrated Peripherals

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Integrated Peripherals

| Integrated Peripherals | | |
|---|------------|-------------|
| OnChip IDE Channel0 | [Enabled] | Item Help |
| OnChip IDE Channel1 | [Enabled] | Menu Level► |
| AC97 Audio | [Enabled] | |
| USB 1.1 Controller | [Enabled] | |
| USB 2.0 Controller | [Enabled] | |
| USB Keyboard Support | [Disabled] | |
| USB Mouse Support | [Disabled] | |
| Onboard Serial Port 1 | [3F8/IRQ4] | |
| Onboard Serial Port 2 | [2F8/IRQ3] | |
| Onboard Parallel Port | [378/IRQ7] | |
| Parallel Port Mode | [SPP] | |
| Game Port Address | [201] | |
| Mdi Port Address | [330] | |
| Midi Port IRQ | [5] | |
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| 1↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help | | |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults | | |

Figure 4: Integrated Peripherals

•OnChip IDE Channel0

When enabled, allows you to use the onboard primary PCI IDE. If a hard disk controller card is used, set at Disabled.

- ► Enabled Enable onboard 1st channel IDE port. (Default value)
- ➡ Disabled Disable onboard 1st channel IDE port.

OnChip IDE Channel1

● When enabled, allows you to use the onboard secondary PCI IDE. If a hard disk controller card is used, set at Disabled.

| ➡ Enabled | Enable onboard 2nd channel IDE port. (Default value) |
|------------|--|
| ➡ Disabled | Disable onboard 2nd channel IDE port. |

| ➡ Enabled | BIOS will automatically detect onboard AC97 Audio. | (Default value) |
|------------|--|-----------------|
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled AC97 Audio. | |

*****USB 1.1 Controller

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| ➡ Enabled | Enabled USB Controller. (Default value) |
|------------|---|
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled USB Controller. |

☞USB 2.0 Controller

€ Disable this option if you are not using the onboard USB 2.0 feature.

| ► Enabled | Enabled USB 2.0 Controller. (Default value) |
|------------|---|
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled USB 2.0 Controller. |

~USB Keyboard Support

- When a USB keyboard is installed, please set at Enabled.
 - Enabled Enabled USB Keyboard Support.
 - Disabled USB Keyboard Support. (Default value)

*****USB Mouse Support

| ➡ Enabled | Enabled USB Mouse Support. |
|------------|---|
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled USB Mouse Support. (Default value) |

Onboard Serial Port 1

| ► Auto | BIOS will automatically setup the port 1 address. |
|------------|--|
| ► 3F8/IRQ4 | Enable onboard Serial port 1 and address is 3F8, Using IRQ4. (Default value) |
| ► 2F8/IRQ3 | Enable onboard Serial port 1 and address is 2F8, Using IRQ3. |
| ▶ 3E8/IRQ4 | Enable onboard Serial port 1 and address is 3E8, Using IRQ4. |
| ► 2E8/IRQ3 | Enable onboard Serial port 1 and address is 2E8, Using IRQ3. |
| ➡ Disabled | Disable onboard Serial port 1. |
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Onboard Serial Port 2

| ► Auto | BIOS will automatically setup the port 2 address. |
|------------|---|
| ▶ 3F8/IRQ4 | Enable onboard Serial port 2 and address is 3F8, Using IRQ4. |
| ► 2F8/IRQ3 | Enable onboard Serial port 2 and address is 2F8, Using IRQ3. (Default Value) |
| ▶ 3E8/IRQ4 | Enable onboard Serial port 2 and address is 3E8, Using IRQ4. |
| ► 2E8/IRQ3 | Enable onboard Serial port 2 and address is 2E8, Using IRQ3. |
| ► Disabled | Disable onboard Serial port 2. |

ConBoard Parallel port

◆StThis feature allows you to select from a given set of parameters if the parallel port uses the onboard I/O controller.

| ➡ 378/IRQ7 | Enable onboard LPT port and address is 378, Using IRQ7.(Default Value) |
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- ▶ 278/IRQ5 Enable onboard LPT port and address is 278,Using IRQ5.
- ➡ 3BC/IRQ7 Enable onboard LPT port and address is 3BC,Using IRQ7.
- ➡ Disabled Disable onboard parallel port.

Parallel Port Mode

€ This feature allows you to connect with an advanced print via the port mode it supports.

- SPP Using Parallel port as Standard Parallel Port using IRQ7. (Default Value)
- ►EPP Using Parallel port as Enhanced Parallel Port IRQ5.
- ►ECP Using Parallel port as Extended Capabilities Port using IRQ7.
- ►ECP+EPP Using Parallel port as ECP & EPP mode.

Game Port Address

| ➡ Disabled | Disabled this function. |
|------------|---|
| ▶201 | Set Game Port Address to 201. (Default Value) |
| ▶ 209 | Set Game Port Address to 209. |

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Midi Port Address

| ➡ Disabled | Disabled this function. |
|------------|--|
| ▶ 300 | Set Midi Port Address to 300. |
| ▶ 330 | Set Midi Port Address to 330.(Default Value) |

☞Midi Port IRQ

| ▶5 | Set 5 for Midi Port IRQ. (Default value) |
|-----|--|
| ▶10 | Set 10 for Midi Port IRQ. |

Power Management Setup

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| | Power Management Setup | |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| ACPI Suspend Type | [S1(POS)] | Item Help |
| *USB Device Wake-Up From S3 | Disabled | Menu Level► |
| Power LED in S1 state | [Blinking] | |
| Soft-Off by PWRBTN | [Instant-off] | |
| AC Back Function | [Soft-Off] | |
| Keyboard Power On | [Disabled] | |
| Mouse Power On | [Disabled] | |
| PME Event Wake Up | [Enabled] | |
| ModemRingOn/WakeOnLAN | [Enabled] | |
| Resume by Alarm | [Disabled] | |
| * Date(of Month) Alarm | Everyday | |
| * Time(hh:mm:ss) Alarm | 0: 0: 0 | |
| | | |
| | PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Hel | р |
| F5:Previous values F6:Fall-Sal | fe Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults | |

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Figure 5: Power Management Setup

*****ACPI Suspend Type

| ➡S1(POS) | Set suspend type to Power On Suspend under ACPI OS(Power On Suspend). |
|-----------|---|
| | (Default value) |
| ► S3(STR) | Set suspend type to Suspend To RAM under ACPI OS (Suspend To RAM). |

USB device wakeup From S3 can be set when ACPI standby state set to S3/STR.

| ➡ Enabled | USB Device can wakeup system from S3. |
|------------|---|
| ➡ Disabled | USB Device can't wakeup system from S3. (Default value) |

Power LED in S1 state

| In standby mode(S1), power LED will blink. (Default Value) | |
|---|--|
| In standby mode(S1): | |
| a. If use single color LED, power LED will turn off. | |
| b. If use dual color LED, power LED will turn to another color. | |
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Soft-off by PWRBTN

| ► Instant-off | Press power button then Power off instantly. (Default value) |
|----------------|--|
| ► Delay 4 Sec. | Press power button 4 sec to Power off. Enter suspend if button is pressed less |
| | than 4 sec. |

PAC Back Function

| ► Memory | System power on depends on the status before AC lost. |
|-----------|---|
| Soft-Off | Always in Off state when AC back. (Default value) |
| ► Full-On | Always power on the system when AC back. |

***** Keyboard Power On

This feature allows you to set the method for powering-on the system.

The option "Password" allows you to set up to 8 alphanumeric characters to power-on the system.

The option "Keyboard 98" allows you to use the standard keyboard 98 to power on the system.

| | power on your system. |
|---------------|---|
| ► Keyboard 98 | If your keyboard have "POWER Key" button, you can press the key to |
| ➡ Disabled | Disabled this function. (Default value) |
| ► Password | Enter from 1 to 8 characters to set the Keyboard Power On Password. |

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Mouse Power On

| ➡ Disabled | Can't Power on system by Mouse Event. (Default value) |
|------------|---|
| ➡ Enabled | Can Power on system by Mouse Event. |

☞PME Event Wake up

- When set at Enabled, any PCI-PM event awakes the system from a PCI-PM controlled state.
- This feature requires an ATX power supply that provides at least 1A on the +5VSB lead.

| ➡ Disabled | Disabled PME Event Wake up function. |
|------------|---|
| ► Enabled | Enabled PME Event Wake up function. (Default Value) |

Modem Ring On/ WakeOnLAN (When AC Back Function is set to [Soft-Off])

- ◆[™] You can enable wake on LAN feature by the "ModemRingOn/WakeOnLAN" or "PME Event Wake up" when the M/B has "WOL" onboard connector. Only enabled the feature by "PME Event Wake up".
- An incoming call via modem awakes the system from its soft-off mode.
- ●[™] When set at Enabled, an input signal comes from the other client.

Server on the LAN awaks the system from a soft off state if connected over LAN.

| ➡ Disabled | Disabled Modem Ring On / Wake On LAN function. |
|------------|--|
|------------|--|

Enabled Enabled Modem Ring On / Wake On LAN function. (Default Value)

Resume by Alarm

You can set "Resume by Alarm" item to enabled and key in Data/time to power on system.

- Disabled Disable this function. (Default Value)
- Enabled Enable alarm function to POWER ON system.

If RTC Alarm Lead To Power On is Enabled.

| Date (of Month) Alarm : | Everyday, 1~31 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Time (hh: mm: ss) Alarm : | (0~23) : (0~59) : (0~59) |

PnP/PCI Configurations

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PnP/PCI Configurations

| PHP/PCI Conliguiations | | |
|---|----------------------------|-------------|
| PCI1/PCI5 IRQ Assignment | [Auto] | Item Help |
| PCI2 IRQ Assignment | [Auto] | Menu Level► |
| PCI3 IRQ Assignment | [Auto] | |
| PCI4 IRQ Assignment | [Auto] | |
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| ↑↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help | | |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defa | ults F7:Optimized Defaults | |
| Figure 6: Dn | P/PCI Configurations | |

Figure 6: PnP/PCI Configurations

☞PCI1/PCI5 IRQ Assignment

| ► Auto | Auto assign IRQ to PCI 1/ PCI 5. (Default value) |
|-----------------------------|--|
| ▶ 3,4,5,7,9.,10,11,12,14,15 | Set 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15 to PCI1/ PCI5. |

✤PCI2 IRQ Assignment

| ► Auto | Auto assign IRQ to PCI 2. (Default value) |
|-----------------------------|---|
| ▶ 3,4,5,7,9.,10,11,12,14,15 | Set 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15 to PCI2. |

☞PCI3 IRQ Assignment

| ► Auto | Auto assign IRQ to PCI 3. (Default value) |
|-----------------------------|---|
| ▶ 3,4,5,7,9.,10,11,12,14,15 | Set 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15 to PCI3. |

PCI4 IRQ Assignment

| ► Auto | Auto assign IRQ to PCI 4. (Default value) |
|-----------------------------|---|
| ▶ 3,4,5,7,9.,10,11,12,14,15 | Set 3,4,5,7,9,10,11,12,14,15 to PCI4. |

PC Health Status

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|---|----------------------------------|------------|
| PC Hea | Ith Status | 1 |
| Reset Case Open Status | [Disabled] | Item Help |
| Case Opened | No | Menu Level |
| VCORE | 1.810V | |
| DDRVtt | 1.248V | |
| +3.3V | 3.280V | |
| + 5V | 4.919 V | |
| +12V | 11.968V | |
| 5VSB | 5.053V | |
| Current System Temperature | 27°C | |
| Current CPU FAN Speed | 6250 RPM | |
| Current SYSTEM FAN speed | 0 RPM | |
| CPU FAN Fail Warning | [Disabled] | |
| SYSTEM FAN Fail Warning | [Disabled] | |
| CPU Shutdown Temperature | [Disabled] | |
| Current CPU Temperature | 47°C/116°F | |
| | | |
| | | |
| ↑↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Va | lue F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General | Help |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe Defaul | ts F7:Optimized Defaults | |
| | | |

Figure7: PC Health Status

∽Reset Case Open Status

∽Case Opened

If the case is closed, "Case Opened" will show "No".

If the case have been opened, "Case Opened" will show "Yes".

If you want to reset "Case Opened" value, set "Reset Case Open Status" to

"Enabled" and save CMOS, your computer will restart.

Current Voltage (V) VCORE /DDRVtt/ +3.3V/ +5V / +12V / 5VSB

Detect system's voltage status automatically.

☞Current System Temperature (°C)

Detect System Temp. automatically.

Detect Fan speed status automatically.

☞Fan Fail Warning (CPU / SYSTEM)

| ➡ Disabled | Don't monitor current fan speed. (Default value) |
|------------|--|
| ➡ Enabled | Alarm when stops. |

CPU Shutdown Temperature

| ► Enabled | System shutdown when current CPU temperature over than 110°C |
|------------|--|
| ► Disabled | Don't monitor current temperature.(Default value) |

☞Current CPU Temperature (°C)

Detect CPU Temp. automatically.

Frequency/Voltage Control

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| Frequency/Voltage Control | | |
|---------------------------------|---|------------|
| Spread spectrum Modulated | [Auto] | Item Help |
| CPU Host Clock Control | [Disable] | Menu Level |
| *CPU Host Frequency(MHz) | 100 | |
| *PCI/AGP Frequency(MHz) | 33/66 | |
| DRAM Clock(MHz) | [Auto] | |
| CPU Voltage Control | [Auto] | |
| AGP OverVoltage Control | [Auto] | |
| DIMM OverVoltage Control | [Auto] | |
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| | | |
| ↑↓→←: Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/ | /PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General He | elp |
| F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-Safe | Defaults F7:Optimized Defaults | |

Figure 8: Frequency/Voltage Control

*Those items will be available when "CPU Host Clock Control" is set to Enabled.

~Spread spectrum Modulated

| ► Auto | Set clock spread spectrum by auto. |
|------------|--|
| ➡ Disabled | Disable clock spread spectrum. |
| ➡ Enabled | Enable clock spread spectrum.(Default value) |

CPU Host Clock Control

Note: If system hangs up before enter CMOS setup utility, wait for 20 sec for times out reboot . When time out occur, system will reset and run at CPU default Host clock at next boot.

| ► Disable | Disable CPU Host Clock Control.(Default value) |
|-----------|--|
| ► Enable | Enable CPU Host Clock Control. |

☞CPU Host Frequency (MHz) (By switch SW1)

| ▶ 100 | Set CPU Host Clock to 100MHz~132MHz. |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| ▶133 | Set CPU Host Clock to 133MHz~165MHz. |

- ► 166 Set CPU Host Clock to 166MHz~200MHz.
- ► TOO SELCPU HOST CLOCK TO TOOMHZ~200MF

☞PCI/AGP Frequency (MHz)

► The values depend on CPU Host Frequency(Mhz).

☞DRAM Clock (MHz)

▶ Please set DRAM Clock according to your requirement.

If you use DDR200 DRAM module, please set "DRAM Clock(MHz)" to "100-DDR200". If you use DDR333 DRAM module, please set "DRAM Clock(MHz)" to "166-DDR333".

Incorrect using it may cause your system broken. For power End-User use only!

►Auto Set Memory frequency by DRAM SPD data. (Default value)

CPU OverVoltage Control

Increase CPU voltage may get stable for Over_Clock. But it may damage to CPU when enable this feature.

| ► Auto | Supply voltage as CPU reguired. (Default value) |
|--------|---|
|--------|---|

► +5% / +7.5% / +10% Increase voltage range as user selected.

AGP OverVoltage Control

Increase AGP voltage may get stable for Over_Clock. But it may damage to AGP Card when enable this feature.

| ► Auto | Supply voltage as AGP Card reguired. (Default value) |
|-------------|--|
| +0.1V~+.03V | Set AGP voltage from 1.6V~1.8V. |

***DIMM OverVoltage Control**

Increase DRAM voltage may get stable for Over_Clock. But it may damage to DRAM module when enable this feature.

| ► Auto | Supply voltage as DRAM module reguired. (Default value) |
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| ► +0.1V~+.03V | Set DIMM voltage from 2.6V~2.8V. |

Load Fail-Safe Defaults

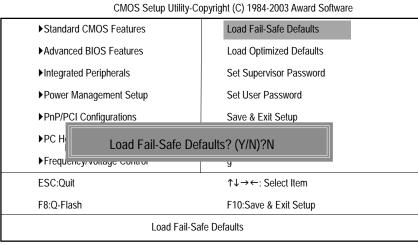


Figure 9: Load Fail-Safe Defaults

*****Load Fail-Safe Defaults

Fail-Safe defaults contain the most appropriate values of the system parameters that allow minimum system performance.

Load Optimized Defaults

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| ► Standard CMOS Features | Load Fail-Safe Defaults | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Advanced BIOS Features | Load Optimized Defaults | | |
| Integrated Peripherals | Set Supervisor Password | | |
| Power Management Setup | Set User Password | | |
| ▶PnP/PCI Load Optimized | Defaults? (Y/N)?N | | |
| ►PC Health Status | Exit without Saving | | |
| ► Frequency/Voltage Control | | | |
| ESC:Quit | ↑↓→←: Select Item | | |
| F8:Q-Flash | F10:Save & Exit Setup | | |
| Load Optimized Defaults | | | |

Figure 10: Load Optimized Defaults

TLoad Optimized Defaults

Selecting this field loads the factory defaults for BIOS and Chipset Features which the system automatically detects.

Set Supervisor/User Password

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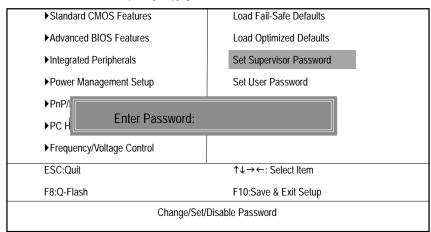


Figure 11: Password Setting

When you select this function, the following message will appear at the center of the screen to assist you in creating a password.

Type the password, up to eight characters, and press <Enter>. You will be asked to confirm the password. Type the password again and press <Enter>. You may also press <Esc> to abort the selection and not enter a password.

To disable password, just press <Enter> when you are prompted to enter password. A message "PASSWORD DISABLED" will appear to confirm the password being disabled. Once the password is disabled, the system will boot and you can enter Setup freely.

The BIOS Setup program allows you to specify two separate passwords: a SUPERVISOR PASS-WORD and a USER PASSWORD. When disabled, anyone may access all BIOS Setup program function. When enabled, the Supervisor password is required for entering the BIOS Setup program and having full configuration fields, the User password is required to access only basic items.

If you select "System" at "Security Option" in Advance BIOS Features Menu, you will be prompted for the password every time the system is rebooted or any time you try to enter Setup Menu.

If you select "Setup" at "Security Option" in Advance BIOS Features Menu, you will be prompted only when you try to enter Setup.

Save & Exit Setup

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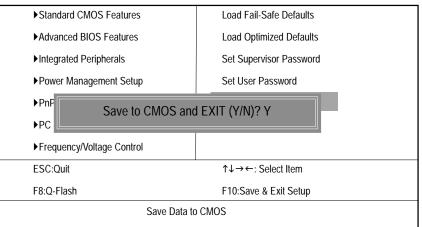


Figure 12: Save & Exit Setup

Type "Y" will quit the Setup Utility and save the user setup value to RTC CMOS. Type "N" will return to Setup Utility.

Exit Without Saving

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| ► Standard CMOS Features | Load Fail-Safe Defaults |
|--|-------------------------|
| ►Advanced BIOS Features | Load Optimized Defaults |
| ►Integrated Peripherals | Set Supervisor Password |
| Power PnP/P Quit Without Savir | ıg (Y/N)? N |
| ▶PC Health Status | Exit Without Saving |
| ► Frequency/Voltage Control | |
| ESC:Quit | ↑↓→←: Select Item |
| F8:Q-Flash | F10:Save & Exit Setup |
| Ab | andon all Data |

Figure 13: Exit Without Saving

Type "Y" will quit the Setup Utility without saving to RTC CMOS. Type "N" will return to Setup Utility.

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Chapter 4 Technical Reference

BIOS Flash Procedure

Method 1:

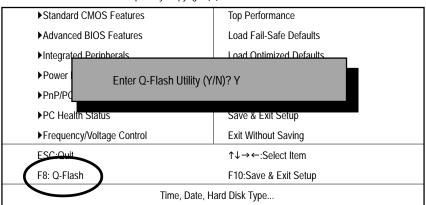
Q-Flash Introduction

A. What is Q-Flash Utility?

Q-Flash utility is a pre-O.S. BIOS flash utility enables users to update its BIOS within BIOS mode, no more fooling around any OS.

B. How to use Q-Flash?

a. After power on the computer, pressing immediately during POST (Power On Self Test) it will allow you to enter AWARD BIOS CMOS SETUP, then press <F8> to enter Q-Flash utility.



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b. Q-Flash Utility

| Q-Flash Utility V3.05 | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Flash Type/Size : SST 39SF020 / 256K | | | | | |
| Keep DMI Data : | Yes | | | | |
| | Load BIOS from Floppy | | | | |
| | Save BIOS to Floppy | | | | |
| | Space Bar:Change Value | | | | |
| Enter: Run | ESC: Reset | ↑/↓: Select Item | | | |

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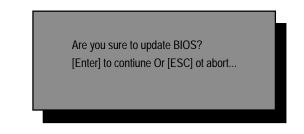
Load BIOS From Floppy

In the A:drive, insert the "BIOS" diskette, then Press Enter to Run.

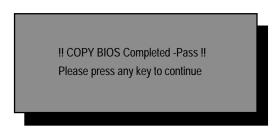
| | | 1 File(s) found | |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Γ | ► XXXX.XX | | 256K |
| | Total Size: 1.39M | FreeS | Size: 1.14M |
| | F5: Refresh | DEL: Delete | ESC: Return Main |

Where XXXX.XX is name of the BIOS file.

Press Enter to Run.



Press Enter to Run.



Congratulation! You have completed the flashed and now can restart system.



If you don't have DOS boot disk, we recommend that you used Gigabyte @BIOS™ program to flash BIOS.

Follow the setup that showing on the scween to install the Utility.



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| < | Homester: Header Homester: Location Care Per Detailed Care Per Detailed ST Star Ford-Scoper | | 3. Please select @BIOS sever site, then Click "OK". | - |
| | Date . | 1925 | | |
| | | (3) | (4) | |

Methods and steps:

- I. Update BIOS through Internet
- a. Click "Internet Update" icon
- b. Click "Update New BIOS" icon
- c. Select @BIOS[™] sever
- d. Select the exact model name on your motherboard
- e. System will automatically download and update the BIOS.

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II. Update BIOS NOT through Internet:

- a. Do not click "Internet Update" icon
- b. Click "Update New BIOS"
- c. Please select "All Files" in dialog box while opening the old file.
- d. Please search for BIOS unzip file, downloading from internet or any other methods (such as: 7VA-A.F1).
- e. Complete update process following the instruction.

III. Save BIOS

In the very beginning, there is "Save Current BIOS" icon shown in dialog box. It means to save the current BIOS version.

IV. Check out supported motherboard and Flash ROM:

In the very beginning, there is "About this program" icon shown in dialog box. It can help you check out which kind of motherboard and which brand of Flash ROM are supported.

Note:

- a. In method I, if it shows two or more motherboard's model names to be selected, please make sure your motherboard's model name again. Selecting wrong model name will cause the system unbooted.
- b. In method II, be sure that motherboard's model name in BIOS unzip file are the same as your motherboard's. Otherwise, your system won't boot.
- c. In method I, if the BIOS file you need cannot be found in @BIOS[™] server, please go onto Gigabyte's web site for downloading and updating it according to method II.
- d. Please note that any interruption during updating will cause system unbooted

@ BIOS Introduction

Gigabyte announces @ BIOS Windows BIOS live update utility



Have you ever updated BIOS by yourself? Or like many other people, you just know what BIOS is, but always hesitate to update it? Because you think updating newest BIOS is unnecessary and actually you don't know how to update it.

Maybe not like others, you are very experienced in BIOS updating and spend quite a lot of time to do it. But of course you don't like to do it too much. First, download different BIOS from website and then switch the operating system to DOS mode. Secondly, use different flash utility to update BIOS. The above process is not a interesting job. Besides, always be carefully to store the BIOS source code correctly in your disks as if you update the wrong BIOS, it will be a nightmare.

Certainly, you wonder why motherboard vendors could not just do something right to save your time and effort and save you from the lousy BIOS updating work? Here it comes! Now Gigabyte announces @BIOS—the first Windows BIOS live update utility. This is a smart BIOS update software. It could help you to download the BIOS from internetand update it. Not like the other BIOS update software, it's a Windows utility. With the help of "@BIOS', BIOS updating is no more than a click.

Besides, no matter which mainboard you are using, if it's a Gigabyte's product*, @BIOS help you to maintain the BIOS. This utility could detect your correct mainboard model and help you to choose the BIOS accordingly. It then downloads the BIOS from the nearest Gigabyte ftp site automatically. There are several different choices; you could use "Internet Update" to download and update your BIOS directly. Or you may want to keep a backup for your current BIOS, just choose "Save Current BIOS" to save it first. You make a wise choice to use Gigabyte, and @BIOS update your BIOS smartly. You are now worry free from updating wrong BIOS, and capable to maintain and manage your BIOS easily. Again, Gigabyte's innovative product erects a milestone in mainboard industries.

For such a wonderful software, how much it costs? Impossible! It's free! Now, if you buy a Gigabyte's motherboard, you could find this amazing software in the attached driver CD. But please remember, connected to internet at first, then you could have a internet BIOS update from your Gigabyte @BIOS.

Easy TuneTM 4 Introduction

Gigabyte announces EasyTune[™] 4 Windows based Overclocking utility

EasyTune 4 carries on the heritage so as to pave the way for future generations.

Overclock" might be one of the most common issues in computer field. But have many users ever



tried it? The answer is probably "no". Because "Overclock" is thought to be very difficult and includes a lot of technical know-how, sometimes "Overclock" is even considered as special skills found only in some enthusiasts. But as to the experts in "Overclock", what's the truth? They may spend quite a lot of time and money to study, try and use many different hardware or BIOS tools to do "Overclock". And even with these technologies, they still learn that it's quite a risk because the safety

and stability of an "Overclock" system is unknown. Now everything is different because of a Windows based overclocking utility "EasyTune 4" --announced by Gigabyte. This windows based utility has totally changed the gaming rule of "Overclock". This is the first windows based overclocking utility is suitable for both normal and power users. Users can choose either "Easy Mode" or "Advanced Mode" for overclocking at their convenience. For users who choose "Easy Mode", they just need to click "Auto Optimize" to have autoed and immediate CPU overclocking. This software will then overdrive CPU speed automatically with the result being shown in the control panel. If users prefer "Overclock" by them, there is also another choice. Click "Advanced Mode" to enjoy "sport drive" class Overclocking user interface. "Advanced Mode", allows users to change the system bus /AGP / Memory working frequency in small increments to get ultimate system performance. It operates in coordination with Gigabyte motherboards. Besides, it is different from other traditional overclocking methods, EasyTune 4 doesn't require users to change neither BIOS nor hardware switch/ jumper setting; on the other hand, they can do "Overclock" at easy step . Therefore, this is a safer way for "Overclock" as nothing is changed on software or hardware. If user runs EasyTune 4 over system's limitation, the biggest lost is only to restart the computer again and the side effect is then well controlled. Moreover, if one well-performed system speed has been tested in EasyTune 4, user can "Save" this setting and "Load" it in next time. Obviously, Gigabyte EasyTune 4 has already turned the "Overclock" technology toward to a newer generation. This wonderful software is now free bundled in Gigabyte motherboard attached in driver CD. Users may make a test drive of "EasyTune 4" to find out more amazing features by themselves.

*Some Gigabyte products are not fully supported by EasyTune 4. Please find the products supported list in the web site.

*Any "Overclocking action" is at user's risk, Gigabyte Technology will not be responsible for any damage or instability to your processor, motherboard, or any other components.

2-/4-/6-Channel Audio Function Introduction

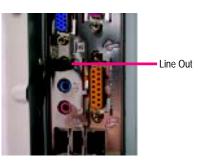
The installation of windows 98SE/2K/ME/XP is very simple. Please follow next step to install the function!

Stereo Speakers Connection and Settings:

We recommend that you use the speaker with amplifier to acquire the best sound effect if the stereo output is applied.

STEP 1:

Connect the stereo speakers or earphone to "Line Out".



STEP 2 :

After installation of the audio driver, you'll find an sicon on the taskbar's status area. Click the audio icon "Sound Effect" from the windows tray at the bottom of the screen.





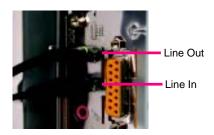


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4 Channel Analog Audio Output Mode

STEP 1 : Connect the front channels to "Line Out", the rear channels to "Line In".



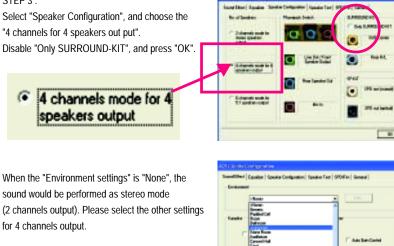
STEP 2 :

After installation of the audio driver, you'll find an icon on the taskbar's status area. Click the audio icon "Sound Effect" from the windows tray at the bottom of the screen.

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STEP 3 :





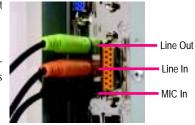
GA-7VA Motherboard

Basic 6 Channel Analog Audio Output Mode

Use the back audio panel to connect the audio output without any additional module.

STEP 1 :

Connect the front channels to "Line Out", the rear channels to "Line In", and the Center/Subwoofer channels to "MIC In ".



STEP 2 :

After installation of the audio driver, you'll find an sign icon on the taskbar's status area. Click the audio icon "Sound Effect" from the windows tray at the bottom of the screen.

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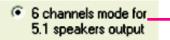
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Sound Effect



STEP 3 :

Select "Speaker Configuration", and choose the "6 channels for 5.1 speakers out put". Disable "Only SURROUND-KIT" and pess "OK"





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Advanced 6 Channel Analog Audio Output Mode (using Audio Combo Kit, Optional Device):

(Audio Combo Kit provides SPDIF output port : optical & coaxis and SURROUND-KIT : Rear R/L & CEN / Subwoofer)

SURROUND-KIT access analog output to rear

channels and Center/Subwoofer channels. It is the best solution if you need 6 channel output, Line In and MIC at the same time. "SURROUND-KIT" is included in the GIGABYTE unique "Audio Combo Kit" as picture.



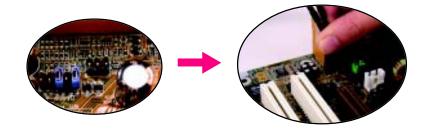
STEP 1 :

Insert the "Audio Combo Kit" in the back of the case , and fix it with the screw.



STEP 2 :

Connect the "SURROUND-KIT" to SUR_CEN on the M/B.



STEP 3 :

Connect the front channels to back audio panel's

"Line Out", the rear channels to SURROUND-KIT's REAR R/L, and the Center/Subwoofer channels to SURROUND-KIT'S SUB CENTER.



STEP 4 :

STEP 5 :

Click the audio icon "Sound Effect" from the windows tray at the bottom of the screen.



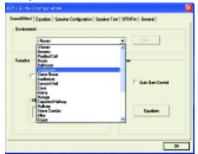
SURROUND-KIT

Select "Speaker Configuration", and choose the "6 channels for 5.1 speakers out put". Enable "Only SURROUND-KIT" and press "OK". Only SURROUND-KIT

Basic & Advanced 6 Channel Analog Audio Output Mode Notes

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When the "Environment settings" is "None", the sound would be performed as stereo mode(2 channels output). Please select the other settings for 6 channels output.



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SPDIF Output Device (Optional Device)

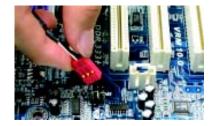
A "SPDIF output" device is available on the motherboard. Cable with rear bracket is provided and could link to the "SPDIF output" connector (As picture.) For the further linkage to decoder, rear bracket provides coaxial cable and Fiber connecting port.

1. Connect the SPDIF output device to the rear bracket of PC, and fix it with screw.





2. Connect SPDIF wire to the motherboard.



 Connect co-axial or optical output to the SPDIF decoder.



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Chapter 5 Appendix

Install Drivers



Picture below are shown in Windows XP (CD ver 2.2)

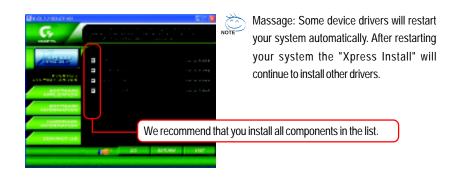
Insert the driver CD-title that came with your motherboard into your CD-ROM drive, the driver CD-title will auto start and show the installation guide. If not, please double click the CD-ROM device icon in "My computer", and execute the setup.exe.

INSTALL CHIPSET DRIVER

This page shows the drivers that need to be installed for the system. Click each item to install the driver manually or switch to the to install the drivers automatically.



The "Xpress Install" uses the "Click and Forget" technology to install the drivers automatically. Just select the drivers you want then click the "GO" button. The will finish the installation for you automatically.



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Driver install finished ! You have to reboot system !

Item Description

- VIA 4IN1 Driver
 For INF, AGP, IDE and DMA Driver
- USB Path for WinXP
 This patch driver can help you to resolve the USB device wake up S3 hang up issue in XP
- RealTek AC97 Audio Driver Audio driver for Realtek AC97 codec chipset
- VIA USB 2.0 Controller
 For VIA VT8233 (VT6203) / VIA VT8235 south bridge

SOFTWARE APPLICATION

This page reveals the value-added software developed by Gigabyte and its worldwide partners.

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- Gigabyte Windows Utilities Manager(GWUM) This utility can integrate the Gigabyte's applications in the system tray
- Gigabyte Management Tool(GMT)
 A useful tool which can manage the computer via the network
- EastTune4
- Powerful utility that integrates the overclocking and hardware monitoring functionsDMI Viewer
- Windows based utility which is used to browse the DMI/SMBIOS information of the system
- Face-Wizard New utility for adding BIOS logo
- @BIOS
 Gigabyte windows flash BIOS utility
- Acrobat e-Book
 Useful utility from Adobe
- Acrobat Reader
- Popular utility from Adobe for reading .PDF file format documents
- Norton Internet Security(NIS)
- Integrated utility which includes anti-virus, ad control, etc.
- DirectX 9.0 Newest update from Microsoft

SOFTWARE INFORMATION

This page list the contects of softwares and drivers in this CD title.

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HARDWARE INFORMATION

This page lists all device you have for this motherboard.



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<u>FAQ</u>

Below is a collection of general asked questions. To check general asked questions based on a specific motherboard model, please log on to http://tw.giga-byte.com/faq/faq.htm

Question 1: I cannot see some options that were included in previous BIOS after updating BIOS. Why? Answer: Some advanced options are hidden in new BIOS version. Please press Ctrl and F1 keys after entering BIOS menu and you will be able to see these options.

Questions 2: Why is the light of my keyboard/optical mouse still on after computer shuts down? Answer: In some boards, a small amount of electricity is kept on standby after computer shuts down and that's why the light is still on.

Question 3: Why cannot I use all functions in EasyTune[™] 4?

Answer: The availability of the listed functions in EasyTune[™] 4 depends on the MB chipset. If the chipset doesn't support certain functions in EasyTune[™] 4, these functions will be locked automatically and you will not be able to use them.

Question 4: Why do I fail to install RAID and ATA drivers under Win 2000 and XP on boards that support RAID function after I connect the boot HDD to IDE3 or IDE4 ?

Answer: First of all, you need to save some files in the CD-ROM to a floppy disk before installing drivers. You also need to go through some rather different steps in the installation process. Therefore, we suggest that you refer to the installation steps in the RAID manual at our website.

(Please download it at http://tw.giga-byte.com/support/user_pdf/raid_manual.pdf)

Question 5: How do I clear CMOS?

Answer: If your board has a Clear CMOS jumper, please refer to the Clear CMOS steps in the manual. If your board doesn't have such jumper, you can take off the on-board battery to leak voltage to clear CMOS. Please refer to the steps below:

Steps:

- 1. Turn off power.
- 2. Disconnect the power cord from MB.

3. Take out the battery gently and put it aside for about 10 minutes (Or you can use a metal object to connect the positive and negative pins in the battery holder to make them short for one minute).

- 4. Re-insert the battery to the battery holder.
- 5. Connect power cord to MB again and turn on power.
- 6. Press Del to enter BIOS and load Fail-Safe Defaults.
- 7. Save changes and reboot the system.

Question 6: Why does system seem unstable after updating BIOS?

Answer: Please remember to load Fail-Safe Defaults (Or Load BIOS Defaults) after flashing BIOS. However, if the system instability still remains, please clear CMOS to solve the problem.

Question 7: Why do I still get a weak sound after turning up the speaker to the maximum volume? Answer: Please make sure the speaker you are using is equipped with an internal amplifier. If not, please change another speaker with power/amplifier and try again later. **Question 8:** How do I disable onboard VGA card in order to add an external VGA card? **Answer:** Gigabyte motherboards will auto-detect the external VGA card after it is plugged in, so you don't need to change any setting manually to disable the onboard VGA.

Question 9: Why cannot I use the IDE 2?

Answer: Please refer to the user manual and check whether you have connected any cable that is not provided with the motherboard package to the USB Over Current pin in the Front USB Panel. If the cable is your own cable, please remove it from this pin and do not connect any of your own cables to it.

Question 10: Sometimes I hear different continuous beeps from computer after system boots up. What do these beeps usually stand for?

Answer: The beep codes below may help you identify the possible computer problems. However, they are only for reference purposes. The situations might differ from case to case.

→AMI BIOS Beep Codes

*Computer gives 1 short beep when system boots successfully. *Except for beep code 8, these codes are always fatal.

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- 1 beep Refresh failure
- 2 beeps Parity error
- 3 beeps Base 64K memory failure
- 4 beeps Timer not operational
- 5 beeps Processor error
- 6 beeps 8042 gate A20 failure
- 7 beeps Processor exception interrupt error
- 8 beeps Display memory read/write failure
- 9 beeps ROM checksum error
- 10 beeps CMOS shutdown register read/write error
- 11 beeps Cache memory bad

\rightarrow AWARD BIOS Beep Codes

1 short: System boots successfully 2 short: CMOS setting error 1 long 1 short: DRAM or M/B error 1 long 2 short: Monitor or display card error 1 long 3 short: Keyboard error 1 long 9 short: BIOS ROM error Continuous long beeps: DRAM error Continuous short beeps: Power error

Question 11: How to set in the BIOS in order to bootup from SATA HDDs by either RAID or ATA mode? Answer: Please set in the BIOS as follow:

- 1. Advanced BIOS features--> SATA/RAID/SCSI boot order: "SATA"
- 2. Advanced BIOS features --> First boot device: "SCSI"
- 3. Integrated Peripherals--> Onboard H/W Serial ATA: "enable"

Then it depends on the SATA mode that you need to set "RAID" to RAID mode or "BASE" to normal ATA mode in the item named Serial ATA function.

Question 12: For the M/B which have RAID function, how to set in the BIOS in order to bootup from IDE3, 4 by either RAID or ATA mode?

Answer: Please set in the BIOS as follow:

1. Advanced BIOS features --> (SATA)/RAID/SCSI boot order: "SATA"

- 2. Advanced BIOS features--> First boot device: "SCSI"
- 3. Integrated Peripherals--> Onboard H/W ATA/RAID: "enable"

Then it depends on the RAID mode that you need to set "RAID" to RAID mode or "ATA" to normal ATA mode in the item named RAID controller function.

Question 13: How to set in the BIOS to bootup from the IDE/ SCSI/ RAID card ?

Answer: Please set in the BIOS as follow:

- 1. Advanced BIOS features --> (SATA)/RAID/SCSI boot order: "SCSI"
- 2. Advanced BIOS features--> First boot device: "SCSI"

Then it depends on the mode(RAID or ATA) that you need to set in RAID/ SCSI BIOS.

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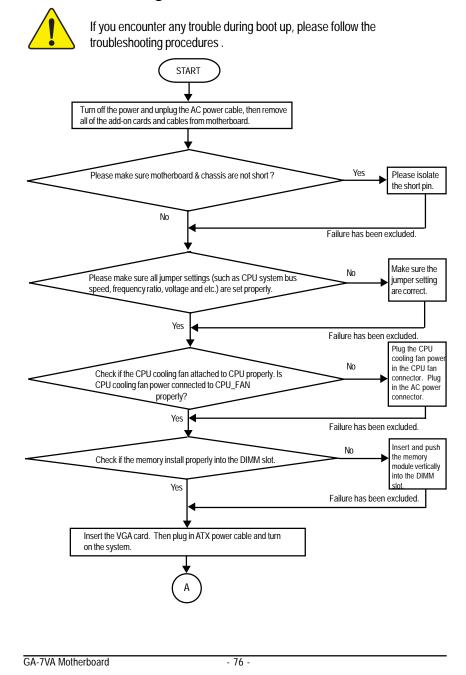
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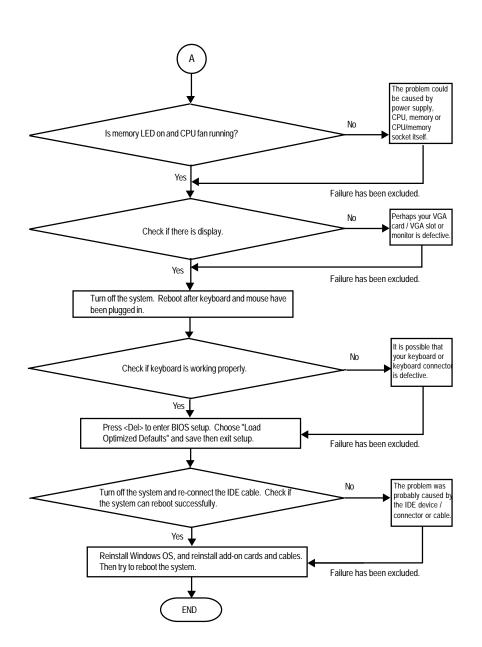
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- 1 long 9 short: BIOS ROM error
- Continuous long beeps: DRAM error
- Continuous short beeps: Power error

Troubleshooting





If the above procedure unable to solve your problem, please contact with your local retailer or national distributor for help. Or, you could submit your question to the service mail via Gigabyte website technical support zone

(http://www.gigabyte.com.tw). The appropriate response will be provided ASAP.

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Appendix E: Acronyms

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| Acronyms | Meaning |
| ACPI | Advanced Configuration and Power Interface |
| APM | Advanced Power Management |
| AGP | Accelerated Graphics Port |
| AMR | Audio Modem Riser |
| ACR | Advanced Communications Riser |
| BIOS | Basic Input / Output System |
| CPU | Central Processing Unit |
| CMOS | Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor |
| CRIMM | Continuity RIMM |
| CNR | Communication and Networking Riser |
| DMA | Direct Memory Access |
| DMI | Desktop Management Interface |
| DIMM | Dual Inline Memory Module |
| DRM | Dual Retention Mechanism |
| DRAM | Dynamic Random Access Memory |
| DDR | Double Data Rate |
| ECP | Extended Capabilities Port |
| ESCD | Extended System Configuration Data |
| ECC | Error Checking and Correcting |
| EMC | Electromagnetic Compatibility |
| EPP | Enhanced Parallel Port |
| ESD | Electrostatic Discharge |
| FDD | Floppy Disk Device |
| FSB | Front Side Bus |
| HDD | Hard Disk Device |
| IDE | Integrated Dual Channel Enhanced |
| IRQ | Interrupt Request |
| I/O | Input / Output |
| IOAPIC | Input Output Advanced Programmable Input Controller |
| ISA | Industry Standard Architecture |
| LAN | Local Area Network |
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| Acronyms | Meaning |
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| LBA | Logical Block Addressing |
| LED | Light Emitting Diode |
| MHz | Megahertz |
| MIDI | Musical Instrument Digital Interface |
| MTH | Memory Translator Hub |
| MPT | Memory Protocol Translator |
| NIC | Network Interface Card |
| OS | Operating System |
| OEM | Original Equipment Manufacturer |
| PAC | PCI A.G.P. Controller |
| POST | Power-On Self Test |
| PCI | Peripheral Component Interconnect |
| RIMM | Rambus in-line Memory Module |
| SCI | Special Circumstance Instructions |
| SECC | Single Edge Contact Cartridge |
| SRAM | Static Random Access Memory |
| SMP | Symmetric Multi-Processing |
| SMI | System Management Interrupt |
| USB | Universal Serial Bus |
| VID | Voltage ID |

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