

## **Chapter 3**

### **AWARD® BIOS SETUP**

Award® BIOS ROM has a built-in Setup program that allows users to modify the basic system configuration. This type of information is stored in battery-backed RAM (CMOS RAM), so that it retains the Setup information when the power is turned off.

### **3.1 Entering Setup**

Power on the computer and press <Del> immediately to allow you to enter Setup. The other way to enter Setup is to power on the computer. When the below message appears briefly at the bottom of the screen during the POST (Power On Self Test), press <Del> key or simultaneously press <Ctrl>, <Alt>, and <Esc> keys.

TO ENTER SETUP BEFORE BOOT, PRESS <CTRL-ALT-ESC>  
OR <DEL> KEY

If the message disappears before you respond and you still wish to enter Setup, restart the system to try again by turning it OFF then ON or pressing the “RESET” button on the system case. You may also restart by simultaneously pressing <Ctrl>, <Alt>, and <Delete> keys. If you do not press the keys at the correct time and the system does not boot, an error message will be displayed and you will again be asked to,

PRESS <F1> TO CONTINUE, <CTRL-ALT-ESC>  
OR <DEL> TO ENTER SETUP

### **3.2 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>.

**3.3 The Main Menu**

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 twelve setup functions and two exit choices. Use arrow keys to select among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter the sub-menu.

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STANDARD CMOS Feature	Frequency/Voltage Control
Advanced BIOS Feature	Load Fail-Safe Defaults
Advanced Chipset Feature	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
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Esc : Quit	↑↓→← : Select Item
F10 : Save & Exit Setup	(Shift)F2 : Change Color
<hr/>	
Time, Date, Hard Disk Type...	

**Standard CMOS Setup**

Use this Menu for basic system configurations.

**Advanced BIOS Features**

Use this menu to set the Advanced Features available on your system.

**Advanced Chipset Features**

Use this menu to change the values in the chipset registers and optimize your system's performance.

**Integrated Peripherals**

Use this menu to specify your settings for integrated peripherals.

**Power Management Setup**

Use this menu to specify your settings for power management.

**PnP/PCI Configuration**

This entry appears if your system supports PnP/PCI.

**PC Health Status**

This entry shows your PC health status.

**Frequency/Voltage Control**

Use this menu to specify your settings for frequency/voltage control.

**Load Fail-Safe Defaults**

Use this menu to load the BIOS default values for the minimal/stable performance for your system to operate.

**Load Optimized Defaults**

Use this menu to load the BIOS default values that are factory settings for optimal performance system operations.

**Supervisor/User Password**

Use this menu to set User and Supervisor Passwords.

**Save & Exit Setup**

Save CMOS value changes to CMOS and exit setup.

**Exit Without Saving**

Abandon all CMOS value changes and exit setup.

3.4 Standard CMOS Setup

The items in Standard CMOS Setup Menu are divided into 10 categories. Each category includes no, one or more than one setup items. Use the arrow keys to highlight the item and then use the <PgUp> or <PgDn> keys to select the value you want in each item.

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Standard CMOS Setup

Date(mm:dd:yy): Time(hh:mm:ss):	Fri, Feb 28,1999 00:00:00	Item Help
IDE Primary Master IDE Primary Slave IDE Secondary Master IDE Secondary Slave	Press Enter 2557MB Press Enter None Press Enter None Press Enter None	Menu Level >
Drive A Drive B	1.44M, 3.5in. None	
Video Halt On	EGA/VGA All, But Keyboard	
Based Memory Extended Memory Total Memory	640K 63488K 64512K	
↑↓ → ← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

**Date**

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

<b>Day</b>	Day of the week, from Sun to Sat, determined by BIOS. Read-only.
<b>month</b>	The month from Jan. through Dec.
<b>date</b>	The date from 1 to 31 can be keyed by numeric function keys.
<b>year</b>	The year, depends on the year of the BIOS

**Time**

The time format is <hour> <minute> <second>.

**PrimaryMaster/PrimarySlave****SecondaryMaster/Secondary Slave**

Press PgUp/<+> or PgDn/<-> to select Manual, None, Auto 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 your hard disk drive type is not matched or listed, you can use Manual to define your own drive type manually.

If you select Manual, related information is asked to be entered to the following items. Enter the information directly from the keyboard. This information should be provided in the documentation from your hard disk vendor or the system manufacturer.

If the controller of HDD interface is SCSI, the selection shall be  
“None”.

If the controller of HDD interface is CD-ROM, the selection shall be  
“None”.

<b>Access Mode</b>	The settings are Auto, Normal, Large,LBA.
<b>Cylinder</b>	number of cylinders
<b>Head</b>	number of heads
<b>Precomp</b>	write precom
<b>Landing Zone</b>	landing zone
<b>Sector</b>	number of sectors

3.5 Advanced BIOS Features

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Advanced BIOS Features

Anti-Virus Protection	Disabled	Item Help
CPU Internal Cache	Enabled	
External Cache	Enabled	Menu Level >
CPU L2 Cache ECC Checking	Enabled	
Processor Number Feature	Enabled	
Quick Power On Self Test	Disabled	
First Boot device	Floppy	
Second Boot device	HDD-0	
Third Boot device	LS/Zip	
Boot other device	Enabled	
Swap Floppy Drive	Disabled	
Boot Up Floppy Seek	Disabled	
Boot Up Numlock Status	Off	
Gate A20 Option	Fast	
Typeomatic Rate Setting	Disabled	
Typeomatic Rate (Chars/Sec)	6	
Typeomatic Delay (Msec)	250	
Security Option	Setup	
OS Select for DRAM > 64MB	Non-OS2	
Report No FDD for Win 95	No	
↑ ↓ → ← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

Anti-Virus Protection

Allows you to choose the VIRUS Warning feature for IDE Hard Disk boot sector protection. If this function is enabled and someone attempt to write data into this area, BIOS will show a warning message on screen and alarm beep.

- Disable(default)

No warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table.
- Enable

Activates automatically when the system boots up causing a warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector of hard disk partition table.



### **CPU Internal Cache**

The default value is Enabled.

**Enabled** (default)      Enable cache

**Disabled**              Disable cache

**Note:** The internal cache is built in the processor.

### **External Cache**

Choose Enabled or Disabled. This option enables the level 2 cache memory.

### **CPU L2 Cache ECC Checking**

Choose Enabled or Disabled. This option enables the level 2 cache memory ECC(error check correction).

### **Processor Number Feature**

This option is for Pentium III processor. During Enabled, this will check the CPU Serial number. Disable this option if you don't want the system to know the Serial number.

### **Quick Power On Self Test**

This category speeds up Power On Self Test (POST) after you power on the computer. If this is set to Enabled, BIOS will shorten or skip some check items during POST.

**Enabled**              Enable quick POST

**Disabled** (default)    Normal POST

### **First/Second/Third/Other Boot Device**

The BIOS attempts to load the operating system from the devices in the sequence selected in these items. The settings are Floppy, LS/ZIP, HDD-0/HDD-1/HDD-2/HDD-3, SCSI, CDROM, LAN, and Disabled.

### **Swap Floppy Drive**

Switches the floppy disk drives between being designated as A and B. Default is Disabled.

### **Boot Up Floppy Seek**

During POST, BIOS will determine if the floppy disk drive installed is 40 or 80 tracks. 360K type is 40 tracks while 760K, 1.2M and 1.44M are all 80 tracks.

### **Boot Up NumLock Status**

The default value is On.

**On** (default)      Keypad is numeric keys.

**Off**                Keypad is arrow keys.

### **Gate A20 Option**

**Normal**            The A20 signal is controlled by keyboard controller or chipset hardware.

**Fast**(default)      The A20 signal is controlled by port 92 or chipset specific method.

### **Typematic Rate Setting**

Key strokes repeat at a rate determined by the keyboard controller. When enabled, the typematic rate and typematic delay can be selected. The settings are: Enabled/Disabled.

### **Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)**

Sets the number of times a second to repeat a key stroke when you hold the key down. The settings are: 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 20, 24, 30.

### **Typematic Delay (Msec)**

Sets the delay time after the key is held down before it begins to repeat the keystroke. The settings are: 250, 500, 750, 1000.

**Security Option**

This category allows you to limit access to the system and Setup, or just to Setup.

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

**Setup(default)** The system will boot, but access to Setup will be denied if the correct password is not entered at the prompt.

**OS Selection for DRAM > 64MB**

Allows OS2® to be used with > 64 MB of DRAM. Settings are Non-OS/2 (default) and OS2. Set to OS/2 if using more than 64MB and running OS/2®.

**Report No FDD For Win 95**

Whether report no FDD for Win 95 or not. The settings are: Yes, No.

3.6 Advanced Chipset Features

The Advanced Chipset Features Setup option is used to change the values of the chipset registers. These registers control most of the system options in the computer.

Choose the “ADVANCED CHIPSET FEATURES” from the Main Menu and the following screen will appear.

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Advanced Chipset Features		
SDRAM CAS Latency Time	3	Item Help
SDRAM Cycle Time Tras/Trc	6/8	
SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay	3	Menu Level >
SDRAM RAS Precharge Time	3	
System BIOS Cacheable	Disabled	
Video BIOS Cacheable	Disabled	
Memory Hole at 15M-16M	Disabled	
Delayed Transaction	Disabled	
On-Chip Video Window Size	64MB	
Local Memory Frequency	100MHz	
* Onboard Display Cache Setting *		
Initial Display Cache	Enabled	
Cas# Latency	3	
Paging Mode Control	Close	
RAS-to-CAS Override	by CAS# LT	
RAS# Timing	Slow	
RAS# Precharge Timing	Slow	

↑ ↓ → ← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help  
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

**Note:** Change these settings only if you are familiar with the chipset.

**SDRAM CAS latency Time**

When synchronous DRAM is installed, the number of clock cycles of CAS latency depends on the DRAM timing. The settings are: 2 and 3.

**SDRAM Cycle Time Tras/Trc**

Select the number of SCLKs for an access cycle. The settings are: 5/7 and 6/8.

**SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay**

This field lets you insert a timing delay between the CAS and RAS strobe signals, used when DRAM is written to, read from, or refreshed. *Fast* gives faster performance; and *Slow* gives more stable performance. This field applies only when synchronous DRAM is installed in the system. The settings are: 2 and 3.

**SDRAM RAS Precharge Time**

If an insufficient number of cycles is allowed for the RAS to accumulate its charge before DRAM refresh, the refresh may be incomplete and the DRAM may fail to retain data. *Fast* gives faster performance; and *Slow* gives more stable performance. This field applies only when synchronous DRAM is installed in the system. The settings are: 2 and 3.

**System BIOS Cacheable**

Selecting *Enabled* allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at F0000h-FFFFFh, resulting in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**Video BIOS Cacheable**

Select Enabled allows caching of the video BIOS , resulting in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**Memory Hole At 15M-16M**

You can reserve this area of system memory for ISA adapter ROM. When this area is reserved, it cannot be cached. The user information of peripherals that need to use this area of system memory usually discusses their memory requirements. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**Delayed Transaction**

The chipset has an embedded 32-bit posted write buffer to support delay transactions cycles. Select *Enabled* to support compliance with PCI specification version 2.1. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**On-Chip Video Window Size**

Select the on-chip video window size for VGA driver use. The settings are: 32MB, 64MB, Disabled.

**Local Memory Frequency**

Select the Memory frequency.

3.7 Integrated Peripherals

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Integrated Peripherals

OnChip Primary PCI IDE	Enabled	Item Help
OnChip Secondary PCI IDE	Enabled	
IDE Primary Master PIO	Auto	Menu Level >
IDE Primary Slave PIO	Auto	
IDE Secondary Master PIO	Auto	
IDE Secondary Slave PIO	Auto	
IDE Primary Master UDMA	Auto	
IDE Primary Slave UDMA	Auto	
IDE Secondary Master UDMA	Auto	
IDE Secondary Slave UDMA	Auto	
USB Controller	Enabled	
USB Keyboard Support	Disabled	
Init Display First	PCI Slot	
AC97 Audio	Disabled	
AC97 Modem	Enabled	
Init Display First	PCI Slot	
Onboard Audio Device	Enabled	
IDE HDD Block Mode	Enabled	
Power On Function	Any Key	
KB Power On Password	Enter	
Hot Key Power On	Ctrl-F1	

↑↓ →← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help  
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults

Onboard FDC Controller	Enabled	
Onboard Serial Port 1	3F8/IRQ4	
Onboard Serial Port 2	2F8/IRQ3	
UART Mode Select	Normal	
RxD, TxD Active	Hi, Lo	
IR Transmission Delay	Enabled	
Onboard Parallel Port	378/IRQ7	
Parallel Port Mode	SPP	
EPP Mode Select	EPP 1.7	
ECP Mode use UDMA	3	
PWRON After PWR-Fail	Off	
Game Port Address	Disabled	
Midi Port Address	Disabled	
Midi Port IRQ	5	
Power Status LED	Blinking	

OnChip Primary/Secondary PCI IDE

The integrated peripheral controller contains an IDE interface with support for two IDE channels. Select Enabled to activate each channel separately. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**IDE Primary/Secondary Master/Slave PIO**

The four IDE PIO (Programmed Input/Output) fields let you set a PIO mode (0-4) for each of the four IDE devices that the onboard IDE interface supports. Modes 0 through 4 provide successively increased performance. In Auto mode, the system automatically determines the best mode for each device. The settings are: Auto, Mode 0, Mode 1, Mode 2, Mode 3, Mode 4.

**IDE Primary/Secondary Master/Slave UDMA**

Ultra DMA/33 implementation is possible only if your IDE hard drive supports it and the operating environment includes a DMA driver (Windows 95 OSR2 or a third-party IDE bus master driver). If your hard drive and your system software both support Ultra DMA/33 and Ultra DMA/66, select Auto to enable BIOS support. The settings are: Auto, Disabled.

**USB Controller**

Select *Enabled* if your system contains a Universal Serial Bus (USB) controller and you have USB peripherals. The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.

**USB Keyboard Support**

Select *Enabled* if your system contains a Universal Serial Bus (USB) controller and you have a USB keyboard. The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.

**Init Display First**

This item allows you to decide to activate whether PCI Slot or on-chip VGA first. The settings are: PCI Slot, Onboard.

**AC97 Audio/Modem**

This item allows you to decide to enable/disable the 810 chipset family to support AC97 Audio/Modem. The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.



**Init Display First****PCI Slot**

If both PCI VGA card and AGP card are installed, the system will display the PCI VGA card first.

**AGP**

If both PCI VGA card and AGP card are installed, the system will show the AGP card first.

**Onboard Audio Device (For Creative onboard audio only)**

This item allows you to enable/disable the Onboard Creative audio chipset. The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.

**IDE HDD Block Mode**

Block mode is also called block transfer, multiple commands, or multiple sector read/write. If your IDE hard drive supports block mode (most new drives do), select Enabled for automatic detection of the optimal number of block read/writes per sector the drive can support. The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.

**Power On Function**

This function allows you to select the item to power on the system. The settings are : Any Key, Button Only, Mouse Left, Mouse Right, Password, Hotkey, keyboard 98.

**Onboard FDC Controller**

Select Enabled if your system has a floppy disk controller (FDD) installed on the system board and you wish to use it. If you install add-on FDC or the system has no floppy drive, select Disabled in this field. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

**Onboard Serial Port 1/Port 2**

Select an address and corresponding interrupt for the first and second serial ports. The settings are: 3F8/IRQ4, 2E8/IRQ3, 3E8/IRQ4, 2F8/IRQ3, Disabled, Auto.

## UART Mode Select

This item allows you to determine which InfraRed(IR) function of the onboard I/O chip, this functions uses.

## Onboard Parallel Port

### Disabled

(3BCH/IRQ7)/

(278H/IRQ5)/

(378H/IRQ7)

There is a built-in parallel port on the on-board Super I/O chipset that provides Standard, ECP, and EPP features. It has the following options:

### Disable

3BCH/IRQ7    Line Printer port 0

278H/IRQ5    Line Printer port 2

378H/IRQ7    Line Printer port 1

## Onboard Parallel Mode

SPP : Standard Parallel Port

EPP : Enhanced Parallel Port

ECP : Extended Capability Port

**SPP/EPP/ECP/**

**ECP+EPP**

To operate the onboard parallel port as Standard Parallel Port only, choose “SPP.” To operate the onboard parallel port in the EPP modes simultaneously, choose “EPP.” By choosing “ECP”, the onboard parallel port will operate in ECP mode only. Choosing “ECP + EPP” will allow the onboard parallel port to support both the ECP and EPP modes simultaneously. The ECP mode has to use the DMA channel, so choose the onboard parallel port with the ECP feature. After selecting it, the following message will appear: “ECP Mode Use DMA” At this time, the user can choose between DMA

channels 3 or 1. The onboard parallel port is EPP Spec. compliant, so after the user chooses the onboard parallel port with the EPP function, the following message will be displayed on the screen: "EPP Mode Select." At this time either EPP 1.7 spec. or EPP 1.9 spec. can be chosen.

**PWRON After PWR-FAIL**

This option will determine how the system will power on after a power failure.

**Game Port Address/Midi Port Address**

This will determine which Address the Game Port/Midi Port will use.

**Power Status LED**

This item determines which state the Power LED will use. The settings are Blinking, Dual, and Single. During blinking, the power LED will blink when the system enters the suspend mode. When the mode is in Dual, the power LED will change its color. Choose the single and the power LED will always remain lit.

3.8 Power Management Setup

The Power Management Setup allows you to configure you system to most effectively save energy while operating in a manner consistent with your own style of computer use.

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Power Management Setup

ACPI Function	Enabled	Item Help
ACPI Suspend Type	SI(POS)	
Power Management	User Define	Menu Level >
Video Off Method	DPMS	
Video Off In Suspend	Yes	
Suspend Type	Stop Grant	
Modem Use IRQ	3	
Suspend Mode	Disabled	
HDD Power Down	Disabled	
Soft-Off by PWRBTN	Instant-Off	
Wake-Up by PCI Card	Disabled	
Wake-Up on LAN	Disabled	
CPU Thermal-Throttling	62.57%	
Resume By Alarm		
**Reload Global Timer Events**		
Primary IDE 0	Disabled	
Primary IDE 1	Disabled	
Secondary IDE 0	Disabled	
Secondary IDE 1	Disabled	
FDD, COM, LPT Port	Disabled	
PCI PIRQ[A-D]#	Disabled	
↑ ↓ → ← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD=Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

ACPI Function

This item allows you to enable/disable the Advanced Configuration and Power Management (ACPI). The settings are: Enabled and Disabled.

### ACPI Suspend Type

This item will set which ACPI suspend type will be used.

### Power Management

This category allows you to select the type (or degree) of power saving and is directly related to the following modes:

1. Suspend Mode
2. HDD Power Down

There are three selections for Power Management, two of which have fixed mode settings.

Min. Power Saving	Minimum power management. Suspend Mode = 1 hr., and HDD Power Down = 15 min.
Max. Power Saving	Maximum power management — Suspend Mode = 1 min., and HDD Power Down = 1 min.
User Defined (default)	Allows you to set each mode individually. When not disabled, each of the ranges are from 1 min. to 1 hr. except for HDD Power Down which ranges from 1 min. to 15 min. and disable.

### Video Off Method

This determines the manner in which the monitor is blanked.

V/HSYNC+Blank	This selection will cause the system to turn off the vertical and horizontal synchronization ports and write blanks to the video buffer.
Blank Screen	This option only writes blanks to the video buffer.
DPMS (default)	Initial display power management signaling.

**Video Off In Suspend**

This determines the manner in which the monitor is blanked.  
The settings are: Yes and No.

**Suspend Type**

Select the Suspend Type. The settings are: PWRON Suspend, Stop Grant.

**Modem Use IRQ**

This determines the IRQ in which the MODEM can use.  
The settings are: 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, NA.

**Suspend Mode**

When enabled and after the set time of system inactivity, all devices except the CPU will be shut off. The settings are: 1/2/4/8/12/20/30/40 Min, 1 Hour, and Disabled.

**HDD Power Down**

When enabled and after the set time of system inactivity, the hard disk drive will be powered down while all other devices remain active.  
The settings are: 1/2/3/4/5/6/7/8/9/10/11/12/13/14/15Min and Disabled.

**Soft-Off by PWRBTN**

Pressing the power button for more than 4 seconds forces the system to enter the Soft-Off state. The settings are: Delay 4 Sec, Instant-Off.

**Wake-Up by PCI Card**

This will enable the system to wake up through PCI Card peripheral.  
The settings are : Enabled and Disabled.

### Wake-Up on LAN

To use this function, you need a LAN add-on card which support power on functions. It should also support the wake-up on LAN jumper (JWOL1).

<b>Enabled</b>	Wake up on LAN supported.
<b>Disabled</b>	Wake up on LAN not supported.

### CPU Thermal-Throttling

Select the CPU THRM-Throttling rate. The settings are: 25.0%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 62.5%, 75.0%, 87.5%.

### Resume by Alarm

This function is for setting date and time for your computer to boot up. During Disabled, you cannot use this function. During Enabled, choose the Date and Time Alarm:

<b>Date(of month) Alarm</b>	You can choose which month the system will boot up. Set to 0, to boot every day.
<b>Time(hh:mm:ss) Alarm</b>	You can choose what hour, minute and second the system will boot up.

**Note:** If you have change the setting, you must let the system boot up until it goes to the operating system, before this function will work.

### Reload Global Timer Events

Reload Global Timer events are I/O events whose occurrence can prevent the system from entering a power saving mode or can awaken the system from such a mode. In effect, the system remains alert for anything which occurs to a device which is configured as *Enabled*, even when the system is in a power down mode.

**Primary IDE 0**

**Primary IDE 1**

**Secondary IDE 0**

**Secondary IDE 1**

**FDD, COM, LPT Port**

**PCI PIRQ[A-D]#**

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3.9 PnP/PCI Configuration Setup

This section describes configuring the PCI bus system. PCI, or **P**ersonal **C**omputer **I**nterconnect, is a system which allows I/O devices to operate at speeds nearing the speed the CPU itself uses when communicating with its own special components. This section covers some very technical items and it is strongly recommended that only experienced users should make any changes to the default settings.

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PnP/PCI Configuration Setup		
Reset Configuration Data	Disabled	Item Help
Resources Controlled By	Auto	
IRQ Resources	Press Enter	Menu Level >
Memory Resources	Press Enter	
PCI/VGA Palette Snoop	Disabled	
↑ ↓ → ← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

Reset Configuration Data

Normally, you leave this field to Disabled. Select Enabled to reset Extended System Configuration Data (ESCD) when you exit Setup if you have installed a new add-on and the system reconfiguration has caused such a serious conflict that the operating system can not boot. The settings are: Enabled and Disabled .



**Resource Controlled By**

The Award Plug and Play BIOS has the capacity to automatically configure all of the boot and Plug and Play compatible devices. However, this capability means absolutely nothing unless you are using a Plug and Play operating system such as Windows®95/98. If you set this field to “manual”, choose specific resources by going into each of the sub menu that follows this field (a sub menu is preceded by a “➤”). The settings are: Auto(ESCD), Manual.

**IRQ Resources**

When resources are controlled manually, assign each system interrupt a type, depending on the type of device using the interrupt.

**Memory Resources**

This sub menu can let you control the memory resource.

**PCI/VGA Palette Snoop**

Leave this field at *Disabled*. The settings are Enabled, Disabled.

3.10 PC Health Status

This section shows the Status of you CPU, Fan, Warning for overall system status.

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PC Health Status

CPU Warning Temperature	Disabled	Item Help
Current System Temp	38°C/100°F	
Current CPU1 Temperature	69°C/156°C	Menu Level >
Current CPUFAN1 Speed	0 RPM	
Current CPUFAN2 Speed	0 RPM	
Current CPUFAN3 Speed	5720 RPM	
IN0 (V)	2.00V	
IN1 (V)	1.47V	
IN2 (V)	3.37V	
+5V	5.02V	
+12V	12.03V	
-12V -	12.28V	
-5V -	5.04V	
VBAT(V)	3.04V	
5VSB(V)	5.77V	
↑↓→← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

CPU Warning Temperature

During Enabled, this will warn the user when the CPU temperature reach a certain temperature.

**Current System Temp/Current CPU1 Temperature/Current  
CPUFAN1/CPUFAN2/CPUFAN3 Speed/IN0/1/3/+5V/+12V/-  
12V/-5V/VBAT(V)/5VSB(V)**

This will show the CPU/FAN/System voltage chart and FAN Speed.

3.11 Frequency/Voltage Control

This section is for setting CPU Frequency/Voltage Control.

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Frequency/Voltage Control		
Auto Detect DIMM/PCI Clk	Enabled	Item Help
CPU Clock/Spread Spectrum	Default	
CPU Ratio	Auto	
Vcore Adjust	2.00 V	
L2 Cache Voltage Control	Disabled	
		Menu Level >
↑↓ →← Move Enter:Select +/-/PU/PD:Value F10:Save ESC:Exit F1:General Help		
F5:Previous Values F6:Fail-safe defaults F7:Optimized Defaults		

Auto Detect DIMM/PCI CLK

This item allows you to enable/disable auto detect DIMM/PCI Clock.  
The settings are: Enabled, Disabled.

CPU Clock/Spread Spectrum

This item allows you to set the CPU Clock/Spread Spectrum.

CPU Ratio

This item allows you to select the CPU ratio.

**Vcore Adjust**

This item allows you to set the CPU Vcore.

**L2 Cache Voltage Control**

This item allows you to Enabled/Disabled the L2 Cache Voltage Control.

## **3.12 Load Fail-Safe/Optimized Defaults**

### **Load Fail-Safe Defaults**

When you press <Enter> on this item, you get a confirmation dialog box with a message similar to:

Load Fail-Safe Defaults (Y/N) ? N

Pressing 'Y' loads the BIOS default values for the most stable, minimal-performance system operations.

### **Load Optimized Defaults**

When you press <Enter> on this item, you get a confirmation dialog box with a message similar to:

Load Optimized Defaults (Y/N) ? N

Pressing 'Y' loads the default values that are factory settings for optimal performance system operations.

### **3.13 Set Supervisor/User Password**

You can set either supervisor or user password, or both of them. The differences are:

**Supervisor password :** Can enter and change the options of the setup menus.

**User password :** Can only enter but do not have the right to change the options of the setup menus. When you select this function, the following message will appear at the center of the screen to assist you in creating a password.

#### **ENTER PASSWORD:**

Type the password, up to eight characters in length, and press <Enter>. The password typed now will clear any previously entered password from CMOS memory. 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 a password, just press <Enter> when you are prompted to enter the password. A message will confirm the password will be disabled. Once the password is disabled, the system will boot and you can enter Setup freely.

#### **PASSWORD DISABLED.**

When a password has been enabled, you will be prompted to enter it every time you try to enter Setup. This prevents an unauthorized person from changing any part of your system configuration.

Additionally, when a password is enabled, you can also require the BIOS to request a password every time your system is rebooted. This would prevent unauthorized use of your computer.

You determine when the password is required within the BIOS Features Setup Menu and its Security option. If the Security option is set to “System”, the password will be required both at boot and at entry to Setup. If set to “Setup”, prompting only occurs when trying to enter Setup.