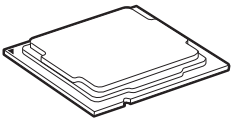
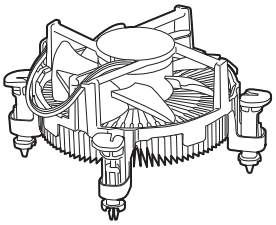
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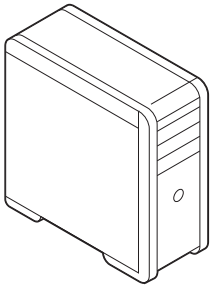
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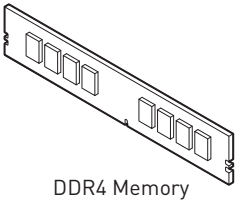
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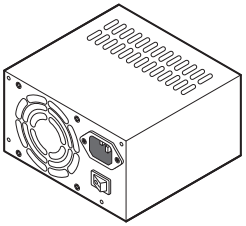
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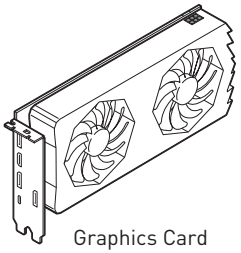
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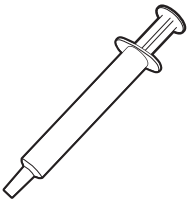
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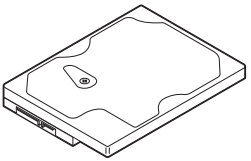
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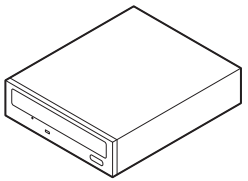
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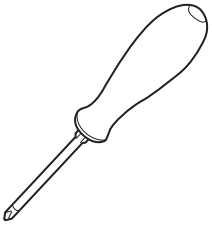
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SATA Hard Disk Drive



SATA DVD Drive



Phillips Screwdriver



A Package of Screws

Safety Information

• The components included in this package are prone to damage from electrostatic discharge (ESD). Please adhere to the following instructions to ensure successful computer assembly.

• Ensure that all components are securely connected. Loose connections may cause the computer to not recognize a component or fail to start.

• Hold the motherboard by the edges to avoid touching sensitive components.

• It is recommended to wear an electrostatic discharge (ESD) wrist strap when handling the motherboard to prevent electrostatic damage. If an ESD wrist strap is not available, discharge yourself of static electricity by touching another metal object before handling the motherboard.

• Store the motherboard in an electrostatic shielding container or on an anti-static pad whenever the motherboard is not installed.

• Before turning on the computer, ensure that there are no loose screws or metal components on the motherboard or anywhere within the computer case.

• Do not boot the computer before installation is completed. This could cause permanent damage to the components as well as injury to the user.

• If you need help during any installation step, please consult a certified computer technician.

• Always turn off the power supply and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing any computer component.

• Keep this user guide for future reference.

• Keep this motherboard away from humidity.

• Make sure that your electrical outlet provides the same voltage as is indicated on the PSU, before connecting the PSU to the electrical outlet.

• Place the power cord such a way that people can not step on it. Do not place anything over the power cord.

• All cautions and warnings on the motherboard should be noted.

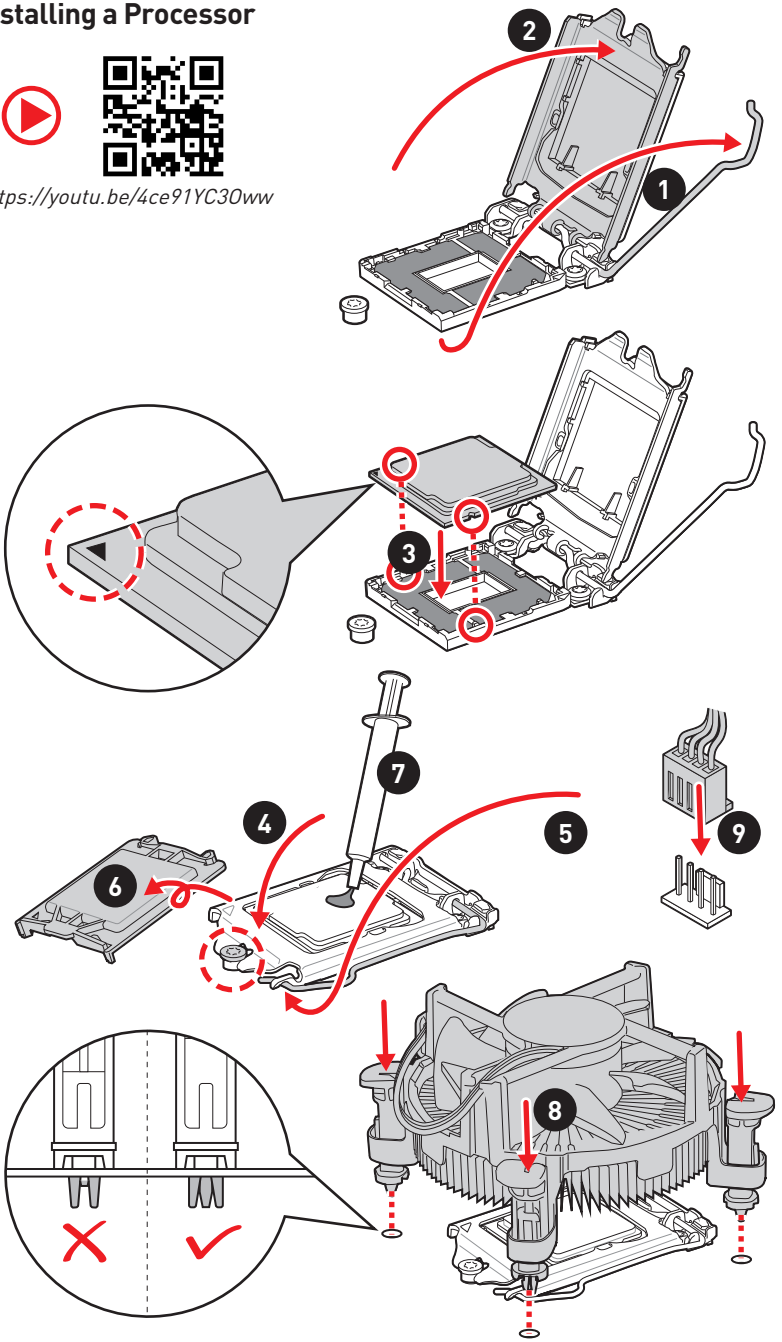
• If any of the following situations arises, get the motherboard checked by service personnel:

  - Liquid has penetrated into the computer.
  - The motherboard has been exposed to moisture.
  - The motherboard does not work well or you can not get it work according to user guide.
  - The motherboard has been dropped and damaged.
  - The motherboard has obvious sign of breakage.

• Do not leave this motherboard in an environment above 60°C (140°F), it may damage the motherboard.

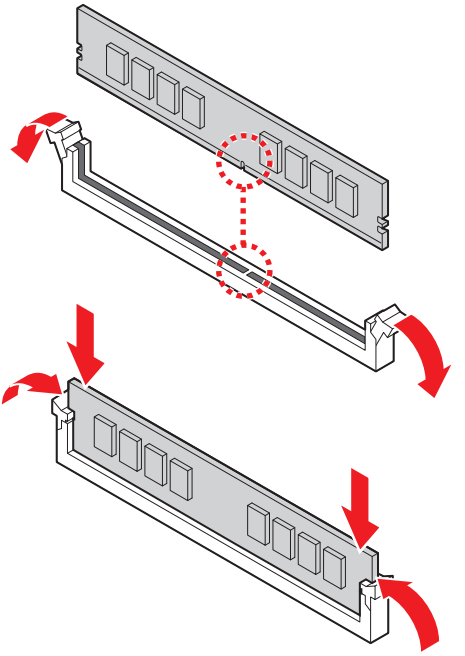
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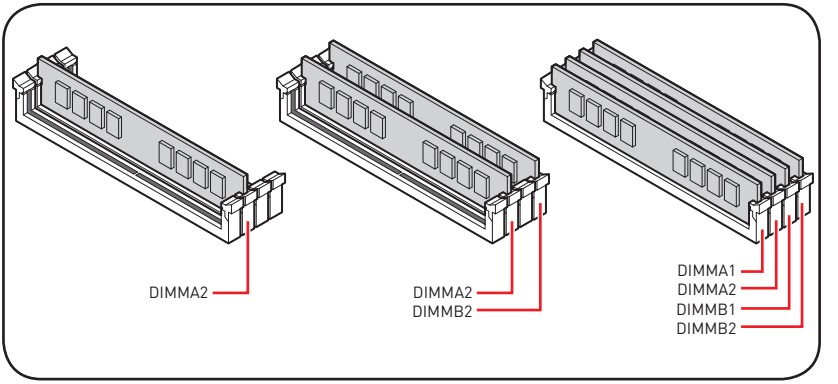
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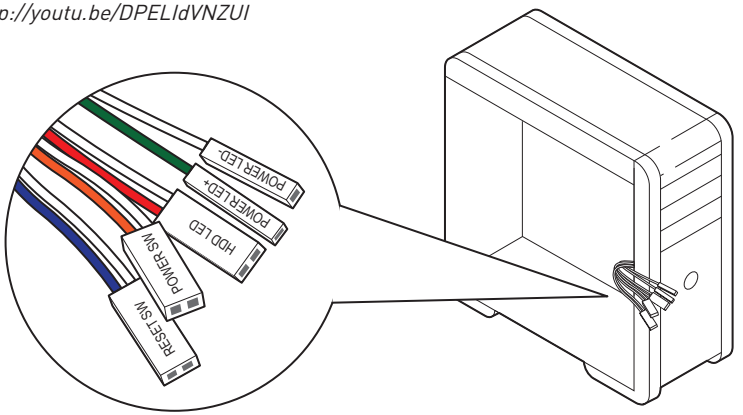
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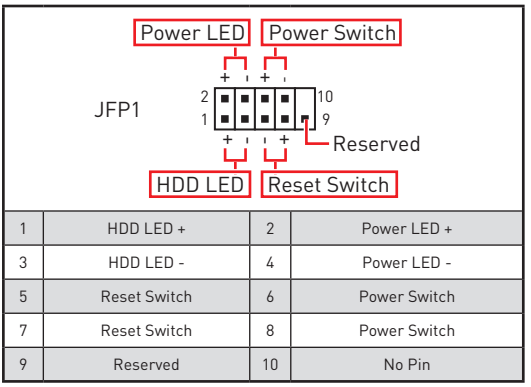




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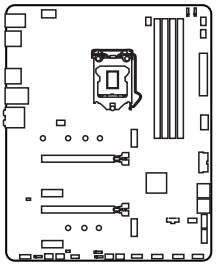
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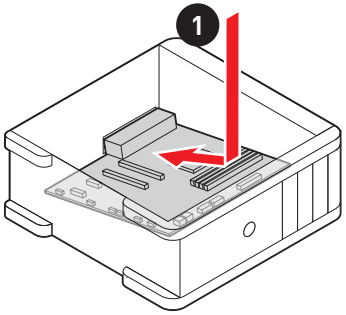


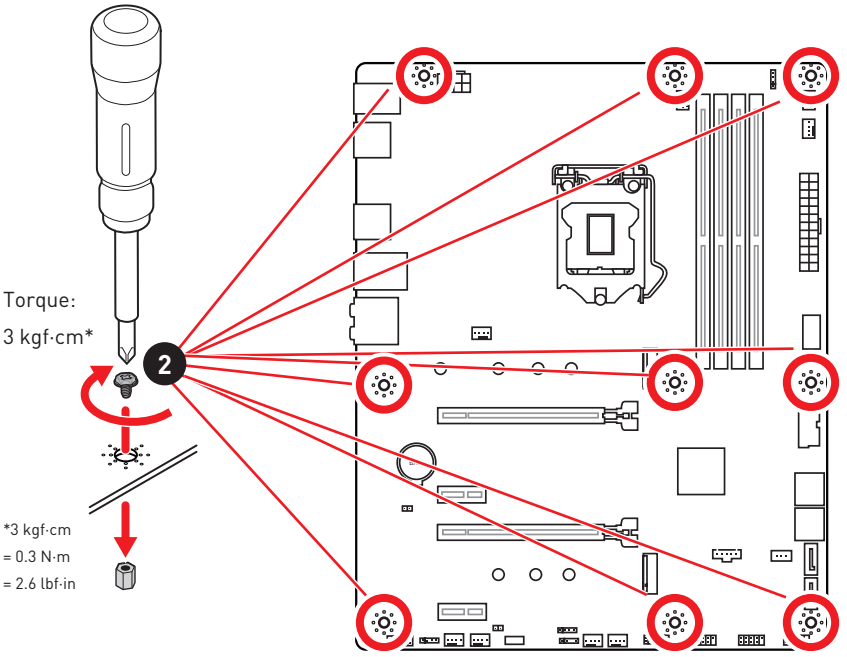
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7	Reset Switch	8	Power Switch
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Installing the Motherboard



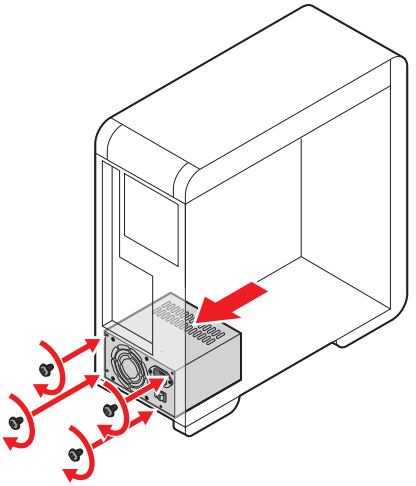
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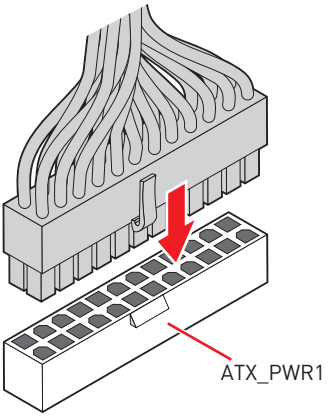


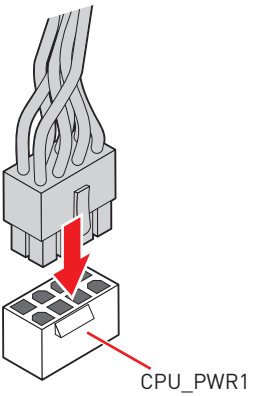


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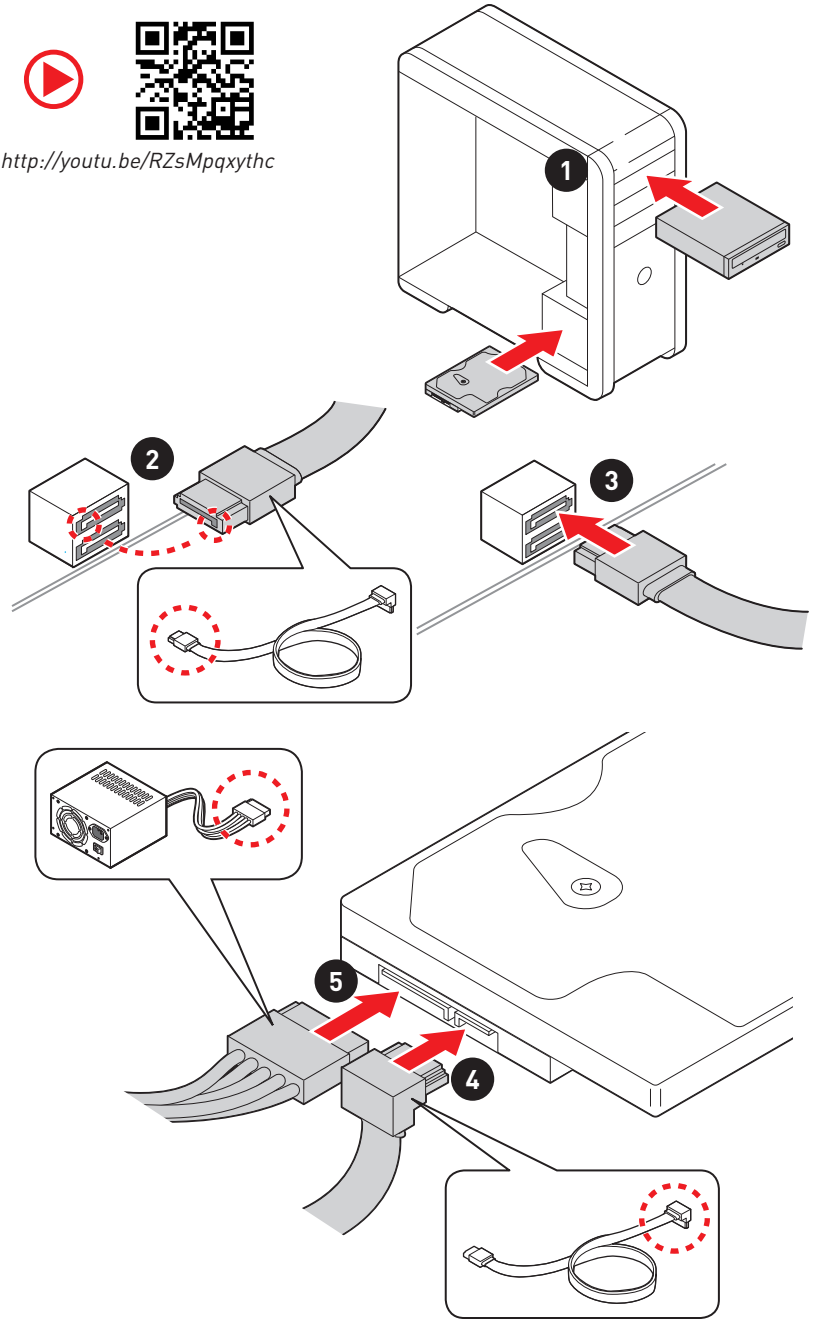






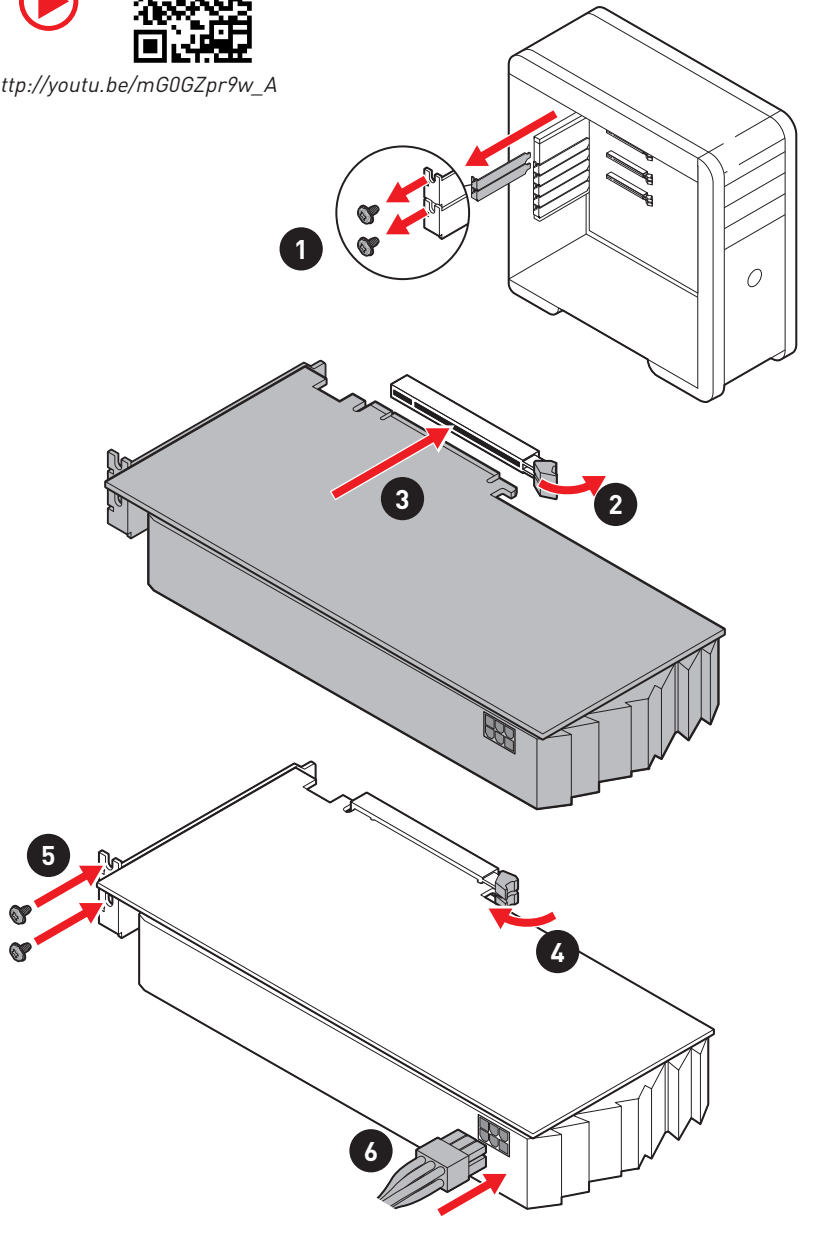
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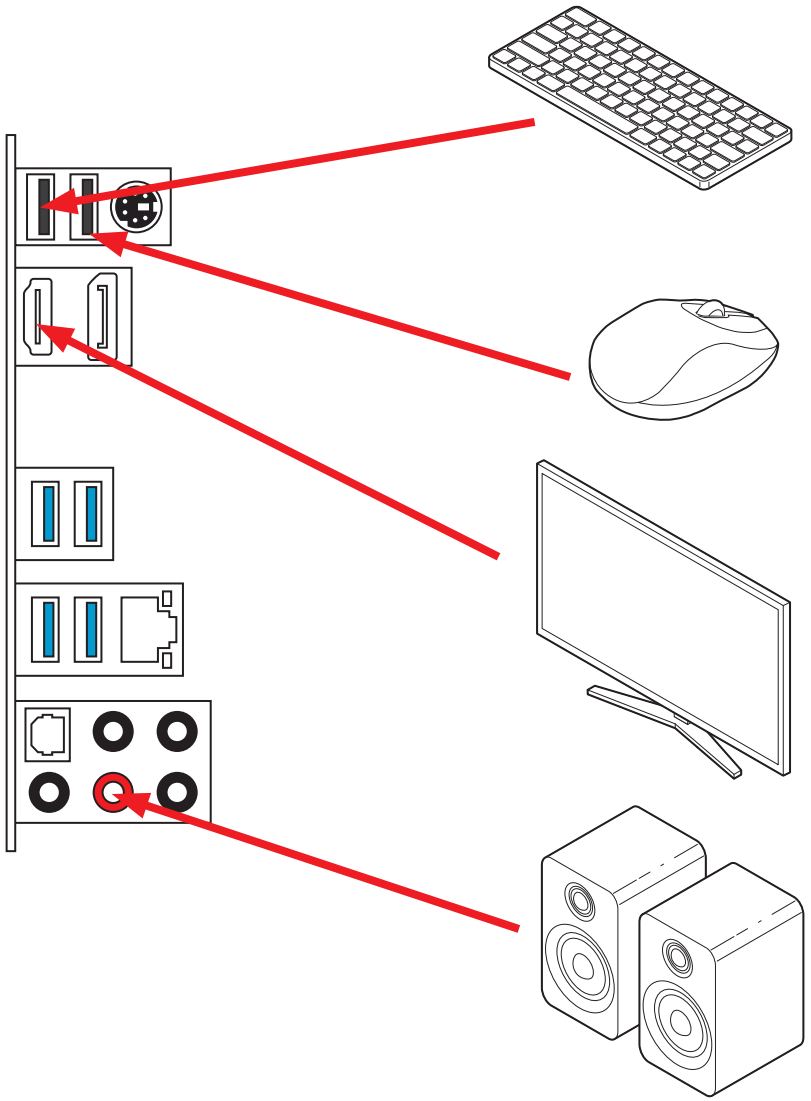


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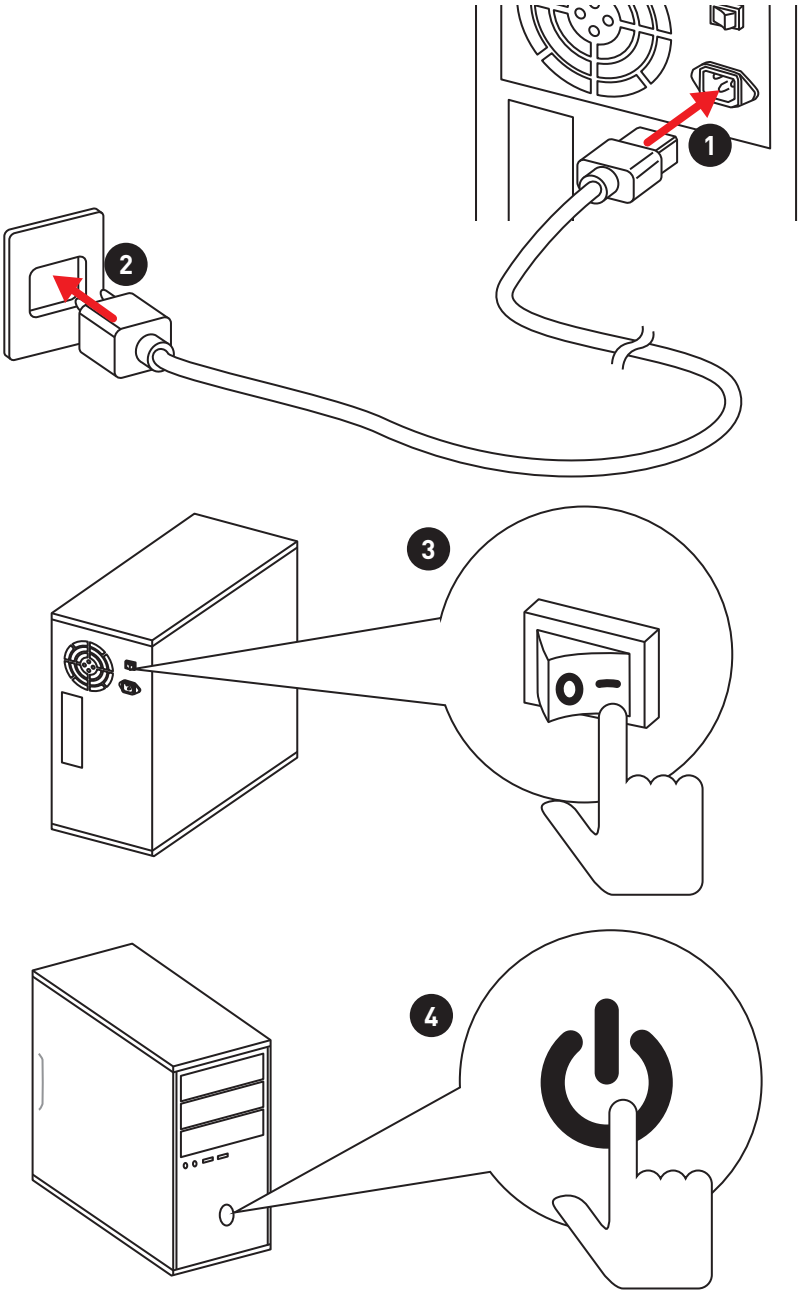
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Connecting Peripheral Devices



Power On



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Specifications

CPU	Supports 10th Gen Intel® Core™ and Pentium® Gold / Celeron® processors for LGA 1200 socket* * Please go to www.intel.com for more compatibility information. * Onboard graphics output are disabled when using F SKU processors.
Chipset	Intel® B460 Chipset
Memory	• 4x DDR4 memory slots, support up to 128GB* • Intel® Core™ i7/ i9 ▪ Supports up to DDR4 2933 MHz • Intel® Core™ i5 and below ▪ Supports up to DDR4 2666 MHz • Supports Dual-Channel mode • Supports non-ECC, un-buffered memory • Supports Intel® Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) * Please refer www.msi.com for more information on compatible memory.
Expansion Slot	• 1x PCIe 3.0 x16 slot (From CPU, PCI_E1), supports x16 mode • 1x PCIe 3.0 x16 slot (From PCH, PCI_E3), supports x4 mode* • 2x PCIe 3.0 x1 slots (From PCH) * PCI_E3 will be unavailable when installing M.2 SSD in the M2_2 slot.
Onboard Graphics	• 1x HDMI port, supports a maximum resolution of 4096x2160 @30Hz • 1x DisplayPort, supports a maximum resolution of 4096x2304 @60Hz
Audio	• Realtek® ALC1200 Codec ▪ 7.1-Channel High Definition Audio ▪ Supports S/PDIF output
LAN	• 1x Realtek® RTL8125B 2.5Gbps LAN controller

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Storage	Intel® B460 Chipset • 6x SATA 6Gb/s ports* • 2x M.2 slots (Key M) ▪ M2_1 supports up to PCIe 3.0 x4 and SATA 6Gb/s, 2242/ 2260/ 2280/ 22110 storage devices* ▪ M2_2 supports up to PCIe 3.0 x4, 2242/ 2260/ 2280 storage devices** ▪ Intel® Optane™ Memory Ready (M2_2 only)*** ▪ Supports Intel® Smart Response Technology for Intel Core™ processors * SATA1 will be unavailable when installing M.2 SATA SSD in the M2_1 slot. ** PCI_E3 will be unavailable when installing M.2 SSD in the M2_2 slot. *** Before using Intel® Optane™ memory modules, please ensure that you have updated the drivers and BIOS to the latest version from MSI website.
RAID	• Intel® B460 Chipset ▪ Supports RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 5 and RAID 10 for SATA storage devices
USB	• Intel® B460 Chipset ▪ 6x USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps ports (4 Type-A ports on the back panel, 2 ports through the internal USB 3.2 Gen 1 connector) ▪ 1x USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps port (1 Type-C internal connector) ▪ 6x USB 2.0 ports (2 Type-A ports on the back panel, 4 ports through the internal USB 2.0 connectors)
Back Panel Connectors	• 1x PS/2 keyboard/ mouse combo port • 2x USB 2.0 Type-A ports • 1x Display port • 1x HDMI port • 1x LAN (RJ45) port • 4x USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps Type-A ports • 5x Audio jacks • 1x Optical S/PDIF Out connector

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Internal Connectors	• 1x 24-pin ATX main power connector • 1x 8-pin ATX 12V power connector • 6x SATA 6Gb/s connectors • 2x M.2 slots (M-Key) • 1x USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps Type-C port • 1x USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps connector (supports additional 2 USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps ports) • 2x USB 2.0 connectors (supports additional 4 USB 2.0 ports) • 1x 4-pin CPU fan connector • 1x 4-pin water-pump fan connector • 6x 4-pin system fan connectors • 1x Front panel audio connector • 2x System panel connectors • 1x Chassis Intrusion connector • 2x 4-pin RGB LED connector • 2x 3-pin RAINBOW LED connectors • 1xTPM module connector • 1x Clear CMOS jumper • 1x TBT connector* • 1x RTD3 connector * Thunderbolt card needs to support RTD3.
LED Features	• 1x EZ LED Control switch • 4x EZ Debug LED
I/O Controller	NUVOTON NCT6687 Controller Chip
Hardware Monitor	• CPU/System temperature detection • CPU/System fan speed detection • CPU/System fan speed control
Form Factor	• ATX Form Factor • 12 in. x 9.6 in. (30.5 cm x 24.4 cm)

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BIOS Features	• 1x 128 Mb flash • UEFI AMI BIOS • ACPI 6.2, SMBIOS 3.2 • Multi-language
Software	• Drivers • DRAGON CENTER • MSI APP Player (BlueStacks) • Open Broadcaster Software (OBS) • CPU-Z MSI GAMING • Intel® Extreme Tuning Utility • Google Chrome™, Google Toolbar, Google Drive • Norton™ Internet Security Solution
Dragon Center Features	• Gaming Mode • Gaming Hotkey • LAN Manager • Mystic Light • User Scenario • Hardware Monitor • True Color • Live Update • DPC Latency Tuner • Speed Up • Smart Tool • Super Charger Please refer to http://download.msi.com/manual/mb/DRAGONCENTER2.pdf for more details.

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Special Features	• Audio ▪ Audio Boost • Network ▪ 2.5G LAN ▪ LAN Manager • Cooling ▪ M.2 Shield Frozr ▪ Pump Fan ▪ Smart Fan Control • LED ▪ Mystic Light ▪ Mystic Light Extension (RAINBOW/RGB) ▪ Mystic Light SYNC ▪ EZ LED Control ▪ EZ DEBUG LED • Performance ▪ DDR4 Boost ▪ Core Boost ▪ Front USB Type-C • Protection ▪ PCI-E Steel Armor ▪ Pre-installed I/O Shielding • Experience ▪ Dragon Center ▪ Click BIOS 5

Package contents

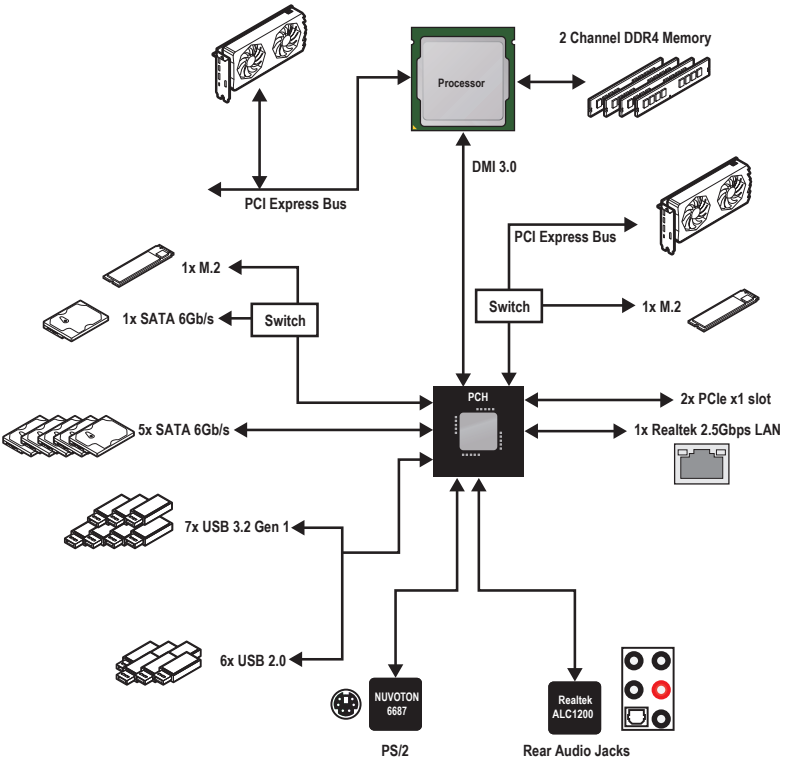
Please check the contents of your motherboard package. It should contain:

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Cable	SATA 6G cables (2 cables/pack)	1
Accessories	M.2 screws (3 pcs./pack)	1
	Case Badge	1
	Product registration card	1
Application	Driver DVD	1
Documentation	User manual	1
	Quick installation guide	1

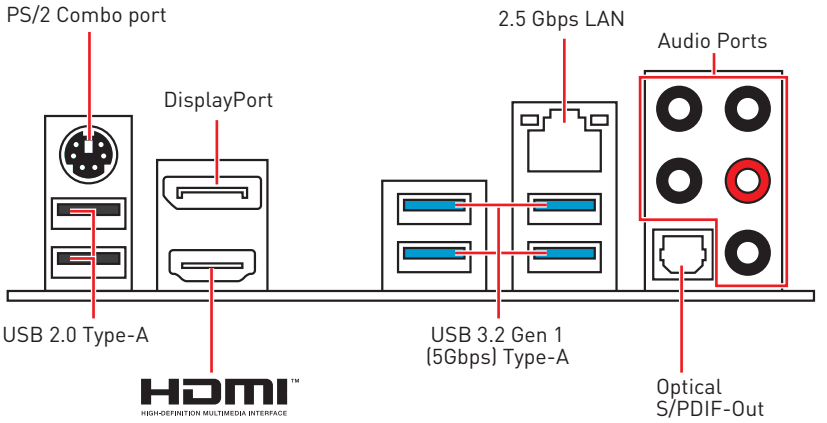
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If any of the above items are damaged or missing, please contact your retailer.

Block Diagram

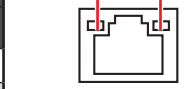


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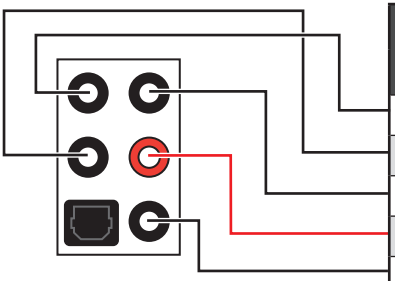
LAN Port LED Status Table

Link/ Activity LED	
Status	**Description**
Off	No link
Yellow	Linked
Blinking	Data activity



Speed LED	
Status	**2.5 Gbps LAN**
Off	10 Mbps
Green	100 Mbps/ 1 Gbps
Orange	2.5 Gbps

Audio Ports Configuration

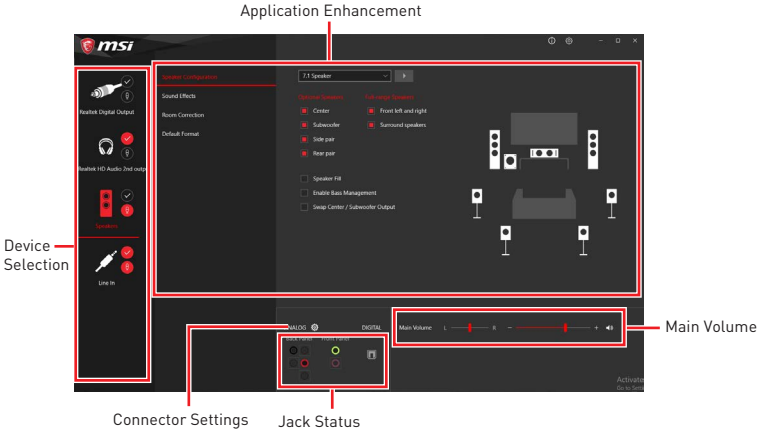


Audio Ports	Channel			
	2	4	6	8
Center/ Subwoofer Out			●	●
Rear Speaker Out		●	●	●
Line-In/ Side Speaker Out				●
Line-Out/ Front Speaker Out	●	●	●	●
Mic In				

(●: connected, **Blank**: empty)

Realtek Audio Console

After Realtek Audio Console is installed. You can use it to change sound settings to get better sound experience.



• **Device Selection** - allows you to select a audio output source to change the related options. The **check** sign indicates the devices as default.

• **Application Enhancement** - the array of options will provide you a complete guidance of anticipated sound effect for both output and input device.

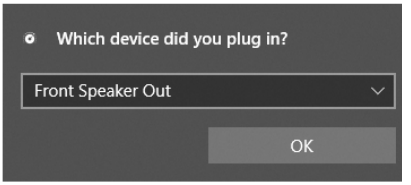
• **Main Volume** - controls the volume or balance the right/left side of the speakers that you plugged in front or rear panel by adjust the bar.

• **Jack Status** - depicts all render and capture devices currently connected with your computer.

• **Connector Settings** - configures the connection settings.

Auto popup dialog

When you plug into a device at an audio jack, a dialogue window will pop up asking you which device is current connected.

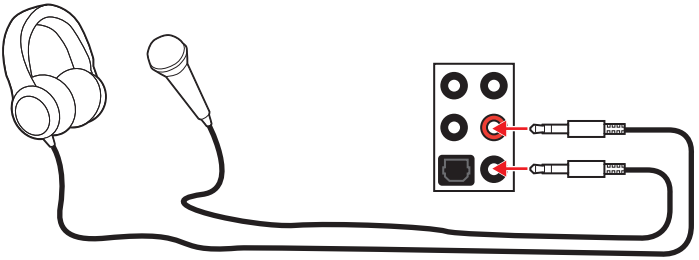


Each jack corresponds to its default setting as shown on the next page.

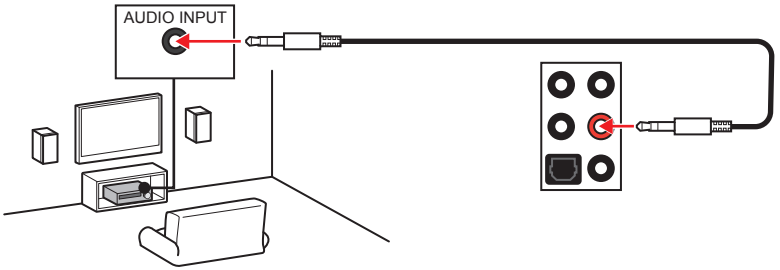
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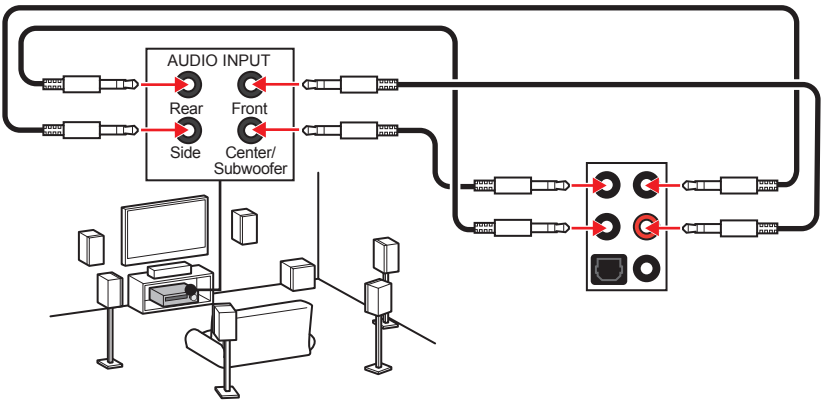
Audio jacks to headphone and microphone diagram



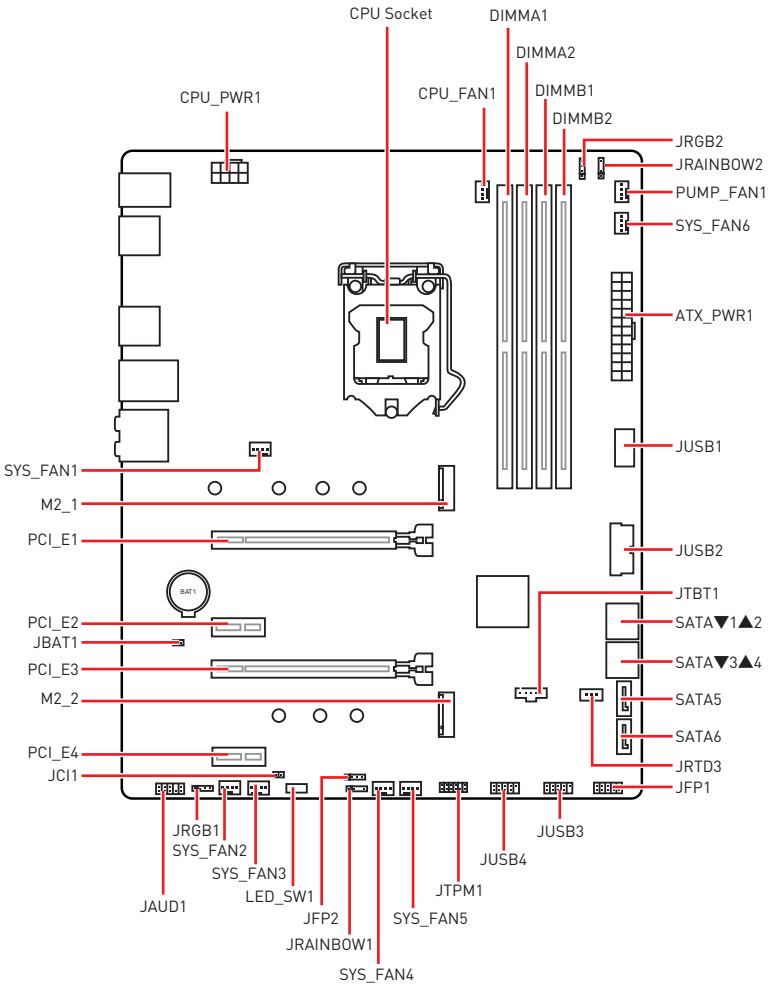
Audio jacks to stereo speakers diagram



Audio jacks to 7.1-channel speakers diagram



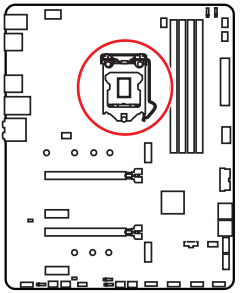
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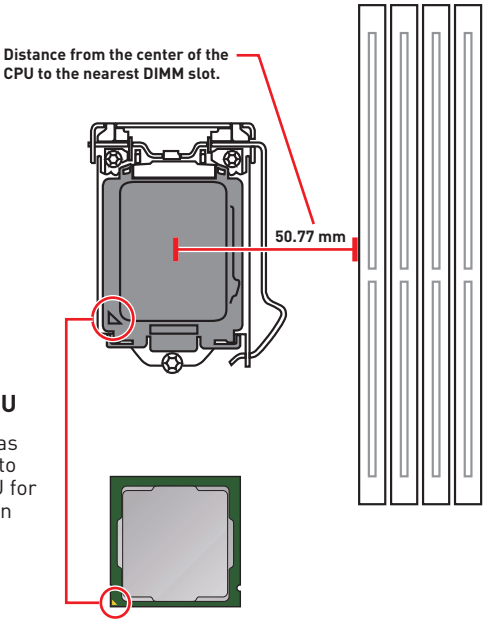


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CPU Socket





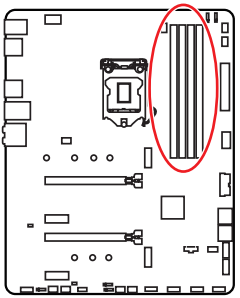
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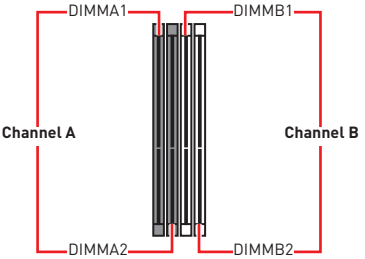
The surface of the LGA 1200 CPU has two **notches** and a **golden triangle** to assist in correctly lining up the CPU for motherboard placement. The golden triangle is the Pin 1 indicator.

Important

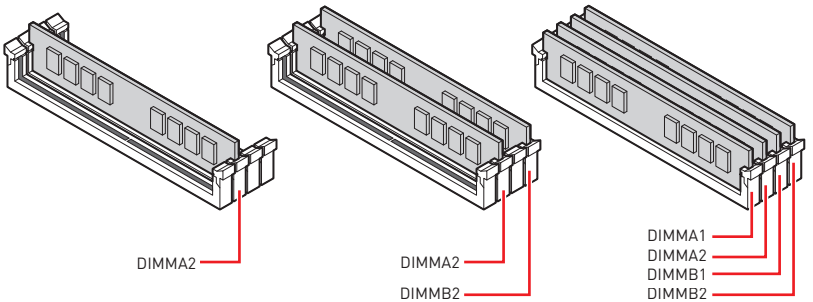
- *Always unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the CPU.*
- *Please retain the CPU protective cap after installing the processor. MSI will deal with Return Merchandise Authorization (RMA) requests if only the motherboard comes with the protective cap on the CPU socket.*
- *When installing a CPU, always remember to install a CPU heatsink. A CPU heatsink is necessary to prevent overheating and maintain system stability.*
- *Confirm that the CPU heatsink has formed a tight seal with the CPU before booting your system.*
- *Overheating can seriously damage the CPU and motherboard. Always make sure the cooling fans work properly to protect the CPU from overheating. Be sure to apply an even layer of thermal paste (or thermal tape) between the CPU and the heatsink to enhance heat dissipation.*
- *Whenever the CPU is not installed, always protect the CPU socket pins by covering the socket with the plastic cap.*
- *If you purchased a separate CPU and heatsink/ cooler, Please refer to the documentation in the heatsink/ cooler package for more details about installation.*
- *This motherboard is designed to support overclocking. Before attempting to overclock, please make sure that all other system components can tolerate overclocking. Any attempt to operate beyond product specifications is not recommended. MSI® does not guarantee the damages or risks caused by inadequate operation beyond product specifications.*

DIMM Slots





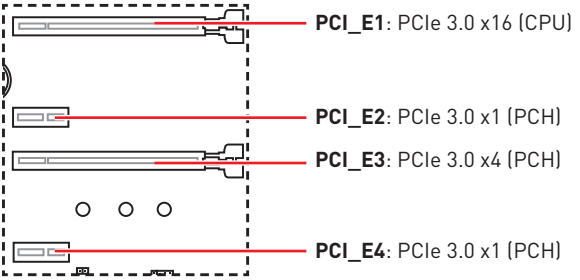
Memory module installation recommendation



Important

- *Always insert memory modules in the **DIMMA2** slot first.*
- *To ensure system stability for Dual channel mode, memory modules must be of the same type, number and density.*
- *Some memory modules may operate at a lower frequency than the marked value when overclocking due to the memory frequency operates dependent on its Serial Presence Detect (SPD). Go to BIOS and find the **DRAM Frequency** to set the memory frequency if you want to operate the memory at the marked or at a higher frequency.*
- *It is recommended to use a more efficient memory cooling system for full DIMMs installation or overclocking.*
- *The stability and compatibility of installed memory module depend on installed CPU and devices when overclocking.*
- *Please refer www.msi.com for more information on compatible memory.*

PCI_E1~4: PCIe Expansion Slots

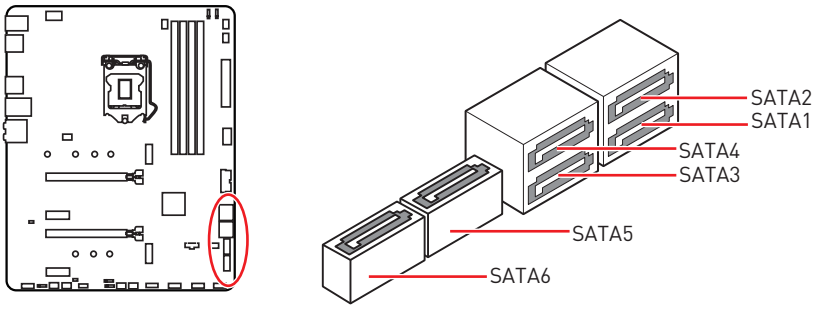


Important

- *PCI_E3 will be unavailable when installing M.2 SSD in the M2_2 slot.*
- *If you install a large and heavy graphics card, you need to use a tool such as **MSI Gaming Series Graphics Card Bolster** to support its weight to prevent deformation of the slot.*
- *For a single PCIe x16 expansion card installation with optimum performance, using the **PCI_E1** slot is recommended.*
- *When adding or removing expansion cards, always turn off the power supply and unplug the power supply power cable from the power outlet. Read the expansion card's documentation to check for any necessary additional hardware or software changes.*

SATA1~6: SATA 6Gb/s Connectors

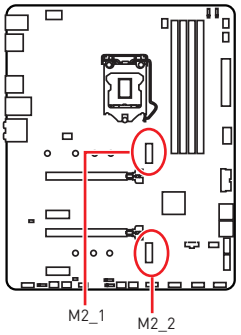
These connectors are SATA 6Gb/s interface ports. Each connector can connect to one SATA device.



Important

- *Please do not fold the SATA cable at a 90-degree angle. Data loss may result during transmission otherwise.*
- *SATA cables have identical plugs on either sides of the cable. However, it is recommended that the flat connector be connected to the motherboard for space saving purposes.*
- *SATA1 will be unavailable when installing M.2 SATA SSD in the M2_1 slot.*

M2_1~2: M.2 Slots (Key M)



Video Demonstration

Watch the video to learn how to Install M.2 module.

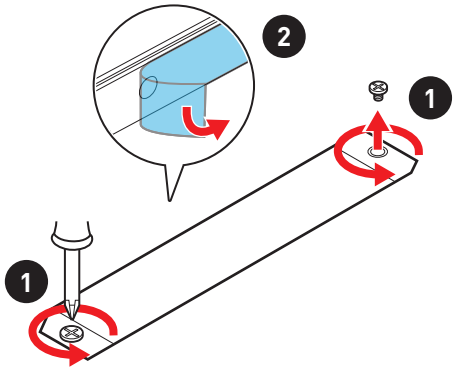
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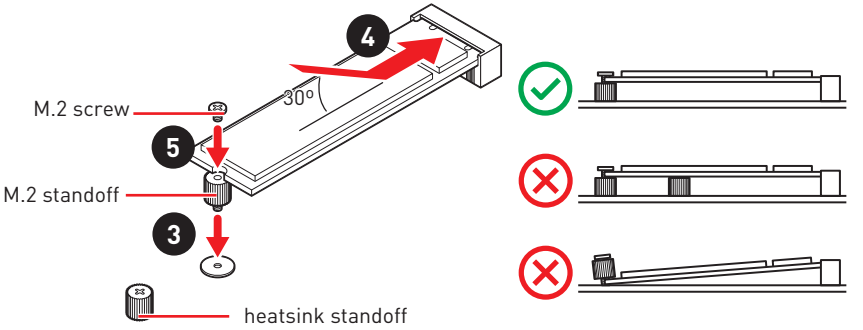
- *Intel® RST only supports PCIe M.2 SSD with UEFI ROM (M2_2 slot only).*
- *Intel® Optane™ Memory Ready for M2_2 slot.*

M2_1 slot installation

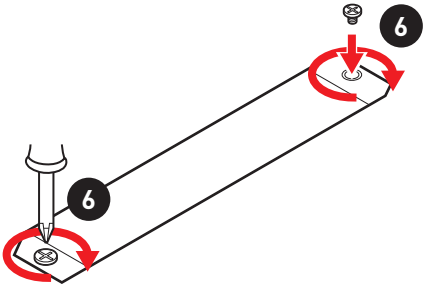
1. Loosen the screws of M.2 SHIELD FROZR heatsink.
2. Remove the M.2 SHIELD FROZR and remove the protective films from the thermal pads.



3. Move and fasten the M.2 standoff to the appropriate position for your M.2 SSD, or remove the M.2 standoff if your M.2 SSD length is same as the length of M.2 heatsink to avoid damage to the M.2 SSD.
4. Insert your M.2 SSD into the M.2 slot at a 30-degree angle.
5. Secure the M.2 SSD in place with the M.2 screw, or skip this step if you remove the M.2 standoff in step 3.



6. Put the M.2 SHIELD FROZR heatsink back in place and secure it.

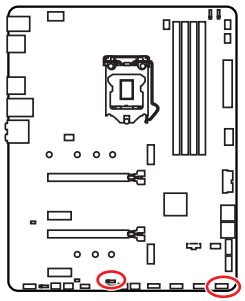


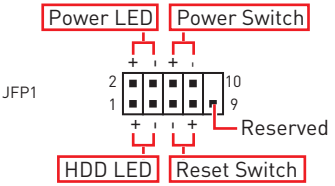
M2_2 slot installation

Please follows the step3, 4 and 5 to install the M.2 SSD to the M2_2 slot.

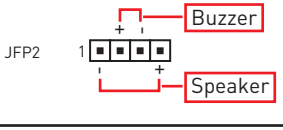
JFP1, JFP2: Front Panel Connectors

These connectors connect to the switches and LEDs on the front panel.





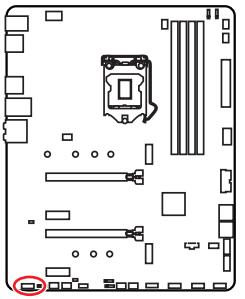
1	HDD LED +	2	Power LED +
3	HDD LED -	4	Power LED -
5	Reset Switch	6	Power Switch
7	Reset Switch	8	Power Switch
9	Reserved	10	No Pin

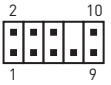


1	Speaker -	2	Buzzer +
3	Buzzer -	4	Speaker +

JAUD1: Front Audio Connector

This connector allows you to connect audio jacks on the front panel.

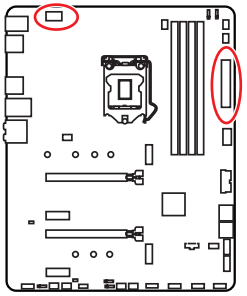




1	MIC L	2	Ground
3	MIC R	4	NC
5	Head Phone R	6	MIC Detection
7	SENSE_SEND	8	No Pin
9	Head Phone L	10	Head Phone Detection

CPU_PWR1, ATX_PWR1: Power Connectors

These connectors allow you to connect an ATX power supply.



8 4 5 1 CPU_PWR1

1	Ground	5	+12V
2	Ground	6	+12V
3	Ground	7	+12V
4	Ground	8	+12V

12 24 ATX_PWR1 1 13

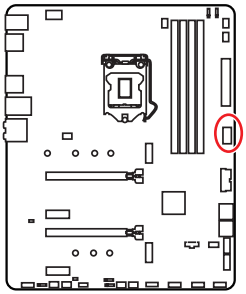
1	+3.3V	13	+3.3V
2	+3.3V	14	-12V
3	Ground	15	Ground
4	+5V	16	PS-ON#
5	Ground	17	Ground
6	+5V	18	Ground
7	Ground	19	Ground
8	PWR OK	20	Res
9	5VSB	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V	23	+5V
12	+3.3V	24	Ground

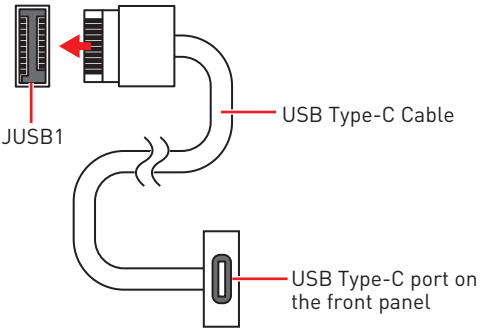
Important

Make sure that all the power cables are securely connected to a proper ATX power supply to ensure stable operation of the motherboard.

JUSB1: USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps Type-C Connector

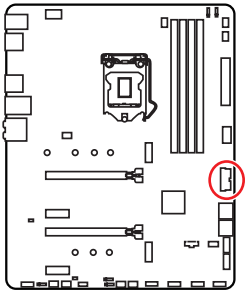
This connector allows you to connect USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps Type-C connector on the front panel. The connector possesses a foolproof design. When you connect the cable, be sure to connect it with the corresponding orientation.

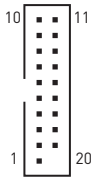




JUSB2: USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps Connector

This connector allows you to connect USB 3.2 Gen 1 5Gbps ports on the front panel.





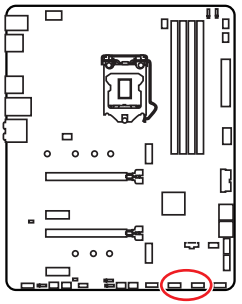
1	Power	11	USB2.0+
2	USB3_RX_DN	12	USB2.0-
3	USB3_RX_DP	13	Ground
4	Ground	14	USB3_TX_C_DP
5	USB3_TX_C_DN	15	USB3_TX_C_DN
6	USB3_TX_C_DP	16	Ground
7	Ground	17	USB3_RX_DP
8	USB2.0-	18	USB3_RX_DN
9	USB2.0+	19	Power
10	Ground	20	No Pin

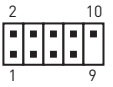
Important

Note that the Power and Ground pins must be connected correctly to avoid possible damage.

JUSB3~4: USB 2.0 Connectors

These connectors allow you to connect USB 2.0 ports on the front panel.





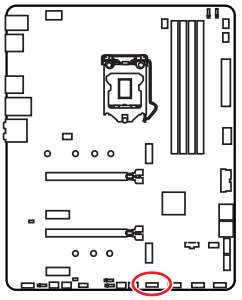
1	VCC	2	VCC
3	USB0-	4	USB1-
5	USB0+	6	USB1+
7	Ground	8	Ground
9	No Pin	10	NC

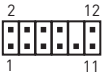
Important

- *Note that the VCC and Ground pins must be connected correctly to avoid possible damage.*
- *In order to recharge your iPad,iPhone and iPod through USB ports, please install MSI® DRAGON CENTER utility.*

JTPM1: TPM Module Connector

This connector is for TPM (Trusted Platform Module). Please refer to the TPM security platform manual for more details and usages.

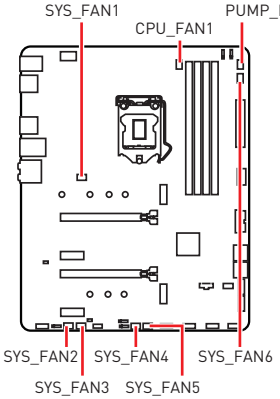




1	SPI Power	2	SPI Chip Select
3	Master In Slave Out (SPI Data)	4	Master In Slave In (SPI Data)
5	Reserved	6	SPI Clock
7	Ground	8	SPI Reset
9	Reserved	10	No Pin
11	Reserved	12	Interrupt Request

CPU_FAN1, PUMP_FAN1, SYS_FAN1~6: Fan Connectors

Fan connectors can be classified as PWM (Pulse Width Modulation) Mode or DC Mode. PWM Mode fan connectors provide constant 12V output and adjust fan speed with speed control signal. DC Mode fan connectors control fan speed by changing voltage. You can follow the instruction below to adjust the fan connector to PWM or DC Mode manually.

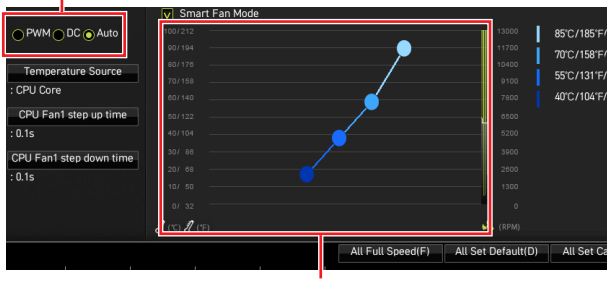


Connector	Default fan mode	Max. current	Max. power
CPU_FAN1	PWM mode	2A	24W
PUMP_FAN1	PWM mode	3A	36W
SYS_FAN1~6	DC mode	2A	24W

Switching fan mode and adjusting fan speed

You can switch between PWM mode and DC mode and adjust fan speed in **BIOS > HARDWARE MONITOR**.

Select **PWM** mode or **DC** mode



There are gradient points of the fan speed that allow you to adjust fan speed in relation to CPU temperature.

Important

Make sure fans are working properly after switching the PWM/ DC mode.

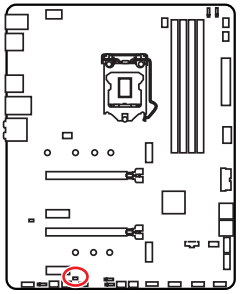
Pin definition of fan connectors

1	PWM Mode pin definition		
1	Ground	2	+12V
3	Sense	4	Speed Control Signal

1	DC Mode pin definition		
1	Ground	2	Voltage Control
3	Sense	4	NC

JCI1: Chassis Intrusion Connector

This connector allows you to connect the chassis intrusion switch cable.





Normal (default)



Trigger the chassis intrusion event

Using chassis intrusion detector

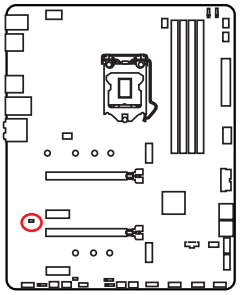
1. Connect the **JCI1** connector to the chassis intrusion switch/ sensor on the chassis.
2. Close the chassis cover.
3. Go to **BIOS > SETTINGS > Security > Chassis Intrusion Configuration**.
4. Set **Chassis Intrusion** to **Enabled**.
5. Press **F10** to save and exit and then press the **Enter** key to select **Yes**.
6. Once the chassis cover is opened again, a warning message will be displayed on screen when the computer is turned on.

Resetting the chassis intrusion warning

1. Go to **BIOS > SETTINGS > Security > Chassis Intrusion Configuration**.
2. Set **Chassis Intrusion** to **Reset**.
3. Press **F10** to save and exit and then press the **Enter** key to select **Yes**.

JBAT1: Clear CMOS (Reset BIOS) Jumper

There is CMOS memory onboard that is external powered from a battery located on the motherboard to save system configuration data. If you want to clear the system configuration, set the jumpers to clear the CMOS memory.





Keep Data (default)



Clear CMOS/ Reset BIOS

Resetting BIOS to default values

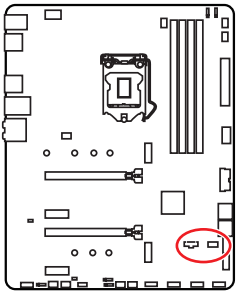
1. Power off the computer and unplug the power cord.
2. Use a jumper cap to short **JBAT1** for about **5-10** seconds.
3. Remove the jumper cap from **JBAT1**.
4. Plug the power cord and Power on the computer.

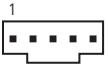
JTBT1: Thunderbolt Add-on Card Connector

This connector allows you to connect the add-on Thunderbolt I/O card.

JRTD3: Intel RTD3 Connector

This connector allows you to connect the RTD3 connector on the add-on Thunderbolt I/O card that supports RTD3.





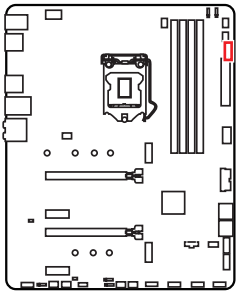
1	FORCE_PWR	2	SCI_EVENT
3	SLP_S3#	4	SLP_S5#
5	Ground		



1	WAKE	2	PWR EN
3	GND		

EZ Debug LED

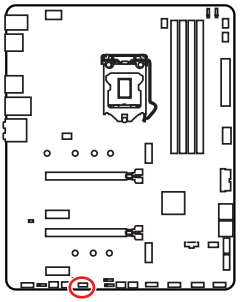
These LEDs indicate the debug status of the motherboard.

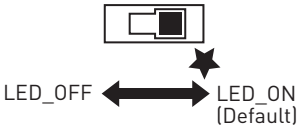


- **CPU** - indicates CPU is not detected or fail.
- **DRAM** - indicates DRAM is not detected or fail.
- **VGA** - indicates GPU is not detected or fail.
- **BOOT** - indicates the booting device is not detected or fail.

LED_SW1: EZ LED Control

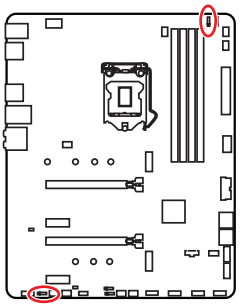
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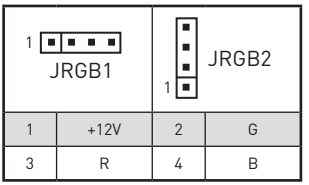




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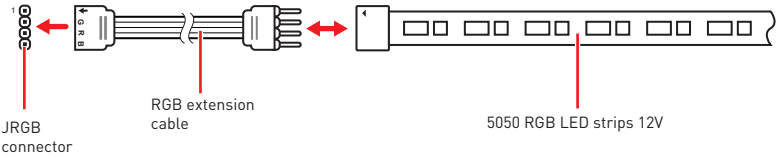
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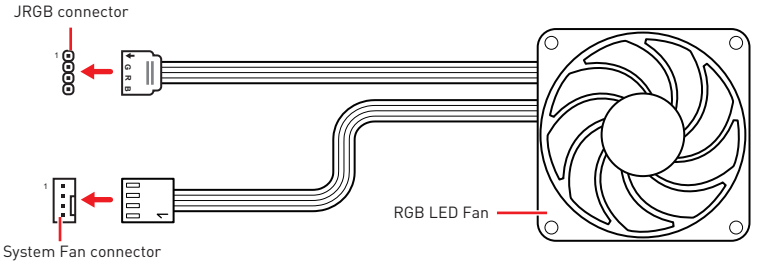


1	+12V	2	G
3	R	4	B

RGB LED Strip Connection



RGB LED Fan Connection

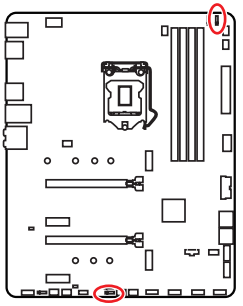


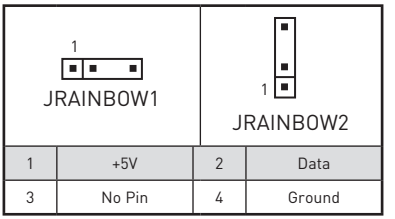
Important

- *The JRGB connector supports up to 2 meters continuous 5050 RGB LED strips (12V/G/R/B) with the maximum power rating of 3A (12V).*
- *Always turn off the power supply and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the RGB LED strip.*
- *Please use MSI's software to control the extended LED strip.*

JRAINBOW1~2: Addressable RGB LED connectors

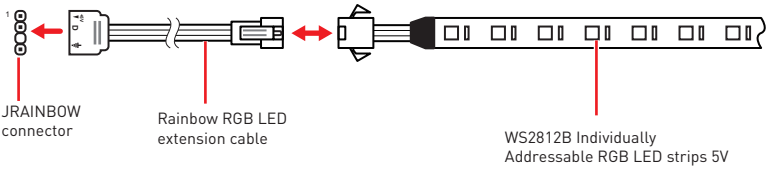
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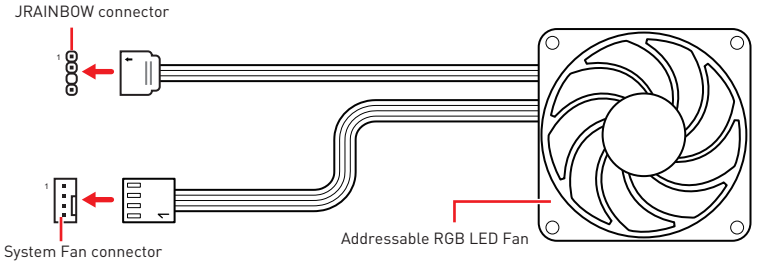


1	+5V	2	Data
3	No Pin	4	Ground

Addressable RGB LED Strip Connection



Addressable RGB LED Fan Connection



CAUTION

Do not connect the wrong type of LED strips. The JRGB connector and the JRAINBOW connector provide different voltages, and connecting the 5V LED strip to the JRGB connector will result in damage to the LED strip.

Important

- *The JRAINBOW connector supports up to 75 LEDs WS2812B Individually Addressable RGB LED strips (5V/Data/Ground) with the maximum power rating of 3A (5V). In the case of 20% brightness, the connector supports up to 200 LEDs.*
- *Always turn off the power supply and unplug the power cord from the power outlet before installing or removing the RGB LED strip.*
- *Please use MSI's software to control the extended LED strip.*

Installing OS, Drivers & Utilities

Please download and update the latest utilities and drivers at www.msi.com

Installing Windows® 10

1. Power on the computer.
2. Insert the Windows® 10 installation disc/USB into your computer.
3. Press the **Restart** button on the computer case.
4. Press **F11** key during the computer POST (Power-On Self Test) to get into Boot Menu.
5. Select the Windows® 10 installation disc/USB from the Boot Menu.
6. Press any key when screen shows **Press any key to boot from CD or DVD...** message.
7. Follow the instructions on the screen to install Windows® 10.

Installing Drivers

1. Start up your computer in Windows® 10.
2. Insert MSI® Drive Disc into your optical drive.
3. Click the **Select to choose what happens with this disc** pop-up notification, then select **Run DVDSetup.exe** to open the installer. If you turn off the AutoPlay feature from the Windows Control Panel, you can still manually execute the **DVDSetup.exe** from the root path of the MSI Drive Disc.
4. The installer will find and list all necessary drivers in the **Drivers/Software** tab.
5. Click the **Install** button in the lower-right corner of the window.
6. The drivers installation will then be in progress, after it has finished it will prompt you to restart.
7. Click **OK** button to finish.
8. Restart your computer.

Installing Utilities

Before you install utilities, you must complete drivers installation.

1. Open the installer as described above.
2. Click the **Utilities** tab.
3. Select the utilities you want to install.
4. Click the **Install** button in the lower-right corner of the window.
5. The utilities installation will then be in progress, after it has finished it will prompt you to restart.
6. Click **OK** button to finish.
7. Restart your computer.

UEFI BIOS

MSI UEFI BIOS is compatible with UEFI (Unified Extensible Firmware Interface) architecture. UEFI has many new functions and advantages that traditional BIOS cannot achieve, and it will completely replace BIOS in the future. The MSI UEFI BIOS uses UEFI as the default boot mode to take full advantage of the new chipset's capabilities. However, it still has a CSM (Compatibility Support Module) mode to be compatible with older devices. That allows you to replace legacy devices with UEFI compatible devices during the transition.

Important

The term BIOS in this user guide refers to UEFI BIOS unless otherwise noted.

UEFI advantages

• Fast booting - UEFI can directly boot the operating system and save the BIOS self-test process. And also eliminates the time to switch to CSM mode during POST.

• Supports for hard drive partitions larger than 2 TB.

• Supports more than 4 primary partitions with a GUID Partition Table (GPT).

• Supports unlimited number of partitions.

• Supports full capabilities of new devices - new devices may not provide backward compatibility.

• Supports secure startup - UEFI can check the validity of the operating system to ensure that no malware tampers with the startup process.

Incompatible UEFI cases

• **32-bit Windows operating system** - this motherboard supports only Windows 10 64-bit operating system.

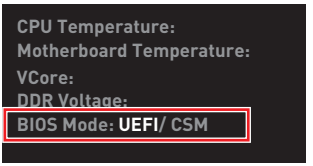
• **Older graphics card** - the system will detect your graphics card. When display a warning message **There is no GOP (Graphics Output protocol) support detected in this graphics card**.

Important

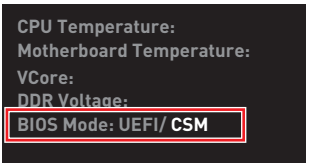
We recommend that you to use a GOP/ UEFI compatible graphics card.

How to check the BIOS mode?

After entering the BIOS, find the BIOS Mode at the top of the screen.



UEFI boot mode



CSM boot mode

BIOS Setup

The default settings offer the optimal performance for system stability in normal conditions. You should **always keep the default settings** to avoid possible system damage or failure booting unless you are familiar with BIOS.

Important

- *BIOS items are continuously update for better system performance. Therefore, the description may be slightly different from the latest BIOS and should be for reference only. You could also refer to the **HELP** information panel for BIOS item description.*
- *The pictures in this chapter are for reference only and may vary from the product you purchased.*
- *The BIOS items will vary with the processor.*

Entering BIOS Setup

Press **Delete** key, when the **Press DEL key to enter Setup Menu, F11 to enter Boot Menu** message appears on the screen during the boot process.

Function key

F1: General Help list

F2: Add/ Remove a favorite item

F3: Enter Favorites menu

F4: Enter CPU Specifications menu

F5: Enter Memory-Z menu

F6: Load optimized defaults

F7: Switch between Advanced mode and EZ mode

F8: Load Overclocking Profile

F9: Save Overclocking Profile

F10: Save Change and Reset*

F12: Take a screenshot and save it to USB flash drive (FAT/ FAT32 format only).

Ctrl+F: Enter Search page

* When you press F10, a confirmation window appears and it provides the modification information. Select between Yes or No to confirm your choice.

Resetting BIOS

You might need to restore the default BIOS setting to solve certain problems. There are several ways to reset BIOS:

- Go to BIOS and press **F6** to load optimized defaults.
- Short the **Clear CMOS** jumper on the motherboard.

Important

*Be sure the computer is off before clearing CMOS data. Please refer to the **Clear CMOS** jumper section for resetting BIOS.*

Updating BIOS

Updating BIOS with M-FLASH

Before updating:

Please download the latest BIOS file that matches your motherboard model from MSI website. And then save the BIOS file into the USB flash drive.

Updating BIOS:

1. Insert the USB flash drive that contains the update file into the USB port.
2. Please refer the following methods to enter flash mode.

   ▪ Reboot and press **Ctrl + F5** key during POST and click on **Yes** to reboot the system.

   ▪ Reboot and press **Del** key during POST to enter BIOS. Click the **M-FLASH** button and click on **Yes** to reboot the system.

3. Select a BIOS file to perform the BIOS update process.
4. When prompted click on Yes to start recovering BIOS.
5. After the flashing process is 100% completed, the system will reboot automatically.

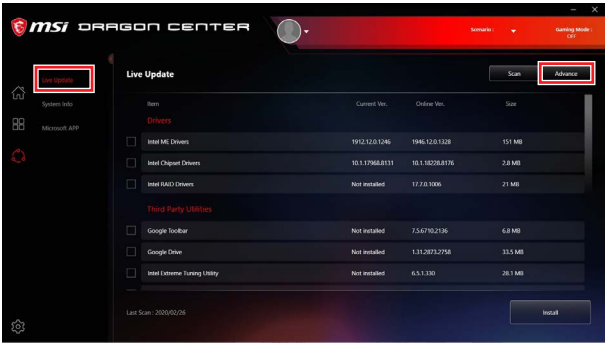
Updating the BIOS with MSI DRAGON CENTER

Before updating:

Make sure the LAN driver is already installed and the internet connection is set properly.

Updating BIOS:

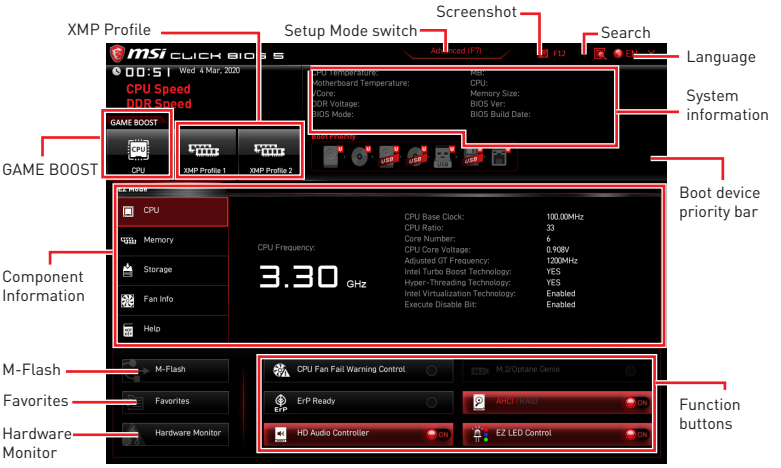
1. Install and launch MSI DRAGON CENTER and go to **Support** page.
2. Select **Live Update** and click on Advance button.



3. Click on **Scan** button to search the latest BIOS file.
4. Select the BIOS file and click on **Download** icon to download and install the latest BIOS file.
5. Click **Next** and choose **In Windows mode**. And then click **Next** and **Start** to start updating BIOS.
6. After the flashing process is 100% completed, the system will restart automatically.

EZ Mode

At EZ mode, it provides the basic system information and allows you to configure the basic setting. To configure the advanced BIOS settings, please enter the Advanced Mode by pressing the **Setup Mode switch** or **F7** function key.



• **GAME BOOST** - click on it to toggle the GAME BOOST for overclocking. This function is only available when both of the motherboard and CPU are supporting this function.

Important

*Please don't make any changes in OC menu and don't load defaults to keep the optimal performance and system stability after activating the **GAME BOOST** function.*

• **XMP Profile** - allows you to select the XMP profile for memory to overclock. This function is only available when the system, memory and CPU are supporting this function.

• **Setup Mode switch** - press this tab or the **F7** key to switch between Advanced mode and EZ mode.

• **Screenshot** - click on this tab or the **F12** key to take a screenshot and save it to USB flash drive (FAT/ FAT32 format only).

• **Search** - click on this tab or the **Ctrl+F** keys to enter the search page. It allows you to search by BIOS item name. Move the mouse over a blank space and right click the mouse to exit the search page.

Important

In search page, only the F6, F10 and F12 function keys are available.

• **Language** - allows you to select language of BIOS setup.

• **System information** - shows the CPU/ DDR speed, CPU/ MB temperature, MB/ CPU type, memory size, CPU/ DDR voltage, BIOS version and build date.

• **Boot device priority bar** - you can move the device icons to change the boot priority. The boot priority from high to low is left to right.

• **Component Information** - click on the **CPU**, **Memory**, **Storage**, **Fan Info** and **Help** buttons to show the information of connected component.

• **Function buttons** - enable or disable these functions by clicking on these buttons. The function is enabled when the button shows **ON** .

Important

The function buttons will vary with the motherboard you purchased.

• **M-Flash** - click on this button to enter the **M-Flash** menu that provides the way to update BIOS with a USB flash drive.

• **Hardware Monitor** - click on this button to enter the **Hardware Monitor** menu that allows you to manually control the fan speed by percentage.

• **Favorites** - click on this button or press the **F3** key to show the **Favorites** window. It provides 5 menus for you to create personal BIOS menu where you can save and access favorite/ frequently-used BIOS setting items.



- **To add a BIOS item to a favorite menu**

1. Select a BIOS item not only on BIOS menu but also on search page.
2. Right-click or press **F2** key.
3. Choose a favorite page and click on **OK.**



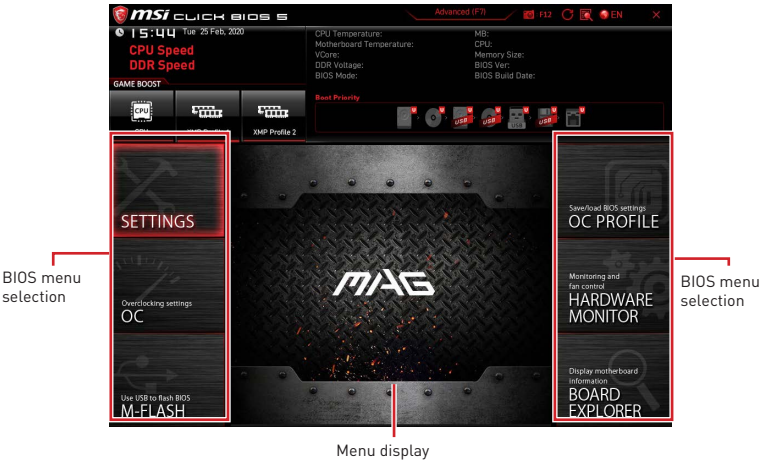
- **To delete a BIOS item from favorite menu**

1. Select a BIOS item on favorite menu.
2. Right-click or press **F2** key.
3. Choose **Delete** and click on **OK**.



Advanced Mode

Press **Setup Mode switch** or **F7** function key can switch between EZ Mode and Advanced Mode in BIOS setup.



- **BIOS menu selection** - the following options are available:
  - **SETTINGS** - allows you to specify the parameters for chipset and boot devices.
  - **OC** - allows you to adjust the frequency and voltage. Increasing the frequency may get better performance.
  - **M-FLASH** - provides the way to update BIOS with a USB flash drive.
  - **OC PROFILE** - allows you to manage overclocking profiles.
  - **HARDWARE MONITOR** - allows you to set the speeds of fans and monitor voltages of system.
  - **BOARD EXPLORER** - provides the information of installed devices on this motherboard.
- **Menu display** - provides BIOS setting items and information to be configured.

SETTINGS Menu

This menu allows you to specify the parameters for system, chipset and boot devices.

▶ System Status sub-menu

The System Status sub-menu allows you to set the system clock and view system information.

▶ System Date

Sets the system date. Use tab key to switch between date elements.

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

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

▶ System Time

Sets the system time. Use tab key to switch between time elements.

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

▶ SATA PortX/ M2_X

Shows the information of connected SATA/ M.2 device.

Important

If the connected SATA/ M.2 device is not displayed, turn off computer and re-check SATA/ M.2 cable and power cable connections of the device and motherboard.

▶ System Information

Shows detailed system information, including CPU type, BIOS version, and Memory (read only).

▶ DMI Information

Shows system information, desktop board information and chassis information.

▶ Advanced sub-menu

The Advanced sub-menu allows you to adjust and set the parameters and behaviors of PCIe, ACPI, integrated peripherals, integrated graphics, USB, power management and Windows .

▶ PCIe/PCI Sub-system Settings sub-menu

Sets PCI, PCI express interface protocol and latency timer.

▶ ACPI Settings sub-menu

Sets ACPI parameters of onboard power LED behaviors.

▶ Integrated Peripherals sub-menu

Sets integrated peripherals' parameters, such as LAN, Wi-Fi, HDD, SSD, USB and audio.

▶ Integrated Graphics Configuration sub-menu

Adjusts integrated graphics settings for optimum system. This sub-menu is only available when using the CPU which integrate with IGP.

▶ USB Configuration sub-menu

Sets the onboard USB controller and device function. Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu.

▶ Power Management Setup sub-menu

Sets system Power Management of ErP and AC Power Loss behaviors. You can optimize the system power consumption in this menu.

▶ BIOS UEFI/CSM Mode [UEFI]

Select CSM (Compatibility Support Module) or UEFI mode to meet the system requirement.

[CSM]	For the non-UEFI driver add-on devices or non-UEFI mode OS.
[UEFI]	For the UEFI driver add-on devices and UEFI mode OS.

▶ Wake Up Event Setup sub-menu

Sets system wake up behaviors for different sleep modes.

▶ Secure Erase+

Enables or disables Secure Erase+ function. **Secure Erase+** is the best way to effectively wipe all data from a SSD. Please note that data of SSD will be erased after enabling **Secure Erase+**.

▶ NVMe SSD Self-Test

Enables or disables the internal check of SSD health, ensure NVMe device is operating as expected. This function is only supported with NVMe 1.3 compatible (and above) SSD devices.

▶ Boot sub-menu

Use this menu to set the system boot states and the sequence of system boot devices.

▶ Security sub-menu

Use this menu to set the administrator password and the user password for system security. This menu also allows you to set the TPM (Trusted Platform Module) function.

Important

*When selecting the Administrator / User Password items, a password box will appear on the screen. Type the password then press **Enter**. The password typed now will replace any previous set password from CMOS memory. You will be prompted to confirm the password. You may also press **Esc** key to abort the selection.*

*To clear a set password, press **Enter** when you are prompted to enter a new password. A message will confirm the password is being disabled. Once the password is disabled, you can enter the setup and OS without authorization.*

▶ Save & Exit

This menu allows you to load the BIOS default values or factory default settings into the BIOS and exit the BIOS setup utility with or without changes.

OC Menu

This menu allows you to configure the frequencies and voltages for overclocking. Please note that, higher frequency and voltage may benefit overclocking capability but cause system un-stability.

Important

- *Overclocking your PC manually is only recommended for advanced users.*
- *Overclocking is not guaranteed, and if done improperly, it could void your warranty or severely damage your hardware.*
- *If you are unfamiliar with overclocking, we advise you to use **GAME BOOST** function for easy overclocking.*
- *The BIOS items in OC menu will vary with the processor.*

▶ OC Explore Mode [Normal]

Enables or disables to show the normal or expert version of OC settings.

[Normal]	Provides the regular OC settings in BIOS setup.
[Expert]	Provides the advanced OC settings for OC expert to configure in BIOS setup.

Note: We use * as the symbol for the OC settings of Expert mode.

▶ CPU Ratio Apply Mode [All Core]*

Sets applied mode for CPU ratio. This item only appears when a CPU that supports **Turbo Boost** is installed.

▶ CPU Ratio [Auto]

Sets the CPU ratio that is used to determine CPU clock speed. This item only appears when **CPU Ratio Apply Mode** set to **All Core**.

▶ Adjusted CPU Frequency

Shows the adjusted CPU frequency. Read-only.

▶ Advanced CPU Configuration

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. User can set the parameters about CPU power/ current. The system may become unstable or unbootable after changing the parameters. If it occurs, please clear the CMOS data and restore the default settings.

▶ CPU Ratio Offset When Running AVX [Auto]

Sets a offset value to lower the CPU core ratio. It could be helpful for heat dissipation when running AVX instructions. When set to Auto, BIOS will configure this setting automatically. This item appears when the installed CPU supports this function.

▶ Ring Ratio [Auto]

Sets the ring ratio. The valid value range depends on the installed CPU.

▶ Adjusted Ring Frequency

Shows the adjusted Ring frequency. Read-only.

▶ GT Ratio [Auto]

Sets the integrated graphics ratio. The valid value range depends on the installed CPU.

▶ Adjusted GT Frequency

Shows the adjusted integrated graphics frequency. Read-only.

▶ Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) [Disabled]

XMP (Extreme Memory Profile) is the overclocking technology by memory module. Please enable XMP or select a profile of memory module for overclocking the memory. This item will be available when the memory modules that support **XMP** is installed.

▶ Memory Try It ! [Disabled]

It can improve memory compatibility or performance by choosing optimized memory preset.

▶ DRAM Timing Mode [Link]

Selects the memory timing mode.

[Link]	Allows user to configure the DRAM timing for all memory channel.
[UnLink]	Allows user to configure the DRAM timing for respective memory channel.

▶ Advanced DRAM Configuration

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. User can set the memory timing for each/ all memory channel. The system may become unstable or unbootable after changing memory timing. If it occurs, please clear the CMOS data and restore the default settings. (Refer to the Clear CMOS jumper/ button section to clear the CMOS data, and enter the BIOS to load the default settings.)

▶ Memory Fast Boot [Auto] *

Enables or disables the initiation and training for memory every booting.

[Auto]	The setting will be configured automatically by BIOS.
[Enabled]	System will completely keep the archives of first intiation and training for memory. And then the memory will not be initialed and trained when booting to accelerate the system booting time.
[Disabled]	The memory will be initialed and trained every booting.
[Training]	The memory will be trained every booting.

▶ DigitALL Power sub-menu

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. In the sub-menu, you can setup some protecting conditions about voltage/ current/ temputure for CPU.

▶ CPU Core Voltage Monitor [VCC Sense]

Selects the monitor source of CPU Core voltage.

▶ CPU Voltages control [Auto]

These options allow you to set the voltages related to CPU. If set to **Auto**, BIOS will set these voltages automatically or you can set it manually.

▶ DRAM Voltages control [Auto]

These options allow you to set the voltages related to memory. If set to **Auto**, BIOS will set these voltages automatically or you can set it manually.

▶ CPU Memory Changed Detect [Enabled]*

Enables or disables the system to issue a warning message during boot when the CPU or memory has been replaced.

[Enabled]	The system will issue a warning message during boot and then you have to load the default settings for new devices.
[Disabled]	Disables this function and keeps the current BIOS settings.

▶ CPU Specifications sub-menu

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. This sub-menu displays the information of installed CPU. You can also access this information menu at any time by pressing [F4]. Read only.

▶ MEMORY-Z sub-menu

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. This sub-menu displays all the settings and timings of installed memory. You can also access this information menu at any time by pressing [F5].

▶ CPU Features sub-menu

Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu. You can enable or disable the CPU features and technologies to protect CPU and improve the system performance.

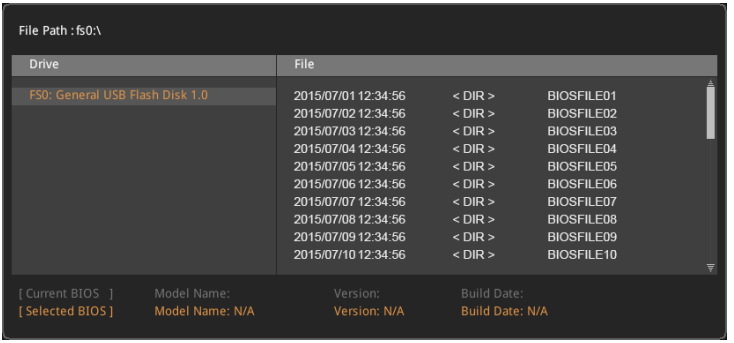
M-FLASH Menu

M-FLASH provides the way to update BIOS with a USB flash drive. Please download the latest BIOS file that matches your motherboard model from MSI website, save the BIOS file into your USB flash drive. And then follow the steps below to update BIOS.

1. Insert the USB flash drive that contains the update file into the computer.
2. Click on **M-FLASH** tab, a demand message will be prompted. Click on **Yes** to reboot and enter the flash mode.



3. The system will enter the flash mode and a file selection menu will appear after rebooting.



4. Select a BIOS file to perform the BIOS update process.
5. After the flashing process is 100% completed, the system will reboot automatically.

OC PROFILE Menu

This menu allows you to set the BIOS profiles.



▶ Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6

Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6 management. Press **Enter** to enter the sub-menu.

▶ Set Name for Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6

Name the current overclocking profile.

▶ Save Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6

Save the current overclocking profile.

▶ Load Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6

Load the current overclocking profile.

▶ Clear Overclocking Profile 1/ 2/ 3/ 4/ 5/ 6

Clear the current overclocking profile.

▶ OC Profile Load from ROM

Load OC profile from BIOS ROM.

▶ OC Profile Save to USB

Save OC profile to the USB flash drive. The USB flash drive should be FAT/ FAT32 format only.

▶ OC Profile Load from USB

Load OC profile from the USB flash drive. The USB flash drive should be FAT/ FAT32 format only.

HARDWARE MONITOR Menu

This menu allows you to adjust the fan speed manually and monitor CPU/ system voltage.



• **Smart Fan** - This setting enables/disables the Smart Fan function. Smart Fan is an excellent feature which will adjust the CPU/system fan speed automatically depending on the current CPU/system temperature, avoiding the overheating to damage your system.

• **Settings Buttons**

  ▪ **All Full Speed** - configures all fans to run at full operating speed.

  ▪ **All Set Default** - configures all fans' speeds return the BIOS default values.

  ▪ **All Set Cancel** - discards current changes and restores previous settings for all fan .

Important

Make sure fans are working properly after adjusting the fan speed and switching the fan mode.

Adjusting fans

1. Selects a fan that you want to adjust and to display the fan duty curve line (yellow) in fan operating windows.
2. Click and drag the duty points to adjust the fan speed.



Important

The pictures in this section are for reference only and may vary from the motherboard you purchased.

RAID Configuration

Below are the different types of a RAID.

RAID 0 breaks the data into blocks which are written to separate hard drives. Spreading the hard drive I/O load across independent channels greatly improves I/O performance.

RAID 1 provides data redundancy by mirroring data between the hard drives and provides enhanced read performance.

RAID 5 provides data striping at the byte level and also stripe error correction information. This results in excellent performance and good fault tolerance.

RAID 10 uses four hard drives to create a combination of RAID 0 and 1 by forming a RAID 0 array from two RAID 1 arrays.

RAID level comparison

	RAID 0	RAID 1	RAID 5	RAID 10
Minimum # drives	2	2	3	4
Data protection	None	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Read performance	Excellent	OK	Good	OK
Write performance	Excellent	Good	OK	Good
Capacity utilization	100%	50%	67%~(1-1/n)	50%

Important

All the information/ volumes/ pictures listed in your system might differ from the illustrations in this appendix.

Enabling Intel® Rapid Storage Technology

In Legacy mode, we can change the **AHCI mode** to **RAID mode** and disable the **Fast Boot** then press **Ctrl + I** during the POST to enter the Intel Rapid Storage Technology Legacy mode. However, most newer version of operating systems support UEFI and the Intel Rapid Storage Technology UEFI mode can still run when the Fast Boot is enabled. Therefore we recommend that you use the UEFI BIOS for simple and advanced operations. The following description is based on the UEFI mode.

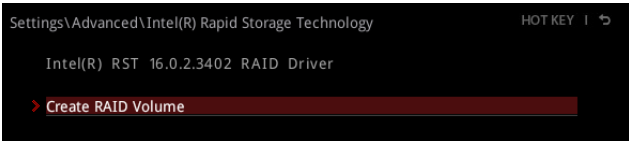
To enter the Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology menu

1. Power on and press **Delete** key to enter BIOS Setup menu.
2. Press **F7** to switch to Advanced mode from EZ mode.
3. Go to **BIOS > SETTINGS > Advanced > Integrated Peripherals > SATA Mode** and change setting to **RAID/ Optane Mode**.
4. Skip this step If you are only using SATA storage devices. If you are using NVMe PCIe SSDs, go to **BIOS > SETTINGS > Advanced > Integrated Peripherals > M2_x Pcie Storage Remapping** and change setting to **Enabled**.

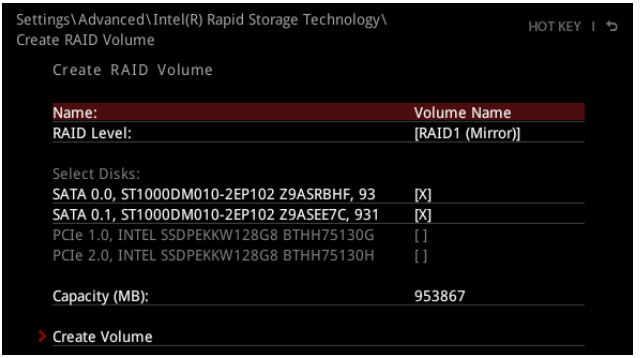
5. Press **F10** to save configuration and exit, and then reboot and press **Delete** key to enter BIOS Setup menu.
6. Go to **BIOS > SETTING > Advanced > Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology** sub-menu**.**

Creating RAID Volume

1. As previously mentioned, enable Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology.



2. Enter **Create RAID Volume** screen. The following screen appears:



3. Specify a **Name** for RAID volume.
4. Select the **RAID Level** best suited to your usage model in RAID Level.
5. In the **Select Disks** field, press **Space** key or press **Enter** key and use the ↑↓ **arrow keys** to select the option **X** to select the disks you want to create for the RAID volume.
6. Select the **Strip Size** for the RAID array. The available values range from 4KB to 128 KB in power of 2 increments. The strip size should be chosen based on the planned drive usage. Here are some typical values:
RAID0 -128KB / RAID10 - 64KB / RAID5 - 64KB.
7. Select the capacity of the volume in the **Capacity (MB)** field. The default value is the maximum volume capacity of the selected disks.
8. Go to the **Create Volume** field and press **Enter** to create the RAID volume. Upon completion you are returned to the **Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology** menu.

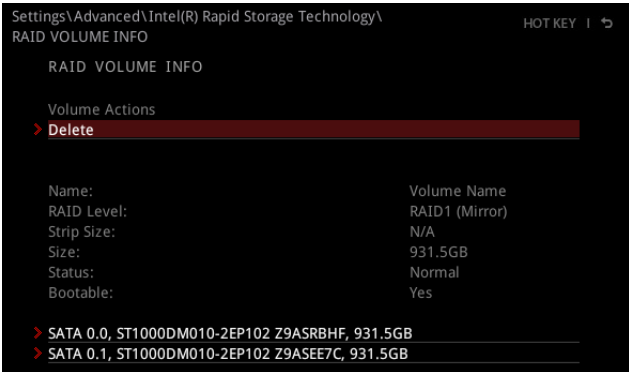
Removing a RAID Volume

Here you can delete the RAID volume, but please be noted that all data on RAID drives will be lost.

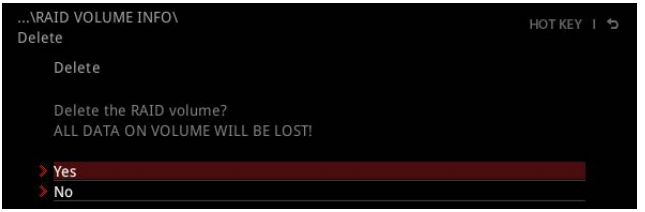
Important

If your system currently boots to RAID and you delete the RAID volume, your system will become unbootable.

1. Go to **BIOS > SETTING > Advanced > Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology**.
2. Select the RAID volume from the **Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology** screen to enter the **RAID VOLUME INFO** screen.



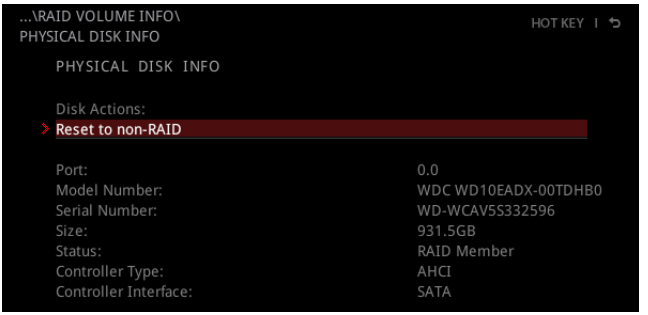
3. Select the **Delete** item and press **Enter** key to delete the selected RAID volume. The following screen appears:



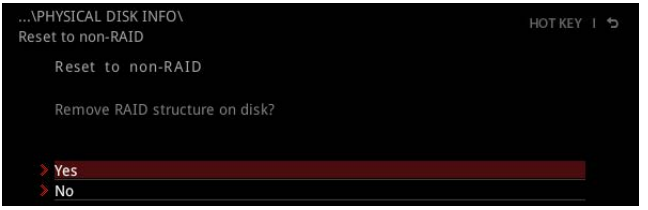
4. Select the **Yes** item and press **Enter** key to accept the volume deletion.

Resetting Disks to Non-RAID

1. Go to **BIOS > SETTING > Advanced > Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology**.
2. Select the RAID volume from the **Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology** screen to enter the **RAID VOLUME INFO** screen.
3. Select the disk and press **Enter** to enter **PHYSICAL DISK INFO** screen.



4. Select **Reset to non-RAID** item and press **Enter** to delete the RAID volume and remove any RAID structures from the drives. The following screen appears:



5. Select the **Yes** item and press **Enter** key to accept the disk reseting.

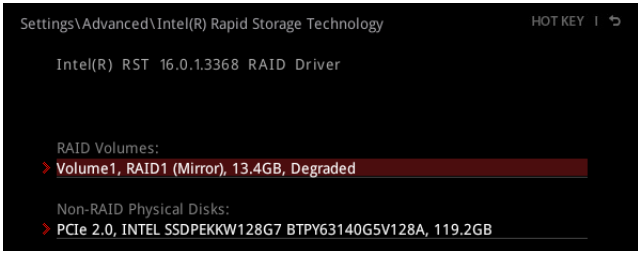
Important

- *You will lose all data on the RAID drives and any internal RAID structures when you perform this operation.*
- *Possible reasons to **Reset Disks to Non-RAID** could include issues such as incompatible RAID configurations or a failed volume or failed disk.*

Rebuilding RAID Array

A RAID 1, RAID 5 or RAID 10 volume is reported as **Degraded** when one of its hard drive members fails or is temporarily disconnected, and data mirroring is lost. As a result, the system can only utilize the remaining functional hard drive member. To re-establish data mirroring and restore data redundancy, refer to the procedure below that corresponds to the current situation.

1. Power off.
2. Replace the failed hard drive with a new one that is of equal or greater capacity.
3. Reboot the system and go to **BIOS > SETTING > Advanced > Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology**.



4. Select the **Degraded** RAID volume from the **Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology** screen to enter the **RAID VOLUME INFO** screen.



5. Select the **Rebuild** item and press **Enter** key to rebuild the new hard drive.

Installing RAID Driver

New Operating System Installation

The following details the installation of the drivers while installing Windows 10 x64 bit Editions or newer operating system.

1. During the operating system installation, after selecting the location to install Windows click on **Load driver** button to install a third party RAID driver.
2. When prompted, insert the USB flash drive with **Intel RAID Drivers** and then click **Browse**.

   ▪ To make an **Intel RAID Drivers** USB flash drive. Insert the MSI Drive Disk into the optical drive. Copy all the contents in **\\Storage\Intel**
3. Navigate to the directory containing the saved Intel RAID drivers, then click **OK**.
4. Select the **(iaStorAC.inf)** driver, click **Next**.
5. You have successfully installed the RAID driver, and Windows setup should continue.
6. Leave the disk/ USB drive in the computer until the system reboots itself. Windows setup will need to copy the files after the RAID volume is formatted, and Windows setup starts copying files.

Installing Intel® Rapid Storage Technology Software

1. As previously mentioned, enable Intel(R) Rapid Storage Technology in BIOS.
2. Insert the MSI Drive Disk into the optical drive.
3. Click the **Select to choose what happens with this disc** pop-up notification, then select **Run DVDSetup.exe** to open the installer. If you turn off the AutoPlay feature from the Windows Control Panel, you can still manually execute the **DVDSetup.exe** from the root path of the MSI Drive Disk.
4. Under the **Drivers/Software** tab, check the **Intel RAID Drivers** check-box.
5. Click the **Install** button.
6. When prompt you to restart, click **OK** button to finish.
7. Restart your computer and enter the Windows operating system.
8. Double-click the **Intel® Rapid Storage Technology** icon to open the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology software.

Intel® Optane™ Memory Configuration

Intel® Optane™ memory can accelerate the Windows 10 64bit operating system. This section describes how to install and remove the Intel® Optane™ memory.

System Requirements

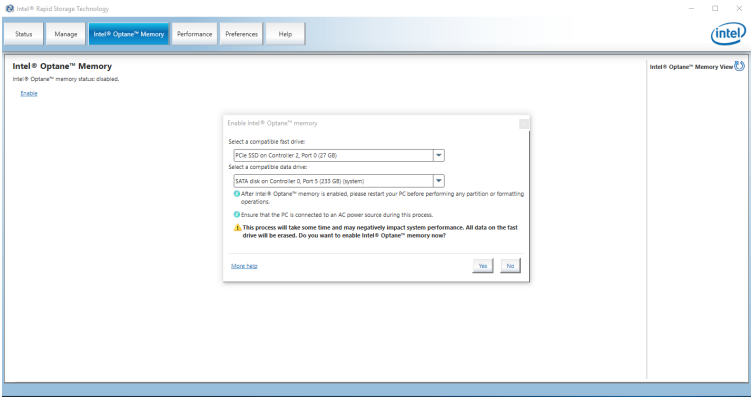
- Intel® Optane™ memory ready MSI® motherboards
- Supported 8th Gen, or later, Intel® Core™ - i Processor
- System BIOS that supports the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology (Intel® RST) 16 or later driver
- Operating system: Windows 10 64 bit (UEFI mode).
- Intel® Optane™ Memory Module

Installing the Intel® Optane™ memory

Install the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology 16.

1. Update BIOS (refer to the **Updating BIOS** section).
2. Install the Intel® Optane™ memory module.
   - Power off the system.
   - Refer to the **Specifications** for location to install your Intel® Optane™ memory module.
   - Install the Intel® Optane™ memory module into the M.2 slot.
3. Enable M.2/Optane Genie
   - Power on and press **Delete** key to enter BIOS Setup menu.
   - Enable M.2/Optane Genie by clicking the **M.2/Optane Genie** item.
   - Click **Ok** in the dialog.
   - Press **F10** to save configuration and exit.
4. Install the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology
   - Reboot to operating system.
   - Insert the MSI Drive Disk into the optical drive.
   - Click the **Select to choose what happens with this disc** pop-up notification, then select **Run DVDSetup.exe** to open the installer. If you turn off the AutoPlay feature from the Windows Control Panel, you can still manually execute the **DVDSetup.exe** from the root path of the MSI Drive Disk.
   - Under the **Drivers/Software** tab, check the **Intel RAID Drivers** check-box.
   - Click the **Install** button.
   - When prompt you to restart, click **OK** button to finish.
   - Reboot System.

5. Enable Intel® Optane™ Memory.
   - Run the Intel® Rapid Storage Technology software.
   - Click **Intel® Optane™ Memory** tab and click **Enable**.
   - Click **Yes** in the dialog.



6. Reboot System.

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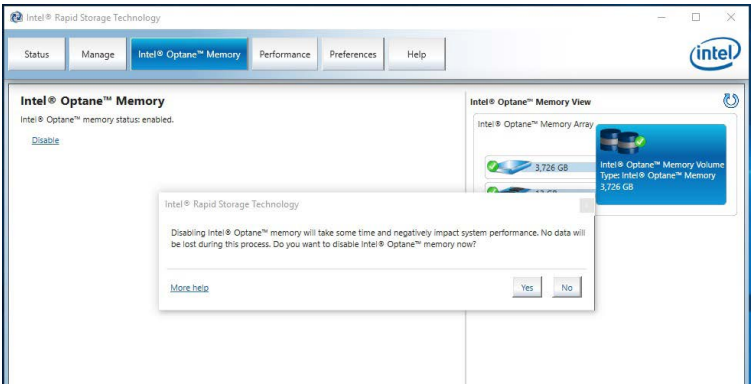
Once you enable Intel® Optane™ memory, in order to prevent seriously damage your operating system, please follow the cautions listed below.

- ***DO NOT set the SATA mode back to AHCI in BIOS.***
- ***DO NOT revert back to older version of the BIOS.***
- ***DO NOT remove the Intel® Optane™ memory module.***
- ***DO NOT replace the CPU that is not supported by Intel® Optane™ Memory.***

Removing the Intel® Optane™ memory

If you no longer want to use Intel® Optane™ memory, you have to disable the Intel® Optane™ memory before removing the Intel® Optane™ memory module to avoid operating system damage. Please follow the steps below to remove the Intel® Optane™ memory.

1. Disable Intel® Optane™ Memory.
   - Disable Intel® Optane™ Memory via the Intel® Optane™ memory application (Intel® Rapid Storage Technology).
   - Click **Yes** in the dialog.



   - Reboot System.
2. Disable M.2/Optane Genie
   - Press **Delete** key to enter BIOS Setup menu during POST.
   - Disable M.2/Optane Genie by clicking **M.2/Optane Genie** item.
   - Click **Ok** in the dialog.
   - Press **F10** to save configuration and exit.
3. Remove the Intel® Optane™ memory module.
   - Power off the system.
   - Remove the Intel® Optane™ memory module.

Troubleshooting

Before sending the motherboard for RMA repair, try to go over troubleshooting guide first to see if your got similar symptoms as mentioned below.

The power is not on.

• Connect the AC power cord to an electrical outlet securely.

• Check if all ATX power connectors like **ATX_PWR1, CPU_PWR1** are connected from the power supply to the motherboard?

• Some power supply units have a power button on the rear side, make sure the button is turned on.

• Check if the power switch cable is connected to **JFP1** pin header properly.

• Verify the **Clear CMOS** jumper **JBAT1** is set to **Keep DATA**.

• Test with another known working power supply of equal or greater wattage.

The power is on, but no signal to monitor

• Connect the monitor power cord to a electrical outlet securely.

• Make sure the monitor is turned on.

• Select different inputs on the monitor.

• If 3 long beeps are heard, remove all memory modules and try to install only one memory module in the **DIMMA2** slot first and then restart the computer.

• If 1 long 2 short beeps are heard, remove and reinstall the graphics card and then restart the computer.

• Test with another known working graphics card.

The computer does not boot after updating the BIOS

• Clear the CMOS.

• Use the secondary BIOS to bootup the system (Only for motherboard with Dual BIOS)

Lost BIOS password

• Clear the CMOS, but that will cause you to lose all customized settings in the BIOS.

There is no audio

• Adjust the volume.

• Connect the speakers/headphones to audio ports on the motherboard rear IO panel.

• Remove secondary speakers/ headphones, HDMI cables, USB audio devices.

• Test with another known working speaker or headphone.

There is no network

• Make sure the network chipset driver has been installed.

• Verify if the network cable is properly connected and make sure the LAN port LEDs are properly illuminated.

• Verify your TCP/IP settings.

• Restart or reset your router.

• Test with another known working LAN cable.

The USB device is not working

• Make sure your USB drive driver has been installed.

• Verify if USB device is listed in Windows® Device Manager.

• Connect the USB device to other USB port on the motherboard rear IO panel.

Regulatory Notices

FCC Compliance Statement

Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

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

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The point of contact for regulatory matters is MSI, MSI-NL Eindhoven 5706 5692 ER Son.

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For further information please visit:
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CAUTION: There is a risk of explosion, if battery is incorrectly replaced.

Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer.

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- The product has been designed to enable proper reuse of parts and recycling and should not be thrown away at its end of life.
- Users should contact the local authorized point of collection for recycling and disposing of their end-of-life products.
- Visit the MSI website and locate a nearby distributor for further recycling information.
- Users may also reach us at gpcontdev@msi.com for information regarding proper Disposal, Take-back, Recycling, and Disassembly of MSI products.

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ENGLISH

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En tant qu'écologiste et afin de protéger l'environnement, MSI tient à rappeler ceci...

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Компания MSI предпринимает активные действия по защите окружающей среды, поэтому напоминаем вам, что....

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Om het milieu te beschermen, wil MSI u eraan herinneren dat....

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Po Direktivi Evropske unije ("EU") o odbačenoj ekektronskoj i električnoj opremi, Direktiva 2002/96/EC, koja stupa na snagu od 13. Avgusta 2005, proizvodi koji spadaju pod "elektronsku i električnu opremu" ne mogu više biti odbačeni kao običan otpad i proizvođači ove opreme biće prinuđeni da uzmu natrag ove proizvode na kraju njihovog uobičajenog veka trajanja. MSI će poštovati zahtev o preuzimanju ovakvih proizvoda kojima je istekao vek trajanja, koji imaju MSI oznaku i koji su prodati u EU. Ove proizvode možete vratiti na lokalnim mestima za prikupljanje.

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ČESKY

Záleží nám na ochraně životního prostředí - společnost MSI upozorňuje...

Podle směrnice Evropské unie ("EU") o likvidaci elektrických a elektronických výrobků 2002/96/EC platné od 13. srpna 2005 je zakázáno likvidovat "elektrické a elektronické výrobky" v běžném komunálním odpadu a výrobci elektronických výrobků, na které se tato směrnice vztahuje, budou povinni odebírat takové výrobky zpět po skončení jejich životnosti. Společnost MSI splní požadavky na odebírání výrobků značky MSI, prodávaných v zemích EU, po skončení jejich životnosti. Tyto výrobky můžete odevzdat v místních sběrnách.

MAGYAR

Annak érdekében, hogy környezetünket megvédjük, illetve környezetvédőként fellépve az MSI emlékezteti Önt, hogy ...

Az Európai Unió („EU") 2005. augusztus 13-án hatályba lépő, az elektromos és elektronikus berendezések hulladékairól szóló 2002/96/EK irányelve szerint az elektromos és elektronikus berendezések többé nem kezelhetőek lakossági hulladékként, és az ilyen elektronikus berendezések gyártói kötelessé válnak az ilyen termékek visszavételére azok hasznos élettartama végén. Az MSI betartja a termékvisszavétellel kapcsolatos követelményeket az MSI márkanév alatt az EU-n belül értékesített termékek esetében, azok élettartamának végén. Az ilyen termékeket a legközelebbi gyűjtőhelyre viheti.

ITALIANO

Per proteggere l'ambiente, MSI, da sempre amica della natura, ti ricorda che....

In base alla Direttiva dell'Unione Europea (EU) sullo Smaltimento dei Materiali Elettrici ed Elettronici, Direttiva 2002/96/EC in vigore dal 13 Agosto 2005, prodotti appartenenti alla categoria dei Materiali Elettrici ed Elettronici non possono più essere eliminati come rifiuti municipali: i produttori di detti materiali saranno obbligati a ritirare ogni prodotto alla fine del suo ciclo di vita. MSI si adeguerà a tale Direttiva ritirando tutti i prodotti marchiati MSI che sono stati venduti all'interno dell'Unione Europea alla fine del loro ciclo di vita. È possibile portare i prodotti nel più vicino punto di raccolta

日本JIS C 0950材質宣言

日本工業規格JIS C 0950により、2006年7月1日以降に販売される特定分野の電気および電子機器について、製造者による含有物質の表示が義務付けられます。

http://www.msi.com/html/popup/csr/cemm_jp.html

http://tw.msi.com/html/popup/csr_tw/cemm_jp.html

India RoHS

This product complies with the "India E-waste (Management and Handling) Rule 2011" and prohibits use of lead, mercury, hexavalent chromium, polybrominated biphenyls or polybrominated diphenyl ethers in concentrations exceeding 0.1 weight % and 0.01 weight % for cadmium, except for the exemptions set in Schedule 2 of the Rule.

Türkiye EEE yönetmeliği

Türkiye Cumhuriyeti: EEE Yönetmeliğine Uygundur

Україна обмеження на наявність небезпечних речовин

Обладнання відповідає вимогам Технічного регламенту щодо обмеження використання деяких небезпечних речовин в електричному та електронному обладнані, затвердженого постановою Кабінету Міністрів України від 3 грудня 2008 № 1057.

Việt Nam RoHS

Kể từ ngày 01/12/2012, tất cả các sản phẩm do công ty MSI sản xuất tuân thủ Thông tư số 30/2011/TT-BCT quy định tạm thời về giới hạn hàm lượng cho phép của một số hóa chất độc hại có trong các sản phẩm điện, điện tử"

MS-7C81主板产品中有害物质的名称及含量

部件名称	有害物质					
	铅 (Pb)	汞 (Hg)	镉 (Cd)	六价铬 (Cr(VI))	多溴联苯 (PBB)	多溴二苯醚 (PBDE)
印刷电路板组件*	×	○	○	○	○	○
电池**	×	○	○	○	○	○
外部信号连接头	×	○	○	○	○	○
线材	×	○	○	○	○	○

本表格依据 SJ/T 11364 的规定编制。

○: 表示该有害物质在该部件所有均质材料中的含量均在 GB/T 26572 规定的限量要求以下。

×: 表示该有害物质至少在该部件的某一均质材料中的含量超出 GB/T 26572 规定的限量要求，但所有部件都符合欧盟RoHS要求。

* 印刷电路板组件: 包括印刷电路板及其构成的零部件。

** 电池本体上如有环保使用期限标识，以本体标识为主。

■ 上述有毒有害物质或元素清单会依型号之部件差异而有所增减。

■ 產品部件本体上如有环保使用期限标识，以本体标识为主。

限用物質含有情況標示聲明書

設備名稱：電腦主機板			型號(型式)：MS-7C81			
單元	限用物質及其化學符號					
	鉛 (Pb)	汞 (Hg)	鎘 (Cd)	六價鉻 (Cr^{+6})	多溴聯苯 (PBB)	多溴二苯醚 (PBDE)
電路板	○	○	○	○	○	○
電子元件	—	○	○	○	○	○
金屬機構件	—	○	○	○	○	○
塑膠機構件	○	○	○	○	○	○

備考1. “超出0.1 wt %” 及 “超出0.01 wt %” 係指限用物質之百分比含量超出百分比含量基準值。

備考2. “○” 係指該項限用物質之百分比含量未超出百分比含量基準值。

備考3. “—” 係指該項限用物質為排除項目。

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Technical Support

If a problem arises with your system and no solution can be obtained from the user guide, please contact your place of purchase or local distributor. Alternatively, please try the following help resources for further guidance.

- Visit the MSI website for technical guide, BIOS updates, driver updates, and other information: http://www.msi.com
- Register your product at: http://register.msi.com