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AMD A55 CHIPSET
FM2 SOCKET

A55-ITX WiFi SERIES MOTHERBOARD

USER'S MANUAL

⚠ Electronic Emission Notices
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- INCREASE THE SEPARATION BETWEEN THE EQUIPMENT AND THE RECEIVER
- CONNECT THE EQUIPMENT INTO AN OUTLET ON A CIRCUIT DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF THE RECEIVER
- CONSULT THE DEALER OR AN EXPERIENCED AUDIO/TELEVISION TECHNICIAN

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Motherboard Specifications

❏ **Chipset**
   ❖ AMD A55

❏ **Size**
   ❖ Mini ITX form factor of 6.7 inch x 6.7 inch

❏ **Microprocessor support**
   ❖ AMD A-Series APUs with socket FM2 (max TDP: 65W)

❏ **Operating systems:**
   ❖ Supports Windows 7 32bit/64bit and Windows 8 32bit/64bit

❏ **System Memory support**
   ❖ Supports Dual Channel DDR3 1866 (depends on APU) /1600/1333/1066
   ❖ Maximum memory size: 16 GB

❏ **USB 2.0 Ports**
   ❖ Supports hot plug and play
   ❖ Eight USB 2.0 ports (four on the back panel, four via the USB bracket connected to the internal USB header)
   ❖ Supports USB 2.0 protocol up to 480 Mbps transmission rate

❏ **USB 3.0 Ports (Optional)**
   ❖ Supports hot plug and play
   ❖ Two USB 3.0 ports on the back panel

❏ **Onboard Serial ATA II**
   ❖ Independent DMA operation on four ports
   ❖ Data transfer rates of 3.0 Gb/s

❏ **Onboard LAN**
   ❖ Supports IEEE 802.3
   ❖ Supports 10/100/1000 Mbps Ethernet
   ❖ Wake On LAN (WOL) power management support

❏ **WiFi/Bluetooth support**
   ❖ Compliant with IEEE802.11n standard
   ❖ High speed wireless connection up to 150 Mbps
   ❖ Fully qualified Bluetooth v3.0 or above

❏ **Onboard Audio**
- ❖ 6 channel High Definition Audio
- ❖ Supports Jack-Sensing function
- ❖ One SPDIF-out header on board

❏ **PCI Express Support**
- ❖ Supports PCI Express 2.0
- ❖ Low power consumption and power management features

❏ **Green Function**
- ❖ Supports ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface)
- ❖ Suspend to DRAM supported (STR)
- ❖ RTC timer to power-on the system
- ❖ AC power failure recovery

❏ **Onboard Graphics Support**
- ❖ Integrates HD 7000 series GPU (depends on APU)
- ❖ Supports DirectX11
- ❖ HDMI, DVI and VGA output support

❏ **Expansion Slots**
- ❖ One PCI Express x16 slot
- ❖ One half-sized Mini PCI Express slot (vertical, occupied by one WiFi card)

Motherboard Layout
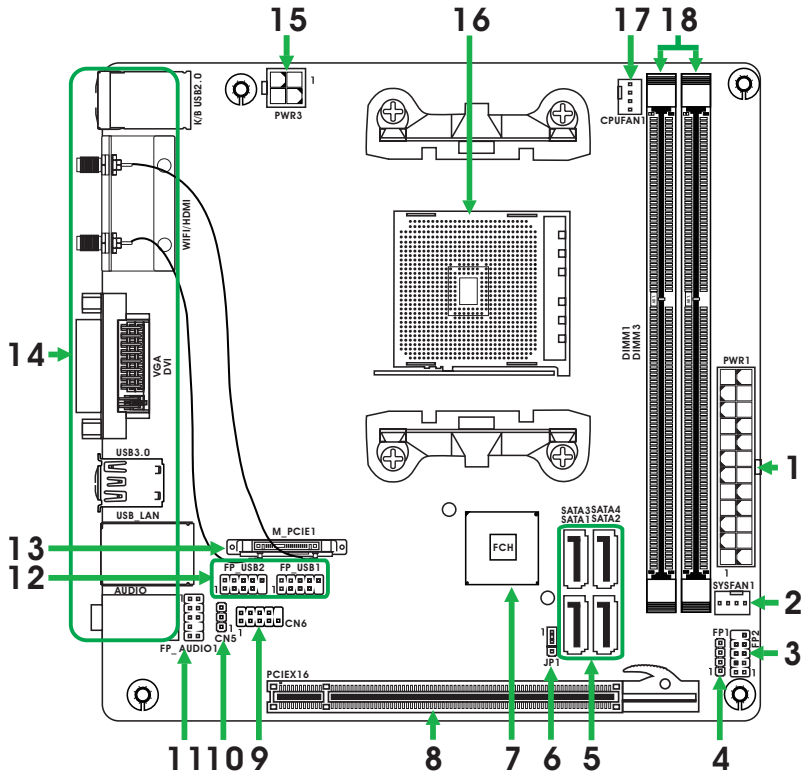
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4.   Speaker Header
5.   SATA Connectors
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8.   PCI Express x16 Slot
9.   COM Header

10.   SPDIF-out Header
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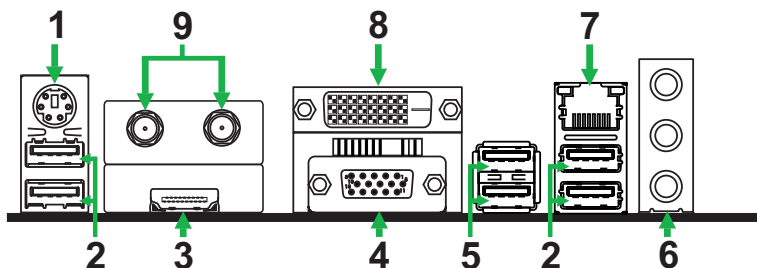
1. PS2 Keyboard/Mouse Port

2. USB 2.0 Ports

3. HDMI Port

4. VGA Port

5. USB 3.0 Ports

6.
Port	*2-Channel*	*4-Channel*	*6-Channel*
Blue	Line-In	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out
Green	Line-Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out
Pink	Mic In	Mic In	Center/Subwoofer

7. LAN port LED indicators

Speed LED Activity LED
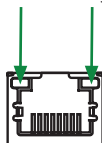
Speed LED

Status	Description
Off	Speed: 10 Mbps
Green	Speed: 100 Mbps
Orange	Speed: 1000 Mbps

Activity LED

Status	Descritption
Off	No link
Orange	Linked
Blinking	Data activity

8. DVI-D Port

9. WiFi/BT antenna connectors (Optional)

    This motherboard can support two WiFi antenna modules. Refer to the following to install the WiFi antenna modules.
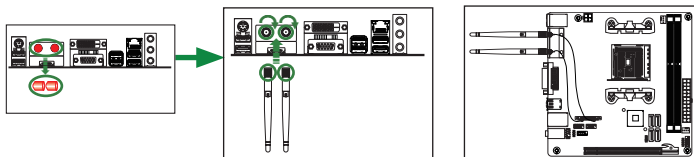
    Step 1. Remove the red caps from the WiFi antenna connectors.

    Step 2. Install the WiFi antennas to the WiFi antenna connectors, and make sure the screws are rotated in clockwise direction.

Note: 1. Users please note that the appearance of your WiFi antenna modules may not be exactly the same as those shown in this manual.

2. Users should install two WiFi antennas to the motherboard.

3. Users can bend or rotate the WiFi antennas to the best receiving direction according to the picture below.
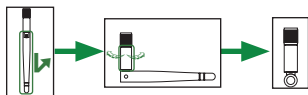
Hardware Installation

This section will guide you through the installation of the motherboard. The topics covered in this section are:

❑ Preparing the motherboard
- ❖ Installing the CPU
- ❖ Installing the CPU fan
- ❖ Installing Memory Modules

❑ Installing the motherboard
- ❖ Installing the I/O shield
- ❖ Securing the Motherboard into the Chassis

❑ Connecting cables and setting switches

Safety Instructions

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury, always follow basic safety precautions.

Remember to remove power from your computer by disconnecting the AC main source before removing or installing any equipment from/to the computer chassis.

## Preparing the Motherboard

The motherboard shipped in the box does not contain a CPU and memory. You need to purchase these to complete this installation.

Installing the CPU

Be very careful when handling the CPU. Make sure not to bend or break any pins on the back. Hold the processor only by the edges and do not touch the bottom of the processor.

Use the following procedure to install the CPU onto the motherboard.

1. Please turn off the power and unplug the power cord before installing the CPU. Pull the lever up and away from the socket until it is at a 90 degree angle to the motherboard.

2. Look for the gold arrow on the CPU. The gold arrow should point away from the lever pivot. The CPU can only sit properly in the socket in the correct orientation.

3. If the CPU is correctly seated, the pins should be completely embedded in the socket and can not be seen (Please note that any deviation from the correct installation procedures may cause permanent damage to your motherboard).

4. Press the CPU down firmly into the socket and close the lever. As the CPU is likely to move while the lever is being closed, always close the lever with your fingers pressing tightly on top of the CPU to make sure the CPU is properly and completely seated in the socket.

5. When you are installing the CPU, make sure the CPU has a heat sink and a cooling fan attached on the top to prevent overheating. If you do not have the heat sink and cooling fan, contact your dealer to purchase and install them before turning on the computer.
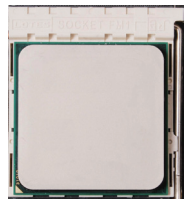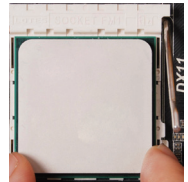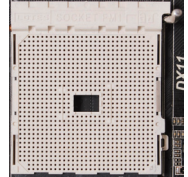
Installing the CPU Fan

There are many different fan types that can be used with this motherboard. Follow the instruction that came with your fan assembly. Be sure that the fan orientation is correct for your chassis type and your fan assembly.

Installing Memory Modules

This motherboard accommodates two memory modules. It can support two 240-pin DDR3 1866/1600/1333/1066. The total memory capacity is 8 GB. You must install at least one module in any of the two slots. Refer to the following recommendations to install the memory modules.

DIMM1
DIMM3
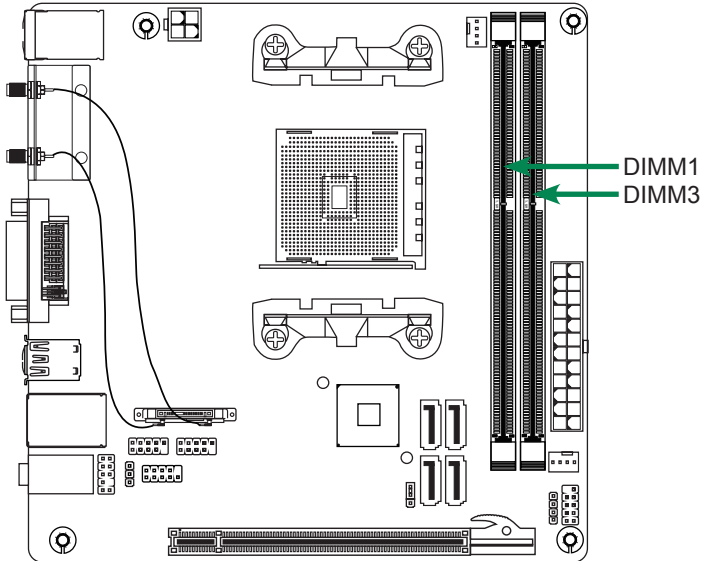
Note that a memory module has a notch, so it can only fit in one direction. Refer to the following procedure to install memory modules into the slots on the motherboard.

1. Unlock a DIMM slot by pressing the module clips outward.
2. Align the memory module to the DIMM slot, and insert the module vertically into the DIMM slot. The plastic clips at both sides of the DIMM slot automatically lock the DIMM into the connector.

Installing the Motherboard

The sequence of installing the motherboard into the chassis depends on the chassis you are using and if you are replacing an existing motherboard or working with an empty chassis. Determine if it would be easier to make all the connections prior to this step or to secure the motherboard and then make all the connections. It is normally easier to secure the motherboard first.

Use the following procedure to install the I/O shield and secure the motherboard into the chassis.

Note: Be sure that the CPU fan assembly has enough clearance for the chassis covers to lock into place and for the expansion cards. Also make sure the CPU Fan assembly is aligned with the vents on the covers.

Installing the I/O Shield

The motherboard kit comes with an I/O shield that is used to block radio frequency transmissions, protects internal components from dust and foreign objects, and promotes correct airflow within the chassis.

Before installing the motherboard, install the I/O shield from the *inside* of the chassis. Press the I/O shield into place and make sure it fits securely. If the I/O shield does not fit into the chassis, you would need to obtain the proper size from the chassis supplier.

Securing the Motherboard into the Chassis

Most computer chassis have a base with mounting studs or spacers to allow the motherboard to be secured to the chassis and help to prevent short circuits. If there are studs that do not align with a mounting hole on the motherboard, it is recommended that you remove that stud to prevent the possibility of a short circuit. In most cases, it is recommended to secure the motherboard with spacers.

1. Carefully place the motherboard onto the studs/spacers located inside the chassis.
2. Align the mounting holes with the studs/spacers.
3. Align the connectors to the I/O shield.
4. Ensure that the fan assembly is aligned with the chassis vents according to the fan assembly instruction.
5. Secure the motherboard with screws.

Connecting Cables and Setting Switches

This section takes you through all the connectors and switch settings necessary on the motherboard. This will include:

❏ Power Connectors
   ❖ 24-pin ATX Power Connector
   ❖ 4-pin ATX_12V Power Connector
❏ Internal Headers/Connectors
   ❖ USB Headers
   ❖ Front Pannel Audio Header
   ❖ COM Header
   ❖ Front Panel Header
   ❖ Speaker Header
   ❖ SPDIF-Out Header
❏ Serial-ATA (SATA) Connectors
❏ Fan Connectors
❏ Expansion Slots
❏ Jumper Settings

See Figure 1 to locate the connectors and jumpers referenced in the following procedure.

24-pin ATX Power Connector

PWR1 is the main power supply connector. Make sure that the power supply cable and pins are properly aligned with the connector on the motherboard. Firmly plug the power supply cable into the connector and make sure it is secure.
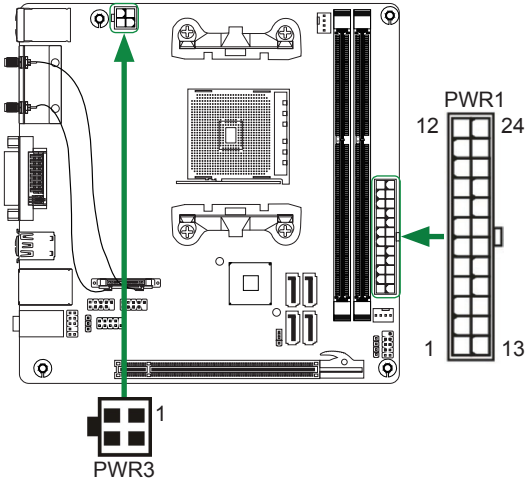
PWR1-Pin Definition

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	+3.3V	13	+3.3V
2	+3.3V	14	-12V
3	GND	15	GND
4	+5V	16	PS_ON
5	GND	17	GND
6	+5V	18	GND
7	GND	19	GND
8	PWROK	20	-5V
9	+5V_AUX	21	+5V
10	+12V	22	+5V
11	+12V	23	+5V
12	+3.3V	24	GND

4-pin ATX_12V Power Connector

PWR3, the 4-pin ATX 12V power connection, is used to provide power to the CPU. Align the pins to the connector and press firmly until seated.

PWR3-Pin Definition

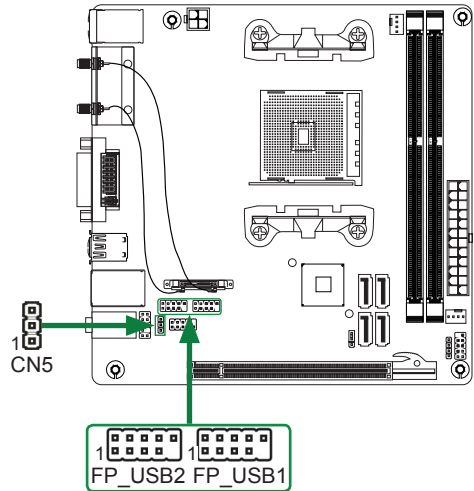| Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	GND
3	+12V
4	+12V

USB Headers

This motherboard contains two USB 3.0 and four USB 2.0 ports that are exposed on the rear panel of the chassis (Figure 2). The motherboard also contains two 10-pin internal USB 2.0 headers onboard. The onboard headers are optional.

Note: Secure the bracket to either the front or rear panel of your chassis (not all chassis are equipped with the front panel option).

FP_USB1/2-Pin Definition

PIN	Assignment	PIN	Assignment
1	VCC	2	VCC
3	USBP0-	4	USBP1-
5	USBP0+	6	USBP1+
7	GND	8	GND
9	KEY	10	NC

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CN5

1 FP_USB2   1 FP_USB1

SPDIF-Out Connector

This connector provides a SPDIF (Sony/Philips Digital Interface) output to digital multimedia device through coaxial connector.

CN5 - Pin Definition

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	SPDIF-out
3	VCC

FP Audio Header

The audio connector supports HD audio standard and provides two kinds of audio output choices: the Front Audio, the Rear Audio. The front Audio supports re-tasking function.

1 FP_AUDIO1

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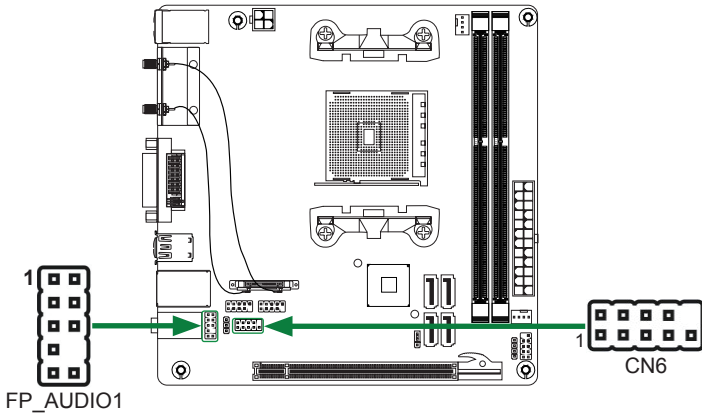
FP_AUDIO1-Pin Definition

PIN	Assignment	PIN	Assignment
1	MIC2(L)	2	GND
3	MIC(R)	4	-ACZ-DET
5	Front Audio(R)	6	Reserved
7	FAVDIO-JD	8	Key(No pin)
9	Front Audio(L)	10	Reserved

Note:

In order to utilize the front audio header, your chassis must have front audio connector. Also please make sure the pin assignment on the cable is the same as the pin assignment on the mainboard header. To find out if the chassis you are buying supports a front audio connector, please contract your dealer.

COM Header (optional)

CN6 - Pin Definition

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	DCD	2	RXD
3	TXD	4	DTR
5	GND	6	DSR
7	RTS	8	CTS
9	RI	10	Key(No pin)

Front Panel Header

The front panel header on this motherboard is one connector used to connect the following four cables:

❏ **PWR LED**

Attach the front panel power LED cable to these two pins of the connector. The Power LED indicates the system's status.

❏ **PWR SW**

Attach the power button cable from the case to these two pins. Pressing the power button on the front panel turns the system on and off rather than using the power supply button.
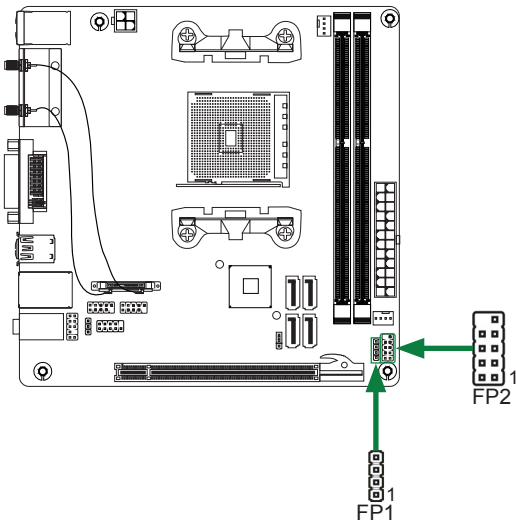
❏ **HDD LED**

Attach the hard disk drive indicator **LED** cable to these two pins. The HDD indicator **LED** indicates the activity status of the hard disks.

❏ **RST SW**

Attach the Reset switch cable from the front panel of the case to these two pins. The system restarts when the **RESET** switch is pressed.

Note: Some chassis do not have all four cables. Be sure to match the name on the connectors to the corresponding pins.

FP2-Pin Definition

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	HDD_LED+	2	PW_LED+
3	HDD_LED-	4	PW_LED-
5	GND	6	PWR_SW
7	RESET	8	GND
9	NC	10	KEY

Speaker Header

FP1-Pin Definition

PIN	Assignment
1	VCC
2	NC
3	NC
4	SPK-

Connecting Serial ATA Cables (optional)

The Serial ATA II connector is used to connect the Serial ATA II device to the motherboard. These connectors support the thin Serial ATA II cables for primary storage devices. The current Serial ATA II interface allows up to 3.0 Gb/s data transfer rate. There are four serial ATA connectors on the motherboard.
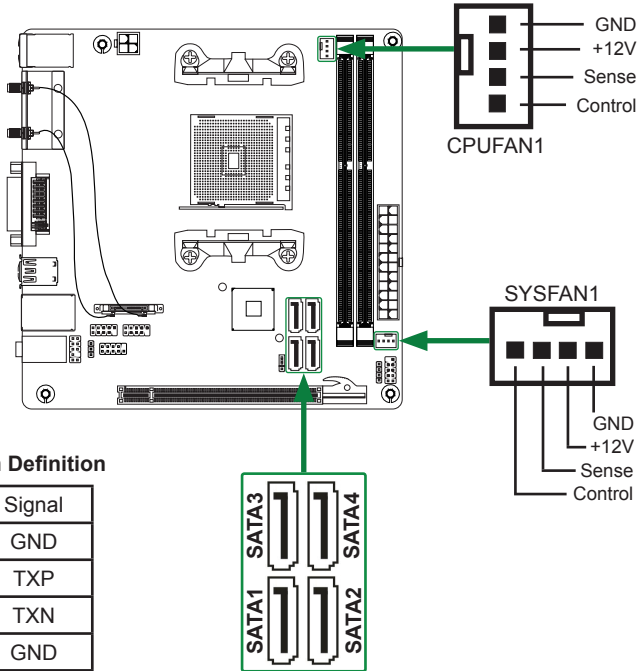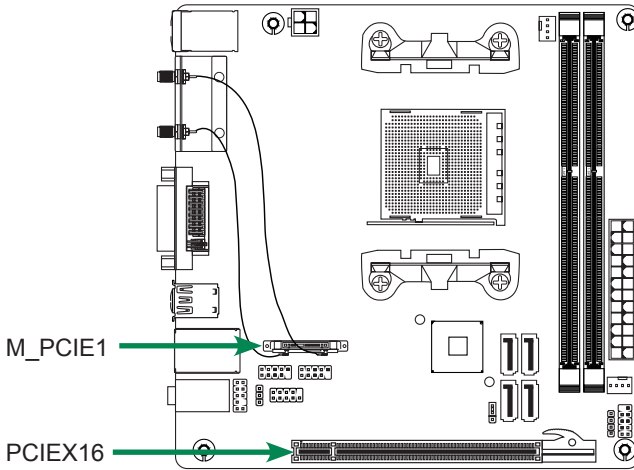

SATA-Pin Definition

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	TXP
3	TXN
4	GND
5	RXN
6	RXP
7	GND

Fan Connectors

There are two fan connectors on the motherboard, including system fan connector-SYSFAN1 and CPU fan connector-CPUFAN1.

Expansion Slots

The motherboard contains two expansion slots: one PCI Express x16 slot and one Mini PCI Express slot.

M_PCIE1

PCIEX16

Mini PCI Express Slot-M_PCIE1
There is one Mini PCIe slot, reserved for the WiFi Module.

PCI Express x16 Slot-PCIEX16
There is one PCIe x16 slot reserved for graphics card. It is fully compliant with PCI Express 2.0 specification.

Jumper Settings

This chapter explains how to configure the motherboard's hardware. Before using your computer, make sure all jumpers and DRAM modules are set correctly. Refer to this chapter whenever in doubt.

JP1-Clear CMOS

JP1	Selection
1 ■■ ■ 1-2*	Normal*
1 ■ ■■ 2-3	Clear CMOS

■ Close   □ Open   * = Default setting.

If you want to clear the system configuration, use the JP1 (Clear CMOS Jumper) to clear data.

Notice:
1. Be sure to save the CMOS setting when exit the CMOS.
2. If the CPU is frequency multiplier locked, no CPU speed change will be seen even if the frequency multiplier setting in CMOS setup is changed.

Configuring the BIOS

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

Enter BIOS Setup

The BIOS is the communication bridge between hardware and software. Correctly setting the BIOS parameters is critical to maintain optimal system performance.

Use the following procedure to verify/change BIOS settings.
1. Power on the computer.,
2. Press the **Del** key when the following message displays at the bottom of the screen during the Power On Self Test (POST).
   Pressing **Del** takes you to the BIOS Setup Utility.

Note: 1. We reserve the right to update the BIOS version presented in the manual. The BIOS pictures shown in this section are for reference only.
2. It is strongly recommended that you do not change the default BIOS settings. Changing some settings could damage your system.

Main Menu

This menu gives you an overview of the general system specifications. The BIOS automatically detects the items in this menu.
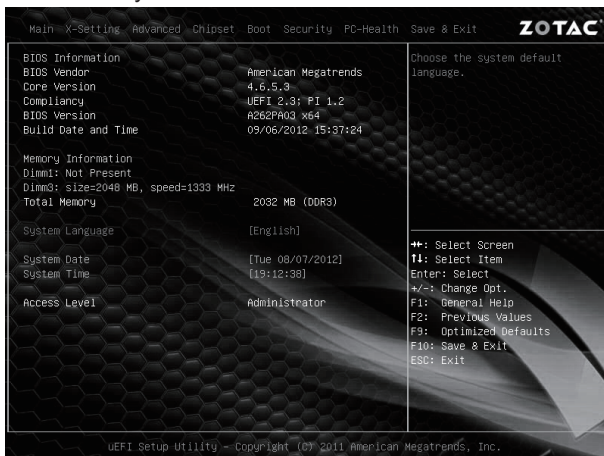

Note: Users please note that the data in gray is non-changeable, and the others are for selection.

❏ **BIOS Information**
   Displays the auto-detected BIOS information.
❏ **Memory Information**
   Displays the auto-detected memory information.
❏ **System Language**
   Choose the system default language.
❏ **System Date/Time**
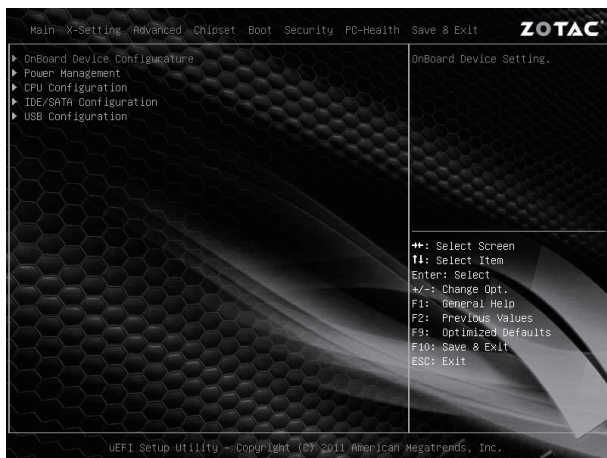   Allows you to set the system date/time.

X-Setting Menu
The X-Setting menu items show the settings of CPU, memory and so on.
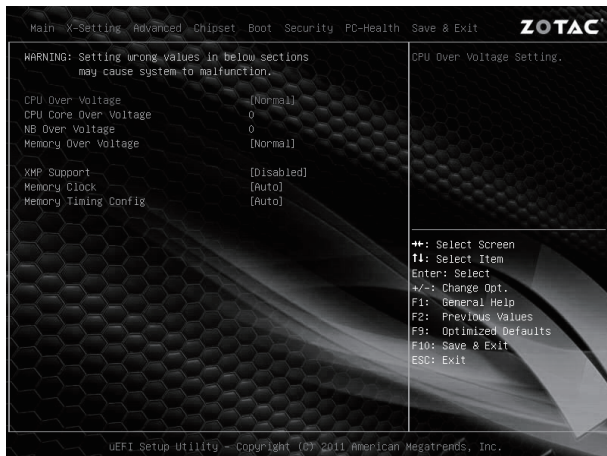
Advanced Menu
The Advanced menu items allow you to change the settings for the CPU and other system devices. Press <Enter> to display the configuration options:

OnBoard Device Configuration
The items allow you to configure onboard device, including HD Audio, LAN and so on.

☐ **PS2 Keyboard/Mouse Swap**

When set to [Enabled], the PS2 port can support either keyboard or mouse. When set to [Disabled], the PS2 port can support keyboard only.

❏ **Serial Port**
   Enable or disable serial port.
❏ **Change Settings**
   Enable or disable change settings.
❏ **HD Audio Device**
   Enable or disable HD audio device.
❏ **HDMI Audio controller**
   Enable or disable HDMI audio controller.
❏ **Lan Controller 1**
   Enable or disable Lan controller.
❏ **Launch PXE OpROM**
   Enable or disable launch PXE OpROM.

Power Management
The items in this menu allow you to control the system power management. Press <Enter> to display the configuration options:
❏ **Deep Sleep (ErP Compliant)**
   When enabled, wake up from S4/S5 can only be done by power button.
❏ **Restore on AC Power Loss**
   This item allows you to configure how the system board responds to a power failure.
❏ **Wake On Lan**
   Use this item to enable or disable wake on lan.
❏ **Wake system with Fixed Time**
   Use this item to enable or disable wake system with fixed time.

CPU Configuration
The items in this menu show the CPU-related information that the BIOS automatically detects. Press <enter>to display the configuration options:
❏ **PSS Support**
   Use this item to enable or disable PSS support.
❏ **PSTATE/PPC Adjustment**
   Use this item to adjust PState/PPC.
❏ **NX Mode**
   Use this item to enable or disable NX mode.
❏ **SVM Mode**
   Use this item to enable or disable SVM mode.
❏ **CPB Mode**
   Use this item to select CPB mode.
❏ **C6 Mode**
   Use this item to enable or disable C6 mode.
❏ **Node 0 Information**
   Enter this item to view memory information related to Node 0.

IDE/SATA Configuration

The items in this menu allow you to set or change the configurations for the IDE/SATA devices installed in the system. Press <Enter> to display the configuration options:

❏ **OnChip SATA Channel**

Use this item to configure onchip SATA channel.

❏ **OnChip SATA Type**

Use this item to configure the SATA type.

USB Configuration

The items in this menu allow you to change the USB-related features. Press <enter> To display the configuration options:

❏ **Legacy USB Support**

Allows you to enable or disable support for USB devices on legacy operating systems.

❏ **EHCI Hand-Off**

Allows you to enable support for operating systems without an EHCI hand-off feature.

❏ **USB transfer time-out**

Allows you to set USB transfer time-out.
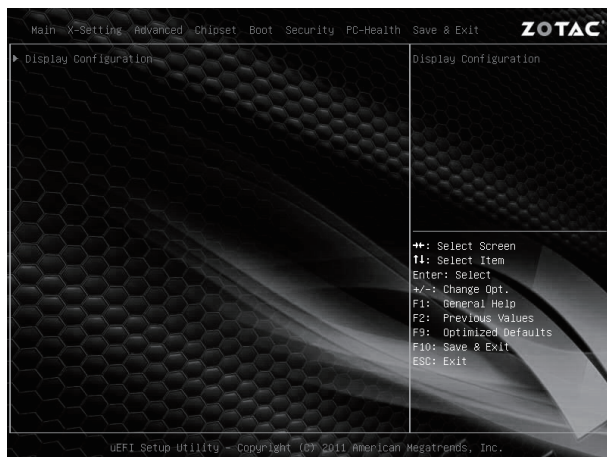
❏ **Device reset time-out**

Allows you to set device reset time-out.

❏ **Device power-up delay**

Allows you to set device power-up delay.

Chipset Menu

The chipset menu items allow you to change the advanced chipset settings. Press <Enter> to display the sub-menu:
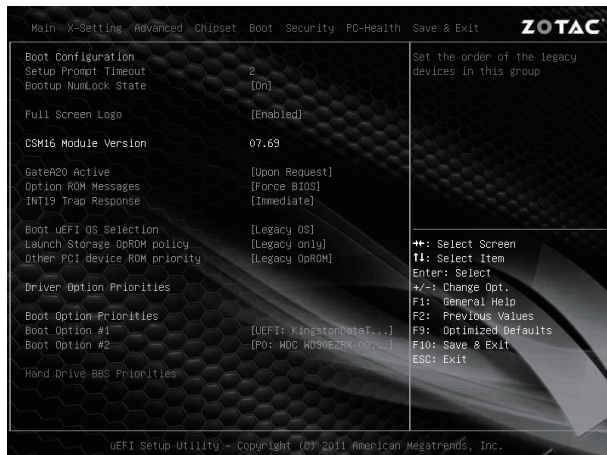

Display Configuration

The items allow you to configure display features, including Primary Video Device, IGD share memory setting and so on.

Boot Menu

The Boot menu items allow you to change the system boot options. Press <Enter> to display the configuration options:

Boot Settings Configuration

The items allow you to configure Boot settings. Press <Enter> To display the configuration options:

❏ **Setup Prompt Timeout**
   Use this item to set number of seconds to wait for setup activation key.

❏ **Bootup NumLock State**
   Use this item to select the keyboard NumLock state: [On] or [Off].

❏ **Full Screen Logo**
   Enable or disable fullscreen Logo show.

❏ **GateA20 Active**
   When set to [Upon Request], GA20 can be disabled using BIOS services. When set to [Always], GA20 can not be disabled; this option is useful when any RT code is executed above 1MB.

❏ **Option ROM Messages**
   Use this item to set display mode for Option.

❏ **INT19 Trap Response**
   When set to [Enabled], this function allows the option ROMS to trap interrupt 19.

❏ **Boot uEFI OS Selection**
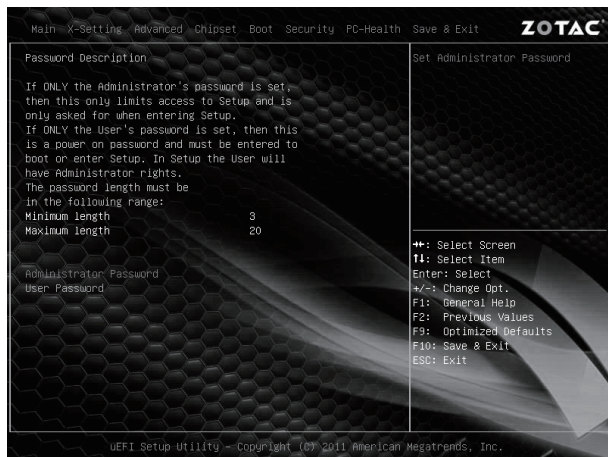   Use this item to select boot uEFI OS.

❏ **Launch Storage OpROM policy**
   Use this item to set launch storage OpROM policy.

❏ **Other PCI device ROM priority**
Use this item to set other PCI device ROM priority.

Security Menu
The security menu items allow you to change the system security settings. Press <enter> to display the configuration options:

Administrator Password
Select this item to set Setup Administrator Password.
User Password
Select this item to set the user password.

To set an Administrator/User Password:
1. Select the item [Administrator/User Password] and press <Enter>.
2. From the password box, type a password composed of at least six letters and/or numbers, then press <Enter>.
3. Confirm the password when prompted:
   The message "Password Installed" appears after you successfully set your password.
   To change the administrator/user password, follow the same steps as setting a use password.
   To clear the administrator/user password, select the item [Administrator/User password], then press <enter>. The message "Password Uninstalled" appears.

PC Health Menu

Select PC Health from the BIOS Setup Utility menu to display the System menu.
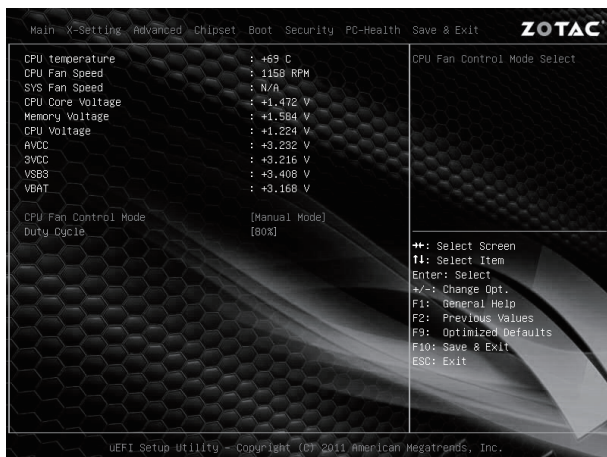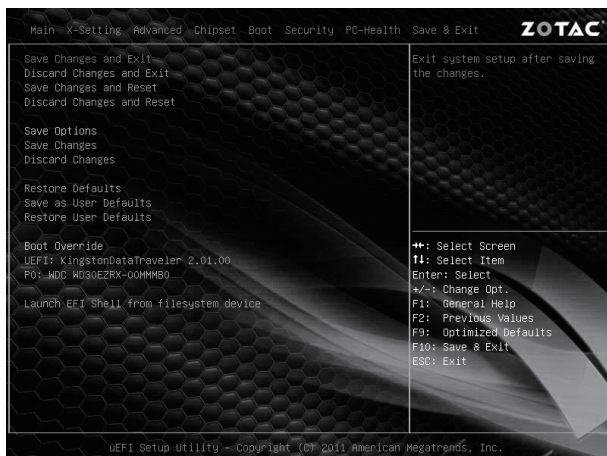

SYS Fan Control Mode

This item allows you to set the system fan control mode.

Exit Menu

The exit menu items allow you to load the option or failsafe default values for the BIOS items, and save or discard your changes to the BIOS items. Press <Enter> to display the sub-menu:

Save Changes and Exit
Select this item and press <Enter> to save the changes that you have made in the BIOS Setup and exit the BIOS Setup. When the diolog box [Save configuration and exit?] appears, select [Yes] to save and exit, or select [No] to return to the main menu

Discard Changes and Exit
Select this option only if you do not want to save the changes that you have made to the setup program. If you made changes to fields other than system date, system time, and password, the BIOS asks for a confirmation before exiting.

Save Changes and Reset
Select this item and press <Enter> to reset the system after saving the changes. When the diolog box [Save configuration and reset?] appears, select [Yes] to save and reset, or select [No] to return to the main menu.

Discard Changes and Reset
Select this item and press <Enter> to reset system setup without saving any changes. When the diolog box [Reset without saving?] appears, select [Yes] to discard and reset, or select [No] to return to the main menu.

Save Changes
Select this item and press <Enter> to save the changes that you have made in the BIOS Setup and exit the BIOS Setup. When the diolog box [Save configuration?] appears, select [Yes] to save changes, or select [No] to return to the main menu.

Discard Changes
This option allows you to discard the selections you have made and restore the previously saved values. When the dialog box [Load Previous Values?] appears, select [Yes] to discard any change and load the previously saved values.

Restore Defaults
Use this item to restore/load default values for all the setup options.

Save as User Defaults
Use this item to save the changes as User Defaults.

Restore User Defaults
Use this item to restore the User Defaults to all the setup options.

Launch EFI Shell from filesystem device

Use this item to launch EFI Shell application (Shellx64.efi) from one of the available filesystem devices.

Flash Update Procedure

The program EFUDOS.exe is included in the driver disk (X:\Utility\EFUDOS.exe). Please follow the recommended procedure to update the flash BIOS, as listed below.

(X: your driver disk letter).

1. Create a DOS-bootable floppy diskette. Copy the new BIOS file (just obtained or downloaded) and the utility program EFUDOS.exe to the diskette.

2. Allow the PC system to boot from the DOS diskette.

3. At the DOS prompt, type

    EFUDOS XX.ROM /P /B /R /N /X <ENTER>
    Note: XX (the BIOS file name) can be defined by users.

4. Wait until the flash-update is complete.

5. Restart the PC.

Warning: - Do not turn off or RESET the computer during the flash process.
- If you are not sure how to upgrade the BIOS, please take your computer to an Authorized Service Center and have a trained technician do the work for you.

Installing Drivers and Software

Note: 1. It is important to remember that before installing the driver disk that is shipped in the kit, you need to load your operating system. The motherboard supports Windows 7 32bit/64bit and Windows 8 32bit/64bit.

2. We reserve the right to update the driver version presented in the manual. The driver installation pictures shown in this section are for reference only.
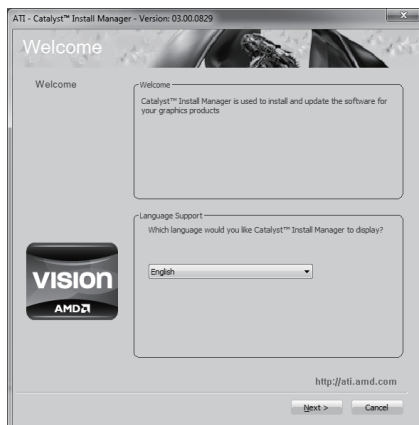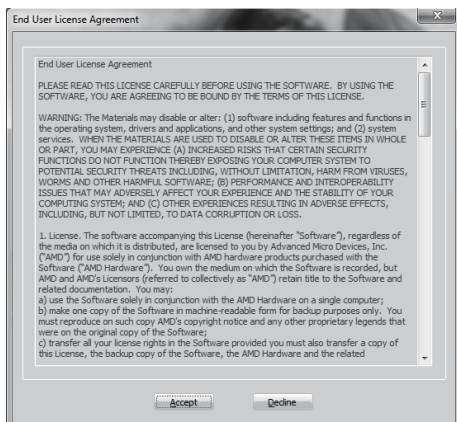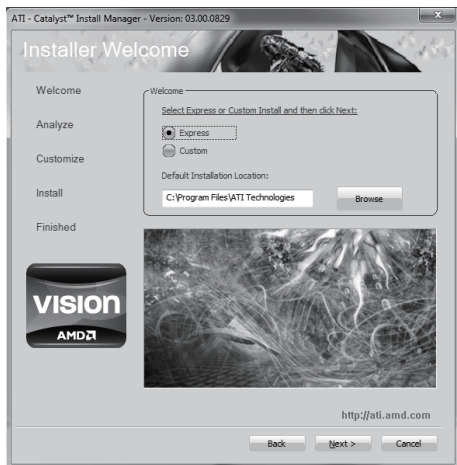
The kit comes with a DVD that contains utility drivers and additional software.
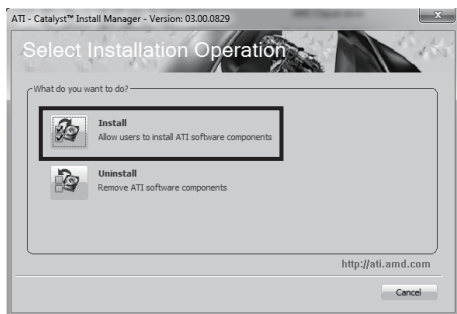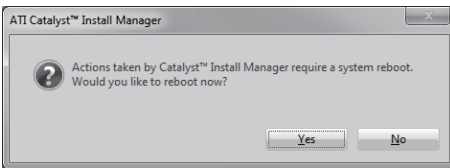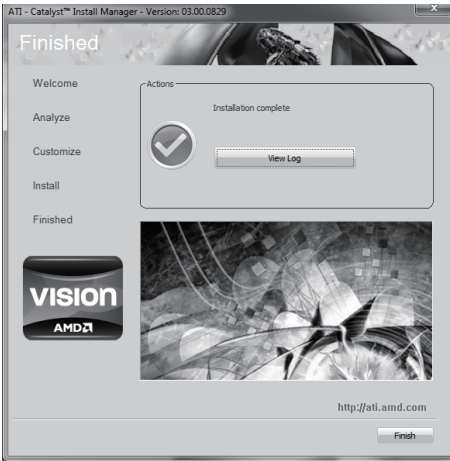
Drivers Installation

1. Insert the driver disk into the drive after loading your operating system, and then you can see the interface below.
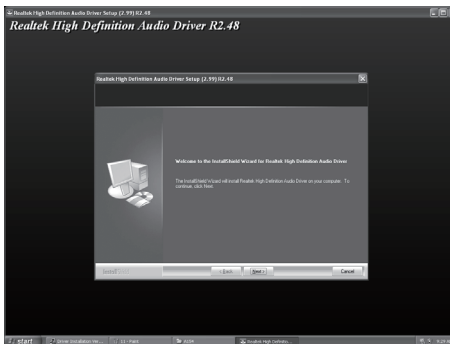

2. Left-click **AMD Chipset Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the chipset driver.

ATI - Catalyst™ Install Manager - Version: 03.00.0829

Select Installation Operation

What do you want to do?

Install
Allow users to install ATI software components

Uninstall
Remove ATI software components

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Cancel

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Installer Welcome

Welcome

Analyze

Customize

Install

Finished

Welcome

Select Express or Custom Install and then click Next:

◉ Express
◎ Custom

Default Installation Location:

C:\Program Files\ATI Technologies   Browse

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Back   Next >   Cancel

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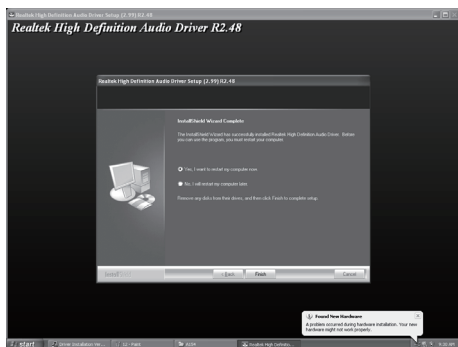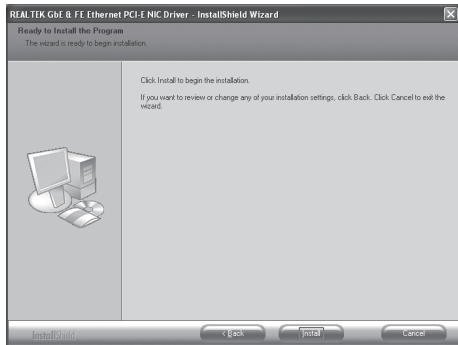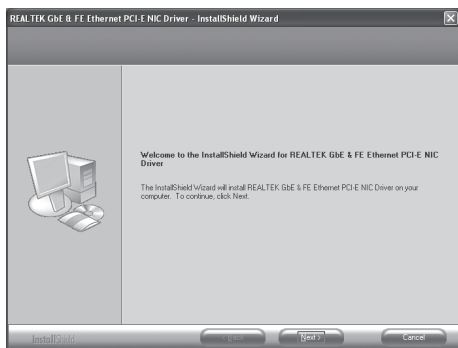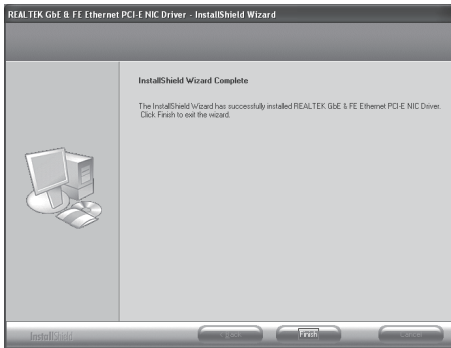
Accept   Decline

3. Left-click **Realtek HD Audio Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the sound driver.
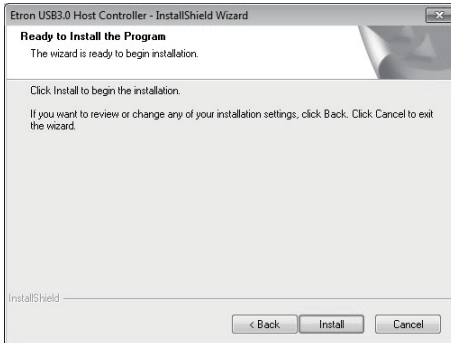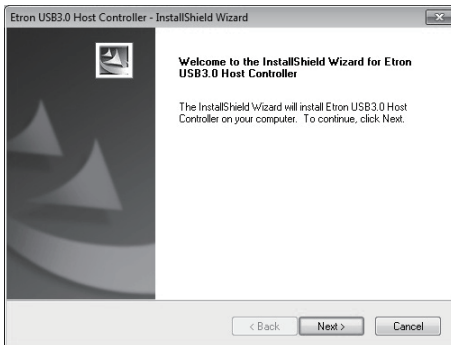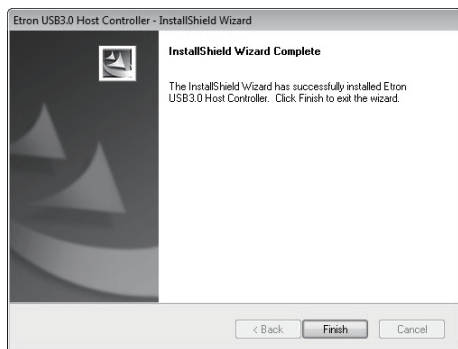
4. Left-click **Realtek network Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the network driver.
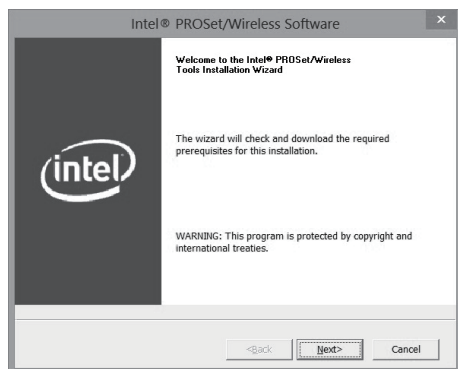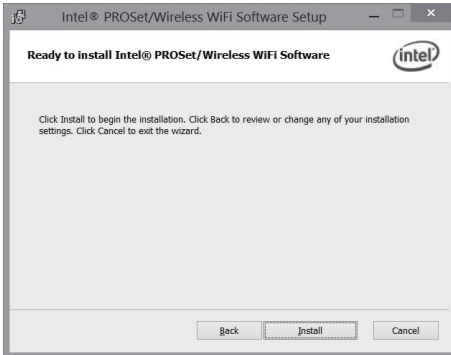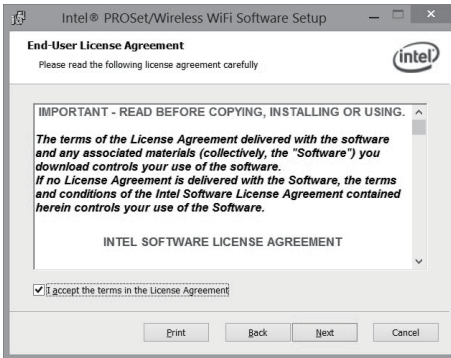
5. Left-click **Etron USB 3.0 Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the network driver.

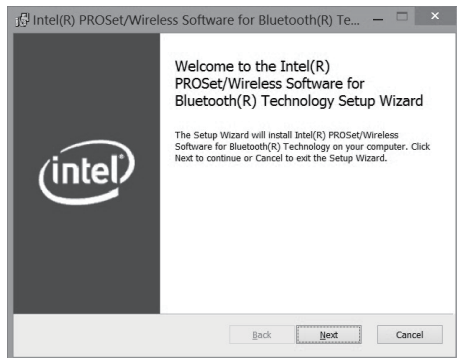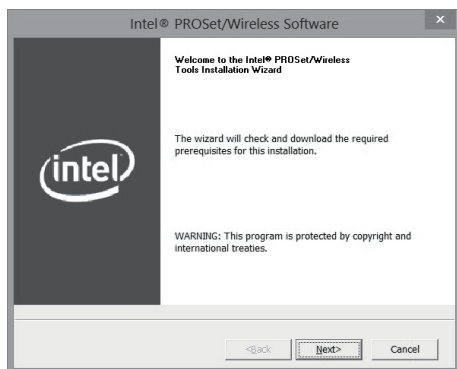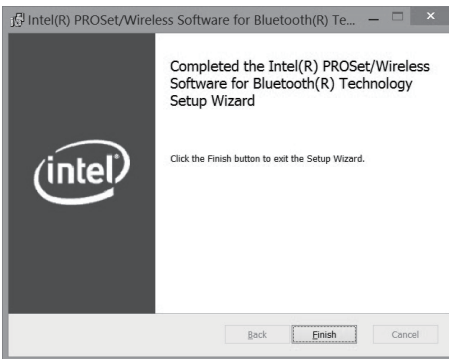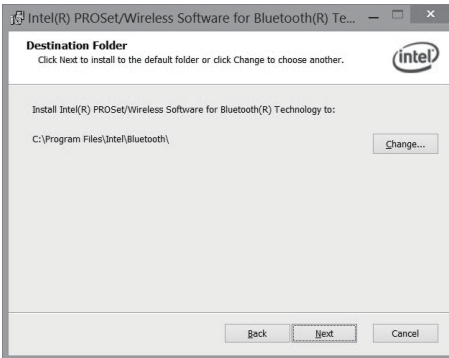6. Left-click **Intel Wireless Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the wireless driver.
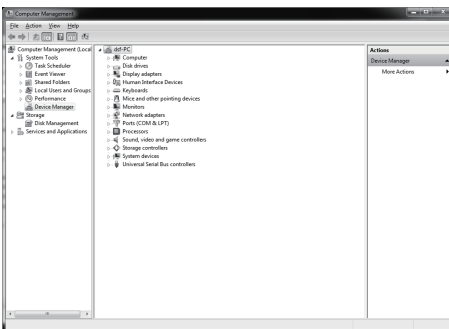
7. Left-click **Bluetooth Driver**, and follow the instructions below to install the bluetooth driver.
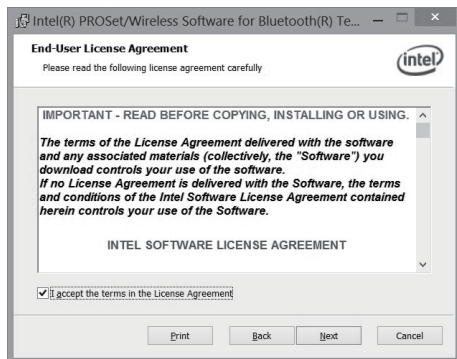
8. At last, you can enter **Device Manager** interface that provides information about the hardware devices on this motherboard, and check if the installation is finished.

Realtek HD Audio Driver Setup
Getting Started

After Realtek HD Audio Driver being installed (insert the driver disk and follow the on-screen instructions), "Realtek HD Audio Manager" icon will show in System tray as below. Double click the icon and the control panel will appear:

Double click to enable
Realtek HD Audio Manager

Sound Effect

After clicking on the "Sound Effect" tab, 3 sections "Environment", "Equalizer" and "Karaoke" are available for selection.


Environment Simulation

You will be able to enjoy different sound experience by pulling down the arrow, totally 23 kinds of sound effect will be shown for selection. Realtek HD Audio Sound Manager also provides five popular settings "Stone Corridor", "Bathroom", "Sewer pipe", "Arena" and "Audio Corridor" for quick enjoyment.

Equalizer Selection

The Equalizer section allows you to create your own preferred settings by utilizing this tool.

In standard 10 bands of equalizer, ranging from 100Hz to 16KHz are available:
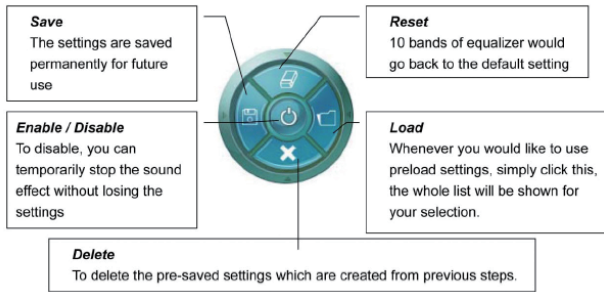
Frequently Used Equalizer Setting

Realtek recognizes the needs that you might have. By leveraging our long experience at audio field, Realtek HD Audio Sound Manager provides you certain optimized equalizer settings that are frequently used for your quick enjoyment.

How to Use

Other than the buttons "Pop" "Live" "Club" & "Rock" shown on the page, to pull down the arrow in "Others" , you will find more optimized settings available to you.

Karaoke Mode

Karaoke mode brings Karaoke fun back home by simply using the music you usually play, Karaoke mode can help you eliminate the vocal of the song or adjust the key to accommodate your range.

Vocal Cancellation: Single click on "Voice Cancellation", the vocals of the songs will be erased, while the background music is still playing which lets you take over the vocal part.
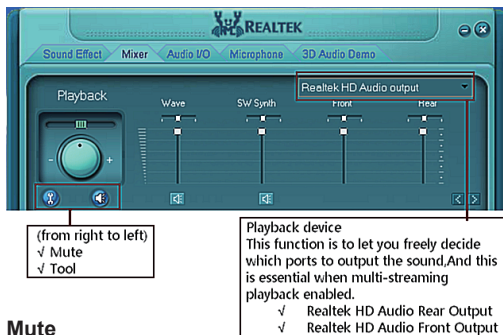
Key Adjustment: Using "Up/Down Arrow" to find a key which better fits your vocal range.

Mixer

Realtek HD Audio Sound Manager integrates Microsoft's "Volume Control" functions into the Mixer page. This gives you the advantage to you to create your favorite sound effect in one single tool.

Playback control

(from right to left)
√ Mute
√ Tool

Playback device
This function is to let you freely decide which ports to output the sound, And this is essential when multi-streaming playback enabled.
    √   Realtek HD Audio Rear Output
    √   Realtek HD Audio Front Output

Mute

You may choose to mute single or multiple volume controls or to completely mute sound output.
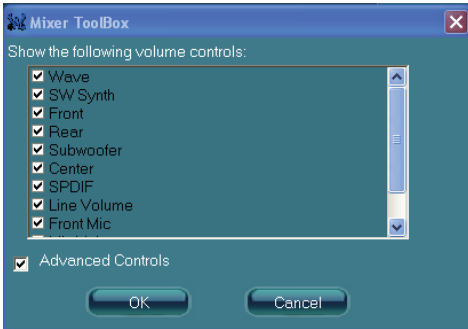
Tool

√   **Show the following volume control**
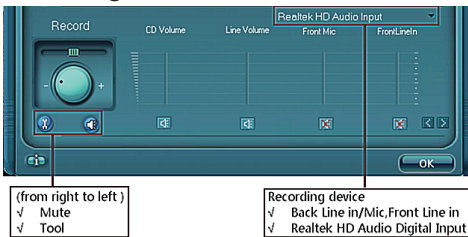   This is to let you freely decide which volume control items to be displayed, total 13 items to be chosen.

√   **Advanced controls**

√   **Enable playback multi-streaming**

With this function, you will be able to have an audio chat with your friends via headphone (stream 1 from front panel) while still have music (stream 2 from back panel) playing. At any given period, you can have maximum 2 streams operating simultaneously.

Recording control

Mute

You may choose to mute single or multiple volume controls or to completely mute sound input.

Tool

√ **Show the following volume controls**

This is to let you freely decide which volume control items to be displayed.

√ **Advanced controls.**
Advanced control is a "Microphone Boost" icon.
Once this item is checked, you will find "advanced" icon beside "Front Pink In" &
"Mic Volume". With this, the input signal into "Front Pink In" & "Mic Volume" will be strengthen.

√ **Enable recording multi-streaming**
At any given period, you can have maximum 2 streams operating simultaneously.
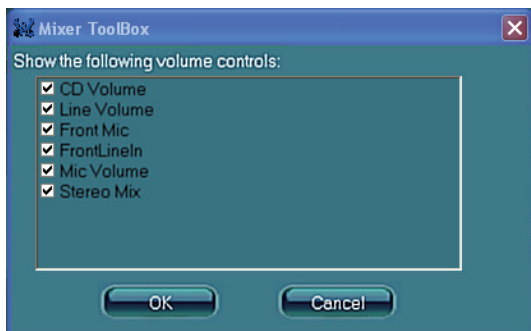
Audio I/O

Realtek HD Audio Manager frees you from default speaker settings. Different from before, for each jack, they are not limited to perform certain functions. Instead, now each jack is able to be chosen to perform either output (i.e. playback) function or input (i.e. Recording) function, we call this "Retasking".

Audio I/O aims to help you setting jacks as you wish. Moreover, other than blue to blue, pink to pink, the way that you used to do, Audio I/O would guide you to other right jacks that can also serve as microphone / speaker / headphone.

Speaker Configuration

Step 1: Plug in the device in any available jack.

Step 2: Dialogue "connected device" will pop up for your selection. Please select the device you are trying to plug in.
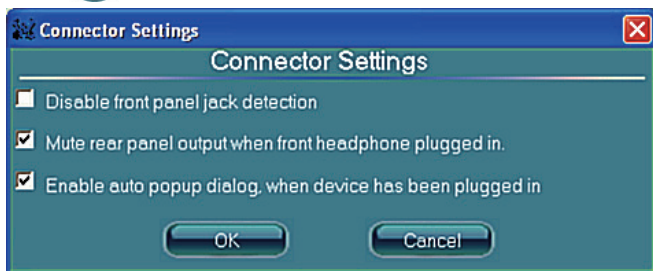
* If the device is being plugged into the correct jack, you will be able to find the icon beside the jack changed to the one that is same as your device.

* If not correct, Realtek HD Audio Manager will guide you to plug the device into the correct jack.
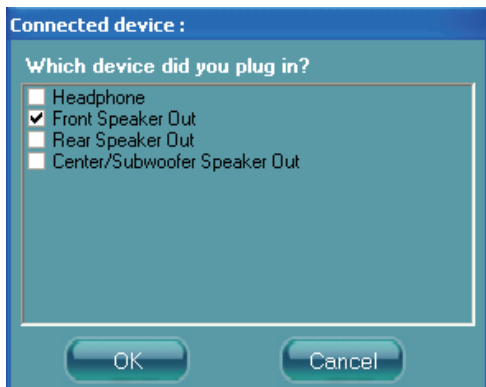
Connector Settings

Click (icon) to access connector settings

√ **Mute rear panel when front headphone plugged in**
Once this option is checked, whenever front headphone is plugged, the music that is playing from the back panel, will be stopped.

√ **Disable front panel jack detection (option)**
Did not find any function on front panel jacks?
Please check if front jacks on your system are so-called AC'97 jacks. If so, please check this item to disable front panel jack detection.

√ **Enable auto popup dialogue, when device has been plugged in.**
Once this item checked, the dialog "Connected device", would not automatically pop up when device plugged in.

S/PDIF

Short for **S**ony/**P**hilips **D**igital **I**nterface, a standard audio file transfer format. S/PDIF allows the transfer of digital audio signals from one device to another without having to be converted first to an analog format. Maintaining the viability of a digital signal prevents the quality of the signal from degrading when it is converted to analog.
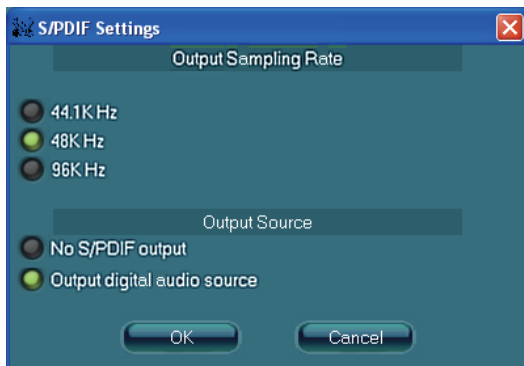
√ **Output Sampling Rate**

- 44.1KHz: This is recommended while playing CD
- 48KHz: This is recommended while playing DVD or Dolby.
- 96KHz: This is recommended while playing DVD-Audio.

√ **Output Source**

- Output digital audio source: The digital audio format (such as .wav, .mp3, .midi etc) will come out through S/PDIF-Out.

Speaker Calibration

After you have successfully plugged in speakers and assigned to the right jacks, you are only one more step to go to enjoy the intended sound. We provide "Speaker Calibration" to help you check if the speakers are located in the   correct position.

Step1
Select the channel output(headphone / 2 / 4 / 6 channel)

Step2
Click "play" icon

Step3
Look at the scene;while the speaker appears flushing,you should be able to hear the sound exactly from that direction.

Microphone

This page is designed to provide you better microphone/recording quality.

Below picture indicates both "Noise Suppression" & "Acoustic Echo Cancellation" are both enabled.

Noise Suppression

If you feel that the background noise, especially the sound generated from the fan inside PC, is too loud? Try "Noise Suppression", which allows you to cut off and suppress disturbing noise.

Beam Forming

Also known as "directional recording", this option lets you do the following: Once beam forming is enabled; only the sound from certain direction will be recorded. You will get the best quality if you chose 90° position, which we recommend you to use, this effectively means that you speak right into the microphone.

Note: A Stereo Microphone is required when using Beam Forming function.

Acoustic Echo Cancellation

This function prevents playback sound from being recorded by microphone together with your sound. For example, you might have chance to use VOIP function through Internet with your friends. The voice of your friend will come out from speakers (playback). However, the voice of your friend might also be recorded into your microphone then go back to your friend through Internet. In that case, your friend will hear his/her own voice again. With AEC (Acoustic Echo Cancellation) enabled at your side, your friend can enjoy the benefit with less echo.

3D Audio Demo

The section "3D Audio Demo" grants you another possibility to enjoy your sound. The Audio Demo allows you to listen to sound in an extraordinary way.

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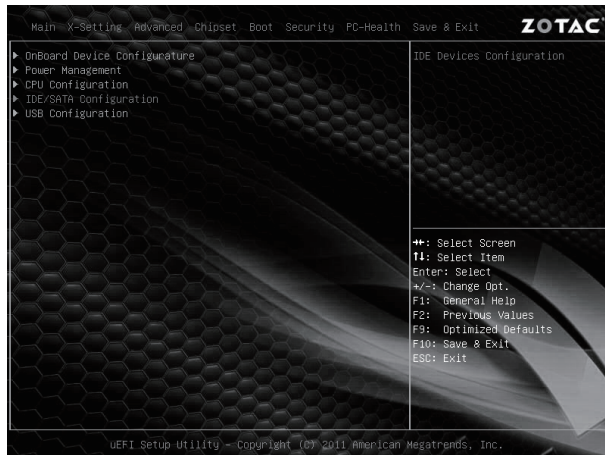
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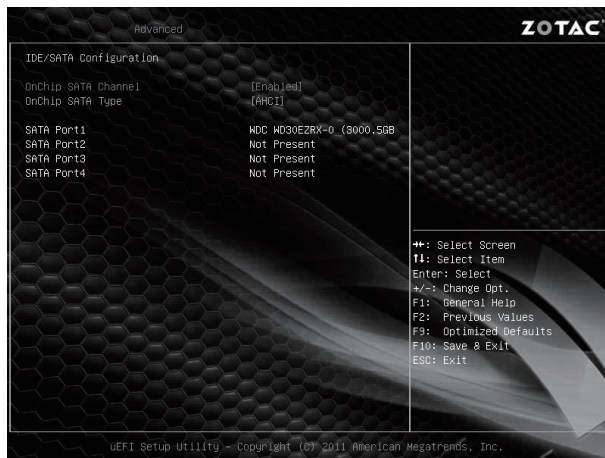
SATA RAID User Manual
Setting up the BIOS

1. Setting your computer, then press <Delete> to enter BIOS SETUP UTILITY.
2. Use the arrow key to select Advanced menu. When enter the Advanced menu, select the Item "**IDE/SATA Configuration**".

3. Press <Enter> to display **IDE/SATA Configuration**, then select the item "*OnChip SATA Type*".

4. Press <Enter> and enable the option "***RAID***".

5. Enable the disks that you want to use as RAID disks.
6. Press F10 to save the configuration and exit. The PC reboots.
7. Enter the RAID BIOS Setup by pressing F10 when prompted, and proceed to set up the RAID BIOS as described in the next Section.

Entering the RAID BIOS Setup

1. After rebooting your computer, wait until you see the RAID software prompting you to press <Ctrl-F>.

2. **Option ROM Utility (c) 2009 Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.-Main Menu** window appears.
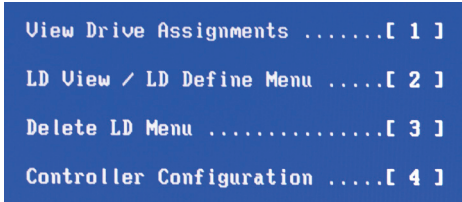
Creating a RAID set

1. In **Main Menu**, select <2> to enter **LD View Menu**, and press <Ctrl-C> to enter **LD Define Menu**.

a. In the RAID Mode field, use the space bar to select a RAID Mode. The supported RAID modes include Mirroring (RAID 1), Striping (RAID 0) and Stripe Mirroring (RAID 10). The following is an example of RAID 0 array creation.

b. If RAID 0 (Striping) is selected, you can manually set the striping block size. In the Striping Block field, use the UP or DOWN ARROW key to set the Striping Block size. The KB is standard unit of Striping Block size. We recommend you leaving it to the default setting-Optimal (64k). The size range is from 4k to 128k.
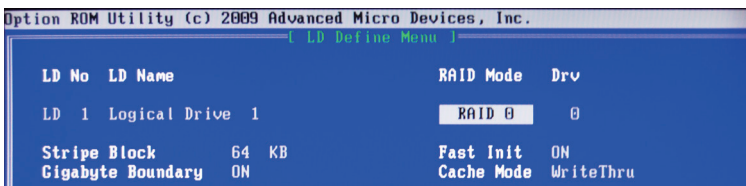
2. In **Drives Assignments** menu, use the space bar to select <Y>, and press <Ctrl-Y>.

3. Enter the LD name.

4. Modify Array Capacity, and press <Ctrl-Y> to save the modification. When the setup is finished, press <Esc> to exit the RAID interface. After the PC reboots, the RAID controller will display the ready RAID.

Deleting a RAID set

1. In **Main Menu**, select <3> to enter **Delete LD Menu**, and select the RAID you want to delete.

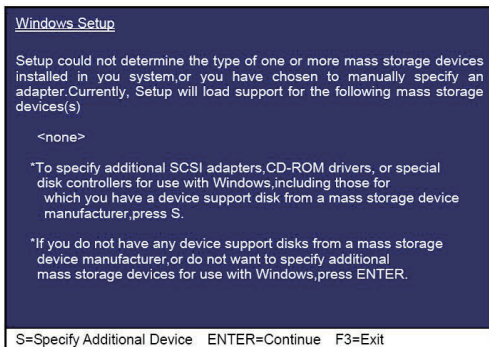2. Press <Ctrl-Y> to delete the RAID, or press any other key to abort.

Installing the RAID Drivers

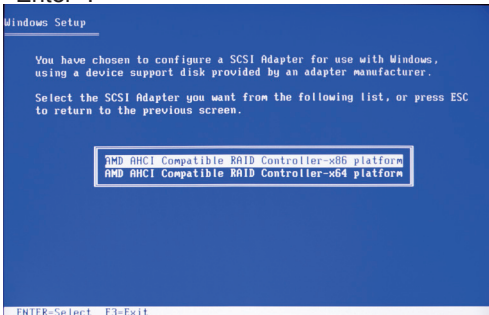1. After you complete the RAID BIOS setup, boot from the windows XP disk. The Windows Setup program starts.

Windows Setup

Press F6 if you need to install a third party SCSI or RAID driver.

2. Press F6 and wait a few moments for the Windows Setup screen to appear.

Windows Setup

Setup could not determine the type of one or more mass storage devices installed in you system,or you have chosen to manually specify an adapter.Currently, Setup will load support for the following mass storage devices(s)

    <none>

   *To specify additional SCSI adapters,CD-ROM drivers, or special
    disk controllers for use with Windows,including those for
      which you have a device support disk from a mass storage device
    manufacturer,press S.

   *If you do not have any device support disks from a mass storage
    device manufacturer,or do not want to specify additional
    mass storage devices for use with Windows,press ENTER.
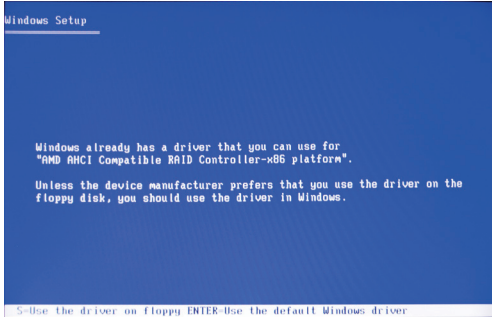
 S=Specify Additional Device   ENTER=Continue   F3=Exit

3. Specify the AMD drivers.
a. Insert the floppy that has the RAID driver, and select the SCSI Adapter, then press <Enter>.

Windows Setup

    You have chosen to configure a SCSI Adapter for use with Windows,
    using a device support disk provided by an adapter manufacturer.

    Select the SCSI Adapter you want from the following list, or press ESC
    to return to the previous screen.

            AMD AHCI Compatible RAID Controller-x86 platform
            AMD AHCI Compatible RAID Controller-x64 platform

 ENTER=Select F3=Exit

b.   When the window below display, press <S> to use the driver on floppy.

c.   Press <Enter> to continue the windows setup.

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