

## Handling Precautions

### **Warning :**

1. Static electricity may cause damage to the integrated circuits on the mainboard.  
Before handling any mainboard outside of its protective packaging, ensure that there is no static electric charge in your body.
2. There is danger of explosion if the battery is incorrectly replaced.  
Replace only with the same or an equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer.
3. Discard used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Observe the following basic precautions when handling the mainboard or other computer components:

- Wear a static wrist strap which fits around your wrist and is connected to a natural earth ground.
- Touch a grounded or anti-static surface or a metal fixture such as a water pipe.
- Avoid contacting the components on add-on cards, boards and modules with the edge connectors plugged into the expansion slot.  
It is best to handle system components by their mounting bracket.

The above methods prevent static build-up and cause it to be discharged properly.

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