

## **Chapter 4**

### **AWARD® BIOS SETUP**

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

## **4.1 Entering Setup**

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

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

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

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

## **4.2 Getting Help**

### **Main Menu**

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

### **Status Page Setup Menu/Option Page Setup Menu**

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



**Chipset Features Setup**

This setup page includes all the items of chipset special features.

**Power Management Setup**

This category determines the power consumption for system after setting the specified items. Default value is Disable.

**PCI Configuration Setup**

This category specifies the IRQ level for PCI and ISA devices.

**Load Setup Defaults**

Chipset defaults indicates the values required by the system for the maximum performance.

**Special Features Setup**

This function is reserved for System Hardware Monitor.

**Integrated Peripherals**

Change, set, or disable onboard I/O, IRQ, and DMA assignment.

**Supervisor Password/User Password**

Change, set or disable password. This function allows the user access to the system and setup or just setup.

**IDE HDD Auto Detection**

Automatically configure hard disk parameters.

**Save & Exit Setup**

Save CMOS value changes to CMOS and exit setup.

**Exit Without Saving**

Abandon all CMOS value changes and exit setup.

4.4 Standard CMOS Setup

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

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STANDARD CMOS SETUP

AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Date(mm:dd:yy): Fri, Feb 28,1997

Time(hh:mm:ss): 00:00:00

HARD DISKS	TYPE	SIZE	CYLS	HEADS	PRECOMP	LANDZONE	SECTOR	MODE
Primary Master:	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Primary Slave :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Secondary Master :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Secondary Slave :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO

Drive A : 1.44M,3.5in.

Drive B : None

Video : EGA/VGA

Halt On : All,but Keyboard

Base Memory:640K

Extended Base Memory:15360K

Other Memory:384K

Total Memory:16384K

ESC : Quit

F1 : Help

↑↓→← : Select Item

(Shift)F2 : Change Color

PU/PD/+/- : Modify

**Date**

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

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

**Time**

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

**PrimaryMaster/PrimarySlave  
SecondaryMaster/Secondary Slave**

These categories identify the types of 2 channels that have been installed in the computer. There are 45 pre-defined types and 4 user definable types for Enhanced IDE BIOS. Type 1 to Type 45 are pre-defined. Type User is user-definable.

Press PgUp/<+> or PgDn/<-> to select a numbered hard disk type or type the number and press <Enter>. Note that the specifications of your drive must match with the drive table. The hard disk will not work properly if you enter improper information for this category. If your hard disk drive type is not matched or listed, you can use Type User to define your own drive type manually.

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

If the controller of HDD interface is ESDI, the selection shall be  
“Type 1”.

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

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

<b>CYLS.</b>	number of cylinders
<b>HEADS</b>	number of heads
<b>PRECOMP</b>	write precom
<b>LANDZONE</b>	landing zone
<b>SECTORS</b>	number of sectors
<b>MODEHDD</b>	access mode

## 4.5 BIOS Features Setup

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BIOS FEATURES SETUP  
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Anti-Virus Protection : Disabled CPU Internal Cache : Enabled External Cache : Enabled Quick Power on Self Test : Disabled Boot From LAN First : Disabled Boot Sequence : A,C,SCSI Swap Floppy Drive : Disabled Boot up Floppy Seek : Enabled Boot up NumLock status : On Gate A20 Option : Fast Security Option : System PCI/VGA palette snoop : Disabled OS select for DRAM>64MB : Non-OS2 Report No FDD For WIN 95 : Yes	Video BIOS Shadow :Enabled C8000-CBFFF Shadow :Disabled CC000-CFFFF Shadow :Disabled D0000-D3FFF Shadow :Disabled D4000-D7FFF Shadow :Disabled D8000-DBFFF Shadow :Disabled DC000-DFFFF Shadow :Disabled
	Esc : Quit      ↑↓→← : Select item F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color F7 : Load Setup Defaults

## Anti-Virus Protection

During and after the system boots up, any attempt to write to the boot sector or partition table of the hard disk drive will halt the system and the following error message will appear. For the meantime, you can run an anti-virus program to locate the problem.

<b>Disable</b> (default)	No warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table.
<b>Enable</b>	Activates automatically when the system boots up causing a warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector of hard disk partition table.



### **CPU Internal Cache**

The default value is Enabled. If your CPU is without Internal Cache then this item “CPU Internal Cache” will not be shown.

<b>Enabled</b> (default)	Enable cache
<b>Disabled</b>	Disable cache

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

### **CPU External Cache**

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

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

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

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

<b>Enabled</b>	Enable quick POST
<b>Disabled</b> (default)	Normal POST

### **Boot From LAN First**

During Enabled, the system will boot from the LAN card (if there's any) first.

### **Boot Sequence**

This category determines which drive the computer searches first for the disk operating system (i.e., DOS). The settings are A,C,SCSI/C,A,SCSI/C,CD-ROM,A/CD-ROM,C,A/D,A,SCSI/E,A,SCSI/F,A,SCSI/SCSI,A,C/SCSI,C,A/C only. Default value is A,C,SCSI.

### **Swap Floppy Drive**

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

### **Boot Up Floppy Seek**

During POST, BIOS will determine if the floppy disk drive installed is 40 or 80 tracks. 360K type is 40 tracks while 720K, 1.2M, and 1.44M are all 80 tracks.

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|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Enabled</b> (default) | BIOS searches for floppy disk drive to determine if it is 40 or 80 tracks. Take note that BIOS can not tell from 720K, 1.2M , or 1.44M drive type as they are all 80 tracks. |
| <b>Disabled</b>          | BIOS will not search for the type of floppy disk drive by track number. There will be no warning message if the drive installed is 360K.                                     |

### **Boot Up NumLock Status**

The default value is On.

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|---------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>On</b> (default) | Keypad is numeric keys. |
| <b>Off</b>          | Keypad is arrow keys.   |

### **Gate A20 Option**

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|-----------------------|--|
| <b>Normal</b>         | The A20 signal is controlled by keyboard controller or chipset hardware. |
| <b>Fast</b> (default) | The A20 signal is controlled by port 92 or chipset specific method.      |

### Security Option

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

<b>System</b>	The system will not boot and access to Setup will be denied if the correct password is not entered at the prompt.
<b>Setup(default)</b>	The system will boot, but access to Setup will be denied if the correct password is not entered at the prompt.

### PCI VGA Palette Snooping

Choose Disabled or Enabled. Some graphic controllers which are not VGA compatible, take the output from a VGA controller and map it to their display as a way to provide the boot information and the VGA compatibility.

However, the color information coming from the VGA controller is drawn from the palette table inside the VGA controller to generate the proper colors, and the graphic controller needs to know what is in the palette of the VGA controller. To do this, the non-VGA graphic controller watches for the Write access to the VGA palette and registers the snoop data. In PCI based systems, where the VGA controller is on the PCI bus and a non-VGA graphic controller is on an ISA bus, the Write Access to the palette will not show up on the ISA bus if the PCI VGA controller responds to the Writes.

In this case, the PCI VGA controller should not respond to the Write. It should only snoop the data and permit the access to be forwarded to the ISA bus. The non-VGA ISA graphic controller can then snoop the data on the ISA bus. Unless you have the above situation, you should disable this option.

<b>Disabled</b> (default)	Disables the function
<b>Enabled</b>	Enables the function

### OS Selection for DRAM > 64MB

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

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**Report No FDD For WIN 95**

This function is only used when you are testing SCT for Windows® 95 Logo.

**Video BIOS Shadow**

Determines whether video BIOS will be copied to RAM for faster execution. Video shadow will increase the video performance.

<b>Enabled</b> (default)	Video shadow is enabled
<b>Disabled</b>	Video shadow is disabled

**C8000 - CFFFF Shadow/E8000 - EFFFF Shadow**

Determines whether the optional ROM will be copied to RAM for faster execution.

<b>Enabled</b>	Optional shadow is enabled
<b>Disabled</b> (default)	Optional shadow is disabled

**Note:** For C8000-DFFFF optional-ROM on PCI BIOS , BIOS will automatically enable the shadow RAM. User does not have to select the item.

4.6 Chipset Features Setup

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

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

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS(2A69JM49)  
CMOS SETUP UTILITY  
CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP

Auto Configuration	:Enabled	Spread Spectrum	:Enabled
DRAM Speed Selection	:60ns	CPU Host Clock	:Default
MA Wait State	:Slow		
EDO RAS# To CAS# Delay	:3		
EDO RAS# Precharge Time	:3		
EDO DRAM Read Burst	:x333		
EDO DRAM Write Burst	:x222		
System BIOS Cacheable	:Enabled		
Video BIOS Cacheable	:Enabled		
Video RAM Cacheable	:Enabled		
8 Bit I/O Recovery Time	:1		
16 Bit I/O Recovery Time	:1		
Memory Hole At 15M-16M	:Disabled		
Passive Release	:Enabled		
Delayed Transaction	:Disabled		
AGP Aperture Size (MB)	:64	Esc : Quit	↑↓→← : Select item
SDRAM RAS-To-CAS Delay	:Fast	F1 : Help	PU/PD/+/- : modify
SDRAM RAS Precharge Time	:Fast	F5 : Old Value(Shift)	F2 : Color
SDRAM CAS Latency Time	:3	F7 : Load Setup Defaults	

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

### **Auto Configuration**

Choosing Enabled (default) will automatically configure chipset features using default settings. Choose Disable to customize setup.

### **DRAM Speed Selection**

The DRAM timing is controlled by the DRAM Timing Registers. The timings programmed into this register are dependent on the system design. Slower rates may be required in certain system designs to support loose layouts or slower memory.

**60ns**                      DRAM Timing Type.

**50ns**                      DRAM Timing Type.

### **MA Wait State**

This item allows you to select MA Wait State. The settings are Fast or Slow.

### **EDO RAS# To CAS# Delay**

This sets the relative delay between the row and column address strobes from DRAM (EDO). The settings are 2 or 3.

### **EDO RAS# Precharge Time**

Defines the length of time for Row Address Strobe from DRAM (EDO) is allowed to precharge. The settings are 3 or 4.

### **EDO DRAM Read Burst**

This sets the timing for burst mode reads from DRAM(EDO). Burst Read and write requests are generated by the CPU in four separate parts. The lower the timing numbers, the faster the system will address memory.

x222      Read DRAM (EDO) timings are 2-2-2

x333      Read DRAM (EDO) timings are 3-3-3

### **EDO DRAM Write Burst**

This sets the timing for burst mode writes from DRAM (EDO). Burst read and write requests are generated by the CPU in four separate parts. The lower the timing numbers, the faster the system will address memory.

x222 Write DRAM timings are 2-2-2-2

x333 Write DRAM timings are 3-3-3-3

### **System BIOS Cacheable**

Select Enabled allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at F000h-F7FFFh, resulting in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result.

<b>Enabled</b>	BIOS access cached
<b>Disabled</b>	BIOS access not cached

### **Video BIOS Cacheable**

Select Enabled allows caching of the system BIOS ROM at C0000h-F7FFFh, resulting in better video performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result.

<b>Enabled</b>	Video BIOS access cached
<b>Disabled</b>	Video BIOS access not cached

### **Video RAM Cacheable**

Select Enabled allows caching of the video RAM, resulting in better system performance. However, if any program writes to this memory area, a system error may result.

### **8 Bit I/O Recovery Time**

The recovery time is the length of time, measured in CPU clocks, which the system will delay after the completion of an input/output request. This delay takes place because the CPU is operating so much faster than the input/output bus that the CPU must be delayed to allow for the completion of the I/O.

This item allows you to determine the recovery time allowed for 8 bit I/O. Choices are from NA, 1 to 8 CPU clocks.

### **16 Bit I/O Recovery Time**

This item allows you to determine the recovery time allowed for 16 bit I/O. Choices are from NA, 1 to 4 CPU clocks.

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

In order to improve performance, certain space in memory can be reserved for ISA cards. This memory must be mapped into the memory space below 16 MB.

Enabled	Memory hole supported.
Disabled	Memory hole not supported.

### **Passive Release**

When Enabled, CPU to PCI bus accesses are allowed during passive release. Otherwise, the arbiter only accepts another PCI master access to local DRAM. The settings are Enabled or Disabled.

### **Delayed Transaction**

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

### **AGP Aperture Size (MB)**

Select the size of the Accelerated Graphics Port (AGP) aperture. The aperture is a portion of the PCI memory address range dedicated for graphics memory address space. Host cycles that hit the aperture range are forwarded to the AGP without any translation.



**SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay**

This item allows you to select SDRAM RAS-to-CAS Delay. The settings are Fast or Slow.

**SDRAM RAS Precharge Time**

This item allows you to select SDRAM RAS Precharge Time. The settings are Fast or Slow.

**SDRAM CAS Latency Time**

This item allow you to select the SDRAM Latency Time. The settings are 2 or 3.

**Spread Spectrum**

This item allows you to select the clock generator Spread Spectrum function. The default is enabled.

**CPU Host Clock**

This item allows you to select the processor FSB (Front Side Bus). You can choose from 66MHz, 68MHz, 75MHz, or 83MHz. The default setting is 66 MHz.

**NOTE:** 75 and 83.3 MHz are used for overclocking purposes. We do not guarantee that the Motherboard, CPU or other components will work properly under these speed.

4.7 Power Management Setup

The Power Management Setup will appear on your screen like this:

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69JM49)  
POWER MANAGEMENT SETUP  
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

Power Management	:User Define	IRQ 8 Break Suspend	: Disabled
PM Control by APM	:Yes		
Video Off Method	:DPMS	** Reload Global Timer Events **	
Video Off After	:Standby	IRQ [3-7,9-15],NMI	: Disabled
Modem Use IRQ	: 3	Primary IDE 0	: Enabled
Reserve IRQ9	:Yes	Primary IDE 1	: Enabled
		Secondary IDE 0	: Disabled
Doze Mode	:Disabled	Secondary IDE 1	: Disabled
Standby Mode	:Disabled	Floppy Disk	: Disabled
Suspend Mode	:Disabled	Serial Port	: Enabled
HDD Power Down	:Disabled	Parallel Port	: Disabled
Throttle Duty Cycle	:62.5%		
VGA Active Monitor	:Disabled		
Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN	:Instant-Off		
Resume by Ring	:Disabled		
Resume by Alarm	:Disabled		
Power Status LED	:Dual Color		
Wake Up On LAN	:Enable		
		Esc : Quit	↑↓→← : Select item
		F1 : Help	PU/PD/+/- : modify
		F5 : Old Value(Shift)	F2 : Color
		F7 : Load Setup Defaults	

Power Management

This category determines the power consumption for system after selecting below items. Default value is Disable. The following pages tell you the options of each item & describe the meanings of each options.

**Power Management**

<b>Disable</b>	Global Power Management will be disabled.
<b>User Define</b>	Users can configure their own power management.
<b>Min Saving</b>	Pre-defined timer values are used such that all timers are in their MAX value.
<b>Max Saving</b>	Pre-defined timer values are used such that all timers are in their MIN value.

**PM Control by APM**

<b>No</b>	System BIOS will ignore APM when power managing the system.
<b>Yes</b>	System BIOS will wait for APM's prompt before it enter any PM mode

**Note :**Enable this for O.S. with APM like Windows® 95/98, Windows® NT, etc.

**Video Off Method**

<b>Blank Screen</b>	The system BIOS will only blank off the screen when disabling video.
<b>V/H SYNC+Blank</b>	In addition to (1), BIOS will also turn off the V-SYNC & H-SYNC signals from VGA card to monitor.
<b>DPMS</b>	This function is enabled only for VGA card supporting DPMS.

**Note:** Green monitors detect the V/H SYNC signals to turn off its electron gun.

**Video Off After**

The settings are N/A, Standby, Doze, or Suspend. This option is for choosing the setting in which the monitor will turn off.

<b>N/A</b>	Always turn on.
<b>Doze</b>	During Doze mode, the monitor will be turned off.
<b>Standby</b>	During Standby mode, the monitor will be turned off.
<b>Suspend</b>	During Suspend mode, the monitor will be turned off.

The default setting is Standby.

**MODEM Use IRQ**

Name the interrupt request (IRQ) line assigned to the modem (if any) on your system. Activity of the selected IRQ always awakens the system. The settings are NA, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, or 11.

**Reserve IRQ9**

This option allows user to enabled the ACPI function by selecting Yes and disabled the ACPI function by selecting No. The default setting is Yes.

**Doze Mode**

<b>Disable</b>	System will never enter DOZE mode.
<b>1 Min/2 Min/ 4 Min/8 Min/ 12 Min/20 Min/ 30 Min/40 Min/ 1 Hr</b>	Defines the continuous idle time before the system enters DOZE mode. If any item defined in the options of “Power Down and Resume events” is enabled & active, DOZE timer will be reloaded. When the system have entered Doze mode, any of the items enabled in “Wake Up Events in Doze and Standby” will trigger the system to wake up.

**Standby Mode****Disable**

System will never enter STANDBY mode.

**1 Min/2 Min/**

Defines the continuous idle time before the system enters STANDBY mode.

**4 Min/8 Min/****12 Min/20 Min/****30 Min/40 Min/****1 Hr**

If any item defined in the options of “Power Down and Resume events” is enabled & active, STANDBY timer will be reloaded. When the system has entered Standby mode, any of the items that are enabled in “Wake Up Events of Doze and Standby” will trigger the system to wake up.

**Suspend Mode****Disable**

System will never enter SUSPEND mode.

**1 Min/2 Min/**

Defines the continuous idle time before the system enters SUSPEND mode.

**4 Min/8 Min/****12 Min/20 Min/****30 Min/40 Min/****1 Hr**

If any item defined in the options of “Power Down & Resume Events” is enabled & active, SUSPEND timer will be reloaded. When the system has entered SUSPEND mode, any of the items enabled in the “Power Down & Resume Events” will trigger the system to wake up.

**HDD Power Down****Disable**

HDD's motor will not shut off.

**1 Min/2 Min/****3 Min/4 Min/****5 Min/6 Min/****7 Min/8 Min/****9 Min/10 Min/****11 Min/12 Min/****13 Min/14 Min/****15 Min**

Defines the continuous HDD idle time before the HDD enters the power saving mode (motor off). BIOS will turn off the HDD's motor when time is out.

**Throttle Duty Cycle**

This option will determine how much power will be used by the CPU , if the system goes into suspend mode.

**VGA Active Monitor**

During Enabled, if there's no activity in the monitor screen, the system will go into Power Saving Mode. During Disabled, the system will go into Power Saving Mode, whether there is activity in the monitor screen or not. The settings are Disabled and Enabled.

**Soft-Off by PWR-BTTN**

The settings are Delay 4 sec or Instant-off. During Delay 4 sec, if you push the switch once, the system goes into suspend mode and if you push it more than 4 seconds, the system will be turned off. During instant-off, the system will turn off once you push the switch.

**Resume by Ring**

During Disabled, the system will ignore any incoming call from the modem. During Enabled, the system will boot up if there's an incoming call from the modem.

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

### **Resume by Alarm**

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

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

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

### **Power Status LED**

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

### **Wake Up On LAN**

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

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

### **IRQ 8 Break Suspend**

You can Enable or Disable monitoring of IRQ 8 so it does not awaken the system from suspend mode.

**Reload Global Timer Events**

<b>IRQ[3-7,9-15], NMI</b>	<b>: Disabled</b>
<b>Primary IDE 0</b>	<b>: Enabled</b>
<b>Primary IDE 1</b>	<b>: Enabled</b>
<b>Secondary IDE 0</b>	<b>: Disabled</b>
<b>Secondary IDE 1</b>	<b>: Disabled</b>
<b>Floppy Disk</b>	<b>: Disabled</b>
<b>Serial Port</b>	<b>: Enabled</b>
<b>Parallel Port</b>	<b>: Disabled</b>

During Enabled, any event occurring on each device listed above will restart the global time for Standby Mode.



4.8 PNP/PCI Configuration Setup

You can manually configure the PCI Device’s IRQ. The following pages tell you the options of each item & describe the meanings of each options.

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69JM49)  
PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION SETUP  
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.

PnP OS Installed :No	PCI IDE IRQ Map To : PCI-Auto
Resources Controlled By :Manual	Primary IDE INT# : A
Reset Configuration Data :Disabled	Secondary IDE INT#: B
IRQ-3 assigned to :Legacy ISA	Assign IRQ for VGA : Enabled
IRQ-4 assigned to :Legacy ISA	Used MEM base addr : N/A
IRQ-5 assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-7 assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-9 assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-10assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-11assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-12assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-14assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
IRQ-15assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
DMA-0assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	
DMA-1assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	Esc : Quit ↑↓→← : Select item
DMA-3assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify
DMA-5assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color
DMA-6assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	F7 : Load Setup Defaults
DMA-7assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	

PnP OS Installed

When set to YES, BIOS will only initialize the PnP cards used for booting (VGA, IDE, SCSI). The rest of the cards will be initialized by the PnP operating system like Windows® 95 or 98. When set to NO, BIOS will initialize all the PnP cards. So, for non-PnP operating system (DOS, Netware®), this option must set to NO.

### **Resources Controlled By**

By Choosing “Auto”, the system BIOS will detect the system resource and automatically assign the relative IRQ and DMA Channel for each peripheral.

By Choosing “Manual”(default), the user will need to assign IRQ & DMA for add-on cards. Be sure that there is no conflict for IRQ/DMA and I/O ports.

**Note:** When choosing “Auto” you must be sure that all of the system add-on cards are PnP type.

### **Reset Configuration Data**

The system BIOS supports the PnP feature so the system needs to record which resource is assigned and protect resources from conflict. Every peripheral device has a node which is called ESCD. This node records which resources are assigned to it. The system needs to record and update ESCD to the memory locations. These locations (4K) are reserved at the system BIOS.

If Disabled (default) is chosen, the system’s ESCD will update only when the new configuration varies from the last one.

If Enabled is chosen, the system will be forced to update the system’s ESCD. Then, this option will be auto-set to Disable.

IRQ-3	assigned to	: Legacy	ISA
IRQ-4	assigned to	: Legacy	ISA
IRQ-5	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-7	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-9	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-10	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-11	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-12	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP
IRQ-14	assigned to	: PCI/ISA	PnP

IRQ-15 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-0 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-1 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-3 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-5 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-6 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP  
DMA-7 assigned to : PCI/ISA PnP

The above settings will be shown on the screen only if “Manual” is chosen for the *Resources Controlled By* function.

Legacy is the term which signifies that a resource is assigned to the ISA Bus and provides for non PnP ISA add-on card. PCI/ISA PnP signifies that a resource is assigned to the PCI Bus or provides for ISA PnP add-on cards and peripherals.

### **PCI IDE IRQ Map To**

**PCI-Auto:** This setting is for off-board PCI IDE card and is fully compatible with PCI specifications.

**PCI-Slot 1-2:** This setting is used if off-board PCI IDE card is not fully compatible with PCI specifications. You must specify which PCI slot the PCI IDE Card is installed in.

**ISA:** This setting is used if the off-board PCI IDE card uses an edge trigger and IRQ routes directly to the ISA Bus.

**Note:** The user will need to disable the on-board on-chipset PCI IDE controller when installing off-board PCI IDE add-on cards. (See the INTEGRATED PERIPHERALS SETUP) These two options choose the primary and secondary IDE Channel interrupts when the user installs off-board PCI IDE add-on cards.

**Assign IRQ for VGA**

Lets the user choose which IRQ to assign for VGA card.

**Used MEM base addr**

Lets the user choose the Legacy ISA addr. The settings are NA#, C800, CC00, D000, D400, D800 or DC00.

**Used MEM Length**

Select a length for the memory area specified in the previous field. The setting are 8K, 16K, 32K, or 64K.

**4.9 Load Setup Defaults**

This Main Menu item loads the default system values. If the CMOS is corrupted, the defaults are loaded automatically. Choose this item and the following message appears:

“ Load Setup Defaults (Y / N) ? N “

To use the Setup defaults, change the prompt to “Y” and press < Enter >

**Note:** The Setup defaults can be customized to increase performance. However the BIOS defaults can always be used as a back up if there is some problem with the mainboard operation.

4.10 Special Features Setup (optional)

This Special Features Setup is used by System Hardware Monitor chipset. You can manually change the value of each option.

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69JM49)  
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***** POST SHOWING *****	***** SYSTEM MONITOR *****
Chassis Fan Detected :Disabled	CPU Fan RPM :6367
Power Fan Detected :Disabled	System Temperature :26°C/78°F
CPU Fan Detected :Enabled	CPU Temperature :28°C/82°F
Voltage Detected :Enabled	CPU Critical Temp :Disabled
Vcore Voltage Detected :Enabled	Shutdown Temp :Disabled
+2.5V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
+3.3V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
+5.0V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
+ 12V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
- 12V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
-5.0V Voltage Detected :Enabled	
	Esc : Quit    ↑↓→← : Select item
	F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify
	F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color
	F6 : Load BIOS Defaults
	F7 : Load Setup Defaults

**Chassis Fan Detected/Power Fan Detected/CPU Fan Detected/Voltage Detected/Vcore Voltage Detected/+2.5V Voltage Detected/+3.3V Voltage Detected/+5.0 Voltage Detected/+12V Voltage Detected/-12V Voltage Detected/-5.0 Voltage Detected**

During Enabled, this will show the CPU/FAN voltage chart during system boot up. During Disabled, this will not show.

**Chassis/Power/CPU Fan RPM**

During Enabled, this will monitor the RPM of your CPU/Chassis/Power fan.

**System Temperature/CPU Temperature**

This will show the System and CPU temperature.

**CPU Critical Temp**

This option is for setting the critical temperature level for the processor. When the processor reach the temperature you set, this will reduce the load on the processor.

**Shutdown Temp**

This option is for setting the Shutdown temperature level for the processor. When the processor reach the temperature you set, this will shutdown the system. This function only works with Windows® 95 operating system.

4.11 Integrated Peripherals

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A69IM49)  
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IDE HDD Block Mode	: Enabled	UART Mode Select	: Normal
IDE Primary Master PIO	: Auto	Onboard Parallel Port	: 378/IRQ7
IDE Primary Slave PIO	: Auto	Parallel Port Mode	: SPP
IDE Secondary Master PIO	: Auto	ECP Mode Use DMA	: 3
IDE Secondary Slave PIO	: Auto	EPP Mode Select	: EPP1.7
IDE Primary Master UDMA	: Auto	PWRON After PWR-Fail	: Off
IDE Primary Slave UDMA	: Auto		
IDE Secondary Master UDMA	: Auto		
IDE Secondary Slave UDMA	: Auto		
On-Chip Primary PCI IDE	: Enabled		
On-Chip Secondary PCI IDE	: Enabled		
USB Keyboard Support	: Disabled		
Init Display First	: PCI Slot		
Onboard Sound	: Enabled		
Power ON Function	: Button		
	Only		
KB Power ON Password	: Enter	Esc : Quit	↑↓→← : Select item
Onboard FDD controller	: Enabled	F1 : Help PU/PD/+/-	: modify
Onboard Serial Port 1	: 3F8/IRQ4	F5 : Old Value(Shift)	F2 : Color
Onboard Serial Port 2	: 2F8/IRQ3	F7 : Load Setup Defaults	

IDE HDD Block Mode

Enabled/Disabled      Enabled allows the Block mode access for the IDE HDD.

IDE Primary Master PIO

Auto/Mode0/Mode1-4

IDE Primary Slave PIO

Auto/Mode0/Mode1-4

IDE Secondary Master PIO

Auto/Mode0/Mode1-4

## **IDE Secondary Slave PIO**

### **Auto/Mode0/Mode1-4**

For these 4 IDE options, choose “Auto” to have the system BIOS auto detect the IDE HDD operation mode for PIO access.

**Note:** Some IDE HDD can not operate at the responding HDD’s mode. When the user has selected “Auto” and the system BIOS has accepted the HDD response mode, the user may degrade the HDD’s operation mode. Ex: IF the HDD reported it can operate in mode 4 but it is not operating properly, the user will have to manually change the operation mode to mode 3.

Choosing Mode 1-4 will have the system ignore the HDD’s reported operation mode and use the selected mode instead.

**Note:** According to ATA specs. Mode 4 transfer rate is > Mode 3 > Mode 2 > Mode 1 > Mode 0. If the user’s HDD can operate at Mode 3 the user can also select a slower Mode (i.e. Mode 0-2) but not a faster Mode (ie Mode 4).

## **On-Chip Primary PCI IDE**

### **Enabled/Disabled**

## **On-Chip Secondary PCI IDE**

### **Enabled/Disabled**

The system provides for a On-Board On-Chipset PCI IDE controller that supports Dual Channel IDE (Primary and Secondary). A maximum of 4 IDE devices can be supported. If the user install the Off-Board PCI IDE controller (i.e. add-on cards), the user must choose which channels will be disabled. This will depend on which channel will be used for the Off-Board PCI IDE add-on card.



**USB Keyboard Support****Enabled/Disabled**

Choosing Enabled will allow the system to use USB keyboard without a device driver.

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

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

**AGP**

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

**Onboard Sound****Enabled/Disabled**

Choosing Enabled will allow the system to use onboard sound. Choose Disabled, when using add-on sound card.

**Power ON Function**

This item allows you to choose from Button Only, Password, MouseLeft or MouseRight to Power On the system. The default setting is Button Only.

**KB Power ON Password**

This item allows you to enter the password for Power ON Function.

**Onboard FDD Controller****Enabled/Disabled**

The system has an on-board Super I/O chip with a FDD controller that supports 2 FDDs for 360K/720K/1.2M/1.44M/2.8M. Choose “Enabled” to use the on-board FDD controller for accessing the FDD. Otherwise choose “Disabled” to use the off-board FDD controller.

**Onboard Serial Port 1**

**Disabled/(3F8/IRQ4)/(2F8/IRQ3)/(3E8/IRQ4)/(2E8/IRQ3)**

**Onboard Serial Port 2**

**Disabled/(3F8/IRQ4)/(2F8/IRQ3)/(3E8/IRQ4)/(2E8/IRQ3)**

The system has an On-board Super I/O chipset with 2 serial ports.

The On-board serial ports can be selected as:

**Disabled**

3F8/IRQ4            COM 1 uses IRQ4

2F8/IRQ3            COM 2 uses IRQ3

3E8/IRQ4            COM 3 uses IRQ4

2E8/IRQ3            COM 4 uses IRQ3

**Note:** Because the ISA Bus Interrupt accepts low to high edge trigger, the interrupt request line cannot be shared by multiple sources. If an off-board ISA add-on card with a serial port is installed the user may have to disable the on-board serial port because it will conflict with IRQ request line for the off-board serial port.

**UART Mode Select**

This item allow you to determine which Infra Red (IR) function of onboard I/O chip. If you choose IR function, the COM 2 will not function.

**(3BCH/IRQ7)/**

**(278H/IRQ5)/**

**(378H/IRQ7)**

**Onboard Parallel Port****Disabled**

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

**Disable**

3BCH/IRQ7

Line Printer port 0

278H/IRQ5

Line Printer port 2

378H/IRQ7

Line Printer port 1

**Parallel Port Mode**

SPP : Standard Parallel Port

EPP : Enhanced Parallel Port

ECP : Extended Capability Port

To operate the onboard parallel port as Standard Parallel Port only, choose “SPP.” To operate the onboard parallel port in the ECP and SPP modes simultaneously, choose “ECP/SPP.” By choosing “ECP”, the onboard parallel port will operate in ECP mode only. Choosing “ECP/EPP” will allow the onboard parallel port to support both the ECP and EPP modes simultaneously. The ECP mode has to use the DMA channel, so choose the onboard parallel port with the ECP feature. After selecting it, the following message will appear: “ECP Mode Use DMA” At this time the user can choose between DMA channels 3 or 1. The onboard parallel port is EPP Spec. compliant, so after the user chooses the onboard parallel port with

the EPP function, the following message will be displayed on the screen: “EPP Mode Select.” At this time either EPP 1.7 spec. or EPP 1.9 spec. can be chosen.

**PWRON After PWR-Fail**

ON (Power will be ON)

OFF (Power will be OFF)

Former-Sts (Power will depend on last state)

The settings are power on , power off or former status. During ON, after every AC power loss, the system will be turned on. During Former Status, after every AC power loss, whatever the system status, it will be the same when the AC power returns. During OFF, after every AC power loss, the system will be shutdown.

## **4.12 Supervisor/User Password Setting**

This Main Menu item lets you configure the system so that a password is required each time the system boots or an attempt is made to enter the Setup program. Supervisor Password allows you to change all CMOS settings but the User Password setting doesn't have this function. The way to set up the passwords for both Supervisor and User are as follow:

1. Choose "Change Password" in the Main Menu and press <Enter>. The following message appears:

"Enter Password:"

2. The first time you run this option, enter your password up to only 8 characters and press <Enter>. The screen does not display the entered characters. For no password just press <Enter>.
3. After you enter the password, the following message appears prompting you to confirm the password:

"Confirm Password:"

4. Enter exactly the same password you just typed in to confirm the password and press <Enter>.
5. Move the cursor to Save & Exit Setup to save the password.
6. If you need to delete the password you entered before, choose the Supervisor Password and press <Enter>. It will delete the password that you had before.
7. Move the cursor to Save & Exit Setup to save the option you did. Otherwise, the old password will still be there when you turn on your machine next time.

4.13 IDE HDD Auto Detection

You can use this utility to automatically detect the characteristics of most hard drives.

When you enter this utility, the screen asks you to select a specific hard disk for Primary Master. If you accept a hard disk detected by the BIOS, you can enter “Y” to confirm and then press <Enter> to check next hard disk. This function allows you to check four hard disks and you may press the <Esc> after the <Enter> to skip this function and go back to the Main Menu.

ROM ISA BIOS  
CMOS SETUP UTILITY  
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HARD DISKS	TYPE	SIZE	CYLS	HEADS	PRECOMP	LANDZONE	SECTOR MODE
Primary Master:	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Primary Slave :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Secondary Master :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO
Secondary Slave :	Auto	0	0	0	0	0	AUTO

Select Primary Master      Option (N=Skip) : N

OPTIONS	SIZE	CYLS	HEAD	PRECOMP	LANDZ	SECTOR MODE
2	2112	1023	64	0	4094	63 LBA
1	2113	4095	16	65535	4094	63 NORMAL
3	2113	2047	32	65535	4094	63 LARGE

[ESC: Skip]