

Chapter 3

AWARD® BIOS SETUP

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

3.1 Entering Setup

Power on the computer and press or <Ctrl><Alt><Esc> keys immediately to allow you to enter Setup.

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

3.2 Getting Help

Main Menu

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

Status Page Setup Menu/Option Page Setup Menu

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

3.3 The Main Menu

Once you enter Award® BIOS CMOS Setup Utility, the Main Menu (Figure 1) will appear on the screen. The Main Menu allows you to select from twelve setup functions and two exit choices. Use arrow keys to select among the items and press <Enter> to accept or enter the sub-menu.

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A43M4B)
CMOS SETUP UTILITY
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STANDARD CMOS SETUP	INTEGRATED PERIPHERALS
BIOS FEATURES SETUP	SUPERVISOR PASSWORD
CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP	USER PASSWORD
POWER MANAGEMENT SETUP	IDE HDD AUTO DETECTION
PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION	HDD LOW LEVEL FORMAT
LOAD BIOS DEFAULTS	SAVE & EXIT SETUP
LOAD SETUP DEFAULTS	EXIT WITHOUT SAVING

Esc : Quit ↑↓←→ : Select Item
F10 : Save & Exit Setup (Shift)F2 : Change Color

Time, Date, Hard Disk Type...

Standard CMOS Setup

This setup page includes all the items in a standard compatible BIOS.

BIOS Features Setup

This setup page includes all the items of Award® special enhanced features.

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.

Supervisor Password/User Password

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

Load BIOS/Setup Defaults

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

Integrated Peripherals

This category specifies the I/O used by your system.

IDE HDD Auto Detection

Automatically configure hard disk parameters.

HDD Low Level Format

Hard disk low level format utility.

Save & Exit Setup

Save CMOS value changes to CMOS and exit setup.

Exit Without Saving

Abandon all CMOS value changes and exit setup.

3.4 Standard CMOS Setup

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

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STANDARD CMOS SETUP
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Date(mm:dd:yy): Fri, Feb 28,1998							
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	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
Drive A : 1.44M,3.5in.				Base Memory: 640K			
Drive B : None				Extended Base Memory:15360K			
				Other Memory: 384K			
Video : EGA/VGA				Total Memory: 16384K			
Halt On : All, but Keyboard							
ESC : Quit ↑↓→← : Select Item PU/PD/+/- : Modify							
F1 : Help (Shift)F2 : Change Color							

Date

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

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

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

3.5 BIOS Features Setup

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BIOS FEATURES SETUP
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Virus Warning	: Disabled	Video BIOS Shadow	: Enabled
CPU Internal Cache	: Enabled	C8000-CBFFF Shadow	: Disabled
		CC000-CFFFF Shadow	: Disabled
Quick Power on Self Test	: Disabled	D0000-D3FFF Shadow	: Disabled
Boot Sequence	: A,C,SCSI	D4000-D7FFF Shadow	: Disabled
Swap Floppy Drive	: Disabled	D8000-DBFFF Shadow	: Disabled
Boot Up Floppy Seek	: Enabled	DC000-Dhhhh Shadow	: Disabled
Boot up NumLock status	: On		
Boot Up System Speed	: High		
Gate A20 Option	: Fast		
Memory Parity Check	: Enabled		
Typematic Rate Setting	: Disabled		
Typematic Rate(chars/sec)	: 6		
Typematic Delay (msec)	: 250		
Security Option	: Setup		
PCI/VGA palette snoop	: Disabled		
OS select for DRAM>64MB	: Non-OS2		
Report No FDD For WIN 95	: No		
		Esc : Quit	↑↓←→ : Select item
		F1 : Help PU/PD/+/-	: modify
		F5 : Old Value(Shift)	F2 : Color
		F6 : Load BIOS Defaults	
		F7 : Load Setup Defaults	

Virus Warning

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.

!WARNING!

Disk Boot Sector is to be modified

Type “Y” to accept write or “N” to abort write

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Disabled (default)	No warning message to appear when anything attempts to access the boot sector or hard disk partition table.
Enabled	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.

Note: *This function is available only for DOS and other OS that do not trap INT13.*

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.

Enabled (default)	Enable cache
Disabled	Disable cache

Note: The internal 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.

Enabled	Enable quick POST
Disabled (default)	Normal POST

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/LS/ZIP,C/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.

Enabled	BIOS searches for floppy disk drive to determine if it is 40 or 80 tracks. Note that BIOS can not tell from 720K, 1.2M or 1.44M drive type as they are all 80 tracks.
Disabled	BIOS will not search for the type of floppy disk drive by track number. Note that there will not be any warning message if the drive installed is 360K.

Boot Up NumLock Status

The default value is On.

On (default) Keypad is numeric keys.

Off Keypad is arrow keys.

Boot Up System Speed

It selects the default system speed - the speed that the system will run at immediately after power up.

High (default) Set the speed to high.

Low Set the speed to low.

Gate A20 Option

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

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

Memory Parity Check

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

Typematic Rate Setting

This determines the typematic rate.

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Enabled | Enable typematic rate and typematic delay programming. |
| Disabled
(default) | Disable typematic rate and typematic delay programming. The system BIOS will use default value of this 2 items and the default is controlled by keyboard. |

Typematic Rate (Chars/Sec)

- | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 6(default) | 6 characters per second. |
| 8 | 8 characters per second. |
| 10 | 10 characters per second. |
| 12 | 12 characters per second. |
| 15 | 15 characters per second. |
| 20 | 20 characters per second. |
| 24 | 24 characters per second. |
| 30 | 30 characters per second. |

Typematic Delay (Msec)

Choose the length of delay from the time you press a key and the character repeating.

Security Option

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

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

Disabled (default)	Disables the function
Enabled	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®.

Report No FDD For WIN 95

When set to yes, BIOS will not report any IRQ for FDD when FDD is disabled in Windows® 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.

Enabled (default)	Video shadow is enabled
Disabled	Video shadow is disabled

C8000 - CFFFF Shadow/E8000 - EFFFF Shadow

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

Enabled	Optional shadow is enabled
Disabled (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.

3.6 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(2A433M4B)	
CMOS SETUP UTILITY	
CHIPSET FEATURES SETUP	
SDRAM CAS Latency Time :Auto	
SDRAM Clock Ratio Div By :4	
16-bit I/O Recovery (CLK):5	
8-bit I/O recovery (CLK) :5	
USB Keyboard Support :Disable	
Build in CPU Audio :SB16	
Audio I/O Base Address :220H	
MPU-401 I/O Base Address :330H	
Audio IRQ Select :IRQ5	
Audio Low DMA Select :DMA1	
Audio High DMA Select :DMA5	Esc : Quit ↑↓←→ : Select item F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color F6 : Load BIOS Defaults F7 : Load Setup Defaults
Joystick Status :Enable	
Video Memory Size :2.5M	

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

SDRAM CAS Latency Time

This item allows you to select the SDRAM latency time. The settings are Auto, 2T, and 3T. The default setting is 3T.

SDRAM Clock Ratio Div by

This item allows you to select the SDRAM clock ratio Div by 3 or 4.

16-bit I/O Recovery (CLK)/8-bit I/O Recovery (CLK)

Choose the recovery time for 8-bit and 16-bit I/O cycles respectively. The default settings are 5.

Build in CPU Audio

This item allows you to select the Audio device. The settings are SB16 and Disable. The default is SB16.

Audio I/O Base Address

You can select the Audio I/O Base Address port in this item. The settings are 220H, 240H, 260H, and 280H. The default is 220H.

MPU-401 I/O Base Address

This item allow you to select the MPU-401 I/O Base Address. The settings are 300H, 330H, and Disabled. The default is 330H.

Audio IRQ Select

The settings are IRQ5, IRQ7, IRQ10, and Disabled. The default is IRQ5.

Audio Low DMA Select

The settings are DMA0, DMA1, DMA3, DMA5, and Disabled. The default is DMA1.

Audio High DMA Select

The settings are DMA5, DMA6, DMA7, and Disabled. The default is DMA5.

Joystick Status

This item allow you to Enable or Disable joystick status. The default is Enabled.

Video Memory Size

This item allow you to select the VGA shared memory size. The settings are 1.5MB and 2.5MB.

3.7 Power Management Setup

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

ROM PCI/ISA BIOS (2A433M4B)
POWER MANAGEMENT SETUP
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Power Management	:Disable	IRQ1 (keyboard)	: ON
		IRQ3 (COM 2)	: ON
**** PM Timers****		IRQ4 (COM 1)	: ON
Standby Mode	:Disable	IRQ5 (LPT 2)	: OFF
HDD Power Down	:Disable	IRQ6 (Floppy Disk)	: OFF
Modem Use IRQ	:NA	IRQ7 (LPT 1)	: OFF
		IRQ9 (IRQ2 Redir)	: OFF
		IRQ10 (Reserved)	: OFF
		IRQ11 (Reserved)	: OFF
		IRQ12 (PS/2 Mouse)	: OFF
		IRQ13 (Coprocessor)	: OFF
		IRQ14 (Hard Disk)	: OFF
		IRQ15 (Reserved)	: OFF
		Esc : Quit ↑↓→←: Select item	
		F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify	
		F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color	
		F6 : Load BIOS Defaults	
		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

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

Standby Mode

- Disable** System will never enter STANDBY mode.
- 1 Min/2 Min/
3 Min/4 Min/
5 Min/10 Min/
15 Min/20 Min/
30 Min/40 Min/
50 Min/1 Hr/
2 Hr/3 Hr/
4 Hr** Defines the continuous idle time before the system enters STANDBY mode.
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.

HDD Power Down

- Disable** HDD's motor will not shut off.
- 1 Min/2 Min/
3 Min/4 Min/
5 Min/10 Min/
15 Min/20 Min/
30 Min/40 Min/
50 Min/1 Hr/2 Hr/
3 Hr/4 Hr** 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.

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.

The following is a list of IRQ's (Interrupt ReQuests), which can be exempted much as the COM ports and LPT ports above can. When an I/O device wants to gain the attention of the operating system, it signals this by causing an IRQ to occur. When the operating system is ready to respond to the request, it interrupts itself and performs the service. The Choices are On and OFF.

When set to ON, activity will neither prevent the system from going into a power management mode nor awaken it.

IRQ1 (keyboard)

IRQ3 (COM 2)

IRQ4 (COM 1)

IRQ5 (LPT 2)

IRQ6 (Floppy Disk)

IRQ7 (LPT 1)

IRQ9 (IRQ2 Redir)

IRQ10 (Reserved)

IRQ11 (Reserved)

IRQ12 (PS/2 Mouse)

IRQ13 (Coprocessor)

IRQ14 (Hard Disk)

IRQ15 (Reserved)

3.8 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 (2A433M4B)
PNP/PCI CONFIGURATION SETUP
AWARD SOFTWARE, INC.**

PnP OS Installed :No	PCI IRQ Activied By : Level
Resources Controlled By :Manual	
Reset Configuration Data :Disabled	Used MEM Base Addr : N/A
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-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	F6 : Load BIOS Defaults
DMA-7assigned to :PCI/ISA PnP	F7 : Load Setup Defaults

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. 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 : Legacy ISA
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 IRQ Activated By

This sets the method by which the PCI Bus recognizes that an IRQ service is being requested by a device. Under all circumstances, you should retain the default configuration unless advised otherwise by your system’s manufacturer. The settings are Level or Edge.

3.9 Load BIOS/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.

3.10 Integrated Peripherals

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INTEGRATED PERIPHERALS
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IDE HDD Block Mode	: Enabled	
Primary IDE Channel	: Enabled	
Read Prefetch	: Disabled	
Write Buffering	: Disabled	
Master Drive PIO Mode	: Auto	Onboard Parallel Mode : 378/IRQ7
Slave Drive PIO Mode	: Auto	Parallel Port Mode : SPP
Secondary IDE Channel	: Enabled	PHONERING Wake Up : Disabled
Read Prefetch	: Disabled	RTC Power On Controller : Disabled
Write Buffering	: Disabled	
Master Drive PIO Mode	: Auto	
Slave Drive PIO Mode	: Auto	
KBC Input Clock	: 8MHz	
Onboard FDC Controller	: Enabled	Esc : Quit ↑↓→← : Select item
Onboard Serial Port 1	: 3F8/IRQ4	F1 : Help PU/PD/+/- : modify
Onboard Serial Port 2	: 2F8/IRQ3	F5 : Old Value(Shift) F2 : Color
Onboard IR Controller	: Disabled	F6 : Load BIOS Defaults
		F7 : Load Setup Defaults

IDE HDD Block Mode

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

Primary IDE Channel/Secondary IDE Channel

Enabled/Disabled

The system provides for an Onboard IDE Controller that supports Dual Channel IDE (Primary and Secondary). A maximum of 4 IDE devices can be supported.

Read Prefetch

This item allow you to Enable or Disable the Read Prefetch function. The default setting is Disable.

Write Buffering

This item allows you to Enable or Disable Write Buffering function. The default setting is Disable.

IDE Primary Master Drive PIO Mode/ IDE Primary Slave Drive PIO Mode/ IDE Secondary Master Drive PIO Mode/ IDE Secondary Slave Drive PIO Mode

Auto/Mode 0/Mode 1~4

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 cannot 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, 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).

KBC Input Clock

This item allow you to select the keyboard input clock. The settings are 6MHz, 8MHz, 12MHz, and 16MHz. The default setting is 8MHz.

Onboard FDC 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 IRQ4

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.

Onboard IR Controller**Enabled/Disabled**

The system has an on-board Super I/O chip with an IR controller. Choose “Enabled” to use the on-board IR controller for accessing the IR devices. Otherwise choose “Disabled” to use the off-board IR controller.

IR Mode

This function is for choosing which IR mode to use. The settings are ASKIR and IrDA.

Onboard Parallel Port

Disabled
(3BCH/IRQ7)/
(278H/IRQ5)/
(378H/IRQ5)

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/IRQ5	Line Printer port 1

Onboard Parallel Mode

SPP : Standard Parallel Port

EPP : Enhanced Parallel Port

ECP : Extended Capability Port

SPP/EPP/ECP

To operate the onboard parallel port as StandardParallel Port only, choose “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.

PHONERING Wake Up

This item allows you to Enable or Disable ring-in power on feature.

RTC Power On Controller

This function is for setting date and time for your computer to boot up.

3.11 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.

3.12 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.

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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

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

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