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User Manual

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Chapter 1 Introduction

Thank you for purchasing ASRock 775XFire-RAID motherboard, a reliable motherboard produced under ASRock's consistently stringent quality control. It delivers excellent performance with robust design conforming to ASRock's commitment to quality and endurance.

In this manual, chapter 1 and 2 contain introduction of the motherboard and step-bystep guide to the hardware installation. Chapter 3 and 4 contain the configuration guide to BIOS setup and information of the Support CD.



Because the motherboard specifications and the BIOS software might be updated, the content of this manual will be subject to change without notice. In case any modifications of this manual occur, the updated version will be available on ASRock website without further notice. You may find the latest VGA cards and CPU support lists on ASRock website as well. ASRock website http://www.asrock.com

1.1 Package Contents

ASRock 775XFire-RAID Motherboard

(ATX Form Factor: 12.0-in x 8.6-in, 30.5 cm x 21.8 cm)

ASRock 775XFire-RAID Quick Installation Guide

ASRock 775XFire-RAID Support CD

(including LGA 775 CPU Installation Live Demo)

One 80-conductor Ultra ATA 66/100 IDE Ribbon Cable

One Ribbon Cable for a 3.5-in Floppy Drive

One Serial ATA (SATA) Data Cable (Optional)

One Serial ATA (SATA) HDD Power Cable (Optional)

One HD 8CH I/O Panel Shield

1.2 Specifications

| Platform | - ATX Form Factor: 12.0-in x 8.6-in, 30.5 cm x 21.8 cm |
|----------------|--|
| CPU | - LGA 775 for Intel® Pentium® 4 / Celeron® D, supporting Cedar |
| | Mill processors (in 775-land LGA package) |
| | - FSB 800/533 MHz |
| | - Supports Hyper-Threading Technology (see CAUTION 1) |
| | - Supports EM64T CPU |
| Chipset | - Northbridge: Intel® 925X chipset |
| | - Southbridge: Intel® ICH6R |
| Memory | - Dual Channel DDRII Memory Technology (see CAUTION 2) |
| 1 | - 4 x DDRII DIMM slots |
| | - Support DDRII533 |
| | - Max. capacity: 4GB |
| Hybrid Booster | - CPU Frequency Stepless Control (see CAUTION 3) |
| | - ASRock U-COP (see CAUTION 4) |
| | - Boot Failure Guard (B.F.G.) |
| Expansion Slot | - Supports ATI® CrossFire™ |
| | - 3 x PCI slots |
| | - 1 x PCI Express x 16 slot |
| | - 1 x AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4) (see CAUTION 5) |
| | - 1 x PCI Express x 1 slot |
| Audio | - Realtek ALC861 7.1 channel CODEC with High Definition |
| | Audio |
| LAN | - Realtek PCI LAN 8101L |
| | - Speed: 10/100 Ethernet |
| | - Supports Wake-On-LAN |
| Rear Panel I/O | HD 8CH I/O |
| | - 1 x PS/2 Mouse Port |
| | - 1 x PS/2 Keyboard Port |
| | - 1 x Serial Port: COM1 |
| | - 1 x Parallel Port (ECP/EPP Support) |
| | - 4 x Ready-to-Use USB 2.0 Ports |
| | - 1 x RJ-45 Port |
| | - Audio Jack: Side Speaker/Rear Speaker/Central Bass/Line |
| | in/Front Speaker/Microphone (see CAUTION 6) |

| Connector | - 4 x Serial ATA 1.5Gb/s connectors, support RAID (RAID 0, | | |
|----------------|--|--|--|
| | RAID 1, and Intel Matrix Storage) and "Hot Plug" functions | | |
| | - 1 x ATA100 IDE connector (supports 2 x IDE devices) | | |
| | - 1 x Floppy connector | | |
| | - 1 x IR header | | |
| | - 1 x Game header | | |
| | - CPU/Chassis FAN connector | | |
| | - 20 pin ATX power connector | | |
| | - 4 pin 12V power connector | | |
| | - SLI/XFIRE power connector | | |
| | - CD in header | | |
| | - Front panel audio connector | | |
| | - 2 x USB 2.0 headers (support 4 USB 2.0 ports) | | |
| | (see CAUTION 7) | | |
| BIOS Feature | - 4Mb AMI BIOS | | |
| | - AMI Legal BIOS | | |
| | - Supports "Plug and Play" | | |
| | - ACPI 1.1 Compliance Wake Up Events | | |
| | - Supports jumperfree | | |
| Support CD | - Drivers, Utilities, AntiVirus Software | | |
| Hardware | - CPU Temperature Sensing | | |
| Monitor | - Chassis Temperature Sensing | | |
| | - CPU Overheat Shutdown to Protect CPU Life | | |
| | - CPU Fan Tachometer | | |
| | - Chassis Fan Tachometer | | |
| | - CPU Quiet Fan | | |
| | - Voltage Monitoring: +12V, +5V, +3.3V, Vcore | | |
| os | - Microsoft® Windows® 2000/XP/XP 64-bit compliant | | |
| Certifications | - FCC, CE, WHQL | | |

CAUTION!

- 1. About the setting of "Hyper Threading Technology", please check page 36.
- This motherboard supports Dual Channel Memory Technology. Before you implement Dual Channel Memory Technology, make sure to read the installation guide of memory modules on page 16 for proper installation.
- Although this motherboard offers stepless control, it is not recommended to perform over-clocking. Frequencies other than the recommended CPU bus frequencies may cause the instability of the system or damage the CPU
- 4. While CPU overheat is detected, the system will automatically shutdown. Before you resume the system, please check if the CPU fan on the motherboard functions properly and unplug the power cord, then plug it back again. To improve heat dissipation, remember to spray thermal grease between the CPU and the heatsink when you install the PC system.
- 5. If you install PCI Express VGA card to AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4), PCIE2 slot (PCIE x 1) function will be disabled. For the information of the compatible PCI Express VGA cards, please refer to the "Supported PCI Express VGA Card List for AGI Express Slot (PCI Express x 4)" on page 9. For the proper installation of PCI Express VGA card, please refer to the installation guide on page 18.
- For microphone input, this motherboard supports both stereo and mono modes. For audio output, this motherboard supports 2-channel, 4-channel, 6-channel, and 8-channel modes. Please check the table on page 11 for proper connection.
- Power Management for USB 2.0 works fine under Microsoft® Windows® XP SP1 or SP2 / 2000 SP4.

1.3 Supported PCI Express VGA Card List for AGI Express Slot (PCI Express x 4)

(for Windows 2000/Windows XP)

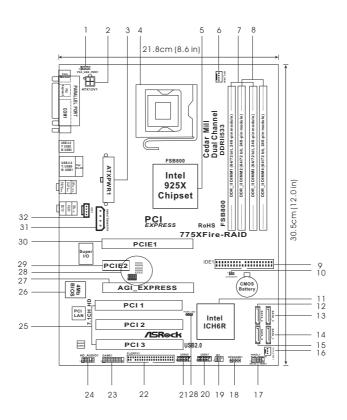
| Graphics Chip | Model Name | Chipset Name |
|---------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Vendor | | |
| NVIDIA | ASUS Extreme N6200GE/TD | GeForce 6200 |
| | ASUS Extreme N6200TC256/TD | GeForce 6200 |
| | ASUS Extreme N6800/TD | GeForce 6800 |
| | ASUS Extreme N6800GT | GeForce 6800GT |
| | ALBATRON PC6600GT | GeForce 6600GT |
| | GIGABYTE GV-NX66128D | GeForce 6600 |
| | Inno3D GeFORCE 6600 LE | GeForce 6600LE |
| | LEADTEK PX6200 TC/TDH | GeForce 6200TC |
| | MSI PCX 5750-TD128E | GeForce PCX5750 |
| | SPARKLE GeFORCE 6200TC | GeForce 6200TC |
| ATI | ASUS Extreme AX600XT/HTVD | RADEON X600XT |
| | ASUS Extreme AX700PRO/TVD | RADEON X700PRO |
| | GECUBE Radeon X850XT 256M | RADEON X850XT |
| | MSIRX1300GPRO-TD256E | RADEON X1300 PRO |
| 1 | | |

For the latest updates of the supported PCI Express VGA card list for AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4), please visit our website for details.

ASRock website: http://www.asrock.com/support/index.htm

Note. It is not recommended to use Turbo cache PCI Express x 16 VGA cards.

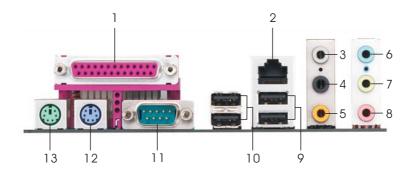
1.4 Motherboard Layout



- PS2_USB_PWR1 Jumper
- ATX 12V Connector (ATX12V1)
- ATX Power Connector (ATXPWR1)
- 775-Pin CPU Socket
- 5 North Bridge Controller
- CPU Fan Connector (CPU_FAN1)
- 2 x 240-pin DDRII DIMM Slots (Dual Channel A: DDRII_1, DDRII_3; Yellow)
- 2 x 240-pin DDRII DIMM Slots
- (Dual Channel B: DDRII_2, DDRII_4; Orange)
- IDE1 Connector (IDE1, Blue)
- Clear CMOS Jumper (CLRCMOS1)
- South Bridge Controller
- 12 Serial ATA Connector 2 (SATA_2, black)
- 13 Serial ATA Connector 3 (SATA_3, black) Serial ATA Connector 1 (SATA_1, blue)
- Serial ATA Connector 0 (SATA_0, blue)

- Chassis Fan Connector (CHA_FAN1) 16
- 17 System Panel Header (PANEL1)
- Chassis Speaker Header (SPEAKER 1)
- 19 Infrared Module Connector (IR1)
- USB 2.0 Header (USB67, Blue) 20
- 21 USB 2.0 Header (USB45, Blue)
- 22 Floppy Connector (FLOPPY1)
- 23 Game Port Header (GAME1) Front Panel Audio Header (HD_AUDIO1) 24
- 25 PCI Slots (PCI1-3)
- 26 **BIOS FWH Chip**
- 27 AGI Express Slot (PCI Express x 4)
- 28 PCIEX1_EN1 - 5
- 29 PCI Express x 1 Slot (PCIE2) 30
- PCI Express x 16 Slot (PCIE1) 31 SLI/XFIRE Power Connector
- Internal Audio Connector: CD1 (Black)

1.5 HD 8CH I/O Panel



- 1 Parallel Port
- 2 RJ-45 Port
- 3 Side Speaker (Gray)
- 4 Rear Speaker (Black)
- 5 Central / Bass (Orange)
- 6 Line In (Light Blue)
- *7 Front Speaker (Lime)

- 8 Microphone (Pink)
- 9 USB 2.0 Ports (USB01)
- 10 USB 2.0 Ports (USB23)
- 11 Serial Port: COM1
- 12 PS/2 Keyboard Port (Purple)
- 13 PS/2 Mouse Port (Green)

TABLE for Audio Output Connection

| | Audio Output Channels | Front Speaker | Rear Speaker | Central / Bass | Side Speaker |
|---|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | (No. 7) | (No. 4) | (No. 5) | (No. 3) |
| | 2 | V | | - | |
| | 4 | V | V | - | |
| Ī | 6 | V | V | V | |
| | 8 | V | V | V | V |

^{*} If you use 8-channel audio and enable Multi-Streaming function, "Side Speaker" will be disabled . Therefore, only 6-channel audio function will work but not 8-channel audio. To enable Multi-Streaming function, you need to connect a front panel audio cable to the front panel audio header. After restarting your computer, you will find "Mixer" tool on your system. Please select "Mixer ToolBox" , click "Enable playback multi-streaming", and click "ok". Choose

"2CH", "4CH", or "6CH", and then you are allowed to select "Realtek HDA Primary output" to use Rear Speaker, Central/Bass, and Front Speaker, or select "Realtek HDA Audio 2nd output" to use front panel audio to share Side Speaker.

^{*} If you use 2-channel speaker, please connect the speaker's plug into "Front Speaker Jack". See the table below for connection details in accordance with the type of speaker you use.

Chapter 2 Installation

775XFire-RAID is an ATX form factor (12.0" \times 8.6", 30.5 \times 21.8 cm) motherboard. Before you install the motherboard, study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it.



Make sure to unplug the power cord before installing or removing the motherboard. Failure to do so may cause physical injuries to you and damages to motherboard components.

2.1 Screw Holes

Place screws into the holes indicated by circles to secure the motherboard to the chassis.



Do not over-tighten the screws! Doing so may damage the motherboard.

2.2 Pre-installation Precautions

Take note of the following precautions before you install motherboard components or change any motherboard settings.

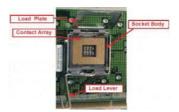
- 1. Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- To avoid damaging the motherboard components due to static electricity, NEVER place your motherboard directly on the carpet or the like. Also remember to use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safety grounded object before you handle components.
- 3. Hold components by the edges and do not touch the ICs.
- 4. Whenever you uninstall any component, place it on a grounded antistatic pad or in the bag that comes with the component.



Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the power is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, and/or components.

2.3 CPU Installation

For the installation of Intel 775-LAND CPU, please follow the steps below.



775-Pin Socket Overview



Before you insert the 775-LAND CPU into the socket, please check if the CPU surface is unclean or if there is any bent pin on the socket. Do not force to insert the CPU into the socket if above situation is found. Otherwise, the CPU will be seriously damaged.

Step 1. Open the socket:

Step 1-1. Disengaging the lever by depressing down and out on the hook to clear retention tab.

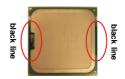


- Step 1-2. Rotate the load lever to fully open position at approximately 135 degrees.
- Step 1-3. Rotate the load plate to fully open position at approximately 100 degrees.

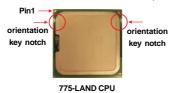


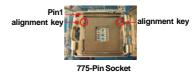
Step 2. Insert the 775-LAND CPU:

Step 2-1. Hold the CPU by the edges where are marked with black lines.



Step 2-2. Orient the CPU with IHS (Integrated Heat Sink) up. Locate Pin1 and the two orientation key notches.







For proper inserting, please ensure to match the two orientation key notches of the CPU with the two alignment keys of the socket.

- Step 2-3. Carefully place the CPU into the socket by using a purely vertical motion.
- Step 2-4. Verify that the CPU is within the socket and properly mated to the orient keys.



Step 3. Remove PnP Cap (Pick and Place Cap):

Use your left hand index finger and thumb to support the load plate edge, engage PnP cap with right hand thumb and peel the cap from the socket while pressing on center of PnP cap to assist in removal.





- It is recommended to use the cap tab to handle and avoid kicking off the PnP cap.
- This cap must be placed if returning the motherboard for after service.

Step 4. Close the socket:

- Step 4-1. Rotate the load plate onto the IHS.
- Step 4-2. While pressing down lightly on load plate, engage the load lever.
- Step 4-3. Secure load lever with load plate tab under retention tab of load lever.



2.4 Installation of CPU Fan and Heatsink

This motherboard is equipped with 775-Pin socket that supports Intel 775-LAND CPU. Please adopt the type of heatsink and cooling fan compliant with Intel 775-LAND CPU to dissipate heat. Before you installed the heatsink, you need to spray thermal interface material between the CPU and the heatsink to improve heat dissipation. Ensure that the CPU and the heatsink are securely fastened and in good contact with each other. Then connect the CPU fan to the CPU_FAN connector (CPU_FAN1, see page 10, No. 6).

For proper installation, please kindly refer to the instruction manuals of your CPU fan and heatsink.

Below is an example to illustrate the installation of the heatsink for 775-LAND CPU.

Step 1. Apply thermal interface material onto center of IHS on the socket surface.



- Step 2. Place the heatsink onto the socket. Ensure fan cables are oriented on side closest to the CPU fan connector on the motherboard (CPU_FAN1, see page 10, No. 6).
- Step 3. Align fasteners with the motherboard throughholes.
- Step 4. Rotate the fastener clockwise, then press down on fastener caps with thumb to install and lock. Repeat with remaining fasteners.







If you press down the fasteners without rotating them clockwise, the heatsink cannot be secured on the motherboard.

- Step 5. Connect fan header with the CPU fan connector on the motherboard.
- Step 6. Secure excess cable with tie-wrap to ensure cable does not interfere with fan operation or contact other components.

2.5 Installation of Memory Modules (DIMM)

775XFire-RAID motherboard provides four 240-pin DDRII (Double Data Rate II) DIMM slots, and supports Dual Channel Memory Technology. For dual channel configuration, you always need to install **identical** (the same brand, speed, size and chip-type) DDRII DIMM pair in the slots of the same color. In other words, you have to install **identical** DDRII DIMM pair in **Dual Channel A** (DDRII_1 and DDRII_3; Yellow slots; see p.10 No.7) or **identical** DDRII DIMM pair in **Dual Channel B** (DDRII_2 and DDRII_4; Orange slots; see p.10 No.8), so that Dual Channel Memory Technology can be activated. This motherboard also allows you to install four DDRII DIMMs for dual channel configuration, and please install **identical** DDRII DIMMs in all four slots. You may refer to the Dual Channel Memory Configuration Table below.

Dual Channel Memory Configurations

| | DDRII_1 | DDRII_2 | DDRII_3 | DDRII_4 |
|------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | (Yellow Slot) | (Orange Slot) | (Yellow Slot) | (Orange Slot) |
| (1) | Populated | - | Populated | - |
| (2) | - | Populated | - | Populated |
| (3)* | Populated | Populated | Populated | Populated |

^{*} For the configuration (3), please install **identical** DDRII DIMMs in all four slots.



- If you want to install two memory modules, for optimal compatibility and reliability, it is recommended to install them in the slots of the same color. In other words, install them either in the set of yellow slots (DDRII_1 and DDRII_3), or in the set of orange slots (DDRII_2 and DDRII_4).
- If only one memory module or three memory modules are installed in the DDRII DIMM slots on this motherboard, it is unable to activate the Dual Channel Memory Technology.
- If a pair of memory modules is NOT installed in the same Dual Channel, for example, installing a pair of memory modules in DDRII_1 and DDRII_2, it is unable to activate the Dual Channel Memory Technology.
- It is not allowed to install a DDR memory module into DDRII slot; otherwise, this motherboard and DIMM may be damaged.

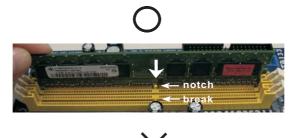
Installing a DIMM



Please make sure to disconnect power supply before adding or removing DIMMs or the system components.

Step 1. Unlock a DIMM slot by pressing the retaining clips outward.

Step 2. Align a DIMM on the slot such that the notch on the DIMM matches the break on the slot.







The DIMM only fits in one correct orientation. It will cause permanent damage to the motherboard and the DIMM if you force the DIMM into the slot at incorrect orientation.

Step 3. Firmly insert the DIMM into the slot until the retaining clips at both ends fully snap back in place and the DIMM is properly seated.

2.6 Expansion Slots (PCI, PCI Express, and AGI Express Slots)

There are 3 PCI slots, 2 PCI Express slots, and 1 AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4) on this motherboard.

PCI slots: PCI slots are used to install expansion cards that have the 32-bit PCI interface.

PCIE Slots: PCIE1 (PCIE x 16 slot) is used for PCI Express cards with x16 lane width graphics cards.

PCIE2 (PCIE x 1 slot) is used for PCI Express cards, such as Gigabit LAN card, SATA2 card, etc. Please check the jumper set tings on page 19 for different functions.

AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4):

AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4) is used to install PCI Express expansion cards. For the information of the compatible PCI Express VGA cards, please refer to the "Supported PCI Express VGA Card List for AGI Express Slot (PCI Express x 4)" on page 9. Please check the jumper settings on page 19 for different functions.

Installing an expansion card

- Step 1. Before installing the expansion card, please make sure that the power supply is switched off or the power cord is unplugged. Please read the documentation of the expansion card and make necessary hardware settings for the card before you start the installation.
- Step 2. Remove the bracket facing the slot that you intend to use. Keep the screws for later use.
- Step 3. Align the card connector with the slot and press firmly until the card is completely seated on the slot.
- Step 4. Fasten the card to the chassis with screws.

2.7 Dual Graphics Feature

This motherboard supports Dual Graphics Technology. When installing the add-on VGA cards to this motherboard, you are allowed to choose two different ways to decide the function of PCIE2 slot (PCIE x 1) and AGI Express slot. The default value of this feature is to enable PCIE2 slot (PCIE x 1) and AGI Express slot (only PCI Express x 1). You can also adjust the jumpers to disable PCIE2 slot (PCIE x 1). Then only AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4) will be enabled. In other words, you are able to adjust the jumpers to enjoy the benefit of Dual Graphics feature. Please refer to the table below for the correct jumper settings.

| Function | Jumper Settings |
|---|---|
| Enable PCIE2/ AGI Express (only PCIE x 1) (Default) | POIE X1_EN4 |
| Enable AGI Express (PCIE x 4) (Disable PCIE2) | PCIE x 1 EN4 12 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 |

2.8 CrossFire™ Operation Guide

This motherboard supports CrossFire™ feature. CrossFire™ technology offers the most advantageous means available of combining multiple high performance Graphics Processing Units (GPU) in a single PC. Combining a range of different operating modes with intelligent software design and an innovative interconnect mechanism, CrossFire™ enables the highest possible level of performance and image quality in any 3D application. Currently CrossFire™ feature is only supported with Windows XP with Service Pack 2; it may be supported with other OS in the future.



What graphics cards work with CrossFire™?

A complete CrossFire™ system requires a CrossFire™ Ready motherboard, a CrossFire™ Edition graphics card and a compatible standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card from the same series, or two CrossFire™ Ready cards if they are software enabled. This applies to cards from ATI or any of its partners.

| Cards For AGI Express Slot | Cards For PCI Express Slot |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Radeon X1800 Series | Radeon X1800 CrossFire™ Edition |
| Radeon X1600 Series | Radeon X1600 Series |
| Radeon X1300 Series | Radeon X1300 Series |
| Radeon X850 Series | Radeon X850 CrossFire™ Edition |



- 1. If a customer incorrectly configures their system they will not see the performance benefits of CrossFire™. All three CrossFire™ components, a CrossFire™ Ready graphics card, a CrossFire™ Ready motherboard and a CrossFire™ Edition co-processor graphics card, must be installed correctly to benefit from the CrossFire™ multi-GPU platform.
- If you pair a 12-pipe CrossFire[™] Edition card with a 16-pipe card, both cards will operate as 12-pipe cards while in CrossFire[™] mode.

Enjoy the benefit of CrossFire™



Currently, ATI has released Radeon X850XT, X1800XT, X1300, and X1600 CrossFire™ cards, which require different methods to enable CrossFire™ feature. In the below procedures, we use Radeon X850XT as the example graphics card. For other CrossFire™ cards that ATI has released or will release in the future, please refer to ATI graphics card manuals for detailed installation guide.

Step 1. Adjust the jumpers on this motherboard to enable AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4). Please refer to the pictures below for proper jumper setting.



PCIEx1_EN1-4: Short Pin1, Pin2



PCIEx1_EN5: Short Pin1, Pin2

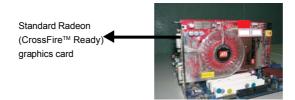
Step 2. Connect to the system power supply. Please connect a hard disk power connector to SLI/XFIRE Power connector.



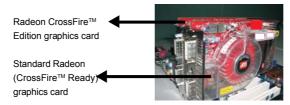
It is recommended to use 500-Watt power supply or greater to perform the benefit of CrossFire™ feature for Radeon X850XT



Step 3. Install the standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card to AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4). For the proper installation procedures, please refer to section "Expansion Slots".



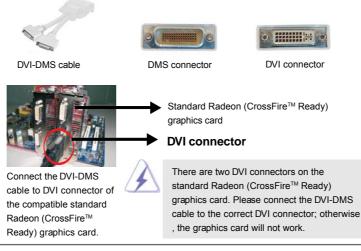
Step 4. Install the Radeon CrossFire™ Edition graphics card to PCI Express x 16 slot. For the proper installation procedures, please refer to section "Expansion Slots".



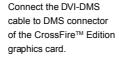


You are allowed to install two CrossFire™ Edition graphics cards to both slots, or you may use one CrossFire™ Edition graphics cards and a compatible standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card from the same series.

Step 5. Correctly connect the DVI-DMS cable to the monitor connector and two graphics cards that you install. (If you install two standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics cards to this motherboard, please skip this step.)









Connect the DVI-DMS cable to the monitor connector.



If you install two CrossFire™ Edition graphics cards to this motherboard, please connect one end of DVI-DMS cable to the monitor, another end to DMS of one of the CrossFire™ Edition graphics cards to PCIE1 slot (PCI Express x 16), and the other end to DVI of another CrossFire™ Edition graphics card to AGI Express slot (PCI Express x 4). If you install one CrossFire™ Edition graphics card and one compatible standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card to this motherboard, please connect one end of DVI-DMS cable to the monitor, another end to DMS of the CrossFire™ Edition graphics card, and the other end to DVI of the compatible standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card.

- Step 6. Power on your computer and boot into OS.
- Step 7. Remove the ATI driver if you have any VGA driver installed in your system.



The Catalyst Uninstaller is an optional download. We recommend using this utility to uninstall any previously installed Catalyst drivers prior to installation. Please visit this website for the driver:

- Step 8. Install the required drivers to your system. Please visit the websites below for installing the drivers that ATI recommends:
 - A. ATI recommends Windows XP Service Pack 2 or higher to be installed (If you have Windows XP Service Pack 2 or higher installed in your system, there is no need to download it again):
 - http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/sp2/default.mspx
 - B. You must have Microsoft .NET Framework installed prior to downloading and installing the CATALYST Control Center: http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?
 Familyld=262D25E3-F589-4842-8157-034D1E7CF3A3&displaylang=en
- Step 9. Restart your computer.

Step 10. Install the VGA card drivers to your system, and restart your computer.

Then you will find "ATI Catalyst Control Center" on your desktop (ATI
Catalyst driver should be version 5.10 or higher).



You will find "ATI Catalyst Control Center" on your desktop.

Step 11. Double-click "ATI Catalyst Control Center". Click "View", and select "Advanced View". Click "CrossFire™", and then set the option "Enable CrossFire™ to "Yes".





If you install one Radeon CrossFire™ Edition graphics card and one compatible standard Radeon (CrossFire™ Ready) graphics card to this motherboard but not two Radeon CrossFire™ Edition graphics cards, please as well follow the above steps. However, although you have selected the option "Enable CrossFire™, the CrossFire™ function can not work actually. Your computer will automatically reboot. After restarting your computer, please confirm whether the option "Enable CrossFire™" in "ATI Catalyst Control Center" is selected or not; if not, please select it again, and then you are able to enjoy the benefit of CrossFire™ feature.

Step 12. You can freely enjoy the benefit of CrossFire™ feature.

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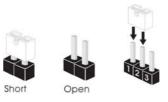
2.9 Surround Display Feature

This motherboard supports Surround Display upgrade. With the external add-on PCI Express VGA card, you can easily enjoy the benefits of Surround Display feature. For the detailed instruction, please refer to the document at the following path in the Support CD:

..\ Surround Display Information

2.10 Jumpers Setup

The illustration shows how jumpers are setup. When the jumper cap is placed on pins, the jumper is "Short". If no jumper cap is placed on pins, the jumper is "Open". The illustration shows a 3-pin jumper whose pin1 and pin2 are "Short" when jumper cap is placed on these 2 pins.



| Jumper | Setting | | Description |
|------------------|---------|-------|----------------------------|
| PS2_USB_PWR1 | 1 2 | 2 3 | Short pin2, pin3 to enable |
| (see p.10 No. 1) | | 000 | +5VSB (standby) for PS/2 |
| | +5V | +5VSB | or USB wake up events. |

Note: To select +5VSB, it requires 2 Amp and higher standby current provided by power supply.

Clear CMOS
(CLRCMOS1, 2-pin jumper)
(see p.10 No. 10)

Clear CMOS

2-pin jumper

Note: CLRCMOS1 allows you to clear the data in CMOS. The data in CMOS includes system setup information such as system password, date, time, and system setup parameters. To clear and reset the system parameters to default setup, please turn off the computer and unplug the power cord from the power supply. After waiting for 15 seconds, use a jumper cap to short 2 pins on CLRCMOS1 for 5 seconds.

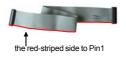
2.11 Onboard Headers and Connectors



Onboard headers and connectors are NOT jumpers. Do NOT place jumper caps over these headers and connectors. Placing jumper caps over the headers and connectors will cause permanent damage of the motherboard!

FDD connector (33-pin FLOPPY1) (see p.10 No. 22)





Note: Make sure the red-striped side of the cable is plugged into Pin1 side of the connector.

Primary IDE connector (Blue)

(39-pin IDE1, see p.10 No. 9)



connect the blue end to the motherboard



connect the black end to the IDE devices

80-conductor ATA 66/100 cable

Note: Please refer to the instruction of your IDE device vendor for the details.

Serial ATAI Connectors

(SATA_0: see p.10, No. 15)

(SATA_1: see p.10, No. 14)

(SATA_2: see p.10, No. 12)

(SATA_3: see p.10, No. 13)



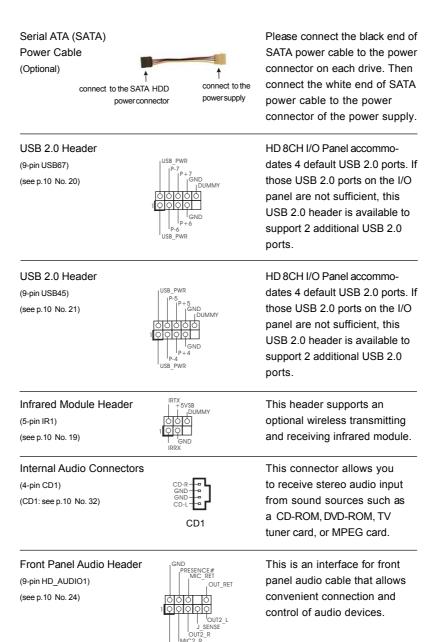
SATA_1
SATA_0

These four Serial ATA (SATA) connectors support SATA data cables for internal storage devices. The current SATA interface allows up to 1.5 Gb/s data transfer rate.

Serial ATA (SATA) Data Cable



Either end of the SATA data cable can be connected to the SATA hard disk or the SATA connector on the motherboard.





- 1. High Definition Audio supports Jack Sensing, but the panel wire on the chassis must support HDA to function correctly. Please follow the instruction in our manual and chassis manual to install your system.
- 2. If you use AC'97 audio panel, please install it to the front panel audio header as below:
 - A. Connect Mic_IN (MIC) to MIC2_L.
 - B. Connect Audio_R (RIN) to OUT2_R and Audio_L (LIN) to OUT2_L.
 - C. MIC_RET and OUT_RET are for HD audio panel only. You don't need to connect them for AC'97 audio panel.
 - D. Enter BIOS Setup Utility. Enter Advanced Settings, and then select Chipset Configuration. Set the Front Panel Control option from [Auto] to [Enabled].
 - E. Enter Windows system. Click the icon on the lower right hand taskbar to enter Realtek HD Audio Manager. Click "Audio I/O", select , choose "Disable front panel jack "Connector Settings"

detection", and save the change by clicking "OK".

| System Panel Header (9-pin PANEL1) (see p.10 No. 17) | PLED+ PLED- PWRBTN# SND OO | This header accommodates several system front panel functions. |
|--|--|--|
| Chassis Speaker Header (4-pin SPEAKER 1) (see p.10 No. 18) | 1 SPEAKER DUMMY DUMMY +5V | Please connect the chassis speaker to this header. |
| Chassis Fan Connector (3-pin CHA_FAN1) (see p.10 No. 16) | O— GND O— +12V O— CHA_FAN_SPEED | Please connect a chassis fan cable to this connector and match the black wire to the ground pin. |
| CPU Fan Connector (4-pin CPU_FAN1) (see p.10 No. 6) | O GND O +12V O CPU FAN SPEED FAN_SPEED_CONTROL | Please connect a CPU fan cable to this connector and match the black wire to the ground pin. |
| ATX Power Connector (20-pinATXPWR1) (see p.10 No. 3) | | Please connect an ATX power supply to this connector. |
| ATX 12V Connector (4-pin ATX12V1) (see p.10 No. 2) | | Please connect an ATX 12V power supply to this connector. |

SLI/XFIRE Power Connector

(4-pin SLI/XFIRE_POWER1) (see p.10 No. 31)

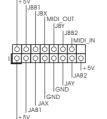
SLI/XFIRE_POWER1

It is not necessary to use this connector, but please connect it with a hard disk power connecor when two graphics cards are plugged to this motherboard at the same time.

Game Port Header

(15-pin GAME1)

(see p.10 No. 23)



Connect a Game cable to this header if the Game port bracket is installed.

2.12 Serial ATA (SATA) Hard Disks Installation

This motherboard adopts Intel ICH6R south bridge chipset that supports Serial ATA (SATA) hard disks and RAID (RAID 0, RAID 1, and Intel Matrix Storage) functions. You may install SATA hard disks on this motherboard for internal storage devices. This section will guide you to install the SATA hard disks.

- STEP 1: Install the SATA hard disks into the drive bays of your chassis.
- STEP 2: Connect the SATA power cable to the SATA hard disk.
- STEP 3: Connect one end of the SATA data cable to the motherboard's SATA connector
- STEP 4: Connect the other end of the SATA data cable to the SATA hard disk.



It is not recommended to switch the "Configure SATA as" setting between AHCI, RAID, and IDE mode after OS installation.

2.13 Hot Plug and Hot Swap Functions for SATA HDDs

 $\ensuremath{\textit{775XFire-RAID}}$ motherboard supports Hot Plug $\,$ and Hot Swap functions for SATA Devices.



NOTE

What is Hot Plug Function?

If the SATA HDDs are NOT set for RAID configuration, it is called "Hot Plug" for the action to insert and remove the SATA HDDs while the system is still power-on and in working condition.

However, please note that it cannot perform Hot Plug if the OS has been installed into the SATA HDD.

What is Hot Swap Function?

If SATA HDDs are built as RAID1 then it is called "Hot Swap" for the action to insert and remove the SATA HDDs while the system is still power-on and in working condition.

2.14 Installing Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP 64-bit With RAID Functions

If you want to install Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP-64bit OS on your SATA HDDs with RAID functions, please follow the below steps.

STEP 1: Set up BIOS.

- A. Enter BIOS SETUP UTILITY \rightarrow Advanced screen \rightarrow IDE Configuration.
- B. Set "ATA/IDE Configuration" to [Enhanced], and then in the option "Configure SATA as", please set the option to [RAID].

STEP 2: Make a SATA Driver Diskette.

- A. Insert the Support CD into your optical drive to boot your system.
- B. During POST at the beginning of system boot-up, press <F11> key, and then a window for boot devices selection appears. Please select CD-ROM as the boot device
- C. When you see the message on the screen, "Do you want to generate Serial ATA driver diskette [YN]?", press <Y>.
- D. Then you will see these messages,

Please insert a diskette into the floppy drive. WARNING! Formatting the floppy diskette will lose ALL data in it!

Start to format and copy files [YN]?

Please insert a floppy diskette into the floppy drive, and press <Y>.

E. The system will start to format the floppy diskette and copy SATA drivers into the floppy diskette.

STEP 3: Use "RAID Installation Guide" to set RAID configuration.

Before you start to configure the RAID function, you need to check the installation guide in the Support CD for proper configuration. Please refer to the document in the Support CD, "Guide to SATA Hard Disks Installation and RAID Configuration", which is located in the folder at the following path: .. \ RAID Installation Guide

STEP 4: Install Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP 64-bit OS on your system.

After making a SATA driver diskette and using "RAID Installation Guide" to set RAID configuration, you can start to install Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP 64-bit on your system. At the beginning of Windows setup, press F6 to install a third-party SCSI or RAID driver. When prompted, insert a floppy disk containing the Intel RAID driver. After reading the floppy disk, the driver will be presented. Select the driver to install according to the mode you choose and the OS you install. You may select: "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA RAID Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP/2000)" for Windows XP/2000 or "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA RAID Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP64)" for Windows XP 64-bit.

After the installation of Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP 64-bit OS, if you want to manage RAID functions, you are allowed to use both "RAID Installation Guide" and "Intel Matrix Storage Manager Information" for RAID configuration. Please refer to the document in the Support CD, "Guide to SATA Hard Disks Installation and RAID Configuration", which is located in the folder at the following path: .. \ RAID Installation Guide and the document in the support CD, "Guide to Intel Matrix Storage Manager", which is located in the folder at the following path: .. \ Intel Matrix Storage Manager Information



If you want to use "Intel Matrix Storage Manager" in Windows environment, please install SATA drivers from the Support CD again so that "Intel Matrix Storage Manager" will be installed to your system as well.

2.14.1 Setting Up a "RAID Ready" System

You can also set up a "RAID Ready" system with a single SATA hard disk. A "RAID Ready" system can be seamlessly upgraded to RAID 0 or RAID 1 at a later date by using RAID migration feature of Intel Matrix Storage. The following steps outline how to build an Intel "RAID Ready" system.

- 1. Assemble the system and attach a single SATA hard drive.
- 2. Set up system BIOS as step 1 of page 30. When done, exit Setup.
- 3. Make a SATA driver diskette as step 2 of page 30. Begin Windows setup by booting from the installation CD.
- 4. At the beginning of Windows setup, press F6 to install a third-party SCSI or RAID driver. When prompted, insert a floppy disk containing the Intel RAID driver. After reading the floppy disk, the driver will be presented. Select the driver to install according to the mode you choose and the OS you install. You may select: "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA RAID Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP/2000)" for Windows XP/2000 or "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA RAID Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP64)" for Windows XP 64-bit.
- 5. Finish the Windows installation and install all necessary drivers.
- 6. Install the Intel(R) Matrix Storage Manager software via the CD-ROM included with your motherboard or after downloading it from the Internet. This will add the Intel(R) Matrix Storage Console which can be used to manage the RAID configuration.
- After setting up a "RAID Ready" system as the above steps, you can follow the procedures of the next section to migrate the system to RAID 0 or RAID 1.

2.14.2 Migrating a "RAID Ready" System to RAID 0 or RAID 1

If you have an existing "RAID Ready" system, then you can use the following steps to perform a migration from a single non-RAID configuration to a two drive RAID 0 or RAID 1 configuration. To prepare for this, you will need another SATA hard drive with a capacity equal to or greater than that currently being used as the source hard drive.

- Physically attach one additional SATA hard drive to the SATA port not being used. Note the serial number of the hard drive already in the system; you will use this to select it as the source hard drive when initiating the migration.
- Boot Windows, install the Intel(R) Matrix Storage Manager software, if not already installed, using the setup package obtained from a CD-ROM or from the Internet. This will install the necessary Intel Storage Utility and start menu links.
- 3. Open the Intel Storage Utility from the Start Menu and select "Create RAID volume from Existing Hard Drive" from the Actions menu. This will activate the Create RAID volume from Existing Hard Drive Wizard. Click through the dialogs as prompted. It's important to understand what will occur during the migration process because any data on the destination hard drive will be lost.
- 4. Once the migration is complete, reboot the system. If you migrated to a RAID 0 volume, use Disk Management from within Windows in order to partition and format the empty space created when the two hard drive capacities are combined. You may also use third-party software to extend any existing partitions within the RAID volume.

2.15 Installing Windows 2000 / XP / XP 64-bit Without RAID Functions

If you want to install Windows 2000 / XP / XP 64-bit on your SATA HDDs without RAID functions, please follow the below steps.

STEP 1: Set Up BIOS.

A. Enter BIOS SETUP UTILITY \rightarrow Advanced screen \rightarrow IDE Configuration.

B. Set "ATA/IDE Configuration" to [Enhanced], and then in the option "Configure SATA as", please set the option to [AHCI] or [IDE].

STEP 2: Make a SATA Driver Diskette. (Only when you select AHCI mode and use SATA HDD.)



If you set "Configure SATA as" to [IDE], there is no need to make a SATA driver diskette. If you select [AHCI] mode and install Windows OS on IDE drive, you do not have to make a driver diskette.

If you set "Configure SATA as" to [AHCI] mode, and plan to install Windows OS on a SATA hard disk, you have to make a SATA driver diskette. Please refer to step 2 on page 30 for details. But if you choose [IDE] mode, please ignore this step.

STEP 3: Install Windows 2000 / XP / XP 64-bit OS on your system.

After making a SATA driver diskette, you can start to install Windows 2000 / Windows XP / Windows XP 64-bit on your system. At the beginning of Windows setup, press F6 to install a third-party SCSI or RAID driver. When prompted, insert a floppy disk containing the Intel RAID driver. After reading the floppy disk, the driver will be presented. Select the driver to install according to the mode you choose and the OS you install. You may select: "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA AHCI Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP/2000)" for Windows XP/2000 or "Intel(R) 82801FR SATA AHCI Controller (Desktop ICH6R-Windows XP64)" for Windows XP 64-bit.

Chapter 3 BIOS SETUP UTILITY

3.1 Introduction

This section explains how to use the BIOS SETUP UTILITY to configure your system. The BIOS FWH chip on the motherboard stores the BIOS SETUP UTILITY. You may run the BIOS SETUP UTILITY when you start up the computer. Please press <F2> during the Power-On-Self-Test (POST) to enter the BIOS SETUP UTILITY, otherwise, POST will continue with its test routines.

If you wish to enter the BIOS SETUP UTILITY after POST, restart the system by pressing <Ctl> + <Alt> + <Delete>, or by pressing the reset button on the system chassis. You may also restart by turning the system off and then back on.



Because the BIOS software is constantly being updated, the following BIOS setup screens and descriptions are for reference purpose only, and they may not exactly match what you see on your screen.

3.1.1 BIOS Menu Bar

The top of the screen has a menu bar with the following selections:

MainTo set up the system time/date informationAdvancedTo set up the advanced BIOS featuresH/W MonitorTo display current hardware status

Boot To set up the default system device to locate and load the

Operating System

Security To set up the security features

Exit To exit the current screen or the BIOS SETUP UTILITY
Use <←→> key or <→→> key to choose among the selections on the menu bar,

and then press <Enter> to get into the sub screen.

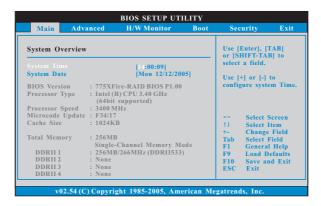
3.1.2 Navigation Keys

Please check the following table for the function description of each navigation key.

| Navigation Key(s) | Function Description |
|-------------------|---|
| ← /→ | Moves cursor left or right to select Screens |
| ↑ / ↓ | Moves cursor up or down to select items |
| + / - | To change option for the selected items |
| <enter></enter> | To bring up the selected screen |
| <f1></f1> | To display the General Help Screen |
| <f9></f9> | To load optimal default values for all the settings |
| <f10></f10> | To save changes and exit the BIOS SETUP UTILITY |
| <esc></esc> | To jump to the Exit Screen or exit the current screen |

3.2 Main Screen

When you enter the BIOS SETUP UTILITY, the Main screen will appear and display the system overview



System Time [Hour:Minute:Second]

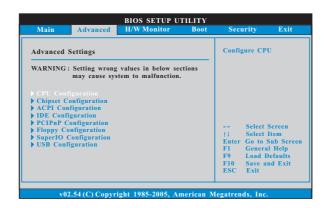
Use this item to specify the system time.

System Date [Day Month/Date/Year]

Use this item to specify the system date.

3.3 Advanced Screen

In this section, you may set the configurations for the following items: CPU Configuration, Chipset Configuration, ACPI Configuration, IDE Configuration, PCIPnP Configuration, Floppy Configuration, SuperIO Configuration, and USB Configuration.





Setting wrong values in this section may cause the system to malfunction.

3.3.1 CPU Configuration



CPU Host Frequency

While entering setup, BIOS auto detects the present CPU host frequency of this motherboard. The actual CPU host frequency will show in the following item.

Boot Failure Guard

Enable or disable the feature of Boot Failure Guard.

Spread Spectrum

This item should always be [Auto] for better system stability.

Ratio Status

This is a read-only item, which displays whether the ratio status of this motherboard is "Locked" or "Unlocked". If it shows "Unlocked", you will find an item **Ratio CMOS Setting** appears to allow you changing the ratio value of this motherboard.

Ratio Actual Value

This is a read-only item, which displays the ratio actual value of this motherboard.

Ratio CMOS Setting

If the ratio status is unlocked, will find this item appear to allow you changing the ratio value of this motherboard.

CPU Thermal Throttling

You may select [Enabled] to enable P4 CPU internal thermal control mechanism to keep the CPU from overheated.

Hyper Threading Technology

To enable this feature, it requires a computer system with an Intel Pentium®4 processor that supports Hyper-Threading technology and an operating system that includes optimization for this technology, such as Microsoft® Windows® XP. Set to [Enabled] if using Microsoft® Windows® XP, or Linux kernel version 2.4.18 or higher. This option will be hidden if the installed CPU does not support Hyper-Threading technology.

Max CPUID Value Limit

For Prescott CPU only, some OSes (ex. NT4.0) cannot handle the function with disable. This should be enabled in order to boot legacy OSes that cannot support CPUs with extended CPUID functions.

No-Excute Memory Protection

No-Execution (NX) Memory Protection Technology is an enhancement to the IA-32 Intel Architecture. An IA-32 processor with "No Execute (NX) Memory Protection" can prevent data pages from being used by malicious software to execute code. This option will be hidden if the current CPU does not support No-Excute Memory Protection.

Enhance Halt State

All processors support the Halt State (C1). The C1 state is supported through the native processor instructions HLT and MWAIT and requires no hardware support from the chipset. In the C1 power state, the processor maintains the context of the system caches.

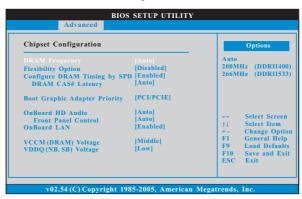
Intel (R) Virtualization tech.

When this option is set to [Enabled], a VIMM (Virtual Machine Architecture) can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by Vanderpool Technology. This option will be hidden if the installed CPU does not support Intel (R) Virtualization Technology.

Intel (R) SpeedStep(tm) tech.

Intel (R) SpeedStep(tm) tech. is Intel's new power saving technology. Processor can switch between multiple frequency and voltage points to enable power savings. If you select [Auto], you need to set the "Power Schemes" as "Portable/Laptop" to enable this function.

3.3.2 Chipset Configuration



DRAM Frequency

If [Auto] is selected, the motherboard will detect the memory module(s) inserted and assigns appropriate frequency automatically. You may also select other value as operating frequency: [200MHz (DDRII 400)], [266MHz (DDRII 533)].

Flexibility Option

The default value of this option is [Disabled]. It will allow better tolerance for memory compatibility when it is set to [Enabled].

Configure DRAM Timing by SPD

Select [Enabled] will configure the following items by the contents in the SPD (Serial Presence Detect) device. If you select [Disabled], you will find the items "DRAM RAS# to CAS# Delay", "DRAM RAS# Precharge", and "DRAM RAS# Activate to Precharge" appear to allow you adjusting them.

DRAM CAS# Latency

Use this item to adjust the means of memory accessing. Configuration options are [5], [4], [3], and [Auto].

DRAM RAS# to CAS# Delay

This controls the latency between the DRAM active command and the read / write command. Configuration options: [2 DRAM Clocks], [3 DRAM Clocks], [4 DRAM Clocks], and [5 DRAM Clocks].

DRAM RAS# Precharge

This controls the idle clocks after a precharge command is issued. Configuration options: [2 DRAM Clocks], [3 DRAM Clocks], [4 DRAM Clocks], and [5 DRAM Clocks].

DRAM RAS# Activate to Precharge

This controls the number of DRAM clocks for TRAS. Configuration options: [4 DRAM Clocks], [5 DRAM Clocks], [6 DRAM Clocks], [7 DRAM Clocks], [8 DRAM Clocks], [9 DRAM Clocks], [10 DRAM Clocks], [11 DRAM Clocks], [12 DRAM Clocks], [13 DRAM Clocks], [14 DRAM Clocks], and [15 DRAM Clocks].

Boot Graphic Adapter Priority

This allows you to select [PCI/PCIE] or [PCIE/PCI] as the boot graphic adapter priority. The default value is [PCI/PCIE].

OnBoard HD Audio

Select [Auto], [Enabled] or [Disabled] for the onboard HD Audio feature. If you select [Auto], the onboard HD Audio will be disabled when PCI Sound Card is plugged.

Front Panel Control

Select [Auto], [Enabled] or [Disabled] for the onboard HD Audio Front Panel.

OnBoard LAN

This allows you to enable or disable the "OnBoard LAN" feature.

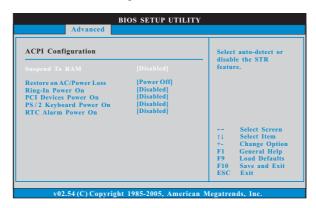
VCCM (DRAM) Voltage

Use this to select VCCM (DRAM) Voltage. Configuration options: [High], [Middle], and [Low]. The default value of this feature is [Middle].

VDDQ (NB, SB) Voltage

Use this to select VDDQ (NB, SB) Voltage. Configuration options: [High], and [Low]. The default value of this feature is [Low].

3.3.3 ACPI Configuration



Suspend to RAM

This field allows you to select whether to auto-detect or disable the Sus pend-to-RAM feature. Select [Auto] will enable this feature if the system supports it.

Restore on AC/Power Loss

This allows you to set the power state after an unexpected AC/ Power loss. If [Power Off] is selected, the AC/Power remains off when the power recovers. If [Power On] is selected, the AC/Power resumes and the system starts to boot up when the power recovers.

Ring-In Power On

Use this item to enable or disable Ring-In signals to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.

PCI Devices Power On

Use this item to enable or disable PCI devices to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.

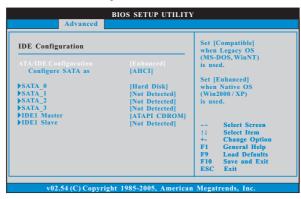
PS/2 Keyboard Power On

Use this item to enable or disable PS/2 keyboard to turn on the system from the power-soft-off mode.

RTC Alarm Power On

Use this item to enable or disable RTC (Real Time Clock) to power on the system.

3.3.4 IDE Configuration



ATA/IDE Configuration

Please select [Compatible] when you install legacy OS (Windows NT). If native OS (Windows 2000 / XP) is installed, please select [Enhanced]. Then in the option "Configure SATA as", you are allowed to set the selection from [AHCI] to [RAID] if you plan to enable RAID function. Configuration options: [AHCI], [IDE], and [RAID]. The default value is [AHCI].



- AHCI (Advanced Host Controller Interface) supports Hot Plug, NCQ and other new features that will improve SATA disk performance but IDE mode does not have these advantages.
- 2. Only AHCI and RAID modes support Hot Plug function.

When [Compatible] is selected

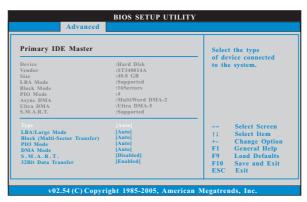
Combined Option

It allows you to select between [SATA 0, SATA 1, SATA 2, SATA 3], [SATA 0, SATA 2, IDE 1], and [IDE 1, SATA 1, SATA 3]. If it is set to [SATA 0, SATA 2, IDE 1], then SATA1, SATA3 will not work. Likewise, if it is set to [IDE 1, SATA 1, SATA 3], then SATA0, SATA2 will not work.



Because Intel® ICH6R south bridge only supports four IDE devices under legacy OS (Windows NT), you have to choose [SATA 0, SATA 1, SATA 2, SATA 3], [SATA 0, SATA 2, IDE 1], or [IDE 1, SATA 1, SATA 3] when the installed device is used with legacy OS.

| | [SATA 0, SATA 1, | [SATA 0, SATA 2, | [IDE 1, SATA 1, |
|--------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | SATA 2, SATA 3] | IDE 1] | SATA 3] |
| Master | SATA0, SATA1 | SATA0 | SATA1 |
| Slave | SATA2, SATA3 | SATA2 | SATA3 |



TYPE

Use this item to configure the type of the IDE device that you specify. Configuration options: [Not Installed], [Auto], [CD/DVD], and [ARMD]. [Not Installed]: Select [Not Installed] to disable the use of IDE device.

[Auto]: Select [Auto] to automatically detect the hard disk drive.



After selecting the hard disk information into BIOS, use a disk utility, such as FDISK, to partition and format the new IDE hard disk drives. This is necessary so that you can write or read data from the hard disk. Make sure to set the partition of the Primary IDE hard disk drives to active.

[CD/DVD]: This is used for IDE CD/DVD drives.

[ARMD]: This is used for IDE ARMD (ATAPI Removable Media Device), such as MO.

LBA/Large Mode

Use this item to select the LBA/Large mode for a hard disk > 512 MB under DOS and Windows; for Netware and UNIX user, select [Disabled] to disable the LBA/Large mode.

Block (Multi-Sector Transfer)

The default value of this item is [Auto]. If this feature is enabled, it will enhance hard disk performance by reading or writing more data during each transfer.

PIO Mode

Use this item to set the PIO mode to enhance hard disk performance by optimizing the hard disk timing.

DMA Mode

DMA capability allows the improved transfer-speed and data-integrity for compatible IDE devices.

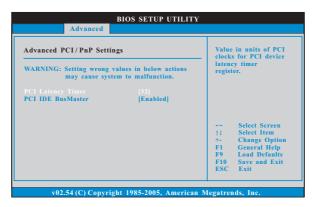
S.M.A.R.T.

Use this item to enable or disable the S.M.A.R.T. (Self-Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Technology) feature. Configuration options: [Disabled], [Auto], [Enabled].

32-Bit Data Transfer

Use this item to enable 32-bit access to maximize the IDE hard disk data transfer rate.

3.3.5 PCIPnP Configuration



PCI Latency Timer

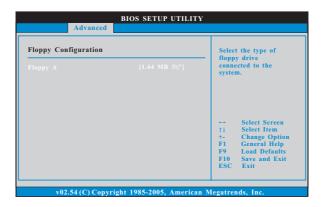
The default value is 32. It is recommended to keep the default value unless the installed PCI expansion cards' specifications require other settings.

PCI IDE BusMaster

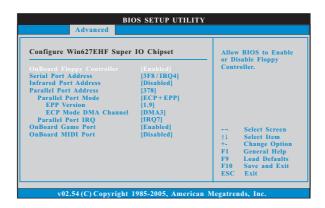
Use this item to enable or disable the PCI IDE BusMaster feature.

3.3.6 Floppy Configuration

In this section, you may configure the type of your floppy drive.



3.3.7 Super IO Configuration



OnBoard Floppy Controller

Use this item to enable or disable floppy drive controller.

Serial Port Address

Use this item to set the address for the onboard serial port or disable it. Configuration options: [Disabled], [3F8 / IRQ4], [2F8 / IRQ3], [3E8 / IRQ4], [2E8 / IRQ3].

Infrared Port Address

Use this item to set the address for the onboard infrared port or disable it. Configuration options: [Disabled], [2F8 / IRQ3], and [2E8 / IRQ3].

Parallel Port Address

Use this item to set the address for the onboard parallel port or disable it. Configuration options: [Disabled], [378], and [278].

Parallel Port Mode

Use this item to set the operation mode of the parallel port. The default value is [ECP+EPP]. If this option is set to [ECP+EPP], it will show the EPP version in the following item, "EPP Version". Configuration options: [Normal], [Bi-Directional], and [ECP+EPP].

EPP Version

Use this item to set the EPP version. Configuration options: [1.9] and [1.7].

ECP Mode DMA Channel

Use this item to set the ECP mode DMA channel. Configuration options: [DMA0], [DMA1], and [DMA3].

Parallel Port IRQ

Use this item to set the IRQ for the parallel port. Configuration options: [IRQ5] and [IRQ7].

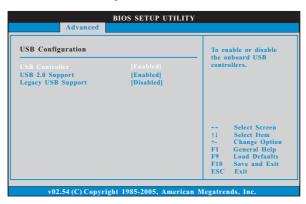
OnBoard Game Port

Use this item to enable the Game Port or disable it.

OnBoard MIDI Port

Use this itme to select the address for the MIDI Port or disable it. Configuration options: [Disabled], [300], and [330].

3.3.8 USB Configuration



USB Controller

Use this item to enable or disable the use of USB controller.

USB 2.0 Support

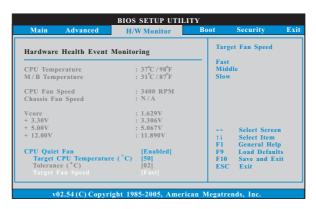
Use this item to enable or disable the USB 2.0 support.

Legacy USB Support

Use this item to enable or disable the support to emulate legacy I/O devices such as mouse, keyboard,... etc. Or you may select [Auto] so that the system will start to auto-detect; if there is no USB device connected, "Auto" option will disable the legacy USB support.

3.4 Hardware Health Event Monitoring Screen

In this section, it allows you to monitor the status of the hardware on your system, including the parameters of the CPU temperature, motherboard temperature, CPU fan speed, chassis fan speed, and the critical voltage.



CPU Quiet Fan

This item allows you to identify the temperature of CPU fan. If you set this option as [Disabled], the CPU fan will operate in full speed. If you set this option as [Enabled], you will find the items "Target CPU Temperature (°C)", "Tolerance (°C)", and "Minimun Fan Speed" appear to allow you adjusting them. The default value is [Disabled].

Target CPU Temperature (°C)

The target temperature will be between 45 $^{\circ}$ C and 65 $^{\circ}$ C. The default value is [50].

Tolerance (°C)

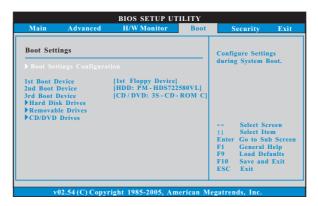
The default value of tolerance is [2], which means the error of the target CPU temperature will be within 2° C.

Target Fan Speed

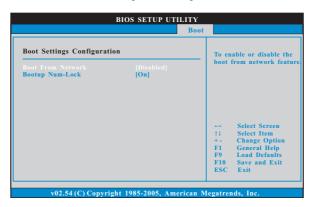
Use this option to set the target fan speed. You can freely adjust the target fan speed according to the target CPU temperature that you choose. The default value is [Fast]. Configuration options: [Fast], [Middle] and [Slow].

3.5 Boot Screen

In this section, it will display the available devices on your system for you to configure the boot settings and the boot priority.



3.5.1 Boot Settings Configuration



Boot From Network

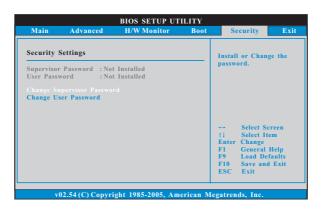
Use this item to enable or disable the Boot From Network feature.

Boot Up Num-Lock

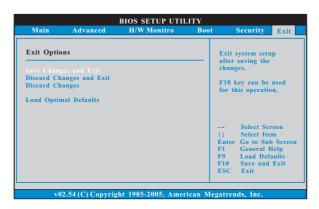
If this item is set to [On], it will automatically activate the Numeric Lock function after boot-up.

3.6 Security Screen

In this section, you may set or change the supervisor/user password for the system. For the user password, you may also clear it.



3.7 Exit Screen



Save Changes and Exit

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Save configuration changes and exit setup?" Select [OK] to save the changes and exit the BIOS SETUP UTILITY.

Discard Changes and Exit

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Discard changes and exit setup?" Select [OK] to exit the BIOS SETUP UTILITY without saving any changes.

Discard Changes

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Discard changes?" Select [OK] to discard all changes.

Load Optimal Defaults

When you select this option, it will pop-out the following message, "Load optimal defaults?" Select [OK] to load the default values for all the setup configurations.

Chapter 4 Software Support

4.1 Install Operating System

This motherboard supports various Microsoff® Windows® operating systems: 2000 / XP / XP 64-bit. Because motherboard settings and hardware options vary, use the setup procedures in this chapter for general reference only. Refer to your OS documentation for more information.

4.2 Support CD Information

The Support CD that came with the motherboard contains necessary drivers and useful utilities that enhance the motherboard features.

4.2.1 Running The Support CD

To begin using the support CD, insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive. The CD automatically displays the Main Menu if "AUTORUN" is enabled in your computer. If the Main Menu did not appear automatically, locate and double click on the file "ASSETUP.EXE" from the BIN folder in the Support CD to display the menus.

4.2.2 Drivers Menu

The Drivers Menu shows the available devices drivers if the system detects installed devices. Please install the necessary drivers to activate the devices.

4.2.3 Utilities Menu

The Utilities Menu shows the applications software that the motherboard supports. Click on a specific item then follow the installation wizard to install it.

4.2.4 "LGA 775 CPU Installation Live Demo" Program

This motherboard is equipped with Intel LGA 775 socket, which is a new CPU socket interface that Intel has released. Since it has several tiny pins, which are easily to be damaged by improper handling, ASRock sincerely presents you a clear installation guide through this "LGA 775 CPU Installation Live Demo". We hope you may check this live demo program before you start the installation of LGA 775 CPU in order to reduce the risks of CPU and motherboard damages caused by any improper handling. To see this Live Demo, you can run Microsoft® Media Player® to play the file. You may find this Live Demo in the motherboard's Support CD through the following path:

..\ Live Demo \ PC DIY \ LGA775INST_English.dat

4.2.5 Contact Information

If you need to contact ASRock or want to know more about ASRock, welcome to visit ASRock's website at http://www.asrock.com; or you may contact your dealer for further information.