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Chapter 1 Introduction

Thank you for purchasing ASRock B550 Steel Legend 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 documentation, Chapter 1 and 2 contains the introduction of the motherboard and step-by-step installation guides. Chapter 3 contains the operation guide of the software and utilities. Chapter 4 contains the configuration guide of the BIOS setup.

Because the motherboard specifications and the BIOS software might be updated, the content of this documentation will be subject to change without notice. In case any modifications of this documentation occur, the updated version will be available on ASRock's website without further notice. If you require technical support related to this motherboard, please visit our website for specific information about the model you are using. You may find the latest VGA cards and CPU support list on ASRock's website as well. ASRock website http://www.asrock.com.

1.1 Package Contents

- ASRock B550 Steel Legend Motherboard (ATX Form Factor)
- ASRock B550 Steel Legend Quick Installation Guide
- ASRock B550 Steel Legend Support CD
- 2 x Serial ATA (SATA) Data Cables (Optional)
- 3 x Screws for M.2 Sockets (Optional)
- 2 x Standoffs for M.2 Sockets (Optional)

1.2 Specifications

Platform	• ATX Form Factor • 2oz Copper PCB
CPU	• Supports 3rd Gen AMD AM4 Ryzen™ / future AMD Ryzen™ Processors (3000 and 4000 Series Processors)* * Not compatible with AMD Ryzen™ 5 3400G and Ryzen™ 3 3200G. • Digi Power design • 14 Power Phase design
Chipset	• AMD B550
Memory	• Dual Channel DDR4 Memory Technology • 4 x DDR4 DIMM Slots • AMD Ryzen series CPUs (Matisse) support DDR4 4733+ (OC)/4666(OC)/4600(OC)/4533(OC)/4466(OC)/4400 (OC)/4333(OC)/4266(OC)/4200(OC)/4133(OC)/4000 (OC)/3866(OC)/3800(OC)/3733(OC)/3600(OC)/3466 (OC)/3200/2933/2667/2400/2133 ECC & non-ECC, un-buffered memory* • AMD Ryzen series APUs (Renoir) support DDR4 4733+ (OC)/4666(OC)/4600(OC)/4533(OC)/4466(OC)/4400 (OC)/4333(OC)/4266(OC)/4200(OC)/4133(OC)/4000 (OC)/3866(OC)/3800(OC)/3733(OC)/3600(OC)/3466 (OC)/3200/2933/2667/2400/2133 ECC & non-ECC, un-buffered memory* * Please refer to Memory Support List on ASRock's website for more information. (http://www.asrock.com/) * Please refer to page 23 for DDR4 UDIMM maximum frequency support. • Max. capacity of system memory: 128GB • Supports Extreme Memory Profile (XMP) memory modules • 15μ Gold Contact in DIMM Slots

Expansion Slot	**AMD Ryzen series CPUs (Matisse)**
	• 2 x PCI Express x16 Slots (PCIE1: Gen4x16 mode; PCIE3: Gen3 x4 mode)*
	AMD Ryzen series APUs (Renoir)
	• 2 x PCI Express x16 Slots (PCIE1: Gen3x16 mode; PCIE3: Gen3 x4 mode)*
	* Supports NVMe SSD as boot disks
	• 2 x PCI Express 3.0 x1 Slots
	• Supports AMD Quad CrossFireX™ and CrossFireX™
	• 1 x M.2 Socket (Key E), supports type 2230 WiFi/BT module
	• 15μ Gold Contact in VGA PCIe Slot (PCIE1)
Graphics	• Integrated AMD Radeon™ Vega Series Graphics in Ryzen Series APU*
	* Actual support may vary by CPU
	• DirectX 12, Pixel Shader 5.0
	• Shared memory default 2GB. Max Shared memory supports up to 16GB.
	* The Max shared memory 16GB requires 32GB system memory installed.
	• Dual graphics output: support HDMI and DisplayPort 1.4 ports by independent display controllers
	• Supports HDMI 2.1 with max. resolution up to 4K x 2K (4096x2160) @ 60Hz
	• Supports DisplayPort 1.4 with max. resolution up to 5K (5120x2880)@120Hz
	• Supports Auto Lip Sync, Deep Color (12bpc), xvYCC and HBR (High Bit Rate Audio) with HDMI 2.1 Port (Compliant HDMI monitor is required)
	• Supports HDR (High Dynamic Range) with HDMI 2.1
	• Supports HDCP 2.3 with HDMI 2.1 and DisplayPort 1.4 Ports
	• Supports 4K Ultra HD (UHD) playback with HDMI 2.1 and DisplayPort 1.4 Ports
	• Supports Microsoft PlayReady®

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Audio	- 7.1 CH HD Audio with Content Protection (Realtek ALC1220 Audio Codec)
	- Premium Blu-ray Audio support
	- Supports Surge Protection
	- 120dB SNR DAC with Differential Amplifier
	- NE5532 Premium Headset Amplifier for Front Panel Audio Connector (Supports up to 600 Ohm headsets)
	- Pure Power-In
	- Direct Drive Technology
	- PCB Isolate Shielding
	- Impedance Sensing on Rear Out port
	- Individual PCB Layers for R/L Audio Channel
	- Gold Audio Jacks
	- 15µ Gold Audio Connector
	- Nahimic Audio
LAN	- 2.5 Gigabit LAN 10/100/1000/2500 Mb/s
	- Dragon RTL8125BG
	- Supports Dragon 2.5G LAN Software
	- Smart Auto Adjust Bandwidth Control
	- Visual User Friendly UI
	- Visual Network Usage Statistics
	- Optimized Default Setting for Game, Browser, and Streaming Modes
	- User Customized Priority Control
	- Supports Wake-On-LAN
	- Supports Lightning/ESD Protection
	- Supports Energy Efficient Ethernet 802.3az
	- Supports PXE
Rear Panel I/O	- 2 x Antenna Ports (on I/O Panel Shield)
	- 1 x PS/2 Mouse/Keyboard Port
	- 1 x HDMI Port
	- 1 x DisplayPort 1.4
	- 1 x Optical SPDIF Out Port
	- 1 x USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-A Port (10 Gb/s) (Supports ESD Protection)
	- 1 x USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-C Port (10 Gb/s) (Supports ESD Protection)

- 2 x USB 3.2 Gen1 Ports (Supports ESD Protection)
- 4 x USB 2.0 Ports (Supports ESD Protection)

* Ultra USB Power is supported on USB_34 ports.

* ACPI wake-up function is not supported on USB_34 ports.

- 1 x RJ-45 LAN Port with LED (ACT/LINK LED and SPEED LED)
- HD Audio Jacks: Rear Speaker / Central / Bass / Line in / Front Speaker / Microphone (Gold Audio Jacks)

Storage	• 6 x SATA3 6.0 Gb/s Connectors, support RAID (RAID 0, RAID 1 and RAID 10), NCQ, AHCI and Hot Plug*

* M2_2 and SATA3_5_6 share lanes. If either one of them is in use, the other one will be disabled.

- 1 x Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_1), supports M Key type 2230/2242/2260/2280 M.2 PCI Express module up to Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) (with Matisse) or Gen3x4 (32 Gb/s) (with Renoir)**
- 1 x M.2 Socket (M2_2), supports M Key type 2230/2242/2260/2280/22110 M.2 SATA3 6.0 Gb/s module and M.2 PCI Express module up to Gen3 x2 (16 Gb/s)**

** Supports NVMe SSD as boot disks

** Supports ASRock U.2 Kit

Connector	• 1 x SPI TPM Header

- 1 x Power LED and Speaker Header
- 2 x RGB LED Headers

* Support in total up to 12V/3A, 36W LED Strip

- 2 x Addressable LED Headers

* Support in total up to 5V/3A, 15W LED Strip

- 1 x CPU Fan Connector (4-pin)

* The CPU Fan Connector supports the CPU fan of maximum 1A (12W) fan power.

- 1 x CPU/Water Pump Fan Connector (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)

* CPU_FAN2/WP_3A supports the water cooler fan of maximum 3A (36W) fan power.

- 5 x Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connectors (4-pin) (Smart Fan Speed Control)

* The Chassis/Water Pump Fan supports the water cooler fan of maximum 2A (24W) fan power.

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* CPU_FAN2/WP_3A, CHA_FAN1/WP, CHA_FAN2/WP, CHA_FAN3/WP, CHA_FAN4/WP and CHA_FAN5/WP can auto detect if 3-pin or 4-pin fan is in use.

- 1 x 24 pin ATX Power Connector (Hi-Density Power Connector)
- 1 x 8 pin 12V Power Connector (Hi-Density Power Connector)
- 1 x 4 pin 12V Power Connector (Hi-Density Power Connector)
- 1 x Front Panel Audio Connector (15μ Gold Audio Connector)
- 2 x USB 2.0 Headers (Support 4 USB 2.0 ports) (Supports ESD Protection)
- 1 x USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (Supports 2 USB 3.2 Gen1 ports) (Supports ESD Protection)
- 1 x Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (Supports ESD Protection)
- 1 x Dr. Debug with LED

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BIOS Feature	- AMI UEFI Legal BIOS with GUI support - Supports "Plug and Play" - ACPI 5.1 compliance wake up events - Supports jumperfree - SMBIOS 2.3 support - CPU, CPU VDDCR_SOC, DRAM, VPPM, VTT_DDR Offset, CPU VDD 1.8 Voltage Multi-adjustment
Hardware Monitor	- Temperature Sensing: CPU, CPU/Water Pump, Chassis/Water Pump Fans - Fan Tachometer: CPU, CPU/Water Pump, Chassis/Water Pump Fans - Quiet Fan (Auto adjust chassis fan speed by CPU temperature): CPU, CPU/Water Pump, Chassis/Water Pump Fans - Fan Multi-Speed Control: CPU, CPU/Water Pump, Chassis/Water Pump Fans - Voltage monitoring: +12V, +5V, +3.3V, CPU Vcore, CPU VDDCR_SOC, DRAM, VPPM, CPU VDD 1.8V

OS	• Microsoft® Windows® 10 64-bit
Certifica-tions	• FCC, CE • ErP/EuP ready (ErP/EuP ready power supply is required)

* For detailed product information, please visit our website: http://www.asrock.com

⚠️   *Please realize that there is a certain risk involved with overclocking, including adjusting the setting in the BIOS, applying Untied Overclocking Technology, or using third-party overclocking tools. Overclocking may affect your system's stability, or even cause damage to the components and devices of your system. It should be done at your own risk and expense. We are not responsible for possible damage caused by overclocking.*

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1.3 Motherboard Layout
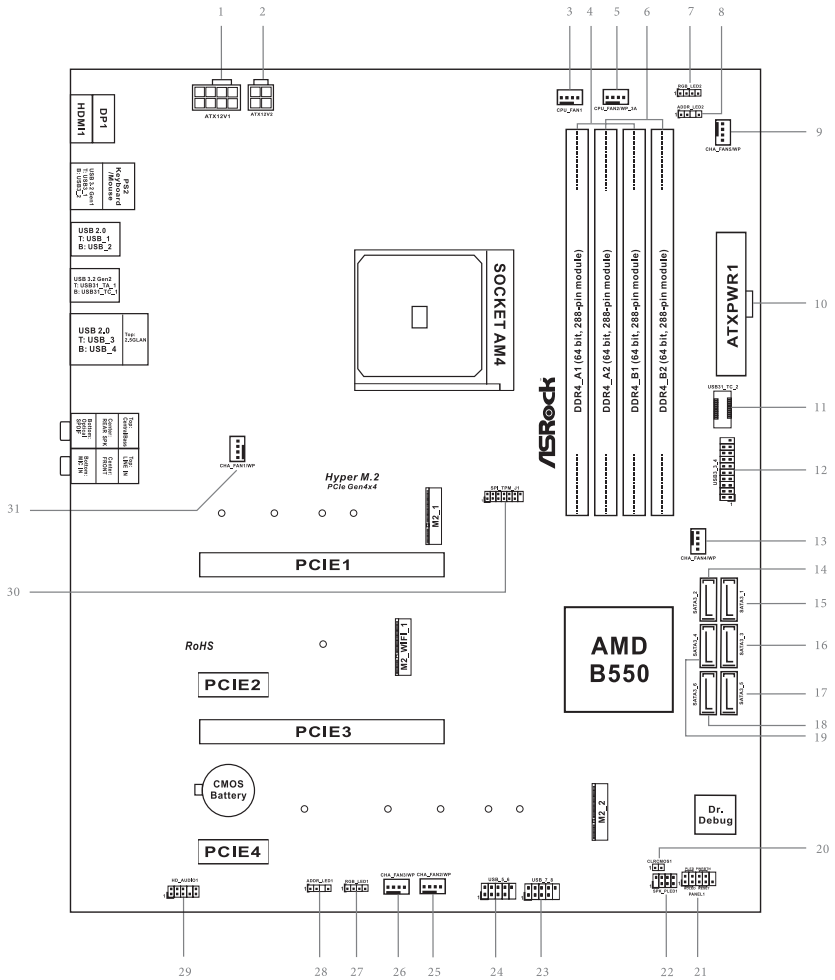
No.	Description
1	ATX 12V Power Connector (ATX12V1)
2	ATX 12V Power Connector (ATX12V2)
3	CPU Fan Connector (CPU_FAN1)
4	2 x 288-pin DDR4 DIMM Slots (DDR4_A1, DDR4_B1)
5	CPU/Water Pump Fan Connector (CPU_FAN2/WP_3A)
6	2 x 288-pin DDR4 DIMM Slots (DDR4_A2, DDR4_B2)
7	RGB LED Header (RGB_LED2)
8	Addressable LED Header (ADDR_LED2)
9	Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connector (CHA_FAN5/WP)
10	ATX Power Connector (ATXPWR1)
11	Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (USB31_TC_2)
12	USB 3.2 Gen1 Header (USB3_3_4)
13	Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connector (CHA_FAN4/WP)
14	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_2)
15	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_1)
16	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_3)
17	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_5)
18	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_6)
19	SATA3 Connector (SATA3_4)
20	Clear CMOS Jumper (CLRCMOS1)
21	System Panel Header (PANEL1)
22	Power LED and Speaker Header (SPK_PLED1)
23	USB 2.0 Header (USB_7_8)
24	USB 2.0 Header (USB_5_6)
25	Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connector (CHA_FAN2/WP)
26	Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connector (CHA_FAN3/WP)
27	RGB LED Header (RGB_LED1)
28	Addressable LED Header (ADDR_LED1)
29	Front Panel Audio Header (HD_AUDIO1)
30	SPI TPM Header (SPI_TPM_J1)
31	Chassis/Water Pump Fan Connector (CHA_FAN1/WP)

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1.4 I/O Panel
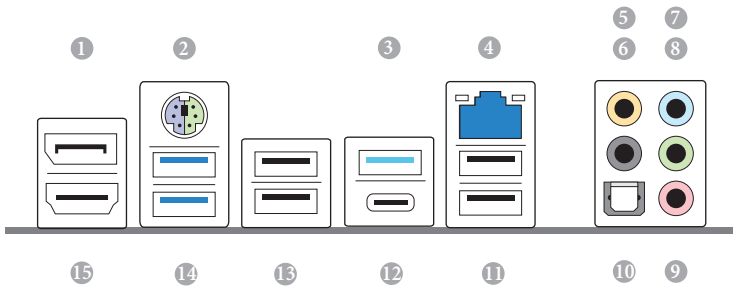
No.	Description	No.	Description
1	DisplayPort 1.4	9	Microphone (Pink)
2	PS/2 Mouse/Keyboard Port	10	Optical SPDIF Out Port
3	USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-A Port (USB31_TA_1)	11	USB 2.0 Ports (USB_34)***
4	2.5G LAN RJ-45 Port (Dragon RTL8125BG)*	12	USB 3.2 Gen2 Type-C Port (USB31_TC_1)
5	Central / Bass (Orange)	13	USB 2.0 Ports (USB_12)
6	Rear Speaker (Black)	14	USB 3.2 Gen1 Ports (USB3_12)
7	Line In (Light Blue)	15	HDMI Port
8	Front Speaker (Lime)**		

There are two LEDs on each LAN port. Please refer to the table below for the LAN port LED indications.

ACT/LINK LED

SPEED LED

LAN Port
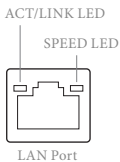
Activity / Link LED		Speed LED	
Status	Description	Status	Description
Off	No Link	Off	10Mbps connection
Blinking	Data Activity	Orange	100Mbps/1Gbps connection
On	Link	Green	2.5Gbps connection

*** If you use a 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.*

Audio Output Channels	Front Speaker (No. 8)	Rear Speaker (No. 6)	Central / Bass (No. 5)	Line In (No. 7)
2	V	--	--	--
4	V	V	--	--
6	V	V	V	--
8	V	V	V	V

*** Ultra USB Power is supported on USB_34 ports. ACPI wake-up function is not supported on USB_34 ports.*

Chapter 2 Installation

This is an ATX form factor motherboard. Before you install the motherboard, study the configuration of your chassis to ensure that the motherboard fits into it.

Pre-installation Precautions

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

- 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.
- In order to avoid damage from static electricity to the motherboard's components, NEVER place your motherboard directly on a carpet. Also remember to use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safety grounded object before you handle the components.
- Hold components by the edges and do not touch the ICs.
- Whenever you uninstall any components, place them on a grounded anti-static pad or in the bag that comes with the components.
- When placing screws to secure the motherboard to the chassis, please do not over-tighten the screws! Doing so may damage the motherboard.
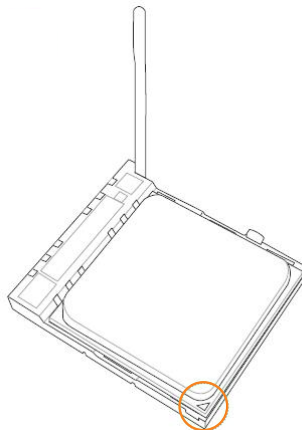
2.1 Installing the CPU

⭐ *Unplug all power cables before installing the CPU.*

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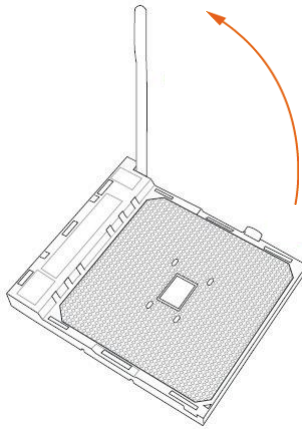
## 2.2 Installing the CPU Fan and Heatsink

After you install the CPU into this motherboard, it is necessary to install a larger heatsink and cooling fan to dissipate heat. You also need to spray thermal grease between the CPU and the heatsink to improve heat dissipation. Make sure that the CPU and the heatsink are securely fastened and in good contact with each other.
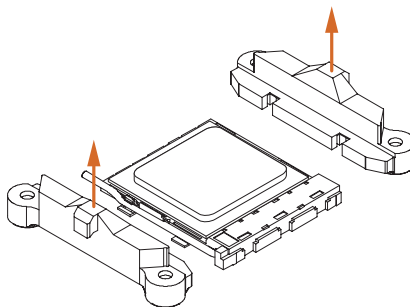
Please turn off the power or remove the power cord before changing a CPU or heatsink.
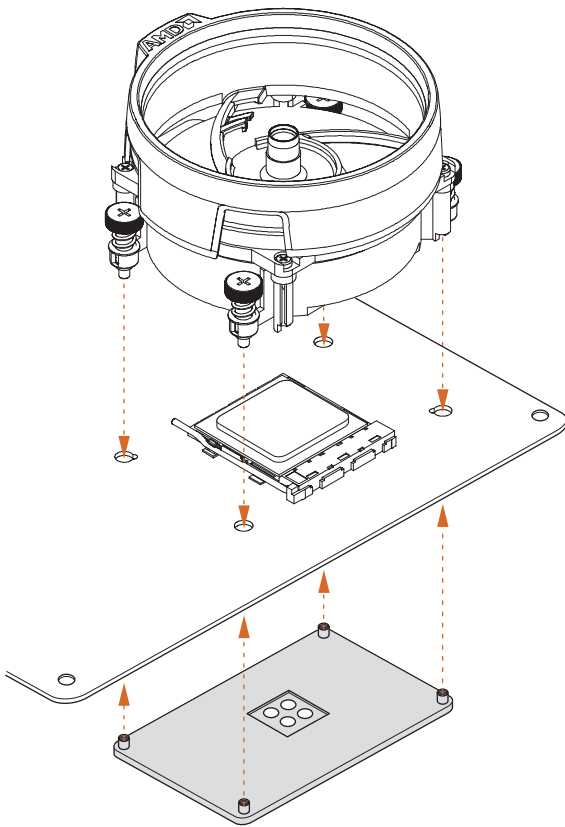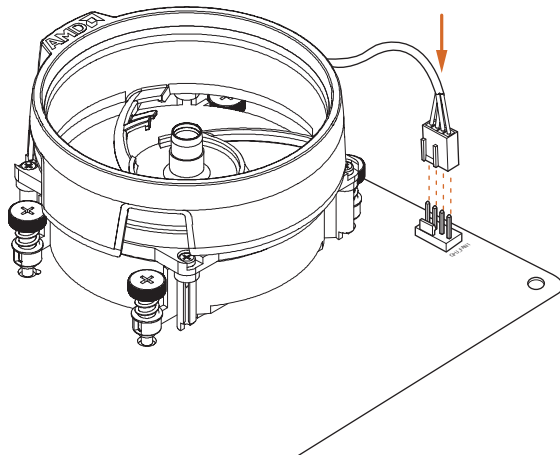
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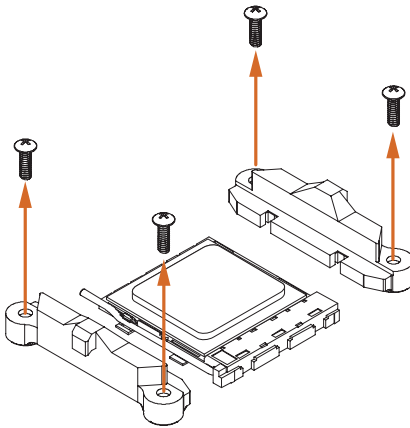
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Installing the AM4 Box Cooler SR2

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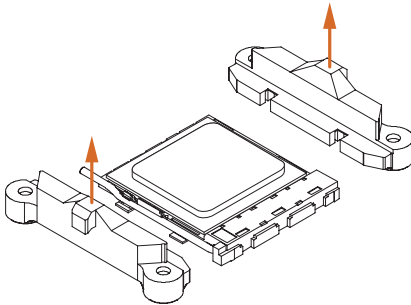
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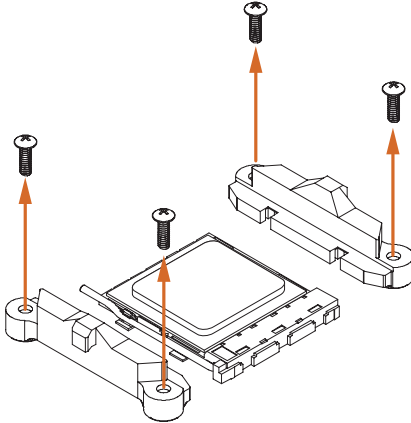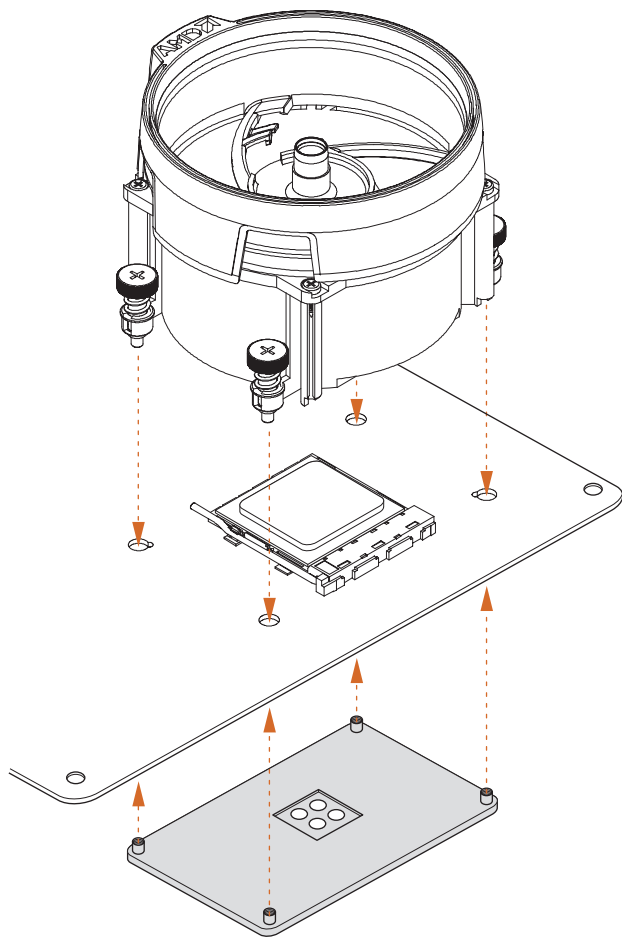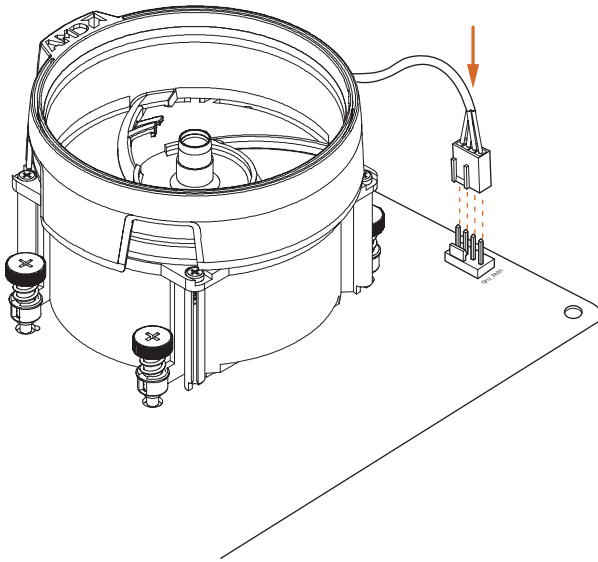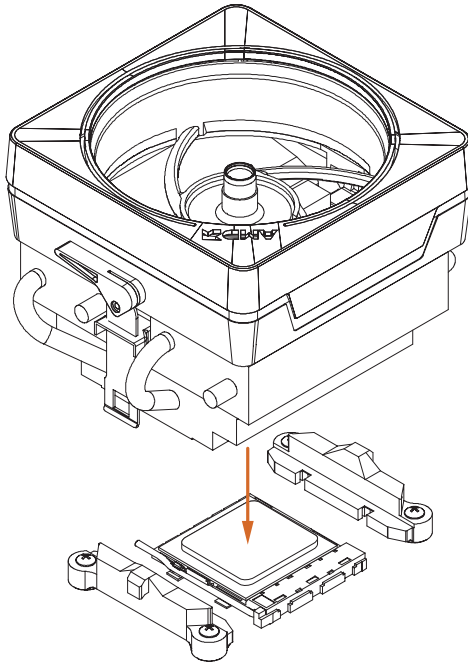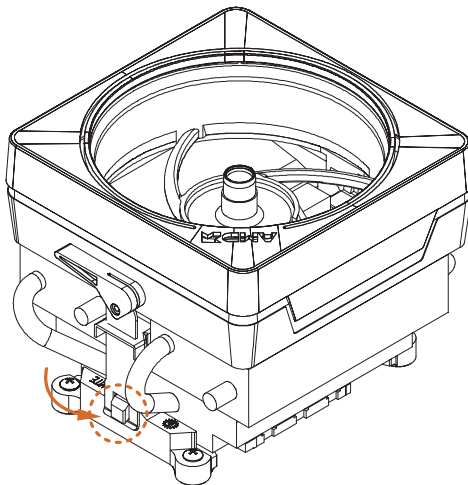
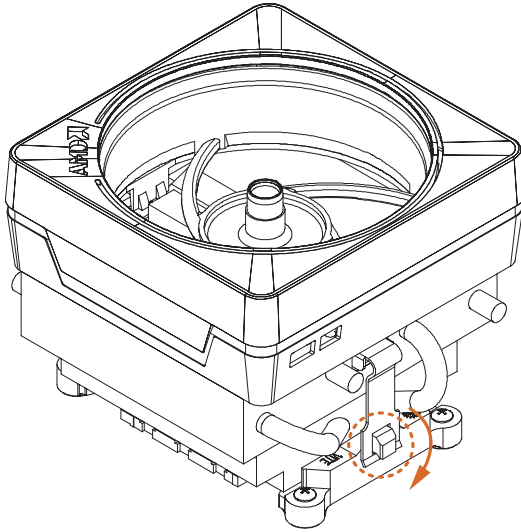# Installing the AM4 Box Cooler SR3

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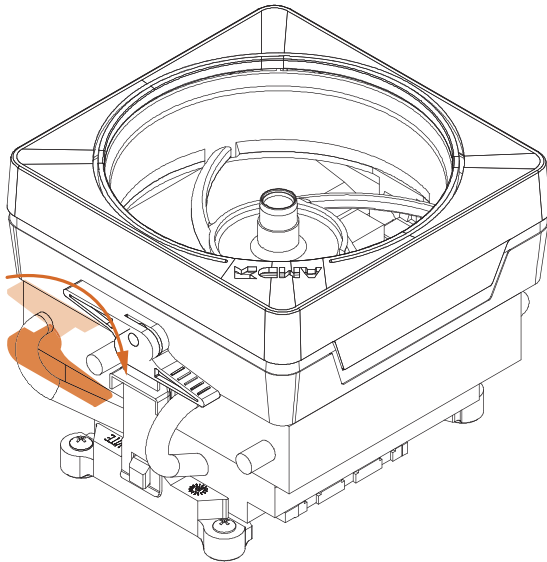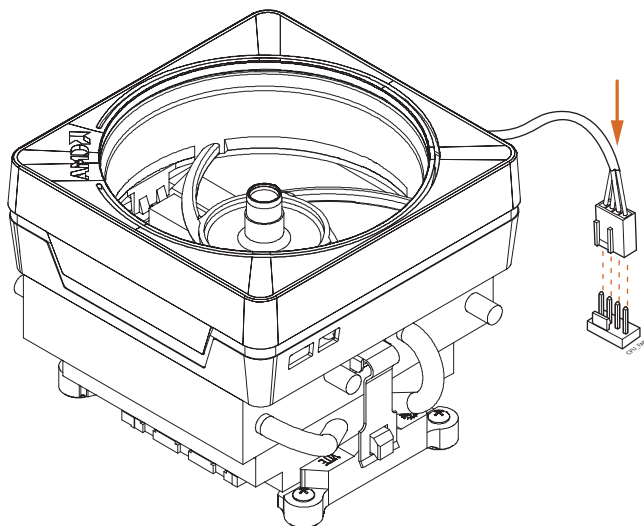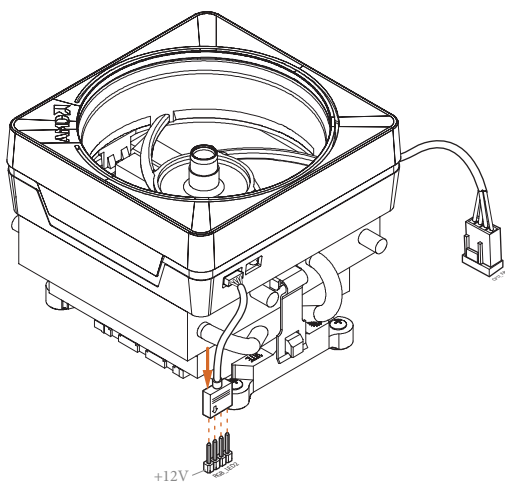
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*The diagrams shown here are for reference only. The headers might be in a different position on your motherboard.

2.3 Installing Memory Modules (DIMM)

This motherboard provides four 288-pin DDR4 (Double Data Rate 4) DIMM slots, and supports Dual Channel Memory Technology.

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1. *For dual channel configuration, you always need to install identical (the same brand, speed, size and chip-type) DDR4 DIMM pairs.*
2. *It is unable to activate Dual Channel Memory Technology with only one or three memory module installed.*
3. *It is not allowed to install a DDR, DDR2 or DDR3 memory module into a DDR4 slot; otherwise, this motherboard and DIMM may be damaged.*
4. *We suggest that you install the memory modules on DDR4_A2 and DDR4_B2 first for better DRAM compatibility on 2 DIMMs configuration.*

AMD non-XMP Memory Frequency Support

Ryzen Series CPUs (Matisse):

UDIMM Memory Slot				Frequency (Mhz)
A1	A2	B1	B2	
-	SR	-	-	3200
-	DR	-	-	3200
-	SR	-	SR	3200
-	DR	-	DR	3200
SR	SR	SR	SR	2933
SR/DR	DR	SR/DR	DR	2667
SR/DR	SR/DR	SR/DR	SR/DR	2667

Ryzen Series APUs (Renoir):

UDIMM Memory Slot				Frequency (Mhz)
A1	A2	B1	B2	
-	SR	-	-	3200
-	DR	-	-	3200
-	SR	-	SR	3200
-	DR	-	DR	3200
SR	SR	SR	SR	2933
SR/DR	DR	SR/DR	DR	2667
SR/DR	SR/DR	SR/DR	SR/DR	2667

SR: Single rank DIMM, 1Rx4 or 1Rx8 on DIMM module label
DR: Dual rank DIMM, 2Rx4 or 2Rx8 on DIMM module label
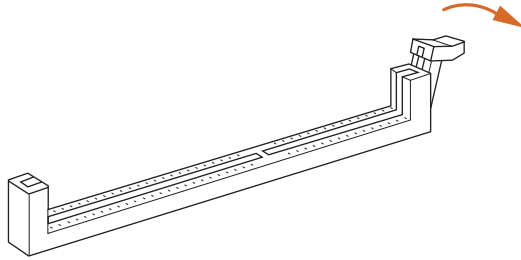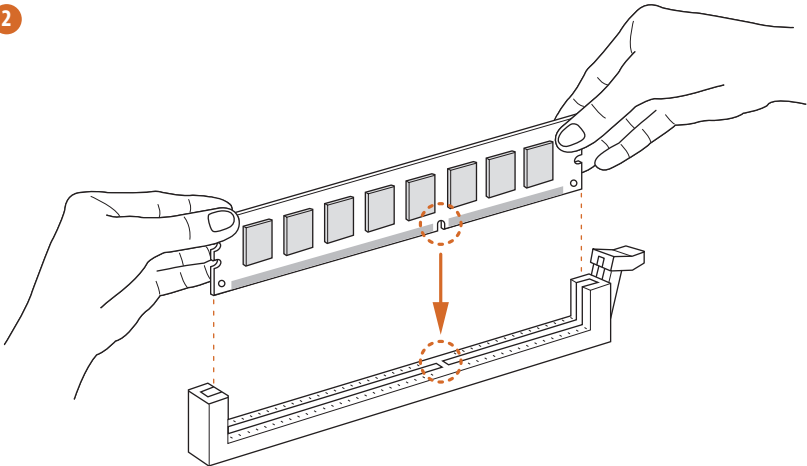
⚠ *The DIMM only fits in one correct orientation. It will cause permanent damage to the motherboard and the DIMM if you force the DIMM into the slot at incorrect orientation.*

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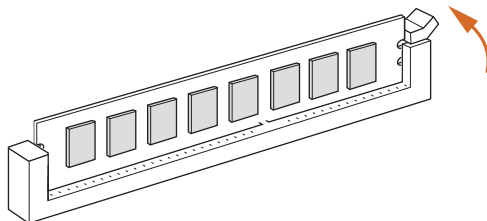
2.4 Expansion Slots (PCI Express Slots)

There are 4 PCI Express slots on the motherboard.

> ⚠ *Before installing an 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.*

PCIe slots:

PCIE1 (PCIe 4.0 x16 slot) is used for PCI Express x16 lane width graphics cards.
PCIE2 (PCIe 3.0 x1 slot) is used for PCI Express x1 lane width cards.
PCIE3 (PCIe 3.0 x16 slot) is used for PCI Express x4 lane width graphics cards.
PCIE4 (PCIe 3.0 x1 slot) is used for PCI Express x1 lane width cards.

PCIe Slot Configurations

Ryzen series CPUs (Matisse):

	PCIE1	PCIE3
Single Graphics Card	Gen4x16	N/A
Two Graphics Cards in CrossFireX™ Mode	Gen4x16	Gen3x4

Ryzen series APUs (Renoir):

	PCIE1	PCIE3
Single Graphics Card	Gen3x16	N/A
Two Graphics Cards in CrossFireX™ Mode	Gen3x16	Gen3x4

> 🔍 *For a better thermal environment, please connect a chassis fan to the motherboard's chassis fan connector (CHA_FAN1/WP, CHA_FAN2/WP, CHA_FAN3/WP, CHA_FAN4/WP or CHA_FAN5/WP) when using multiple graphics cards.*

2.5 Jumpers Setup

The illustration shows how jumpers are setup. When the jumper cap is placed on the pins, the jumper is "Short". If no jumper cap is placed on the pins, the jumper is "Open".
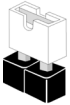
Short   Open

Clear CMOS Jumper   Short: Clear CMOS
(CLRCMOS1)   2-pin Jumper   Open: Default
(see p.8, No. 20)

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, then use a jumper cap to short the pins on CLRCMOS1 for 3 seconds. Please remember to remove the jumper cap after clearing the CMOS. If you need to clear the CMOS when you just finish updating the BIOS, you must boot up the system first, and then shut it down before you do the clear-CMOS action.

2.6 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 to the motherboard.*

System Panel Header
(9-pin PANEL1)
(see p.8, No. 21)

PLED+
PLED-
PWRBTN#
GND

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GND
RESET#
GND
HDLED-
HDLED+
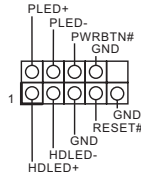
Connect the power button, reset button and system status indicator on the chassis to this header according to the pin assignments below. Note the positive and negative pins before connecting the cables.

🔍 **PWRBTN (Power Button):**
Connect to the power button on the chassis front panel. You may configure the way to turn off your system using the power button.

RESET (Reset Button):
Connect to the reset button on the chassis front panel. Press the reset button to restart the computer if the computer freezes and fails to perform a normal restart.

PLED (System Power LED):
Connect to the power status indicator on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the system is operating. The LED keeps blinking when the system is in S1/S3 sleep state. The LED is off when the system is in S4 sleep state or powered off (S5).

HDLED (Hard Drive Activity LED):
Connect to the hard drive activity LED on the chassis front panel. The LED is on when the hard drive is reading or writing data.

The front panel design may differ by chassis. A front panel module mainly consists of power button, reset button, power LED, hard drive activity LED, speaker and etc. When connecting your chassis front panel module to this header, make sure the wire assignments and the pin assignments are matched correctly.

Power LED and Speaker
Header
(7-pin SPK_PLED1)
(see p.8, No. 22)

SPEAKER
DUMMY
DUMMY
+5V

1

PLED+
PLED+
PLED-
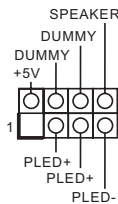
Please connect the chassis power LED and the chassis speaker to this header.

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Serial ATA3 Connectors
(SATA3_1:
see p.8, No. 15)
(SATA3_2:
see p.8, No. 14)
(SATA3_3:
see p.8, No. 16)
(SATA3_4:
see p.8, No. 19)
(SATA3_5:
see p.8, No. 17)
(SATA3_6:
see p.8, No. 18)
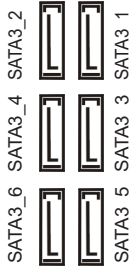
These six SATA3 connectors support SATA data cables for internal storage devices with up to 6.0 Gb/s data transfer rate. *M2_2 and SATA3_5_6 share lanes. If either one of them is in use, the other one will be disabled.

USB 2.0 Headers
(9-pin USB_5_6)
(see p.8, No. 24)
(9-pin USB_7_8)
(see p.8, No. 23)
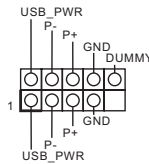
There are two headers on this motherboard. Each USB 2.0 header can support two ports.

USB 3.2 Gen1 Header
(19-pin USB3_3_4)
(see p.8, No. 12)
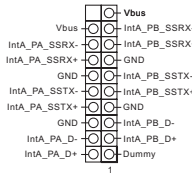
There is one header on this motherboard. This USB 3.2 Gen1 header can support two ports.

Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen1 Header
(20-pin USB31_TC_2)
(see p.8, No. 11)

USB Type-C Cable

There is one Front Panel Type C USB 3.2 Gen1 Header on this motherboard. This header is used for connecting a USB 3.2 Gen1 module for additional USB 3.2 Gen1 ports.

Front Panel Audio Header
(9-pin HD_AUDIO1)
(see p.8, No. 29)

GND
PRESENCE#
MIC_RET
OUT_RET

OUT2_L
J_SENSE
OUT2_R
MIC2_R
MIC2_L

This header is for
connecting audio devices
to the front audio panel.

1. High Definition Audio supports Jack Sensing, but the panel wire on the chassis
   must support HDA to function correctly. Please follow the instructions in our
   manual and chassis manual to install your system.
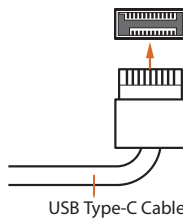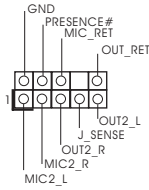2. If you use an AC'97 audio panel, please install it to the front panel audio header by
   the steps below:
   A. Connect Mic_IN (MIC) to MIC2_L.
   B. Connect Audio_R (RIN) to OUT2_R and Audio_L (LIN) to OUT2_L.
   C. Connect Ground (GND) to Ground (GND).
   D. MIC_RET and OUT_RET are for the HD audio panel only. You don't need to
   connect them for the AC'97 audio panel.
   E. To activate the front mic, go to the "FrontMic" Tab in the Realtek Control panel
   and adjust "Recording Volume".

Chassis Water Pump Fan
Connectors
(4-pin CHA_FAN1/WP)
(see p.8, No. 31)

FAN_SPEED_CONTROL — 4
CHA_FAN_SPEED — 3
FAN_VOLTAGE — 2
GND — 1

(4-pin CHA_FAN2/WP)
(see p.8, No. 25)
(4-pin CHA_FAN3/WP)
(see p.8, No. 26)

GND
FAN_VOLTAGE
CHA_FAN_SPEED
FAN_SPEED_CONTROL

1 2 3 4
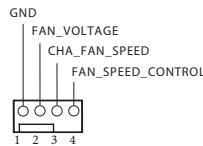
(4-pin CHA_FAN4/WP)
(see p.8, No. 13)
(4-pin CHA_FAN5/WP)
(see p.8, No. 9)

1 — GND
2 — FAN_VOLTAGE
3 — CHA_FAN_SPEED
4 — FAN_SPEED_CONTROL

This motherboard
provides five 4-Pin water
cooling chassis fan
connectors. If you plan to
connect a 3-Pin chassis
water cooler fan, please
connect it to Pin 1-3.
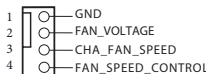
CPU Fan Connector
(4-pin CPU_FAN1)
(see p.8, No. 3)

+12V
CPU_FAN_SPEED
GND FAN_SPEED_CONTROL

1 2 3 4
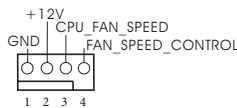
This motherboard pro-
vides a 4-Pin CPU fan
(Quiet Fan) connector.
If you plan to connect a
3-Pin CPU fan, please
connect it to Pin 1-3.

CPU Water Pump Fan Connector (4-pin CPU_FAN2/ WP_3A) (see p.8, No. 5)	FAN_SPEED_CONTROL CPU_FAN_SPEED FAN_VOLTAGE GND 1 2 3 4	This motherboard provides a 4-Pin water cooling CPU fan connector. If you plan to connect a 3-Pin CPU water cooler fan, please connect it to Pin 1-3.
ATX Power Connector (24-pin ATXPWR1) (see p.8, No. 10)	12 24 1 13	This motherboard provides a 24-pin ATX power connector. To use a 20-pin ATX power supply, please plug it along Pin 1 and Pin 13.
ATX 12V Power Connector (8-pin ATX12V1) (see p.8, No. 1)	8 5 4 1	This motherboard provides a 8-pin ATX 12V power connector. To use a 4-pin ATX power supply, please plug it along Pin 1 and Pin 5. ***Warning: Please make sure that the power cable connected is for the CPU and not the graphics card. Do not plug the PCIe power cable to this connector.**
ATX 12V Power Connector (4-pin ATX12V2) (see p.8, No. 2)		Connecting an ATX 12V 4-pin cable here is optional. *The power supply plug fits into this connector in only one orientation.
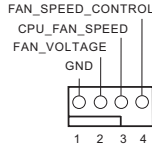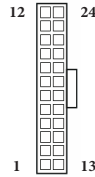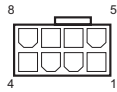
SPI TPM Header (13-pin SPI_TPM_J1) (see p.8, No. 30)	SPI_DQ3 +3.3V Dummy CLK SPI_MOSI RST# TPM_PIRQ 1 SPI_TPM_CS# GND RSMRST# SPI_MISO SPI_CS0 SPI_DQ2	This connector supports SPI Trusted Platform Module (TPM) system, which can securely store keys, digital certificates, pass-words, and data. A TPM system also helps enhance network security, protects digital identities, and ensures platform integrity.
RGB LED Headers (4-pin RGB_LED1) (see p.8, No. 27) (4-pin RGB_LED2) (see p.8, No. 7)	1 12V G R B	These two RGB headers are used to connect RGB LED extension cable which allows users to choose from various LED lighting effects. **Caution: Never install the RGB LED cable in the wrong orienta-tion; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.** *Please refer to page 61 for further instructions on these two headers.
Addressable LED Headers (3-pin ADDR_LED1) (see p.8, No. 28) (3-pin ADDR_LED2) (see p.8, No. 8)	1 GND DO_ADDR VOUT	These two Addressable headers are used to connect Addressable LED extension cable which allows users to choose from various LED lighting effects. **Caution: Never install the Addressable LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.** *Please refer to page 62 for further instructions on this header.
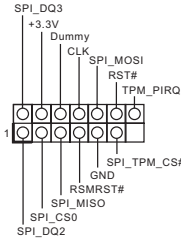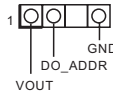
2.7 Dr. Debug

Dr. Debug is used to provide code information, which makes troubleshooting even easier. Please see the diagrams below for reading the Dr. Debug codes.

Code	Description
0x10	PEI_CORE_STARTED
0x11	PEI_CAR_CPU_INIT
0x15	PEI_CAR_NB_INIT
0x19	PEI_CAR_SB_INIT
0x31	PEI_MEMORY_INSTALLED
0x32	PEI_CPU_INIT
0x33	PEI_CPU_CACHE_INIT
0x34	PEI_CPU_AP_INIT
0x35	PEI_CPU_BSP_SELECT
0x36	PEI_CPU_SMM_INIT
0x37	PEI_MEM_NB_INIT
0x3B	PEI_MEM_SB_INIT
0x4F	PEI_DXE_IPL_STARTED
0x60	DXE_CORE_STARTED
0x61	DXE_NVRAM_INIT
0x62	DXE_SBRUN_INIT

English

0x63	DXE_CPU_INIT	
0x68	DXE_NB_HB_INIT	
0x69	DXE_NB_INIT	
0x6A	DXE_NB_SMM_INIT	
0x70	DXE_SB_INIT	
0x71	DXE_SB_SMM_INIT	
0x72	DXE_SB_DEVICES_INIT	
0x78	DXE_ACPI_INIT	
0x79	DXE_CSM_INIT	
0x90	DXE_BDS_STARTED	
0x91	DXE_BDS_CONNECT_DRIVERS	
0x92	DXE_PCI_BUS_BEGIN	
0x93	DXE_PCI_BUS_HPC_INIT	
0x94	DXE_PCI_BUS_ENUM	
0x95	DXE_PCI_BUS_REQUEST_RESOURCES	
0x96	DXE_PCI_BUS_ASSIGN_RESOURCES	
0x97	DXE_CON_OUT_CONNECT	
0x98	DXE_CON_IN_CONNECT	

0x99	DXE_SIO_INIT
0x9A	DXE_USB_BEGIN
0x9B	DXE_USB_RESET
0x9C	DXE_USB_DETECT
0x9D	DXE_USB_ENABLE
0xA0	DXE_IDE_BEGIN
0xA1	DXE_IDE_RESET
0xA2	DXE_IDE_DETECT
0xA3	DXE_IDE_ENABLE
0xA4	DXE_SCSI_BEGIN
0xA5	DXE_SCSI_RESET
0xA6	DXE_SCSI_DETECT
0xA7	DXE_SCSI_ENABLE
0xA8	DXE_SETUP_VERIFYING_PASSWORD
0xA9	DXE_SETUP_START
0xAB	DXE_SETUP_INPUT_WAIT
0xAD	DXE_READY_TO_BOOT
0xAE	DXE_LEGACY_BOOT

English

0xAF	DXE_EXIT_BOOT_SERVICES
0xB0	RT_SET_VIRTUAL_ADDRESS_MAP_BEGIN
0xB1	RT_SET_VIRTUAL_ADDRESS_MAP_END
0xB2	DXE_LEGACY_OPROM_INIT
0xB3	DXE_RESET_SYSTEM
0xB4	DXE_USB_HOTPLUG
0xB5	DXE_PCI_BUS_HOTPLUG
0xB6	DXE_NVRAM_CLEANUP
0xB7	DXE_CONFIGURATION_RESET
0xF0	PEI_RECOVERY_AUTO
0xF1	PEI_RECOVERY_USER
0xF2	PEI_RECOVERY_STARTED
0xF3	PEI_RECOVERY_CAPSULE_FOUND
0xF4	PEI_RECOVERY_CAPSULE_LOADED
0xE0	PEI_S3_STARTED
0xE1	PEI_S3_BOOT_SCRIPT
0xE2	PEI_S3_VIDEO_REPOST

0xE3	PEI_S3_OS_WAKE
0x50	PEI_MEMORY_INVALID_TYPE
0x53	PEI_MEMORY_NOT_DETECTED
0x55	PEI_MEMORY_NOT_INSTALLED
0x57	PEI_CPU_MISMATCH
0x58	PEI_CPU_SELF_TEST_FAILED
0x59	PEI_CPU_NO_MICROCODE
0x5A	PEI_CPU_ERROR
0x5B	PEI_RESET_NOT_AVAILABLE
0xD0	DXE_CPU_ERROR
0xD1	DXE_NB_ERROR
0xD2	DXE_SB_ERROR
0xD3	DXE_ARCH_PROTOCOL_NOT_AVAILABLE
0xD4	DXE_PCI_BUS_OUT_OF_RESOURCES
0xD5	DXE_LEGACY_OPROM_NO_SPACE
0xD6	DXE_NO_CON_OUT
0xD7	DXE_NO_CON_IN

English

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0xD8	DXE_INVALID_PASSWORD
0xD9	DXE_BOOT_OPTION_LOAD_ERROR
0xDA	DXE_BOOT_OPTION_FAILED
0xDB	DXE_FLASH_UPDATE_FAILED
0xDC	DXE_RESET_NOT_AVAILABLE
0xE8	PEI_MEMORY_S3_RESUME_FAILED
0xE9	PEI_S3_RESUME_PPI_NOT_FOUND
0xEA	PEI_S3_BOOT_SCRIPT_ERROR
0xEB	PEI_S3_OS_WAKE_ERROR

2.8 CrossFireX™ and Quad CrossFireX™ Operation Guide

This motherboard supports CrossFireX™ and Quad CrossFireX™ that allows you to install up to three identical PCI Express x16 graphics cards.

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1. *You should only use identical CrossFireX™-ready graphics cards that are AMD certified.*
2. *Make sure that your graphics card driver supports AMD CrossFireX™ technology. Download the drivers from the AMD's website: www.amd.com*
3. *Make sure that your power supply unit (PSU) can provide at least the minimum power your system requires. It is recommended to use a AMD certified PSU. Please refer to the AMD's website for details.*
4. *If you pair a 12-pipe CrossFireX™ Edition card with a 16-pipe card, both cards will operate as 12-pipe cards while in CrossFireX™ mode.*
5. *Different CrossFireX™ cards may require different methods to enable CrossFireX™. Please refer to AMD graphics card manuals for detailed installation guide.*

2.8.1 Installing Two CrossFireX™-Ready Graphics Cards
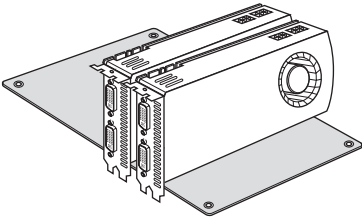
Step 1

Insert one graphics card into PCIE1 slot and the other graphics card to PCIE3 slot. Make sure that the cards are properly seated on the slots.

CrossFire Bridge
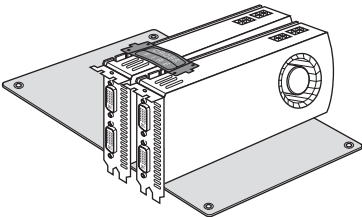
Step 2

Connect two graphics cards by installing a CrossFire Bridge on the CrossFire Bridge Interconnects on the top of the graphics cards. (The CrossFire Bridge is provided with the graphics card you purchase, not bundled with this motherboard. Please refer to your graphics card vendor for details.)

English
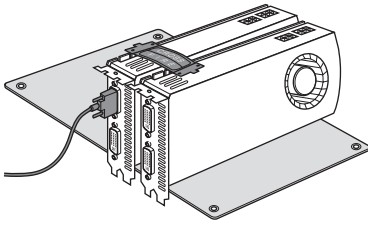
Step 3

Connect a VGA/DVI/DP/HDMI cable from the monitor to the corresponding port on the graphics card installed to the PCIE1 slot.

2.8.2 Driver Installation and Setup

Step 1

Power on your computer and boot into OS.

Step 2

Remove the AMD drivers if you have any VGA drivers 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 check AMD's website for AMD driver updates.

Step 3

Install the required drivers and CATALYST Control Center then restart your computer. Please check AMD's website for details.

AMD Catalyst Control Center

Step 4

Double-click the **AMD Catalyst Control Center** icon in the Windows* system tray.
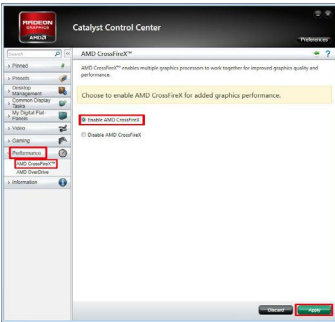
Step 5

In the left pane, click **Performance** and then **AMD CrossFireX**[TM]. Then select **Enable AMD CrossFireX** and click **Apply**. Select the GPU number according to your graphics card and click **Apply**.

2.9 M.2 WiFi/BT Module Installation Guide (M2_WIFI_1)

The M.2, also known as the Next Generation Form Factor (NGFF), is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and mSATA. The M.2 Socket (Key E) supports type 2230 WiFi/BT module.

* The M.2 socket does not support SATA M.2 SSDs.

Installing the WiFi/BT module
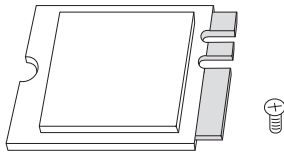
Step 1

Prepare a type 2230 WiFi/BT module and the screw.

PCB Length: 3cm
Module Type: Type2230

A

Step 2

Find the nut location to be used.
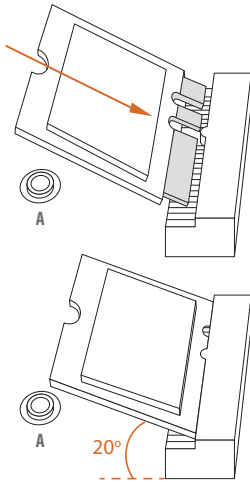
Step 3

Gently insert the WiFi/BT module into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the module only fits in one orientation.

A

A   20°
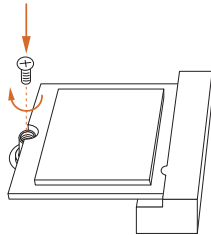
Step 4

Tighten the screw with a screwdriver to secure the module into place. Please do not overtighten the screw as this might damage the module.

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2.10 M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module Installation Guide (M2_1)

The M.2, also known as the Next Generation Form Factor (NGFF), is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and 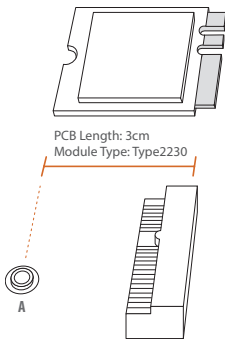mSATA. The Hyper M.2 Socket (M2_1) supports M Key type 2230/2242/2260/2280 M.2 PCI Express module up to Gen4x4 (64 Gb/s) (with Matisse) or Gen3x4 (32 Gb/s) (with Renoir).

Installing the M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module
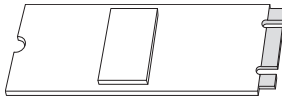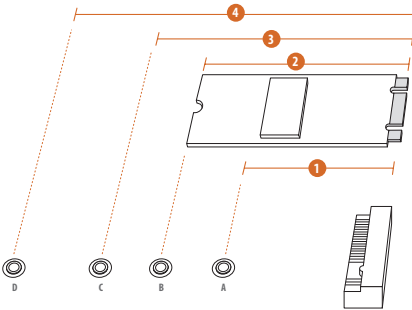
Step 1

Prepare a M.2_SSD (NGFF) module and the screw.

Step 2

Depending on the PCB type and length of your M.2_SSD (NGFF) module, find the corresponding nut location to be used.

No.	1	2	3	4
Nut Location	A	B	C	D
PCB Length	3cm	4.2cm	6cm	8cm
Module Type	Type 2230	Type 2242	Type2260	Type 2280
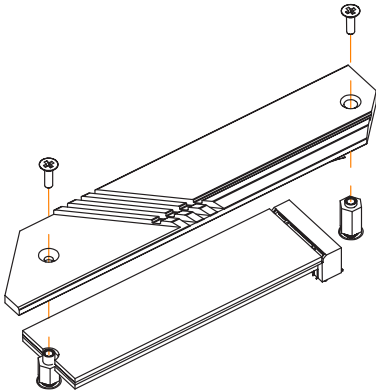
Step 3

Before installing a M.2 (NGFF) SSD module, please loosen the screws to remove the M.2 heatsink.
*Please remove the protective films on the bottom side of the M.2 heatsink before you install a M.2 SSD module.
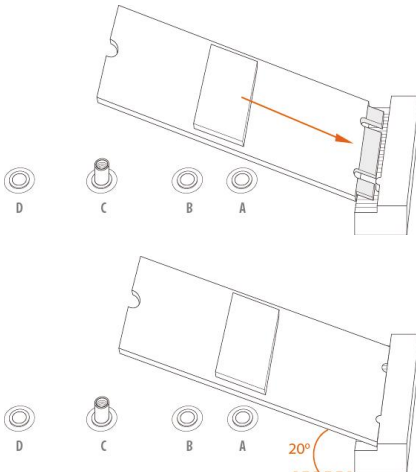
Step 4

Prepare the M.2 standoff that comes with the package. Then hand tighten the standoff into the desired nut location on the motherboard. Align and gently insert the M.2 (NGFF) SSD module into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the M.2 (NGFF) SSD module only fits in one orientation.
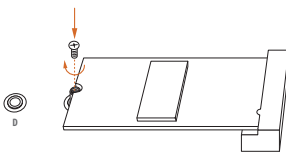
Step 5

Tighten the screw with a screwdriver to secure the module into place. Please do not overtighten the screw as this might damage the module.

M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module Support List

Vendor	Interface	P/N
SanDisk	PCIe	SanDisk-SD6PP4M-128G(Gen2 x2)
Intel	PCIe	INTEL 6000P-SSDPEKKF256G7 (nvme)
Intel	PCIe	INTEL 6000P-SSDPEKKF512G7 (nvme)
Intel	PCIe	SSDPEKKF512G7 NVME / 512GB
Kingston	PCIe	Kingston SHPM2280P2 / 240G (Gen2 x4)
Samsung	PCIe	Samsung XP941-MZHPU512HCGL(Gen2x4)
Samsung	PCIe	SM951 (NVME) / 512GB
Samsung	PCIe	SM951 (MZHPV512HDGL) / 512GB
ADATA	PCIe	ASX8000NP-512GM-C / 512GB
ADATA	PCIe	ASX7000NP-512GT-C / 512GB
Kingston	PCIe	SKC1000/480G
Kingston	PCIe	SKC1000/960GB NVME
PLEXTOR	PCIe	PX-512M8PeG/ 512GB
WD	PCIe	WDS512G1X0C-00ENX0 (NVME) / 512GB

For the latest updates of M.2_SSD (NFGG) module support list, please visit our website for details: http://www.asrock.com

2.11 M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module Installation Guide (M2_2)

The M.2, also known as the Next Generation Form Factor (NGFF), is a small size and versatile card edge connector that aims to replace mPCIe and mSATA. The M.2 Socket (M2_2) supports M Key type 2230/2242/2260/2280/22110 M.2 SATA3 6.0 Gb/s module and M.2 PCI Express module up to Gen3 x2 (16 Gb/s).

* M2_2 and SATA3_5_6 share lanes. If either one of them is in use, the other one will be disabled.

Installing the M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module
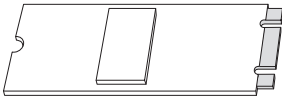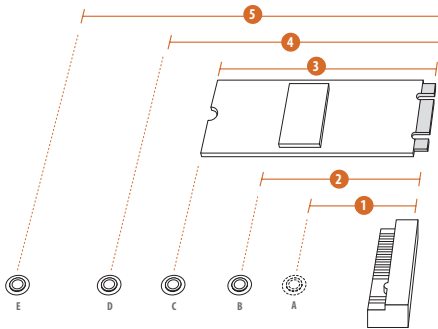
Step 1

Prepare a M.2_SSD (NGFF) module and the screw.

Step 2

Depending on the PCB type and length of your M.2_SSD (NGFF) module, find the corresponding nut location to be used.

No.	1	2	3	4	5
Nut Location	A	B	C	D	E
PCB Length	3cm	4.2cm	6cm	8cm	11cm
Module Type	Type 2230	Type 2242	Type2260	Type 2280	Type 22110

English

### Step 3

Before installing a M.2 (NGFF) SSD module, please loosen the screws to remove the M.2 heatsink.
*Please remove the protective films on the bottom side of the M.2 heatsink before you install a M.2 SSD module.

E   D   C   B   A

E   D   C   B   A   20°

Step 4

Prepare the M.2 standoff that comes with the package. Then hand tighten the standoff into the desired nut location on the motherboard. Align and gently insert the M.2 (NGFF) SSD module into the M.2 slot. Please be aware that the M.2 (NGFF) SSD module only fits in one orientation.

E   D

Step 5

Tighten the screw with a screwdriver to secure the module into place. Please do not overtighten the screw as this might damage the module.

M.2_SSD (NGFF) Module Support List

Vendor	Interface	P/N
SanDisk	PCIe	SanDisk-SD6PP4M-128G(Gen2 x2)
Intel	PCIe	INTEL 6000P-SSDPEKKF256G7 (nvme)
Intel	PCIe	INTEL 6000P-SSDPEKKF512G7 (nvme)
Intel	PCIe	SSDPEKKF512G7 NVME / 512GB
Intel	SATA	540S-SSDSCKKW240H6 / 240GB
Kingston	PCIe	Kingston SHPM2280P2 / 240G (Gen2 x4)
Samsung	PCIe	Samsung XP941-MZHPU512HCGL(Gen2x4)
Samsung	PCIe	SM951 (NVME) / 512GB
Samsung	PCIe	SM951 (MZHPV512HDGL) / 512GB
ADATA	SATA	ADATA - AXNS381E-128GM-B
ADATA	PCIe	ASX8000NP-512GM-C / 512GB
ADATA	PCIe	ASX7000NP-512GT-C / 512GB
ADATA	SATA	ASU800NS38-512GT-C / 512GB
Crucial	SATA	Crucial-CT240M500SSD4-240GB
ezlink	SATA	ezlink P51B-80-120GB
Intel	SATA	INTEL 540S-SSDSCKKW240H6-240GB
Kingston	SATA	Kingston SM2280S3G2/120G - Win8.1
Kingston	SATA	Kingston-RBU-SNS8400S3 / 180GD
Kingston	PCIe	SKC1000/480G
Kingston	PCIe	SKC1000/960GB NVME
LITEON	SATA	LITEON LJH-256V2G-256GB (2260)
PLEXTOR	SATA	PLEXTOR PX-128M6G-2260-128GB
PLEXTOR	SATA	PLEXTOR PX-128M7VG-128GB
PLEXTOR	PCIe	PX-512M8PeG/ 512GB
SanDisk	SATA	SanDisk X400-SD8SN8U-128G
SanDisk	SATA	Sandisk Z400s-SD8SNAT-128G-1122
SanDisk	SATA	SanDisk-SD6SN1M-128G
Transcend	SATA	Transcend TS256GMTS800-256GB
Transcend	SATA	TS512GMTS800 / 512GB
V-Color	SATA	V-Color 120G
V-Color	SATA	V-Color 240G
WD	SATA	WD GREEN WDS240G1G0B-00RC30
WD	PCIe	WDS512G1X0C-00ENX0 (NVME) / 512GB

For the latest updates of M.2_SSD (NFGG) module support list, please visit our website for details: http://www.asrock.com

Chapter 3 Software and Utilities Operation

3.1 Installing Drivers

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

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 does not appear automatically, locate and double click on the file "ASRSETUP.EXE" in the Support CD to display the menu.

Drivers Menu

The drivers compatible to your system will be auto-detected and listed on the support CD driver page. Please click **Install All** or follow the order from top to bottom to install those required drivers. Therefore, the drivers you install can work properly.

Utilities Menu

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

3.2 ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning)

ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning) is ASRock's multi purpose software suite with a new interface, more new features and improved utilities.

3.2.1 Installing ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning)

ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning) can be downloaded from ASRock Live Update & APP Shop. After the installation, you will find the icon "ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning)" on your desktop. Double-click the "ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning)" icon, ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning) main menu will pop up.

3.2.2 Using ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning)

There are five sections in ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning) main menu: Operation Mode, OC Tweaker, System Info, FAN-Tastic Tuning and Settings.

Operation Mode

Choose an operation mode for your computer.
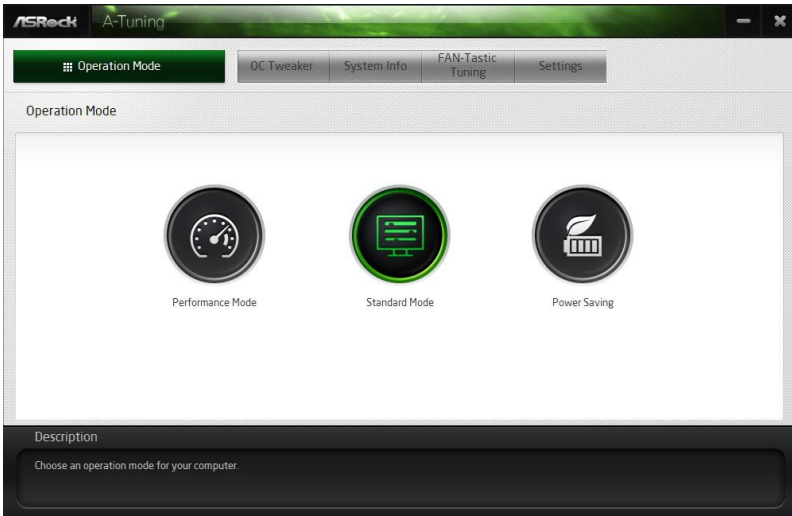
OC Tweaker

Configurations for overclocking the system.
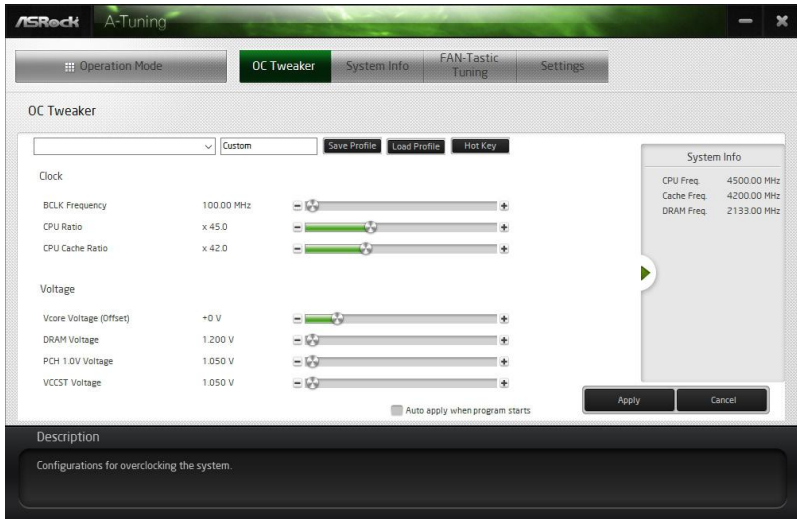
System Info

View information about the system.

*The System Browser tab may not appear for certain models.
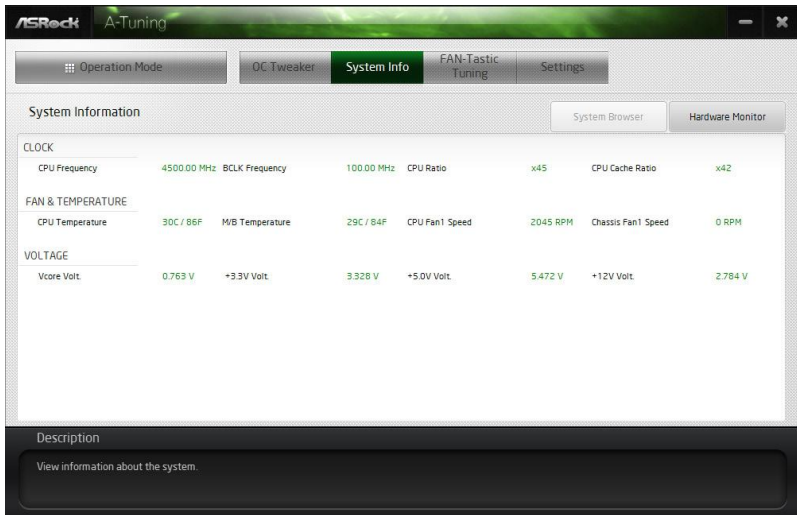
FAN-Tastic Tuning

Configure up to five different fan speeds using the graph. The fans will automatically shift to the next speed level when the assigned temperature is met.

Settings

Configure ASRock ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning). Click to select "Auto run at Windows Startup" if you want ASRock Motherboard Utility (A-Tuning) to be launched when you start up the Windows operating system.

3.3 ASRock Live Update & APP Shop

The ASRock Live Update & APP Shop is an online store for purchasing and downloading software applications for your ASRock computer. You can quickly and easily install various apps and support utilities. With ASRock Live Update & APP Shop, you can optimize your system and keep your motherboard up to date simply with a few clicks.

Double-click [icon] on your desktop to access ASRock Live Update & APP Shop utility.

You need to be connected to the Internet to download apps from the ASRock Live Update & APP Shop.

3.3.1 UI Overview

Category Panel   Hot News

Information Panel

Category Panel: The category panel contains several category tabs or buttons that when selected the information panel below displays the relative information.

Information Panel: The information panel in the center displays data about the currently selected category and allows users to perform job-related tasks.

Hot News: The hot news section displays the various latest news. Click on the image to visit the website of the selected news and know more.

3.3.2 Apps

When the "Apps" tab is selected, you will see all the available apps on screen for you to download.

Installing an App

Step 1

Find the app you want to install.

The most recommended app appears on the left side of the screen. The other various apps are shown on the right. Please scroll up and down to see more apps listed.

You can check the price of the app and whether you have already intalled it or not.

Free - The red icon displays the price or "Free" if the app is free of charge.

Installed - The green "Installed" icon means the app is installed on your computer.

Step 2

Click on the app icon to see more details about the selected app.

Step 3

If you want to install the app, click on the red icon ![Free] to start downloading.
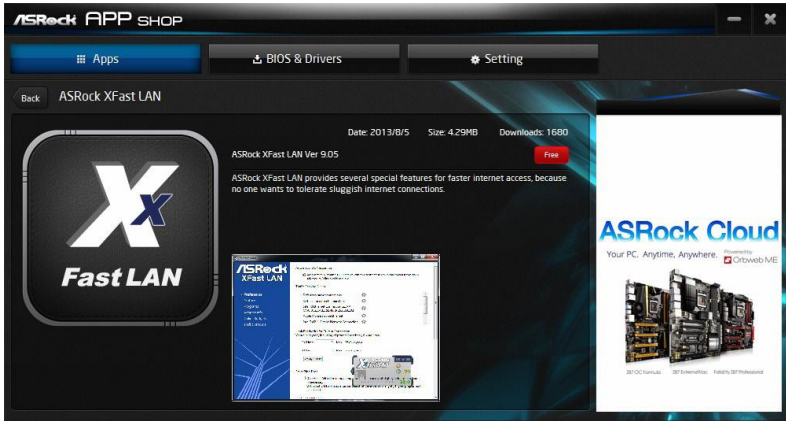
Step 4

When installation completes, you can find the green "Installed" icon appears on the upper right corner.
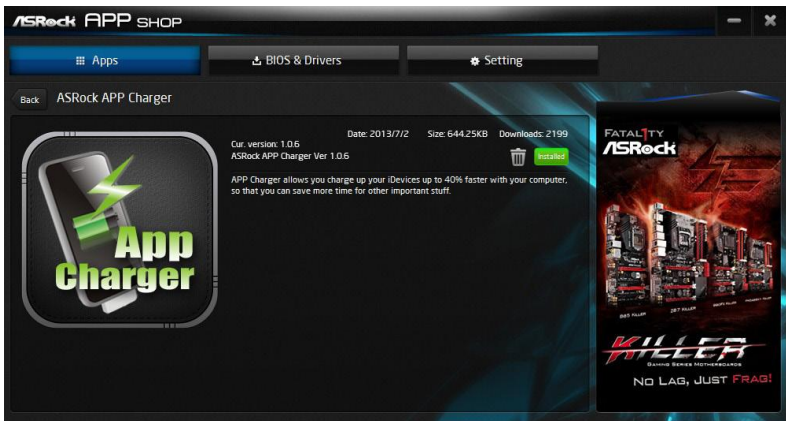
To uninstall it, simply click on the trash can icon 🗑.
*The trash icon may not appear for certain apps.

Upgrading an App

You can only upgrade the apps you have already installed. When there is an available new version for your app, you will find the mark of "New Version" appears below the installed app icon.

Step 1

Click on the app icon to see more details.

Step 2

Click on the yellow icon to start upgrading.

3.3.3 BIOS & Drivers

Installing BIOS or Drivers

When the "BIOS & Drivers" tab is selected, you will see a list of recommended or critical updates for the BIOS or drivers. Please update them all soon.
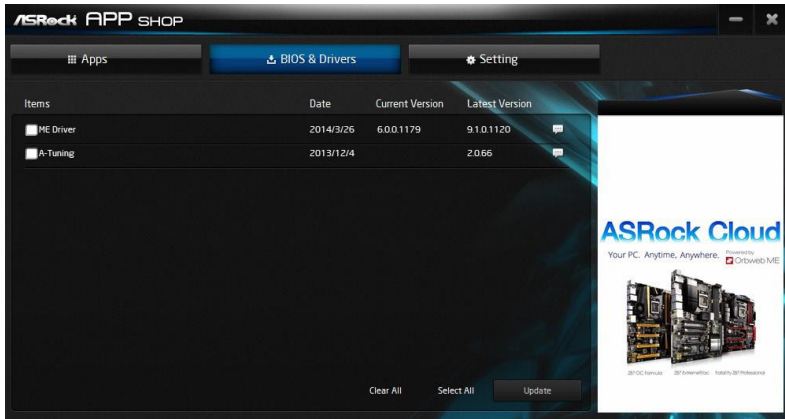
Step 1

Please check the item information before update. Click on 💬 to see more details.

Step 2

Click to select one or more items you want to update.

Step 3

Click Update to start the update process.

3.3.4 Setting

In the "Setting" page, you can change the language, select the server location, and determine if you want to automatically run the ASRock Live Update & APP Shop on Windows startup.
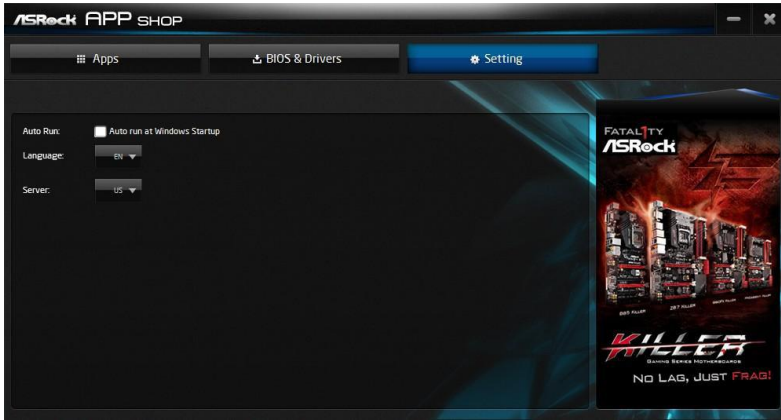
3.4 Nahimic Audio

Nahimic audio software provides an incredible high definition sound technology which boosts the audio and voice performance of your system. Nahimic Audio interface is composed of four tabs: Audio, Microphone, Sound Tracker and Settings.
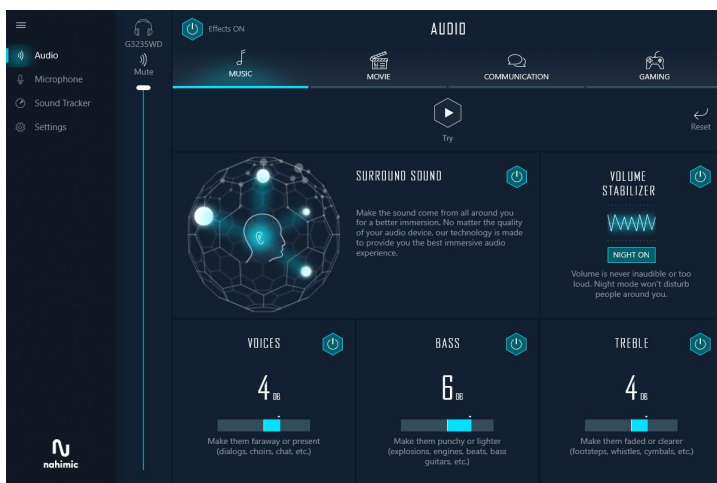
There are four functions in Nahimic audio :

No.	Function	Description
1	Audio	From this tab, you can mute the current audio device, choose between four factory audio profiles, turn all audio effects on/off, restores the current profile to its default settings and access Surround Sound and various features.
2	Microphone	From this tab, you can mute the current mic device, choose between two factory mic profiles, turn/off all microphone effects, restore the current profile to its default settings, and access Static Noise Suppression and various features.
3	Sound Tracker	The Sound Tracker provides a visual indication localizing the sources of the sounds while in a game. These are represented by dynamic segments pointing the direction of the sounds: the more opaque they are, the stronger the sounds are.
4	Settings	From this tab, you can access all settings and information of the software.

3.5 ASRock Polychrome SYNC

ASRock Polychrome SYNC is a lighting control utility specifically designed for unique individuals with sophisticated tastes to build their own stylish colorful lighting system. Simply by connecting the LED strip, you can customize various lighting schemes and patterns, including Static, Breathing, Strobe, Cycling, Music, Wave and more.

Connecting the LED Strip

Connect your RGB LED strips to the **RGB LED Headers (RGB_LED1, RGB_LED2)** on the motherboard.
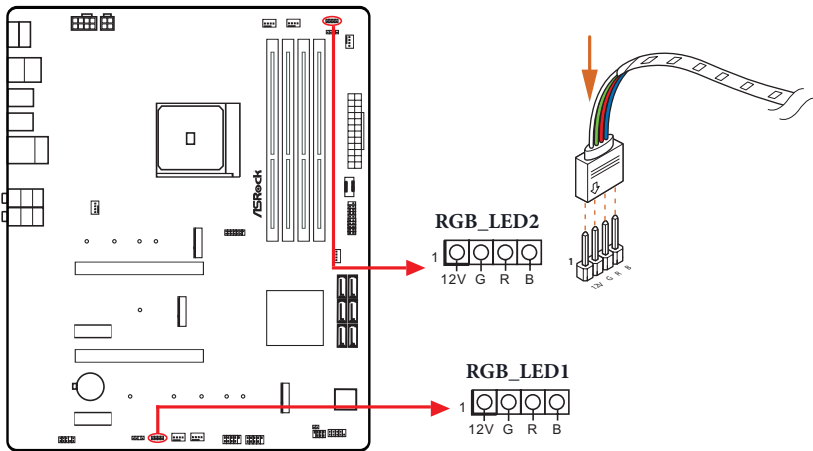
RGB_LED2
1   12V G   R   B

RGB_LED1
1   12V G   R   B

⚠️ 1. Never install the RGB LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.
2. Before installing or removing your RGB LED cable, please power off your system and unplug the power cord from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause damages to motherboard components.

☆ 1. Please note that the RGB LED strips do not come with the package.
2. The RGB LED header supports standard 5050 RGB LED strip (12V/G/R/B), with a maximum power rating of 3A (12V) and length within 2 meters.

English

Connecting the Addressable RGB LED Strip

Connect your Addressable RGB LED strips to the **Addressable LED Headers (ADDR_LED1, ADDR_LED2)** on the motherboard.
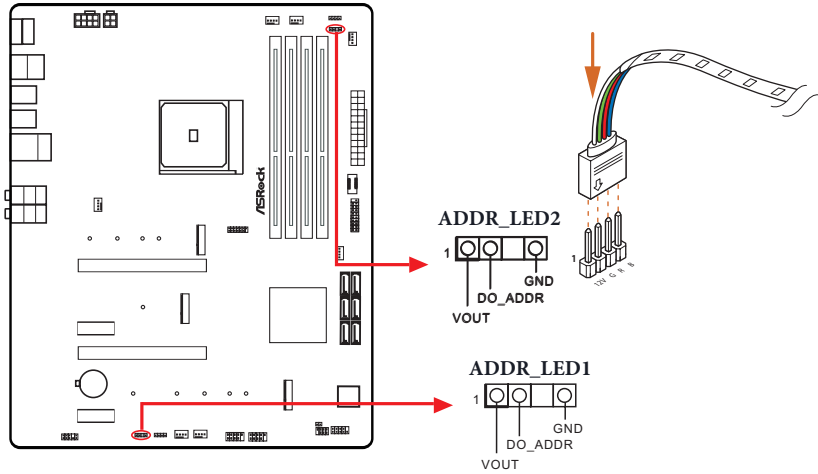
1. *Never install the RGB LED cable in the wrong orientation; otherwise, the cable may be damaged.*
2. *Before installing or removing your RGB LED cable, please power off your system and unplug the power cord from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause damages to motherboard components.*

1. *Please note that the RGB LED strips do not come with the package.*
2. *The RGB LED header supports WS2812B addressable RGB LED strip (5V/Data/GND), with a maximum power rating of 3A (5V) and length within 2 meters.*

ASRock Polychrome SYNC Utility

Now you can adjust the RGB LED color through the ASRock Polychrome SYNC Utility. Download this utility from the ASRock Live Update & APP Shop and start coloring your PC style your way!

Drag the tab to customize your preference.

Toggle on/off the RGB LED switch

Select a RGB LED light effect from the drop-down menu.

Sync RGB LED effects for all LED regions of the motherboard
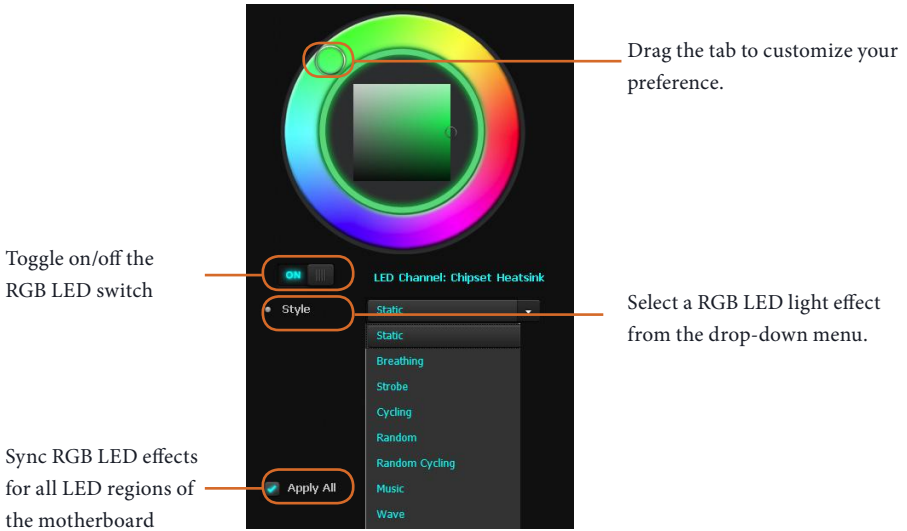
Chapter 4 UEFI SETUP UTILITY

4.1 Introduction

This section explains how to use the UEFI SETUP UTILITY to configure your system. You may run the UEFI SETUP UTILITY by pressing <F2> or <Del> right after you power on the computer, otherwise, the Power-On-Self-Test (POST) will continue with its test routines. If you wish to enter the UEFI 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 UEFI software is constantly being updated, the following UEFI setup screens and descriptions are for reference purpose only, and they may not exactly match what you see on your screen.*

4.1.1 UEFI Menu Bar

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

Main	For setting system time/date information
OC Tweaker	For overclocking configurations
Advanced	For advanced system configurations
Tool	Useful tools
H/W Monitor	Displays current hardware status
Security	For security settings
Boot	For configuring boot settings and boot priority
Exit	Exit the current screen or the UEFI Setup Utility

4.1.2 Navigation Keys

Use <←> key or <→> key to choose among the selections on the menu bar, and use < ↑ > key or < ↓ > key to move the cursor up or down to select items, then press <Enter> to get into the sub screen. You can also use the mouse to click your required item.

Please check the following table for the descriptions of each navigation key.

Navigation Key(s)	Description
+ / -	To change option for the selected items
<Tab>	Switch to next function
<PGUP>	Go to the previous page
<PGDN>	Go to the next page
<HOME>	Go to the top of the screen
<END>	Go to the bottom of the screen
<F1>	To display the General Help Screen
<F7>	Discard changes and exit the SETUP UTILITY
<F9>	Load optimal default values for all the settings
<F10>	Save changes and exit the SETUP UTILITY
<F12>	Print screen
<ESC>	Jump to the Exit Screen or exit the current screen

English

4.2 Main Screen

When you enter the UEFI SETUP UTILITY, the Main screen will appear and display the system overview.
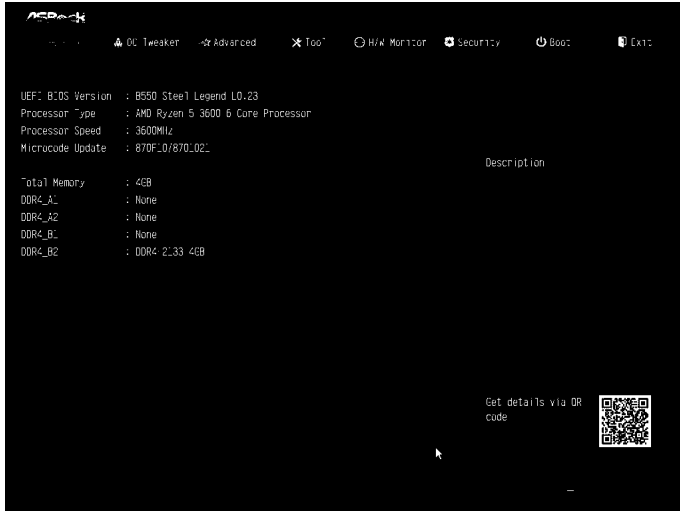
4.3 OC Tweaker Screen

In the OC Tweaker screen, you can set up overclocking features.

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

Overclock Mode(Bus Speed)

Select the overclock mode. Warning! When overclocking also the PCIe, PCI, SATA and USB busses will be overcloked which may cause instability or failure. Please install an operating system and the drivers required before overclocking, or else your HDD's may be undetectable. Overclocking is not supported if the monitor is connected via the onboard D-Bus/VGA connector.

CPU Frequency and Voltage(VID) Change

If this item is set to [Manual], the multiplier and voltage will be set based on user selection. Final result is depending on the CPU's capability.

CPU Core (Per CCX)

CPU Voltage

Specifies a custom CPU core voltage (mV), Should be combined with a custom CPU core frequency. Power saving features for idle cores (e.g. cc6 sleep) remain active.

English

CCD0

CCX0 Frequency (MHz)

Use this item to adjust CCX0 Frequency.

CCX1 Frequency (MHz)

Use this item to adjust CCX1 Frequency.

CCD1

CCX0 Frequency (MHz)

Use this item to adjust CCX0 Frequency.

CCX1 Frequency (MHz)

Use this item to adjust CCX1 Frequency.

SoC/Uncore OC Voltage(VID)

Specify the SoC/Uncore voltage (VDD_SOC) in mV to support memory and Infinity Fabric overclocking. VDD_SOC also determines the GPU voltage on processors with integrated graphics. "SoC/Uncore OC Mode" needs to be enabled to force this voltage.

CLD0 VDDP Voltage Control

AMD Overclocking Setup VDDP is a voltage for the DDR4 bus signaling (PHY), and it is derived from your DRAM Voltage (VDDIO_Mem). As a result, VDDP voltage in mV can approach but not exceed your DRAM Voltage.

CLD0 VDDG CCD Voltage Control

AMD Overclocking Setup VDDG CCD represents voltage for the data portion of the Infinity Fabric. It is derived from the CPU SoC/Uncore Voltage (VDD_SOC). VDDG can approach but not exceed VDD_SOC.

CLD0 VDDG IOD Voltage Control

AMD Overclocking Setup VDDG IOD represents voltage for the data portion of the Infinity Fabric. It is derived from the CPU SoC/Uncore Voltage (VDD_SOC). VDDG can approach but not exceed VDD_SOC.

DRAM Information

DRAM Frequency

If [Auto] is selected, the motherboard will detect the memory module(s) inserted and assign

the appropriate frequency automatically. Setting DRAM Frequency can adjust DRAM Timing.

DRAM Voltage

Configure the voltage for the DRAM Voltage.

Infinity Fabric Frequency and Dividers

AMD Overclocking Setup Set Infinity Fabric frequency (FCLK). Auto: FCLK = MCLK. Manual: FCLK must be less than or equal to MCLK for best performance in most cases. Latency penalties are incurred if FCLK and MCLK are mismatched, but sufficiently high MCLK can negate or overcome this penalty.

DRAM Timing Configuration

External Voltage Settings and Load-line Calibration

Voltage Mode

[OC]
If this option is selected, there is larger range voltage for overclocking.

[Normal]
If this option is selected, there is smaller range voltage for normal system.

CPU Core/Cache Voltage

Input voltage for the processor by the external voltage refulator.

CPU Core/Cache Load-Line Calibration

CPU Core/Cache Load-Line Calibration helps prevent CPU voltage droop when the system is under heavy loading.

CPU VDDCR_SOC Voltage

Configure the voltage for the VID-requested VDDCR_SOC supply level.

CPU VDDCR_SOC Load-Line Calibration

CPU VDDCR_SOC Load-Line Calibration helps prevent VDDCR_SOC voltage droop when the system is under heavy loading.U

VPPM

Configure the voltage for the VPPM.

VTT_DDR Offset Voltage(mV)

Use this to select VTT_DDR Offset Voltage(mV). The default value is [Auto].

CPU VDD 1.8 Voltage

Configure the voltage for the CPU VDD 1.8 PROM.

Save User Default

Type a profile name and press enter to save your settings as user default.

Load User Default

Load previously saved user defaults.

### Save User UEFI Setup Profile to Disk

Save current UEFI settings as an user default profile to disk.

Load User UEFI Setup Profile to Disk

Load previously saved user defaults from the disk.

4.4 Advanced Screen

In this section, you may set the configurations for the following items: CPU Configuration, Onboard Devices Configuration, Storage Configuration, ACPI Configuration, Trusted Computing , AMD PBS, AMD Overclocking and AMD CBS.
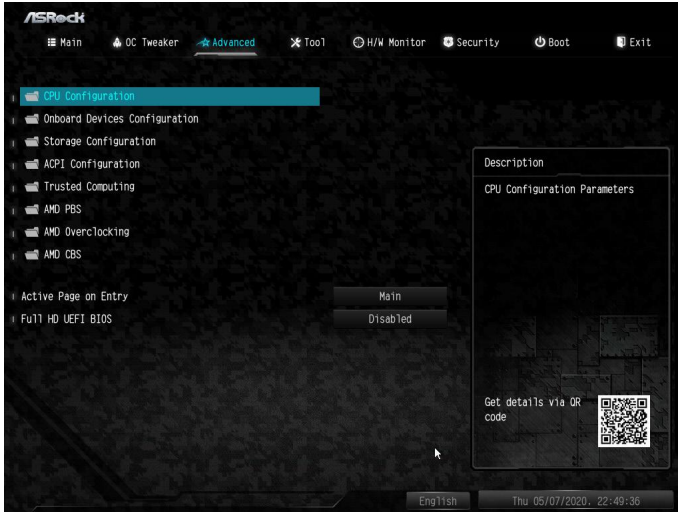
Setting wrong values in this section may cause the system to malfunction.

UEFI Configuration

Active Page on Entry

Select the default page when entering the UEFI setup utility.

Full HD UEFI

When [Auto] is selected, the resolution will be set to 1920 x 1080 if the monitor supports Full HD resolution. If the monitor does not support Full HD resolution, then the resolution will be set to 1024 x 768. When [Disable] is selected, the resolution will be set to 1024 x 768 directly.

4.4.1 CPU Configuration

PSS Support

Use this to enable or disable the generation of ACPI_PPC, _PSS, and _PCT objects.

NX Mode

Use this to enable or disable NX mode.

SVM Mode

When this is set to [Enabled], a VMM (Virtual Machine Architecture)can utilize the additional hardware capabilities provided by AMD-V. The default value is [Enabled]. Coniguration options: [Enabled] and [Disabled].

SMT Mode

This item can be used to disable symmetric multithreading. To re-enable SMT, a power cycle is needed after selecting [Auto].
Warning: S3 is not supported on systems where SMT is disabled.

AMD fTPM Switch

Use this to enable or disable AMD CPU fTPM.

4.4.2 Onboard Devices Configuration

Turn On Onboard LED in S5

Turn on/off the LED in the ACPI S5 state.

SR-IOV Support

Enable/disable the SR-IOV (Single Root IO Virtualization Support) if the system has SR-IOV capable PCIe devices.

UMA Frame buffer Size (Only for processor with integrated graphics)

This item allows you to set the size of the UMA frame buffer.

Gnb Hd Audio

Enable/disable onboard HD audio. Set to Auto to enable onboard HD audio and automatically disable it when a sound card is installed.

Front Panel

Enable/disable front panel HD audio.

Restore on AC/Power Loss

Select the power state after a power failure. If [Power Off] is selected, the power will remain off when the power recovers. If [Power On] is selected, the system will start to boot up when the power recovers.

WAN Radio

Configure the WiFi module's connectivity.

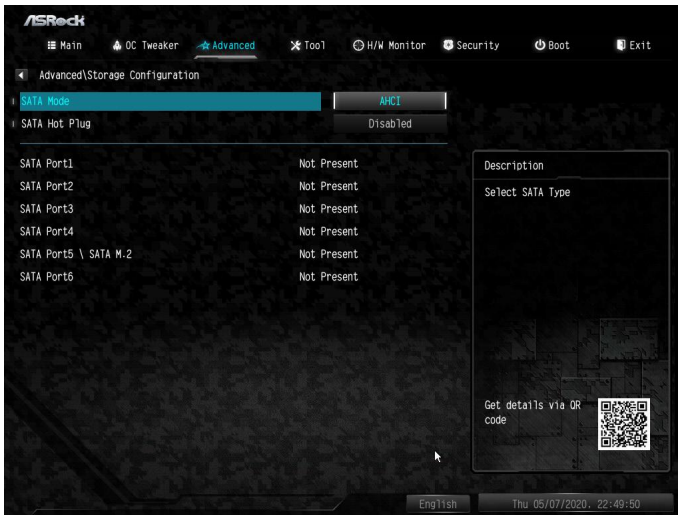### BT On/Off

Enable/disable the bluetooth.

Onboard LAN

Enable or disable the onboard network interface controller.

PS2 Y-Cable

Enable the PS2 Y-Cable or set this option to Auto.

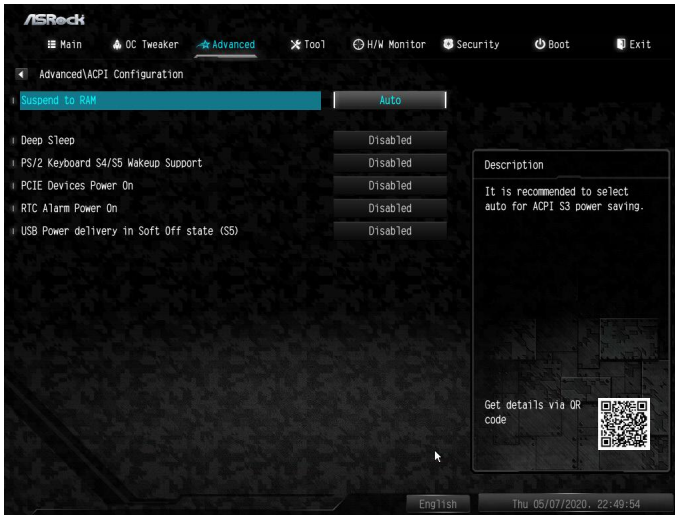## 4.4.3 Storage Configuration

SATA Mode

AHCI: Supports new features that improve performance.

RAID: Combine multiple disk drives into a logical unit.

SATA Hot Plug

Enable/disable the SATA Hot Plug function.

4.4.4 ACPI Configuration

Suspend to RAM

It is recommended to select auto for ACPI S3 power saving.

Deep Sleep

Configure deep sleep mode for power saving when the computer is shut down. We recommend disabling Deep Sleep for better system compatibility and stability.

PS/2 Keyboard S4/S5 Wakeup Support

Allow the system to be waked up by a PS/2 Keyboard in S4/S5.

PCIE Devices Power On

Allow the system to be waked up by a PCIE device and enable wake on LAN.

RTC Alarm Power On

Allow the system to be waked up by the real time clock alarm. Set it to By OS to let it be handled by your operating system.

USB Power Delivery in Soft Off State (S5)

If this option is enabled, the USB port will provide power to your devices even when the system is in Power State S5.
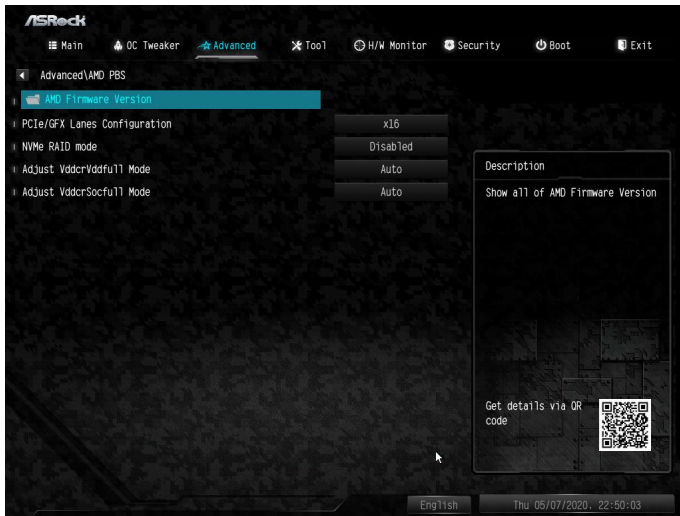
4.4.5 Trusted Computing
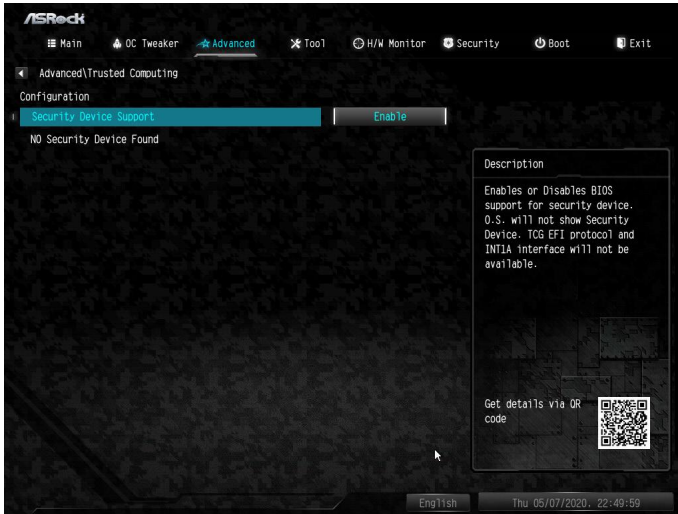
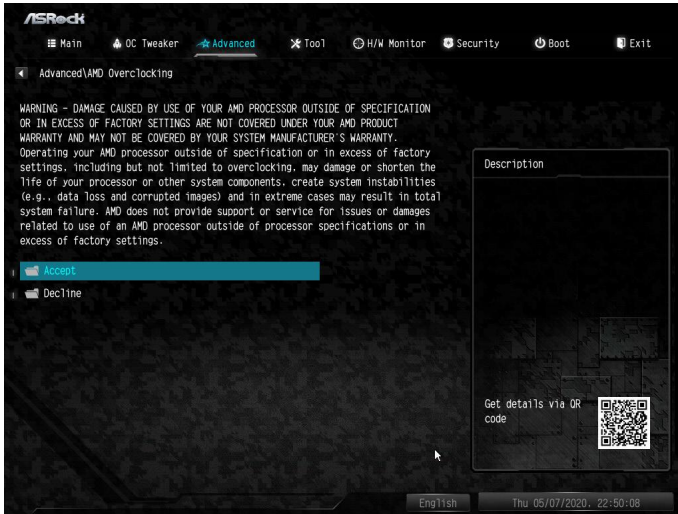
Security Device Support

Enable or disable BIOS support for security device.
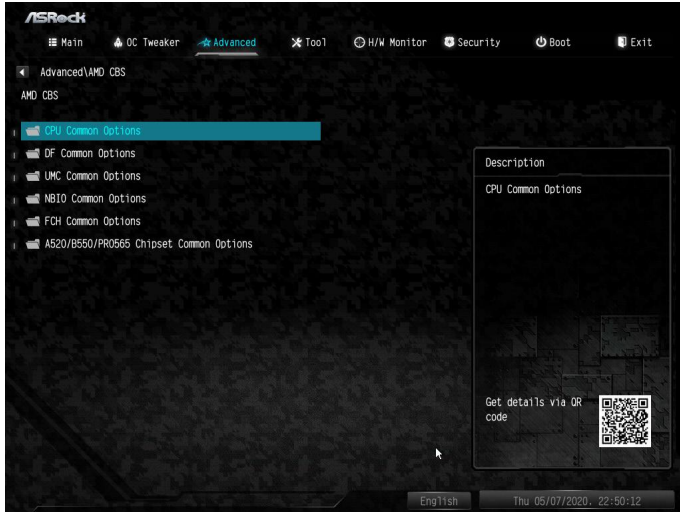
4.4.6 AMD PBS

The AMD PBS menu accesses AMD specific features.

4.4.7 AMD Overclocking

The AMD Overclocking menu accesses options for configuring CPU frequency and voltage.

4.4.8 AMD CBS

The AMD CBS menu accesses AMD specific features.

4.5 Tools
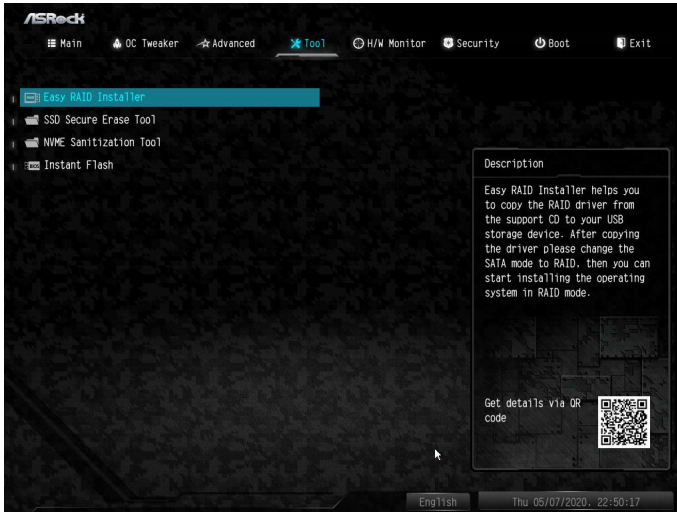
Easy RAID Installer

Easy RAID Installer helps you to copy the RAID driver from the support CD to your USB storage device. After copying the drivers please change the SATA mode to RAID, then you can start installing the operating system in RAID mode.

SSD Secure Erase Tool

All the SSD's listed that supports Secure Erase function.

NVME Sanitization Tool

After you Sanitize SSD, all user data will be permanently destroyed on the SSD and cannot be recovered.

Instant Flash

Save UEFI files in your USB storage device and run Instant Flash to update your UEFI.

4.6 Hardware Health Event Monitoring Screen
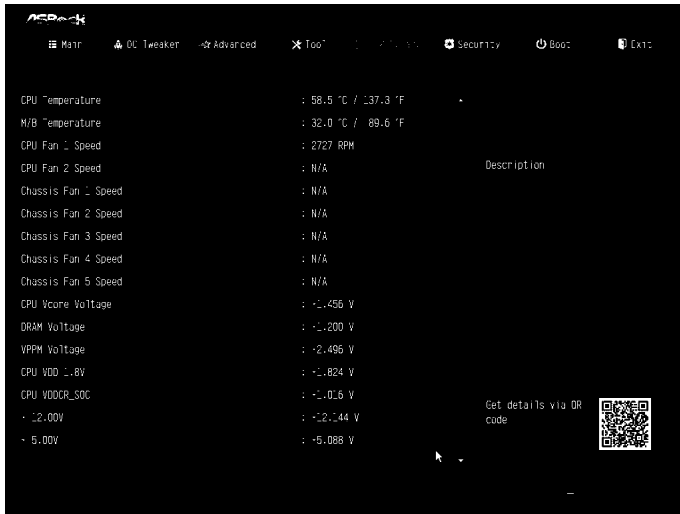
This section allows you to monitor the status of the hardware on your system, including the parameters of the CPU temperature, motherboard temperature, fan speed and voltage.

CPU FAN1 Setting

Select a fan mode for CPU Fan 1, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

CPU FAN1 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for CPU Fan 1.

FAN Configuration

CPU_FAN2/WP Switch

Select CPU Water Pump mode.

CPU Fan 2 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for CPU Fan 2.

CPU Fan 2 Setting

Select a fan mode for CPU Fan 2, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

CPU Fan 2 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for CPU Fan 2.

CHA_FAN1/WP Switch

Select CHA_FAN1 or Water Pump mode.

Chassis Fan 1 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for Chassis Fan 1.

Chassis Fan 1 Setting

Select a fan mode for Chassis Fan 1, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

Chassis Fan 1 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for Chassis Fan 1.

CHA_FAN2/WP Switch

Select CHA_FAN2 or Water Pump mode.

Chassis Fan 2 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for Chassis Fan 2.

Chassis Fan 2 Setting

Select a fan mode for Chassis Fan 2, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

Chassis Fan 2 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for Chassis Fan 2.

CHA_FAN3/WP Switch

Select CHA_FAN3 or Water Pump mode.

Chassis Fan 3 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for Chassis Fan 3.

Chassis Fan 3 Setting

Select a fan mode for Chassis Fan 3, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

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Chassis Fan 3 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for Chassis Fan 3.

CHA_FAN4/WP Switch

Select CHA_FAN4 or Water Pump mode.

Chassis Fan 4 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for Chassis Fan 4.

Chassis Fan 4 Setting

Select a fan mode for Chassis Fan 4, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

Chassis Fan 4 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for Chassis Fan 4.

CHA_FAN5/WP Switch

Select CHA_FAN5 or Water Pump mode.

Chassis Fan 5 Control Mode

Select PWM mode or DC mode for Chassis Fan 5.

Chassis Fan 5 Setting

Select a fan mode for Chassis Fan 5, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

Chassis Fan 5 Temp Source

Select a fan temperature source for Chassis Fan 5.

Fan-Tastic

Select a fan mode for Fan, or choose Customize to set 5 CPU temperatures and assign a respective fan speed for each temperature.

FanTuning

Detect the lowest fan speed in the system. Iy may take 3-5 minutes to complete.

4.7 Security Screen

In this section you may set or change the supervisor/user password for the system. You may also clear the user password.
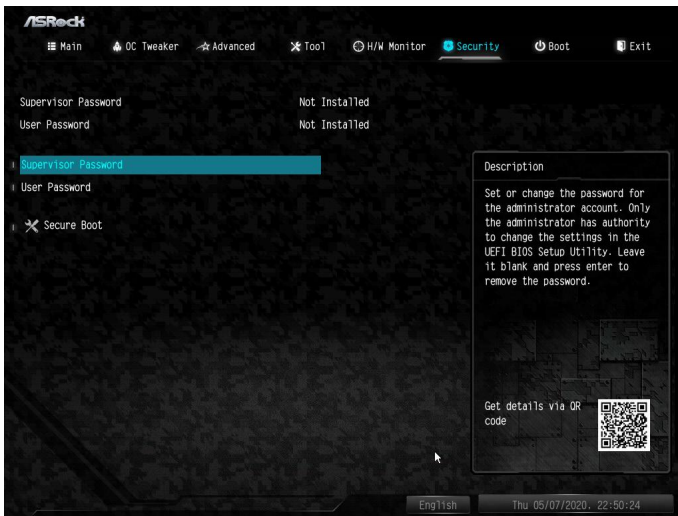
Supervisor Password

Set or change the password for the administrator account. Only the administrator has authority to change the settings in the UEFI Setup Utility. Leave it blank and press enter to remove the password.
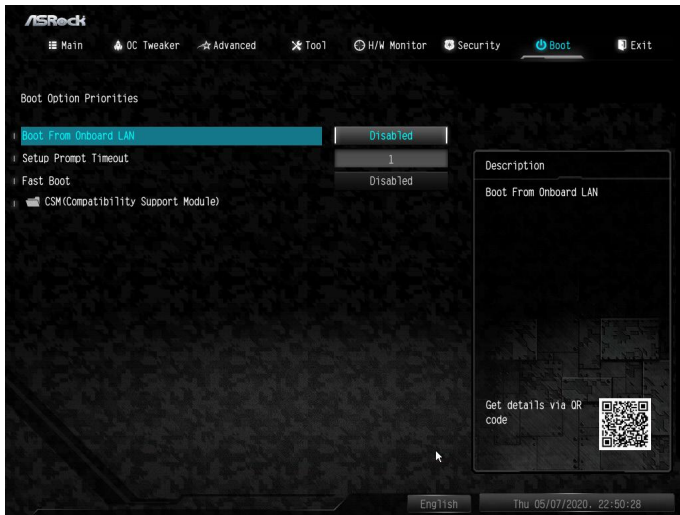
User Password

Set or change the password for the user account. Users are unable to change the settings in the UEFI Setup Utility. Leave it blank and press enter to remove the password.

Secure Boot

Enable to support Secure Boot.

4.8 Boot Screen

This section displays the available devices on your system for you to configure the boot settings and the boot priority.

Boot From Onboard LAN

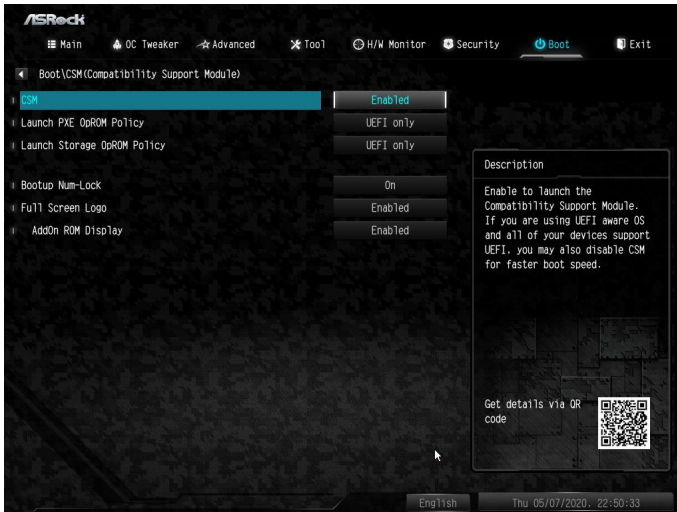Allow the system to be waked up by the onboard LAN.

Setup Prompt Timeout

Configure the number of seconds to wait for the setup hot key.

Fast Boot

Fast Boot minimizes your computer's boot time. In fast mode you may not boot from an USB storage device.

CSM (Compatibility Support Module)

CSM

Enable to launch the Compatibility Support Module. Please do not disable unless you're running a WHCK test.

Launch PXE OpROM Policy

Select UEFI only to run those that support UEFI option ROM only. Select Legacy only to run those that support legacy option ROM only. Select Do not launch to not execute both legacy and UEFI option ROM.

Launch Storage OpROM Policy

Select UEFI only to run those that support UEFI option ROM only. Select Legacy only to run those that support legacy option ROM only. Select Do not launch to not execute both legacy and UEFI option ROM.

Bootup Num-Lock

Select whether Num Lock should be turned on or off when the system boots up.
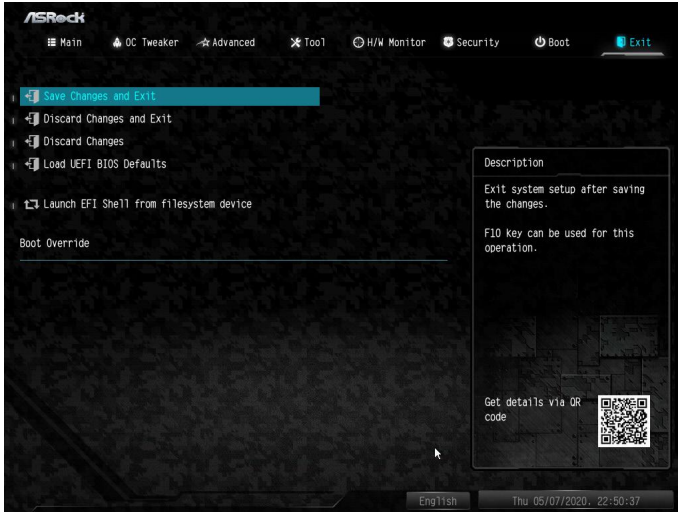
Full Screen Logo

Enable to display the boot logo or disable to show normal POST messages.

AddOn ROM Display

Enable AddOn ROM Display to see the AddOn ROM messages or configure the AddOn ROM if you've enabled Full Screen Logo. Disable for faster boot speed.

4.9 Exit Screen

Save Changes and Exit

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

Discard Changes and Exit

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

Discard Changes

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

Load UEFI BIOS Defaults

Load UEFI BIOS Default values for all the setup questions. The F9 key can be used for this operation.

Contact Information

If you need to contact ASRock or want to know more about ASRock, you're welcome to visit ASRock's website at http://www.asrock.com; or you may contact your dealer for further information. For technical questions, please submit a support request form at http://www.asrock.com/support/tsd.asp

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Product Name : Motherboard

Model Number : B550 Steel Legend

Conforms to the following specifications:

☒ FCC Part 15, Subpart B, Unintentional Radiators

Supplementary Information:

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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Date : **May 12, 2017**

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☒ EN 55032:2012+AC:2013 Class B   ☒ EN 61000-3-3:2013
☒ EN 61000-3-2:2014

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