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Contents

1 First things first

This chapter describes the system specifications and the contents of your computer package.

System specifications

Component	Specification
Processor	• Intel® Pentium® 4 1.8 - 3.2 GHz • Intel®Celeron® 2.0 - 2.6 GHz
System memory	Four SDRAM slots support a maximum of 4 GB dual-channel DDR memory
Chipset	• Intel®865G+ICH5(7600G) • Intel®865G+ICH5 R(7600GR)
Graphics	Intel® 865G supporting: • DVMT technology • Dual Display
Audio	AC'97 Codec
LAN	Broadcom 5705 supporting 10/100/1000 MB connectivity
IDE	2 40 pin parallel ATA IDE slots 2 Serial ATA ports
FDD	1.44 MB 3.5 inch floppy drive
PS/2	• PS/2 keyboard port • PS/2 mouse port
USB	Six external USB 2.0 ports
Serial port	One serial port
Printer port	One parallel printer port
Thermal	Dynamic fan speed control
Security	• Chassis lock • Chassis intrusion alarm
Wake system	Wake on LAN Wake on modem Mouse/keyboard

Component	*Specification*
HDD	• *5400 RPM* • *7200 RPM*
Optical Drive	*CD-ROM, CD-RW, DVD-ROM, or DVD/CD-RW combo*
Operating system	• *Windows® 2000* • *Windows® XP Home* • *Windows® XP Professional* • *Novell®* • *SCO® Unix* • *Red Hat® Linux*
Dimensions	• *Mini-Tower 424(H) /200(W) /414(D)*
Weight	• *Mini-Tower 8.5 kg*
Thermal overrides	• *System temp >90°C - functions suspended until system temp is below 90°C* • *CPU temp >110°C - functions suspended until CPU temp is below 110°C* • *CPU temp >120°C - system auto-shutdown*

Package contents

Before you unpack your computer, make sure that you have enough space to set up your computer.

Carefully unpack the carton and remove the contents. If any of the following items are missing or damaged, contact your dealer immediately:

- ***Veriton 7600 series***
- ***Items contained in the accessory box***
  - ***USB or PS/2 keyboard***
  - ***USB or PS/2 mouse***
- ***User's guide and installation poster***
- ***Other user documentation and third-party software***

Accessing the user's guide

This user's guide is also available on your computer as an Adobe Acrobat PDF file.

To access the user's guide (for Windows® XP)

1. ***On the Windows® XP taskbar, click on the Start button then select Help and Support Center.***
2. ***On the Help and Support Center home page, double-click the Veriton 7600 series Online icon.***

To access the user's guide (for Windows® 2000)

Double-click on the Veriton 7600 series Online icon on your Windows desktop.

2 System tour

This chapter discusses the features and components of your computer.

Features

Here are just a few of your computer's many features:

Performance

- ***Intel® Pentium® 4 supporting FSB up to 800 MHz***

  or

- ***Intel® Celeron® CPU supporting FSB up to 400 MHz***
- ***Intel® HyperThreading Technology™ supported on 3.06 GHz and higher Pentium® 4 systems***
- ***Intel® 865G+ICH5 or 865G+ICH5 R chipset***
- ***DDR-SDRAM 400/333/266, 4 DIMM slots, Expandable to 4GB dual-channel memory***
- ***Power management function***
- ***3.5-inch floppy drive***
- ***CD-ROM, CD-RW, DVD-ROM, or DVD/CD-RW combo drive***
- ***High-capacity, Enhanced-IDE hard disk***
- ***Supports USB 2.0 high-performance peripherals***

Multimedia

- ***3-D quality audio system via onboard audio controller***
- ***Audio-in/Line-in, Audio-out/Line-out, Headphone-out, and Microphone-in interfaces***

Note: The system has two microphone-in jacks (front and rear). However, you can not use both of them at the same time. By default, your system enables the microphone-in jack in front and disables the one at the back.

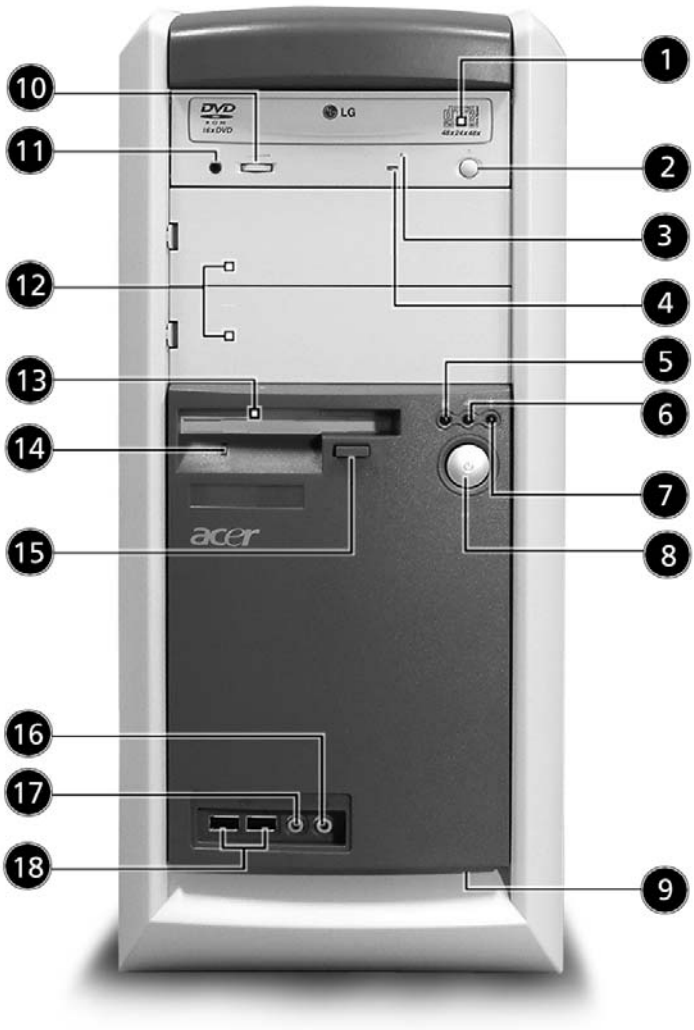
Connectivity

- ***Two PS/2 interfaces for mouse and keyboard***
- ***One serial port***

- ***One parallel port***
- ***One VGA port***
- ***Eight Universal Serial Bus (USB) 2.0 ports (two internal, two on the front and four on the rear panel)***
- ***High-speed V.92, 56K Fax/modem (optional)***
- ***Broadcom 5705 10/100/1000 MB Gigabit Ethernet LAN support with remote wake-up function***

Front panel

Your computer's front panel consists of the following:

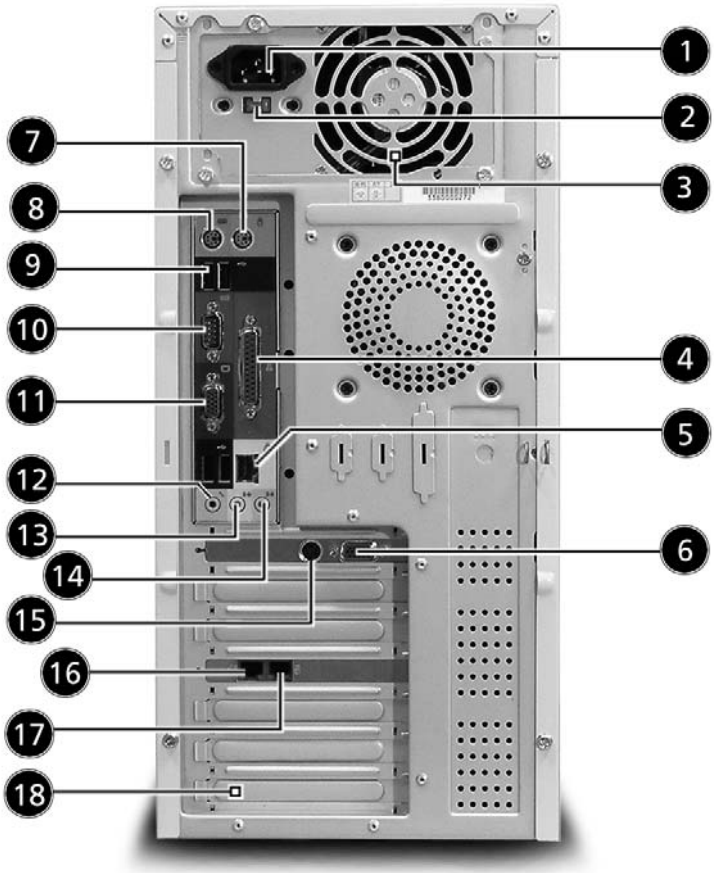


Label	Icon	Component
1		Optical drive tray
2		Stop/Eject button
3		Optical drive emergency eject slot
4		Optical drive activity light-emitting diode (LED)
5		Hard disk activity LED
6		LAN activity LED
7		Power LED
8		Power button
9		One touch recovery button
10		Volume control
11		Optical drive Headphone/Earphone port
12		5.25-inch drive bays
13		3.5-inch floppy drive
14		Floppy drive LED
15		Floppy drive eject button
16		Speaker-out/Line-out port
17		Microphone-in jack (front) see note
18		USB ports

Note: The system has two microphone-in jacks (front and rear). However, you can not use both of them at the same time. By default, your system enables the microphone-in jack in front and disables the one at the back.

Rear panel

Your computer's rear panel consists of the following:



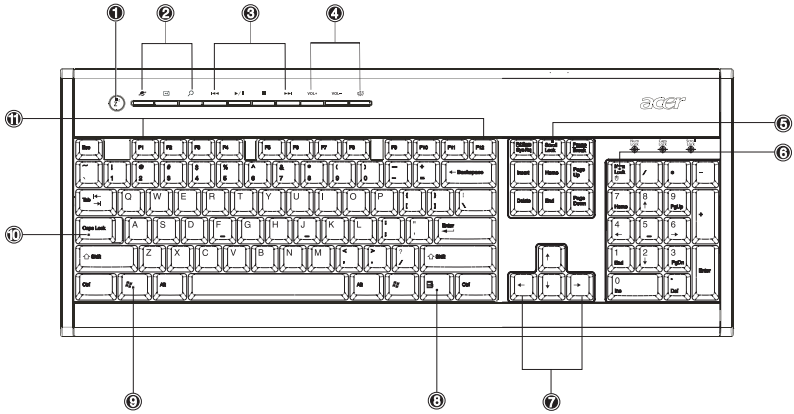
Label	Icon	Color	Component
1			Power cord socket
2			Voltage selector switch
3			Power supply
4		Burgundy	Parallel/Printer port
5		White	Network port
6		Blue	CRT/LCD monitor port
7		Green	PS/2 mouse port
8		Purple	PS/2 keyboard port
9		Black	USB ports
10		Teal or Turquoise	Serial port
11		Blue	CRT/LCD monitor port (
12		Pink	Microphone-in jack (rear)
13		Lime	Audio-out/Line-out jack
14		Light blue	Audio-in/Line-in jack
15			S-Video out port
16			Handset line port
17			Telephone line port
18			Expansion slots

For information on how to connect the peripherals, see page 38 and "Connecting options" on page 46.

Keyboard

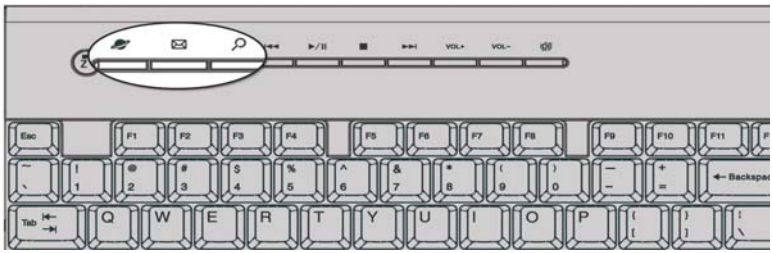
The keyboard has full-sized keys that include separate cursor keys, two Windows keys, and twelve function keys.

For information on how to connect your keyboard, see "Connecting your keyboard" on page 40.



No.	Description	No.	Description
1	Sleep button	7	Cursor keys
2	Internet/E-mail/Search keys	8	Application key
3	Multimedia keys	9	Windows logo key
4	Volume control/Mute keys	10	Caps lock key
5	Scroll lock key	11	Function keys
6	Num lock key		

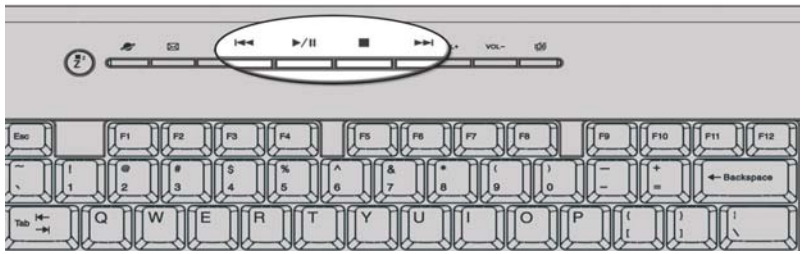
Internet/E-mail/Search keys



Icon	Key	Description
	Web browser	***Launches your current default browser.***
	Email	***Launches your email application.***
	Search	***Opens a search window.***

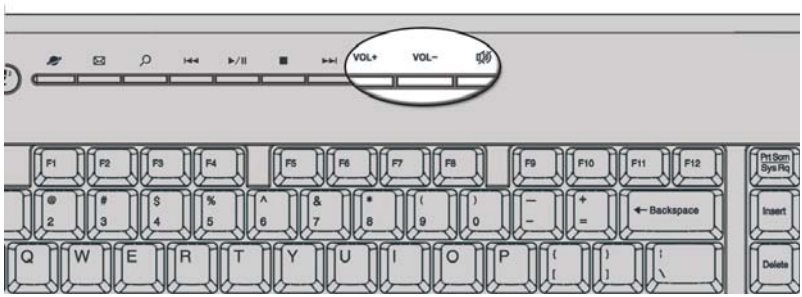
Multimedia keys

Allow you to conveniently play, pause, stop, step forward, or step back a song or movie using your keyboard.



Icon	*Key*	*Description*
⏮	***Backward***	***Press to skip backward to the previous track or video file and start playing.***
⏯	***Play/ Pause***	***Press to start playing the audio track or video file. Press again to pause.***
■	***Stop***	***Press to stop playing the audio track or video file.***
⏭	***Forward***	***Press to skip forward to the next track or video file and start playing.***

Volume control/Mute keys



Icon	Key	Description
VOL+	***Volume up***	***Press to increase audio volume.***
VOL−	***Volume down***	***Press to decrease audio volume.***
	***Mute***	***Toggle sound on/off.***

Lock keys

The keyboard has three lock keys which you can toggle on and off to switch between two functions.

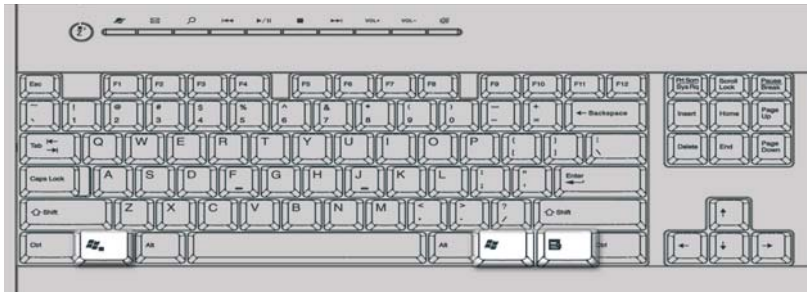
Lock key	Description
Scroll Lock	When activated, the screen moves one line up or down when you press the up arrow or down arrow respectively. Take note that Scroll Lock may not work with some applications.
Num Lock	When activated, the keypad is set to numeric mode; i.e., the keys function as a calculator (complete with arithmetic operators such as +, -, * and /).
Caps Lock	When activated, all alphabetic characters typed appear in uppercase (same function as pressing Shift + <letter>).

Cursor keys

The cursor keys, also called the arrow keys, let you move the cursor around the screen. They serve the same function as the arrow keys on the numeric keypad when the Num Lock is toggled off.

Windows keys

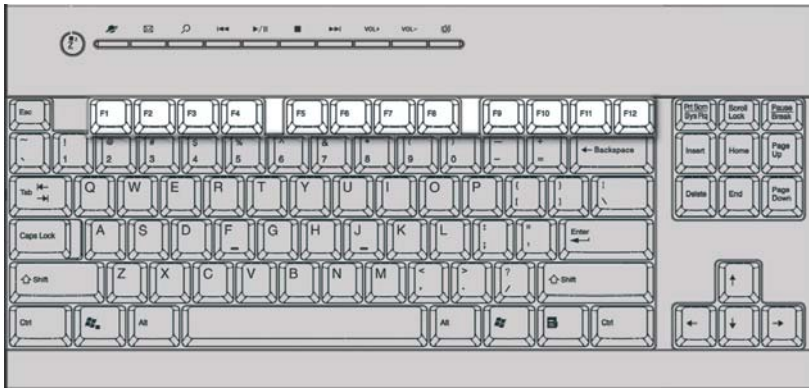
The keyboard has two keys that perform Windows-specific functions.



Key	Description
Windows logo key	***Start button. Combinations with this key perform special functions, such as:*** • ***Windows + Tab: Activate the next Taskbar button*** • ***Windows + E: Explore My Computer*** • ***Windows + F: Find Document*** • ***Windows + M: Minimize All*** • ***Shift + Windows + M: Undo Minimize All*** • ***Windows + R: Display the Run dialog box***
Application key	***Opens the applications context menu (same function as clicking the right button of the mouse).***

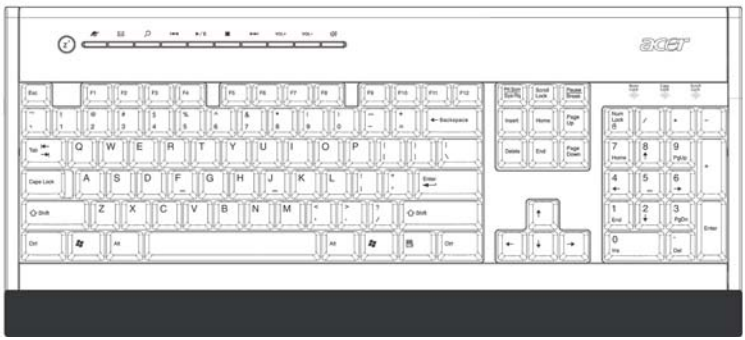
Function keys

The function keys, F1 - F12, let you perform specific functions, depending on the application that uses them.



Palm rest

The detachable palm rest provides you a comfortable place to rest your hands while typing.



Optical drive

Your computer may come with a CD-ROM, DVD-ROM or a combo DVD/CD-RW drive. This drive is located on the front panel of your computer. The CD-ROM drive allows you to play different types of compact discs (CDs). The DVD-ROM drive allows you to play not only old CD-ROMs, CD-I discs, and video CDs, but digital video discs (DVDs) as well. DVD or DVD-ROM is a type of disc media that holds a minimum of 4.7-GB (gigabytes), enough for a full-length movie. The CD-RW drive allows you to record or burn CD-RW (recordable and rewritable) discs.

CDs and DVDs, like diskettes, are also compact, lightweight, and easy to carry around. However, they are more delicate than diskettes and must be handled with extra care.

To insert a CD or DVD into your computer's CD-ROM or DVD drive:

1. ***Gently push the Eject button located on the front panel.***

2. ***When the disc tray slides open, place the CD or DVD gently on the tray. Make sure that the label or title side of the disc is facing upward. When holding a disc, hold it by the edges to avoid leaving smudges or fingerprints.***

3. ***Push the eject button again to close the tray.***

To take care of your CDs and DVDs

- ***Keep your disc in its case when not in use to avoid scratches or other damage. Any kind of dirt or damage can affect the data on the disc, impair the disc lens reader on the CD or DVD drive, or stop the computer from successfully reading the disc.***
- ***When handling discs, always hold them by the edges to avoid smudges or fingerprints.***
- ***When cleaning discs, use a clean, dust-free cloth and wipe in a straight line from the center to the edge. Do not wipe in a circular motion.***
- ***Clean your CD or DVD drive periodically. You may refer to the Cleaning kit for instructions. Cleaning kits can be purchased in any computer or electronics shop.***

Hard disk

Your computer is preinstalled with a high-capacity Enhanced-IDE (E-IDE) hard disk.

For instructions on how to upgrade or replace your hard disk, see "Replacing the hard disk" on page 73.

3 Setting up your computer

This chapter contains step-by-step instructions on how to set up your computer and connect additional peripherals.

Arranging a comfortable work area

Working safely begins with the arrangement of your work space and the proper use of equipment. For this reason, it is very important to take time and think about how you are going to arrange your work area. Refer to the diagram on the following page as you set up your system.

Here are some points to consider:

Adjusting your chair

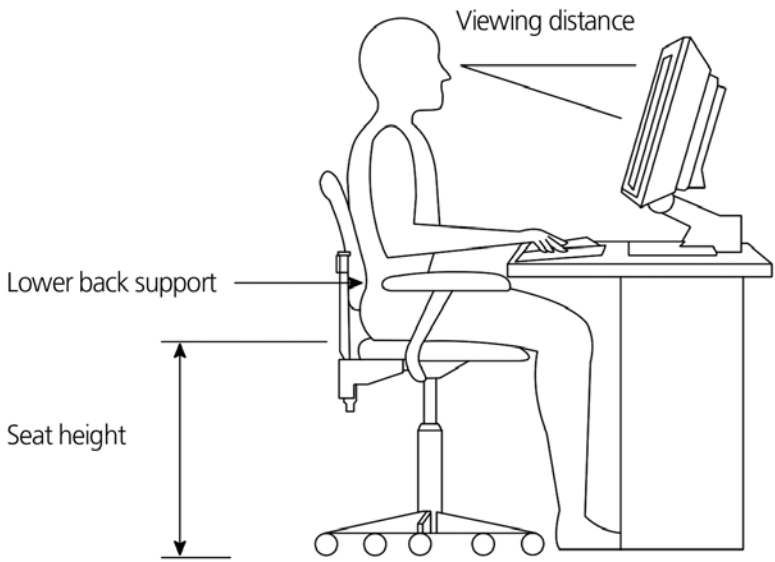
Having the right kind of chair does not necessarily mean that you'll be properly supported. It is necessary to adjust your chair to fit your body. Proper body posture will make you more comfortable and productive.

- ***Avoid tilting your chair. If you have a chair that tilts, lock the tilt knobs so that your chair will not tilt forward or backward while you are using your computer.***
- ***Adjust your chair height in such a way that you can sit on it with your thighs parallel to the floor and your feet resting flat on the floor.***
- ***Rest your body on the chair back. Your torso works harder to maintain balance if you do not rest your body on the chair back.***

Positioning your PC

Take note of the following when selecting a location for your computer:

- ***Do not put your computer near any equipment that might cause electromagnetic or radio frequency interference such as radio transmitters, televisions, copy machines, or heating and air-conditioning equipment.***
- ***Avoid dusty areas and extremes of temperature and humidity.***
- ***You may place your computer beside your desk or under your table, as long as it does not block the space that you need for working and moving.***



Positioning your monitor

Place your monitor at a comfortable viewing distance, usually 50 to 60 centimeters away. Adjust the display in such a way that the top of the screen is at or slightly below eye level.

Positioning your keyboard

The location of the keyboard is a very important factor to your posture. Placing it too far away will make your body lean forward forcing you to sit in an unnatural position. Placing it too high will add tension to your shoulder muscles.

- ***The keyboard should be placed just above your lap. Adjust the keyboard height by flipping the folding stands located under the keyboard.***
- ***Keep your lower arms parallel to the floor as you type. Your upper arms and shoulders should be relaxed. Then try***

typing with a light touch. If you feel any shoulder or neck strain, stop for a while and check your posture.

- ***Position your keyboard in front of your monitor. Putting your keyboard beside your monitor will make you turn your head while you type which could add tension to your neck muscles that may later result in neck strain.***

Positioning your mouse

- ***The mouse should be placed on the same surface as your keyboard so that you can reach it with ease.***
- ***Adjust its position to allow enough space for movement without making you stretch or lean over.***
- ***Use your arm to move the mouse. Do not rest your wrist on the table when moving the mouse.***

Connecting peripherals

Setting up your computer is easy. For the most part, you only have four things to connect: the mouse, the keyboard, the monitor, and the power cable.

Note: The peripherals shown in the connections below are for your reference only. Actual device models may vary in select countries.

Connecting your mouse

USB mouse

Plug your USB mouse cable into any of the USB ports (black) located on the front and rear panels of your computer.

PS/2 mouse

Plug the PS/2 mouse cable into the PS/2 mouse port (green port) located on the rear panel of your computer.

Connecting your keyboard

USB keyboard

Plug your USB keyboard cable into any of the USB ports (black port) located on the front and rear panels of your computer.

PS/2 keyboard

Plug your PS/2 keyboard cable into the PS/2 keyboard port (purple port) located on the rear panel of your computer.

Connecting a monitor

To connect a monitor, simply plug the monitor cable into the monitor port (blue port) located on the rear panel of your computer.

Note: Refer to the monitor manual for additonal instructions and information.

Connecting the power cable

Caution: Before you proceed, check the voltage range in your area. Make sure that it matches your computer's voltage setting. If they don't match, change your computer's voltage setting according to your area's voltage range.

Set the voltage selector switch to the voltage range applicable to your area (a). Plug the power cable into the power cable socket located on the rear panel of your computer (b). Then plug the other end of the power cable into a power outlet (c).

Turning on your computer

After connecting the necessary peripherals and plugging in the power cable, you are now ready to turn the computer on and get to work.

To turn on your computer:

1. ***Turn on all peripherals connected to your computer such as the monitor, printer, fax, speakers, etc.***
2. ***On the front panel of your computer, press the Power button.***

Important: Make sure that the power cable is properly plugged into an electrical outlet. If you are using a power strip or an AVR (Auto-Voltage Regulator), make sure that it is plugged in and turned on.

Turning off your computer

To turn off your computer, follow the steps below.

For Windows® XP:

1 On the Windows® XP taskbar, click on the Start button, and click Turn Off Computer; then click Turn Off.

2 Turn off all peripherals connected to your computer.

For Windows® 2000:

1 On the Windows® 2000 taskbar, click on the Start button, highlight Shut Down, select Shut down from the drop down window then click on OK.

2 Turn off all peripherals connected to your computer.

If you cannot shut down your computer normally, press the power button for at least four seconds. Quickly pressing the button may put the computer in Suspend mode only.

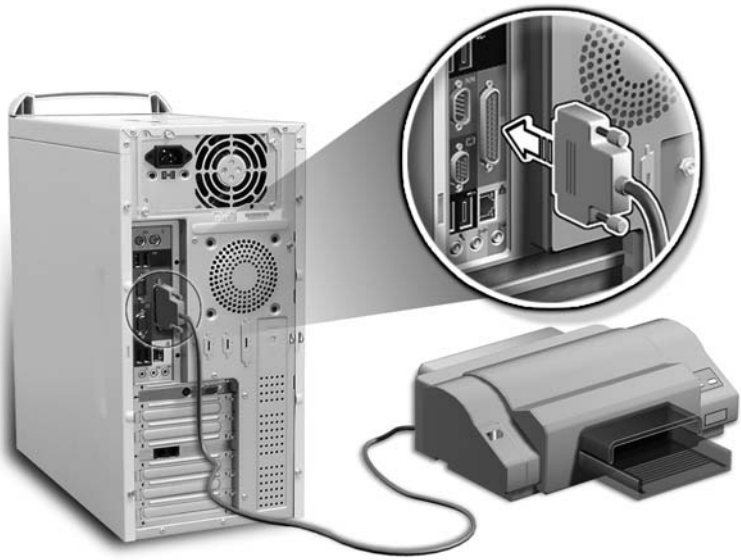
Connecting options

Connecting your printer

Your computer supports parallel, serial and USB printers.

To connect a parallel printer, plug the printer cable into the parallel port (burgundy port) located on the rear panel of your computer.

Note: The printer shown below is for your reference only. Actual device model may vary by country.



Note: If you are using a serial printer, connect the printer cable into the serial port located on the rear panel of your computer. In the same manner, connect a USB printer by plugging the printer cable into any of the USB ports located on the front and rear panel.

Connecting the modem (optional)

Set up your modem connection by plugging the telephone line and handset line into their corresponding ports on the rear panel of your computer.

Connecting to the network

You can connect your computer to a Local Area Network (LAN) using a network cable. To do so, simply plug the network cable into the network port (white port) on the rear panel of your computer.

Note: Consult your network system administrator or operating system manual for information on how to configure your network setup.

Connecting multimedia devices

You can connect multimedia devices such as microphone, earphone or headphone, external speakers, and audio line-in device. These devices will allow you to take advantage of your computer's multimedia features[1].

Note: The multimedia devices shown below are for your reference only. Actual device models may vary in select countries.

Plug the devices in as follows:

- ***microphone: connects to the Microphone-in jack (pink jack) located on the front and rear panel of your computer.***

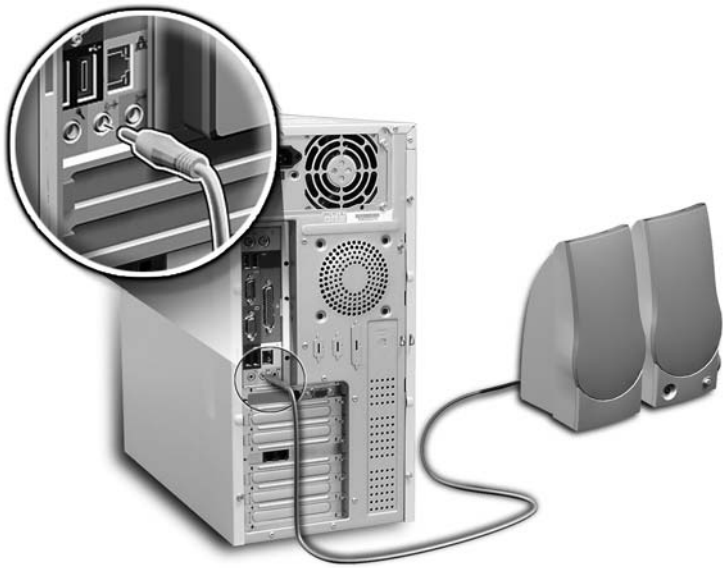
Note: The system has two microphone-in jacks (front and rear). However, you can not use both of them at the same time. By default, your system enables the microphone-in jack in front and disables the one at the back.

[1] For information on how to configure multimedia devices, consult the documentation that came with each device.

- ***earphones, headphones: connect to the Headphone-out jack (lime jack) located on the front panel of your computer[2].***

[2] ***To adjust the volume of the headphones, click the Volume icon located on the taskbar at the bottom of your screen. When the volume control pops up, drag the Volume control lever to the desired level. You can also use the Volume control button on the keyboard.***

- ***external speakers: connect to the Audio-out/Line-out jack (lime jack) located on the rear panel of your computer.***



- ***audio line-in device: connects to the Audio-in/Line-in jack (light blue jack) located on the rear panel of your computer***

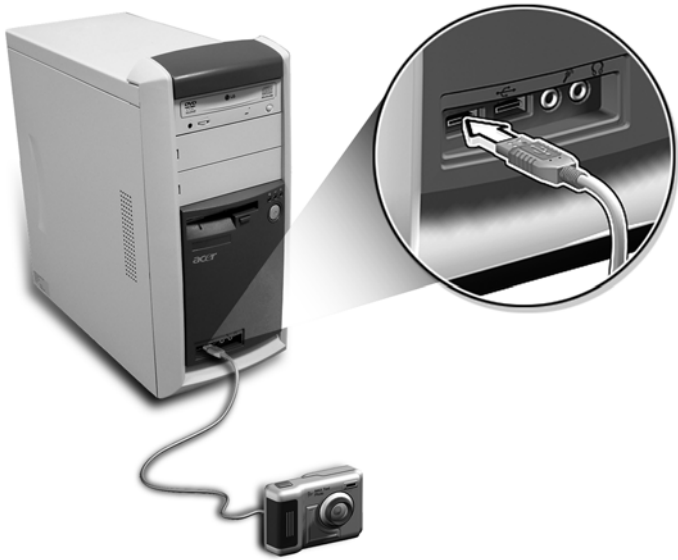
Connecting USB devices

Universal Serial Bus (USB) is a serial bus design that is capable of cascading peripherals such as a digital camera, keyboard, mouse, joystick, scanner, printer and modem. With USB, complex cable connections can be eliminated.

Your computer comes with six external USB ports: two on the front and another four on the rear panel. These ports support USB 2.0 high performance external devices such as webcams and digital still cameras. They also allow you to connect additional USB devices to your computer without using up its system resources.

To connect a USB device, simply plug the device cable into any of the USB ports (black) located on the front and rear panels of your computer.

Note: The USB devices shown below are for your reference only. Actual device models may vary by geographic region.



Note: Some USB devices have a built-in USB port which allows you to connect or daisy-chain more USB devices.

4 Upgrading your computer

This chapter contains instructions on how to upgrade your computer and basic information about your system boards that you will find helpful when performing the upgrade process.

Installation precautions

Before you install any computer component, we recommend that you read the following sections. These sections contain important ESD precautions along with preinstallation and post-installation instructions.

ESD precautions

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) can damage your processor, disk drives, expansion boards, and other components. Always observe the following precautions before you install a computer component:

1. ***Do not remove a component from its protective packaging until you are ready to install it.***
2. ***Wear a wrist grounding strap and attach it to a metal part of the computer before handling components. If a wrist strap is not available, maintain contact with the computer throughout any procedure requiring ESD protection.***

Preinstallation instructions

Always observe the following before you install any component:

1. ***Turn off your computer and all the peripherals connected to it before opening it. Then unplug all cables from the power outlets.***
2. ***Open your computer according to the instructions on page 61.***
3. ***Follow the ESD precautions described above before handling a computer component.***
4. ***Remove any expansion boards or peripherals that block access to the DIMM sockets or component connectors.***
5. ***See the following sections for specific instructions on the component you wish to install.***

Warning! Not turning off the computer properly before you start installing the components may cause serious damage.

Do not attempt the procedures described in the following sections unless you are a qualified service technician.

Post-installation instructions

Observe the following after installing a computer component:

1. ***See to it that the components are installed according to the step-by-step instructions in their respective sections.***
2. ***Replace any expansion boards or peripherals that you removed earlier.***
3. ***Replace the side panels.***
4. ***Connect the necessary cables and turn on your computer.***

Opening your computer

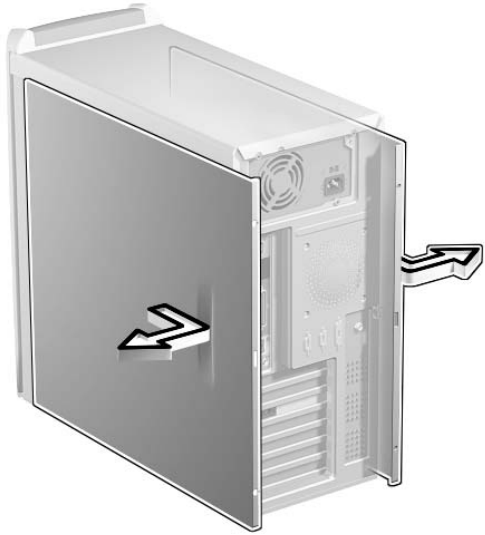
Caution! Before you proceed, make sure that you have turned off your computer and all peripherals connected to it. Read the "Preinstallation instructions" on page 58.

You need to open your computer before you can install additional components. See the following section for instructions.

To remove the side panel

1. ***Turn off your computer and unplug all cables.***
2. ***Place your computer on a flat, steady surface.***
3. ***Remove the four screws from the rear panel using a screwdriver. Set the screws aside.***

4 Hold one side panel with both hands. Slide it back about an inch and then gently pull it outward to detach it. Do the same to the other side.



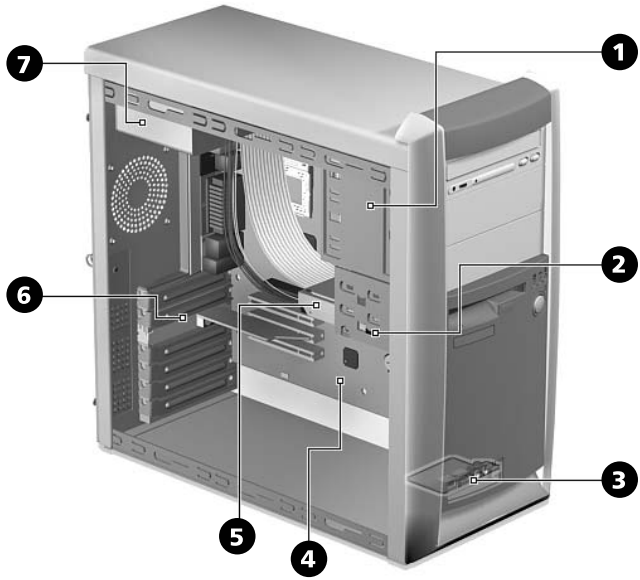
To replace the side panel

1 Align the side panel's hinges to the housing frame and then push it in to slide it back into place. Do the same to the other side.

2 Secure the side panels with the four screws you removed earlier.

Internal components

The figure below shows what your computer looks like once you remove the side panel:



No.	Component
1	5.25-inch drive bays (three bays)
2	3.5-inch drive bays (two bays)
3	Daughterboard
4	Mainboard *
5	Hard disk
6	Expansion slots
7	Power supply

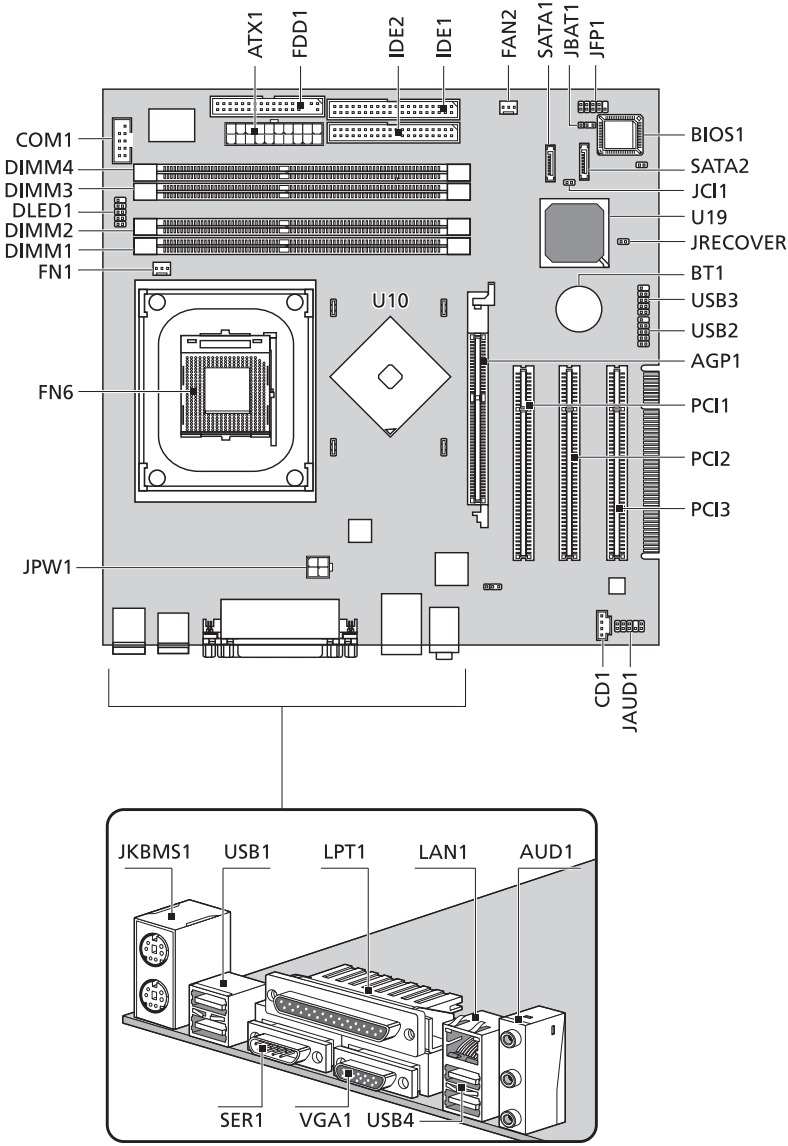
*. *The mainboard model shown in the figure above may not be exactly the same with the one found in your computer.*

System boards

Mainboard layout

The mainboard becomes accessible once you open your computer. Refer to the section below for the corresponding mainboard layout of your Veriton 7600 series computer model.

Veriton 7600G mainboard layout



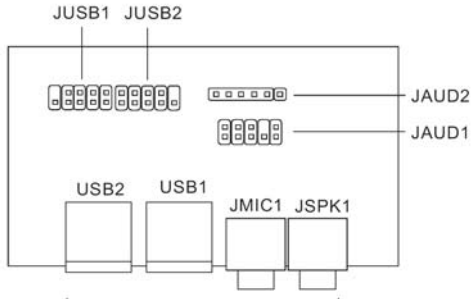
Label	Component
AGP1	AGP slot *
AUD1	Line-in (top), line-out (middle), and rear microphone-in (bottom) ports
ATX1	Power connector
BIOS1	BIOS chipset
BT1	Battery
CD1	CD-in connector
COM1	Serial connector
DLED1	D-Bracket (LANScope) connector
DIMM1 DIMM2 DIMM3 DIMM4	DIMM sockets 1-4
FN1	3-pin CPU fan connector
FN6	CPU ZIF socket
FAN2	3-pin system fan connector
FDD1	FDD connector
IDE1	IDE 1 connector
IDE2	IDE 2 connector
JAUD1	Audio FPIO connector
JBAT1	1-2 Normal 2-3 Clear CMOS
JCI1	Intrusion connector

Label	Component
JFP1	HDD LED, Power LED connector Power button and Reset switch controller
JKBMS1	PS/2 mouse (upper) and keyboard (lower) ports
JPW1	Power connector (12V power)
JRECOVER	One Touch Recovery button connector
LPT1	Parallel/Printer port
PCI1 to PCI3	PCI slots 1 to 3
SATA1 SATA2	Serial HDD connectors
SER1	Serial port
U10	Northbridge
U19	Southbridge
USB1	USB ports
USB2	Front USB 2.0 connector or Unused
USB3	Front USB 2.0 connector or Unused
USB4	USB ports
VGA1	Monitor port

*. *For the location of the AGP slot on the Veriton 7600 mainboard, see page 65.*

Audio board

The audio board that came with your computer should look like the figure that follows.



Label	Description
JUSB1	***USB Connector - connects to the JUSB1 of the mainboard***
JUSB2	***USB Connector - unused***
USB1	***USB port***
USB2	***USB port***
JAUD1	***Standard audio connector - connects to the JAUD1 of the mainboard***
JAUD2	***Standard audio connector -unsed***
JMIC1	***Microphone-in jack***
JSPK1	***Audio out port***

Note: The system has two microphone-in jacks (front and rear). However, you can not use both of them at the same time. By default, your system enables the microphone-in jack in front and disables the one at the back.

Upgrading your computer

Certain components of your computer are upgradeable such as the memory, the hard disk, the CPU and the expansion cards. You need to observe the "Installation precautions" on page 58 when installing or removing a computer component. However, for safety purposes, we do not recommend that you perform these upgrades yourself. If you want to replace or upgrade any of these components, contact your dealer or a qualified service technician for assistance.

Note: The mainboard model shown in the following figures may not be exactly the same with the one found in your computer.

Installing additional memory

The four 184-pin sockets on the mainboard support Double Data Rate (DDR) Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory (SDRAM)-type DIMMs. You may install 128-MB, 256-MB, 512-MB or 1-GB DIMMs for a maximum memory capacity of 4 GB.

The DDR DIMMs should work under 2.5 volts. You can install PC2100/DDR266, PC2700/DDR333, or PC3200/DDR400 modules in the DDR DIMM sockets. Contact your dealer for qualified DIMM vendors.

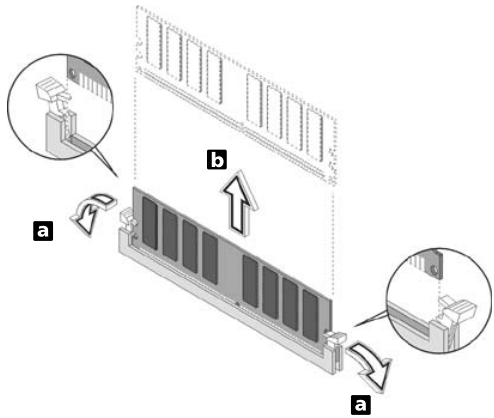
Each DDR DIMM socket is independent from the other. This independence allows you to install DDR DIMMs with different capacities to form different configurations.

To remove a DDR DIMM

Note: The DDR DIMM has only one notch located on the center of the module.

1. ***Remove the side panel (see page 61).***
2. ***Locate the DDR DIMM socket on the mainboard.***

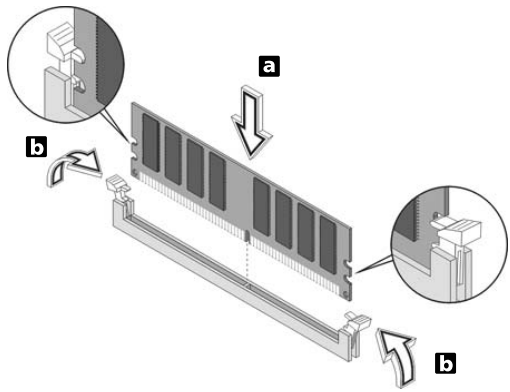
3 Press the holding clips on both sides of the DDR DIMM socket outward to release the DDR DIMM (a). Gently pull the DDR DIMM out of the socket (b).



To install a DDR DIMM

1 Locate the DDR DIMM socket on the mainboard.

2 Align the DDR DIMM with the socket (a). Press the DDR DIMM into the socket until the clips lock onto the DDR DIMM (b).



Note: The DDR DIMM sockets are slotted to ensure proper installation. If you insert a DDR DIMM but it does not fit easily into the socket, you may have inserted it incorrectly. Turn the DDR DIMM around and try to insert it again.

To reconfigure your computer

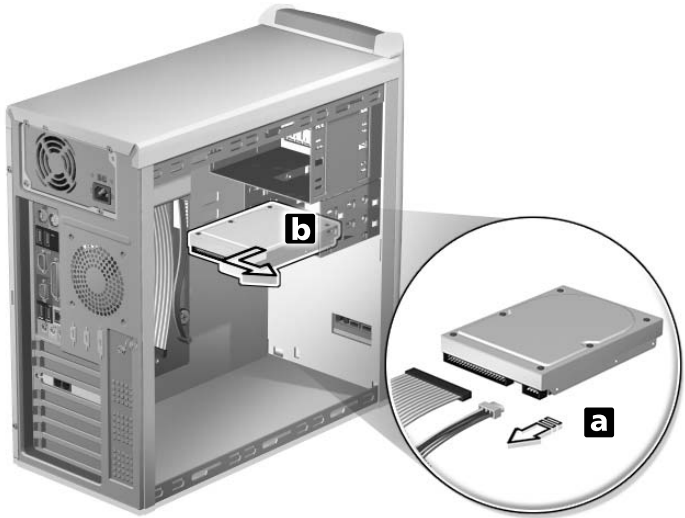
Your computer automatically detects the amount of memory installed. Run the BIOS utility to view the new value for total system memory and make a note of it.

Replacing the hard disk

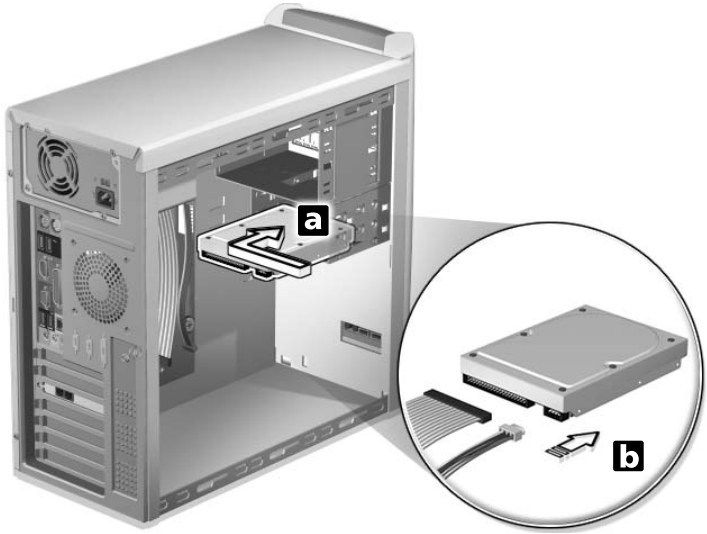
Follow these steps to replace your computer's hard disk:

1. ***Remove the side panel (see page 61).***
2. ***Remove the four screws that hold the hard disk to the disk frame. Set the screws aside.***

3 (a) Detach the power and hard disk cables from the hard disk.
(b) Detach the hard disk from the drive frame.



4 (a) Insert the new hard disk into the frame.
(b) Connect the power and hard disk cables to the new hard disk.



5 Secure it with the four screws you removed earlier.

Note: Make sure that the other ends of the disk cables are securely connected to their corresponding connectors on the mainboard.

6 Replace the side panel (see page 63).

Installing an expansion card

To install an expansion card:

1 Remove the side panel (see page 61).

2 Locate an empty PCI slot on the mainboard.

3 Remove the screw that holds the bracket to the computer. Save the screw.

4 Pull out the bracket on the housing opposite the selected empty slot.

5 Remove the expansion card from its protective packaging.

6 Align the card with the empty bracket and then insert it into the slot. Make sure that the card is properly seated.

7 Secure the card to your computer with a screw you removed earlier.

8 Replace the side panel (see page 63).

When you turn on the computer, BIOS (Basic Input/Output System) automatically detects and assigns resources to the newly-installed devices.

5 System utilities

This chapter describes applications that are preinstalled on your computer.

Depending on the hardware and optional features installed in your computer, your system came bundled with several program utilities designed to streamline your computer's operations. These utilities may include any of the following:

- ***Acrobat®Reader™***
- ***Acer LANScope Client Manager (optional)***
- ***Norton AntiVirus***
- ***NTI CD-Maker***
- ***PowerDVD***
- ***BIOS utility***
- ***Acer One Button Recovery (System restore utility)***

If your computer is configured with Microsoft® Windows® XP the following utilities can be used to monitor and maintain system health.

- ***Backup***
- ***Disk Defragmenter***

All of the applications that came with your computer are very easy to use. However, if you need more help and information, you may refer to the online help documentation provided in each software application.

Acrobat Reader

Acrobat Reader is a software that lets you view, navigate, browse and print Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) files on all major computer platforms.

To read a PDF document  ***you can:***

- ***Simply double click on any file with an icon like that shown above.***

  or

1. ***On the windows taskbar, click on the Start button, highlight Programs, and select Acrobat Reader.***
2. ***Once the program is running, select Open from the File menu.***
3. ***Select the file you wish to view in the Open file browser and click the Open button.***

For more information about Acrobat Reader, you may refer to the Acrobat Reader Help menu.

Acer LANScope (optional)

Acer LANScope allows desktop management via the Web, standard network, or dial-up connections. It is compatible with the leading management specifications, such as Wired for Management 2.0, Desktop Management Interface (DMI) v2.0, and others.

Your computer may be bundled with a LANScope installation CD. To install LANScope:

1. ***Insert the LANScope installation CD into the optical drive.***

   Caution! Make sure that the LANScope installation CD is properly inserted into the optical drive. Improper insertion may damage both the CD and the drive.

   Refer to page 27 for instructions on how to insert a CD into your computer's optical drive.

2. ***Follow all onscreen instructions until installation is completed.***

For more information on how to use the LANScope, you may refer to the LANScope Help menu.

Note: Acer LANScope currently supports Windows® 98, Windows® Me, Windows® 2000 and Windows® XP platforms.

Norton AntiVirus

Norton AntiVirus is an anti-virus software which finds and repairs infected files, protects against viruses to keep your computer data safe and secure. It also scans incoming email attachments for viruses. It provides useful virus detection and repair facilities.

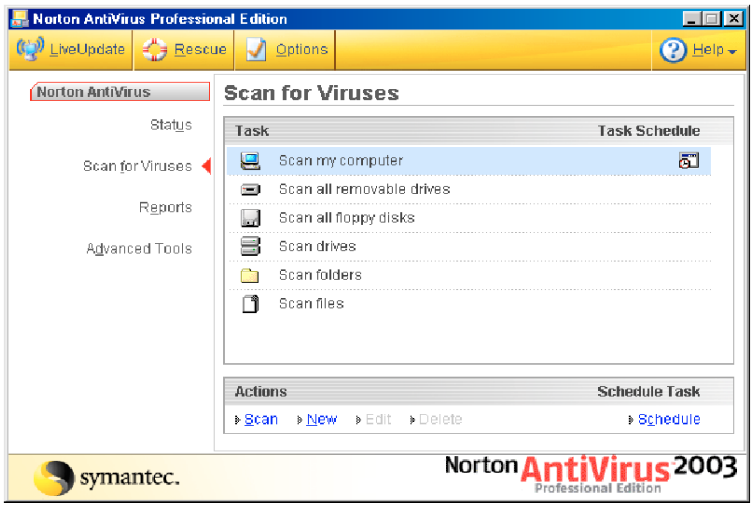
How do I check for viruses using Norton AntiVirus?

A full system scan scans all files on your computer. To perform a system scan:

1. ***Start Norton AntiVirus***
   - ***Double click on the Norton AntiVirus Icon on the desktop***

   or

   - ***Click on the Start menu in the Windows taskbar, highlight Programs, and select Norton AntiVirus.***
2. ***In the Norton AntiVirus main window, click Scan for Viruses.***



3. ***In the Scan for Viruses pane, click Scan My Computer.***

4 Under Actions, click Scan.

When the scan is complete, a scan summary appears.

5 When you are done reviewing the summary, click Finished.

You can schedule customized virus scans that run unattended on specific dates and times or at periodic intervals. If you are using the computer when the scheduled scan begins, it runs in the background so that you do not have to stop working.

For more information about Norton AntiVirus, including setting up custom scans and scheduling scans, refer to the Norton AntiVirus Help menu.

NTI CD-Maker (for models with CD-RW)

The NTI CD-Maker is a CD-Recording software which allows you to create and copy audio, data and videos to CD-R or CD-RW discs.

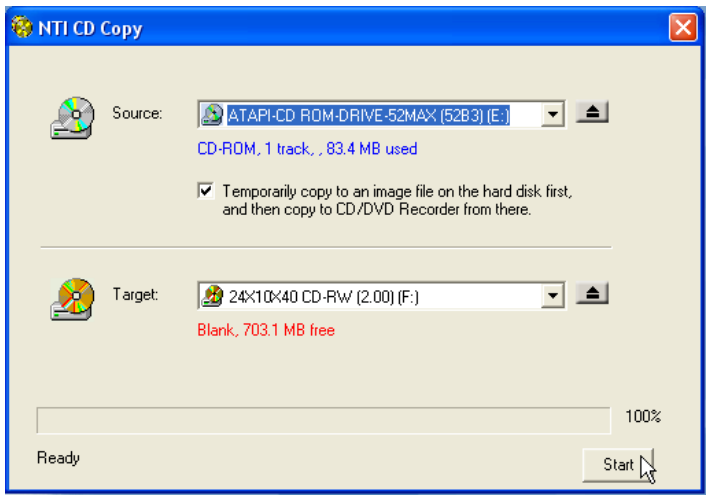
To copy an audio or data disc:

1 Click the Quick Burning icon 

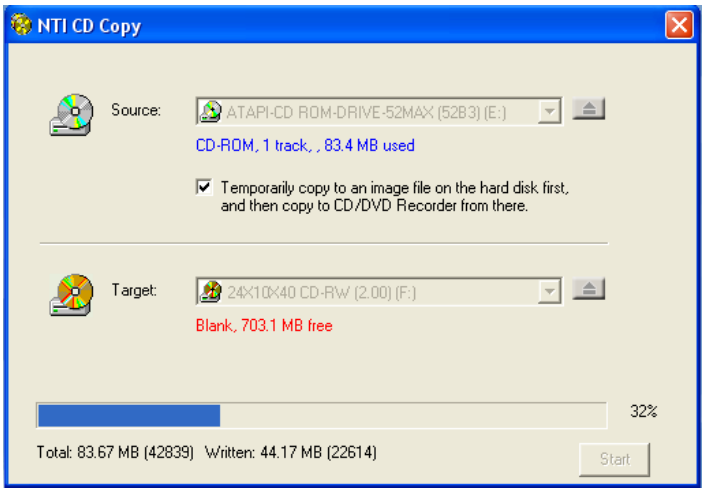
on the desktop.

2 Insert the CD you would like to copy into the source drive and a blank disc into the target drive.

3 Choose the source and target drives from the pull-down lists.



4 Click the Start button to begin copying.



For more information about NTI CD-Maker and its other features, refer to the NTI CD-Maker Help menu.

PowerDVD (for models with DVD)

PowerDVD is a high-quality, pure software DVD player which brings high-quality movies and karaoke to your multimedia PC. You can play back high resolution DVD titles or MPEG-2 files with MPEG-2 video and Dolby Digital (AC-3) audio. PowerDVD provides a complete set of commands for navigation and advanced features such as multi-angle switching, multi-language and multi-subtitle selection, and parental control. It also has the i-Power Internet Enabling feature, which links to online DVD resources via the Power DVD Desktop Portal Page.

How do I open PowerDVD and watch a DVD?

In most cases, when you insert a DVD into your computer's optical drive, PowerDVD will automatically open a viewer window and the control panel and begin playing.

If PowerDVD does not open automatically:

1. ***Click the Start button in the taskbar.***
2. ***Highlight All Programs***
3. ***Click the Cyberlink PowerDVD tab***
4. ***Select PowerDVD***

When PowerDVD opens simply press the play button  ***to begin playback.***

For more information about Cyberlink PowerDVD and its other features, refer to the PowerDVD Help menu.

BIOS utility

The BIOS utility is a hardware configuration program built into your computer's Basic Input/Output System (BIOS). Since most computers are already properly configured and optimized, there is no need to run this utility. However, if you encounter configuration problems and get the "Run Setup" message, you will need to run this utility.

Note: Before you run BIOS, make sure that you have saved all open files. The computer reboots immediately after you exit Setup.

To run the BIOS utility, press the Del key on your keyboard during computer boot up.

Reinstalling programs

If you uninstall one of the preinstalled programs and want to reinstall it, do the following:

1. ***Make sure that the system is turned on.***
2. ***Insert the System CD into the CD or DVD drive.***
3. ***Select the application that you want to reinstall.***
4. ***Follow all onscreen instructions until you finish the installation.***

Recovering your system

If your operating system files are lost or damaged, the recovery process will restore your system's original factory default settings. Your Acer Veriton series computer includes a One Button Recovery button, a feature that makes restoring your system quick and easy.

One Button Recovery works from a hidden 2 GB partition on your hard drive that contains all the information required to restore your system.

There are two ways to initiate recovery. If your computer is not equipped with the (optional) One Button Recover button, you can press Alt + F10 after the BIOS finishes running the Power On Self Test (POST).

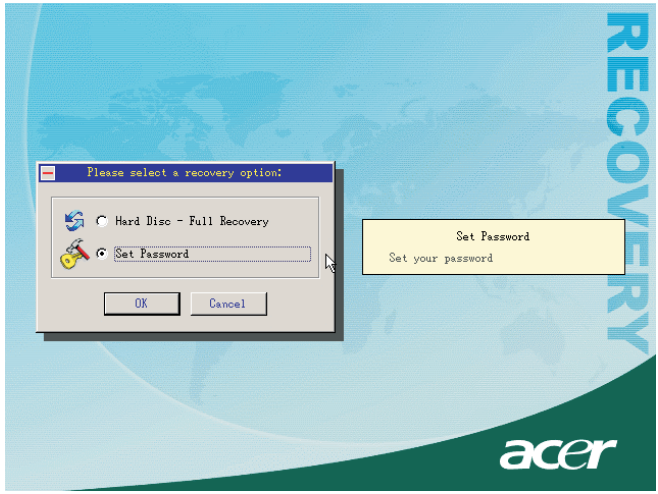
Warning: Initiating the recovery operation while the operating system is running will result in abnormal shutdown and may make your current OS unstable or unusable.

After the POST runs, you have only 1.5 seconds to press Alt + F10. Follow all onscreen instructions.

You can also follow the steps below:

1. ***Locate the (optional) One Button Recovery button. See the image on page 15.***

2 ***Press the button. After a moment the following screen will appear on your display.***

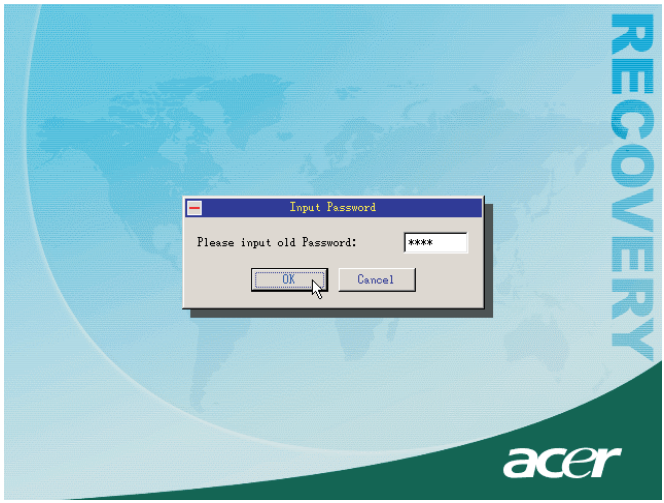


3 ***Select "Set Password" to setup a password for the recovery function. Select "Hard Disc - Full Recovery" to restore your system to the default factory settings.***

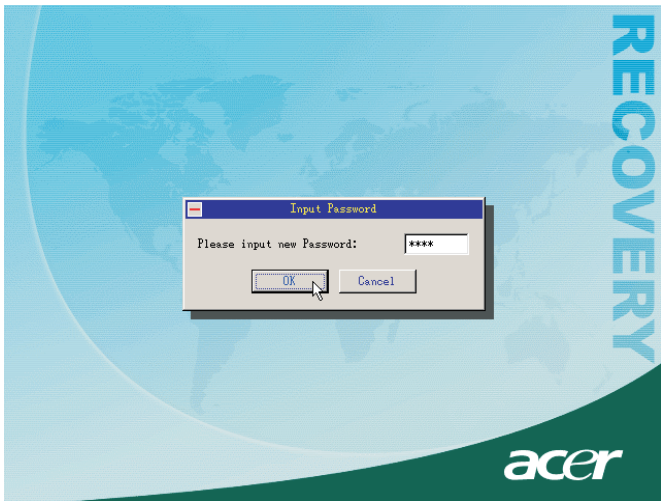
Note: To change the password use steps 3-6.

Note: To perform a full recovery skip to step 7.

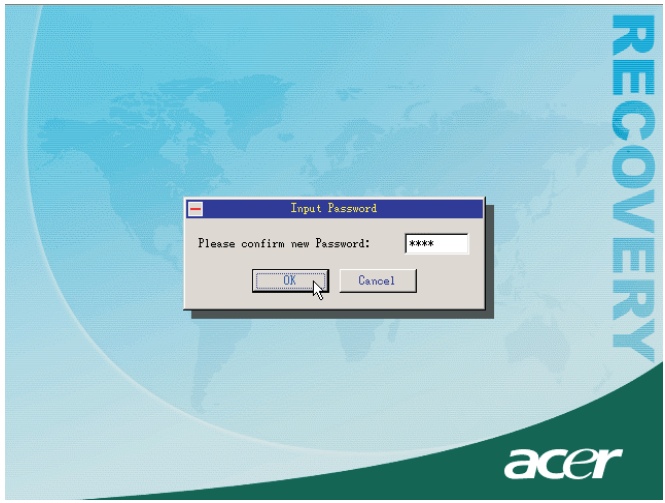
4 *If you selected "Set Password" you should see the following screen. Enter the old password and click OK (leave blank if using for the first time).*



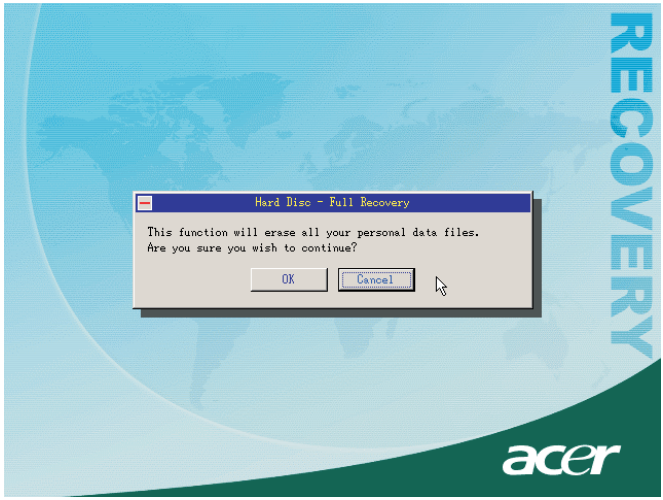
5 *Enter a new password and click OK.*



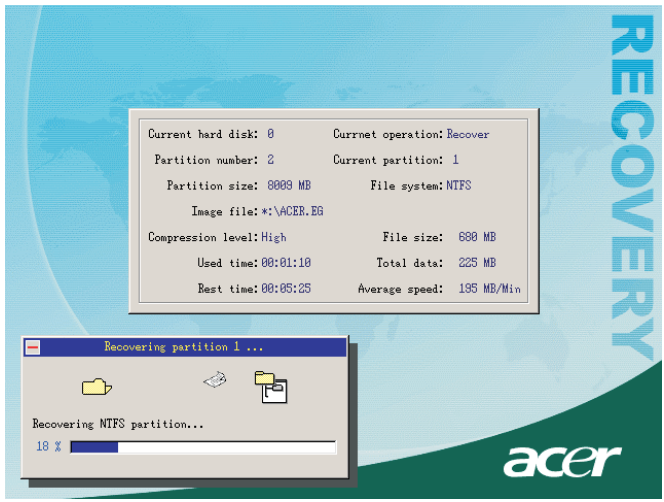
6 Confirm the new password and click OK.



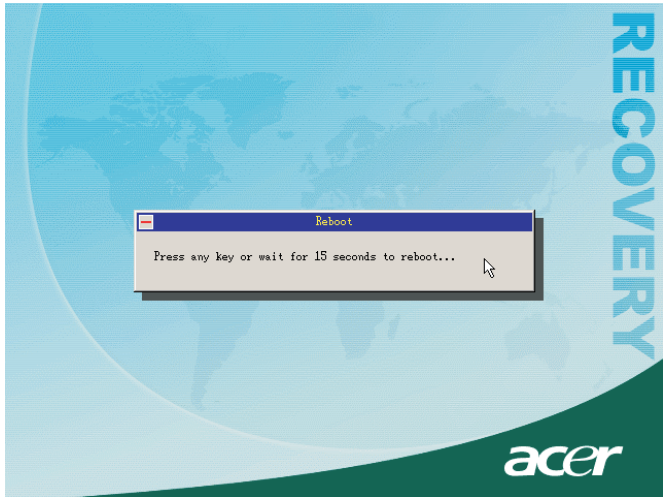
7 If you selected "Hard Disc - Full Recovery"(at the first screen), you should see the following screen. Click OK to continue.



8 After 15 seconds the system will reboot and initiate the restore operation.



9 After the recovery operation finishes the system will reboot. You will be required to go through the setup process again.



Caution! Running the Recovery operation will erase all files previously saved in your computer so make sure to back up your important files before starting the recovery process.

If you attempt to restore your system using the One Button Recovery feature, and the system DOES NOT respond, contact your local vendor or authorised Acer representative immediately.

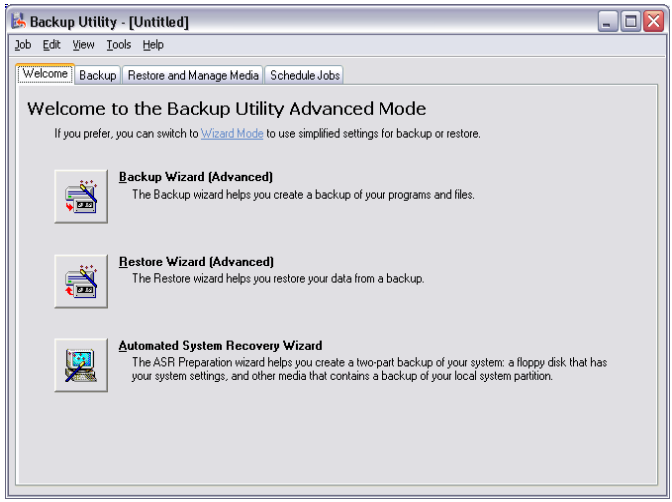
Using Backup (Windows® XP only)

The Backup utility creates copies of information on your hard disk. In the event that the original data on your hard disk is erased or overwritten, or becomes inaccessible because of a hark disk malfunction, you can use the copy to restore your lost or damaged data.

How do I back up files from my hard drive?

To run the Backup utility:

1. ***Click the Start button in the taskbar.***
2. ***Highlight All Programs***
3. ***Click Accessories***
4. ***Select System Tools***
5. ***Click Backup***



When Backup starts, follow the onscreen instructions to set up your backup profile and schedule.

For more information about Backup, refer to Windows® XP help.

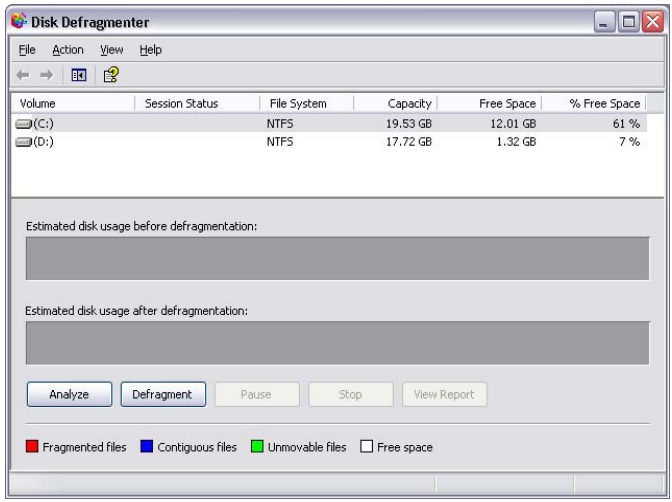
Disk Defragmenter (Windows® XP only)

The disk degfragmentation utility consolidates files and folders on your computer's hard disk. This allows your computer to access files and folders and save new data more efficiently. By consolidating your files and folders, the defragmenter also consolidates the volume's free space, making it less likely that new files will be fragmented.

How do I defragment my hard drive?

To run the Disk Defragmenter:

1. ***Click the Start button in the taskbar.***
2. ***Highlight All Programs***
3. ***Click Accessories***
4. ***Select System Tools***
5. ***Click Disk Defragmenter***



When Disk Defragmenter opens, select a drive/volume and click Analyze. The system will quickly examine the volume and determine wether it needs to be defragmented or not.

For more information about Disk Defragmenter, refer to Windows® XP help.

6 Frequently asked questions

This chapter tells you what to do in case your computer is not working properly. However, if a more serious problem arises, contact your dealer or the technical support center (www.acersupport.com) for assistance.

Frequently asked questions

The following questions are possible situations that may arise during the use of your computer and each is followed by easy answers and solutions to the situation.

Q: I pressed the power switch but the system did not boot up.

A: Check the LED located above the power switch.

If the LED is not lit, no power is being applied to the system. Do any of the following:

- ***Check if the voltage selector switch located on the rear panel of the computer is set to the correct voltage.***
- ***Check if you plugged the power cable properly into an electrical outlet.***
- ***If you are using a power strip or AVR, make sure that it is plugged in and turned on.***

If the LED is lit, check the following:

- ***Is a nonbootable (nonsystem) diskette in the floppy drive? If yes, remove or replace it with a system diskette and press Ctrl + Alt + Del to restart your computer.***
- ***The operating system files may be damaged or missing. Insert the startup disk you created during Windows setup into the floppy drive and press Ctrl + Alt + Del to restart your computer. This will automatically diagnose your system and make necessary fixes. However, if the diagnostic utility still reports a problem, then you may have to perform the recovery process to restore your system to its original default factory settings.***

Note: For more information about recovering your system, refer to page 92.

Q: Nothing appears on the screen.

A: Your computer's power management function automatically blanks the screen to save power. Just press any key to turn the display back on.

If pressing a key does not work, you can restart your computer. If restarting your computer does not work, contact your dealer or the technical support center for assistance.

Q: The printer does not work.

A: Do the following:

- ***Make sure that the printer is connected to a power outlet and that it is turned on.***
- ***Make sure that the printer cable is connected securely to the system's parallel port and the corresponding port on the printer. See "Connecting your printer" on page 46 for information on how to connect the printer to your computer.***
- ***For additional information concerning the printer, refer to the printer's documentation.***

Q: No sound comes out from the computer.

A: Check the following:

- ***The volume may be muted. Look for the Volume icon on the taskbar. If it is crossed-out, click on the icon and deselect the Mute option. You can also press the volume control/ mute knob on your USB keyboard to toggle from mute to sound on.***
- ***If headphones, earphones, or external speakers are connected to the line-out jack of your computer, the internal or built-in speakers are automatically turned off.***

Q: System cannot read diskette, hard disk, CD or DVD information.

A: Check the following:

- ***Make sure that you are using the correct type of disc. See page 27.***
- ***Make sure the CD or DVD is inserted into the drive correctly.***
- ***Check if the CD or DVD is clean and not scratched.***
- ***Check your drive by using a good (i.e., undamaged) disc. If your drive can not read the information on the good disc there may be a problem with the drive. Contact your dealer or technical support center for assistance.***

Q: System cannot write data on the hard disk or CD-R/CD-RW.

A: Check the following:

- ***Make sure the diskette or hard disk is not write-protected. Refer to the Optical drive section on page 27.***
- ***Make sure that you are using the correct type of disc or diskette. Refer to the Optical drive section on page 27.***

Appendix A: Notices

FCC notice

This device has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This device generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this device does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the device off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- ***Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna***
- ***Increase the separation between the device and receiver***
- ***Connect the device into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected***
- ***Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for help***

Notice: Shielded cables

All connections to other computing devices must be made using shielded cables to maintain compliance with FCC regulations.

Notice: Peripheral devices

Only peripherals (input/output devices, terminals, printers, etc.) certified to comply with the Class B limits may be attached to this equipment. Operation with noncertified peripherals is likely to result in interference to radio and TV reception.

Caution! Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority, which is granted by the Federal Communications Commission, to operate this computer.

Use conditions

This part 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.

Notice: Canadian users

This Class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Remarque à l'intention des utilisateurs canadiens

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B respected toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

Important safety instructions

Read these instructions carefully. Save these instructions for future reference.

1. ***Follow all warnings and instructions marked on the product.***
2. ***Unplug this product from the wall outlet before cleaning. Do not use liquid cleaners or aerosol cleaners. Use a damp cloth for cleaning.***
3. ***Do not use this product near water.***
4. ***Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand, or table. The product may fall, causing serious damage to the product.***
5. ***Slots and openings in the housing and the back or bottom are provided for ventilation; to ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, these openings must not be blocked or covered. The openings should never be blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug, or other similar surface. This product should never be placed near or over a radiator or heat register, or in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided.***
6. ***This product should be operated from the type of power indicated on the marking label. If you are not sure of the type of power available, consult your dealer or local power company.***

7. ***Do not allow anything to rest on the power cord. Do not locate this product where persons will walk on the cord.***
8. ***If an extension cord is used with this product, make sure that the total ampere rating of the equipment plugged into the extension cord does not exceed the extension cord ampere rating. Also, make sure that the total rating of all products plugged into the wall outlet does not exceed the fuse rating.***
9. ***Never push objects of any kind into this product through cabinet slots as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.***
10. ***Do not attempt to service this product yourself, as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage points or other risks. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.***
11. ***Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions:***
    - ***a When the power cord or plug is damaged or frayed***
    - ***b If liquid has been spilled into the product***
    - ***c If the product has been exposed to rain or water***
    - ***d If the product does not operate normally when the operating instructions are followed. Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions since improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to normal condition.***
    - ***e If the product has been dropped or the cabinet has been damaged***
    - ***f If the product exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service.***
12. ***Replace the battery with the same type as the product's battery we recommend. Use of another battery may present a risk of fire or explosion. Refer battery replacement to a qualified serviceman.***

13. ***Warning! Batteries may explode if not handled properly. Do not disassemble or dispose of them in fire. Keep them away from children and dispose of used batteries promptly.***
14. ***Use only the proper type of power supply cord set (provided in your accessories box) for this unit. It should be a detachable type: UL listed/CSA certified, type SVT, rated 7A 125V minimum, VDE approved or its equivalent. Maximum length is 15 feet (4.6 meters).***

Laser compliance statement

The CD or DVD drive in this computer is a laser product. The CD or DVD drive's classification label (shown below) is located on the drive.

CLASS 1 LASER PRODUCT
CAUTION: INVISIBLE LASER RADIATION WHEN OPEN. AVOID EXPOSURE TO BEAM.

Lithium battery statement

CAUTION
Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced. Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Discard used batteries according to the manufacturer's instructions.

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Year 2000 compliance statement

Your computer carries the "Hardware NSTL Tested Year 2000 Compliant" logo, which certifies that this model has been tested by

NSTL using the YMark2000 test, and has been found to meet NSTL's standards for Year 2000 hardware compliance.

Appendix B: Taking care of your computer

Please read the important instructions listed in this section. Following these instructions will help you maximize the durability of your computer.

Important tips

- ***Do not expose the computer to direct sunlight. Do not place it near sources of heat, such as a radiator.***
- ***Do not expose the computer to temperatures below 0°C (32°F), or above 50°C (122°F).***
- ***Do not subject the computer to magnetic fields.***
- ***Do not expose the computer to rain or moisture.***
- ***Do not spill water on the computer.***
- ***Do not subject the computer to heavy shock or vibration.***
- ***Do not expose the computer to dust and dirt.***
- ***Never place the system on uneven surfaces.***
- ***Do not step on the power cord or place heavy objects on top of it. Carefully route the power cord and any cables away from personal traffic.***
- ***When unplugging the power cord, do not pull on the cord itself but pull on the plug.***
- ***The total ampere rating of the equipment plugged in should not exceed the ampere rating of the cord if you are using an extension cord. Also, the total current rating of all equipment plugged into a single wall outlet should not exceed the fuse rating.***
- ***Check the documentation that came with your software programs to see if you can select other combinations of resolution and colour. These adjustments could make viewing the screen more comfortable.***

Cleaning and servicing

To clean your computer and keyboard

1 Turn off the computer and unplug the power cord.

2 Use a soft cloth moistened with water and gently wipe the exterior of the computer and the keyboard. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners.

To clean your pointing device

To clean a regular mouse (with rubber ball)

1 Open the circular cover underneath the mouse.

2 Take out the rubber ball and wipe it with a soft, damp cloth.

3 Put the ball back and close the cover.

To clean an optical mouse

For users of an optical mouse, refer to the documentation that came with your mouse for maintenance instructions.

To clean your monitor

Make sure that you keep your screen clean. For cleaning instructions, refer to the documentation that came with your monitor.

When to contact a service technician

- If you dropped and damaged the computer
- If liquid has been spilled into the computer
- If the computer is not operating normally
- If a computer problem persists even after you have checked and done the troubleshooting tips discussed in the "Frequently-asked questions" section on page 104
- If your problem is not listed in the "Frequently-asked questions" section on page 104
- If you want to replace or upgrade any of your computer's internal components

Asking for technical assistance

For technical assistance, contact your local dealer or distributor. You may also access the Web site (www.acersupport.com) for information on how and where to contact the service centers available in your area.

Appendix C: RAID introduction(for R series model only)

Intel ICH5R Serial ATA RAID Introduction

The south bridge ICH5R provides a hybrid solution that combines two independent SATA ports for support of up to two Serial ATA (Serial ATA RAID) drives.

Serial ATA (SATA) is the latest generation of the ATA interface. SATA hard drives deliver transfer speeds of up to 150MB/sec.

- ***Supports 150 MB/s transfers with CRC error checking***
- ***Data handling optimization including tagged command queuing, elevator seek and packet chain command***

Parallel ATA (P-ATA) and Serial ATA (S-ATA) device configurations supported by Intel ICH5R

ATA Operate Mode

There are two modes to choose from: Legacy mode and Native mode.

1. Legacy Mode

- ***System BIOS assigns 14 and 15 IRQs for HDD use***
- ***Older OSs that do not support Native Mode (DOS, Win2K, Win98/ME...) should set S-ATA and P-ATA to Legacy Mode***
- ***Maximum 4 ATA devices to connect under Combined mode or Non-Combined mode***
  - ***a Non-Combined Mode: S-ATA devices only - Maximum of 2 devices***
  - ***b Non-Combined Mode: P-ATA devices only - Maximum of 4 devices***
  - ***c Combined Mode: S-ATA devices and P-ATA devices - 2 devices each (Maximum of 4 devices)***

2. Native Mode

- ***System BIOS will search all available IRQs for HDD use***
- ***New OSs that support Native Mode (WinXP, Windows.NET Server) can set S-ATA and P-ATA to Native Mode***
- ***Comprehend both Legacy and/or Native Modes***
- ***Maximum of 6 devices can be connected (4 P-ATA and 2 S-***

ATA)

Note: Proper support; BIOS provides a BIOS setup option for user selection of Native Mode or Legacy Mode.

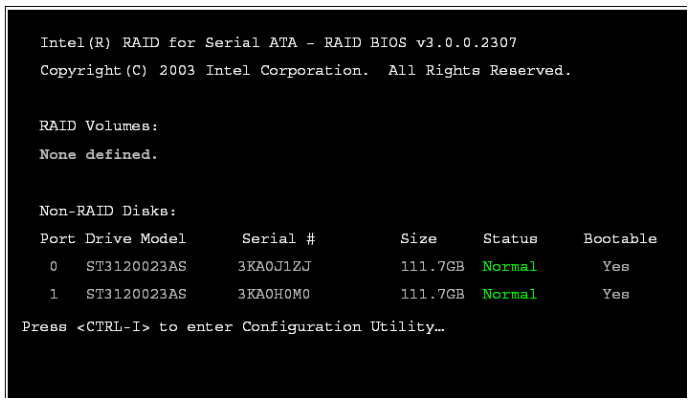
BIOS Configuration

The Intel RAID Option ROM should be integrated with the system BIOS on all motherboards with a supported Intel chipset. Press <Ctrl> + <I> to enter the Intel(R) RAID for Serial ATA status screen, which should appear early in system boot-up, during the POST (Power-On Self Test).

Using the Intel RAID Option ROM

Creating, Deleting and Resetting RAID Volumes

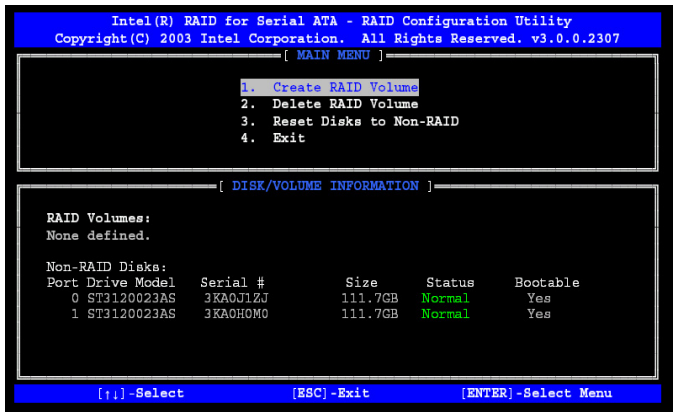
The Serial ATA RAID volume may be configured using the RAID Configuration utility located on the Intel RAID Option ROM. During the Power-On Self Test (POST), the following screen will appear for a few seconds:



Note: The "Drive Model," "Serial #," and "Size" shown in the above example may differ from your system configuration.

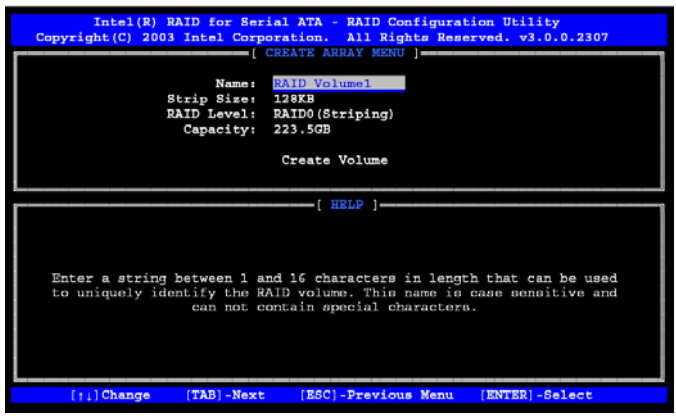
When the above message appears, press <Ctrl> + <I> simultaneously to enter the RAID Configuration Utility.

After pressing the <Ctrl> + <I> keys simultaneously, the following window will appear:



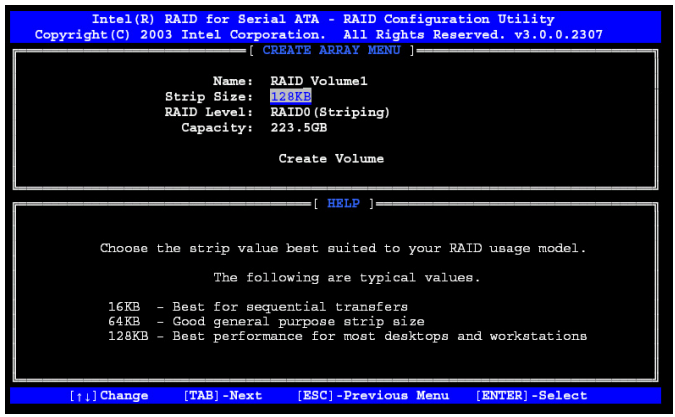
Option 1: Create RAID Volume

To create a RAID volume, select this option on the screen and press <Enter>. The following screen will appear:



Note: The following procedure is only available with a newly-built system or if you are reinstalling your OS. It should not be used to migrate an existing system to RAID 0.

Specify a RAID Volume name and then press the <TAB> or <Enter> key to go to the next field.



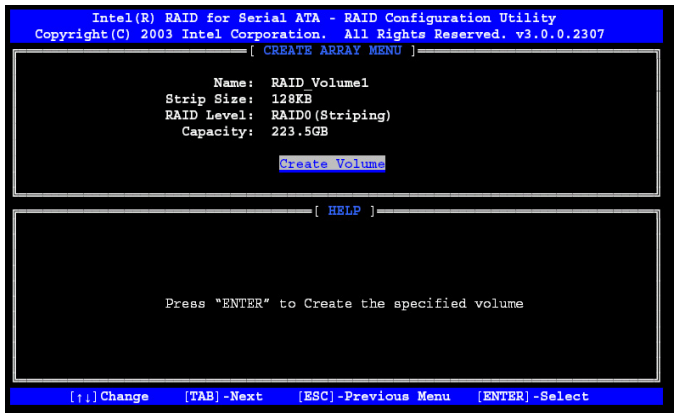
Select the strip value for the RAID 0 array by scrolling through the available values by using the "up arrow" or "down arrow" keys. Press the <Enter> key to select and advance to the next field.

The available values range from 4KB to 128 KB in power of 2 increments. The strip value should be chosen based on the planned drive usage. Here are some suggested selections:

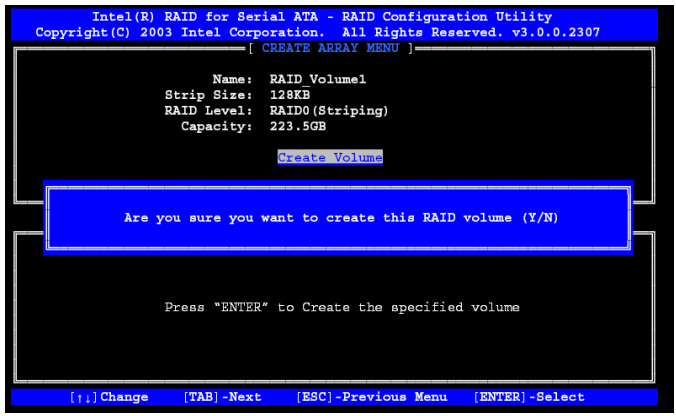
- ***16 KB - Best for sequential transfers***
- ***64 KB - Good general purpose strip size***
- ***128 KB - Best performance for most desktops and workstations***

The default strip size is 128 KB.

From the Strip size, press the <Tab> or <ENTER> key to advance to the Create Volume prompt. The window will appear as follows:

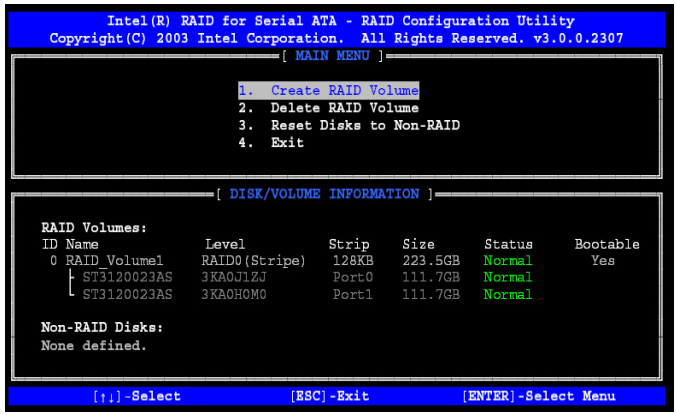


Press <Enter> to create the specified volume and the following prompt will show:

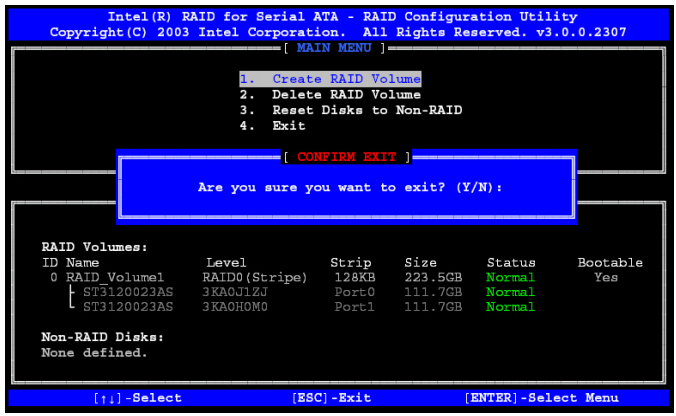


Press <Y> to confirm the selection or press <N> to previous screen to create the RAID volume again.

Then you will return to the main menu with an updated status as shown below:



Scroll to option 4 Exit and press <Enter> to exit the RAID Configuration utility. The following prompt appears:



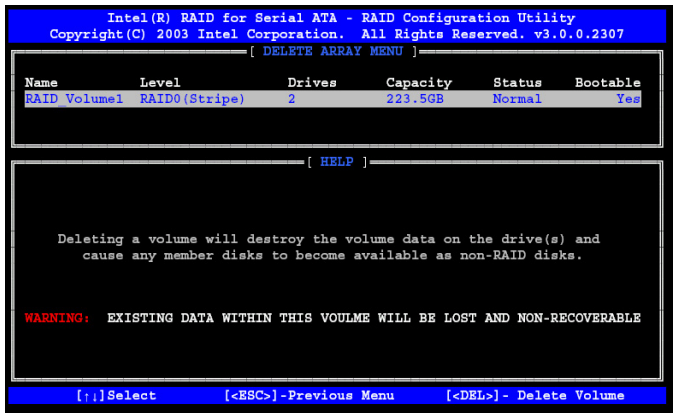
Press <Y> to confirm and exit or <N> to previous screen.

Option 2: Delete RAID Volume

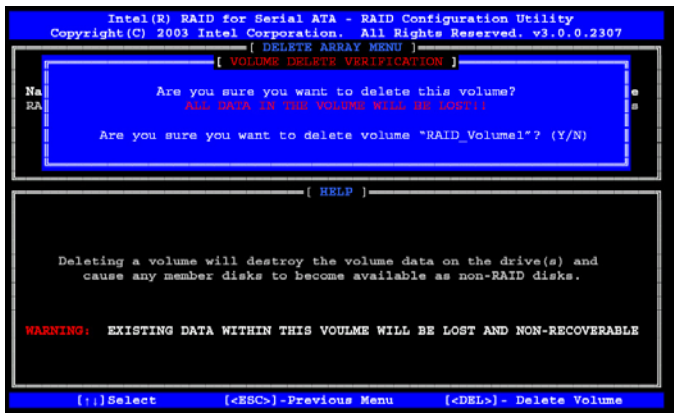
Here you can delete the RAID volume, but please note that all data including settings on RAID drives will be lost.

Note: If your system currently boots to RAID and you delete the RAID volume in the Intel RAID Option ROM, your system will become unbootable.

Select option 2 Delete RAID Volume from the main menu window and press <Enter> to select a RAID volume for deletion. The following window will appear:



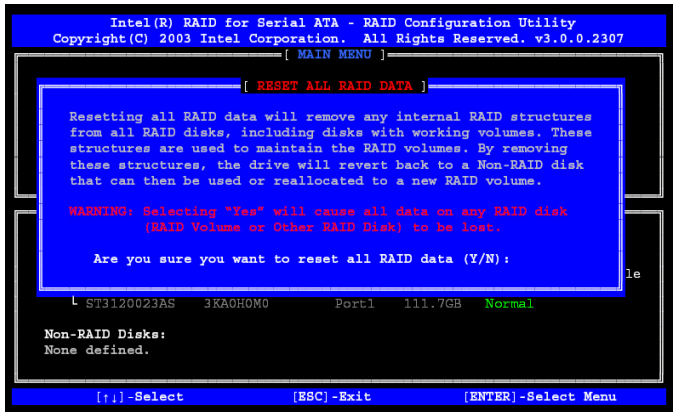
Select a volume and press <Del> to delete the RAID volume. The following prompt appears:



Press <Y> to delete the selected volume.

Option 3: Reset Disks to Non-RAID

Select option 3 Reset Disks to Non-RAID and press <Enter> to delete the RAID volume and remove any RAID structures from the drives. The following screen appears:



Press <Y> key to accept the selection.

Note: You will lose all data on the RAID drives and any internal RAID structures when you perform this operation.

Note: This operation may cause some issues such as incompatible RAID configuration, a failed volume or failed disk.

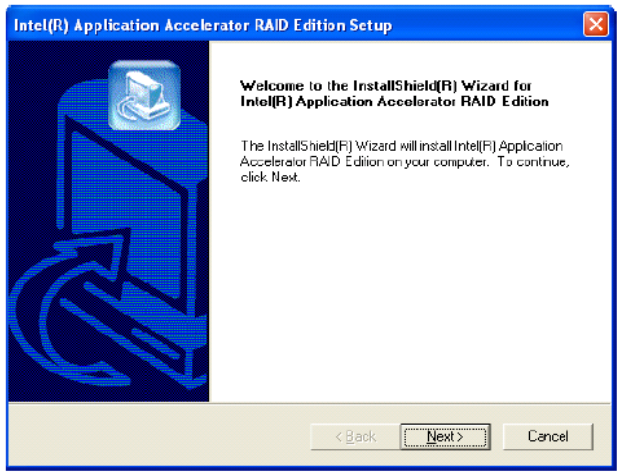
Installation of Intel® Application Accelerator RAID Utility

The Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition is the software package that enables high-performance RAID 0 or RAID 1 arrays in Windows® XP. This version of Intel® Application Accelerator contains the following key features:

- ***Serial ATA RAID driver for Windows® XP***
- ***Intel® Application Accelerator RAID Edition utility***
- ***Migration Feature***

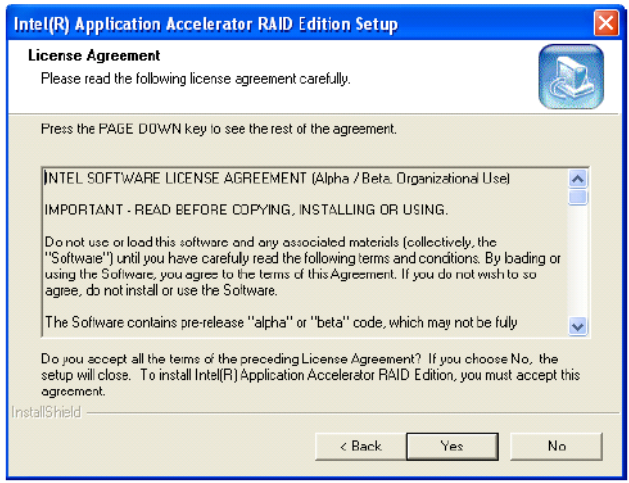
Insert the Acer System CD and click on the "Intel IAA RAID Edition" to install the software.

The InstallShield Wizard will automatically begin the installation process.

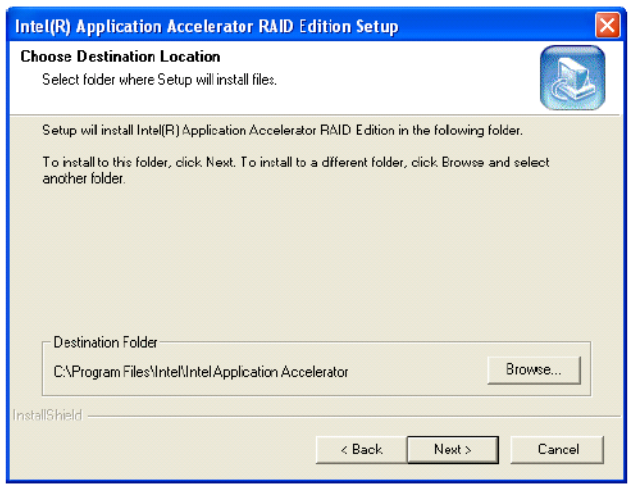


Click on the Next button to proceed from the installation welcome window.

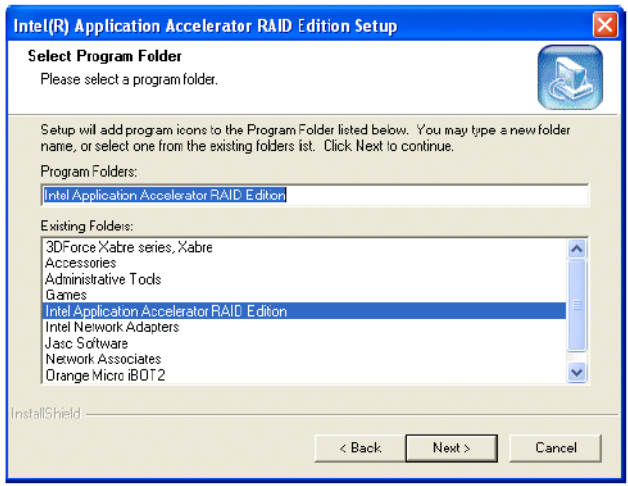
After reading the license agreement in the following window, click Yes button to continue.



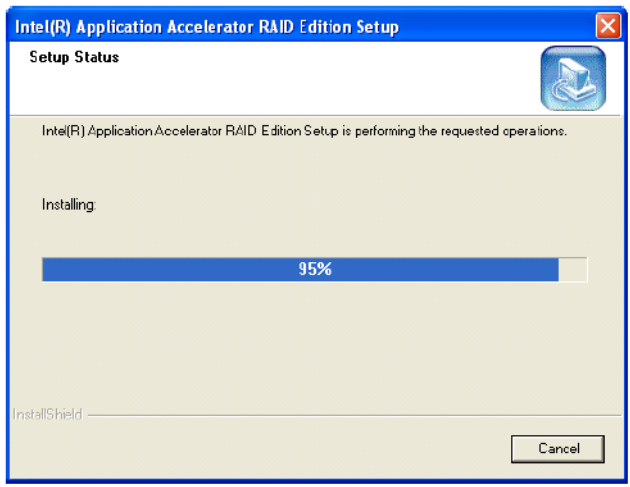
Select the folder in which you want the program to be installed in the following window, and click Next button to start installation.



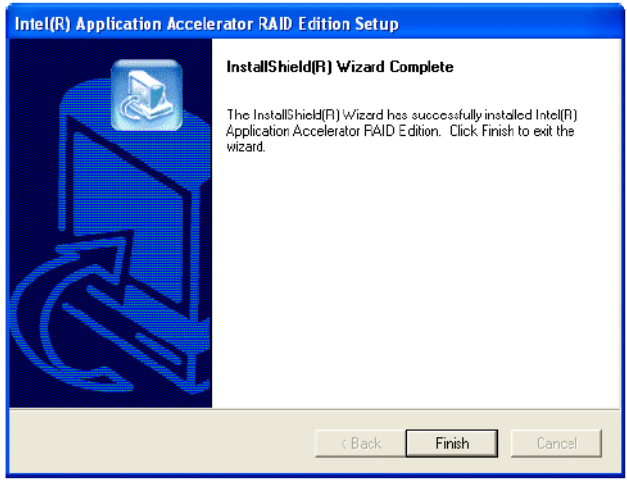
Select a program folder in the following window where you want Setup to add the program icon. Default is "Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition."



The following window appears to show the Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition Setup installation progress.



Once the installation is complete, the following window appears.



Click the Finish button to end the installation and exit the setup utility.

RAID Migration Instructions

The Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition offers the flexibility to upgrade from a single Serial ATA (SATA) hard drive to a two drive RAID-0 configuration when an additional SATA hard drive is added to the system. This process will create a new RAID volume from an existing disk. However, several important steps must be followed at the time the system is first configured in order to take advantage of RAID when upgrading to a second SATA hard drive.

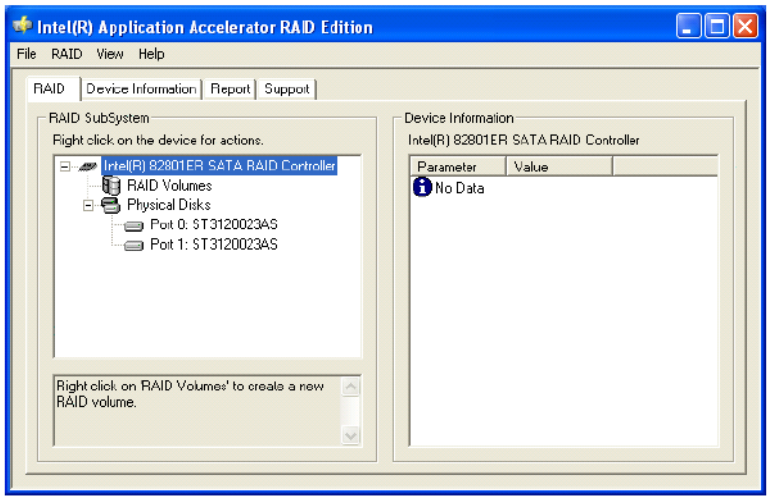
- ***BIOS must be configured for RAID before installing Windows XP on the single SATA hard drive.***
- ***Install the Intel Application Accelerator RAID driver during Windows Setup.***
- ***Install the Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition after the operating system is installed.***

Note: A Create from Existing Disk operation will delete all existing data from the added disk and the data cannot be recovered. It is critical to backup all important data on the added disk before proceeding. During the migration process, the data on the source disk will be preserved.

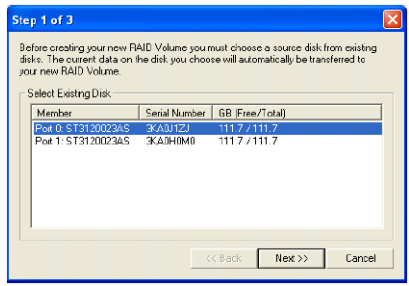
Create RAID Volume from Existing Disk

To create a RAID volume from an existing disk, right-click on "RAID Volume" and select "Create From Existing Disk" to create a new RAID volume as shown in the screen below. You

may also use the RAID drop-down menu and click on "Create Volume from Existing Disk."



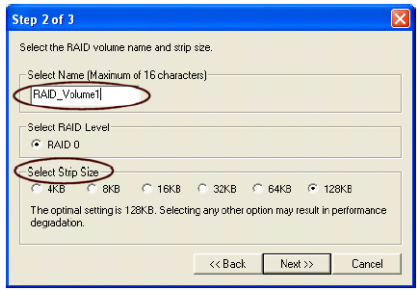
1. Select the source disk that you wish to use and then click Next.



Important: It is very important to note which disk is the source disk (the one containing all of the information to be migrated) and which one is the target disk. On a RAID Ready system, this can be determined by making a note during POST of which port (e.g. Port 0 or Port 1) the single disk is attached to. You can also use the Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition utility before the second disk is

installed to verify the Port and serial number of the drive that contains all the data.

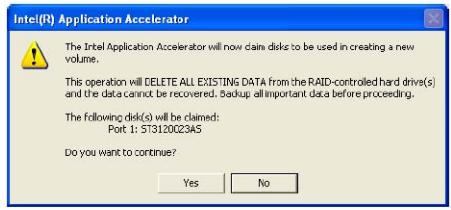
2. Select the RAID volume name and strip size, and click Next.

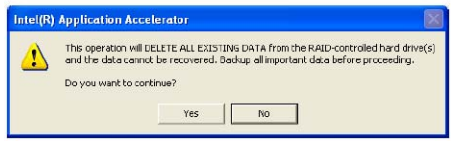


- ***RAID Volume Name - A desired RAID volume name needs to be typed in where the RAID_Volume1 text is shown above. The RAID volume name has a maximum limit of 16 characters. The RAID volume name must be in English alphanumeric ASCII characters.***
- ***Strip Size - Select the desired strip size setting. As indicated, the optimal setting is 128KB. Selecting any other option may result in performance degradation. Even though 128KB is the recommended setting for most users, you should choose the strip size value which is best suited to your specific RAID usage model. The most typical strip size settings are:***
  - ***4KB: For specialized usage models requiring 4KB strips***
  - ***8KB: For specialized usage models requiring 8KB strips***
  - ***16KB: Best for sequential transfers***
  - ***32KB: Good for sequential transfers***
  - ***64KB: Good general purpose strip size***
  - ***128KB: Best performance for most desktops and workstations***

Before you continue to Step 3 (by clicking Next in Step 2), read the next 2 dialog boxes carefully. Please note that once you have selected Migrate in Step 3, the Intel Application Accelerator RAID Edition will have claimed the disks to be used in creating a new volume and this operation cannot be undone.

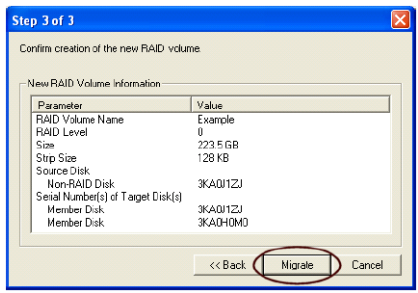
It is critical that you backup all important data before selecting Yes to these dialog boxes:





3. Confirm the creation of new RAID volume

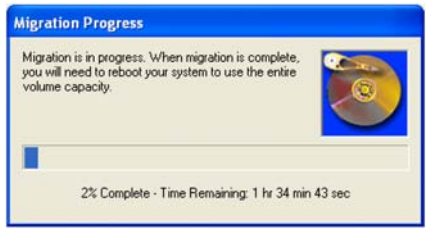
In Step 3, confirm the creation of the new RAID volume and then click Migrate:



Migration Process

The migration process may take up to two hours to complete depending on the size of the disks being used and the strip size selected. A dialog window will appear stating that the migration process may take considerable time to complete and you must click Yes in order to start the migration. While you can still continue using your computer during the migration process, once the migration process starts, it cannot be stopped. If the migration process gets interrupted and your

system is rebooted for any reason, it will pick up the migration process where it left off. You will be provided with an estimated completion time (the remaining time will depend on your system) once the migration process starts as illustrated in the following example:



The following screen appears if the migration process is completed successfully. Then you have to reboot your system to use the full capacity of the new volume.

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