

**TUF B450M-PRO GAMING** 

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# Safety information Electrical safety

- To prevent electrical shock hazard, disconnect the power cable from the electrical outlet before relocating the system.
- When adding or removing devices to or from the system, ensure that the power cables for the devices are unplugged before the signal cables are connected. If possible, disconnect all power cables from the existing system before you add a device.
- Before connecting or removing signal cables from the motherboard, ensure that all power cables are unplugged.
- Seek professional assistance before using an adapter or extension cord. These devices could interrupt the grounding circuit.
- Ensure that your power supply is set to the correct voltage in your area. If you are not sure about the voltage of the electrical outlet you are using, contact your local power company.
- If the power supply is broken, do not try to fix it by yourself. Contact a qualified service technician or your retailer.

# **Operation safety**

- Before installing the motherboard and adding components, carefully read all the manuals that came with the package.
- Before using the product, ensure all cables are correctly connected and the power cables are not damaged. If you detect any damage, contact your dealer immediately.
- To avoid short circuits, keep paper clips, screws, and staples away from connectors, slots, sockets and circuitry.
- Avoid dust, humidity, and temperature extremes. Do not place the product in any area
  where it may be exposed to moisture.
- Place the product on a stable surface.
- If you encounter technical problems with the product, contact a qualified service technician or your retailer.

# About this guide

This user guide contains the information you need when installing and configuring the motherboard.

# How this guide is organized

This guide contains the following parts:

• Chapter 1: Product introduction

This chapter describes the features of the motherboard and the new technology it supports. It includes descriptions of the switches, jumpers, and connectors on the motherboard.

Chapter 2: BIOS information

This chapter discusses changing system settings through the BIOS Setup menus.

#### Where to find more information

Refer to the following sources for additional information and for product and software updates.

#### 1. ASUS websites

The ASUS website provides updated information on ASUS hardware and software products. Refer to the ASUS contact information.

#### 2. Optional documentation

Your product package may include optional documentation, such as warranty flyers, that may have been added by your dealer. These documents are not part of the standard package.

## Conventions used in this guide

To ensure that you perform certain tasks properly, take note of the following symbols used throughout this manual.



**DANGER/WARNING:** Information to prevent injury to yourself when completing a task.



**CAUTION:** Information to prevent damage to the components when completing a task



**IMPORTANT:** Instructions that you MUST follow to complete a task.



NOTE: Tips and additional information to help you complete a task.

# **Typography**

Bold text	Indicates a menu or an item to select.
Italics	Used to emphasize a word or a phrase.
<key></key>	Keys enclosed in the less-than and greater-than sign means that you must press the enclosed key.
	Example: <enter> means that you must press the Enter or Return key.</enter>
<key1> + <key2> + <key3></key3></key2></key1>	If you must press two or more keys simultaneously, the key

names are linked with a plus sign (+).

# **Package contents**

Check your motherboard package for the following items.

Motherboard	ASUS TUF B450M-PRO GAMING motherboard		
Cables	2 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s cables		
Accessories	1 x I/O shield		
	1 x M.2 screw package (2-in-1)		
	1 x TUF Certification card		
	1 x TUF Gaming Sticker		
Application DVD	1 x Support DVD		
Documentation	1 x User Manual		



If any of the above items is damaged or missing, contact your retailer.

# **TUF B450M-PRO GAMING specifications summary**

ODU	AM4 socket for AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation Processors
CPU	Support CPU up to 8 cores*
	* Due to CPU limitation, CPU cores supported varies by processor.
	** Refer to www.asus.com for the AMD CPU support list.
Chipset	AMD B450 chipset
	AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation Processors
Memory	- 4 x DIMMs, max. 64GB, DDR4 3533(O.C.)/ 3466(O.C.)/ 3200(O.C.)/ 3000(O.C)/ 2800(O.C.)/ 2666/ 2400/ 2133 MHz, un-buffered memory
Wellioty	Dual-channel memory architecture
	* ECC memory (ECC mode) support varies by CPU.
	** Hyper DIMM support is subject to the physical characteristics of individual CPUs.
	*** Refer to www.asus.com for the latest Memory QVL (Qualified Vendors List).
	AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation Processors
	- 1 x PCI Express 3.0/2.0 x16 slot (max. @x16 mode)
	AMD Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors
	- 1 x PCI Express 3.0/2.0 x16 slot (max. @x8 mode)
Expansion slots	AMD Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors
5.5.5	- 1 x PCI Express 3.0/2.0 x16 slot (max. @x4 mode)
	AMD B450 Chipset:
	- 1 x PCI Express 2.0 x16 slot (max. @ x4 mode)
	- 1 x PCI Express 2.0 x1 slot
	Integrated Graphics in the AMD Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors
Graphics	Multi-VGA output support: HDMI and DVI-D ports
	- Supports HDMI 2.0b with maximum resolution of 4096 x 2160 @60Hz
	- Supports DVI-D with maximum resolution of 1920 x 1200 @60Hz

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# **TUF B450M-PRO GAMING specifications summary**

Multi-GPU support	Supports AMD CrossFireX™ Technology
Storage	AMD Ryzen™ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1 <sup>st</sup> Generation Processors  - 2 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors with RAID 0, RAID 1 and RAID 10 support  AMD Ryzen™ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1 <sup>st</sup> Generation Processors  - 1 x M.2_1 socket 3 with M Key, Type 2242/2260/2280 (PCIe 3.0 x4 mode and SATA mode) storage devices support*  Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors  - 1 x M.2_1 socket 3 with M Key, Type 2242/2260/2280 (SATA mode) storage devices support*  Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors  - 1 x M.2_1 socket 3 with M Key, Type 2242/2260/2280 (SATA mode) storage devices support*  AMD B450 Chipset  - 4 x Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors with RAID 0, RAID 1 and RAID 10 support  - 1 x M.2_2 socket 3 with M Key, Type 2242/2260/2280 (PCIe 3.0 x2 mode and SATA mode) storage devices support**  * The M.2_1 Socket shares bandwidth with the SATA_5/6 ports, and therefore the SATA_5/6 ports cannot be used when an M.2 device is installed.  ** The M.2_2 Socket shares bandwidth with the SATA_3/4 ports, and therefore the SATA_3/4 ports, and therefore the SATA_3/4 ports, and therefore the SATA_3/4 ports cannot be used when an M.2 device is installed.
LAN	Realtek® 8111H Gigabit LAN controller
Audio	Realtek® \$1200A 8-Channel High Definition Audio CODEC  Exclusive DTS Custom for GAMING Headsets  Audio Shielding: Ensures precision analog/digital separation and greatly reduces multi-lateral interference  Dedicated audio PCB layers: Separate layers for left and right channels to guard the quality of the sensitive audio signals  Premium Japanese audio capacitors: Provide warm, natural and immersive sound with exceptional clarity and fidelity.  Supports jack-detection and front panel jack-retasking  Audio Cover: Effective shielding preserves the integrity of audio signals to ensure best quality.  Use a chassis with HD audio module in the front panel to support an 8-channel audio output.
USB	AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation Processors  - 3 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) ports (2 Type-A ports at the rear panel, 1 Type-C port at the rear panel)  AMD B450 Chipset  - 1 x USB 3.1 Gen 2 (up to 10Gbps) port (at the rear panel)  - 2 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) ports (2 ports at mid-board)  - 6 x USB 2.0 / 1.1 ports (2 ports at the rear panel; 4 ports at mid-board)
ASUS unique features	Dependable Stability ASUS TUF PROTECTION  - ASUS SafeSlot - Protect your graphics card investment  - ASUS LANGuard - Protects against LAN surges, lightning strikes and static-electricity discharges!  - ASUS Overvoltage Protection: World-class circuit-protecting power design  - ASUS Stainless-Steel Back I/O: 3X corrosion-resistance for greater durability!  - ASUS DIGI+ VRM: Precision control for stable power

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# **TUF B450M-PRO GAMING specifications summary**

	Superb performance		
	UEFI BIOS		
	Most advanced options with fast response time		
	Gaming		
	Aura		
	- Bring up your Build		
	ASUS Exclusive Features		
	- ASUS AI Charger		
	- ASUS AI Suite 3		
ASUS unique	- ASUS PC Cleaner		
features	Easy PC DIY		
	Safe motherboard mounting		
	- Component-free areas to minimize damage risk		
	Q-Design		
	- ASUS Q-DIMM		
	- ASUS Q-Slot		
	UEFI BIOS EZ Mode		
	- featuring a friendly graphics user interface		
	- ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3		
	- ASUS EZ Flash 3		
ASUS Quiet	Quiet Thermal Design:		
Thermal	- Stylish Fanless Design: MOS Heat-sink & Chipset Heat-sink solution		
Solution	- ASUS Fan Xpert 2+		
	1 x PS/2 keyboard/mouse combo port		
	1 x HDMI port		
	1 x DVI-D port		
Rear panel I/O	1 x LAN (RJ-45) port		
ports	1 x USB 3.1 Gen 2 (up to 10Gbps) port		
	3 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) ports (2 Type-A, 1 Type-C)		
	2 x USB 2.0/1.1 ports		
	3 x Audio jacks support 8-channel audio output		
	1 x USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) connector supports additional 2 USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports		
	2 x USB 2.0/1.1 connectors support additional 4 USB 2.0/1.1 ports		
	2 x M.2 socket 3 for M Key and type 2242/2260/2280 devices (both SATA		
	mode & PCIe mode)		
	6 x SATA 6.0 Gb/s connectors		
	1 x COM connector		
	1 x CPU Fan connector		
Internal	2 x Aura RGB Strip headers		
connectors	2 x Chassis Fan connectors (Support DC & PWM mode)		
	1 x Front panel audio connector		
	1 x 24-pin EATX power connector		
	1 x 8-pin EATX 12V power connector		
	1 x 2-pin Clear CMOS header		
	1 x S/PDIF out connector		
	1 x Speaker connector		
	1 x System panel connector		

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# **TUF B450M-PRO GAMING specifications summary**

BIOS features	128 Mb Flash ROM, UEFI AMI BIOS, PnP,SM BIOS 3.1, ACPI 6.1, Multi- language BIOS, ASUS EZ Flash 3, ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3, F3 My Favorite, Last Modified log, F12 PrintScreen, F6 Q-Fan Control, F4 AURA ON/OFF, F9 Search, and ASUS DRAM SPD (Serial Presence Detect) memory information
Manageability	WOL by PME, PXE
Support DVD	Drivers ASUS utilities ASUS Update Anti-virus software (OEM version)
OS support	Windows® 10 (64-bit) Windows® 7 (64-bit)*  * To support Windows® 7 64-bit, you need to use an AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation or Ryzen™ 1st Generation processor.
Form factor	uATX form factor: 9.6 in. x 9.6 in. (24.4 cm x 24.4 cm)



Specifications are subject to change without notice.

# **Product introduction**



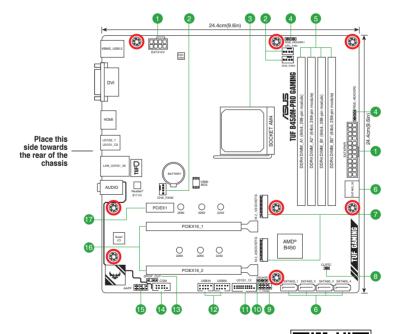
# Before you proceed

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



- Unplug the power cord from the wall socket before touching any component.
- Before handling components, use a grounded wrist strap or touch a safely grounded object or a metal object, such as the power supply case, to avoid damaging them due to static electricity.
- Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the ATX power supply is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, or components.

#### Motherboard overview





Scan the QR code to get the detailed pin definitions.





#### ATX power connectors (24-pin EATXPWR, 8-pin EATX12V)

These connectors are for ATX power supply plugs. The power supply plugs are designed to fit these connectors in only one orientation. Find the proper orientation and push down firmly until the connectors completely fit.



- We recommend that you use an ATX 12V Specification 2.0-compliant power supply unit (PSU) with a minimum of 350W power rating. This PSU type has 24-pin and 8-pin power plugs.
- DO NOT forget to connect the 8-pin EATX +12V power plug. Otherwise, the system will not boot up.
- We recommend that you use a PSU with higher power output when configuring a system with more power-consuming devices or when you intend to install additional devices. The system may become unstable or may not boot up if the power is inadequate.



#### CPU and chassis fan connectors (4-pin CPU\_FAN, 4-pin CHA\_FAN1/2)

Connect the fan cables to the fan connectors on the motherboard, ensuring that the black wire of each cable matches the ground pin of the connector.



Do not forget to connect the fan cables to the fan connectors. Insufficient air flow inside the system may damage the motherboard components. These are not jumpers! Do not place jumper caps on the fan connectors! The CPU\_FAN connector supports a CPU fan of maximum 1A (12 W) fan power.



#### AMD AM4 CPU socket

The motherboard comes with an AMD AM4 socket designed for AMD Ryzen<sup>™</sup> 2nd Generation/ Ryzen<sup>™</sup> with Radeon<sup>™</sup> Vega Graphics/ Athlon<sup>™</sup> with Radeon<sup>™</sup> Vega Graphics/ Ryzen<sup>™</sup> 1st Generation processors.



For more details, refer to Central Processing Unit (CPU).

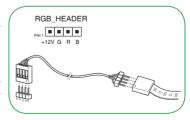


#### Aura RGB Strip headers (4-pin RGB HEADER1/2)

These headers are for RGB LED strips.



The RGB headers support 5050 RGB multi-color LED strips (12V/G/R/B), with a maximum power rating of 3A (12V), and no longer than 3m.





Before you install or remove any component, ensure that the ATX power

supply is switched off or the power cord is detached from the power supply. Failure to do so may cause severe damage to the motherboard, peripherals, or components.



- Actual lighting and color will vary with LED strip.
- If your LED strip does not light up, check if the RGB LED extension cable and the RGB LED strip is connected in the correct orientation, and the 12V connector is aligned with the 12V header on the motherboard.
- The LED strip will only light up when the system is operating.
- The LED strips are purchased separately.



#### **DDR4 DIMM slots**

Install 2 GB, 4 GB, 8 GB, and 16 GB unbuffered DDR4 DIMMs into these DIMM sockets.



For more details, refer to System memory.



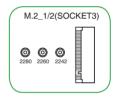
#### AMD Serial ATA 6.0Gb/s connectors (7-pin SATA6G\_1~6)

These connectors connect to Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s hard disk drives via Serial ATA 6.0 Gb/s signal cables.



#### M.2 socket 3 (M.2\_1, M.2\_2)

These sockets allow you to install M.2 (NGFF) SSD modules.





- For AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation processors, the M.2\_1 socket supports PCle 3.0 x4 mode and SATA mode, M Key design, and type 2242 / 2260 / 2280 storage devices.
- For Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics processors, the M.2\_1 socket supports SATA mode, M Key design, and type 2242 / 2260 / 2280 storage devices.
- For AMD B450 Chipset, the M.2\_2 socket supports PCIe 3.0 x2 mode and SATA mode, M Key design, and type 2242 / 2260 / 2280 storage devices.
- The M.2\_1 Socket shares bandwidth with the SATA\_5/6 ports, and therefore the SATA\_5/6 ports cannot be used when an M.2 device is installed.
- The M.2\_2 Socket shares bandwidth with the SATA\_3/4 ports, and therefore the SATA 3/4 ports cannot be used when an M.2 device is installed.

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#### Clear RTC RAM (2-pin CLRTC)

This header allows you to clear the CMOS RTC RAM data of the system setup information such as date, time, and system passwords.



#### To erase the RTC RAM:

- 1. Turn OFF the computer and unplug the power cord.
- Use a metal object such as a screwdriver to short the two pins.
- 3. Plug the power cord and turn ON the computer.
- Hold down the < Del> key during the boot process and enter BIOS setup to re-enter data.



If the steps above do not help, remove the onboard battery and short the two pins again to clear the CMOS RTC RAM data. After clearing the CMOS, reinstall the battery.

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#### System panel connector (10-1 pin F\_PANEL)

This connector supports several chassis-mounted functions.

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#### Speaker connector (4-pin SPEAKER)

This 4-pin connector is for the chassis-mounted system warning speaker. The speaker allows you to hear system beeps and warnings.

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#### USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) connector (20-1 pin U31G1\_12)

Connect a USB 3.1 Gen 1 module to this connector for additional USB 3.1 Gen 1 front or rear panel ports. This connector complies with USB 3.1 Gen 1 specifications and provide faster data transfer speeds of up to 5 Gbps, faster charging time for USB-chargeable devices, optimized power efficiency, and backward compatibility with USB 2.0.

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#### USB 2.0 connectors (10-1 pin USB34, USB56)

These connectors are for USB 2.0 ports. Connect the USB module cable to any of these connector, then install the module to a slot opening at the back of the system chassis. These USB connectors comply with USB 2.0 specifications and supports up to 480Mbps connection speed.

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#### Digital audio connector (4-1 pin SPDIF\_OUT)

This connector is for an additional Sony/Philips Digital Interface (S/PDIF) port. Connect the S/PDIF Out module cable to this connector, then install the module to a slot opening at the back of the system chassis.





#### Serial port connector (10-1 pin COM)

This connector is for a serial (COM) port. Connect the serial port module cable to this connector, then install the module to a slot opening at the back of the system chassis.





#### Front panel audio connector (10-1 pin AAFP)

This connector is for a chassis-mounted front panel audio I/O module that supports HD audio standard. Connect one end of the front panel audio I/O module cable to this connector.



- We recommend that you connect a high-definition front panel audio module to this connector to avail of the motherboard's high-definition audio capability.
- If you want to connect a high-definition front panel audio module to this
  connector, set the Front Panel Type item in the BIOS setup to [HD Audio].By
  default, this connector is set to [HD Audio].



#### PCI Express 3.0/2.0 x16 slots

This motherboard supports two PCI Express 3.0/2.0 x16 graphic cards complying with the PCI Express specifications.

## AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation Processors

VOA Confirmation	PCIe operating mode		
VGA Configuration	PCle 3.0 x16_1	PCle 2.0 x16_2	
Single VGA/PCIe card	x16	N/A	
Dual VGA/PCle card	x16	x4	

#### AMD Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics Processors

VOA Confirmation	PCIe operating mode		
VGA Configuration	PCle 3.0 x16_1	PCle 2.0 x16_2	
Single VGA/PCIe card	x8	N/A	
Dual VGA/PCIe card	x8	x4	



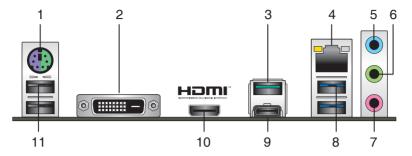
- In single VGA card mode, use the PCle 3.0/2.0 x16\_1 slot (gray) for a PCl Express x16 graphics card to get better performance.
- We recommend that you provide sufficient power when running CrossFireX™ mode.
- Connect a chassis fan to the motherboard connector labeled CHA\_FAN1/2 when using multiple graphics cards for better thermal environment.



#### PCI Express 2.0 x1 slot

This motherboard has a PCI Express 2.0 x1 slot that supports PCI Express 2.0 x1 network cards, SCSI cards, and other cards that comply with the PCI Express specifications.

## Rear panel connectors



- 1. **PS/2 keyboard/mouse combo port.** This port is for a PS/2 mouse or keyboard.
- 2. DVI-D port. This port is for any DVI-D compatible device.



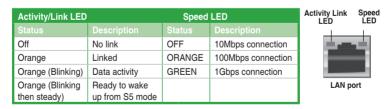
DVI-D can not be converted to output from RGB Signal to CRT and is not compatible with DVI-I

3. USB 3.1 Gen 2 (up to 10Gbps) port (teal blue, Type A). This 9-pin Universal Serial Bus 3.1 (USB 3.1) port is for USB 3.1 Gen 2 devices.



- USB 3.1 Gen 2 / Gen 1 devices can only be used for data storage.
- Due to the design of the AMD AM4 series chipset, all USB devices connected to the USB 2.0 and USB 3.1 Gen 2 / Gen 1 ports are controlled by the xHCl controller.
- We strongly recommend that you connect USB 3.1 Gen 2 devices to USB 3.1 Gen 2 ports for faster and better performance from your USB 3.1 Gen 2 devices.
- LAN (RJ-45) port. This port allows Gigabit connection to a Local Area Network (LAN) through a network hub. Refer to the table below for the LAN port LED indications.

#### LAN port LED indications



- Line In port (light blue). This port connects to the tape, CD, DVD player, or other audio sources.
- Line Out port (lime). This port connects to a headphone or a speaker. In the 4.1, 5.1 and 7.1-channel configurations, the function of this port becomes Front Speaker Out.

7. Microphone port (pink). This port connects to a microphone.



Refer to the audio configuration table for the function of the audio ports in 2.1, 4.1, 5.1, or 7.1-channel configuration.

#### Audio 2.1, 4.1, 5.1, or 7.1-channel configuration

Port	Headset 2.1-channel	4.1-channel	5.1-channel	7.1-channel
Light Blue (Rear panel)	Line In	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out	Rear Speaker Out
Lime (Rear panel)	Line Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out	Front Speaker Out
Pink (Rear panel)	Mic In	Mic In	Bass/Center	Bass/Center
Lime (Front panel)	-	-	-	Side Speaker Out

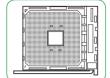
 USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) ports. These 9-pin Universal Serial Bus (USB) ports connect to USB 3.1 Gen 1 devices.



- USB 3.1 Gen 1 devices can only be used for data storage.
- Due to the design of the AMD AM4 series chipset, all USB devices connected to the USB 2.0 and USB 3.1 Gen 1 ports are controlled by the xHCl controller.
- USB 3.1 Gen 1 (up to 5Gbps) Type C port. This Universal Serial Bus (USB) Type C port is for USB 3.1 Gen 1 mobile or peripheral devices.
- HDMI port. This port is for a High-Definition Multimedia Interface (HDMI) connector, and is HDCP compliant allowing playback of HD DVD, Blu-Ray, and other protected content.
- USB 2.0 ports. These 4-pin Universal Serial Bus (USB) ports are for USB 2.0/1.1 devices

# **Central Processing Unit (CPU)**

The motherboard comes with an AMD AM4 socket designed for AMD Ryzen™ 2nd Generation/ Ryzen™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Athlon™ with Radeon™ Vega Graphics/ Ryzen™ 1st Generation processors.





Unplug all power cables before installing the CPU.



The AM4 socket has a different pinout from the FM2+/FM2 socket. Ensure that you use a CPU designed for the AM4 socket. The CPU fits in only one correct orientation. DO NOT force the CPU into the socket to prevent bending the pins and damaging the CPU!

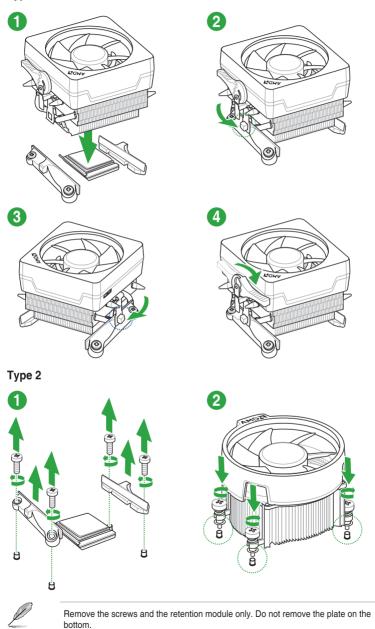
# Installing the CPU



Apply the Thermal Interface Material to the CPU heatsink and CPU before you install the heatsink and fan if necessary.

# Installing the CPU heatsink and fan assembly

Type 1



# System memory

#### Overview

This motherboard comes with four Double Data Rate 4 (DDR4) Dual Inline Memory Module (DIMM) sockets. The figure illustrates the location of the DDR4 DIMM sockets:



Channel	Sockets	
Channel A	DIMM_A1 & DIMM_A2*	
Channel B	DIMM_B1 & DIMM_B2*	

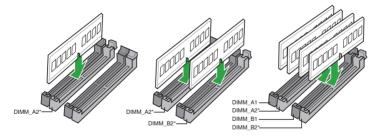


- You may install varying memory sizes in Channel A and Channel B. The system
  maps the total size of the lower-sized channel for the dual-channel configuration. Any
  excess memory from the higher-sized channel is then mapped for single-channel
  operation.
- Always install DIMMs with the same CAS latency. For optimal compatibility, we
  recommend that you install memory modules of the same version or date code (D/C)
  from the same vendor. Check with the retailer to get the correct memory modules.

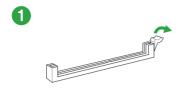


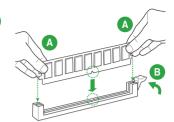
- For system stability, use a more efficient memory cooling system to support a full memory load (4 DIMMs).
- Refer to <u>www.asus.com</u> for the latest Memory QVL (Qualified Vendors List)

## **Recommended memory configurations**

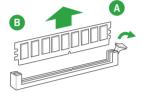


# Installing a DIMM





## To remove a DIMM



# **BIOS** information





- Scan the QR code to view the BIOS update guide.
- Before using the ASUS CrashFree BIOS 3 utility, rename the BIOS file in the removable device into TB450MPR.CAP.



# **BIOS setup program**

Use the BIOS Setup program to update the BIOS or configure its parameters. The BIOS screens include navigation keys and brief online help to guide you in using the BIOS Setup program.

#### **Entering BIOS Setup at startup**

#### To enter BIOS Setup at startup:

Press <Delete> or <F2> during the Power-On Self Test (POST). If you do not press <Delete> or <F2>, POST continues with its routines.

#### **Entering BIOS Setup after POST**

#### To enter BIOS Setup after POST:

Press <Ctrl>+<Alt>+<Del> simultaneously.

Press the reset button on the system chassis.

Press the power button to turn the system off then back on. Do this option only if you failed to enter BIOS Setup using the first two options.



Using the power button, reset button, or the <Ctrl>+<Alt>+<Del> keys to force reset from a running operating system can cause damage to your data or system. We recommend you always shut down the system properly from the operating system.



- The BIOS setup screens shown in this section are for reference purposes only, and may not exactly match what you see on your screen.
- Visit the ASUS website at <u>www.asus.com</u> to download the latest BIOS file for this motherboard.
- If the system becomes unstable after changing any BIOS setting, load the default settings to ensure system compatibility and stability. Select the Load Optimized Defaults item under the Exit menu or press hotkey F5.
- If the system fails to boot after changing any BIOS setting, try to clear the CMOS and
  reset the motherboard to the default value. See section Motherboard overview for
  information on how to erase the RTC RAM.

#### BIOS menu screen

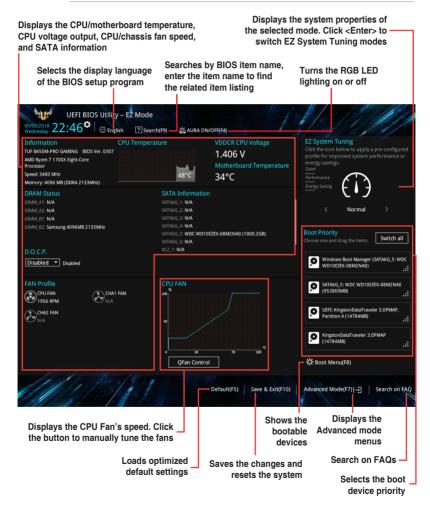
The BIOS setup program can be used under two modes: **EZ Mode** and **Advanced Mode**. Press <F7> to change between the two modes.

#### F7 Mode

By default, the EZ Mode screen appears when you enter the BIOS setup program. The EZ Mode provides you an overview of the basic system information, and allows you to select the display language, system performance mode, fan profile and boot device priority. To access the Advanced Mode, click **Advanced Mode(F7)** or press <F7>.



The default screen for entering the BIOS setup program can be changed. Refer to the **Setup Mode** item under the **Boot** menu for details.





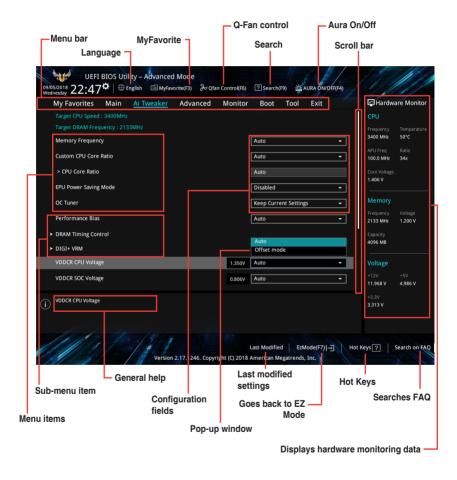
The boot device options vary depending on the devices you installed to the system.

## **Advanced Mode**

The Advanced Mode provides advanced options for experienced end-users to configure the BIOS settings. The figure below shows an example of the **Advanced Mode**. Refer to the following sections for the detailed configurations.



To access the EZ Mode, click **EzMode(F7)** or press <F7>.



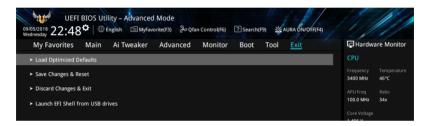
#### Search on FAQ

Move your mouse over this button to show a QR code. Scan this QR code with your mobile device to connect to the ASUS BIOS FAQ web page. You can also scan the QR code below.



#### Exit menu

The Exit menu items allow you to load the optimal default values for the BIOS items, and save or discard your changes to the BIOS items.



#### **Load Optimized Defaults**

This option allows you to load the default values for each of the parameters on the Setup menus. When you select this option or if you press <F5>, a confirmation window appears. Select OK to load the default values.

#### Save Changes & Reset

Once you are finished making your selections, choose this option from the Exit menu to ensure the values you selected are saved. When you select this option or if you press <F10>, a confirmation window appears. Select OK to save changes and exit.

#### **Discard Changes & Exit**

This option allows you to exit the Setup program without saving your changes. When you select this option or if you press <Esc>, a confirmation window appears. Select OK to discard changes and exit.

#### Launch EFI Shell from USB drives

This option allows you to attempt to launch the EFI Shell application (shellx64.efi) from one of the available USB devices.

# **Appendix**

#### **Notices**

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