Setup Utility

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Setup Utility access

The Setup Utility allows you to view system information, manage computer settings, and change system defaults.

The Setup Utility is a preinstalled, ROM-based utility that can be used even when the operating system is not working properly. If the operating system is working, the computer restarts the operating system after you exit the Setup Utility.

To navigate in the Setup Utility:

- You must use the keyboard arrow keys to navigate and make selections. Pointing devices are not supported in the Setup Utility.
- An external keyboard connected to a USB port can be used to navigate the Setup Utility.

To access the Setup Utility:

1. Open the Setup Utility by turning on or restarting the computer, and then pressing **f10** while the "Press <F10> to enter setup" message is displayed in the lower-left corner of the screen.
2. To view general help information, press **f1**.
3. Select the **Main**, **Security**, **System Configuration**, or **Diagnostics** menu. An overview of Setup Utility features is provided in Chapter 4, "Setup Utility menus."

To exit the Setup Utility:

1. To exit the Setup Utility without saving your preferences, use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Discarding Changes**, and then press **enter**.
2. To save your preferences and exit the Setup Utility:

   Use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Saving Changes**, press **enter**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

   – or –

   Press **f10**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

Your preferences go into effect when the computer restarts.

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Setup Utility language

To select a language:

1. Open the Setup Utility by turning on or restarting the computer, and then pressing **f10** while the "Press <F10> to enter setup" message is displayed in the lower-left corner of the screen.
2. Use the arrow keys to select **System Configuration > Language Support**, and then press **enter**.
3. Press **f5** or **f6** to change a language, or press **enter** to select a language.
4. Save your preferences and exit the Setup Utility:

   Use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Saving Changes**, press **enter**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

   – or –

   Press **f10**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

Your preferences go into effect when the computer restarts.

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Setup Utility defaults

To return all settings in the Setup Utility to the values that were set at the factory:

1. Open the Setup Utility by turning on or restarting the computer, and then pressing **f10** while the "Press <F10> to enter setup" message is displayed in the lower-left corner of the screen.
2. To reset the Setup Utility factory defaults:

   Press **f9**.

   – or –

   Use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Load Setup Defaults**, and then press **enter**.
3. When the **Setup Confirmation** dialog box is displayed, press **enter**.
4. To save your preferences and exit the Setup Utility:

   Use the arrow keys to select **Exit > Exit Saving Changes**, press **enter**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

   – or –

   Press **f10**, and then follow the instructions on the screen.

Your preferences go into effect when the computer restarts.

Your password, security, and language settings are not changed when you restore the factory default settings.

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Setup Utility menus

Main menu

Select	To do this
System information	■ View and change the system time and date. ■ View identification information about the computer. ■ View specification information about the processor, memory size, system BIOS, and keyboard controller version (select models only).

Security menu

Select	To do this
Administrator Password	Enter, change, or delete an administrator password.
Power-On Password	Enter, change, or delete a power-on password.

System Configuration menu

Select	To do this
Video Memory Mode (select models only)	View information about the video memory.
Language Support	Change the Setup Utility language.
Boot Order	Set the boot order for the diskette drive, CD-ROM drive, hard drive, and network adapter.
WLAN Device Radio Embedded	Enable/disable an embedded wireless LAN device.
Embedded Bluetooth® device (select models only)	Enable/disable an embedded Bluetooth device.
Enhanced SATA support	Enable/disable enhanced SATA mode.
Boot Options	Set the following boot options: ■ f10 and f12 Delay (sec)—Set the delay for the f10 and f12 functions of the Setup Utility in intervals of 5 seconds each (0, 5, 10, 15, 20). ■ CD-ROM boot—Enable/disable boot from CD-ROM. ■ Floppy boot—Enable/disable boot from external diskette drive (select models only). ■ Internal Network Adapter boot—Enable/disable boot from Internal Network Adapter.

Diagnostics menu

Select	To Do This
Hard Disk Self-Test	Run a comprehensive self-test on the hard drive. ✎ On models with two hard drives, this menu option is called the **Primary Hard Disk Self-test**.
Secondary Hard Disk Self-Test (select models only)	Run a comprehensive self-test on a secondary hard drive.

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