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# **Revision History**

Revision	Date	Description of change
A01	2	First release of the Service Manintenance Manual describing the STARION 400/500/700 series computer.



# Preface

The Digital STARION 400/500/700 PC Family Service Maintenance Manual is a troubleshooting guide that can be used for reference when servicing the STARION 400/500/700 line of PC's. Digital Equipment Corporation reserves the right to make changes to the Digital STARION 400/500/700 series without notice. Accordingly, the diagrams and procedures in this document may not apply to the computer(s) you are servicing since many of the diagnostic tests are designed to test more than one product.



#### CAUTION

Digital recommends that only A+ certified engineers should attempt to repair this equipment. All troubleshooting and repair procedures are detailed to support subassembly/module level exchange. Because of the complexity of the indivual boards and subassemblies, no one should attempt to make repairs at component level or to make modifications to any printed wiring board. Improper repairs can create a safety hazard. Any indications of component replacement or printed wiring board modifications may void warranty or exchange allowances.

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# Chapter 1

# **Product Description**

## **Product Introduction**

STARION 400/500/700 computers are high-performance personal computers equipped with the latest in computing technology. They can be used as stand-alone computers, as clients, or as servers in a network environment. Developed using the following state-of-the-art technology, these computers are the most value packed mini-deskside computers in their class.

- ♦ Microprocessor
  - ♦ 60 or 90 MHz Pentium processor
- ♦ Memory
  - ◊ STARION 400/500, 8 MB System RAM, expandable to up to 128 MB
  - STARION 700, 8 MB System RAM, expandable up to 72 MB
- ♦ Cache
  - STARION400, 0Kb, upgradable to 256KB
  - STARION500, 256KB, upgradable to 512KB
  - STARION700, 256KB, not upgradable
- PCI Local Bus Technology
  - Onboard Video Cirrus Logic, 64-bit, and advanced video cache technology to take full advantage of the computers CPU
- ♦ Video Memory
  - ♦ standard with a minimum of 1 MB of onboard DRAM
- ♦ Fax/Modem/Sound Card
  - ◊ Sophisticated fax/data/voice modem and 16-bit FM synthesis sound card CD-ROM Reader
- Double-speed CD-ROM reader
  - Industry-standard IDE/ATAPI interface and audio capability

### Product Introduction (continued)

- Tape Backup System (STARION 500/700 Only)
  - ♦ 250 MB capacity (using compress) or 125 MB native
- ♦ IDE
  - $\Diamond$  Model 400/500 Standard ISA IDE interface supports up to two devices
  - Model 700 Standard ISA IDE interface supports up to two devices
  - OPCI-IDE interface supports up to two additional enhanced IDE devices

# **Product Models Information**

### STARION 400/500/700 Models

Product	Model	CPU	HDD	Memory
STARION 400	FR-902AA-A2	60 Mhz Pent.	540MB	8MB
STARION 500	FR-902AA-A1	60 Mhz Pent.	540MB	8MB
STARION 700	FR-903AA-A1	90 Mhz Pent.	730MB	8MB

Product	Video	Cache	CDROM	Tape
STARION 400	C&T63400	0	2-Speed	None
STARION 500	C&T63400	256KB	2-Speed	250MB
STARION 700	Cirrus 5434	256KB	2-Speed	250MB

# Chapter 2 Server Utilities & Configuration

## System Utilities

This chapter describes how to use the utilities and video drivers supplied with the STARION 400/500/700 computer. These utilities and drivers have been factory installed on the hard disk drive. You may use the video utilities to change video graphics settings of the monitor. Additional video drivers, utility programs, and device drivers have also been factory installed as image files on the hard disk drive. This chapter also describes PHLASH.EXE, which is not supplied with the computer. This utility is available only via bulletin board distribution to customers needing BIOS upgrades.

#### **Before Using System Utilities and Video Drivers**

When unfamiliar with utility programs, video drivers, and their uses, carefully read this chapter before attempting to use any of the utilities or installing video drivers.

#### **Using Utilities & Video Drivers**

The system utilities and video drivers enable to take full advantage of the computers enhanced video features. Use the following information to reset the video mode of the monitor, or to load MS-DOS application drivers if the are using various non-Windows CAD or business software.

NOTE	If this is the first time using these utility programs and/or video drivers, it is
	recommended to follow the procedures in the order given.

- 1) Turn on or reboot the computer. If POST detects an error, refer to *Chapter 4*, "*Troubleshooting*" for possible causes and suggested solutions.
- 2) If necessary, run PHLASH.EXE to upgrade or restore the computer's BIOS.
- 3) Install any applicable DOS or CAD application video drivers. Additional information about these drivers is provided later in this chapter.

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4) Install any Windows 3.x video drivers. Additional information about these drivers is provided later in this chapter.



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#### PHLASH.EXE

All computers have BIOS software in a read-only, non-volatile memory (ROM) chip. This BIOS initializes hardware and boots the operating system when the computer is turned on. The BIOS also provides access to other services such as keyboard and disk drives.

The computer comes equipped with flash memory. This means that the computer's BIOS can be restored simply by running the PHLASH.EXE. The computer's BIOS can also be upgraded to future releases by running PHLASH.EXE along with any flash BIOS update diskette if necessary.

#### CAUTION

When not familiar with utility programs and their uses, carefully read all of the listed topics and be sure to understand them before attempting to use PHLASH.EXE.

Have the following items available:

- ♦ Blank 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch 1.44 MB formatted diskette
- Diskette copy of the system utilities

### **Creating a Crisis Recovery Diskette**

A crisis recovery diskette should always be prepared before attempting to upgrade the BIOS. This diskette is used to reprogram the BIOS in case the flash process fails. To create a crisis recovery diskette:

- 1) Turn on the computer and allow the POST to complete.
- 2) If POST detects an error refer to *Chapter 4*, *"Troubleshooting"* and take the appropriate steps to correct the problem. After the problem has been resolved, restart the computer.
- Insert the created diskette via the bulletin board and make sure the following files are in the UPGRADE directory:

MINIDOS.SYS PHLASH.EXE DEVTBLS.DAT PHLASH.INI STARION.ROM MAKEBOOT.EXE MAKECRD.EXE

# **NOTE** This diskette also contains multilingual BIOS files that can be used to change the language type in Setup.

- 4) Create the same directory on the hard disk drive and then copy the above files to it.
- 5) Insert a blank formatted diskette into drive A.
- 6) On drive A, make a directory for the files previously copied.
- 7) From drive C, type: MAKECRD. This copies the files to drive A.
- 8) Remove the crisis recovery diskette from drive A and store it in a safe place.

#### Using the Crisis Recovery Diskette

The crisis recovery diskette must be used only if the computers BIOS fails or if a BIOS upgrade was unsuccessful.

If the computers BIOS fails:

- 1) POST detects an error after a normal boot cycle or a BIOS upgrade.
- 2) The BIOS in the bootblock memory executes.
- 3) The computer beeps several times.
- 4) The diskette drive begins searching for the crisis recovery diskette.

On the STARION 700 only:

Set the recovery jumper (J1H1) to enabled. Insert the crisis recovery diskette into drive A and power on the computer. After the BIOS is restarted, turn off the power and remove the crisis recovery diskette from drive A. Turn the power back on for normal operation.

### **Upgrading The Computer's BIOS**

Perform the following steps to update the computer's BIOS in the flash memory:

- Turn on the computer and allow the POST to complete. If POST detects an error refer to *Chapter 4*, *"Troubleshooting"* and take the appropriate steps to correct the problem. After the problem has been resolved, restart the computer.
- 2) Create a crisis recovery diskette when not already done so.
- Refer to "Creating a Crisis Recovery Diskette".
- 3) Insert the system utilities diskette.
- 4) At the MS-DOS prompt, enter the following commands (press **[Enter]** after each command): *A*:

<b>CD\UPGRADE</b>
PHLASH. /E

A screen appears on the monitor warning that the computers BIOS is about to be erased.

- 5) Press [Enter] when continuation is wanted. If not, press [Esc] to cancel.
- 6) Once [Enter] is pressed, PHLASH.EXE automatically updates the computers BIOS.
- 7) After the flashing process completes, the computer automatically reboots itself so changes immediately take effect.
- 8) Remove the system utilities diskette.



## Video Drivers & Utilities

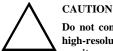
#### Setting High Resolution Mode for The Monitor Display

When having a high resolution monitor, you might want to run the Display Driver Control Panel located in the Program Manager Windows Control Panel Group. This utility is provided to allow to increase the computer video resolution output to match the display specifications of the monitor.

To change the video resolution, perform the following steps:

- 1) From the Program Manager, access the Windows Control Panel Group.
- For the STARION 400/500, double click on the ChipsCPL icon to open the Display Driver Control Panel. Select the monitor size, colors, and refresh settings that match the monitors specifications.
- 3) For the STARION 700, double click on the WinMode icon to open the video resolution control panel. Select the resolution, colors, font size, monitor refresh rate, font cache size to match the monitor specification and personal preferences.

**NOTE** If the monitor is not listed, select the 000, Generic VGA selection.



Do not connect a low resolution monitor to a system that has been configured with high-resolution video drivers. High resolution drivers can damage a  $640 \times 480$  monitor.

### **MS-DOS Application Video Drivers**

Various software drivers for popular MS-DOS based CAD and business applications have been provided on the MS-DOS video driver diskette that is made using the Program Disks and the Driver Disks tab. If you are using an older non-Windows application such as ACAD or Lotus for DOS, loading one or more of these drivers might be necessary.

### **Video Drivers for Windows**

The computer comes with the required Windows video display driver pre-installed at the factory. However, if the hard disk drive becomes corrupted, you might need to re-load the Windows video driver that has been provided on the Windows video driver diskette that is made using Program Disks and the Driver Disks tab. To reload the Windows driver, perform the following steps.

To install a Windows 3.x video driver, perform the following:

- Type *CD WINDOWS* at the C:\> prompt, then press [Enter]. The following prompt appears: *C*:\WINDOWS>.
- 2) Type **SETUP** and press [Enter]. The computer displays the SETUP screen.

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3) Select the Display option and press [Enter].

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- 4) Toggle through the Display option to select the appropriate Windows 3.x driver.
- 5) Select the desired video resolution then press [Enter].
- 6) If the appropriate video driver resides on a separate diskette, toggle through the Display option to select Other (Requires disk provided by hardware manufacturer).
- 7) Insert the diskette that contains the appropriate video driver and press [Enter].
- 8) Select the desired video resolution then press **[Enter]**. The video setup screen appears again with the S3 driver.

**NOTE** The resolution and refresh rate must be the same as the selection made using the SMTR.EXE utility.

- 9) Press [Enter] to accept the configuration.
- 10) The MS-DOS prompt appears when SETUP completes.
- 11) Type WIN and press [Enter] to start Microsoft Windows.

## **BIOS Setup Utility**

This chapter provides information on how to configure the computer using the BIOS Setup utility. If the computer was delivered with factory-installed software, it has already been configured.

When familiar with utility programs and their uses, refer to the appropriate sections in this chapter to set up or update the computer. Otherwise, carefully read this chapter before attempting to modify the computer's configuration settings.

#### Running the BIOS setup Ultility

The BIOS Setup utility enables to select and permanently store information about the computer's hardware and software in the battery-backed memory of the CMOS RAM. This information takes effect each time the computer boots and can be changed each time setup is runned.

Use the BIOS Setup utility when experiencing problems with the hard disk or when reconfiguration of the computer is necessary. In addition, the BIOS Setup utility might need to be used to modify the configuration after you add or remove hardware, or change computer settings.

To run the BIOS Setup utility, perform the following steps:

- 1) Turn on the computer and allow the POST to complete.
- 2) Make a note of any configuration errors listed, and then press [F2] to display the main menu.
- 3) Follow the instructions on the monitor screen and any on-line help pop-up screens to configure the computer.

### **Updating The Computer's Configuration**

The following sections list the BIOS Setup utility options that can be updated or modified using the following menu selections:

- Main enables to set basic computer configuration options (time, date, video, etc.)
- Advanced enables to set advanced features to increase computer performance (memory, COM ports, LPT port, etc.)
- Security enables to set passwords and backup data reminders
- Power enables to set power saving options to conserve electricity and increase the life of the computer
- Exit enables to quit the current menu and save setup changes

### **Helpful Hints**

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Below are some helpful hints when using the BIOS Setup utility:

- Several keyboard function keys and numeric keypad keys are assigned to help select menus and submenus, options, change option values, and display help information. These keys are displayed at the bottom of the main menu and from the General Help pop-up screen.
- 2) Item-specific help is available anytime during the setup process and appears at the right of the setup screen each time an option is highlighted. This on-line help provides information about a highlighted option.
- 3) Select "Save Changes & Exit" to save all Setup values.
- 4) Select "Discard Changes & Exit" to exit Setup without recording any changes.
- 5) Select "Get Default Values" to set all Setup options to their default values.
- 6) Select "Load Previous Changes" to restore all CMOS values from the last session.
- 7) Select "Save Changes" to save all selections without exiting Setup.
- 8) Press **[Esc]** to exit the Setup utility.

#### Starion 400/500 Main Menu Options

Menu Field	Settings	Comments
System time	Current time	Displays the current time.
System date	Current date	Displays the current date.
Language	English Español Français Deutsch Italiano	The system utilities diskette contains all the languages listed as possible settings. Use the PHLASH.EXE program and the desired language BIOS file to load a different language. The BIOS Setup utility choices are English and one other language. For example, English and French, English and German, depending on the ordered
		language kit.

Diskette A /	1.44 MB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Sets the size and density of diskette drives.
Diskette B	2.88 MB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	
	Not Installed	
	360 KB, 5¼	
	1.2 MB, 5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	
	720 KB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	

## Starion 400/500 Main Menu Options (continued)

Menu Field	Settings	Comments
Video system	EGA / VGA	Sets the video controller type.
	CGA 80x25	
	Monochrome	
System	Not user	Displays the amount of base (conventional) memory each time the
memory	selectable	computer boots.
Extended	Not user	Displays the amount of extended memory each time the computer
memory	selectable	boots.

## Starion 400/500 Boot Options

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Boot sequence	A: then C:	Each time the computer boots, it will load the operating system from
	C: then A:	the sequence selected.
	C: only	
SETUP	Enabled	Enables or disables the <f2> setup prompt each time the computer</f2>
prompt	Disabled	boots.
POST errors	Enabled	Enabling this options causes the computer to pause and display a setup entry or resume the boot prompt if an error occurs at boot.
	Disabled	Disabling this option causes the computer to always attempt to boot, regardless of a setup entry or error.
Floppy check	Enabled	Enabling this option causes the computer to verify the diskette type each time the computer boots.
	Disabled	Disabling this option speeds up the boot process.
Summary	Enabled	Enabling this option causes the computer to display configuration
screen	Disabled	parameters (in the form of a summary screen) during boot.

# Starion 400/500 Fixed Disk Setup Options IDE Adapter 0/1 Master/Slave

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Autotype fixed		Press [Enter] to detect and fill in the installed hard disk drive
disk		parameters in the remaining fields.
Туре	1 to 39	Selecting 1 to 39 automatically fills in the remaining fields in this
	User	menu. Selecting User prompts to fill in the remaining fields with the
		installed hard disk drives parameters.
Cylinders	0 to 4095	Displays the number of cylinders.
Heads	1 to 64	Displays the number of heads.
Sectors/track	0 to 63	Displays the number of sectors/tracks.
Landing zone	0 to 4095	Displays the number of cylinders specified as the landing zone for
		read/write heads.

# Starion 400/500 Fixed Disk Setup Options IDE Adapter 0/1 Master/Slave (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Write	0 to 4095	Displays the number of cylinders that have their write timing
precomp	None	changed.
Multi-sector	4 blocks	Determines the number of sectors per block for multiple sector
transfers	8 blocks	transfers.
	16 blocks	
	32 blocks	
	Auto	
		Auto refers to the size the disk returns when queried.
LBA control	Disabled	Enables or disables the LBA hard disk drive addressing option
mode	Enabled	
32 bit I/O	Disabled	Enables or disables the 32-bit hard disk drive data transfer option
	Enabled	
Transfer	Fast PIO3	Selects the method of data transfer to and from the hard disk drive.
mode	Standard	Autotype the hard disk drive to select the optimum transfer mode.
	Fast PIO1	
	Fast PIO2	

## **Keyboard Features**

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Numlock	Auto	Turns Numlock on or off each time the computer boots.
1	On	*
	Off	
Key click	Disabled	Enables or disables the audible key click feature.
-	Enabled	
Keyboard	30/sec	Sets the number of times a second to repeat a keystroke while holding
auto-repeat	2/sec	the key down.
rate	6/sec	
	10/sec	
	13.3/sec	
	21.8/sec	
	26.7/sec	
Keyboard	1/2 sec	Sets the delay time after a key is held down before it begins to repeat
auto-repeat	3/4 sec	a keystroke.
delay	1 sec	
	1/4 sec	

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## Memory & Cache

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Internal cache	Enabled Disabled	Enables or disables the computer's internal cache.
External	Disabled	Enables or disables the computer's external cache.
cache	Enabled	
System	Enabled	Enables or disables the computer's BIOS shadowing option.
shadow	Disabled	
Video shadow	Enabled	Enables or disables the computer's shadow video option.
	Disabled	
Shadow at:	Enabled	Allows to enable or disable shadowing of individual segments of
C8000h	Disabled	ROM to increase computer performance.
CC000h		
D0000h		
D4000h		
D8000h		
DC000h		
AT bus space	Disabled	Memory hole not available upper memory is contiguous.
_	F80000h,	Sets the memory hole at address F80000 with .5 MB memory
	.5MB	available.
	F00000h, 1MB	Sets the memory hole at address F00000 with 1 MB memory
		available.

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
System date	Current date	Displays the current date.
System time	Current time	Displays the current time.
Floppy drive	1.44 MB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	Sets the size and density of diskette drives.
A Floppy	2.88 MB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	
drive B	Not Installed	
	360 KB, 5¼	
	1.2 MB, 5¼	
	720 KB, 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Hard disk C: Hard disk D: Hard disk E: Hard disk F:	Disk drive assignments	Drive letters are assigned as follows:PCI IDE interface only: Master = C: Secondary = D: ISA interface only:
Hard disk F:		ISA Interface only: Master = C: Secondary = D: ISA and PCI IDE interface used (two drives): PCI Master = C: ISA Master = D: ISA and PCI IDE interface used (three drives): PCI Master = C: PCI Secondary = D: ISA Master = E: PCI Master = C: ISA Master = D: ISA Secondary = E: ISA and PCI IDE interface used (four drives): PCI Master = C: ISA and PCI IDE interface used (four drives): PCI Master = C: ISA Master = E: ISA Secondary = D: ISA Master = E: ISA Master = E: ISA Secondary = D: ISA Master = E: ISA Secondary = E: When drives have multiple partitions, partitions beyond the primary partition will be assigned in ascending order. This is based on
Hard Disk		available drive letters and other installed drives. Selecting this option displays the following hard disk sub-menu:
Sub-Menu Hard disk type	Auto configured User definable	Select auto configure to automatically detect the installed hard disk drive parameters. Selecting User definable prompts to fill in the installed hard disk drives parameters.
Cylinders	0 to 4095	Displays the number of cylinders.
Heads	1 to 64	Displays the number of heads.
Sectors	0 to 63	Displays the number of sectors/tracks.
Maximum capacity		This value is calculated from the cylinder, head, and sector parameters defined above.

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## STARION 700 Main Menu Option (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Initialization timeout	Disabled 5 sec 10 sec 31 sec	Determines the IDE auto-configuration timeout. If the computer fails to determine the drive type, an error message appears on the monitor screen. Refer to <i>Chapter4</i> , " <i>Troubleshooting</i> " for possible solutions
IDE translation table	Standard CHS Logical block Extended CHS Auto detected	Controls how the computers BIOS interacts with the hard disk drive in terms of drive geometry. Selecting the best option is based on the hard disk drives size, capabilities, and operating system used. Selecting Auto Detected enables the computers BIOS to determine th best operating mode for the hard disk drives installed. Standard CHS limits IDE hard disk drive capacity of 528 MB regardless of the size of the drive used. Logical block should be used if the hard disk drive and operating system supports logical block addressing (LBA) or uses the BIOS to access the drive. Extended CHS should be used if the hard disk drive is larger than 52 MB and does not support LBA.
Multiple sector setting	Disabled 4 8 Auto detected	These settings control the number of sectors that are transferred by a IDE hard disk drive per interrupt generated. Disabled generates an interrupt for each sector transferred. Auto Detected causes x number of sectors to be transferred per interrupt, where x is the maximum value supported by the hard disk drive.
Fast Programmed I/O modes	Disabled Auto detected	This option controls the speed in which the programmed I/O (PIO) transfers occur on the PCI IDE interface. Transfers occur at an un-optimized (mode 0) speed if Disabled is selected. Transfer occur at the rate in which the hard disk drive reports as its maximum (up to and including the maximum mode 3 timing) if Aut Detected is selected. Select Disabled if the hard disk drive does not function properly with advanced timings.
Language	English	Controls the language of text strings used in Setup and the BIOS. Any installed language appears as an option in its own language. For example, German appears as Deutch. Also, only installed languages appear as options.
Boot Options Sub-Menu		Selecting this option displays the following boot options sub-menu.
Boot up sequence	C: first, then A: A: first, then C: C: only A: only	Determines the computers boot sequence.
System cache	Disabled Enabled	Controls both the primary and secondary caches. Selecting Disabled hurts overall computer performance. However, you might need to select Disabled when running software that uses timing loops and needs to slow down to execute properly.

## STARION 700 Main Menu Option (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Boot speed	Turbo	Controls the computers CPU cycles.
-	De-turbo	Selecting De-turbo mode slows the CPU by disabling the computers cache and adding increased refresh cycles. It does not reduce CPU speed.
Num Lock	Off	Turns on or off the numlock feature each time the computer boots.
	On	
Setup prompt	Disabled	Controls whether or not the Press <f1> Key To Enter Setup message</f1>
	Enabled	appears each time the computer boots. This options does not control access, just the message.
Hard disk	Disabled	Delays the BIOS attempt to initialize the first IDE drive in the
pre-delay	1 second	computer. The delay value is determined by the amount of time it
	2 seconds	takes for a hard disk drive to spin up to speed.
	3 seconds	
	4 seconds	
	5 seconds	
	6 seconds	
	7 seconds	
Typematic	Enabled	Enables or disables the following typematic options:
rate	Disabled	
programming		
Video mode	Not user	Displays the detected video mode.
	selectable	
Mouse	Not user	If computer supports a PS/2 style mouse, and a mouse is installed, this
	selectable	field is displayed.
Base memory	Not user	Displays the amount of base (conventional) memory each time the
	selectable	computer boots.
Extended	Not user	Displays the amount of extended memory each time the computer
memory	selectable	boots.

## STARION 400/500 Advanced Chip Set Control

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Post I/O	Disabled	Enabling this option increases the computers performance.
writes	Enabled	
PCI slot 1/2	Default	Enables to set the PCI latency timer (in PCI clocks) for each PCI
latency timer	8	device.
	10	
	18	
	20	
	F0	
	F8	

## STARION 400/500 Advanced Chip Set Control (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
VGA palette	Enabled	Use with VGA and non-VGA compatible PCI add-in cards to inform
snoop		card not to claim VGA palette writes.
	Disabled	Use to inform VGA and non-VGA compatible add-in cards to claim
		VGA palette writes.

### **STARION 700 Advanced Menu**

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Processor type	Not user selectable	Displays the installed CPU type.
Processor speed	Not user selectable	Displays the installed CPU speed.
Cache size	Not user selectable	Displays the installed cache size.

## Peripheral Configuration Sub-Menu

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Configuration mode	Auto Manual	Controls whether onboard resources are manually or automatically setup. Resources include: IDE drives, diskette drives, serial and parallel ports, etc.
PCI IDE interface	Enabled Disabled	Allows to enable or disable the PCI IDE interface.
Standard ISA IDE interface	Enabled Disabled	Allows to enable or disable the Standard ISA IDE interface.
Floppy interface	Enabled Disabled	Allows to enable or disable the floppy interface.
Serial port 1 address	Disabled COM1, 3F8h COM2, 2F8h COM3, 3E8h COM4, 2E8h	Enables or disables the first onboard serial port at the specified address.
Serial port 2 address	Disabled COM1, 3F8h COM2, 2F8h COM3, 3E8h COM4, 2E8h	Enables or disables the first onboard serial port at the specified address.

Parallel port	Disabled	Sets the onboard parallel port mode.
address	LPT3, 3BCh	
	LPT1, 378h	
	LPT2, 278h	

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## Periheral Configuration Sub-Menu (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Parallel port mode	Compatible Extended	Compatible - standard printer connectionExtended - Extended capabilities port mode
Serial port 1 IRQ	Interrupt used	Displays the interrupt used by the serial port.
Serial port 2 IRQ	Interrupt used	Displays the interrupt used by the serial port.
Parallel port IRQ	Interrupt used	Displays the interrupt used by the parallel port.

## Advanced Chipset Configuration Sub-Menu

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments		
Base memory size	640 KB 512 KB	Sets the computers base r	memory size.	
ISA bus speed	Compatible Enhanced	External Frequency Enhanced 60 MHz 66 MHz	Compatible 7.5 MHz 8.25 MHz	10 MHz 11 MHz
Byte merging	Enabled Disabled	<b>U</b>	eases performance for older a bytes instead of words. Not this option.	11

### STARION 700 Advanced Menu (continued)

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
PCI IDE prefetch buffers	Enabled Disabled	Enables or disables a set of prefetch buffers in the PCI IDE controller.
ISA LFB size	Disabled 1 MB 3 MB 7 MB	The ISA video linear frame buffer size creates a hole in the computers memory map. Accesses made to addresses within this hole are directed to the ISA bus instead of main memory. Disable this option when using an ISA card with memory greater than 64 KB that needs to be accessed by the CPU, and when not using Plug and Play runtime utilities.
ISA LFB base address	Not user selectable	Displays the starting address of the ISA memory hole if a value other than Disabled is chosen for the ISA Video LFB Size parameter.
Video palette snoop	Disabled Enabled	Controls the ability of a PCI graphics video card to snoop write cycles to an ISA video cards color palette registers.
Latency timer (PCI clocks)	0 - 256	Controls the length of time an agent on the PCI bus can hold the bus when another agent has requested the bus. The default value is 66.

## **STARION 400/500 Integrated Peripherals**

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Mouse port	Disabled Enabled	Enables or disables the mouse port.
Parallel port	Auto Disabled 3BC, IRQ 7 378, IRQ 7 278, IRQ 5	Enables or disables the onboard port at the specified address.
Parallel port mode		Sets the onboard parallel port mode.
	Compatible mode	Compatible mode - standard printer connection.
	Bi-directional mode	Bi-directional mode - PS/2 compatible mode and able to receive data.
Serial port 1	Auto Disabled 3F8, IRQ 4 2F8, IRQ 3 3E8, IRQ4 2E8, IRQ3	Enables or disables onboard serial port 1 at the specified address.
Serial port 2	Auto Disabled 3F8, IRQ 4 2F8, IRQ 3 3E8, IRQ4 2E8, IRQ3	Enables or disables onboard serial port 2 at the specified address.
Diskette controller	Enabled Disabled	Enables or disables the onboard diskette controller.
Exchange diskette drives	Disabled Enabled	Enables to logically exchange physical diskette drive designations.
Diskette write protection	Disabled Enabled	Enables or disables the selected diskette drives write protect option.
IDE adapter 0/1	Enabled Disabled	Enables or disables the onboard IDE controller.

### Large Disk Access Mode

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Large disk	DOS	Select DOS if MS-DOS is installed.
access mode	Other	Select Other when another operating system is installed.

## **Power Options**

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Power	Enabled	Enables or disables the computers power management options.
management	Disabled	
Monitor	Disabled	Allows to disable the monitor suspend feature or after a set period of
suspend timer	1 min.	keyboard, mouse, or keyboard controller inactivity, allows to place th
	5 min.	monitor in a suspend state (minimum power saving state).
	10 min.	
	20 min.	
	30 min.	
Monitor off	Disabled	Allows to disable the monitor off feature, or, after a set period of
timer	1 min.	keyboard or mouse inactivity, allows to place the monitor in an off
	5 min.	state (one-half power saving state).
	10 min.	
	20 min.	
	30 min.	
Hard disk	Enabled	Allows to disable or enable the hard disk suspend timer feature, or,
suspend timer	Disabled	after a set period of disk drive inactivity (approximately 21 minutes),
-		allows the hard disk drive to spin down its motor to save power.
System	Disabled	Allows to disable the system suspend feature or after a set period of
suspend timer	30 min.	computer inactivity, allows to place the computer in a suspend state
-	1 hour	(maximum power saving state).
	1.5 hours	
	2 hours	
	3 hours	
	6 hours	
	12 hours	
Quick suspend	Enabled	Enabling this option allows to put the computer in suspend mode by
- 1	Disabled	pressing [Ctrl] + [Alt] + [Esc].

## **STARION 400/500 Security Options**

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Supervisor password is	Not user selectable	Tells whether or not the supervisor's password is enabled or disabled.
User password is	Not user selectable	Tells whether or not the user's password is enabled or disabled.
Set supervisor password	Press [Enter]	Enables to set a supervisor password.
Set user password	Press [Enter]	Enables to set a user password.
Password on boot	Enabled Disabled	Enables or disables the enter password on boot option.

Diskette access	Supervisor	Enables to control who has access to diskette drives.
	User	

## STARION 400/500 Security Options (continued)

Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
Fixed disk boot sector	Normal Write protect	Enables to write protect the boot sector on the hard disk drive.
System backup reminder	Disabled Daily Weekly Monthly	Enables or disables the system backup reminder message.
Virus check reminder	Disabled Daily Weekly Monthly	Enables or disables the virus check reminder message.

## **STARION 700 Security Options**

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Menu Fields	Settings	Comments
User password is	Disabled Enabled	Tells whether or not the user password is enabled or disabled. If neither the User Password Is or the Administrative Password Is options are set to Enabled, the Unattended Start or Security Hot Key options are not displayed.
Administrativ e password is	Disabled Enabled	Tells whether or not the administrative password is enabled or disabled. If neither the User Password Is or the Administrative Password Is options are set to Enabled, the Unattended Start or Security Hot Key options are not displayed.
Set user password	Press [Enter]	Follow the instructions on the screen to set a user password.
Set administrative password	Press [Enter]	Follow the instructions on the screen to set an administrative password.
Unattended start	Enabled Disabled	Controls when a user password is required. If set to Disabled, the user password is required before the computer boots from either a hard disk drive or network. If set to Enabled, a user password is required before the computer completes its boot sequence.
Security hot key	Alpha-numeric key	Defines a key that works in conjunction with [CTRL] + [ALT] to secure the computer from an unauthorized access.

# Chapter 3

# Service Procedures

# TARION Safety Requirements WARNING Static electricity collects on non-conductors such as paper, cloth, or plastic. A static discharge can be damaging even though you often cannot see or feel it. The following safety precautions must be observed to insure product and personal safety and prevent damage to circuit boards and/or components: Always wear an ESD wrist strap when handling ESD sensitive material and be sure it is properly ٠ connected.

- Keep circuit boards and components away from non-conductors.
- Keep clothing away from circuit boards and components. ٠
- Keep circuit boards in anti-static bags. ٠
- Be cautious when AC power is exposed when working on an assembly. ٠
- Always use an ISOLATION TRANSFORMER when diagnosing any terminals, monitors or power supplies when AC power is applied.
- Be cautious of very high voltage potentials when working with monitors. ٠

There should be an approved insulating mat (for technician safety) in front of any workbench where monitors, terminals or power modules are being serviced when power is applied.

NOTE Do NOT wear ESD straps when working on terminals, monitors or power supplies when AC power is applied. This is to avoid the hazard of electrical shock.

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## **Recommended Tools**

The following tools are needed for servicing Digital PC systems. Note that test equipment must be calibrated.

- ♦ Multimeter (4 1/2 digit)
- ♦ A philips screwdriver
- ♦ An antistatic wrist strap

#### **Other Needed Materials**

Cleaning agent should be an all purpose cleaner that is used in-house.

#### **Remedial Diagnostic Test Software**

♦ *QAPLUS/fe*, PC Advanced Diagnostic Software, latest version.

Supplier information: Diagsoft, Inc. 5615 Scotts Valley Drive, Suite 140 Scotts Valley, California 95066, U.S.A. Voice : 1-408-438-8247 Fax : 1-408-438-7113 Internet : http://www.diagsoft.com (Diagsoft, Inc. homepage)

### **Recommended Virus Detection and Cleanup Software**

• F-PROT, Virus Detection and Cleanup Software, latest version.

Supplier information: North America, South America, Australia and New Zealand: Command Software Systems Inc. Tel: +1-407-575 3200 Fax: +1-407-575 3026

Most of Europe, Africa, Middle and Far East: Data Fellows Ltd Paivantaite 8 FIN-02210 ESPOO FINLAND tel: +358-0-478 444 fax: +358-0-478 444 599 e-mail: f-prot@datafellows.fi Internet : http://www.datafellows.fi (Data Fellows Ltd. homepage)

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## **ECO/FCO** Information

#### **BIOS version information**

Refer to the Digital DECpc Bulletin Board Support (telephone number: **1-508-496-8800**) for the latest information on BIOS upgrades.

**NOTE** This BBS is **NOT** a source for technical support. For advice, please call the Digital Equipment Service Representative, **1-800-354-9000** 

## Unlocking and Removing the Cover

Before starting and before removing the cover, do the following:

- 1) Turn off power to all external devices connected to computer.
- 2) Turn computer off.
- 3) Unplug power cord from wall outlet.
- 4) Disconnect power cord and monitor cord from computer.



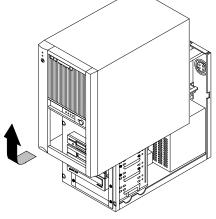
#### WARNING

You might injure yourself or damage the computer if you attempt to remove the cover before unplugging ac and monitor power cords.

The computer's cover must be removed prior to install any hardware option.

To remove the cover:

- 1) Loosen and remove three screws along perimeter of rear panel to release cover from chassis.
- 2) Carefully slide cover toward front of chassis until it clears rear panel.
- 3) Carefully lift cover from chassis.



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Figure 3 - 1 Removing the Cover

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# **Computer Components**

Legend	Description
Α	Power supply
В	Main logic board
С	Front access 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> -inch diskette drive
D	Front access tape drive (Only STARION 500 & 700)
Е	Front access CD-ROM
F	Bottom front access drive bay
G	Internal drive bay
н	Riser card (supports up to four expansion boards; three ISA and one PCI or two ISA and two PCI)
Ι	FAX/modem/sound card

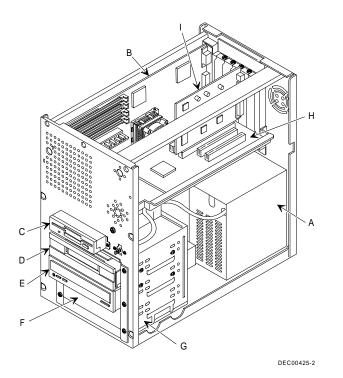


Figure 3 - 2 Computer Components

## **Expansion Slots**

The **STARION 400/500/700 computer models** contains five slots for installing up to four ISA or PCI expansion boards (refer to the following Table). These five slots are located on the computer's riser card. Note that the Fax/Modem/Sound card occupies ISA slot J6.

**NOTE** When installing expansion boards, always read the accompanying documentation for computer memory address and IRQ requirements. Compare that information to the computer memory and IRQ requirements in *Chapter 5, "Device Mapping"*. If conflicts are detected, The expansion board must be configured to alternate settings.

### **Expansion Slot Types & Locations**

Expansion Slot	Slot Type	Description
J7 and J9	ISA	Supports full-length industry-standard 16-bit ISA expansion boards
J6	ISA	Supports full-length industry-standard 16-bit ISA expansion boards Designated as a shared slot with PCI slot J4 <sup>(1)</sup>
J4	PCI	Supports full-length 32-bit PCI local bus expansion boards Designated as a shared slot with ISA slot J6 <sup>(1)</sup>
J3	PCI	Supports full-length 32-bit PCI local bus expansion boards

<sup>1</sup>) Only one expansion board can reside in slot J6 and J4 at any one time. These slots have to share the slot opening at the rear panel

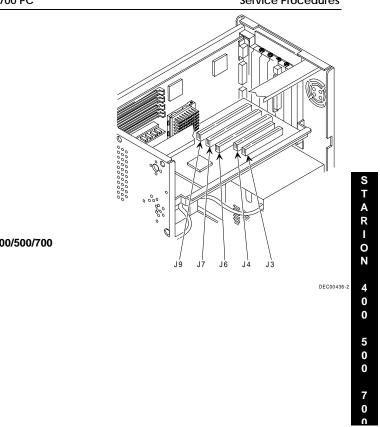


Figure 3 - 3 STARION 400/500/700 Expansion Slots

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## Main Logic Board Jumpers

Jumper pins allow to set specific computer parameters. They are set by changing the pin location of jumper blocks. Note that the square pin of each jumper block is pin 1. A jumper block is a small plastic-encased conductor (shorting plug) that slips over the pins. To change a jumper setting, remove the jumper from its current location. Place the jumper over the two pins designated for the desired setting. Press the jumper evenly onto the pins. Be careful not to bend the pins.

### CAUTION

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Do not touch any electronic component unless you are safely grounded. Wear a grounded wrist strap or touch an exposed metal part of the system box chassis. A static discharge from your fingers can result in permanent damage to electronic components.

### STARION 400/500 Main Logic Board Jumper Settings

Settings shown in *bold italics* are factory defaults.

Feature	Description	Setting
Clear CMOS	Normal	JP2, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
	Clear CMOS	JP2, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
IRQ jumper	COM1 to IRQ4	JP3, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
	COM1 to IRQ10	JP3, pins 3 and 4 jumpered
	COM2 to IRQ3	JP3, pins 5 and 6 jumpered
	COM2 to IRQ11	JP3, pins 7 and 8 jumpered
	LPT1 to IRQ7	JP3, pins 9 and 10 jumpered
	LPT1 to IRQ5	JP3, pins 11 and 12 jumpered
	Not supported	JP3, pins 13 and 14 jumpered
	Not supported	JP3, pins 15 and 16 jumpered
	Not supported	JP3, pins 16 and 17 jumpered
Color	Enable	JP6, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
	Disable	JP6, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
CPU speed	60 MHz	JP10, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
		JP11, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
		JP12, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
	66 MHz	JP10, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
		JP11, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
		JP12, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
ISA to IDE	IRQ14 (primary)	JP9, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
	IRQ15 (secondary)	JP9, pins 2 and 3 jumpered
Local onboard video	Enable	JP13, pins 1 and 2 jumpered
	Disable	JP13, pins 2 and 3 jumpered

## STARION 400/500 Main Logic Board Jumper Locations

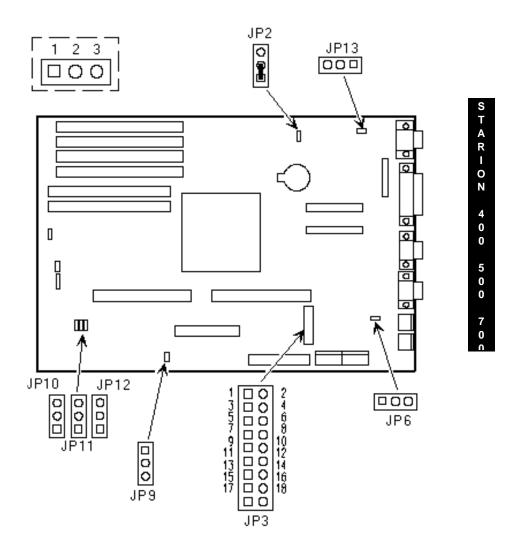


Figure 3 - 4 STARION 400/500 Main Logic Board Jumper Locations

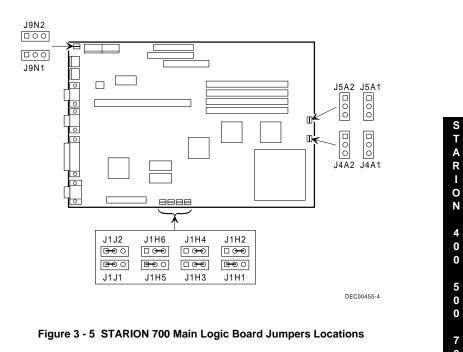
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## STARION 700 Main Logic Board Jumper Settings

Feature	Descriptio	Setting
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Fan speed	Slow	J4A1 jumpered
	Fast	J4A2 jumpered
Turbo switch	Turbo	J5A2 jumpered
	De-turbo	J5A2 open
Reserved	Reserved	J9N1
		J9N2
		NOTE: Changing these factory installed settings might affect
		computer operation.
Reserved	Reserved	J1J1
		J1J2
		NOTE: Changing these factory installed settings might affect
		computer operation.
BIOS recovery	Enabled	J1H1 jumpered
	Disabled	J1H1 open
BIOS upgrade	Enabled	J1H2 jumpered
	Disabled	J1H2 open
Password	Enabled	J1H4 jumpered
	Disabled	J1H4 open
Display type	Mono	J1H5 open
• •	Color	J1H5 jumpered
Setup program	Enabled	J1H3 jumpered
0	Disabled	J1H3 open

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## STARION 700 Main Logic Board Jumper Locations

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## **Computer Memory Configurations**

Adding more memory allows the computer to run larger, more complicated software and to run it faster.

#### **STARION 400/500 Memory Configurations**

The STARION 400/500 computer comes with at least 8 MB of memory. This amount can be increased up to 128 MB of additional memory (not including the 8 MB).

# **NOTE** Some STARION computers do not support up to 128 MB of memory. If provided, refer to model specific supplemental information.

However, when adding additional memory make sure to:

- Install 32-bit SIMMs having an access time of 70 ns or less. SIMMs must be installed in pairs. Banks 0 and 1 must always be filled before banks 2 and 3.
- SIMM sizes cannot be mixed within pairs of banks. For example, a 1 MB SIMM you cannot be installed in bank 0 together with a 4 MB SIMM in bank 1.
- When choosing to mix SIMM sizes, make sure the SIMMs that have the lower capacity are installed in banks 0 and 1.

NOTE	36-bit	SIMMs	will	also	work,	however,	the	four	parity	checking	bits	are	not
	suppor	rted.											

Bank 0	Bank 1	Bank 2	Bank 3	Total
1 MB	1 MB			2 MB
2 MB	2 MB			4 MB
4 MB	4 MB			8 MB
8 MB	8 MB			16 MB
6 MB	16 MB			32 MB
32 MB	32 MB			64 MB
1 MB	1 MB	1 MB	1 MB	4 MB
1 MB	1 MB	2 MB	2 MB	6 MB
2 MB	2 MB	2 MB	2 MB	8 MB
1 MB	1 MB	4 MB	4 MB	10 MB
2 MB	2 MB	4 MB	4 MB	12 MB
4 MB	4 MB	4 MB	4 MB	16 MB
1 MB	1 MB	8 MB	8 MB	18 MB
2 MB	2 MB	8 MB	8 MB	20 MB
4 MB	4 MB	8 MB	8 MB	24 MB
8 MB	8 MB	8 MB	8 MB	32 MB
1 MB	1 MB	16 MB	16 MB	34 MB
2 MB	2 MB	16 MB	16 MB	36 MB
4 MB	4 MB	16 MB	16 MB	40 MB

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8 MB	8 MB	16 MB	16 MB	48 MB	
16 MB	16 MB	16 MB	16 MB	64 MB	

## Computer Memory Configurations (continued)

Bank 0	Bank 1	Bank 2	Bank 3	Total
1 MB	1 MB	32 MB	32 MB	66 MB
2 MB	2 MB	32 MB	32 MB	68 MB
4 MB	4 MB	32 MB	32 MB	72 MB
8 MB	8 MB	32 MB	32 MB	80 MB
16 MB	16 MB	32 MB	32 MB	96 MB
32 MB	32 MB	32 MB	32 MB	128 MB

### STARION 400/500 SIMM Sockets Locations

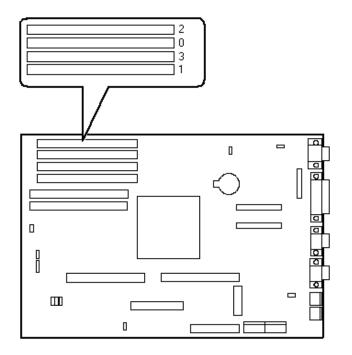


Figure 3 - 6 STARION 400/500 SIMM Sockets Locations

#### **STARION 700 Memory Configurations**

The STARION 700 computer comes with 8 MB of memory hardwired to the main logic board. this amount can be increased up to 72 MB by installing either 32-bit non-parity or 36-bit parity SIMM modules in SIMM sockets J6D1 and J5D1.



CAUTION

Do not attempt to install SIMM modules in SIMM sockets J7D1 and J6D2 (bank 0). The factory-installed  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -inch diskette drive covers these sockets. Damage to SIMM modules can result by forcing them into these sockets.

When adding additional memory, make sure:

- Both the J6D1 and J5D1 SIMM sockets (bank 1) are filled.
- The computer automatically detects the amount of memory installed, so having bank 0 depopulated does not affect how memory is counted.
- SIMMs have an access time of 70 ns or less.
- fill both sockets using the same SIMM size, type, and speed. Supported SIMM sizes: 4 MB, 8 MB, 16 MB, and 32 MB.

#### **STARION 700 Memory Configurations**

Main Logic Board	J6D1	J5D1	Total
8 MB			8 MB
8 MB	4 MB	4 MB	16 MB
8 MB	8 MB	8 MB	24 MB
8 MB	16 MB	16 MB	40 MB
8 MB	32 MB	32 MB	72 MB

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## **STARION 700 SIMM Sockets Locations**

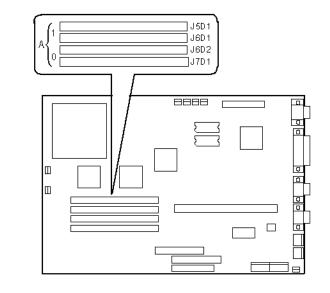


Figure 3 - 7 STARION 700 Simm Sockets Locations

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## Part Removal and Replacement

#### Removing the 3½-Inch Diskette Drive

To remove the 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch diskette drive:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Remove two screws securing the diskette drive to front panel.
- 5) Disconnect power cable.
- 6) Slightly lift front of drive to clear front panel and slide diskette drive out of the front of the chassis.
- Disconnect ribbon cable. Refer to "Connecting Diskette and IDE Devices".

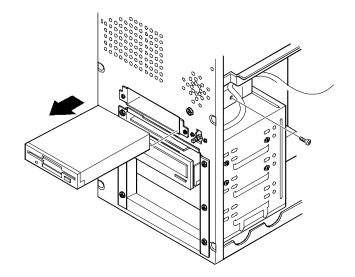


Figure 3 - 8 Removing the 3½-Inch Diskette Drive

## Removing a 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-Inch Device

To remove a 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch device:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.

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- 4) Remove four screws securing the device to device bay.
- 5) Disconnect power and data/audio cables.
- Refer to "Connecting Diskette and IDE Devices".
- 6) Slide device out of the front of the chassis.

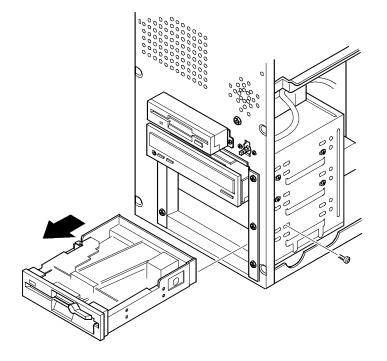


Figure 3 - 9 Removing a 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-Inch Device

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### **Removing the IDE Hard Disk Drive**

To remove the IDE hard disk drive:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Remove metal filler plate.
- 5) Remove four screws securing hard disk drive to device bay.
- 6) Disconnect power and ribbon cables.
- 7) Slide drive toward rear of computer to clear guide tab on left side.
- 8) Lift front of device up and over guide tab and slide drive out of the front of the chassis. Refer to "*Connecting Diskette and IDE Devices*".

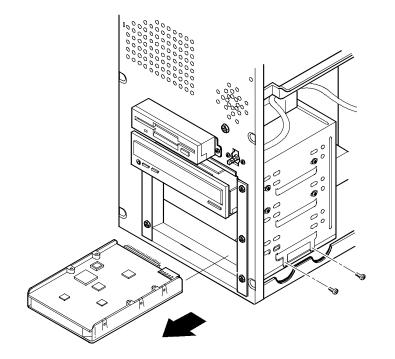


Figure 3 - 10 Removing the IDE Hard Disk Drive

## **Removing Expansion Boards**

To remove an expansion board:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Unlock and remove cover.
- 4) Remove screw from metal filler plate.
- 5) Gently pull board outward.

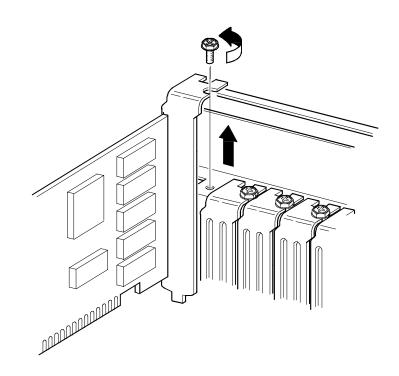


Figure 3 - 11 Removing Expansion Boards



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#### **Removing the Main Logic Board**

To remove the main logic board:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Unlock and remove cover.
- 4) Remove all connectors.
- 5) Remove all expansion boards.
- 6) Remove the riser card and bracket.
- 7) Remove screws and lift the board out.

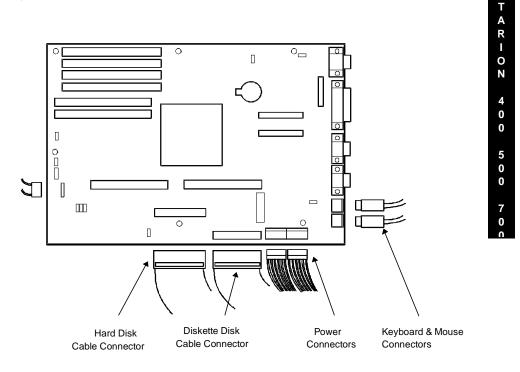


Figure 3 - 12 Removing the Main Logic Board (STARION 400/500 shown)

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### **Removing the Power Supply**

To remove the power supply:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.

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- 4) Disconnect power supply cabling from main logic board noting the proper orientation.
- 5) Disconnect power supply cables from all devices.
- 6) Loosen two screws securing power on/off switch to chassis.
- 7) Remove screws securing power supply to chassis (bracket on bottom of case (one) and rear panel (four).
- 8) Remove power supply and power on/off switch from the chassis.

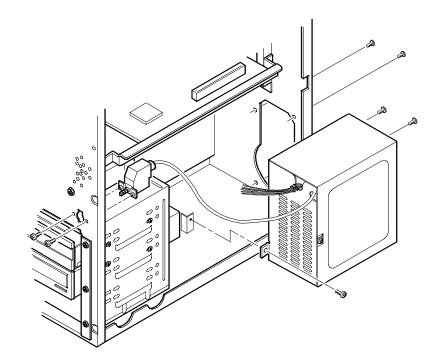


Figure 3 - 13 Removing the Power Supply

## Removing Riser Card & Bracket

To remove the riser card and bracket:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Remove all expansion boards.
- 5) Remove screws securing bracket to front panel and expansion slot panel.
- 6) Carefully pull bracket and riser card from computer.

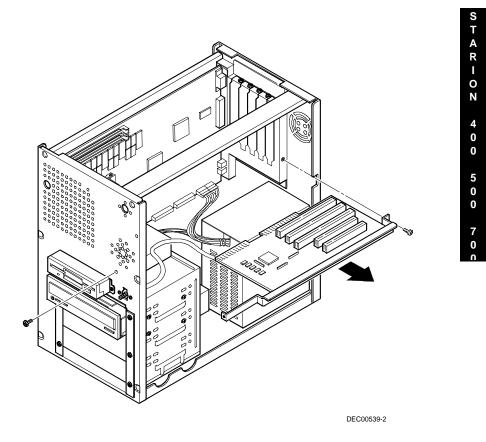


Figure 3 - 14 Removing Riser Card & Bracket

## Installation Procedures

#### Installing External Cache Memory

**STARION 400** computers do not ship with any external cache. However, 1 MB of external cache memory can optionally be installed using two 512 KB external cache modules. Note that two other upgrades are available for the STARION 400 computer: 256 KB (using two 128 KB external cache modules) and 512 KB (using two 256 KB external cache modules).

**STARION 500** computers come with two 128 KB external cache modules installed at the factory. This amount can be increased up to 512 KB (using two 256 KB modules) or 1 MB (using two 512 KB modules). However, removing the existing 128 KB external cache modules will be necessary.

**STARION 700** computers come with two 128 KB external cache modules installed at the factory. External cache cannot be upgraded.

To install a new external cache module:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power, and remove cover.
- 3) Remove old external cache module.
- 4) Install new external cache module.
- 5) Replace cover and connect external devices and restore power.
- 6) If necessary, run BIOS Setup utility and enable external cache option.



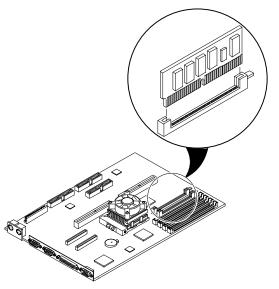


Figure 3 - 15 Installing External Cache Memory

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#### Installing a Higher Performance CPU

The **STARION 400/500** main logic board is equipped with an Intel Pentium 60 MHz processor installed in a ZIF socket.

The **STARION 700** main logic board is designed to operate with the 90 MHz Intel Pentiom processor installed in a ZIF socket.

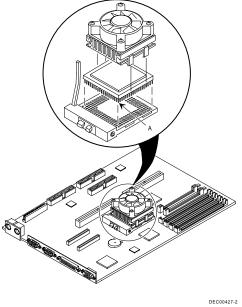
To install a higher performance CPU:

- 1) Turn off the computer and disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 2) Remove cover.
- 3) If present, disconnect heat sync fan power connector.

**NOTE** CPU heat syncs vary in appearance. Some heat syncs have different types of cooling fins. Others might be equipped with a cooling fan assembly. As a result, the CPU heat sync configuration might vary from the one shown in the figure.

- 4) Remove heat sync and fan assembly from CPU by releasing plastic retaining clips (two at the top and two at the bottom).
- 5) Lift up on lever to release old CPU and remove old CPU.
- 6) Install new CPU. Make sure pin 1 on CPU is aligned with pin 1 on ZIF socket.
- 7) Return release lever to its original position and then set all appropriate CPU jumpers (see "*Main Logic Board Jumpers*")
- 8) Replace cover and connect external devices and restore power.







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#### Installing Video Memory on the STARION 400/500

The **STARION 400/500** computer comes with a standard 1 MB of video memory. This amount can be increased to 2 MB by installing a 1 MB video memory DRAM chip in the designated socket on the main logic board.

To install the video memory upgrade chip:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Remove upgrade chip from packaging and install in socket.
- 5) Replace cover.
- 6) Connect external devices and restore power.
- 7) Reboot the computer to configure it for additional video memory.

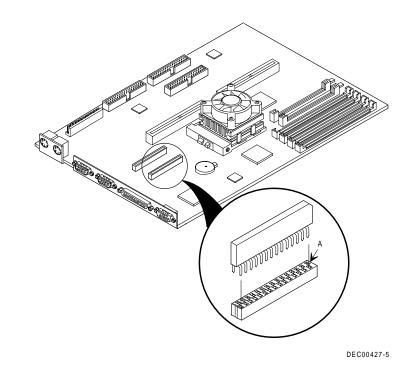


Figure 3 - 17 Installing Video Memory on the STARION 400/500



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#### Installing Video Memory on the STARION 700

The **STARION 700** Computer comes with a standard 1 MB of video memory. This amount can be increased to 2 MB by installing an additional 1 MB of video memory. The additional video memory installs into sockets U2J1 and U3J1 on the main logic board. Each socket holds a 256 KB x 16, 70 ns (or faster), fast page-mode video DRAM chip. Note that both sockets must be filled.

To install the video memory upgrade chip:

- 1) Turn off the computer.
- 2) Disconnect external devices, ac power, and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Remove upgrade chip from packaging and install in socket.
- 5) Replace cover.
- 6) Connect external devices and restore power.
- 7) Reboot the computer to configure it for additional video memory.

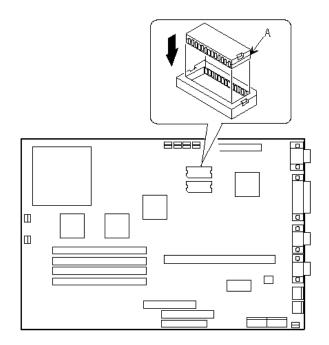


Figure 3 - 18 Installing Video Memory on the STARION 700

#### **Replacing the Computer Battery**

The **STARION 400/500** computer battery runs the computer clock and retains any setup information when it is turned off. If the computer ever fails to retain the correct date, time, or configuration settings when it is turned on, replacement of the computers battery is necessary.

The **STARION 700** computer battery is integrated with the real-time clock (RTC)/CMOS RAM in a Dallas DS12887 device. This device is hardwired to the Main Logic Board.

If the computer ever fails to retain the correct date, time, or configuration settings when it is turned on, replacement of the computers battery is necessary.

To replace the STARION 400/500 battery, perform the following:

- 1) Record computer configuration settings using the BIOS Setup utility.
- 2) Turn off the computer, disconnect external devices, ac power and monitor power.
- 3) Remove cover.
- 4) Carefully lift up on retaining clip and remove old battery.
- 5) Install new battery, make sure "+" side faces up.
- 6) Replace cover, and connect external devices and restore power.
- 7) Run BIOS Setup utility to reconfigure computer using recorded configuration settings from step 1.



#### WARNING

Depending on your locality, the computers battery might be considered hazardous waste. Make sure to follow any state or local statute to properly dispose of the old battery.

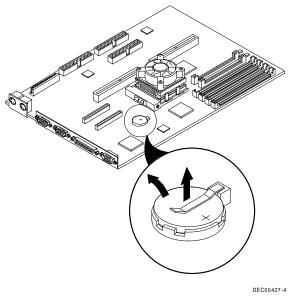


Figure 3 - 19 Replacing the Computer Battery

## Mass Storage Devices

The STARION 400/500/700 computer contains five mass storage device bays:

- The top device bay contains a factory installed 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch diskette drive.
- The second device bay contains a factory installed tape backup drive.
- The third device bay contains a factory installed CD-ROM.
- The fourth device bay can hold a 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch half-height device. For example, a diskette drive or hard disk drive.
- The internal device bay is not accessible from the front of the computer and contains a factory installed, low-profile, 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch hard disk drive.

The following procedures and illustrations show a base computer configuration. The specific drive bay configurations and storage devices might vary:

### **Connecting Diskette and IDE Devices**

Refer to the specific data cable connection topics listed below for illustrations of the relevant connections.

To connect diskette and IDE devices, perform the following:

- 1) Connect supplied ribbon cable to device.
- 2) Connect a power cable to device.

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- 3) Replace cover. Refer to "Replacing and Locking the Cover", later in this chapter.
- 4) Connect external devices and restore power.
- 5) Run BIOS Setup utility to configure computer.

**NOTE** If only one IDE device is installed, make sure to use the ribbon cable connector furthest from the main logic board connector. Also, when having IDE devices installed in both internal drive bays, make sure that the ribbon cable has no twists between the two IDE drives.

Most cables and sockets are keyed so they cannot be connected backwards. If the cable or device is not keyed, pin 1 of cable must be connected to pin 1 of device's socket.

Pin 1 of cable is on edge with colored stripe. Pin 1 of device's socket should be marked with a number or symbol at one end of socket or with a number or symbol printed on circuit board near one end of socket. If necessary, refer to the device's documentation for pin 1 orientation.

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Legend	Diskette Drive Component
Α	Power supply
В	Power connection
С	Diskette and tape drive connections
D	IDE and CD-ROM drive connections
E	Main logic board diskette drive connection
F	Main logic board IDE drive connection



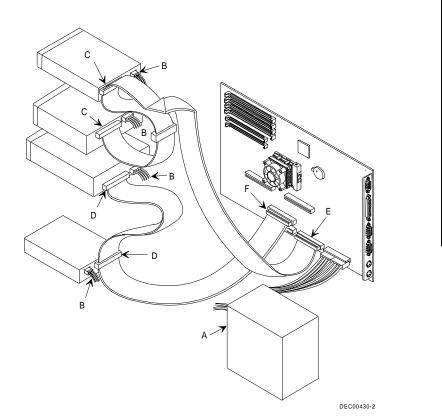


Figure 3 - 20 Diskette and IDE Data Cable Connections

# Chapter 4 Troubleshooting

The following pages provide initial troubleshooting procedures and tables listing specific problems, possible causes, and recommended actions to take if the computer fails after it has been configured or after optional hardware or software is installed.

Refer to the documentation supplied with additional options when experiencing problems with specific installed options.

## Initial Troubleshooting

Follow these general procedures to troubleshoot the STARION 400/500/700 computers:

- Press [Ctrl] + [Alt] + [Del]. If the computer fails to boot, turn it off, wait until all hard disk drives spin down completely, and then turn it back on.
- If the POST detects an error, refer to *Chapter 4, "Troubleshooting"*, and take the appropriate steps to correct the problem. After the problem has been resolved, restart the computer.
- Run the BIOS Setup utility.
- Make sure all necessary changes have been made to the CONFIG.SYS and AUTOEXEC.BAT files
- Make sure all necessary video, printer, and application device drivers are properly installed.
- Ensure that all cables and connections are secure.
- Run the *QAPLUS/fe* advanced diagnostic software.
- If these steps do not identify and/or correct the problem, perform the specific troubleshooting procedures appropriate to the circumstances.

**NOTE** If you need to return a failed component, pack it in its original container and return it to Digital for service

Fill in the appropriate fields of the Part Exchange Form with the relevant error information !!

## **Beep Codes**

When POST finds an error and cannot display a message, the computer's speaker emits a series of beeps to indicate the error. For example, video failure or configuration error is indicated by a 1 - 2 beep code (a burst of three beeps, one long beep followed by two short beeps).

The following table lists other fatal error and their associated beep codes. *Each code represents the number of short beeps that are grouped together.* 

Fatal errors (errors that lock up the computer) are generally the result of a failed main logic board or some other add-on component (SIMM, BIOS, computer battery, etc.).

### STARION 400/500 Beep Codes

Beep Code	Error Message
2-2-3	BIOS ROM checksum
3-1-1	Test DRAM refresh
3-1-3	Test keyboard controller
3-4-1	Test 512K base address lines
3-4-3	Test 512K base memory
2-1-2-3	Check ROM copyright notice
2-2-3-1	Test for unexpected interrupts

### **STARION 700 Beep Codes**

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Beep Code	Error
1	Refresh failure
2	Parity error
3	Base 64 KB memory failure
4	Timer not operational
5	Processor error
6	8042 - gate A20 failure
7	Processor exception interrupt error
8	Display memory read/write error
9	ROM checksum error
10	CMOS shutdown register read/write error
11	Cache error/external cache bad

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## POST and Boot Messages

The POST displays messages to alert to errors in hardware, software, and firmware or to provide operating information about the computer.

Each time the POST displays a message on the screen, the computer's speaker beeps twice. If an error occurs before the monitor is initialised, specific beep codes sound to alert to a problem.

The following table lists a general grouping of system messages. In addition, each message is accompanied by text describing the message and in most cases, a recommended solution to the problem.

NOTE Italics indicate variable parts of a message such as memory addresses, hexadecimal values, and so on. These messages can differ at each occurrence.

#### **STARION 400/500 POST and Boot Messages**

Message	Description/Solution
nnnn Cache SRAM Passed	Where nnnn is the amount of computer cache (in kilobytes) that tester successfully.
Diskette drive Error Diskette drive B error	Run the BIOS Setup utility. Check all connections. If the problem persists, replace the faulty diskette drive.
Entering SETUP	BIOS Setup utility runs.
Extended RAM Failed at offset: nnnn	Extended memory failed or configured incorrectly. Make sure SIMMs are installed correctly. If the problem persists, replace SIMMs. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all settings to original values.
Extended RAM Passed	Where nnnn is the amount of extended memory (in kilobytes) that tested successfully.
Failing Bits: nnnn	nnnn is a map of the bits at the RAM address which failed the memory test. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all to original values. If the problem persists, replace SIMMs.
Fixed Disk 0 Failure	Run the BIOS Setup utility. Check all connections. If the problem
Fixed Disk 1 Failure Fixed Disk Controller failure	persists, replace the main logic board or fixed disk as necessary.
Incorrect Drive A type - run SETUP Incorrect Drive B type - run SETUP	Diskette drive A and/or B not correctly identified in the BIOS Setup utility. Run the BIOS Setup utility and properly identify diskette drive A and/or B.
Invalid NVRAM media type	NVRAM access failed. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all settings to original values. If the problem persists, replace the computer battery and/or BIOS.
Keyboard controller error	Check the keyboard connection. If the connection is secure, the
Keyboard error Keyboard locked - Unlock key	keyboard or keyboard controller might have failed. If the problem persists, replace the keyboard and/or keyboard controller.
switch Monitor type does not match CMOS - Run SETUP	Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the correct monitor type.

## STARION 400/500 POST and Boot Messages (continued)

Message	Description/Solution
Operating system not found	The operating system cannot be found on drive A or drive C. Run the BIOS Setup utility and correctly identify drive A or drive C. Correctly install the operating system. Refer to the supplied operating system documentation.
Parity check 1 nnnn Parity check 2 nnnn	Parity error found in the computer bus. The BIOS attempts to locate the address and displays it on the monitor screen. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all settings to original values. If the problem persists, replace SIMMs.
Press <f1> to resume, <f2> to Setup</f2></f1>	This message appears after any recoverable error message. Press <f1> to reboot or <f2> to enter the BIOS Setup utility to make any necessary changes.</f2></f1>
Real time clock error	Real-time clock failed BIOS test. Replace real-time clock and then run the BIOS Setup utility to restore previous configuration information.
Shadow RAM Failed at offset: nnnn	Shadow RAM failed. Run the BIOS Setup utility and disable failed shadow memory region.
nnnn Shadow RAM passed	Where nnnn is the amount of shadow RAM (in kilobytes) that tested successfully.
System battery is dead - Replace and run SETUP System BIOS shadowed	Replace battery and then run the BIOS Setup utility to restore previous configuration information.
System BIOS snadowed	This indicates that the computers BIOS was successfully copied to shadow RAM.
System cache error - Cache disabled	RAM cache failed. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all settings to original values. If the problem persists, replace external cache module.
System CMOS checksum bad - run SETUP	Correct the address conflict using the BIOS Setup utility. If the problem persists, replace main logic board.
nnnn System RAM passed	Where nnnn is the amount of system RAM (in kilobytes) that tested successfully.
System timer error	The computers timer test failed. Run the BIOS Setup utility and restore all settings to original values. If the problem persists, replace main logic board.
UMB upper limit segment address: nnnn	Displays the address of the upper limit of UMB. This indicates the released segments of the BIOS that can be reclaimed by a virtual memory manager.
Video BIOS shadowed	This indicates that the computers video BIOS was successfully copied to shadow RAM.

## **STARION 700 POST and Boot Messages**

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Message	Description/Solution	
8042 gate - A20 error	Gate A20 on the keyboard controller (8042) is not working. Replace	
	the keyboard controller.	
Address line short!	Error in the address decoding circuitry on the main logic board.	

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### STARION 700 POST and Boot Messages (continued)

Message	Description/Solution	
Cache memory bad, do not enable cache!	Cache memory is defective.	
CH-2 timer error	Most PC computers include two timers. Timer 2 is defective.	
CMOS battery state low	CMOS RAM is powered by a battery. Battery power is low. Replace battery.	
CMOS checksum failure	Checksum value different from current value. Run BIOS Setup utility.	
CMOS system options not set	Values stored in CMOS RAM are corrupt or nonexistent. Run BIOS Setup utility.	
CMOS display type mismatch	The graphics type in CMOS RAM does not match type detected by computer BIOS.	
CMOS memory size mismatch	Main logic board memory different from amount detected by computer BIOS. Run BIOS Setup utility.	
CMOS time and date not set	Run Setup utility and set current time and date.	
Diskette boot failure	Boot diskette failed. Use another boot diskette.	
Display switch not proper	Turn computer off and set proper display option (color or mono).	
DMA error	Error in DMA controller.	
DMA #1 error	Error in the first DMA channel.	
DMA #2 error	Error in the second DMA channel.	
FDD controller failure	Diskette controller failure. Power computer down and check all connections.	
HDD controller failure	IDE controller failure. Power computer down and check all connections.	
INTR #1 error	Interrupt channel 1 failed POST.	
INTR #2 error	Interrupt channel 2 failed POST.	
Invalid boot diskette	Try another boot diskette.	
Keyboard is locked	Type in correct keyboard password.	
Keyboard error	Run BIOS Setup utility and set correct keyboard option.	
KB/interface error	Keyboard connector error.	
Offboard parity error	Parity error in memory installed in an expansion board.	
Onboard parity error	Parity error in main logic board memory.	
Parity error ????	Parity error in main logic board memory at an unknown address.	
Memory parity error at xxxx	Computer memory failed.	
I/O card parity error	Expansion board memory failed.	
DMA bus time-out	A device has driven the bus signal for more that 7.8 msec.	

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## Computer Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Action
No response when the	Main logic board failure.	Replace main logic board.
computer is turned on	Main logic board jumpers incorrectly set.	Set all appropriate jumpers (Refer to "Main logic board jumpers").
	CPU has failed.	Replace CPU.
Power is on, but there is no screen display	Brightness and contrast controls are not correctly set.	Adjust the brightness and contrast controls.
ser een uispiay	The monitor-off timer has shut the monitor off.	Press [Shift] to reactivate monitor.
	Monitor cable is incorrectly installed.	Check all monitor connections.
	Incorrect VGA drivers installed	Install the correct VGA drivers. Refer to "Utilities & Video Drivers".
	Video controller has failed.	Replace the video controller.
Computer operates	Expansion board installed incorrectly.	Remove expansion board and reinstall.
incorrectly after installing optional expansion board	Did not run ICU to configure expansion board before installation.	Run the ICU to properly configure expansion board and then reboot the computer. Refer to the supplied ICU documentation.
board	Expansion board has failed.	Remove expansion board and reboot. If computer boots without errors, replace expansion board.
Computer operates	omputer SIMMs installed incorrectly. Remove SIMMs and reinstall.	
incorrectly after installing	Did not rerun BIOS Setup utility.	Rerun BIOS Setup utility.
optional SIMMs	BIOS Setup utility changes not saved before exiting.	Rerun BIOS Setup utility and save changes.
	SIMMs have failed.	Remove SIMMs and reinstall Make sure bank 0 is filled with the correct SIMM size, speed, and type. Replace SIMMs.

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Computer	External cache module installed	Remove external cache module and reinstall.
operates	incorrectly.	
incorrectly after		
installing	External cache module has	Replace external cache module.
optional	failed.	
external cache		
module		

Computer battery has failed. Operating system software is not installed on the IDE hard disk drive.	Replace computer battery. Install the appropriate operating system.
installed on the IDE hard disk	Install the appropriate operating system.
IDE hard disk drive is not correctly formatted or the requested partition does not exist. There is no software on the requested partition. IDE hard disk drive jumpers incorrectly set.	Format the IDE hard disk drive or partition the IDE hard disk drive using the supplied operating system software. Install software on the requested partition. Refer to the supplied IDE hard disk drive kit installation instructions. Run the BIOS Setup utility to identify the correct drive type.
Loose cables. Onboard IDE interface disabled. IDE hard disk is connected to the wrong IDE connector. There might be a boot sector virus. Hard disk boot sector is missing.	Secure all cable connections. Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the IDE controller option to "Enabled". Connect the boot disk to the inner IDE connector on the main logic board. Run appropriate software to detect and remove viruses (F-PROT). For DOS, boot from a DOS diskette then enter the following commands: c: cd/dos
TI re II II Lo O	here is no software on the equested partition. DE hard disk drive jumpers correctly set. DE drive type incorrect. DE drive type incorrect. oose cables. nboard IDE interface disabled. DE hard disk is connected to the rong IDE connector. here might be a boot sector rus.

### Computer Troubleshooting (continued)

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#### Problem Possible Cause Action **Computer does** SCSI device jumpers incorrectly Refer to the supplied SCSI device kit installation not recognize an instructions. set. internal or external SCSI SCSI cable not terminated. Terminate each end of the SCSI bus. device SCSI device not plugged in. Check power and SCSI cables. Terminating resistors not Remove terminating resistors. removed from the SCSI device. SCSI adapter failure. Replace SCSI adapter. SCSI ID conflicts. Set SCSI IDs correct. Computer does Operating system software is not Install the appropriate operating system on the installed on the SCSI hard disk SCSI hard disk drive. not boot from an internal drive. SCSI hard disk drive Requested partition does not Partition the SCSI hard disk drive and then reload exist. the operating software. Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the IDE controller option to "Disabled." This disables the Computer not configured for SCSI hard disk drive operation. IDE interface. NOTE: When both IDE and SCSI hard disk drives are installed, the computer uses the IDE hard disk drive as the boot device. **Computer does** Drive ID incorrectly set. Make sure the drive ID is correctly set. not boot from a target diskette Diskette drive not enabled. Run the BIOS Setup utility to enable the diskette drive drive. Diskette boot option disabled. Run the BIOS Setup utility and set and set the proper boot sequence.

#### Computer Troubleshooting (continued)

Onboard diskette controller Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the diskette disabled. controller option to "Enabled". Diskette does not contain start-Insert a diskette with the correct start-up files. up files. No response to Keyboard is password protected. Enter the keyboard password. keyboard commands Keyboard is connected to the Power down the computer and connect the keyboard to the keyboard port. mouse port.

### Computer Troubleshooting (continued)

Problem	Possible Cause	Action
No response to	Mouse is password protected.	Enter the keyboard and mouse password.
mouse commands	Mouse is connected to the keyboard port.	Power down the computer and connect the mouse to the mouse port.
	Mouse driver not installed.	Install the appropriate mouse driver.

## Disk Drive Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Action
IDE/SCSI hard disk drive cannot read or	Incorrect disk drive jumper settings.	Refer to the supplied kit installation instructions.
write information	Loose or incorrectly installed cables.	Make sure all cables are correctly installed.
	IDE drive type incorrect.	Run the BIOS Setup utility to identify the correct drive type.
	Onboard IDE interface disabled.	Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the IDE controller option to "Enabled".
	IDE/SCSI hard disk drive is not correctly formatted or partitioned.	Format and partition as required using the supplied operating system.
Target diskette drive cannot		
read or write information	Diskette write protection is enabled.	Run the BIOS Setup utility and set the diskette write protection to "Disabled".

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## Monitor Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Action
Monitor	Monitor is turned off.	Turn on the monitor.
power indicator is	Power indicator is defective.	Replace the failed component.
not on	Tower indicator is delective.	Replace the failed component.
No screen display	Configuration error.	Run the BIOS SETUP UTILITY to configure the computer for VGA operation. Set the jumper for VGA operation. Refer to " <i>Main Logic Board Jumpers</i> ".
	Monitor brightness and contrast controls are incorrectly set.	Adjust the monitor brightness and contrast controls.
No monitor display while	Monitor type incorrectly set.	Set the correct monitor type. Refer to appropriate video driver documentation.
loading		appropriate video driver documentation.
Windows		
video drivers		
Distorted,	Monitor incorrectly adjusted.	Adjust accordingly.
rolling / or flickering	Monitor signal cable	Straighten any bent connector pins and then
screen	incorrectly installed.	reconnect.
display-or	meoneedy mstaned.	
wrong/uneven		
color		
Color monitor	Computer was turned on before	Turn off the computer, turn on the monitor, then
displaying monochrome	the monitor was turned on.	turn the computer back on.
monociii oine	Video jumper incorrectly set.	Set the jumper for VGA operation.
Monitor fails	Appropriate high-resolution	Correctly install all appropriate high-resolution
to switch to	video drivers are not installed	video drivers. Refer to the documentation
high-	or incorrectly installed.	supplied with the monitor and/or video drivers.
resolution mode		
Monitor	Monitor type incorrectly set.	Set the correct monitor type.
display not	,	Refer to appropriate video driver documentation.
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## QAPlus/FE Error Messages

Component	Messages	Solution	
CPU	Arithmetic Function Failed	Reset CPU	
	General Functions Failed	Replace CPU	
	Exception Interrupt in Protected Mode		
	Refresh Failure		
	Logic Functions Failed		
Hard disk	Butterfly Cylinder Access Test Failed	Low-level format hard disk	
	Cylinder 0 Errors	Replace disk	
	Random Cylinder Access Failed		
	Linear Cylinder Access Failed		
Hard drive/ controller	Controller Diagnostic Test Failed	Run Setup, Check connections,	
	Questionable Controller Card	Reset controller, Replace controller,	
	Hard drives failed	Replace disk	
Floppy	Media Mismatch	Use known good diskette	
diskette		Check size and density of diskette	
	Drive Not Ready	Close drive door	
	Write Protected Media	Remove write protection	
	Unformatted Media	Format diskette	
Floppy drive	Floppy Drives Failed	Check connections, Replace drive	
Battery/clock	Clock Stopped	Run Setup	
·	Invalid Date	Replace battery/clock	
	RTC Interrupt Failed		
CMOS	CMOS Clock Test Failed	Change time from Setup menu in	
		QAPLUS	
Serial port	COM port failed	Check COM device	
	Serial Chip Error	Check connections	
	Serial Compare Error	Replace COM device	
	Serial Timeout Error	Replace COM device	
Video adapter	Video Failed	Replace video adapter	
	Error in Video Buffer	Replace video adapter	

## Chapter 5

### **Device Mapping**

This section provides a series of tables listing mapping and address information related to computer memory and various main logic board devices (keyboard controller, interrupt controller, DMA controller, etc.).

The computer's memory and address locations are allocated at the factory to operate within a standard PC environment. However, due to the number of optional devices and/or expansion boards that are available, sometimes memory and address locations need to be changed. For example, some network expansion boards require a specific memory location. If that location is already allocated, a memory conflict results and the expansion board will not operate as expected. Note that some memory, I/O and interrupt locations can be changed using the BIOS Setup utility.

#### CAUTION

**CPU Memory Address Map (Full Range)** 

Before changing any memory or address location, refer to the documentation supplied with the optional device, expansion board, or software application and make sure adequate information is available.

Range	Function	Notes
0 KB to 640 KB	Main memory	PC compatibility range
640 KB to 1024 KB	Main memory	PC compatibility range (ISA memory lower limit)
1 MB to 16 MB	Main memoryMemory	ISA memory upper limit
	space gap	
16 MB to 128 MB	Main memory	Computer memory upper limit
128 MB to 4 GB	PCI memory	

#### CPU I/O Address Map

Range (hexadecimal)	Function
0CF8 to 0CFF	PCI configuration space enable registers
1000 to FFFF	PCI I/O space

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#### I/O Address Map

Range (hexadecimal)	Function
000 - 00F	DMA controller one
020 - 021	Interrupt controller one
040 - 043	Interval timer
060 - 06F	Keyboard controller
070 - 07F	Real-time clock (RTC), NMI
080 - 08F	DMA page register
0A0 - 0A1	Interrupt controller two
0C0 - 0CF	DMA controller two
0F0	Clear math coprocessor busy
0F1	Reset math coprocessor
0F8 - 0FF	Math coprocessor
170 - 177	Secondary IDE controller
1F0 - 1F7	Primary IDE controller
278 - 27A	LPT2
2E8 - 2EF	COM4
2F8 - 2FF	COM2
376 - 377	Secondary IDE controller (alt status, device address)
378 - 37A	LPT1
3B0 - 3DF	VGA register
3BC - 3BE	LPT3
3E8 - 3EF	COM3
3F0 - 3F7	Diskette controller
3F6 - 3F7	Primary IDE controller (alt status, device address)
3F8 - 3FF	COM1
46E8	VGA enable register
42E8, 4AE8, 82E8, 86E8,	VGA enhanced mode registers
8AE8, 8EE8, 92E8, 96E8,	
9AE8, 9EE8, A2E8,	
A6E8, AAE8, AEE8,	
B2E8, B6E8, BAE8,	
<b>BEE8, E2E8, E2EA</b>	

#### **Computer Interrupt Levels**

Interrupt Number	Interrupt Source
IRQ1	Keyboard controller
IRQ2	Cascade interrupt
IRQ3	COM2, COM4 (if enabled)
IRQ4	COM1, COM3-Modem
IRQ5	Sound card function
IRQ6	Diskette drive
IRQ7	LPT1
IRQ8	RTC
IRQ9	Available for optional video card or PCI device
IRQ10	Recommended alternate for COM3 or PCI device
IRQ11	Recommended for network card or PCI device
IRQ12	Mouse port (onboard)
IRQ13	Math Co-processor
IRQ14	IDE primary
IRQ15	IDE secondary (if enabled)

#### **DMA Channel Assignment**

Channel	Controller	Function
0	1	Refresh
1	1	Sound card function
2	1	Diskette controller (if enabled)
3	1	Not used
4	2	Cascade DMA
5	2	Sound card function
6	2	Not used
7	2	Not used

#### PCI Configure Space Address Map

Device Number (hexadecimal)	Function
00	CPU bridge
01	ISA bridge
08	Onboard PCI IDE
09	Onboard PCI VGA
0B	PCI slot 1
0C	PCI slot 2

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### Pass / Fail Criteria

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As Final Acceptance Test the following tests should be run to meet the Pass/Fail criteria:

1) Successful Completion of the POST tests.

2) Successful Completion of the following QAPLUS/fe module tests (one pass):

<ul> <li>System Board (All Tests)</li> </ul>	System Board	(All Tests)
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- ♦ Memory (All Tests)
- ♦ Video (All Tests)
- Hard Disk (All Tests, except: Sequential write/read and
  - Sequential write/random read (Destructive Tests !!))
- ♦ Floppy Disk (All Tests)
- ♦ Keyboard (All Tests)
- ♦ COM Ports (All Tests)
- ♦ LPT Ports (All Tests)
- Pointer device (All Tests)

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3) Successful Bootstrap of the on the computer installed Operating System.

Operating Systems Supported:

- ♦ MS-DOS version 6.22
- ♦ OS/2 version 3.0
- ♦ SCO UNIX Version 3.2.4.2
- ◊ Windows NT
- SCO Open Server Enterprise System Version 3.0
- SCO Open Server Network System Version 3.0

Remove any software that was put on the hard drive to enable repair of the system before shipping.

When completed carefully clean outside of unit with cleaning solution.

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# Appendix A

## **Services Notes**

This appendix contains the current Service Notes for the STARION 400/500/700 product line

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## Appendix B

## **Useful Information**

### Related documentation

Document Titles	Order's
STARION 400/500/700 Quick Service Guide	EK-A0855.A01
STARION 400/500/700 Quick Setup	ER-902AA-IA.A01 (English)
STARION 400/500 User's Guide	ER-902AA-UA.A01 (English)
STARION 700 User's Guide Supplement	ER-903AA-UA.A01 (English)
SMM Spares Parts Catalogue STARION PC Family	EK-A0860-SV

### **On-Line Bulletin Boards**

The most current product information and technical support is also available on line. The most current device drivers, Setup diskettes and technical tips can be found on all of these bulletin boards.

• DECpc Bulletin Board Server

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