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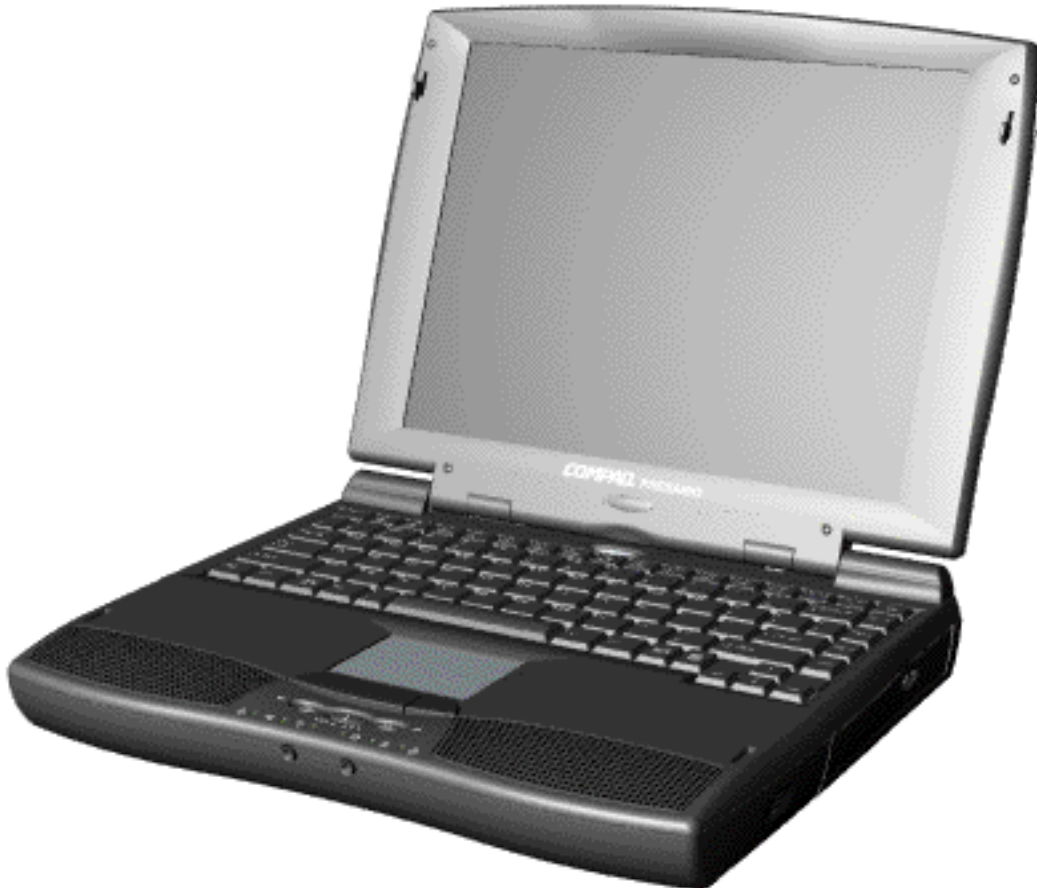
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Preface

This *Maintenance and Service Guide* is a troubleshooting guide that can be used for reference when servicing the Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers.

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Serial Number

When requesting information or ordering spare parts, the computer serial number should be provided to Compaq. The serial number is located on the bottom of the computer.

Locating Additional Information

The following documentation is available to support this product:

- Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computer documentation set
- *Introducing Windows 95 Guide*
- Service Training Guides
- Compaq Service Advisories and Bulletins
- *Compaq QuickFind*
- *Compaq Service Quick Reference Guide*

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This section covers troubleshooting information for the Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers. The basic steps in troubleshooting include:

1. Follow the [Preliminary Steps](#).
2. Run the [Power-On Self-Test \(POST\)](#).
3. Follow the recommended actions described in the diagnostic tables, if you are unable to run POST or if POST displays an error message.

When following the recommended actions in the Sections on POST and [Diagnostic Error Codes](#) perform them in the order listed. Rerun POST after each recommended action until the problem is solved and no error message occurs. Once the problem is solved, do not complete the remaining recommended actions.

NOTE:

If the problem is intermittent, check the computer several times to verify that the problem is solved.

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This section provides an breakdown and identifies the spare parts ordering number associated with each item(s) for the Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers.

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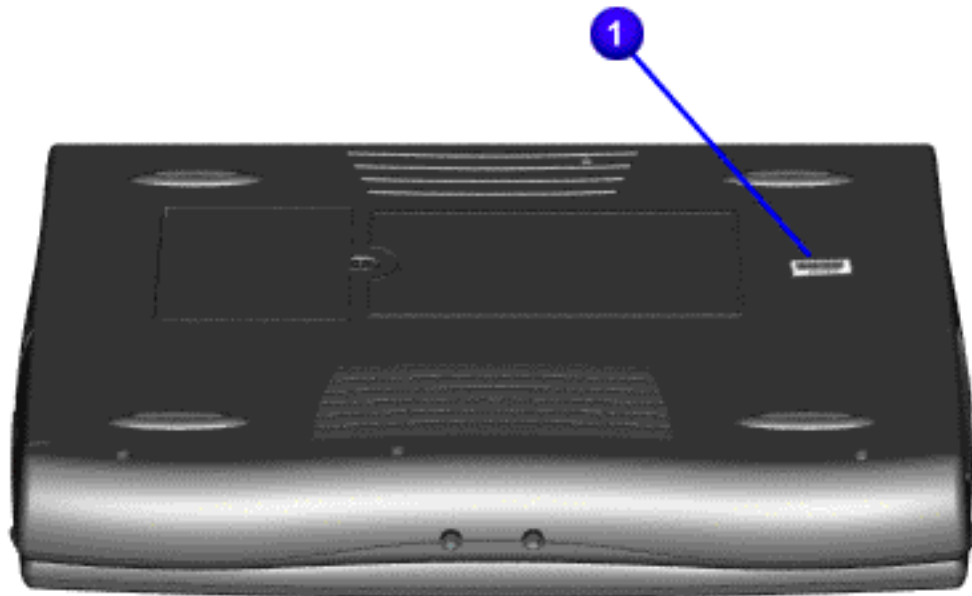
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Physical and Environmental

Computer Specifications		
	U.S.	Metric

Dimensions		
Height	1.97 in	4.95 cm
Depth	12.20 in	31.00 cm
Width	10.08 in	25.40 cm
Weight		
Model 1230	7.326 lb	3.33 kg
Model 1232	7.326 lb	3.33 kg
Stand-Alone (Battery Pack) Power Requirements		
	NiMH	Li-ion
Nominal Operating	W @ 9.6 V	W @ 14.4 V
Maximum Average	W @ 9.6 V	W @ 14.4 V
Peak Operating	W @ 9.6 V	W @ 14.4 V
AC Power Requirements		
Operating Voltage	100-240 V	
Operating Current	0.8/0.4 A RMS	
Operating Frequency	47-63 Hz	
Maximum Transient	Meets IEC 801-4 and IEC801-5 1kV for 50 ns	
Temperature		
Operating	50° to 95 °F	10° to 35 °C
Nonoperating	-4° to 140 °F	-20° to 60 °C
Relative Humidity (noncondensing)		
Operating	10 to 90%	35°C to 90%
Nonoperating (tw = 38.7°C max)	5 to 95%	60°C to 95%
Altitude		
Operating	0 to 10,000 ft	0 to 3.15 km
Nonoperating	0 to 30,000 ft	0 to 9.14 km
Shock		
Operating	10 G, 11 ms, half sine	
Non operating	240 G, 2 ms, half sine	
Vibration		
Operating	0.5 G	
Nonoperating	1.5 G	
NOTE: Applicable product safety standards specify thermal limits for plastic surfaces. Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers operate well within this range of temperatures.		

System Interrupts

System Interrupts	
Hardware IRQ	System Function
IRQ0	Timer Interrupt
IRQ1	Keyboard
IRQ2	Interrupt Controller Cascade
IRQ3	Internal Modem

IRQ4	Serial Port (COM1)
IRQ5	Audio Controller
IRQ6	Diskette Drive
IRQ7	Parallel Port (LPT 1) (default)
IRQ8	System CMOS/Real-Time Clock
IRQ9	Video Controller
IRQ9	IRQ Holder for PCI Steering
IRQ10	PCI-1221 CardBus Controller
IRQ10	PCI-1221 CardBus Controller
IRQ10	IRQ Holder for PCI Steering
IRQ11	Compaq PCI to USB Open Host Controller
IRQ11	IRQ Holder for PCI Steering
IRQ12	PS/2 TouchPad/Mouse
IRQ13	Numeric processor
IRQ14	Primary IDE Controller
IRQ15	Secondary IDE Controller

System DMA

System DMA	
Hardware DMA	System Function
DMA 1	Audio Controller
DMA 2	Diskette Drive
DMA 4	DMA Controller
DMA 5	Audio Controller

System I/O Address

System I/O Address	
I/O Address (Hex)	System Function (Shipping Configuration)
0000h-000Fh	DMA Controller # 1
0020h-0021h	Interrupt Controller # 1
0022h-0023h	Motherboard resources
0040h-0043h	System timer
0060h-0060h	Keyboard Controller
0061h-0061h	System speaker
0064h-0064h	Standard 101/102-Key or Microsoft Natural Keyboard
0070h-0071h	System CMOS/real time clock
0081h-008Fh	DMA Controller
0092h-0092h	Motherboard resources
00A0h-00A1h	Programmable interrupt controller

00C0h-00DFh	DMA Controller
00ECh-00EFh	Motherboard resources
00F0h-00FFh	Numeric data processor
0170h-0177h	Secondary IDE controller
01F0h-01F7h	Primary IDE controller
0376h-0376h	Standard IDE/ESDI Hard Disk Controller
0378h-037Fh	Printer Port (LPT1)
0388h-038Bh	AUDIO(TM) 16-bit Sound
0398h-0399h	Motherboard resources
03B0h-03BBh	Graphics Controller
03C0h-03DFh	Graphics Controller
03F0h-03F5h	Standard Floppy Disk Controller
03F6h-03F6h	Standard IDE/ESDI Hard Disk Controller
03F7h-03F7h	Standard Floppy Disk Controller
03F8h-03FFh	Communications Port (COM1)
0480h-048Fh	Motherboard resources
04D0h-04D1h	Motherboard resources
0CF8h-0CFFh	PCI bus
3000h-307Fh	Cyrix Cx5520 PCI to ISA bridge
4000h-401Fh	Cyrix Cx5520 PCI to ISA bridge
5000h-500Fh	Cyrix Cx5520 PCI to ISA bridge

System Memory Catalog

System Memory Catalog	
Memory Address	System Function
00000000h-0009FFFFh	System board extension for PnP BIOS
000A0000h-000AFFFFh	Graphics Controller
000B0000h-000BFFFFh	Graphics Controller
000C0000h-000C7FFFh	Graphics Controller
000C8000h-000C8FFFh	PCI-1221 CardBus Controller
000C9000h-000C9FFFh	PCI-1221 CardBus Controller
000CC000h-000CFFFFh	Motherboard resources
000E0000h-000FFFFFFh	System board extension for PnP BIOS
00100000h-01FFFFFFh	System board extension for PnP BIOS
40008000h-4000FFFFh	Motherboard resources
40010000h-40010FFFh	Cyrix Cx5520 PCI to ISA bridge
40018000h-41017FFFh	Motherboard resources
FD000000h-FDFFFFFFh	Graphics Controller
FEA00000h-FEBFFFFFFh	Graphics Controller
FEC00000h-FECFFFFFFh	Graphics Controller

FEDFE000h-FEDFEFFFh	Compaq PCI to USB Open Host Controller
FFFC0000h-FFFFFFFh	Motherboard resources

Display (Information not available)

12.1" (Diagonal) HPA Display		
	U.S.	Metric
Dimensions		
Height	Information not available	Information not available
Width	Information not available	Information not available
Display Dimensions		
Width	Information not available	Information not available
Height	Information not available	Information not available
Depth	Information not available	Information not available
Weight	Information not available	Information not available
Contrast Ratio	Information not available	Information not available
Brightness	Information not available	Information not available
Total Power Consumption	Information not available	Information not available

Memory Expansion

Memory Expansion		
System Memory	Expansion Board Memory	Total Memory
32-MB	16-MB	48-MB
32-MB	32-MB	64-MB
32-MB	64-MB	96-MB

Diskette Drive (Information not available)

Diskette Drive	
Capacity per Diskette (High/Low)	Information not available
Diskette Size	Information not available
Number of LED Indicators (Read/Write)	Information not available
Number of Drives Supported	Information not available
Drive Rotation (rpm)	Information not available
Transfer Rate (Kbps)	Information not available
Bytes per Sector	Information not available

Sectors per Track (High/Low)	Information not available
Tracks per Side (High/Low)	Information not available
Access Times Track-to-Track (ms) Average (ms) Setting Time (ms) Latency Average (ms)	Information not available
Cylinders (High/Low)	Information not available
Number of Read/Write Heads	Information not available

Hard Drive (Information not available)

Hard Drives		
	3.2-GB	2.1-GB
Capacity Per Drive	Information not available	Information not available
Drive Type	Information not available	Information not available
Logical Configuration Cylinders Heads Sectors per track Bytes per sector	Information not available	Information not available
Seek Times (Typical, Including settling in ms) Single track Average Full stroke	Information not available	Information not available
Transfer Rate At interface	Information not available	Information not available

CD Drive (Information not available)

CD Drive		
	24 x CD Drive	
Dimensions	Information not available	
Weight	Information not available	
Rotational Speed	Information not available	
Typical Transfer Rate Sustained Data Transfer Rate	Information not available	
Access Time Average Random Access Time	Information not available	
Spin Up time	Information not available	
Data Buffer Capacity	Information not available	

Battery Pack

Battery Pack		
	Nickel Metal Hydride (NiMH)	Lithium Ion (Li ion) *
Dimensions		
Height	0.8 in (20.3 mm)	0.8 in (20.3 mm)
Length	5.7 in (145 mm)	5.7 in (145 mm)
Width	3.1 in (78.7 mm)	3.1 in (78.7 mm)
Weight	1.01 lb (458.1 g)	0.90 lb (408.2 g)
Battery Pack Operating Time	2:30 hr	3:00 hr
Energy		
Nominal Open Circuit Voltage	9.6 V	14.4 V
Capacity	3200mAh	2500mAh
Power	40 W	40 W
Environmental Requirements		
Operating Temperature	32° F (0-50° C)	32° F (0-50° C)
Non-operating Temperature	-20° C -60° C	-20° C -60° C
Charging Temperature	5° C-45° C	5° C-45° C

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Connector Pin Assignments

This appendix provides connector pin assignment tables for Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers. For more information on connectors, refer to the section on [Rear Connectors](#).


NOTE: The signals in all tables of this appendix are considered active high unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk (*).

Parallel Connector			
			
Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	Strobe*	10	Acknowledge*
2	Data Bit 0	11	Busy
3	Data Bit 1	12	Paper Out
4	Data Bit 2	13	Select
5	Data Bit 3	14	Auto Linefeed*
6	Data Bit 4	15	Error*
7	Data Bit 5	16	Initialize Printer*
8	Data Bit 6	17	Select In*
9	Data Bit 7	18-25	Signal Ground
* = Active low			

Serial Connector

Connector	Pin	Signal
	1	Carrier Detect
	2	Receive Data
	3	Transmit Data
	4	Data Terminal Ready
	5	Signal Ground
	6	Data Set Ready
	7	Ready to Send
	8	Clear to Send
	9	Ring Indicator

Keyboard/Mouse

Connector	Pin	Signal
	1	Data
	2	Not defined
	3	Ground
	4	+5 VDC
	5	Clock
	6	Not defined

External VGA Monitor

Connector	Pin	Signal



1	Red Analog
2	Green Analog
3	Blue Analog
4	Not connected
5	Ground
6	Ground Analog
7	Ground Analog
8	Ground Analog
9	Not connected
10	Ground
11	Monitor Detect
12	DDC2B Data
13	Horizontal Sync
14	Vertical Sync
15	DDC2B Clock

Universal Serial Bus

Connector	Pin	Signal
	1	
	2	
	3	
	4	
	5	
	6	

Modem		
Connector	Pin	Signal
	1	Unused
	2	Unused
	3	Tip
	4	Ring
	5	Unused
	6	Unused

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Battery Pack Operating Time

This appendix covers the following information concerning battery pack operating time:

- Increase battery pack operating time
- Conditioning a battery pack
- Disposal of a used battery pack

Increasing Battery Pack Operating Time

Battery pack operating time differs depending on several variables. To avoid unnecessary replacement, consider the following variables when determining how long a charged battery pack should last:

- Power management settings
- Hardware configuration
- Software applications
- Installed options
- Display brightness
- Hard drive usage
- Changes in operating temperature
- Type and number of installed PC Cards

NOTE: The power consumption requirements for PC Cards vary widely. Some cards drain the battery pack very rapidly.

Battery pack operating time can be increased by as much as 50 percent by controlling the energy required by the computer and the energy stored in the battery pack.

Minimizing the Energy Required

To minimize the energy required by the computer, follow these steps:

- Set the power conservation levels in the Power Management utility to **Maximum**.
- Customize the timeout value to work more efficiently with the applications. The amount of battery life depends on the values selected.

Maximizing the Energy Stored

To maximize the energy stored in the battery pack, follow these guidelines:

- Condition the battery pack at least every 30 days to improve overall battery performance.
- Keep a battery pack in the computer when using it with AC power to supply the battery pack with a constant trickle charge.
- Store the battery pack in a cool, dry place when not in use.

Conditioning a Battery Pack

CAUTION: To avoid a loss of data, ensure that all data is saved before discharging a battery pack.



To condition a battery pack, complete the following steps:

1. Plug in the AC adapter and allow the battery to charge until the fast charge arrow on the display disappears. Your battery gauge may read 100 percent for a period of time before the arrow disappears. Do not unplug the AC adapter until the arrow disappears.
2. Unplug the AC adapter and allow the battery to drain until the computer reaches hibernation and turns itself off. **Do not plug in the AC adapter during this process or you will need to restart with Step No. 1.** You may use the computer while the battery is draining.
3. Your battery is re- conditioned.
4. Plug in the AC adapter and begin using the computer.

The table below shows battery pack charge times by model.

Battery Charge Time		
Computer	On Line	Off Line
Model 1/NiMH Battery Pack	4.0 hours premature termination	2:00 hr
Model 2/Li ion Battery Pack	4.5 hours premature termination	2:50 hr

Disposal of a Used Battery Pack

In the interest of safeguarding our environment, Compaq Computer Corporation recommends that nickel metal hydride (NiMH) and lithium ion (Li ion) battery packs be recycled. Battery packs should be handled in accordance with country, state, province, or local regulations.



CAUTION: Never attempt to open or service a battery pack. Opening a battery pack not only damages the pack and makes it unusable, but also expose potentially harmful battery components.

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	Model 1230	Model 1232
Display	12. 1" HPA	12. 1" HPA
Processor	233 MGX	233 MGX
Hard Drive	3.2-GB or 2.1-GB	3.2-GB
CD Drive	24× MAX	24× MAX
Modem	M+56.0 Kbps or K-56.0 Kbps with ITU V.90	K-56.0 Kbps with ITU V.90

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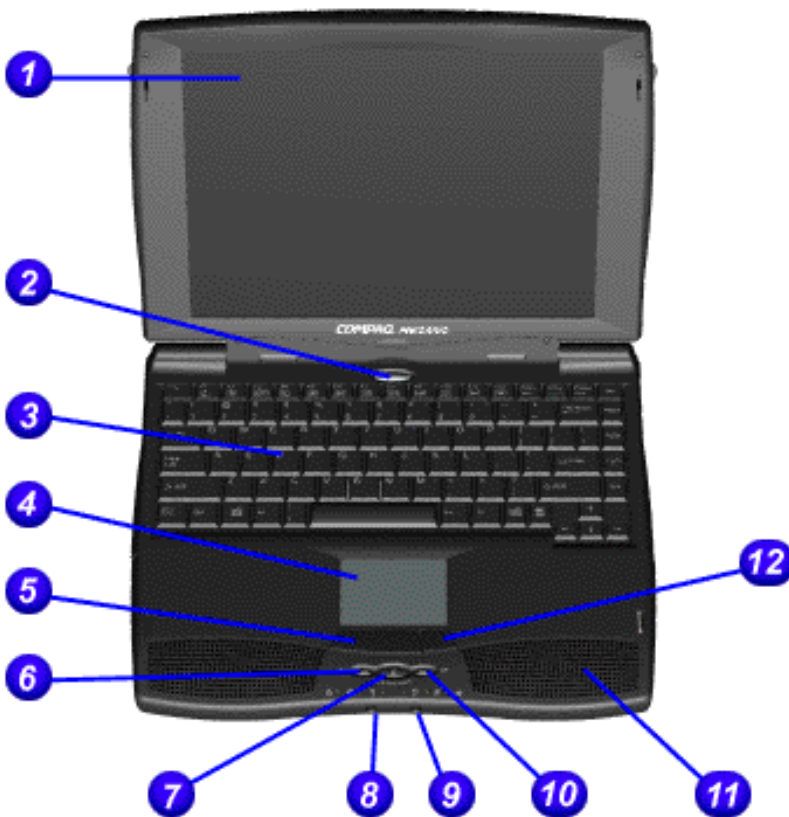
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<i>Front of Unit</i>	
1. Display	7. Easy Access Internet Button
2. Power (On/Off) Button	8. Headphone Jack (Left)
3. Keyboard	9. Microphone Jack (Right)
4. Touch Pad	10. Volume Control Up Button
5. Touch Pad Button (Left)	11. Integrated Speakers
6. Volume Control Down Button	12. Touch Pad Button (Right)

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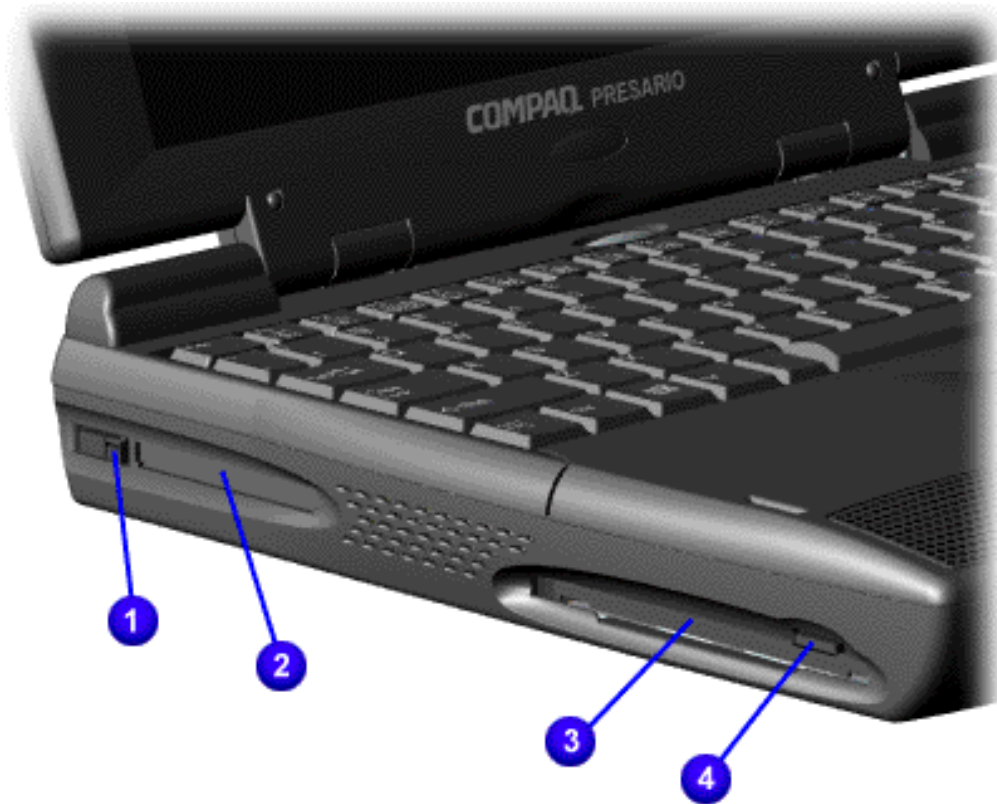
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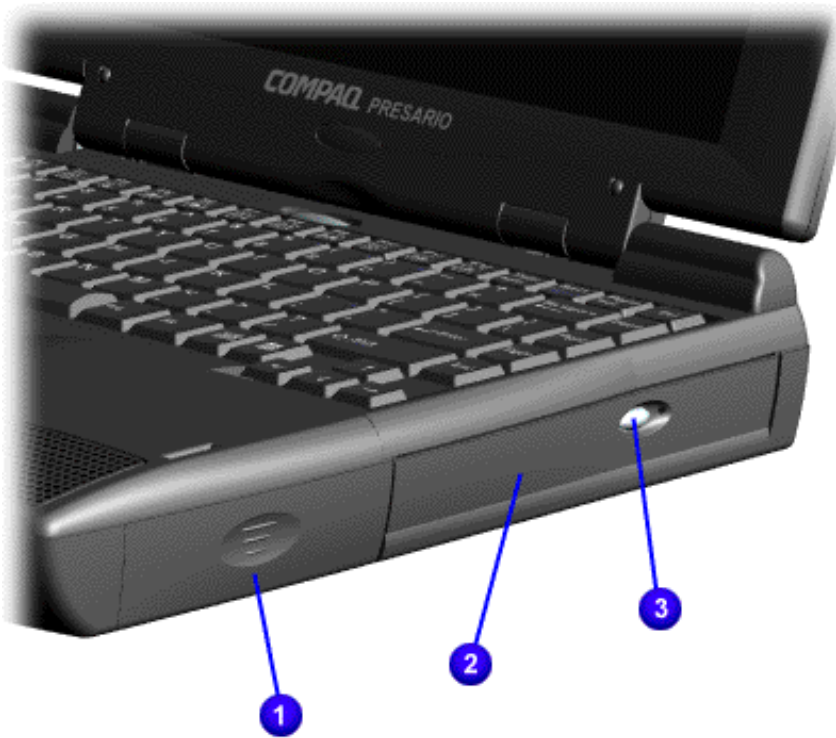
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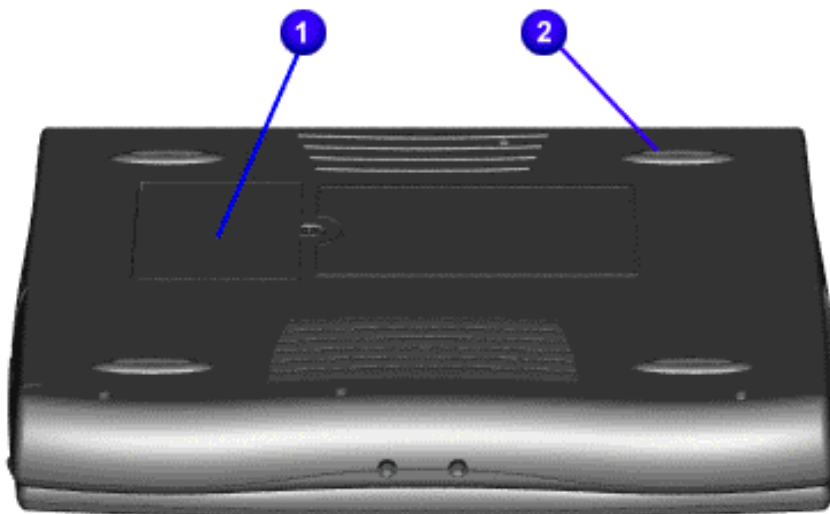
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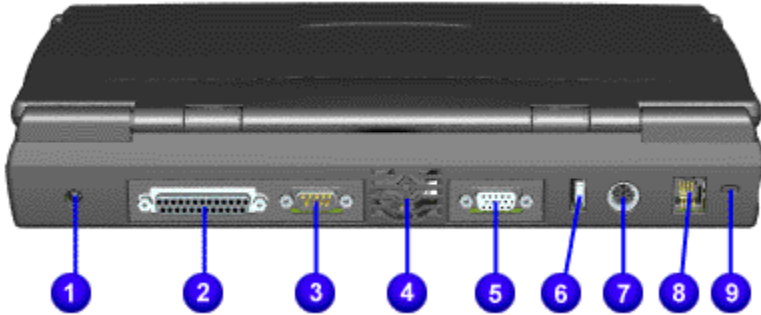
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Power Management for Windows 98

The following power management features are available for conserving AC power and extending battery operating time:

- Power Management Settings
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- [Rebooting After a Lockup](#)
- [Servicing Your Computer - Full Off Mode](#)

Power Management Settings

Depending on your patterns of computer use, you can set different levels of power management. These different power management levels can be activated based on the amount of time passed since the last system activity. System activity examples, include keyboard or mouse movement, CD or DVD playback (while under program control that monitors Sleep), and modem use.

You can select different conditions or power schemes through Power Management..The optional settings are **Home/Office Desk**, **Portable/ Laptop** and **Always On**. From the default settings, you can change the following settings.

- the System goes to Sleep (Standby) mode
- the screen times out and goes blank
- the hard drive spins down

Each of these system components will go to sleep after the selected or default periods of inactivity. (The setting for hard drive must be less than or equal to the setting for System.)

IMPORTANT: If you're on a network, it's recommended that you set **System Standby** to **Never**.

There are five categories of power management settings under the Control Panel. The default setting for each feature is listed below in the tables.

Power Management Properties

Tab: **Power Schemes:**

Plugged in

Running on Batteries

Always on System Standby:	Never	15 minutes
Turn OFF Monitor	After 15 minutes	After 10 minutes
Always on System Standby:	After 15 minutes	After 10 minutes

Power Management Properties

Tab: **ALARMS:**

Low Battery Alarm:	10%
Critical Battery Alarm	0%
Alarm Actions:	X Display Message Notification
	Text Action No Action

Power Management Properties

Tab: POWER METER:	Default
Tab: ADVANCED	Default

Display Properties

Tab: **POWER METER: Monitor** Laptop Display (Maximum resolution according to unit display size)

System Properties

Tab: Device Manager Default:

Disk Drives:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DMA
CD ROM:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DMA

Sleep

You can select Sleep mode instead of turning off the computer when you have finished using it. This allows the computer to wake up faster than turning it completely off and saves power over the active (On) mode. Compaq Presario Notebook computers have two levels of sleep, Hibernation and Sleep.

Hibernation - by pushing the power button once your computer will perform a save to disk followed by a shut down of the computer into Off mode.

Sleep - is a low power mode, also referred to as Standby mode. While in Sleep mode, your computer will maintain system information and open files. Unsaved information will be lost if you turn off your system prior to system wake-up, or if you lose power while using the AC adapter.



CAUTION: While in Sleep mode, your computer will maintain system information and open files. Unsaved information will be lost if you turn off your system prior to system wake-up, or if you lose power while using the AC adapter.

Hibernation Mode

Hibernation helps conserve battery life and protects your data. Hibernation can be a routine power saving event, or can be the result of a low battery condition. As it enters Hibernation, your computer will display a progress screen, as it automatically saves the machine state before it shuts down and turns itself off. Your computer will automatically go into Hibernation, when the battery has little power left, or when the system (operating on battery power) has been in Sleep mode for more than an hour. You can also manually initiate Hibernation by pressing the power button once while the system is active. To restore the computer's previous state, simply press the power button once again. While waking up, the computer will display a progress screen.

The following table shows the conditions and indicators for getting in and out of the various power management modes, Sleep, Hibernation and Off.

Mode	To Initiate	To End	Indicators
Sleep	<u>Manual keys combination</u> - Fn+F4	Press any key	Flashing green Power LED
	<u>Time Out Default</u> 15 minutes. If on Battery power (system will not go to Sleep if on AC power)		
Hibernate	<u>Manual</u> - Press Power Button once	Press Power Button once	No Power LED, blank screen
	<u>Time Out Default</u> If low battery or after 1 hour of sleep (system will not Hibernate if on AC power)		
Off	Perform normal Windows shutdown via the start button, or press and hold down the power button for 4 seconds	Press Power Button once	No Power LED, blank screen

Servicing Your Computer - Full Off Mode

If you need to install or replace components in your system, you must turn the computer off *completely*. Follow the instructions above for properly putting the computer into Off mode, unplug from the outlet and remove the battery

[\(see battery section for instruction on removing battery\).](#)

Rebooting After a Lockup

Occasionally you may encounter a frozen keyboard or a locked screen. To reboot your computer (as if from a cold start) press and hold down the Power Button for at least four seconds, which will cause a manual shutdown. Then, restart it with a single press of the Power Button. If it still doesn't recover, press the Power Button and hold it for four seconds to shut it down, then, remove the battery or unplug the AC power for at least 30 seconds. Reinsert the battery or reconnect AC power and press the Power Button once to reboot.

Battery Operating Time

Battery operating time is affected by variables, such as the following:

- Power conservation settings
- Hardware configuration
- Software applications
- Installed options
- Display brightness
- Hard drive usage
- Power button
- Changes in operating temperature
- Type and number of installed PC Cards

For more information on increasing battery pack operating time, conditioning the battery pack, and disposing of a used battery pack, refer to the [Battery Pack Operations](#).

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Power Management for Windows 95

The following power management features are available for conserving AC power and extending battery operating time:

- Power Management Settings
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Power Management Settings

You can select power conservation settings through Power Management located on the System Features menu in Computer Setup. Computer Setup can be accessed by pressing **F10** when the **Compaq logo** appears on the screen. These settings control the power conservation rate and the timeout values for various system components. A timeout is a specified period of system or component inactivity. After this period, the system or component (for example, the hard drive) is shut down to conserve power until it is accessed again.

There are four categories of power management settings: Maximum Power Saving, Maximum Performance, Customized, and Disabled. The default setting for each feature is listed in below table.

Power Conservation Default Time-out Settings

Features	Maximum Power Saving	Maximum Performance	Customized	Disabled
Idle Mode	On	Off	Off	Off
Sleep Timeout	5 minutes	60 minutes	15 minutes	Off

Resume On Time	Off	Off	Off	Selectable
Resume Time	Selectable	Selectable	Selectable	Selectable
Hard Drive Timeout	10 seconds	15 minutes	5 minutes	Disabled

Sleep

Sleep is a power conservation mode that performs the following functions:

- Turns off the display after a selected period of inactivity.
- Automatically reduces the amount of power the computer uses.
- The computer is immediately ready for use when any key is pressed.
- Sleep mode is indicated by the blinking Power On LED.

The computer may be manually put in Sleep mode by pressing the **Fn + F4** keys.

Hibernation Mode

Hibernation is a power conservation mode that performs the following functions:

- Saves all current information from memory to a file on the hard drive.
- Turns off the computer.
- Can be restored after any amount of time.

The Hibernation file is preinstalled on the hard disk. The Hibernation file is slightly larger than the total RAM memory of the computer (system memory, memory expansion board, video memory). The Hibernation 100-MB partition can be reinstalled with the QuickRestore CD.

Hibernation is initiated by one of the following means:

- Automatically when the system is operating on **Battery Power** and has been in **Sleep Mode** for 60 minutes.
- Automatically when the battery reaches a low battery level.
- Manually by pressing the power button.

When the Power button is pushed, the computer exits Hibernation.

Battery Operating Time

Battery operating time is affected by variables, such as the following:

- Power conservation settings
- Hardware configuration
- Software applications

- Installed options
- Display brightness
- Hard drive usage
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Preliminary Steps

Before running [POST](#), complete the following preliminary steps:

1. If a power-on password has been established, type the password and press the **Enter** key. If the password is not known, [clear the password](#).
2. Run [Computer Checkup](#).
3. Turn off the computer and its external devices.
4. Disconnect any external devices that you do not want to test. Do not disconnect the printer if you want to test it or use it to log error messages.

IMPORTANT:

If the problem only occurs when an external device is connected to the computer, the problem may be related to the external device or its cable. Verify this by running POST with and without the external device connected.

5. Install loopback plugs in the serial and parallel connectors if you would like to test these ports.
6. Ensure the hard drive is installed in the computer.
7. Ensure that the battery pack is inserted in the computer and the computer is connected to an external AC power source.

When the preliminary steps are completed, you are ready to run [POST](#).

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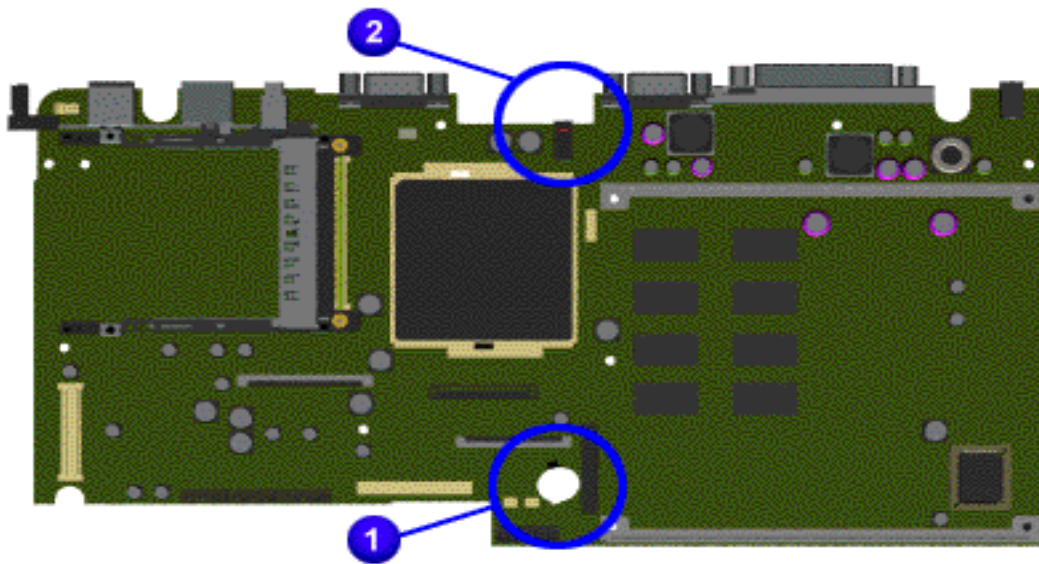
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Clearing the Power-on Password




Clearing the power-on password requires removing all Setup attributes that are programmed in the CMOS. The **1** RTC battery is located on the system board.

If the password is not known, clear it by performing the following steps:

1. Turn off the computer.
2. Disconnect the power cord.
3. Remove the battery pack.
4. Remove the Palmrest Cover with Touch Pad.
5. Remove the heatspreader.

6. Remove the keyboard.

7. The  dip switch contains four bits. Set the third bit to **ON** for 30 seconds and return it to **OFF** position.

8. Reassemble the computer.

9. Turn on the computer to verify that the power-on password has been cleared. If it has not been cleared, repeat Steps 1 through 10.

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Power-On Self Test (POST)

Running POST

To run POST, complete the following steps:

Turn off the computer, then turn on the computer.

If POST does not detect any errors, the computer will not beep. This indicates successful completion of POST test. POST has run successfully and boots from the hard drive (or from a bootable diskette if one is installed in the diskette drive).

If POST detects errors, the errors are indicated by screen and/or audible messages. Refer to "Power-On Self-Test (POST) Codes" in the tables for a list of POST codes and their relevant descriptions.

NOTE: If the system is not functioning well enough to run POST, or if the display is not functioning well enough to show POST error messages, refer to the Troubleshooting tables.

Power-On Self-Test Messages	
102-System Board Failure	
Probable Cause	Recommended Action
DMA, timers, etc.	Replace the system board.
162-System Options Not Set	
Probable Cause	Recommended Action
Configuration incorrect	Run Computer Setup.
CMOS reflects that an invalid configuration has been set.	Run Computer Setup.
RAM failure	1. Replace the memory modules. 2. Replace the system board.
Memory test data error	1. Replace the memory modules. 2. Replace the system board.
XX000YZZ RAM failure	Replace the system board.

XX000YZZ 201-Memory Error

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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301-Keyboard Error

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Keyboard failure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure the keys are not depressed during POST. 2. Reconnect the keyboard with the computer off. 3. Replace the keyboard.
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304-Keyboard or System Unit Error

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Keyboard or system board error	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace the keyboard. 2. Replace the TouchPad or mouse. 3. Replace the system board.
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601-Diskette Controller Error

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Mismatch in drive type or failure in the diskette controller	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run Computer Checkup (TEST). 2. Check and/or replace cables. 3. Replace the system board.
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605-Diskette Drive Error

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Mismatch in drive type	Run Computer Setup.
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1780-Primary Hard Drive 0 Failure

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Disk 0 failed to respond	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run Computer Checkup (TEST). 2. Replace the hard drive.
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Hard drive format error	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run Computer Checkup (TEST). 2. Replace the hard drive.
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1782-Hard Drive Controller

Probable Cause	Recommended Action
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Hard drive controller failure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run Computer Setup. 2. Replace the hard drive.
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Compaq Diagnostics

Compaq Diagnostics is installed on the hard drive of the computer. Run the Diagnostics utilities when you want to view or test system information and if you have installed or connected devices. If you run Compaq Diagnostics from a diskette, ensure that it is version 10.11 or later.

The Diagnostics menu includes the following utilities:

- [Computer Checkup \(TEST\)](#)
- [View System Information \(INSPECT\)](#)
- [Prepare Computer for a Compaq Service Call \(RemotePaq\)](#)

If you have a problem you cannot solve, run the Diagnostics utilities before you call for support. Run Computer Checkup and select to save the device list to a file and to print or to save the log of errors. Run the View System Information (INSPECT) utility and select to print or to save that information. Have the files or the printed information available when you call for support.

Computer Checkup (TEST)

Computer Checkup (TEST) determines whether the various computer components and devices are recognized by the system and are functioning properly. You can display, print, or save the information generated by Computer Checkup.

Follow these steps to run Computer Checkup:

1. Plug the computer into an external power source. (A low battery condition could interrupt the program.)
2. Turn on the external devices that you want to test. Connect the printer if you want to print a log of error messages.
3. Insert the Compaq Diagnostics diskette in drive A.
4. Turn on or restart the computer. The computer starts from drive A, and the **Diagnostics Welcome** screen appears.

5. Press **Enter** to continue. The **Diagnostics** menu appears.
6. Select Computer Checkup from the **Diagnostics** menu. A **Test Option** menu appears.
7. Select **View the Device List** from the **Test Option** menu. A list of the installed Compaq devices appears.
8. If the list of installed devices is correct, select **OK**. The **Test Option** menu appears.

NOTE: If the list is incorrect, ensure that any new devices are installed properly.

9. Select one of the following from the **Test Option** menu:
 - Quick Check Diagnostics. Runs a quick, general test on each device with a minimal number of prompts. If errors occur, they display when the testing is complete. You cannot print or save the error messages.
 - Automatic Diagnostics. Runs unattended, maximum testing of each device with minimal prompts. You can choose how many times to run the tests, to stop on errors, or to print or save a log of errors.
 - Prompted Diagnostics. Allows maximum control over testing the devices. You can choose attended or unattended testing, decide to stop on errors, or choose to print or save a log of errors.
10. Follow the instructions on the screen as the devices are tested. When testing is complete, the **Test Option** menu appears.
11. Exit the **Test Option** menu.
12. Exit the **Diagnostics** menu.

View System Information (INSPECT)

The View System Information (INSPECT) utility provides information about the computer and installed or connected devices. You can display, print, or save the information.

Follow these steps to run View System Information (INSPECT) from the Compaq Diagnostics diskette:

1. Turn on the external devices that you want to test. Connect the printer if you want to print the information.
2. Insert the Compaq Diagnostics diskette in drive A.
3. Turn on or restart the computer. The computer starts from drive A, and the **Diagnostics Welcome** screen appears.

4. Press **Enter** to continue. The Diagnostics menu appears.
5. Select **View System Information (INSPECT)** from the **Diagnostics** menu.
6. Select the item you want to view from the following list:

System

ROM

Keyboard

System ports

System storage

Graphics

Memory

Audio

Operating system

System files

Windows files

7. Follow the instructions on the screen to cycle through the screens, to return to the list and choose another item, or to print the information.

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Diagnostic Error Codes

Diagnostic error codes occur if the system recognizes a problem while running the Compaq Diagnostic program. These error codes help identify possibly defective subassemblies.

The following tables list error codes, a description of the error condition, and the action required to resolve the error condition.

IMPORTANT: Retest the system after completing each step. If the problem has been resolved, do not proceed with the remaining steps.

For the removal and replacement of a particular subassembly, see [Removal and Replacement Procedures](#).

Select error codes by number or type:

[101 through 114](#)

[200 through 215](#)

[300 through 304](#)

[401 through 403](#)

[600 through 699](#)

[1101](#)

[1701 through 1736](#)

[Processor Test](#)

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[Audio Test](#)

[8601 through 8602](#)

[Touch Pad Pointing Device Test](#)

[3301 through 6623](#)

[CD Test](#)

Processor Test Error Codes

Error Code	Description	Recommended Action
101-xx	CPU test failed	Replace the processor and retest.
102-xx	Coprocessor or Weitek Error	1. Run the Configuration and Diagnostics Utilities. 2. Replace the processor board and retest.
103-xx	DMA page registers test failed	Replace the system board and retest.
104-xx	Interrupt controller master test failed	
105-xx	Port 61 error	
106-xx	Keyboard controller self-test failed	
107-xx	CMOS RAM test failed	
108-xx	CMOS interrupt test failed	
109-xx	CMOS clock test failed	
110-xx	Programmable timer load data test failed	
113-xx	Protected mode test failed	
114-01	Speaker test failed	

Memory Test Error Codes

200-xx	Memory machine ID test failed	1. Flash the system ROM and retest. 2. Replace the system board and retest.
202-xx	Memory system ROM checksum failed	
203-xx	Write/Read test failed	1. Remove the memory module and retest. 2. Install a new memory module and retest.
204-xx	Address test failed	
211-xx	Random pattern test failed	
214-xx	Noise test failed	

215-xx	Random address test failed
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Keyboard Test Error Codes

300-xx	Failed ID Test	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check the keyboard connection. If disconnected, turn off the computer and connect the keyboard. 2. Replace the keyboard and retest. 3. Replace the system board and retest.
301-xx	Failed Selftest/Interface Test	
302-xx	Failed Individual Key Test	
304-xx	Failed Keyboard Repeat Test	

Parallel Printer Test Error Codes

401-xx	Printer failed or not connected	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Connect the printer. 2. Check power to the printer. 3. Install the loop-back connector and retest. 4. Check port and IRQ configuration. 5. Replace the system board and retest.
402-xx	Failed Port Test	
403-xx	Printer pattern test failed	

Diskette Drive Test

600-xx	Diskette ID drive types test failed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace the diskette media and retest. 2. Check and/or replace the diskette power and signal cables and retest. 3. Replace the diskette drive and retest. 4. Replace the system board and retest. 	
601-xx	Diskette format failed		
602-xx	Diskette read test failed		
603-xx	Diskette write, read, compare test failed		
604-xx	Diskette random read test failed		
605-xx	Diskette ID media failed		
606-xx	Diskette speed test failed		
609-xx	Diskette reset controller test failed		
610-xx	Diskette change line test failed		
697-xx	Diskette type error		
698-xx	Diskette drive speed not within limits		
699-xx	Diskette drive/media ID error		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replace media. 2. Run the Configuration and Diagnostics Utilities.

Serial Test Error Codes

1101-xx	Serial port test failed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check port configuration 2. Replace the system board and retest.
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Hard Drive Test Error Codes

1701-xx	Hard drive format test failed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run the Configuration and Diagnostics Utilities and verify drive type. 2. Verify that all secondary drives have secondary drive capability. 3. Replace the hard drive and retest. 4. Replace the system board and retest.
1702-xx	Hard drive read test failed	
1703-xx	Hard drive write/read/compare test failed	
1704-xx	Hard drive random seek test failed	
1705-xx	Hard drive controller test failed	
1706-xx	Hard drive ready test failed	
1707-xx	Hard drive recalibration test failed	
1708-xx	Hard drive format bad track test failed	
1709-xx	Hard drive reset controller test failed	
1710-xx	Hard drive park head test failed	
1715-xx	Hard drive head select test failed	
1716-xx	Hard drive conditional format test failed	
1717-xx	Hard drive ECC* test failed	
1719-xx	Hard drive power mode test failed	
1724-xx	Network preparation test failed	
1736-xx	Drive monitoring test failed	

* ECC = Error Correction Code

Video Test Error Codes

501-xx	Video controller test failed	<p>The following apply to error codes 501-xx through 516-xx:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Disconnect external monitor and test with internal LCD display. 2. Replace the display assembly and retest. 3. Replace the system board and retest.
502-xx	Video memory test failed	
503-xx	Video attribute test failed	
504-xx	Video character set test failed	
505-xx	Video 80 × 25 mode 9 × 14 character cell test failed	
506-xx	Video 80 × 25 mode 8 × 8 character cell test failed	
507-xx	Video 40 × 25 mode test failed	
508-xx	Video 320 × 200 mode color set 0 test failed	
509-xx	Video 320 × 200 mode color set 1 test failed	
510-xx	Video 640 × 200 mode test failed	

511-xx	Video screen memory page test failed	<p>The following steps apply to error codes 2402-xx through 2456-xx:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run the Configuration and Diagnostics Utilities. 2. Replace the display assembly and retest. 3. Replace the system board and retest.
512-xx	Video gray scale test failed	
514-xx	Video white screen test failed	
516-xx	Video noise pattern test failed	
2402-xx	Video memory test failed	
2403-xx	Video attribute test failed	
2404-xx	Video character set test failed	
2405-xx	Video 80 × 25 mode 9 × 14 character cell test failed	
2406-xx	Video 80 × 25 mode 8 × 8 character cell test failed	
2408-xx	Video 320 × 200 mode color set 0 test failed	
2409-xx	Video 320 × 200 mode color set 1 test failed	
2410-xx	Video 640 × 200 mode test failed	
2411-xx	Video screen memory page test failed	
2412-xx	Video gray scale test failed	
2414-xx	Video white screen test failed	
2416-xx	Video noise pattern test failed	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run the Configuration and Diagnostics Utilities. 2. Disconnect external monitor and test with internal LCD display. 3. Replace the display assembly and retest. 4. Replace the system board and retest.
2418-xx	ECG/VGC memory test failed	
2419-xx	ECG/VGC ROM checksum test failed	
2421-xx	ECG/VGC 640 × 200 graphics mode test failed	
2422-xx	ECG/VGC 640 × 350 16 color set test failed	
2423-xx	ECG/VGC 640 × 350 64 color set test failed	
2424-xx	ECG/VGC monochrome text mode test failed	

2425-xx	ECG/VGC monochrome graphics mode test failed	
2431-xx	640 × 480 graphics test failure	
2432-xx	320 × 200 graphics (256 color mode) test failure	
2448-xx	Advanced VGA Controller test failed	
2451-xx	132-column Advanced VGA test failed	
2456-xx	Advanced VGA 256 Color test failed	
2458-xx	Advanced VGA BitBLT test	The following step applies to error codes 2458-xx through 2480-xx: Replace the system board and retest.
2468-xx	Advanced VGA DAC test	
2477-xx	Advanced VGA data path test	
2478-xx	Advanced VGA BitBLT test	
2480-xx	Advanced VGA LineDraw test	

Audio Test Error Codes

3206-xx	Audio System Internal Error	Replace the system board and retest.
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TouchPad/Pointing Device Interface Test Error Codes

8601-xx	Mouse test failed	1. Replace the TouchPad and retest. 2. Replace the system board and retest.
8602-xx	Interface test failed	

CD Drive Test Error Codes

3301-xx	CD drive read test failed	1. Replace the CD and retest. 2. Verify that the speakers are connected. 3. Verify that drivers are loaded and properly installed.
3305-xx	CD drive seek test failed	

6600-xx	ID test failed	4. Replace the CD drive and retest. 5. Replace the system board and retest.
6605-xx	Read test failed	
6608-xx	Controller test failed	
6623-xx	Random read test failed	

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Troubleshooting Without Diagnostics

This section provides information about how to identify and correct some common hardware, memory, and software problems. It also explains several types of common messages that may be displayed on the screen. The following pages contain troubleshooting information on:

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Since symptoms can appear to be similar, carefully match the symptoms of the computer malfunction against the problem description in the Troubleshooting tables to avoid a misdiagnosis.



WARNING: To avoid a potential shock hazard during troubleshooting procedures, disconnect all power sources before removing the keyboard cover or the display bezel.

Before Replacing Parts

Verify that cables are connected properly to the suspected defective parts.

- Run Computer Setup after connecting external devices.
- Verify that all required device drivers are installed.
- Verify that all required changes have been made to the *CONFIG.SYS* file.
- Verify that all required changes have been made to the *AUTOEXEC.BAT* file.
- Verify that all printer drivers have been installed for each application.

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Solving Minor Problems

Some minor problems and possible solutions are outlined in the following tables. If the problem appears related to a software application, check the documentation provided with the software.

Solving Audio Problems

Some common audio problems and solutions are listed in the following table.

Solving Audio Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Computer does not beep after the Power-On Self-Test (POST).	This is typical; it indicates successful completion of the Power-On Self-Test (POST).	No action is required.

Solving Battery Pack and Battery Gauge Problems

Some common causes and solutions for battery pack problems are listed in the following table. The "Solving Power Problems" section in this chapter may also be applicable.

Solving Battery Pack and Battery Gauge Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Computer won't turn on when battery pack is inserted and power cord is unplugged.	Battery pack is discharged.	Connect the computer to an external power source and charge the battery pack. Replace the battery pack with a fully charged battery pack.
		Check the battery connectors on the system board to verify they are evenly spaced and that they are not bent or broken.

Computer is beeping and battery LED icon is blinking.	Battery charge is low.	Immediately save any open file(s). Then do any one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect the computer to an external power source to charge the battery pack. • Turn off the computer or initiate Hibernation until you can find another power source or charge the battery pack.
Computer battery LED icon (front on the unit) blinks to indicate low battery condition, but computer does not beep.	Volume is turned down too low.	Adjust the volume.
Battery LED icon doesn't light and battery pack won't fast charge.	Battery pack is already charged.	No action is necessary.
	Battery pack was exposed to temperature extremes.	Allow time for the battery pack to return to room temperature.
	Battery pack is at end of its life.	Replace battery pack.
You have to set the date and time every time you turn on the computer.	RTC battery is dead.	Replace the RTC battery.

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Battery charge does not last as long as expected.	Battery is being exposed to high temperatures or extremely cold temperatures.	Keep the battery pack within the recommended operating temperature range 50° F to 104° F (10° C to 40° C) or recommended storage range -4° F to 86° F (-20° C to 30° C). Recharge the battery pack.
	Battery has partially self-discharged.	Recharge the battery. Discharge the battery completely and then recharge it.
	Power management is disabled.	Set a power management level in Computer Setup.
	An external device or PC Card is draining the battery.	Turn off or disconnect external devices when not using them.
Battery pack is warm to the touch after charging.	Normal warming has occurred due to charging.	No action is required.
Battery pack operating time is far less than the documented average operating time.	Power management is turned off or disabled.	Enable power management in Computer Setup and in Windows Power Properties.
	An external device or PC Card is draining the battery.	Turn off or disconnect external devices when not using them.

	<p>Battery pack has partially self-discharged.</p>	<p>Condition the battery pack by fully charging, fully discharging, then fully recharging it.</p> <p>To maintain the charge, leave battery packs in the computer when it is connected to external power.</p> <p>If the computer is disconnected from external power for more than two weeks, remove battery packs from the computer to reduce the discharge rate.</p>
	<p>Battery pack is being exposed to high temperatures or extremely cold temperatures.</p>	<p>Keep the battery pack within the recommended temperature ranges. Operating: 50° F to 104° F (10° C to 40° C) Storage: -4° F to 86° F (-20° C to 30° C)</p> <p>Recharge the battery pack.</p>

Solving CD Drive Problems

Some common causes and solutions for CD drive problems are listed in the following table.

Solving CD Drive Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
CD drive cannot read a compact disc.	Compact disc is upside down or is improperly inserted in the CD drive.	Open the CD loading tray, lay the compact disc in it (label side up), then close the tray.
	CD is CD Plus or Pregap/Track 0 type.	Cannot read these type CDs in 24x. Remove the CD.

Solving Diskette and Diskette Drive Problems

Some common causes and solutions for diskette and diskette drive problems are listed in the following table.

Solving Diskette and Diskette Drive Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Diskette drive cannot write to a diskette.	Diskette is write-protected.	Disable the diskette's write-protect feature or use a diskette that is not write-protected.
	Computer is writing to the wrong drive.	Check the drive letter in the path statement.
	Not enough space is left on the diskette.	Use another diskette.

	Drive error has occurred.	Run Computer Checkup from the Compaq Diagnostics diskette.
	Diskette is not formatted.	Format the diskette. At the system prompt, enter FORMAT A:
Diskette drive cannot read a diskette.	The wrong type of diskette is being used.	Use the type of diskette required by the drive.
	Diskette has a bad sector.	Copy files to hard drive or another diskette. Reformat bad floppy.
	Drive error has occurred.	Run Computer Checkup from the Compaq Diagnostics diskette.
	Diskette is not formatted.	Format the diskette. At the system prompt, enter FORMAT A:
Cannot boot from diskette.	Bootable diskette is not in drive A.	Put the bootable diskette in drive A.
	Diskette Boot has incorrect setting in Computer Setup.	Run Computer Setup and set diskette as first to boot.

Solving Display Problems

This section lists some common causes and solutions for computer display and external monitor problems.





You can perform a monitor self-test on an external VGA color or monochrome monitor by disconnecting the monitor from the computer. To do so, complete the following steps:

1. Turn off the monitor.
2. Turn off the computer.
3. Disconnect the monitor signal cable from the computer.
4. Turn on the monitor and allow it to warm up for one minute.



The display should be white. A narrow black border may also appear on the left and right sides of the display. Either of these displays indicates that the monitor is working properly.

Solving Display Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Screen is dim.	Control for brightness or contrast (if applicable) is not set properly.	Adjust the Brightness of the display by using Fn + F7 () or Fn + F8 (-). Adjust the Contrast of the display by using Fn + F5 () or Fn + F6 (-).
	Computer screen is in direct light.	Tilt display or move computer.

Screen is blank.	Screen save was initiated by Power Management due to lack of user activity.	Press any key or touch the Touch Pad.
	Display has overheated.	If computer is in direct sunlight, move it and allow it to cool off.
Display is blank and the Suspend icon is flashing.	System is in Suspend mode.	Press any key or touch the Touch Pad.
Internal display is blank and the screen on an external monitor displays information.	Display function was switched to the external monitor.	Use Fn + F2 to switch between LCD or CRT .

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Internal display flashes or has garbled characters when computer is connected to external monitor.	Using 1024 × 768 or higher resolution on external monitor and have toggled back to internal display, which supports up to 800 × 600.	Restart the computer.
The light tubes on the edge of the display panel do not light up at all and Power-On Self-Test (POST) completes when the unit is powered up.**	Improper backlight or display cable connections	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective inverter board.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective display cable.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective display panel.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective system board.	Replace the system board.
The light tubes on the edge of the display panel do not light up at all and Power-On Self-Test (POST) does not complete when the unit is powered up.**	Defective system board.	Replace the system board.
Backlight (brightness) cannot be adjusted with Fn + F7 () or Fn + F8 ().***	Improper display cable connections.	1. Reseat the display cable to the system board. 2. Replace the display assembly.
	Defective inverter board.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective display cable.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective system board.	Replace the system board.
Contrast cannot be adjusted with Fn + F5 () or Fn + F6 ().	Improper display cable connections.	1. Reseat the display cable to the system board. 2. Replace the display assembly.
	Defective inverter board.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective display cable.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective system board.	Replace the system board.

****** This problem indicates that the backlight or its power circuitry has failed. Since you cannot observe the POST result on the display panel when the backlight is not functioning, connect the unit to an external monitor before powering the unit up. If an external monitor is not available, verify that POST completes by opening and closing the display, listening for the single or double beep, and watching for the LEDs turn on at the front of the computer.

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
This display panel has a continuous pattern across it (e.g., a "jailbars" pattern), has a single color on it, or has garbled graphics across the entire panel. This failure is for patterns across the entire panel (not just on one section).	Improper display cable connections	Reseat the display cable to the following until the problem is solved: 1. System board 2. Display assembly
	Defective display cable.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective inverter board.	Replace the display assembly.
	Defective system board.	Replace the system board.
Ghost bars extending from graphics on the display.	Common characteristic of STN displays.	1. Change the background colors. 2. Adjust the Contrast of the display by using Fn + F5 () or Fn + F6 ().
A single line, small group of lines, or block appears on the display panel. This failure occurs in only a section of the display panel.	Defective display panel.	Replace the display assembly.

NOTE: To perform a "self-test" on an external VGA color or monochrome monitor, complete the following steps: The screen should be white. A narrow black border may also appear on the left and right sides of the display. Either of these displays indicates that the monitor is working properly.

Solving Hard Drive Problems

Some common causes and solutions for hard drive problems are listed in the following table.



CAUTION: To prevent loss of information, always maintain an up-to-date backup of your hard drive at all times, in case of errors or failures.

Solving Hard Drive Problems

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Reading hard drive takes an unusually long time after restarting the computer.	System entered Hibernation due to low battery condition and is now exiting from it.	Give the system time to restore the previously saved data to its exact state before Hibernation.
Hard drive error occurs.	Hard drive has bad sectors or has failed.	Run Computer Checkup.
Hard drive does not work.	Hard drive is not seated properly.	Turn off and unplug the computer, remove the battery pack, and remove and then reinstall the hard drive.

Solving Hardware Installation Problems

Some common causes and solutions for hardware installation problems are listed in the following table.

Solving Hardware Installation Problems

Problem	Probable Cause	Solutions(s)
A new device is not recognized as part of the computer system.	Cable(s) of new external device are loose or power cables are unplugged.	Ensure that all cables are properly and securely connected.
	Power switch of new external device is not turned on.	Turn off the computer, turn on the external device, then turn on the computer to integrate the device with the computer system.
	Device is not seated properly.	Turn off the computer and reinsert the device.

Solving Keyboard/Numeric Keypad Problems

Some common causes and solutions for keyboard/numeric keypad problems are listed in the following table.

Solving Keyboard/Numeric Keypad Problems

Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Embedded numeric keypad on computer keyboard is disabled.	Num Lock function is not enabled.	Press the Shift+NumLk keys to enable the Num Lock function and embedded numeric keypad. The Num Lock icon on the status panel turns on.
Embedded numeric keypad is disabled and Num Lock function is on.	External numeric keypad is connected to the computer.	Disconnect the external numeric keypad from the computer.

Solving Memory Problems

Some common causes and solutions for memory problems are listed in the following table.

Solving Memory Problems		
Problem	Probable Cause	Solution(s)
Memory count during Power-On Self-Test (POST) is incorrect.	Optional memory expansion card is installed incorrectly, is incompatible with the computer, or is defective.	Ensure that the optional memory expansion card is installed correctly.
"Out of Memory" message is displayed on the screen or insufficient memory error occurs during operation.	System ran out of memory for the application.	Check the application documentation for memory requirements. Install additional memory.
	Too many TSR (terminate-and stay-resident) applications are running.	Remove from memory any TSR applications that you do not need.

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Contacting Compaq Support

Obtain the following information before contacting Compaq Reseller Support:

- Product name
- Product serial number
- Purchase date
- Conditions under which the problem occurred
- Any error messages that have occurred
- Hardware configuration
- Type of printer connected
- Hardware/software being used
- Printed result of Computer Checkup (TEST)
- Printed copies of *CONFIG.SYS* and *AUTOEXEC.BAT* files, if possible

Shipping Preparation

To ship the computer, complete the following steps:

1. Back up the critical hard drive files. Ensure that backup tapes/diskette are not exposed to electrical or magnetic fields while stored in transit.
2. Turn off the computer and external devices.
3. Disconnect the external devices from their power sources, then from the computer.

IMPORTANT:

Ensure that there is no diskette in the diskette drive and that there are no PC Cards in the PC slots.

4. Close the display and all exterior doors of the computer.
5. Pack the computer with sufficient packing material to protect it. Use the original packing box or similar packaging.

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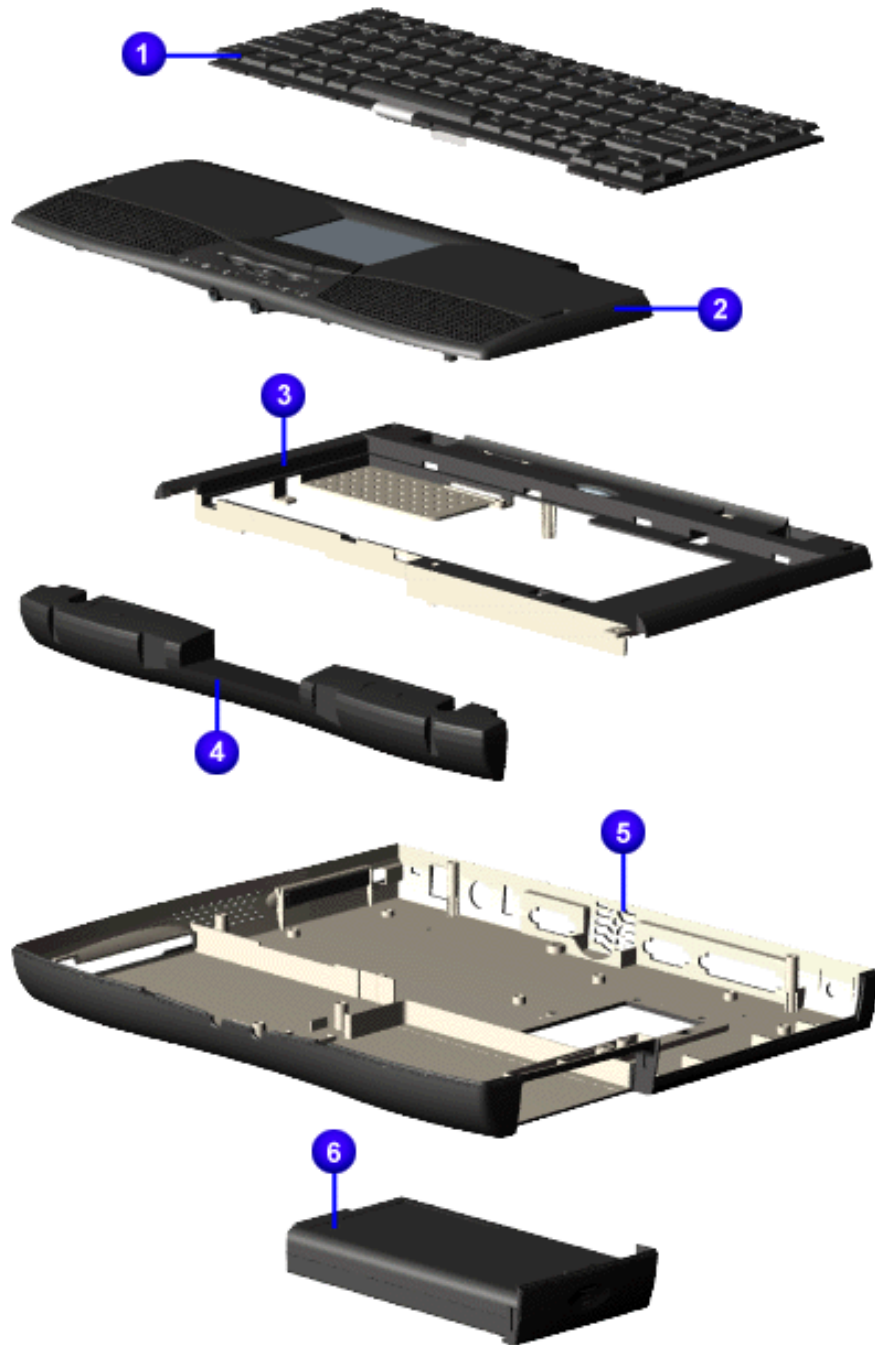
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Description	Spare Part Number
1. Keyboard	
2. Palmrest Cover	330965-001
3. Upper CPU Cover w/Cable and Power Switch (Top Plastics)	330963-001
4. Speaker Assembly w/Cable	330960-001
5. CPU Base Assembly Enclosure, (Bottom Plastics)	330948-001
6. Battery Pack, E.S. NIMH	330935-001



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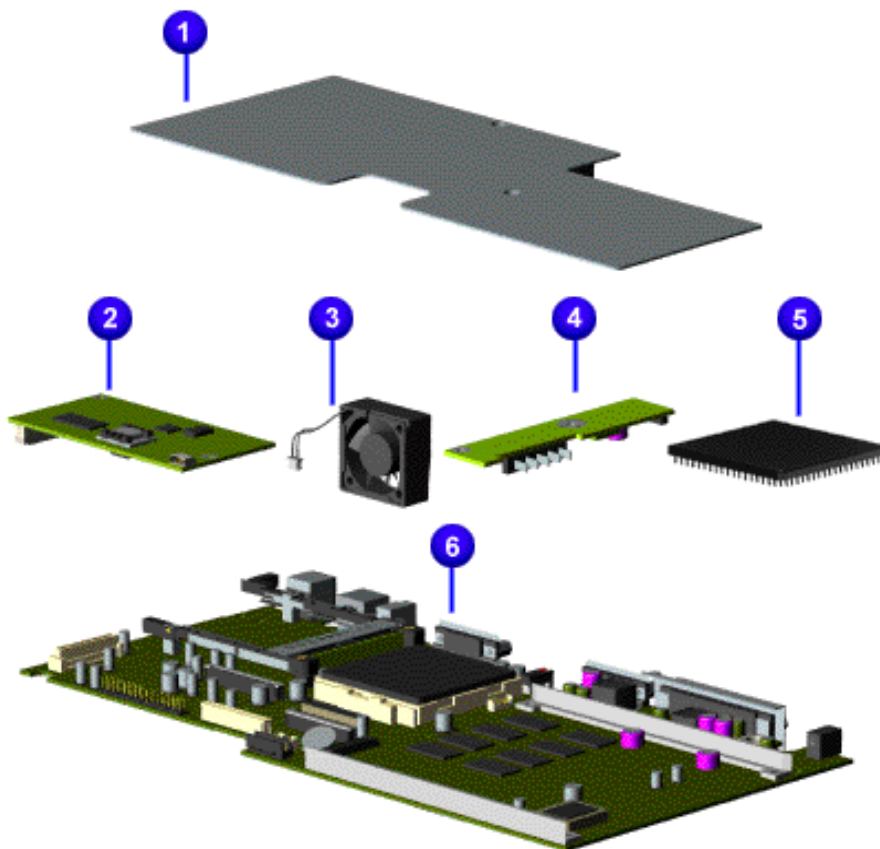
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Description	Spare Part Number
1. Heatspreader	330961-001
2. Modem, M + 56.0 Kbps Data/Fax	138610-001
2. Modem, K-56.0 Kbps Data/Fax	138657-001
3. Fan w/ Cable	293747-001
4. Voltage Converter	330962-001
5. Processor, 233 MGX	330937-001
6. System Board, w/ processor, w/32-MB memory	330938-001

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Description

Spare Part Number

Display Assembly w/ Cable, 12.1 inch HPA

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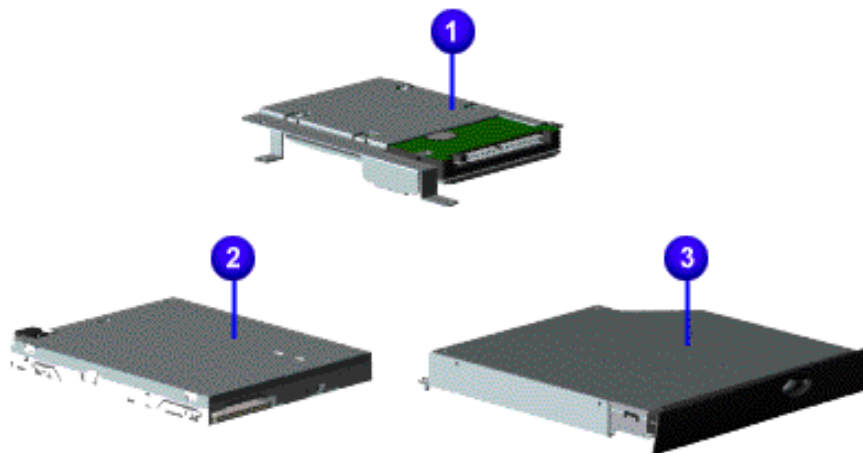
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Description	Spare Part Number
1. Hard Drive w/ Mounting Bracket, 2.1-GB	330933-001
Hard Drive w/Mounting Bracket 3.2-GB	330968-001
2. Diskette Drive w/ Cable, 1.44 MB, 3.5 inch	330947-001
3. 24x MAX CD Drive	330934-001

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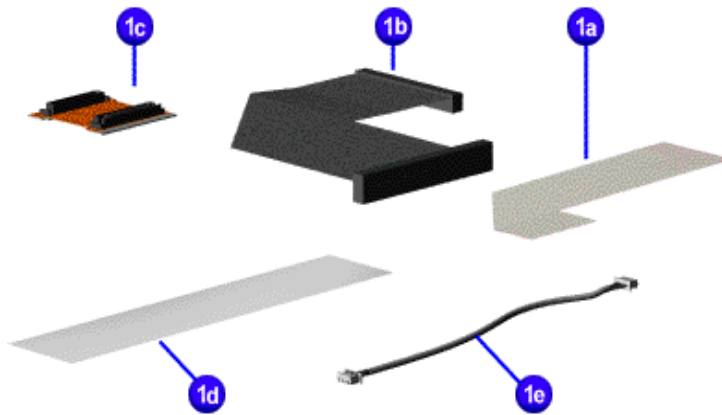
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Spare Part Number: 330946-001

Description	Quantity
1a. Cable, Diskette Drive	1
1b. Cable, Hard Drive	1
1c. Cable, CD Drive	1
1d. Cable, TouchPad SW Board	1
1e. Cable, Fax/Modem	1

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Description	Spare Part Number
1. Modem	

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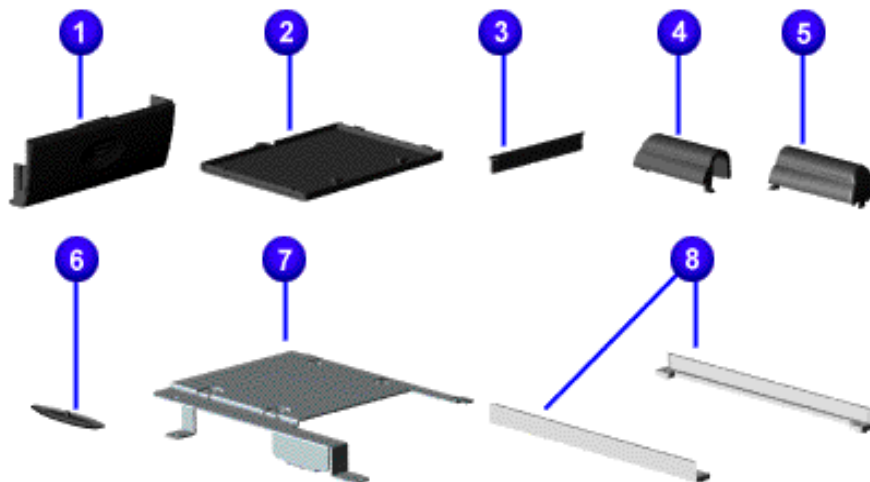
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Spare Part Number: 330949-001

Description	Quantity
1. Door, Battery Pack	1 each
2. Cover, Memory Module	1 each
3. Door, PCMCIA	2 each
4. Hinge (Clutch) Cover, Left	1 each
5. Hinge (Clutch) Cover, Right	1 each
6. Stand Foot (plastic)	10 each
7. Hard Drive Mounting Bracket	1 each

8. CD Drive Mounting Rails

2 each

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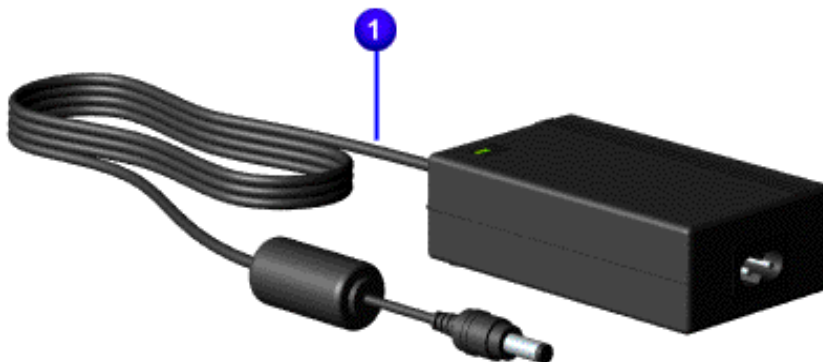
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Miscellaneous Screw Kit (Not Shown)	330959-001
Logo Kit (Not Shown)	203727-001
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System Unit	Description	Spare Part Number	
Boards	Quick Restore CD, Belgium* Windows 98	346862-381	
Display Assembly	Belgium* Windows 95	346861-381	
	France* Windows 98	346862-051	
Mass Storage Devices	France* Windows 95	346861-051	
	Germany* Windows 98	346862-041	
Miscellaneous Cable Kit	Germany* Windows 95	346861-041	
	Netherlands* Windows 98	346862-331	
Cables	Netherlands* Windows 95	346861-331	
	UK* Windows 98	346862-031	
Miscellaneous Hardware and Plastics Kit	UK* Windows 95	346861-031	
	NOTE: * Quick Restore CD's listed above only apply to Model 1230.		
Miscellaneous Parts	Quick Reference Guide	162212-001	
	QuickFind for Windows, North America, Latin America, Asia Pacific		
	QuickFind for Windows, Europe, Middle East, Africa		
<p>*QuickFind is updated monthly. To complete the QuickFind part number, add the suffix from the table below for the desired month. If you do not specify the 3-digit suffix, the default is the current month in which the order is placed.</p>			
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A sudden discharge of static electricity from a finger or other conductor can destroy static-sensitive devices or microcircuitry. Often the spark is neither felt nor heard, but damage occurs. An electronic device exposed to electrostatic discharge (ESD) may not be affected at all and will work perfectly throughout a normal cycle. Although, it may function normally for a while, then degrade in the internal layers, reducing its life expectancy.

Networks built into many integrated circuits provide some protection, but in many cases, the discharge contains enough power to alter device parameters or melt silicon junctions.

Generating Static

The table shows how different activities generate static electricity and at different electrostatic voltage levels.

Typical Electrostatic Voltages

Event	Relative Humidity		
	10%	40%	55%
Walking across carpet	35,000 V	15,000 V	7,500 V
Walking across vinyl floor	12,000 V	5,000 V	3,000 V
Motions of bench worker	6,000 V	800 V	400 V
Removing DIPS from plastic tubes	2,000 V	700 V	400 V

Removing DIPS from vinyl trays	11,500 V	4,000 V	2,000 V
Removing DIPS from Styrofoam	14,500 V	5,000 V	3,500 V
Removing bubble pack from PCBs	26,000 V	20,000 V	7,000 V
Packing PCBs in foam-lined box	21,000 V	11,000 V	5,000 V
NOTE: 700 volts can degrade a product.			

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Service Considerations

Listed below are some of the considerations that you should keep in mind during the disassembly and assembly of the computer.

Tool and Software Requirements

To service the computer, you need the following:

- Compaq screwdriver kit (Spare Part No. 161946-001)
- Torx T-9 screwdriver
- 3/16-inch and 5mm nut drivers (for screwlocks and standoffs)
- Small, standard screwdriver
- Small, Phillips screwdriver
- Diagnostics software

Screws

The screws used in the computer are not interchangeable. If an incorrect screw is used during the reassembly process, it can damage the unit. Compaq strongly recommends that all screws removed during disassembly be kept with the part that was removed, then returned to their proper locations.

IMPORTANT: As each subassembly is removed from the computer, it should be placed away from the work area to prevent damage.

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Cables and Connectors

Most cables used throughout the unit are ribbon cables. Cables must be handled with extreme care to avoid damage. Apply only the tension required to seat or unseat the cables during insertion or removal from the connector. Handle cables by the connector whenever possible. In all cases, avoid bending, twisting, or tearing the cables, and ensure that the cables are routed in such a way that they cannot be caught or snagged by parts being removed or replaced.

Cables

Use the following precautions when handling cables to avoid damage to the cable or computer:

- Always handle cables by their connectors.
- Avoid bending, twisting, or pulling on the cables.
- Apply minimum required force when seating or unseating the cables from their connectors.
- Place the cables in such a manner that they cannot be caught or snagged by parts being removed or replaced.
- Handle flex cables with extreme care; they can tear easily.

CAUTION: When serving these computers, ensure that cables are placed in their proper location during the reassembly process. Improper cable placement can cause severe damage to the unit.

Select the desired illustration.

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The ribbon cable position for the [2.1-GB or 3.2 hard drive](#).

The ribbon cable position for the [CD drive](#).

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The cable position for the [speaker assembly](#).

Plastic Parts

Plastic parts can be damaged by the use of excessive force during disassembly and reassembly. When handling the plastic parts, use care. Apply pressure only at the points designated in the maintenance instructions.

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Before beginning removal and replacement procedures, complete the following procedures:

1. Disconnect AC power and any external devices.
2. Remove the battery pack.
3. Remove any PC Cards.

IMPORTANT: The battery pack should be removed before performing any internal maintenance on the computer.



WARNING: Metal objects can damage the battery pack as well as the battery contacts in the battery compartment. To prevent damage, do not allow metal objects to touch the battery contacts. Place only the battery pack for the Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers into the battery compartment. Do not force the battery pack into the bay if insertion does not occur easily.

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CAUTION: Do not crush, puncture, or incinerate the battery pack. Do not open a battery pack, as this damages the pack, makes it unusable, and exposes potentially harmful battery components. There are no field-serviceable parts located inside the battery pack.

NOTE:

The Compaq Presario 1200 Series Portable Computers have several screws of various sizes which are **not** interchangeable. Care must be taken during reassembly to ensure that the correct screws are used in their correct location. During removal please keep respective screws with their associate sub-assembly.

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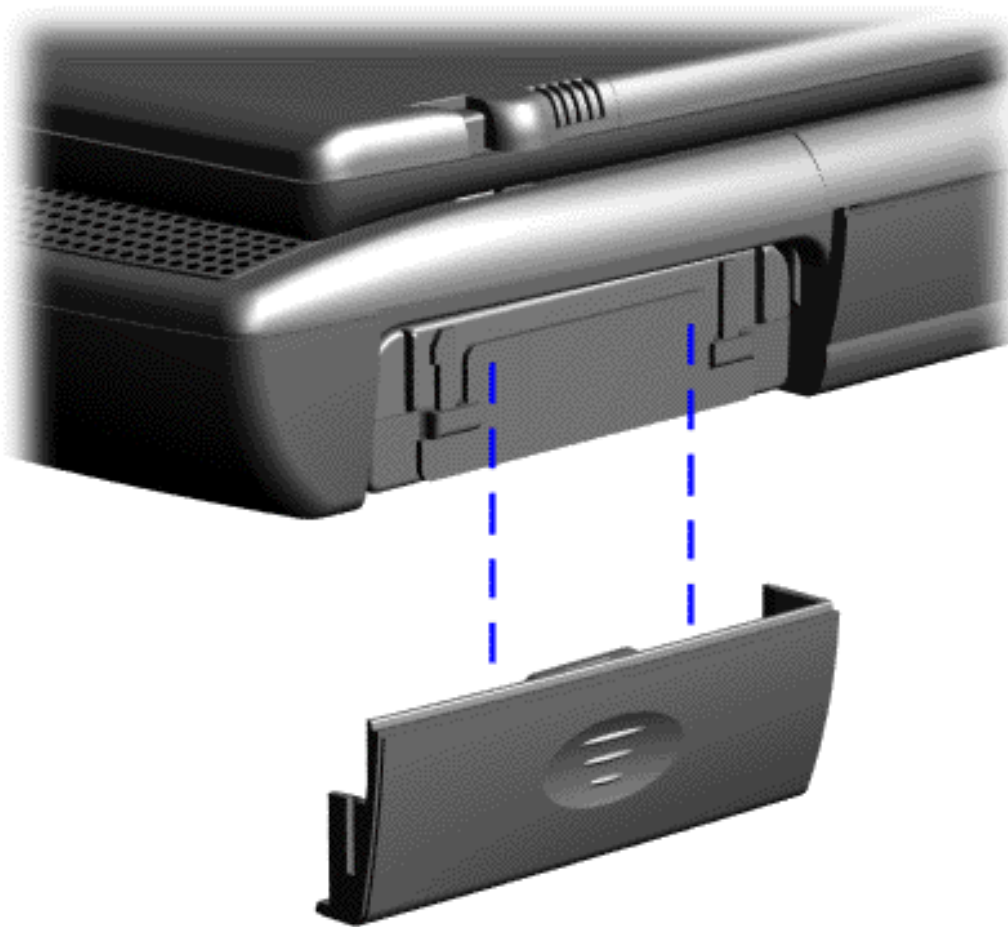
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To remove the battery pack, complete the following steps:

1. Slide the battery pack compartment door down and remove it from the battery pack.

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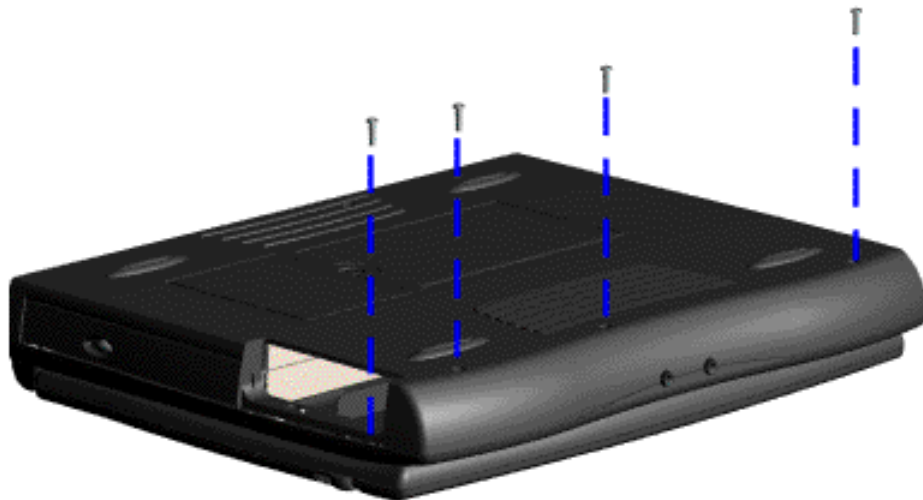
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The palmrest cover with touch pad must be removed to gain access to any of the interior components of the computer, and it is the first component that has to be removed to gain access to the interior components.

NOTE: It is not necessary to remove the display panel assembly to access the interior components of the computer.

To remove the palmrest cover with touch pad, complete the following steps:

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2. Close the computer and turn the computer upside down.

3. Remove four screws from the bottom of the computer.

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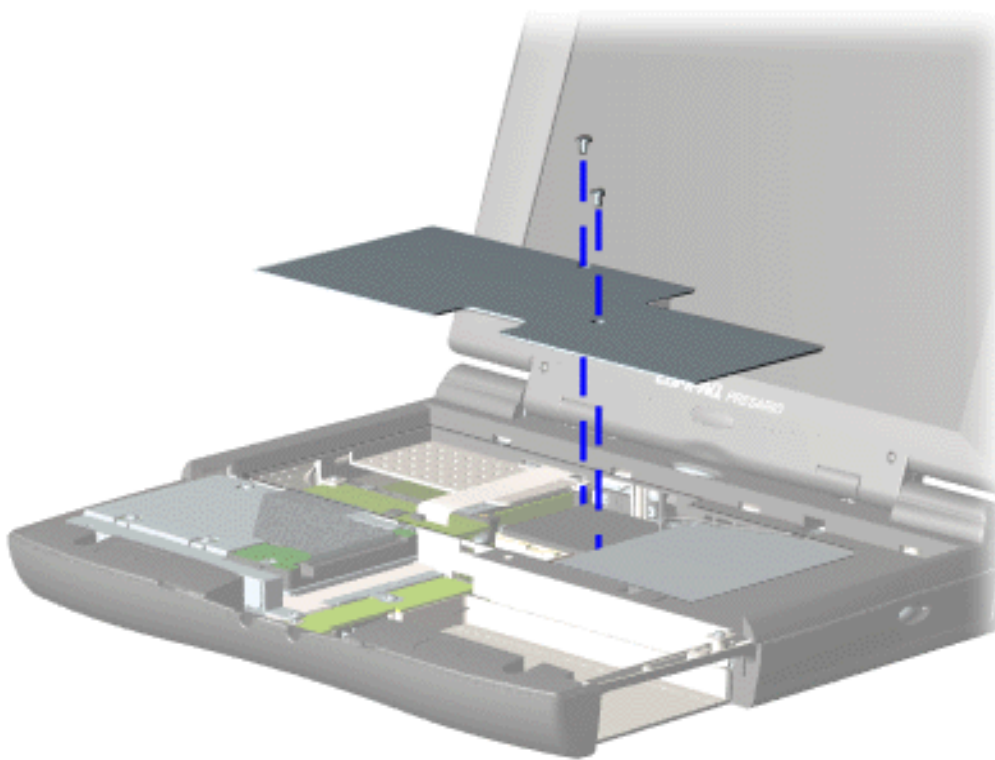
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To remove the heatspreader, complete the following steps:

1. [Prepare the computer for disassembly.](#)
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3. Remove two screws from the heatspreader and lift out of the chassis.

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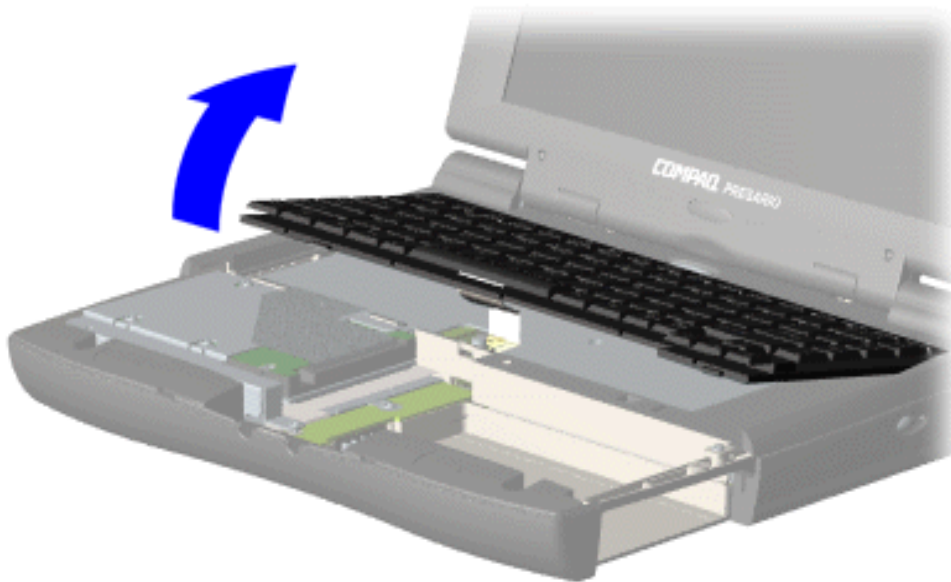
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To remove the keyboard, complete the following steps:

1. [Prepare the computer for disassembly.](#)
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4. Gently lift up the front of the keyboard.

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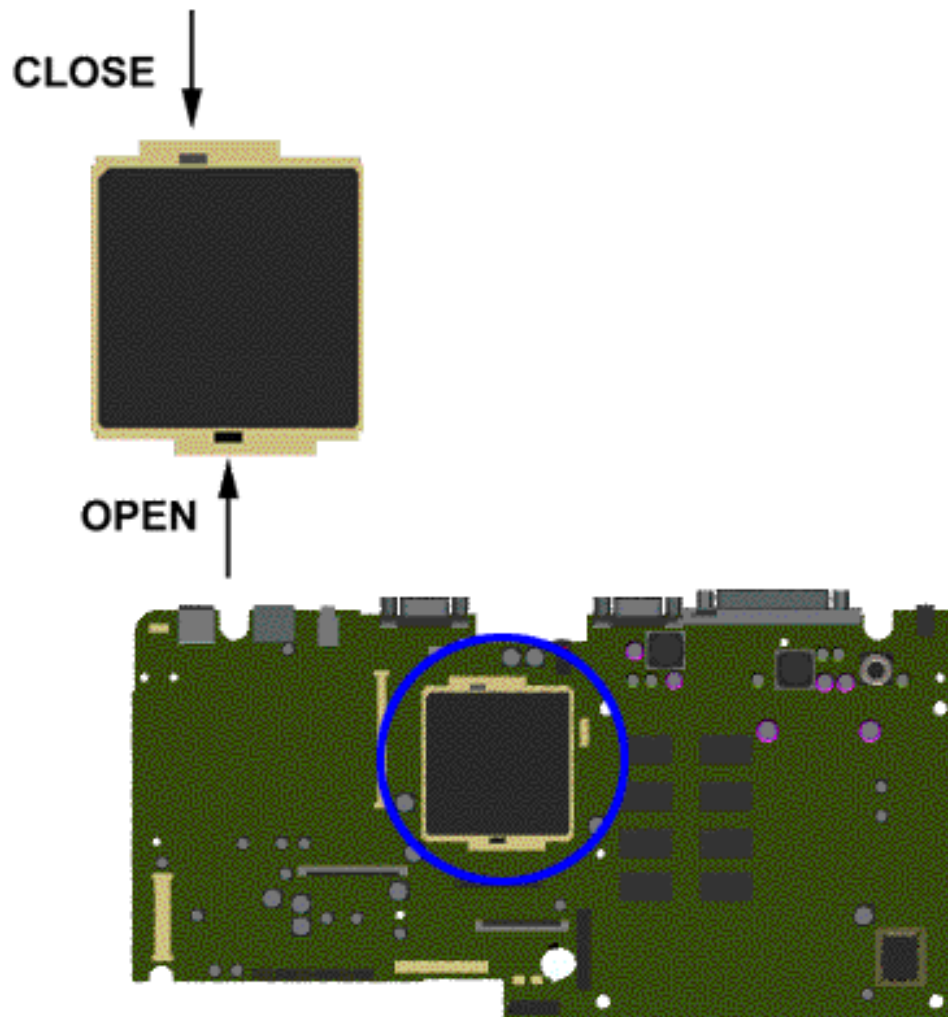
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To remove the processor, complete the following steps:

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5. Insert a small blade screw driver

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into the bottom slot opening on the processor and push toward the display to release the processor from the chassis slot.

6. Lift the processor out of the processor chassis slot.

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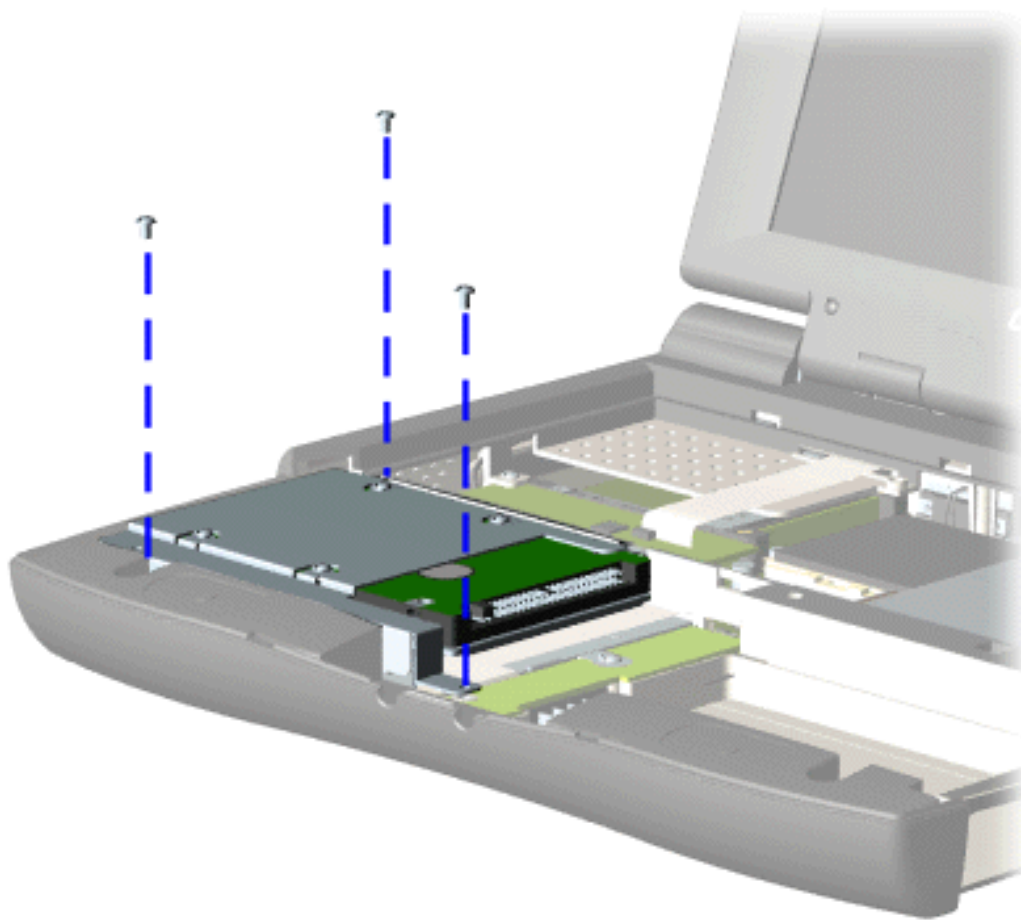
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To remove the hard drive, complete the following steps:

1. Prepare the [computer for disassembly](#).
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4. Remove three screws from

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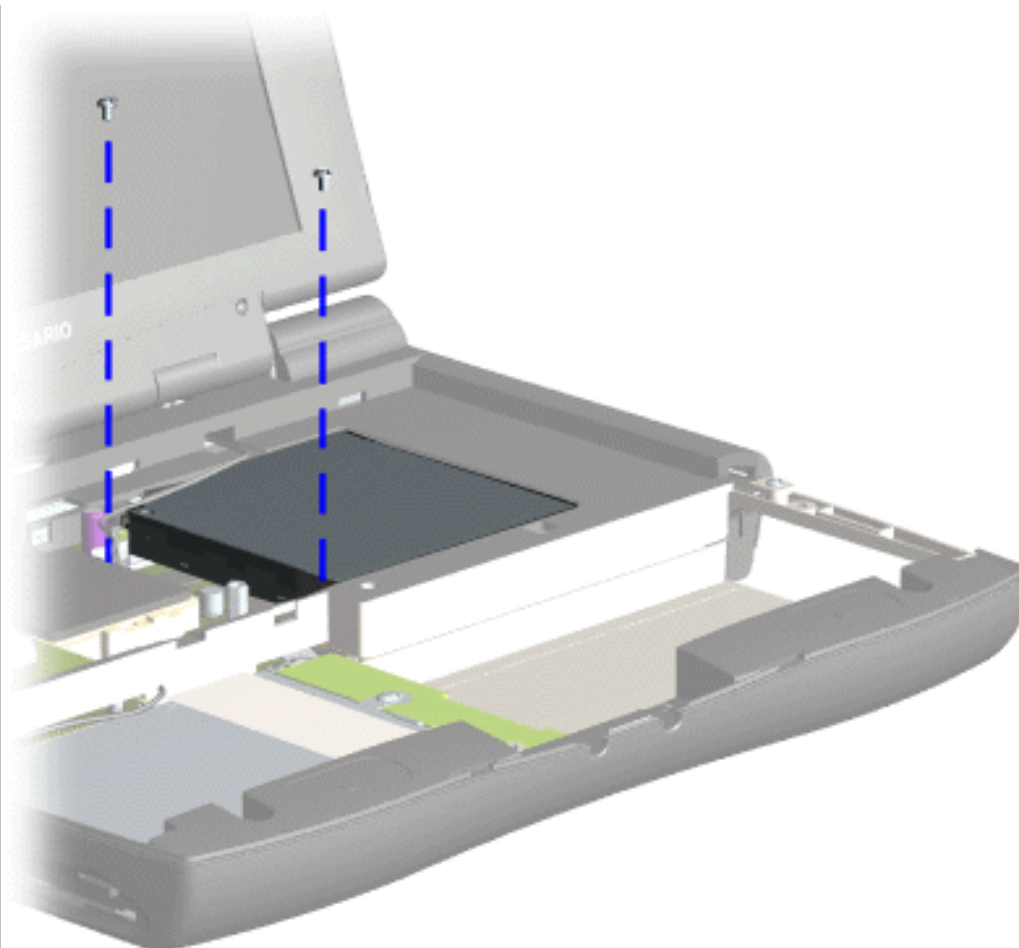
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To remove the CD drive, complete the following steps:

1. Prepare the [computer for disassembly](#).
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3. Remove the [heatspreader](#).
4. Remove the [keyboard](#).
5. Remove two screws located at

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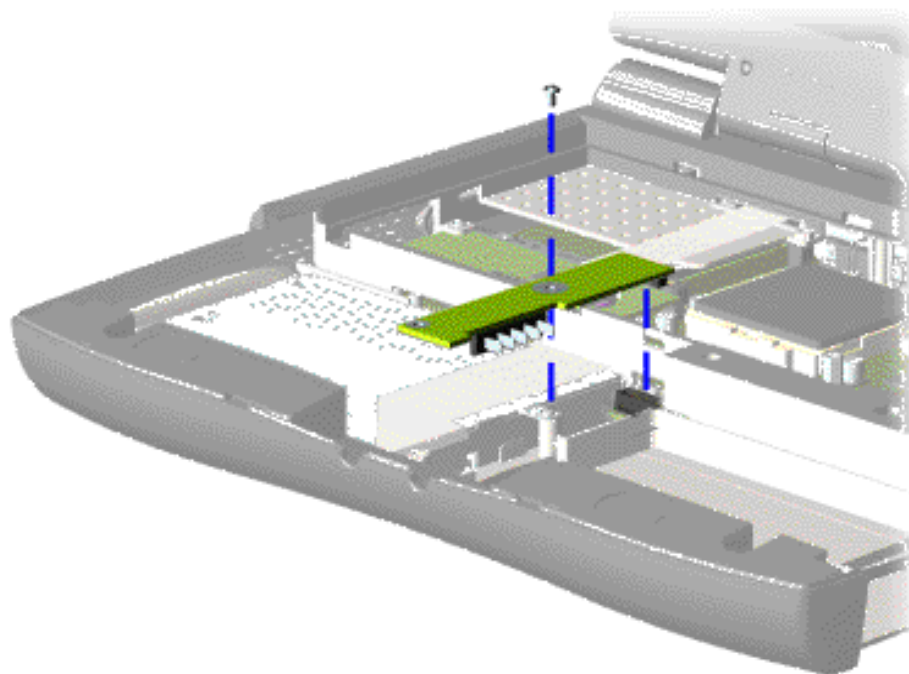
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To remove the battery charger board, complete the following steps:

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7. Remove one screw from the battery charger board, unplug the

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board from the connector on the system board, and lift out of the chassis.

To replace the battery charger board, reverse the previous procedures.

NOTE: When replacing the battery charger board, ensure the pins are aligned with the connector on the system board.

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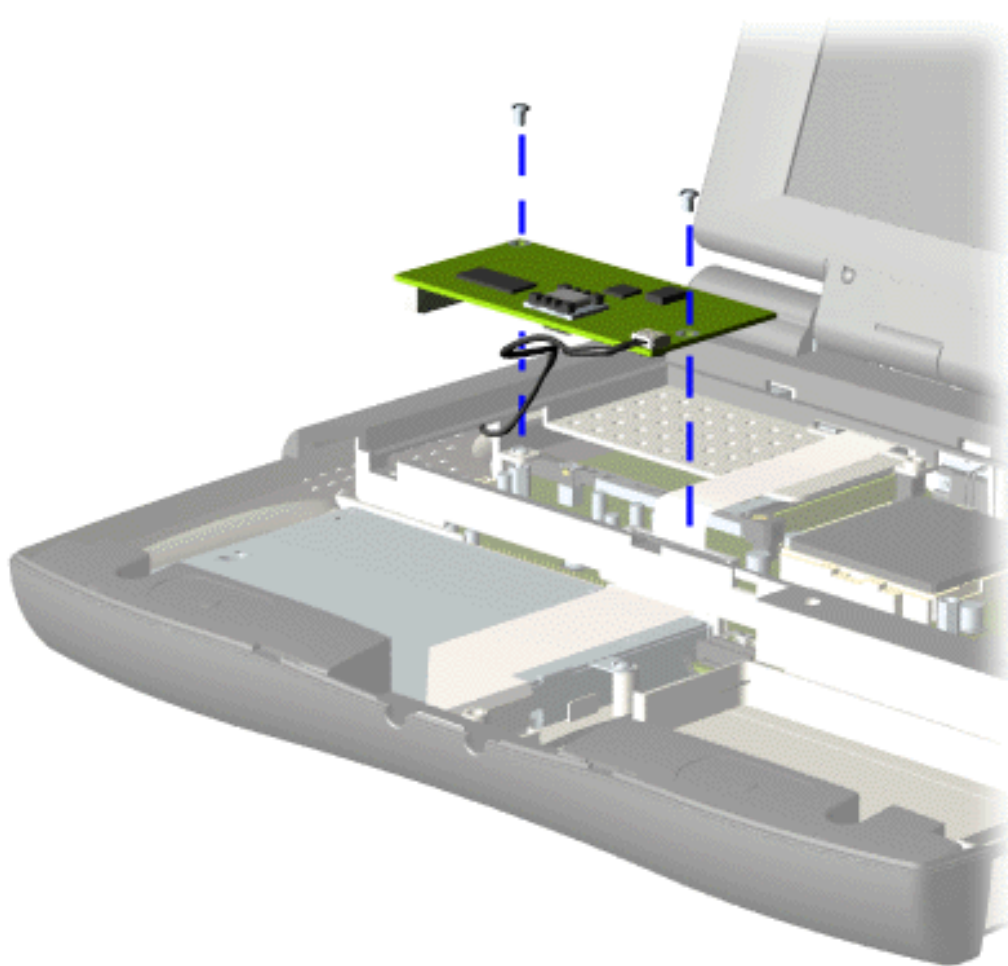
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To remove the modem, complete the following steps:

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4. Remove the [keyboard](#).
5. Remove two screws securing modem and

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pull the modem off the connector on the system board.

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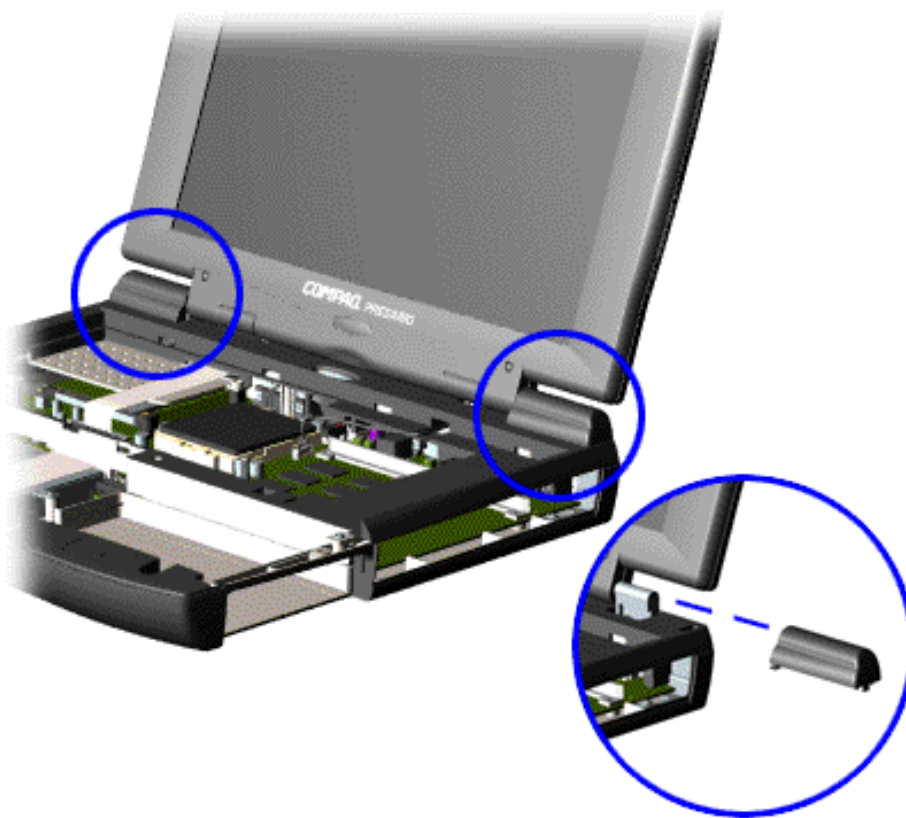
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To remove the display panel assembly, complete the following steps:

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6. Pull up the hinge covers and lift the covers off the chassis.

IMPORTANT: Carefully remove the display panel assembly hinge covers.

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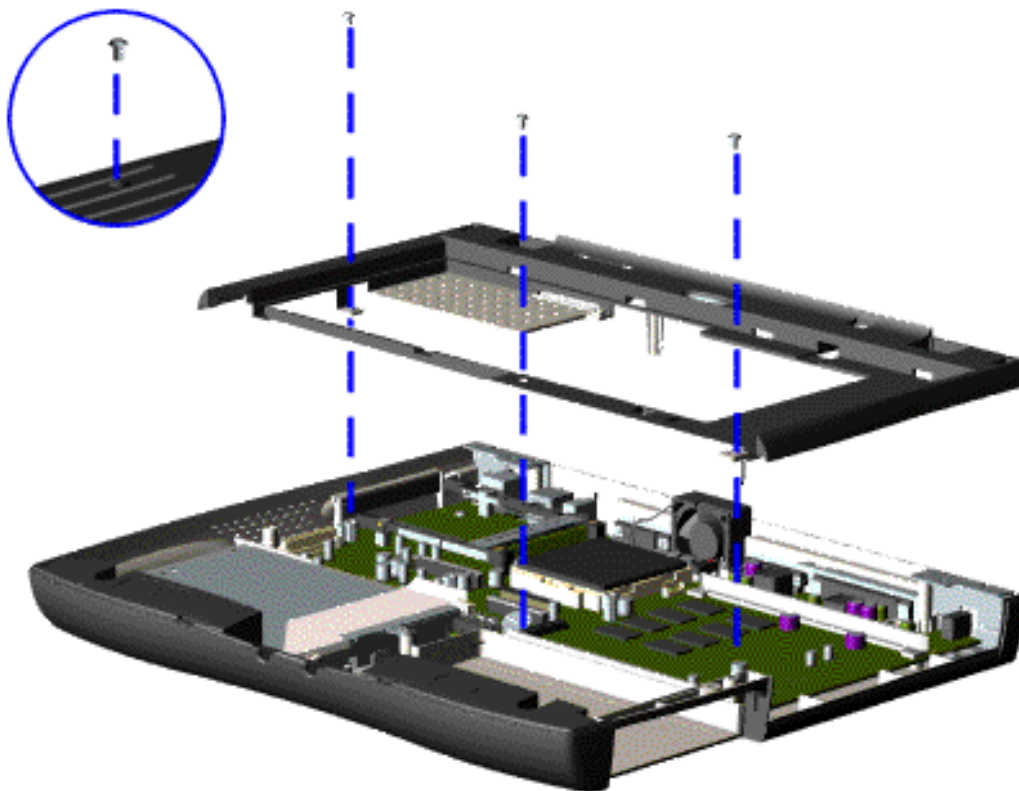
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To remove the Upper CPU cover complete the following steps:

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6. Remove the [display panel assembly](#).

7. Remove the screw located under the bottom of the unit (rear) which secures the Upper CPU cover to the chassis and remove three screws located on the top.

8. Lift the Upper CPU cover off the snaps on the chassis which will disconnect the power switch from the connector on the system board.

To replace the Upper CPU cover, reverse the previous procedures.

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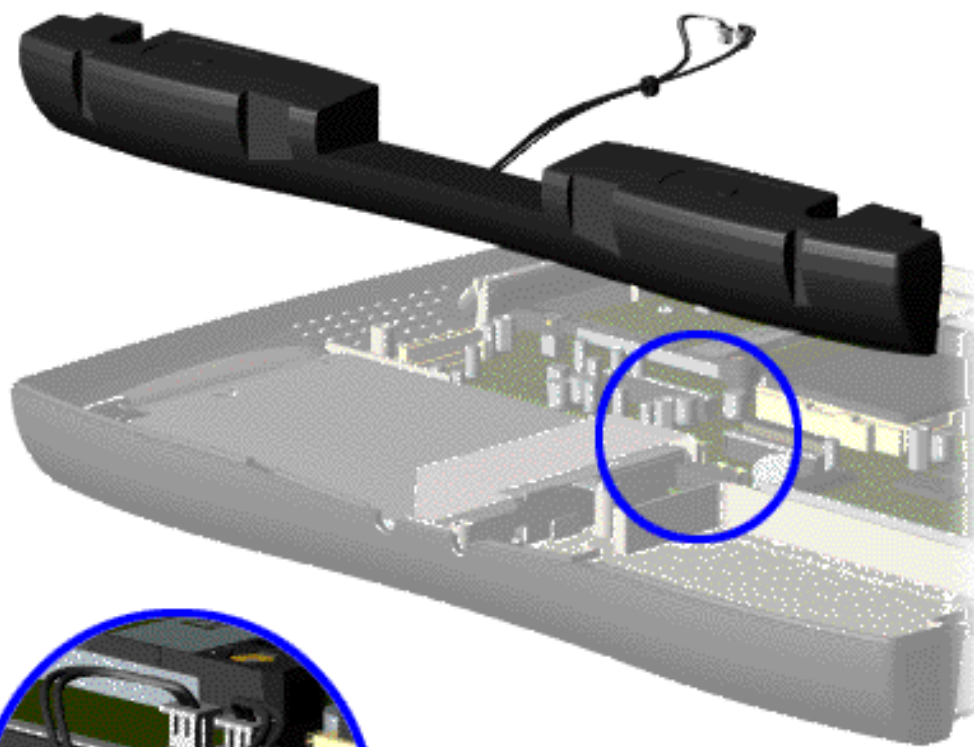
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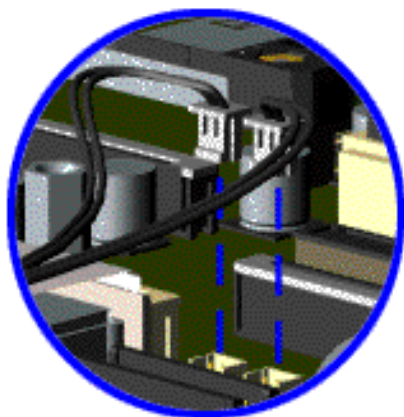
Removing the Speaker Assembly



To remove the speaker assembly, complete the following steps:

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[drive](#).

6. Remove the [display panel assembly](#).

7. Remove the [Upper CPU cover](#).

8. Remove the [charger board](#).

9. Disconnect the speaker cables from the system board and remove the speaker assembly from the chassis.

To replace the speaker assembly, reverse the previous procedures.

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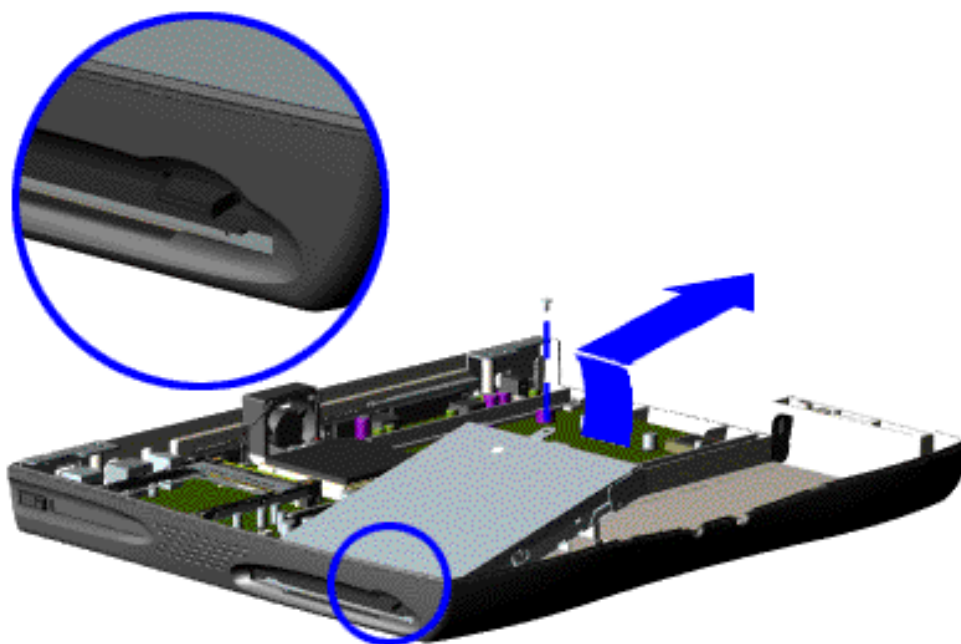
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Removing the Diskette Drive



To remove the diskette drive, complete the following steps:

1. [Prepare the computer for disassembly.](#)
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7. Remove the screw from the diskette drive and lift up the diskette drive.

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NOTE:

Ensure the diskette drive eject lever is properly inserted in the chassis slot, when replacing the diskette drive.

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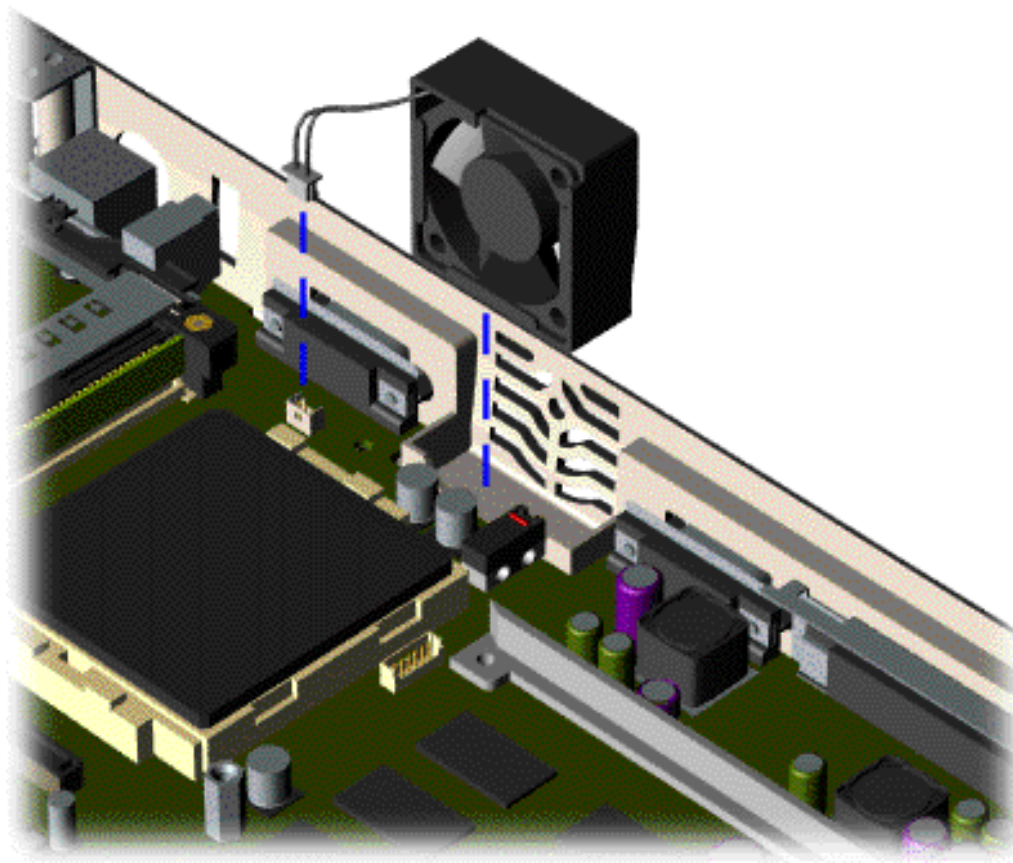
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Removing the Fan Assembly

To remove the fan assembly, complete the following steps:

1. Prepare the [computer for disassembly](#).
2. Remove the [palmrest cover with touch pad](#).
3. Remove the [heatspreader](#).
4. Remove the [keyboard](#).
5. Remove the [display panel](#).



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6. Remove the [hard drive](#).

7. Remove the [Upper CPU cover](#).

8. Pull the fan back from the chassis slot and disconnect the fan cable from the connector on the system board.

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1. Prepare the [computer for disassembly](#).

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3. Remove the [heatspreader](#).

4. Remove the [keyboard](#).

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7. Remove the [hard drive](#).

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14. Disconnect the [speaker assembly](#) cables.

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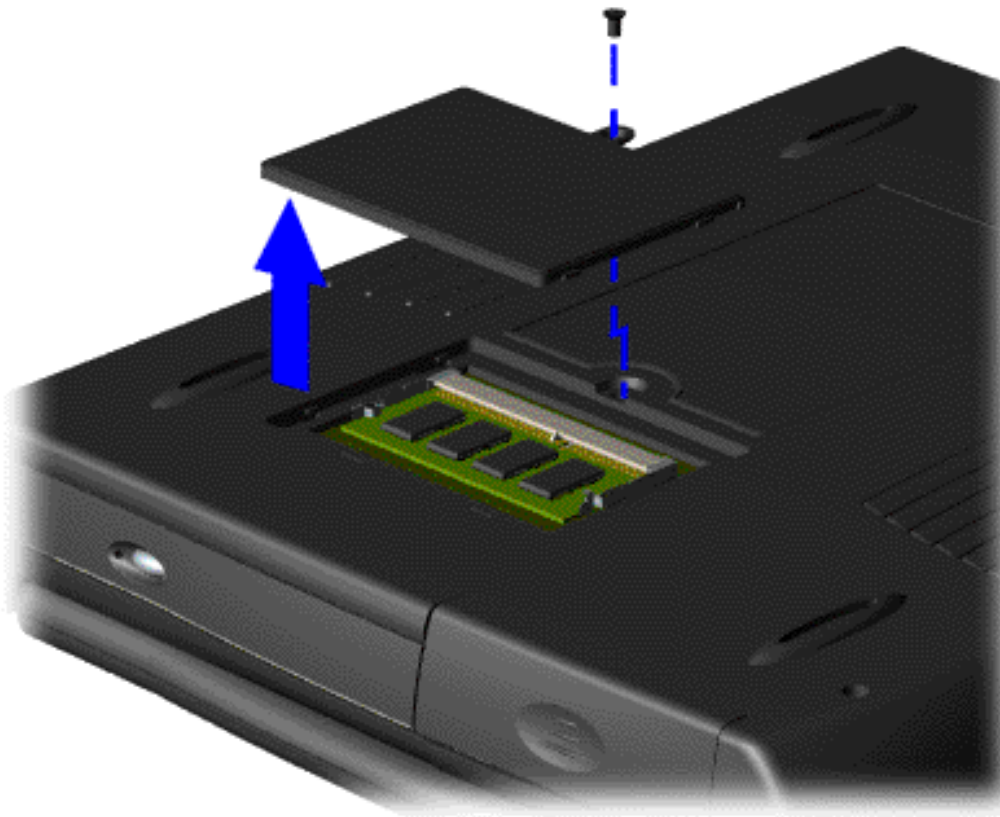
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To remove the memory module, complete the following steps:

1. Prepare the [computer for disassembly](#).
2. Close the computer and turn the computer upside down.
3. Remove the screw from the memory

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module door, and slide the memory module door to the right.

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