ADAPTEC ACB-2310/12 TROUBLESHOOTING CHECKLIST

Gets a 1790 at boot-up:

A 1790 Error is normal for an unformatted drive. Just press F1 to continue.

Long boot time:

Some AT systems may continue to retry booting to the hard drive even though it has not been formatted yet. You will have to allow this re-trying to continue for up to two minutes before the system will boot to the floppy drive. Then you can proceed to format the drive.

Can't read floppy or boot to A: (ACB-2312 only)

Check floppy cables; be sure J1 goes to both floppy drives. Be sure that pin 1 on the controller is connected to Pin 1 of the drive. If only one drive is being used, the last connector on the twisted cable should be connected to the drive. A floppy cable has 7 wires twisted, between the drive connectors.

Falls to begin format:

Check the drive select jumper on hard disk drive; be sure that it is correctly set for the type of cable you are using. Check hard disk cables; Be sure J4 goes to Drive 1, J3 goes to Drive 2, and J5 goes to both drives. Be sure that Pin 1 on the controller is connected to Pin 1 of the drive. If only one drive is being used, only J5 and J4 should be used. Do not use a floppy cable for hard drives.

□ Won't boot to C:

Check to see that the SETUP program shows the correct drive type is selected.

Intermittant operation errors; or Read/Write errors.

Check that the terminator on each drive is set properly.

Check that the power supply can support the added current required by the drive. Be sure that the +5V and +12V voltages are correct. Consult with the drive vendor for the correct drive power requirements.

System hang or boot problems:

Try installing the I/O WAIT STATE jumper (J9-1). The DTK 10 MHz system needs this jumper installed on the controller board.

If none of the above steps cure the problem, then swap out components in this order and try again:

Replace the cables with known-good cables.
Swap the drive with a known-good drive.
Swap the 231X controller with another 231X controller.

F.C.C. CERTIFICATION

This equipment generates and uses radio frequency, and if not installed and used properly, that is, in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, may cause interference to radio and television reception. It has been type-tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B computing device in accordance with the specifications in "Subpart J of Part 15 of FCC Rules", which are designed to provide reasonable protection against such interference in a residential installation. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

Reorient receiving antenna.

Relocate the computer with respect

Relocate the computer with respect to the receiver.

Move the computer away from the receiver.

Plug the computer into a different outlet so that computer and receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful.

"How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV interference Problems." This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Stock No. 004-000-00345-4.

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QUICK INSTALLATION

- PRODUCT FEATURES:
- 100% format-compatible with WD1003-WA2 100% Software-compatible with WD1003-WA2
- 1:1 Non-interleaved performance
- Surface mount construction
- Two hard disks, two floppy support

INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

Install controller, drives and cables into your AT as you would in a standard IBM AT or compatible system.

Connect a 34-pin hard-drive cable from J5 to the hard drive(s).

Connect a 20-pin cable from J4 to the first hard drive.

Connect a 20-pin cable from J3 to the second hard drive.

Connect the system's drive-activity LED to J6.

(ACB-2312 only)
Connect a 34-pin floppy cable from J1 to both floppy drives
There must be no other floppy controller active in your
system.

Turn the power on and run your AT "Setup" program. Set the drive type to match your particular disk drive. Consult the Technical Reference Manual for your system and drive(s) to determine the correct type(s).

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You are now ready to execute a low-level format on your drive(s).

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WARNING! ANY PREVIOUS DATA ON YOUR DRIVE(S) WILL BE LOST DURING THIS STEP!

Insert your advanced diagnostic diskette and execute the low-level formatter.

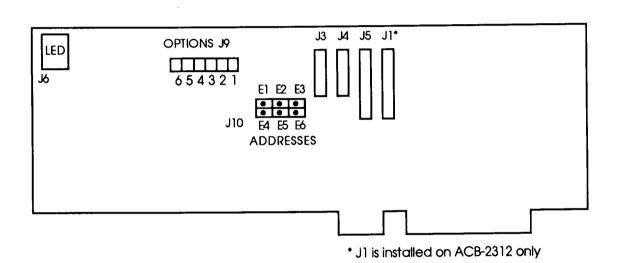
Note: There is no on-board formatter for the ACB-2312 as there is with many other Adaptec controller products due to the fact that the ACB-2312 does not contain a BOS ROM (Basic Input/Output System Read Only Memory). Do not attempt to use the Adaptec formatter via DOS debug, Results will be unpredictable.

Insert your DOS diskette and run FDISK and FORMAT. Follow the instructions in your DOS reference manual for this step.

Note: Most Advanced Diagnostic Routines will format the drive with an interleave factor of 3:1. In order to take advantage of the high-performance capability of the Adaptec ACB-2312, you must use a formatter capable of formatting 1:1 interleave. One such program is available from Storage Dimensions.

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NOTE: The ACB-2310/12 is shipped with no jumpers installed. Do not install jumpers unless directed by qualified personnel.

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J10 PORT ADDR	PESS
HARD DISK BASE ADDRESS	JUMPER PINS
1F0H (PRIMARY)	NONE
170H (SECONDARY)	E4-E5
FLOPPY DISK BASE ADDRESS	JUMPER PINS
3F0 (PRIMARY)	NONE
370H (SECONDARY)	E1-E2

J9 OPTION JUMP	PERS
DISABLE I/O WAIT STATE	JUMPER 1
TRK-1 RECAL, STEP=35µSEC	JUMPER 2
NOT USED	JUMPER 3
SERIAL MONITOR MODE	JUMPER 4
DIAGNOSTICS ENABLE	JUMPER 5
RESERVED	JUMPER 6