

AOC 917Sw User's Guide

About This Guide

This guide describes the monitor's features, setup, and operation. **Information in this document is subject to change without notice.**

The sections are as follows:

- [Safety Instructions](#): lists safety information.
- [Setup](#): describes the initial setup process.
- [Using the Monitor](#): gives an overview of how to use the monitor.
- [Drivers](#): provides driver installation instructions for Windows.
- [Technical Support](#): provides tips and solutions for common problems.
- [Product Information](#): lists the technical specifications of the monitor.
- [Warranty Statement](#): Warranty Statement used in Europe.

National Conventions

The following subsections describe notational conventions used in this document.

Notes, Cautions, and Warnings

Throughout this guide, blocks of text may be accompanied by an icon and printed in bold type or in italic type. These blocks are notes, cautions, and warnings, and they are used as follows:



NOTE: A NOTE indicates important information that helps you make better use of your computer system.



CAUTION: A CAUTION indicates either potential damage to hardware or loss of data and tells you how to avoid the problem.



WARNING: A WARNING indicates the potential for bodily harm and tells you how to avoid the problem.

Some warnings may appear in alternate formats and may be unaccompanied by an icon. In such cases, the specific presentation of the warning is mandated by regulatory authority.

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1. Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
2. Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
3. Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
4. Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

NOTICE :

1. The changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.
2. Shielded interface cables and AC power cord, if any, must be used in order to comply with the emission limits.
3. The manufacturer is not responsible for any radio or TV interference caused by unauthorized modification to this equipment. It is the responsibilities of the user to correct such interference.


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Precautions



WARNING: Use of controls, adjustments, or procedures other than those specified in this documentation may result in exposure to shock, electrical hazards, and/or mechanical hazards.

Read and follow these precautions when connecting and using your computer monitor:

PRECAUTIONS

- Do not use the monitor near water, e.g. near a bathtub, washbowl, kitchen sink, laundry tub, swimming pool or in a wet basement.
- Do not place the monitor on an unstable cart, stand, or table. If the monitor falls, it can injure a person and cause serious damage to the appliance. Use only a cart or stand recommended by the manufacturer or sold with the monitor. If you mount the monitor on a wall or shelf, use a mounting kit approved by the manufacturer and follow the kit instructions.
- Slots and openings in the back and bottom of the cabinet are provided for ventilation. To ensure reliable operation of the monitor and to protect it from overheating, be sure these openings are not blocked or covered. Do not place the monitor on a bed, sofa, rug, or similar surface. Do not place the monitor near or over a radiator or heat register. Do not place the monitor in a bookcase or cabinet unless proper ventilation is provided.
- The monitor should be operated only from the type of power source indicated on the label. If you are not sure of the type of power supplied to your home, consult your dealer or local power company.
- The monitor is equipped with a three-pronged grounded plug, a plug with a third (grounding) pin. This plug will fit only into a grounded power outlet as a safety feature. If your outlet does not accommodate the three-wire plug, have an electrician install the correct outlet, or use an adapter to ground the appliance safely. Do not defeat the safety purpose of the grounded plug.
- Unplug the unit during a lightning storm or when it will not be used for long periods of time. This will protect the monitor from damage due to power surges.
- Do not overload power strips and extension cords. Overloading can result in fire or electric shock.
- Never push any object into the slot on the monitor cabinet. It could short circuit parts causing a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquids on the monitor.
- Do not attempt to service the monitor yourself; opening or removing covers can expose you to dangerous voltages and other hazards. Please refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.
- To ensure satisfactory operation, use the monitor only with UL listed computers which have appropriate configured receptacles marked between 100 - 240V AC, Min. 5A.
- The wall socket shall be installed near the equipment and shall be easily accessible.
- For use only with the attached power adapter (Output 12Vdc) which have **UL, CSA** listed license(Only for monitors with power adapter).
- Please make sure to clean the cabinet regularly with the provided cloth , you can use soft-cleanser to clean the stain , instead of severe spray cleanser which will cauterize the monitor cabinet.
- Dont leak liquid into monitor which will result in the damage of chassis or component. Please unplug before cleaning ,and do not scratch the screen with hard things.

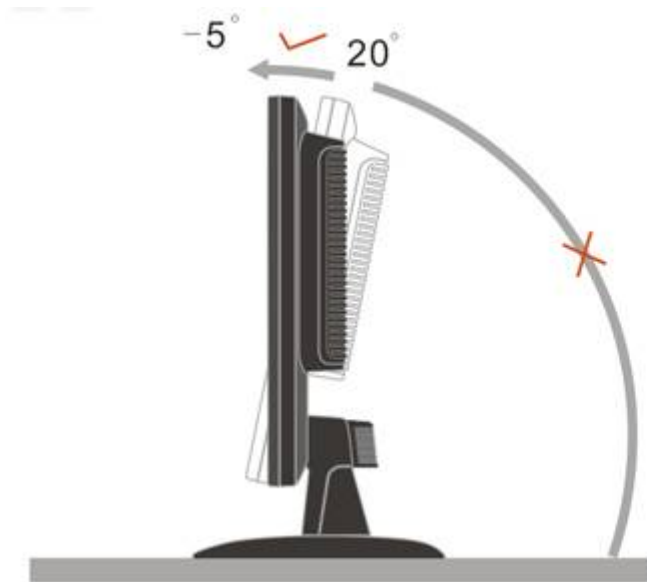
Setup the stand and base

Please setup or remove the base following below steps.



Adjusting Viewing Angle

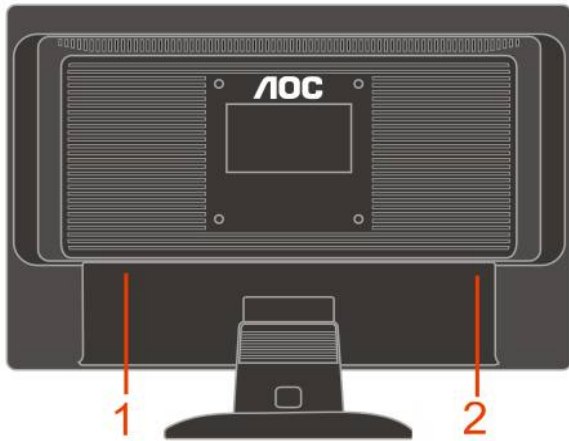
- For optimal viewing it is recommended to look at the full face of the monitor, then adjust the monitor's angle to your own preference.
- Hold the stand so you do not topple the monitor when you change the monitor's angle.
- You are able to adjust the monitor's angle from -5° to 20° .



NOTE:
Do not touch the LCD screen when you change the angle. It may cause damage or break the LCD screen.

Attaching the Cables

Cable Connections On Back of Monitor and Computer



1. Power
2. Analog

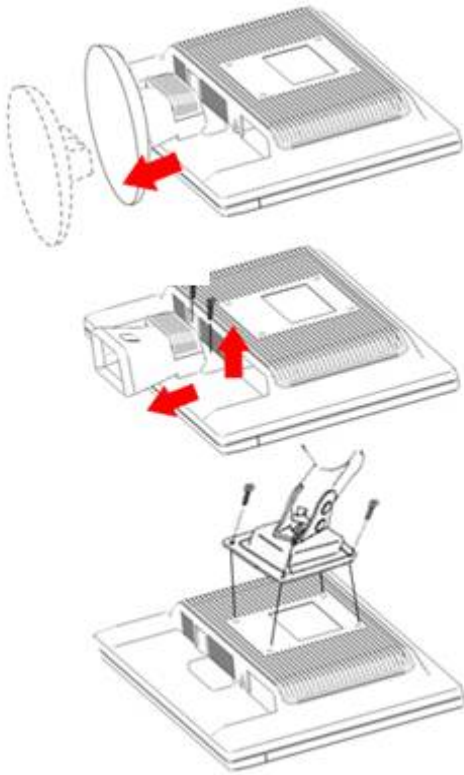
Turn off your computer before performing the procedure below.

1. Connect the power cable to the AC port on the back of the monitor.
2. Connect one end of the 15-pin D-Sub cable to the back of the monitor and connect the other end to the computer's D-Sub port.
3. Turn on your monitor and computer.

If your monitor displays an image, installation is complete. If it does not display an image, see [Troubleshooting](#).

Attaching Wall Mounting Arm

Preparing to Install An Optional Wall Mounting Arm



This monitor can be attached to a wall mounting arm you purchase separately. Disconnect power before this procedure. Follow these steps:

1. Remove the base.
2. Follow the manufacturer's instructions to assemble the wall mounting arm.
3. Place the wall mounting arm onto the back of the monitor. Line up the holes of the arm with the holes in the back of the monitor.
4. Insert the 4 screws into the holes and tighten.
5. Reconnect the cables. Refer to the user's manual that came with the optional wall mounting arm for instructions on attaching it to the wall.

Setting the Optimal Resolution

The recommended resolution for this monitor is 1440 by 900. To setup the monitor to this resolution, follow the steps below.

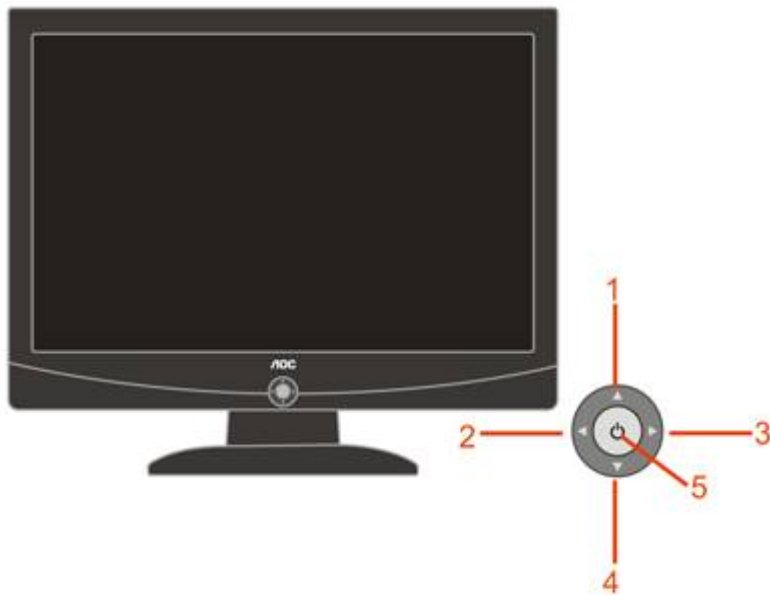
1. Click **START**.
2. Click **SETTINGS**.
3. Click **CONTROL PANEL**.
4. Double click **DISPLAY**.
5. Click **SETTINGS**.
6. Set the resolution **SLIDE-BAR** to 1440 by 900.

External Controls

Press the power button to turn the monitor on or off. The other control knobs are located at front panel of the monitor (See Figure). By changing these settings, the picture can be adjusted to your personal preferences.













* The power cord should be connected.

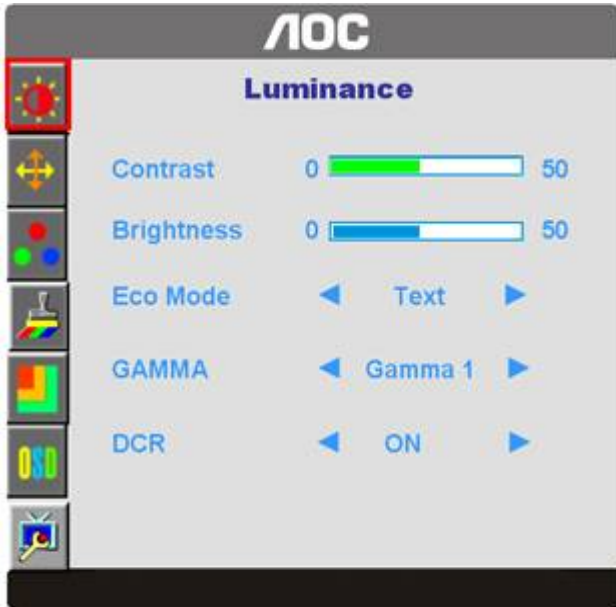
* Press the power button to turn on the monitor. The power indicator will light up.



- 1 Eco Mode / Up
- 2 Exit / -
- 3 Menu / +
- 4 Auto / Down
- 5 Power on/off

OSD Settings

- 1) Press the MENU-button () to activate the OSD window.
- 2) Press  or  to navigate through the functions. Once the desired function is highlighted, press the MENU-button to activate sub-menu . Once the desired function is highlighted, press MENU-button to activate it.
- 3) Press  or  to change the settings of the selected function. Press  or  to select another function in sub-menu . Press AUTO() to exit . If you want to adjust any other function, repeat steps 2-3.
- 4) OSD Lock Function: To lock the OSD, press and hold the MENU button while the monitor is off and then press power button to turn the monitor on. To un-lock the OSD - press and hold the MENU button while the monitor is off and then press power button to turn the monitor on.
- 5) Eco Mode hot key () : Press the Eco key continuously to select the Eco mode of brightness when there is no OSD (Eco mode hot key may not be available in all models).
- 6) Volume adjustment hot key : When there is no OSD , press Volume () to active volume adjustment bar, press  or  to adjust volume (Only for the models with speakers).



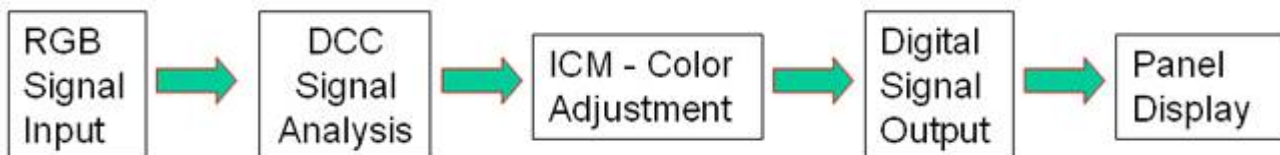
DCB Adjustment



Dynamic Color Boost

What is DCB?

Dynamic Color Boost (DCB) is an advanced color adjustment technology. Through analyzing RGB signals, DCB creates more vivid and natural images to suit various color environment needs. DCB has two types of color enhancers: "Color Boost" and "Picture Boost" .

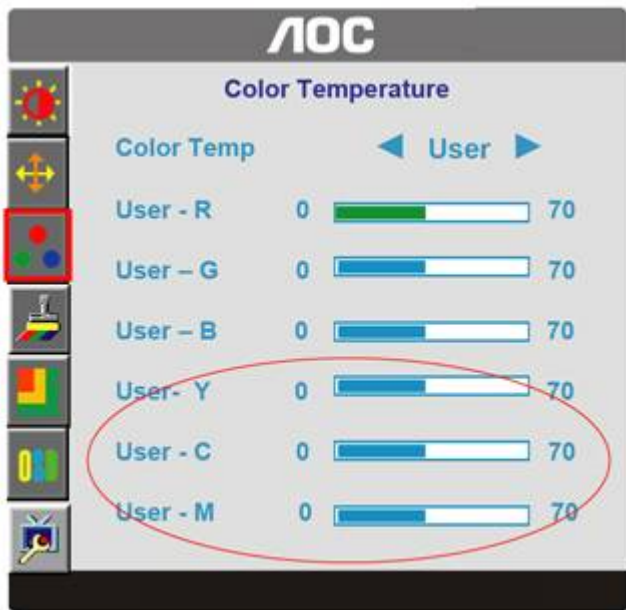


DCC: Dynamic color control

ICM: Intelligent color management

1) How to use Color Boost?

YCM adjustment: In addition to the basic R (red), G (green), B (blue) color adjustments, Color Boost has added Y (yellow), C (cyanine), and M (magenta) for more color fine-tuning options. YCM adjustments are in the third icon labeled "Color Temperature" in the OSD menu. When adjusting YCM values, RGB values will also be changed automatically due to the color correlation between RGB and YCM.



Five color-enhancement settings: To accommodate various display needs, Color Boost also offers 5 different color enhancement modes: Full Enhance, Natural Skin, Green Field, Sky Blue, and Auto-Detect. Please go to the fourth icon labeled "Color Boost" in the OSD menu and select one of the five settings you desire to be turned on.



Full Enhance: When "Full Enhance" is turned on, the color saturation of the entire screen is fully enriched, thus all colors become more vibrant.



Nature Skin: When "Natural Skin" is turned on, the red and yellow colors are enriched automatically, thus presents human skin with more natural and truer colors. "Natural Skin" setting is ideal for viewing human portrait and detailed skin texture.



Green Field: When "Green Field" is turned on, the green color is enriched so that football field and mountain landscape would look more natural and fresh. "Green Field" setting is ideal for watching mountain scenery and outdoor sports.



Sky Blue: When "Sky Blue" is turned on, the color blue is being fine-tuned so that the sky or ocean landscape will look more vivid and in-depth. "Sky Blue" setting is ideal for viewing sky and ocean images.



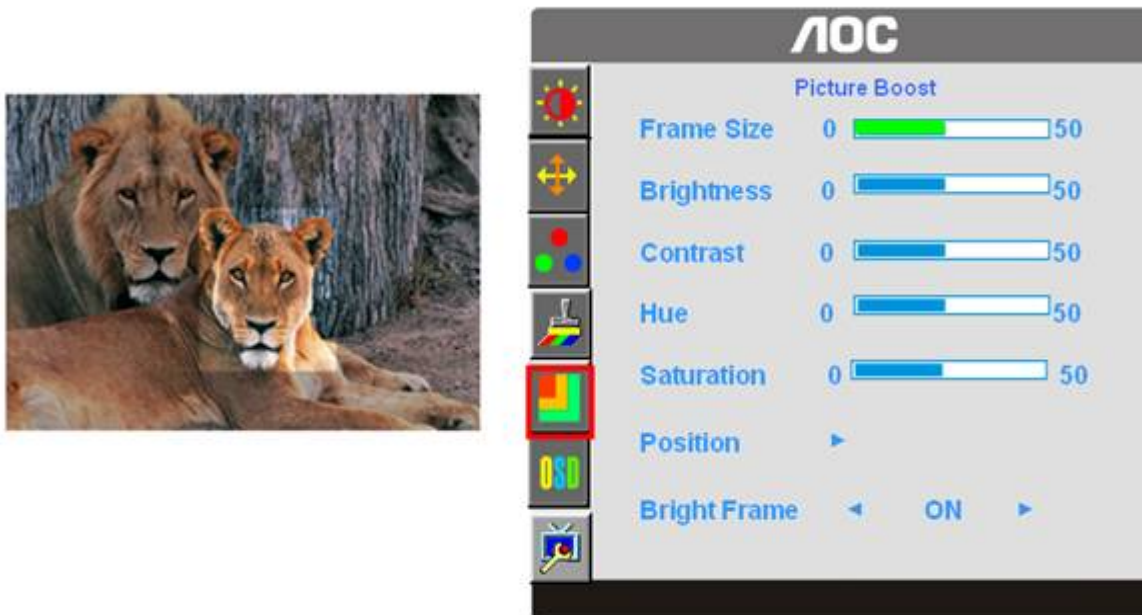
Auto Detect: When "Auto Detect" is turned on, every pigment will be detected and self-adjusted to render a lively picture.



Demo: Screen divided into two for demonstration purposes.

2) How to use Picture Boost?

Users can change the color settings of a self-selected zone on the screen. The size and position of the selected zone can also be adjusted. "Picture Boost" is located in the fifth icon labeled "Picture Boost" in the OSD menu. Turn on "Bright Frame" to select a zone on the screen to be enhanced. Please note when adjust or turn on any one of the DCB features, the rest of color settings including DCR will be disabled or return to default.



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DCR Adjustment



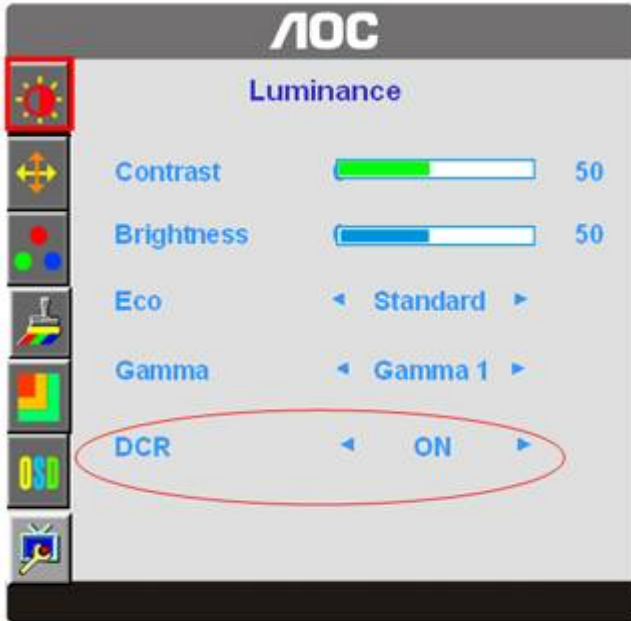
Dynamic Contrast Ratio

What is DCR?

Dynamic Contrast Ratio (DCR) auto adjusts the brightness of the screen so users can see the darker areas of the displayed content in more depths. By increasing the darkness of the dark areas and the brightness of the bright areas, contrast ratio is uplifted to exceed 2000:1. DCR value varies subject to the original CR values of the LCD module. The higher the original CR, the higher DCR can be achieved. DCR is great for watching movie or video contents.

How to Use DCR?

Go to the first OSD icon labeled "Luminance", turn on or off DCR as desires. DCR boosts the contrasts between lightness & darkness and enables the viewer to see more layers and details of the picture, especially in the darker areas. Please note when DCR is on. DCB will be disabled.










DCR Demos:



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Function Control Illustration

	Luminance	Adjust Range	Description
	Brightness	0-100	Backlight Adjustment
	Contrast	0-100	Contrast from Digital-register.
	Eco mode	Standard	Standard Mode
		Text	Text Mode
		Internet	Internet Mode
		Game	Game Mode
		Movie	Movie Mode
	Gamma	Sports	Sports Mode
		Gamma1	Adjust to Gamma1
Gamma2		Adjust to Gamma 2	
DCR	Gamma3	Adjust to Gamma 3	
	Off	Disable dynamic contrast ratio	
	On	Enable dynamic contrast ratio	
	Image Setup		
	Clock	0-100	Adjust picture Clock to reduce Vertical-Line noise.
	Focus	0-100	Adjust Picture Phase to reduce Horizontal-Line noise
	H.Position	0-100	Adjust the verticalposition of the picture.
	V.Position	0-100	Adjust the horizontal position of the picture.
	Color Temp.		
	Warm		Recall Warm Color Temperature from EEPROM.
	Normal		Recall Normal Color Temperature from EEPROM.
	Cool		Recall Cool Color Temperature from EEPROM.
	sRGB		Recall SRGB Color Temperature from EEPROM.
	User	User-B	Blue Gain from Digital-register
		User-G	Green Gain Digital-register.
		User-R	Red Gain from Digital-register
		User-Y	Yellow Gain from Digital-register
User-C		Cyan Gain from Digital-register	
User-M	Magenta Gain from Digital-register		
	Color Boost		
	Full Enhance	on or off	Disable or Enable Full Enhance Mode
	Nature Skin	on or off	Disable or Enable Nature Skin Mode
	Green Field	on or off	Disable or Enable Green Field Mode
	Sky-blue	on or off	Disable or Enable Sky-blue Mode
	AutoDetect	on or off	Disable or Enable AutoDetect Mode
	Demo	on or off	Disable or Enable Demo
	Picture Boost		
	Frame Size	0-100	Adjust Frame Size
	Brightness	0-100	Adjust Frame Brightness
	Contrast	0-100	Adjust Frame Contrast
	Hue	0-100	Adjust Frame Hue
	Saturation	0-100	Adjust Frame Saturation
	Position	H. position	Adjust Frame horizontal Position
		V.position	Adjust Frame vertical Position
Bright Frame	on or off	Disable or Enable Bright Frame	
	OSD Setup		
	H.Position	0-100	Adjust the verticalposition of OSD
	V.Position	0-100	Adjust the horizontal position of OSD
	Timeout	0-100	Adjust the OSD Timeout
	Language		Select the OSD language

	Extra		
	Auto Config	yes or no	Auto adjust the picture to default
	Reset	yes or no	Reset the menu to default
	DDC-CI		Turn ON/OFF DDC-CI Support
	Information		Show the information of the main image and sub-image source

LED Indicators

Status	LED Color
Full Power Mode	Green or Blue
Active-off Mode	Orange or red

Frequently Asked Questions

Problem & Question	Possible Solutions
Power LED Is Not ON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure the power button is ON and the Power Cord is properly connected to a grounded power outlet and to the monitor.
No Plug & Play	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order for the Plug & Play feature of the monitor to work, you need a Plug & Play compatible computer & video card. Check with your computer manufacturer. Also check the monitor's video cable and make sure none of the pins are bent. • Make sure the AOC Monitor Drivers are installed (AOC Monitor Drivers are available at : http://www.aoc.com)
Picture Is Fuzzy & Has Ghosting Shadowing Problem	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjust the Contrast and Brightness Controls. • Make sure you are not using an extension cable or switch box. We recommend plugging the monitor directly to the video card output connector on the back of your computer.
Picture Bounces, Flickers Or Wave Pattern Is Present In The Picture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move electrical devices that may cause electrical interference as far away from the monitor as possible. • Use the maximum refresh rate your monitor is capable of at the resolution your are using.
Monitor Is Stuck In Active Off-Mode"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Computer Power Switch should be in the ON position. • The Computer Video Card should be snugly seated in its slot. • Make sure the monitor's video cable is properly connected to the computer. • Inspect the monitor's video cable and make sure none of the pins are bent. • Make sure your computer is operational by hitting the CAPS LOCK key on the keyboard while observing the CAPS LOCK LED. The LED should either turn ON or OFF after hitting the CAPS LOCK key.
Missing one of the primary colors (RED, GREEN, or BLUE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspect the monitor's video cable and make sure that none of the pins are bent. • Make sure the monitor's video cable is properly connected to the computer.
Screen image is not centered or sized properly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjust H-Position and V-Position or press hot-key (AUTO).
Picture has color defects (white does not look white)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjust RGB color or select color temperature
Horizontal or vertical disturbances on the screen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use win 95/98 shut-down mode Adjust CLOCK and FOCUS or perform hot-key (AUTO-key)

Specifications

LCD Panel	Model number	917Sw
	Driving system	TFT Color LCD
	Viewable Image Size	481mm diagonal
	Pixel pitch	0.2835mm(H) x 0.2835mm(V)
	Video	R, G, B Analog Interface
	Separate Sync.	H/V TTL
	Display Color	16.7M Colors
	Dot Clock	128 MHz
Resolution	Horizontal scan range	30 kHz - 83 kHz
	Horizontal scan Size(Maximum)	408.24mm
	Vertical scan range	56 Hz - 75 Hz
	Vertical scan Size(Maximum)	255.15mm
	Optimal preset resolution	1440 x 900 (60 Hz)
	Highest preset resolution	1440 x 900 (60 Hz)
	Plug & Play	VESA DDC2B/CI
	Input Connector	D-Sub 15pin
	Input Video Signal	Analog: 0.7Vp-p(standard), 75 OHM, Positive
	Power Source	100~240VAC, 47~63Hz
	Power Consumption	Active < 37W Standby < 1W
Physical Characteristics	Connector Type	15-pin Mini D-Sub
	Signal Cable Type	Detachable
	Dimensions & Weight:	
	Height (with base)	439 mm
	Width	358 mm
	Depth	204 mm
	Weight (monitor only) Weight (with packaging)	3.8 kg 4.7 kg
Environmental	Temperature:	
	Operating	0° to 50°
	Non-Operating	-20° to 60°
	Humidity:	
	Operating	10% to 85% (non-condensing)
	Non-Operating	5% to 80% (non-condensing)
	Altitude:	
	Operating Non-Operating	0~ 3000m (0~ 10000 ft) 0~ 5000m (0~ 15000 ft)

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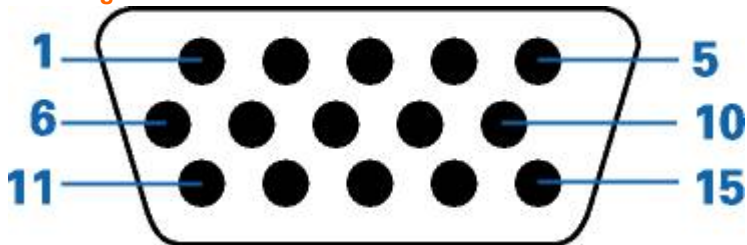


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Preset Display Modes

STAND	RESOLUTION	HORIZONTAL	VERTICAL
		FREQUENCY(kHZ)	FREQUENCY(Hz)
Dos-mode	720 × 400	31.47kHz	70.0Hz
VGA	640 × 480	31.47kHz	60.0Hz
	640 × 480	37.50kHz	75.0Hz
SVGA	800 × 600	37.879kHz	60.0Hz
	800 × 600	46.875kHz	75.0Hz
XGA	1024 × 768	48.363kHz	60.0Hz
	1024 × 768	56.476kHz	70.0Hz
	1024 × 768	60.021kHz	75.0Hz
SXGA	1280 × 1024	64.000kHz	60.0Hz
	1280 × 1024	80.000kHz	75.0Hz
WXGA	1440 × 900	55.935kHz	59.8Hz

Pin Assignments



Pin Number	15-Pin Side of the Signal Cable
1	Video-Red
2	Video-Green
3	Video-Blue
4	N.C.
5	Ground
6	GND-R
7	GND-G
8	GND-B
9	+5V
10	Detect Cable
11	N.C.
12	DDC-Serial data
13	H-sync
14	V-sync
15	DDC-Serial clock

Plug and Play

Plug & Play DDC2B Feature

This monitor is equipped with VESA DDC2B capabilities according to the VESA DDC STANDARD. It allows the monitor to inform the host system of its identity and, depending on the level of DDC used, communicate additional information about its display capabilities.

The DDC2B is a bi-directional data channel based on the I²C protocol. The host can request EDID information over the DDC2B channel.

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