User's Guide EVGA P55 LE Motherboard

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# Before You Begin...

#### Parts NOT in the Kit

This kit contains all the hardware necessary to install and connect your new EVGA P55 LE Motherboard. However, it does not contain the following items that must be purchased separately to make the motherboard functional.

- Intel Socket 1156 Processor
- DDR3 System Memory
- Socket 1156 or Socket 775 Cooling fan
- PCI Express or PCI Graphics Card
- Power Supply

EVGA assumes you have purchased all the necessary parts needed to allow for proper system functionality. For a full list of supported CPU's on this motherboard, please visit <u>http://www.evga.com/support/motherboard/</u>.

When replacing a motherboard in a system case, you will need to reinstall an operating system even though the current hard disk may already have an operating system.

# EVGA P55 LE Motherboard

#### **Motherboard Specifications**

- □ Size ATX form factor of 12 inch x 9.6 inch
- Processor support Intel Socket 1156 CPU's
- Operating systems: Supports Windows XP 32bit/64bit, Windows Vista 32bit/64bit, and Windows 7 32bit/64bit
- Intel P55 Express Chipset
- System Memory support Supports dual channel DDR3-1600+. Officially supports up to 16GBs of DDR3 memory.
- USB 2.0 Ports

Supports hot plug Fourteen USB 2.0 ports (Eight rear panel ports, six onboard USB headers) Supports wake-up from S1 and S3 mode Supports USB 2.0 protocol up to a 480 Mbps transmission rate □ Six(6) onboard Serial ATA II 300MBps data transfer rate Six Serial ATA II connectors with support for RAID 0, RAID 1, RAID 10, and RAID 5 Supports hot plug and NCQ (Native Command Queuing) Onboard LAN Integrated LAN port Supports 10/100/1000 Mb/sec Ethernet □ Onboard IEEE1394a (Firewire) Support hot plug Two IEEE1394a ports (Two onboard 1394 headers) with a rate transmission of 400 Mbps Onboard Audio Realtek High-Definition audio Supports 8-channel audio Supports S/PDIF output (Optical and COAX) Supports Jack-Sensing function Green Function Supports ACPI (Advanced Configuration and Power Interface) Supports S0 (normal), S1 (power on suspend), S3 (suspend to RAM), S4 (Suspend to disk - depends on OS), and S5 (soft - off) Expansion Slots Two PCI slots One PCI Express x1 slot Two PCI Express x4/x16 slots

# Hardware Installation

This section will guide you through the installation of the motherboard. The topics covered in this section are:

- Preparing the motherboard
- □ Installing the CPU
- □ Installing the CPU fan
- □ Installing the memory
- □ Installing the motherboard
- Connecting cables

#### Safety Instructions

To reduce the risk of fire, electric shocks, and injury, always follow basic safety precautions.

Remember to remove power off your computer by disconnecting the AC main source before removing or installing any equipment from/to the computer chassis.

#### Preparing the Motherboard

## Installing the CPU

Be very careful when handling the CPU. Hold the processor only by the edges and do not touch the contacts on the motherboard or CPU. **Any physical damage to the motherbard pins will void the warranty.** 

Use the following procedure to install the CPU onto the motherboard:

- Unhook the socket lever by pushing *down* and *away* from the socket.
- Pull the socket lever back and the load plate will automatically lift. There is a protective socket cover within the CPU socket to protect the socket when there is no CPU installed.
- Remove the protective socket cover from the CPU Socket in a straight up motion.





Note: It is a good idea to save the cover so that whenever you remove the CPU you have a safe place to store it.

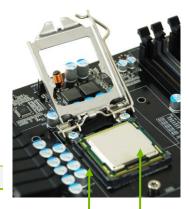
Align the notches in the processor with the notches on the socket.

Lower the processor straight down into the socket without tilting or sliding it into the socket

Note: Make sure the CPU is fully seated and level.

- Lower the load plate so it is resting on the CPU.
- Pull back the socket lever again to ensure the load plate tip engages under the shoulder screw cap.

Carefully close and latch the lever.



Align notches with notches on the CPU



Load plate tip under screw cap

## Installing the CPU Fan

There are many different fan types that can be used with this motherboard. Follow the instruction that came with you fan assembly. Be sure that the fan orientation is correct for your chassis type and your fan assembly.

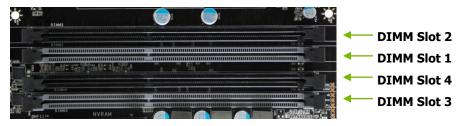
Please note that there are 2 sets of mounting holes, the holes surrounded in white are to be used for Socket 1156 heatsinks and are labeled. The other holes are to be used for Socket 775 heatsinks.

In most cases, the Socket 1156 mounting holes will be used.

## Installing System Memory (DIMMs)

Your new motherboard has four 240-pin slots for DDR3 memory. These slots support 1GB, 2GB, 4GB DDR3 technologies. There must be at least one memory bank populated to ensure normal operation. Use the following the recommendations for installing memory.

- One DIMM: If using 1 DIMM (Single Channel), install into: DIMM slot 1.
- Two DIMMs: If using 2 DIMMs (Dual Channel), install into: DIMM slots 1 and 3.
- Four DIMMS: If using 4 DIMMs (Dual Channel), install into: DIMM slots 2, 1, 4, and 3.



Use the following procedure to install memory DIMMs. Note that there is only one gap near the center of the DIMM slot. This slot matches the slot on the memory DIMM to ensure the component is installed properly.

- 1. Unlock a DIMM slot by pressing the module clips outward.
- 2. Align the memory module to the DIMM slot, and insert the module vertically into the DIMM slot. The plastic clips at both sides of the DIMM slot automatically lock the DIMM into the connector.

#### Installing the Motherboard

The sequence of installing the motherboard into a system case depends on the chassis you are using and if you are replacing an existing motherboard or working with an empty system case. Determine if it would be easier to make all the connections prior to this step or to secure the motherboard and then make all the connections. It is normally easier to secure the motherboard first.

Use the following procedure to install the I/O shield and secure the motherboard into the chassis.

## Installing the I/O Shield

The motherboard kit comes with an I/O shield that is used to block radio frequency transmissions, protects internal components from dust and foreign objects, and promotes correct airflow within the chassis.

Before installing the motherboard, install the I/O shield from the *inside* of the chassis. Press the I/O shield into place and make sure it fits securely.

## Securing the Motherboard into a System Case

Most system cases have a base with mounting studs or spacers to allow the motherboard to be secured to the chassis and help to prevent short circuits. If there are studs that do not align with a mounting hole on the motherboard, it is recommended that you remove that stud to prevent the possibility of a short circuit. In most cases, it is recommended to secure the motherboard using a minimum of nine (9) spacers and screws.

- **1.** Carefully place the motherboard onto the stand offs located inside the chassis.
- 2. Align the mounting holes with the stand offs.
- 3. Align the connectors to the I/O shield.
- **4.** Ensure that the fan assembly is aligned with the chassis vents according to the fan assembly instruction.
- 5. Secure the motherboard with a recommended minimum of nine (9) screws.

#### **Connecting Cables**

This section takes you through all the necessary connections on the motherboard. This will include:

Power Connections

24-pin ATX power (**PW1**) 8-pin ATX 12V power (**PW12**)

Internal Headers

Front panel IEEE 1394a

USB Headers

Audio

- Serial ATA II
- **USB 2.0**
- Expansion slots
- □ CMOS Clear Button

## 24-pin ATX Power (PW1)

**PW1** is the main power supply connector located along the edge of the board next to the DIMM slots. Make sure that the power supply cable and pins are properly aligned with the connector on the motherboard. Firmly plug the power supply cable into the connector and make sure it is secure.



#### Figure 1. PW1 Motherboard Connector

#### Table 1. PW1 Pin Assignments

Connector	Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
	1	+3.3V	13	+3.3V
1 12	2	+3.3V	14	-12V
	3	GND	15	GND
	4	+5V	16	PS_ON
Pirz	5	GND	17	GND
13 24	6	+5V	18	GND
15 24	7	GND	19	GND
	8	PWROK	20	RSVD
	9	+5V_AUX	21	+5V
	10	+12V	22	+5V
	11	+12V	23	+5V
	12	+3.3V	24	GND

## 8-pin ATX 12V Power (PW12)

**PW12**, the 8-pin ATX 12V power connection, is used to provide power to the CPU. Align the pins to the connector and press firmly until seated.

## **Connecting Serial ATA Cables**

The Serial ATA II connector is used to connect the Serial ATA II device to the motherboard. These connectors support the thin Serial ATA II cables for

primary storage devices. The current Serial ATA II interface allows up to 300MB/s data transfer rate.

There are six (6) internal serial ATA connectors on this motherboard. These connections are designed to be angled to not interfere with any expansions cards. These connection points support RAID 0, RAID 1, and RAID 10 configurations.





SATA 4 (bottom)SATA 2 (bottom)SATA 0 (bottom)SATA 5 (top)SATA 3 (top)SATA 1 (top)

## **Connecting Internal Headers**

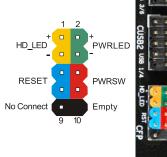
#### Front Panel Header

The front panel header on this motherboard is one connector used to connect the following four cables.

(see Table 2 for pin definitions):

#### PWRLED

Attach the front panel power LED cable to these two pins of the connector. The Power LED indicates the system's status. When the system is turned on, the LED is on. When the system is turned off, the LED is off.





Note: Some system cases do not have all four cables. Be sure to match the name on the connectors to the corresponding pins.

#### PWRSW

Attach the power button cable from the case to these two pins. Pressing the power button on the front panel turns the system on and off rather than using the onboard button.

#### HD\_LED

Attach the hard disk drive indicator LED cable to these two pins. The HDD indicator LED indicates the activity status of the hard disks.

#### RESET

Attach the Reset switch cable from the front panel of the case to these two pins. The system restarts when the **RESET** switch is pressed.

#### Table 2. Front Panel Header Pins

	Pin	Signal
	1	HD_PWR
HD_LED	3	HD Active
PWRLED	2	PWR LED
	4	STBY LED
RESET	5	Ground
	7	RST BTN
PWRSW	6	PWR BTN
	8	Ground
No Connect	9	+5V
Empty	10	Empty

## IEEE1394a (Firewire)

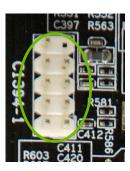
This motherboard has one IEEE 1394a onboard header. Alternatively, you can also connect this to your system case (if applicable).

1. Secure the bracket to either the front or rear panel of the system case (not all system cases are equipped with the front panel option).

Connect the end of the cable to the IEEE1394a header on the motherboard.

Connector	Pin	Signal
IEEE 1394a Connector	1	TPA+
	2	TPA-
	3	GND
10 🔿 9	4	GND
8 0 0 7	5	TPB+
6005	6	TPB-
	7	+12V
2001	8	+12V
	9	Empty
	10	GND

## Table 3. IEEE 1394a Connector Pins



## **USB** Headers

This motherboard contains seven (7) USB 2.0 ports that are exposed on the rear panel of the chassis (Figure 2). The motherboard also contains three (3) 10-pin internal header connectors onboard that can be used to connect an optional external bracket containing up to six (6) USB 2.0 ports.

- 1. Secure the bracket to either the front or rear panel of your chassis (not all chassis are equipped with the front panel option).
- 2. Connect the end of the cable(s) to the USB 2.0 header on the motherboard.





#### Table 4. USB 2.0 Header Pins

Connector	Pin	Signal
USB 2.0 Header Connector	1	5V_DUAL
	3	D-
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	5	D+
5 0 0 6	7	GND
7 O O 8 9 O 10	9	Empty
	Pin	Signal
	2	5V_DUAL
	4	D-
	6	D+
	8	GND
	10	No Connect

## Audio

The audio connector supports HD audio standard and provides two kinds of audio output choices: the Front Audio, the Rear Audio. The front Audio supports re-tasking function.

## Table 5. Front Audio Connector

Connector	Pin	Signal
Front Audio Connector	1	PORT1_L
	2	AUD_GND
	3	PORT1_R
6005	4	PRECENCE_J
4 0 0 3	5	PORT2_R
2 0 0 1	6	SENSE1_RETURN
	7	SENSE_SEND
	8	Empty
	9	PORT2_L
	10	SENSE2_RETURN



## **Expansion Slots**

#### **PCI** Slots

The PCI slot supports many expansion cards such as a LAN card, USB card, SCSI card and other cards that comply with PCI specifications. When installing a card into the PCI slot, be sure that it is fully seated. Secure the card's metal bracket to the chassis back panel with the screw used to hold the blank cover.

## PCI Express x1 Slots

There is one PCI Express x1 slot that is designed to accommodate PCIe x1 cards, such as an EVGA Killer Xeno Network Card or Sound Card. The x1 slot provides 250 MB/sec bandwidth.

## PCI Express x16/x8/x4 Slots

These PCI Express slots are reserved for Graphic Cards and PCI Express x1 and x4 devices. The design of this motherboard supports multiple Graphic Card technology.

When installing a PCI Express Graphic Card, be sure the retention clip snaps and locks the card into place. If the card is not seated properly, it could cause a short across the pins. Secure the card's metal bracket to the chassis back panel with the screw used to hold the blank cover.

#### **Onboard Buttons**

These onboard buttons include RESET, POWER and Clear CMOS. These functions allow you to easily reset the system, turn on/off the system, or clear the CMOS.

## **Clear CMOS Button**

The motherboard uses the CMOS RAM to store all the set parameters. The CMOS can be cleared by pressing the Clear CMOS button either onboard or on the external I/O Panel.



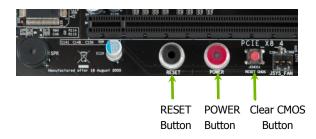
#### **RESET and POWER Button**

External Clear CMOS Button

These onboard buttons allow you to easily turn on/off the system. These buttons allow for easy debugging and testing of the system during troubleshooting situations.

The POWER button with LED indicates the system's status. When the system is powered on, the LED remains a solid red.

The RESET button with an integrated LED indicates the activity status of the hard disk drives and will flicker accordingly.

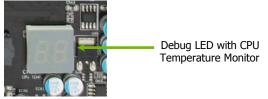


# Post Port Debug LED and LED Status Indicators

## Post Port Debug LED

Provides two-digit POST codes to show why the system may be failing to boot. It is useful during troubleshooting situations. This Debug LED will also display current CPU temperatures after the system has fully booted into the Operating

System.



#### **LED Status Indicators**

The LEDs near the 24pin ATX connector indicate the system's status.

□ POWER LED (Green):

When the System is powered on: This LED is on.

DIMM LED (Orange):

When the Memory slot is functional: This LED is on.

□ STANDBY LED (Blue):

When the System is in Standby Mode: This LED is on. This LED will remain on as long as the motherboard is receiving constant power.

# Configuring the BIOS

This section discusses how to change the system settings through the BIOS Setup menus. Descriptions of the BIOS parameters are also provided.

This section includes the following information:

- Enter BIOS Setup
- Main Menu
- Standard BIOS Features
- Advanced BIOS Features
- □ Advanced Chipset Features
- □ PCI/PnP Resource Management
- Boot Configuration Features
- Power Management Features
- □ Hardware Health Configure
- □ Frequency/Voltage Control

#### Enter BIOS Setup

The BIOS is the communication bridge between hardware and software. Correctly setting the BIOS parameters is critical to maintain optimal system performance and stability.

Use the following procedure to verify/change BIOS settings.

- **3.** Power on the computer.
- 4. Press the **Del** key when the following message briefly displays at the bottom of the screen during the Power On Self Test (POST).

Press F2 to Load Defaults, DEL to enter Setup.

Pressing **Del** takes you to the AMI BIOS CMOS Setup Utility.

#### Main Menu

The main menu allows you to select from the list of setup functions and two exit choices. Use the + and - keys to scroll through the options or press **Enter** to display the associated submenu. Use the  $\uparrow\downarrow$  arrow keys to position the selector in the option you choose. To go back to the previous menu, press **Esc**.

CMOS Setup Utility - Copyright (	C) 1985-2005, American Megatrends	
<ul> <li>Standard BIOS Features</li> <li>Advanced BIOS Features</li> <li>Advanced Chipset Features</li> <li>PCI/PNP Resource Management</li> <li>Boot Configuration Features</li> <li>Fower Management Features</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hardware Health Configure</li> <li>Frequency/Voltage Control Load Optimal Defaults Discard Changes Save &amp; Exit Setup Discard Changes and Exit</li> </ul>	
<pre>     Power Management Features     Distance Changes and Exit     fi→+: Move Enter:Select +/-/:Valve F10:Save ESC:Exit F1: General Help     F7:Previous Values</pre>		

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#### Figure 2. CMOS Setup Utility Main Menu

#### **Given Standard BIOS Features**

Use this menu to set up the basic system configuration.

- Advanced BIOS Features Use this menu to set up the advanced system features and boot sequence.
- Advanced Chipset Features Use this menu to set up onboard peripherals such as IDE, RAID, USB, LAN, and MAC control.

# PCI/PNP Resource Management Use this menu to configure resource management.

#### Boot Configuration Features

Use this menu to modify the system's boot configuration.

#### Power Management Features

Use this menu to modify power management, power on, and sleep features.

#### □ Hardware Health Configure

Use this menu to view system vitals.

#### □ Frequency/Voltage Control

Use this menu to optimize system performance and configure clocks, voltages, memory timings, and more.

#### Load Optimal Defaults

Load default system settings.

Discard Changes

Use this command to abandon all setting changes and exit setup.

#### □ Save Changes & Exit

Use this command to save settings to CMOS and exit setup.

#### Discard Changes and Exit

Use this command to abandon all setting changes and exit setup.

## Standard BIOS Features Menu

The Standard CMOS Features menu is used to configure the standard CMOS information, such as the date, time, and so on. Use the + and - keys to scroll through the options. Use the  $\uparrow\downarrow$  arrow keys to position the selector in the option you choose. To go back to the previous menu, press **Esc**.

System O	verview		Help Item
AMIBIOS			Use [ENTER] , [TAB]
Version	:08.00.16		Or [SHIFT-TAB] to
Build Da	te:07/16/10		select a field.
ID	:1E655000		
			Use [+] or [-] to
Processo	r		Configure system Time.
Intel(R)	Core(TM) CPU	750 @ 2.67GHz	
Speed	:2666MHz		
Count	:1		
System M	emory		
Size	:4088MB		
System T	ime	[ <mark>13</mark> :37:00]	
System D	ate	[Fri 07/16/2010]	

Figure 3. Standard BIOS Features Menu

#### System Time / System Date

Using the arrow keys, position the cursor over the month, day, and year. Use the + and - keys to scroll through dates and times. Note that the weekday (Sun through Sat) cannot be changed. This field changes to correspond to the date you enter. Note that the hour value is shown in a

24-hour clock format. Time is represented as hour : minute : second

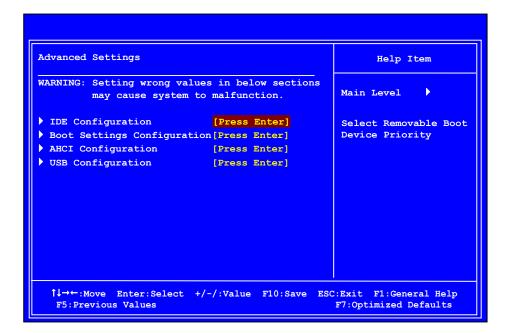
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        System Time
        [13:37:00]

        System Date
        [Fri 07/16/2010]
```

#### **Advanced BIOS Features**

Access the Advanced BIOS Features menu from the CMOS Setup Utility screen. Use the + and - keys to scroll through the options or press **Enter** to display the sub-menu. Use the  $\uparrow \downarrow$  arrow keys to position the selector in the option you choose. To go back to the previous menu, press **Esc**.

The options that have associated sub-menus are designated by a ▶, which precedes the option. Press **Enter** to display the sub-menus.



#### Figure 4. Advanced BIOS Features

#### **IDE** Configuration

Use this to configure your storage drivers and to enable RAID or switch between IDE and AHCI mode. Please note for Windows Vista / Windows 7, it is recommended to use AHCI mode for new system installations.

#### **Boot Settings Configuration**

Use this option to configure various system options, such as Bootup Num-Lock status, Quiet Boot and other advanced features.

#### **AHCI** Configuration

This menu will allow you to change advanced AHCI settings, such as S.M.A.R.T. status and more.

#### **USB** Configuration

This option menu allows you to enable Legacy USB support, force USB 1.1 mode and more.

#### **Advanced Chipset Features**

Select Advanced Chipset Features from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to change the settings.

Advanced Chipset Settings		Help Item
WARNING: Setting wrong value: may cause system to		Configure North Bridge features.
North Bridge Configuration	[Press Enter]	
PCI Express Configuration	[Press Enter]	
Intel VT-d	[Disabled]	
HD Audio Controller	[Enabled]	
IEEE1394	[Enabled]	
LAN1 Controller	[Enabled]	
LAN Boot	[Disabled]	
PE1 Slot	[Auto]	
P80 Show CPU Temperature Slo	t[Enabled]	
ME Subsystem Configuration	[Press Enter]	

Figure 5. Advanced Chipset Features

#### North Bridge Configuration

This option menu will allow you to set the primary graphics adapter, and more.

#### PCI Express Configuration

This option menu will allow you to set advanced PCI Express options, such as Payload size. It is not recommended to adjust these settings.

#### Intel VT-d Configuration

This option menu allows you to enable, or disable, Virtualization Technology for Directed I/O. This setting can help improve performance in a virtualized environment, it is recommended to leave this disabled for standard system setups.

The Advanced Chipset Features menu also allows you to enable/disable some onboard devices, they are as follows:

#### **HD** Audio Controller

Use this function to set the onboard audio function. It is recommended to leave this enabled, unless you are using an external sound, add-on sound card.

#### **IEEE1394**

This function allows you to enable or disable the IEEE1394 (Firewire) interface.

#### LAN Controller

This function allows you to enable or disable the onboard primary network controller. It is recommended to leave this enabled, unless you are using an external Network Controller, such as an EVGA Killer Xeno card.

#### PE1 Slot

This function allows you to enable or disable the PE1 Slot.

#### ME Subsystem Configuration

Select this option to change advanced ME Subsystem settings.

#### PCI/PNP Resource Management

Select PCI/PNP Resource Management from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to display the advanced settings.

Advanced PCI/PnP Settings		Help Item
WARNING: Setting wrong valu may cause system t		Clear NVRAM during System Boot.
Clear NVRAM	[No]	
Plug & Play O/S	[No]	
PCI Latency Timer	[64]	
Allocate IRQ to PCI VGA	[Yes]	
Palette Snooping	[Disabled]	
PCI IDE BusMaster	[Enabled]	
OffBoard PCI/ISA IDE Card	[Auto]	
IRQ3	[Available]	
IRQ4	[Available]	
IRQ5	[Available]	
IRQ7	[Available]	
IRQ9	[Available]	
IRQ10	[Available]	

#### Figure 6. PCI/PNP Resource Management

#### **Clear NVRAM**

This function clears the NVRAM during System Boot.

#### Plug & Play O/S

This function sets whether the O/S or BIOS configures Plug and Play devices. A setting of [No] is default.

#### **PCI** Latency Timer

This function sets the value in units of PCI clocks.

#### Allocate IRQ to PCI VGA

This function allows an IRQ to be assigned to a PCI VGA.

#### Palette Snooping

This function allows the BIOS to inform the system that an ISA graphics device is installed.

#### PCI IDE BusMaster

This function allows the BIOS to use PCI BusMastering for reading or writing to IDE drives.

#### OffBoard PCI/ISA IDE Card

This function allows manual override of PCI/ISA external cards. A setting of [Auto] works for most devices.

#### IRQ Settings

The various IRQ settings allows you to reserve IRQ's if necessary, it is recommended to leave this as Available.

#### **DMA** Channel

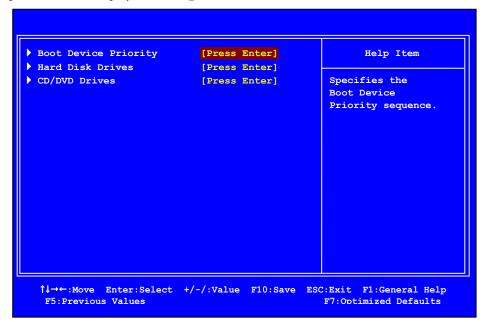
The various DMA settings allow you to specify a DMI to be used by PCI/PnP devices.

#### **Reserved Memory Size**

This option allows you to specify the size of the memory block to reserve for legacy ISA devices.

#### **Boot Configuration Features**

Select Boot Configuration Features from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to display the settings.



#### Figure 7. Boot Configuration Features

#### **Boot Device Priority**

This option menu will allow specification of the boot device priority sequence.

#### Hard Disk Drives

This option menu allows you specification of the Hard Disk boot priority sequence.

#### **CD/DVD** Drives

This option menu allows you specification of the CD/DVD boot priority sequence.

#### **Power Management Features**

Select Power Management Features from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to display the settings.

Power Management Features	Help Item
<ul> <li>ACPI Configuration [Press Enter] SLP_S4# Min. Assertion Width [4 to 5 seconds]</li> <li>Restore on AC Power Loss [Power Off]</li> </ul>	Section for Advanced ACPI Configuration.
<pre> f↓→←:Move Enter:Select +/-/:Value F10:Save E F5:Previous Values</pre>	SC:Exit F1:General Help F7:Optimized Defaults

Figure 8. Power Management Features

#### **ACPI** Configuration

This menu will allow adjustment of Advanced ACPI configurations.

#### SLP\_S4# Min. Assertion Width

This function allows adjustment of the SLP assertion width.

#### Restore on AC Power Loss

This menu allows adjustment of the AC Power Loss parameters.

#### Hardware Health Configure

Select Hardware Health Configure from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to display the settings.

W Health Function	[Enabled]	
		Enables Hardware
		Health Monitoring
CPU Temperature Sensor		Device.
REG Temperature Sensor	:48C/118F	
System Temperature Sensor	:34C/93F	
PU Fan Speed	:3264 RPM	
ower Fan Speed	:1337 RPM	
hassis Fan Speed	:3864 RPM	
Core	:1.337 V	
lemory	:1.481 V	
PU VTT	:1.021 V	
PCH	:1.031 V	
-5 <b>v</b>	:4.961 V	

#### Figure 9. Hardware Health Configure

#### H/W Health Function

This will enable or disable Hardware Health Monitoring.

#### **CPU Fan Mode Setting**

This function allows change of the fan mode configuration.

#### Frequency/Voltage Control Menu

Select Frequency/Voltage Control from the CMOS Setup Utility menu and press **Enter** to display the settings.

	[Press Enter]	Item Help
CPU Configuration	[Press Enter]	
CPU Multiplier Setting	[20]	Main Level
CPU Frequency Setting	[133]	
PCIE Frequency Setting	[100]	
EVGA VDroop Control	[With VDroop]	
Current CPU VCore : 1.33	3700V	
CPU VCore	[Auto]	
Current Dimm Voltage : 1	50V	
DIMM Voltage	[Auto]	
Current VTT : 1.050V		
VTT	[Auto]	
Current PCH Voltage : 1.		
PCH	[Auto]	
Current CPU PLL : 1.800V		
CPU PLL		
DIMM 1/2 DQ Vref	[ 849 KHz ]	

Figure 10. Frequency/Voltage Control

#### Memory Configure

This menu will allow the configuration of advanced memory timings, including memory frequency and memory timings.

#### **CPU** Configuration

This menu will allow the configuration of advanced CPU settings, such as Virtualization Technology, CPU SpeedStep, or CPU power saving options.

# Installing Drivers and Software

The CD that has been shipped with the EVGA P55 LE Motherboard contains the following software and drivers:

- □ Chipset Drivers
- Audio drivers
- LAN Drivers
- RAID Drivers
- □ EVGA E-LEET Overclocking Utility
- □ Adobe Acrobat Reader
- User's Manual

#### Windows XP/Vista/7 Driver Installation

- 5. Insert the Intel P55 installation CD for the motherboard included in the kit.
- 6. The CD will autorun, install the drivers and utilities listed on the install screen.

If the CD does not run, go to My Computer and click on the CD to open.

# Appendix A. POST Codes for the EVGA P55 LE Motherboard

This section provides the AMI POST Codes (Table 6) for the EVGA P55 LE Motherboard during system boot up.

The POST Codes are displayed on the Debug LED readout located directly onboard the motherboard.

This Debug LED will also display current CPU temperatures after the system has fully booted into the Operating System.



Debug LED with CPU Temperature Monitor

#### Table 6. AMI POST Code

Code	Description
03	Initialize BIOS.
04	Check Battery Power and CMOS
05	Initialize interrupt controlling hardware/vector table
06	Initialize system timer
07	Fixes CPU POST interface calling pointer
08	Primary initialization of CPU
C0	Secondary initialization of CPU
C1	Set up boot strap processor information
C2	Set up boot strap processor for POST
C5	Enumerate and set up application processors
C6	Re-enable cache for boot strap processor
C7	Early CPU initialization exit
0A	Initialize keyboard controller
0B	Detect Mouse
0C	Detect Keyboard
0E	Test input devices
13	Early POST initialization of chipset registers

Description
Relocate System Management interrupt vector
Uncompress and initialize BIOS module
Initialize devices primary
Initialize devices secondary
Initialize output devices
Allocate memory for ADM module
Initialize silent boot module
Display sign-on message
Initialize USB controller
Initialize DMAC-1 & DMAC-2
Initialize real time clock
Test system memory
Initialization of chipset registers
Detect coprocessor
Update CMOS memory size
Initialize NUM-LOCK
Initialize Int-13
Initialize IPL devices
Generate and write contents of ESCD
Log errors encountered
Display errors, if no display check monitor/video card
Execute BIOS setup if needed or requested
Late POST initialization of chipset registers
Build ACPI tables
Program peripheral parameters
Initialize system management interrupt
Prepare for system boot
Initialize IRQ routing table
Display boot option popup
Display system configuration screen
Wait for user input at configuration display

Code	Description
AA	Uninstall POST vector
AB	Prepare BBS for Int 19 boot
AC	End of POST initialization
B1	Save system context for ACPI
00	Pass control to OS
(can vary)	Show CPU Temp (if enabled)

# **EVGA Glossary of Terms**

- ACPI Advanced Configuration and Power Interface
- AFR Alternate Frame Rendering
- APIC Advanced Programmable Interrupt Controller
- BIOS Basic Input Output System
- CD-ROM Compact Disc Read-Only Memory
- CMOS Complementary Metal-Oxide Semiconductor
- CPU Central Processing Unit
- D-ICE Dry Ice Cooling
- DDR2 Double Data Rate 2
- DDR3 Double Data Rate 3
- DIMM Dual In-line Memory Module
- DRAM Dynamic random access memory
- DVD Digital Versatile Disc
- DVI Digital Video Interface
- FDC Floppy Disk Controller
- FSB Front Side Bus
- FTW For The Win!
- GHz Gigahertz
- GPU Graphics Processing Unit

- HDD Hard Disk Drive
- HDMI High-Definition Multimedia Interface
- HDR High Dynamic Range Lighting
- HPET High Precision Event Timer
- HT Hyper-Threading
- HSF Heat Sink Fan
- I/O Input/Output
- IDE Integrated Drive Electronics
- IEEE Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- IGP Integrated Graphics Processors
- **IRQ** Interrupt Request
- JBOD Just a Bunch of Disks
- JEDEC Joint Electron Device Engineering Council
- LAN Local Area Network
- LCD Liquid Crystal Display
- LGA Land Grid Array
- LN2 Liquid Nitrogen Cooling
- MAC Media Access Control
- MCP Media and Communications Processor
- MHz Megahertz
- NB Northbridge
- NCQ Native Command Queuing
- NIC Network Interface Card
- NTFS New Technology File System
- **OEM Original Equipment Manufacturer**
- PATA Parallel Advanced Technology Attachment
- PCB Printed Circuit Board
- PCI Peripheral Component Interconnect
- PCIe Peripheral Component Interconnect Express
- PCI-x Peripheral Component Interconnect Extended
- POST Power on Self Test
- PWM Pulse Width Modulation

- QDR Quad Data Rate
- QPI Quick Path Interconnect
- RAID Redundant Array of Inexpensive Disks
- RGB Red Green Blue
- SATA Serial Advanced Technology Attachment
- SB Southbridge
- SCSI Small Computer System Interface
- SFR Split Frame Rendering
- SLI Scalable Link Interface
- SPD Serial Presence Detect
- SPDIF Sony/Philips Digital Interconnect Format
- SPP System Platform Processors
- TCP/IP Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
- USB Universal Serial Bus
- VDroop V-core Voltage Drop
- VGA Video Graphics Array

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