
Appendix A. Important safety information

Safety notices

This information can help you safely use your computer. Follow and retain all information included with your computer. The information in this document does not alter the terms of your purchase agreement or the Limited Warranty. For more information, go to:

- https://www.lenovo.com/warranty/llw_02
- <https://support.lenovo.com/warrantylookup>

Customer safety is important. Our products are developed to be safe and effective. However, personal computers are electronic devices. Power cords, power adapters, and other features can create potential safety risks that can result in physical injury or property damage, especially if misused. To reduce these risks, follow the instructions included with your product, observe all warnings on the product and in the operating instructions, and review the information included in this document carefully. By carefully following the information contained in this document and provided with your product, you can help protect yourself from hazards and create a safer computer work environment. If the computer is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the computer may be impaired.

Note: This information includes references to power adapters and batteries. In addition, some products (such as speakers and monitors) ship with external power adapters. If you have such a product, this information applies to your product. In addition, computer products contain a coin-sized internal battery that provides power to the system clock even when the computer is unplugged, so the battery safety information applies to all computer products.

Conditions that require immediate action

Products can become damaged due to misuse or neglect. Some product damage is serious enough that the product should not be used again until it has been inspected and, if necessary, repaired by an authorized servicer.

As with any electronic device, pay close attention to the product when it is turned on.

On very rare occasions, you might notice an odor or see a puff of smoke or sparks vent from your product. You might also hear sounds like popping, cracking, or hissing. These might merely mean that an internal electronic component has failed in a safe and controlled manner. Or, they might indicate a potential safety issue. Do not take risks or attempt to diagnose the situation yourself. Contact the Customer Support Center for further guidance. For a list of Service and Support phone numbers, see the following Web site:

<https://pcsupport.lenovo.com/supportphonenumberlist>

Frequently inspect your computer and its components for damage, wear, or signs of danger. If you have any question about the condition of a component, do not use the product. Contact the Customer Support Center or the product manufacturer for instructions on how to inspect the product and have it repaired, if necessary.

In the unlikely event that you notice any of the following conditions, or if you have any safety concerns with your product, stop using the product and unplug it from the power source and telecommunication lines until you can speak to the Customer Support Center for further guidance.

- Power cords, plugs, power adapters, extension cords, surge protectors, or power supplies that are cracked, broken, or damaged.
- Signs of overheating, smoke, sparks, or fire.
- Damage to a battery (such as cracks, dents, or creases), discharge from a battery, or a buildup of foreign substances on the battery.
- A cracking, hissing, or popping sound, or strong odor that comes from the product.
- Signs that liquid has been spilled or an object has fallen onto the computer product, the power cord, or power adapter.
- The computer product, power cord, or power adapter has been exposed to water.
- The product has been dropped or damaged in any way.
- The product does not operate normally when you follow the operating instructions.

Note: If you notice these conditions with a product (such as an extension cord) that is not manufactured for or by Lenovo, stop using that product until you can contact the product manufacturer for further instructions, or until you get a suitable replacement.

Service and upgrades

Do not attempt to service a product yourself unless instructed to do so by the Customer Support Center or your documentation. Only use a Service Provider who is approved to repair your particular product.

Note: Some computer parts can be upgraded or replaced by the customer. Upgrades typically are referred to as options. Replacement parts approved for customer installation are referred to as Customer Replaceable Units, or CRUs. Lenovo provides documentation with instructions when it is appropriate for customers to install options or replace CRUs. You must closely follow all instructions when installing or replacing parts. The Off state of a power indicator does not necessarily mean that voltage levels inside a product are zero. Before you remove the covers from a product equipped with a power cord, always ensure that the power is turned off and that the product is unplugged from any power source. If you have any questions or concerns, contact the Customer Support Center.

Although there are no moving parts in the computer after the power cord has been disconnected, the following warnings are required for your safety.



Moving Parts:

Keep fingers and other parts of your body away from hazardous, moving parts. If you suffer an injury, seek medical care immediately.



Hot Surface:

Avoid contact with hot components inside the computer. During operation, some components become hot enough to burn the skin. Before you open the computer cover, turn off the computer, disconnect power, and wait approximately 10 minutes for the components to cool.



After replacing a CRU, reinstall all protective covers, including the computer cover, before connecting power and operating the computer. This action is important to help prevent unexpected electrical shock and help ensure the containment of an unexpected fire that could happen under extremely rare conditions.



Sharp Edges:

When replacing CRUs, be cautious of sharp edges or corners that might cause injury. If you suffer an injury, seek medical care immediately.

Power cords and power adapters



DANGER

Use only the power cords and power adapters supplied by the product manufacturer.

The power cords shall be safety approved. For Germany, it shall be H03VV-F, 3G, 0.75 mm², or better. For other countries, the suitable types shall be used accordingly.

Never wrap a power cord around a power adapter or other object. Doing so can stress the cord in ways that can cause the cord to fray, crack, or crimp. This can present a safety hazard.

Always route power cords so that they will not be walked on, tripped over, or pinched by objects.

Protect power cords and power adapters from liquids. For instance, do not leave your power cord or power adapter near sinks, tubs, toilets, or on floors that are cleaned with liquid cleansers. Liquids can cause a short circuit, particularly if the power cord or power adapter has been stressed by misuse. Liquids also can cause gradual corrosion of power cord terminals and/or the connector terminals on a power adapter, which can eventually result in overheating.

Ensure that all power cord connectors are securely and completely plugged into receptacles.

Do not use any power adapter that shows corrosion at the ac input pins or shows signs of overheating (such as deformed plastic) at the ac input pins or anywhere on the power adapter.

Do not use any power cords where the electrical contacts on either end show signs of corrosion or overheating or where the power cord appears to have been damaged in any way.

To prevent possible overheating, do not cover the power adapter with clothing or other objects when the power adapter is plugged into an electrical outlet.

Power cord notice

Note: The power cord and adapter provided with this product are intended to be used with this product only. Do not use them with any other products.

For your safety, Lenovo provides a power cord with a grounded attachment plug to use with this product. To avoid electrical shock, always use the power cord and plug with a properly grounded outlet.

Power cords provided by Lenovo in the United States and Canada are listed by Underwriter's Laboratories (UL) and certified by the Canadian Standards Association (CSA).

For units intended to be operated at 115 volts: Use a UL-listed and CSA-certified cord set consisting of a minimum 18 AWG, Type SVT or SJT, three-conductor cord, a maximum of 15 feet in length and a parallel blade, grounding-type attachment plug rated 10 amperes, 125 volts.

For units intended to be operated at 230 volts (U.S. use): Use a UL-listed and CSA-certified cord set consisting of a minimum 18 AWG, Type SVT or SJT, three-conductor cord, a maximum of 15 feet in length and a tandem blade, grounding-type attachment plug rated 10 amperes, 250 volts.

For units intended to be operated at 230 volts (outside the U.S.): Use a cord set with a grounding-type attachment plug. The cord set should have the appropriate safety approvals for the country in which the equipment will be installed.

Power cords provided by Lenovo for a specific country or region are usually available only in that country or region.

For units intended to be operated in Germany: The power cords must be safety approved. For Germany, it must be H05VV-F, 3G, 0.75 mm², or better. For other countries, the suitable types must be used accordingly.

For units intended to be operated in Denmark: Use a cord set with a grounding-type attachment plug. The cord set should have the appropriate safety approvals for the country in which the equipment will be installed.

For units intended to be operated in Norway, Sweden, Finland: Use a cord set with a two-prong attachment plug. The cord set should have the appropriate safety approvals for the country in which the equipment will be installed.

If you intend to use your PC in a country or region that is different from your ordering location, please purchase an additional Lenovo power cord for the country or region where the PC will be used. Refer to the power cord guide provided in our Web site, <https://pcsupport.lenovo.com>, for details. Some countries and regions support multiple voltages, so make sure you order the appropriate power cord for the intended voltage.

Extension cords and related devices

Ensure that extension cords, surge protectors, uninterruptible power supplies, and power strips that you use are rated to handle the electrical requirements of the product. Never overload these devices. If power strips are used, the load should not exceed the power strip input rating. Consult an electrician for more information if you have questions about power loads, power requirements, and input ratings.

Plugs and outlets



If a receptacle (power outlet) that you intend to use with your computer equipment appears to be damaged or corroded, do not use the outlet until it is replaced by a qualified electrician.

Do not bend or modify the plug. If the plug is damaged, contact the manufacturer to obtain a replacement.

Do not share an electrical outlet with other home or commercial appliances that draw large amounts of electricity; otherwise, unstable voltage might damage your computer, data, or attached devices.

Some products are equipped with a three-pronged plug. This plug fits only into a grounded electrical outlet. This is a safety feature. Do not defeat this safety feature by trying to insert it into a non-grounded outlet. If you cannot insert the plug into the outlet, contact an electrician for an approved outlet adapter or to replace the outlet with one that enables this safety feature. Never overload an electrical outlet. The overall system load should not exceed 80 percent of the branch circuit rating. Consult an electrician for more information if you have questions about power loads and branch circuit ratings.

Be sure that the power outlet you are using is properly wired, easily accessible, and located close to the equipment. Do not fully extend power cords in a way that will stress the cords.

Be sure that the power outlet provides the correct voltage and current for the product you are installing.

Carefully connect and disconnect the equipment from the electrical outlet.

Power supply statement

Never remove the cover on a power supply or any part that has the following label attached.



Hazardous voltage, current, and energy levels are present inside any component that has this label attached. There are no serviceable parts inside these components. If you suspect a problem with one of these parts, contact a service technician.

External devices

CAUTION:

Do not connect or disconnect any external device cables other than Universal Serial Bus (USB) and 1394 cables while the computer power is on; otherwise, you might damage your computer. To avoid possible damage to attached devices, wait at least five seconds after the computer is shut down to disconnect external devices.

Lithium coin-cell battery notice



Danger of explosion if battery is incorrectly replaced.

If the coin-cell battery is not a CRU, do not attempt to replace the coin-cell battery. Replacement of the battery must be done by a Lenovo-authorized repair facility or technician.

The Lenovo-authorized repair facilities or technicians recycle Lenovo batteries according to local laws and regulations.



When replacing the lithium coin-cell battery, use only the same type or equivalent type that is recommended by the manufacturer. The battery contains lithium and can explode if not properly used, handled, or disposed of. Swallowing the lithium coin-cell battery will cause choking or severe internal burns in just two hours and might even result in death.

Keep batteries away from children. If the lithium coin-cell battery is swallowed or placed inside any part of the body, seek medical care immediately.

Do not:

- Throw or immerse into water
- Heat to more than 100 °C (212°F)
- Repair or disassemble
- Leave in an extremely low air pressure environment
- Leave in an extremely high-temperature environment
- Crush, puncture, cut, or incinerate

Dispose of the battery as required by local ordinances or regulations.

The following statement applies to users in the state of California, U.S.A.

California Perchlorate Information:

Products containing manganese dioxide lithium coin-cell batteries may contain perchlorate.

Perchlorate Material - special handling may apply, see <https://www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/perchlorate/>.

Heat and product ventilation



Computers, power adapters, and many accessories can generate heat when turned on and when batteries are charging. Always follow these basic precautions:

- Do not leave your computer, power adapter, or accessories in contact with your lap or any part of your body for an extended period when the products are functioning or when the battery is charging. Your

computer, power adapter, and many accessories produce some heat during normal operation. Extended contact with the body could cause discomfort or, potentially, a skin burn.

- Do not charge the battery or operate your computer, power adapter, or accessories near flammable materials or in explosive environments.
- Ventilation slots, fans, and heat sinks are provided with the product for safety, comfort, and reliable operation. These features might inadvertently become blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, carpet, or other flexible surface. Never block, cover, or disable these features.

Inspect your desktop computer for dust accumulation at least once every three months. Before inspecting your computer, turn off the power and unplug the computer's power cord from the electrical outlet; then remove any dust from vents and perforations in the bezel. If you notice external dust accumulation, then examine and remove dust from the inside of the computer including heat sink inlet fins, power supply vents, and fans. Always turn off and unplug the computer before opening the cover. If possible, avoid operating your computer within two feet of high-traffic areas. If you must operate your computer in or near a high-traffic area, inspect and, if necessary, clean your computer more frequently.

For your safety and to maintain optimum computer performance, always follow these basic precautions with your desktop computer:

- Keep the cover closed whenever the computer is plugged in.
- Regularly inspect the outside of the computer for dust accumulation.
- Remove dust from vents and any perforations in the bezel. More frequent cleanings might be required for computers in dusty or high-traffic areas.
- Do not restrict or block any ventilation openings.
- Do not store or operate your computer inside furniture, as this might increase the risk of overheating.
- Airflow temperatures into the computer should not exceed 35°C (95°F).
- Do not install air filtration devices. They may interfere with proper cooling.

Electrical current safety information



Electric current from power, telephone, and communication cables is hazardous.

To avoid a shock hazard:

- **Do not use your computer during a lightning storm.**
- **Do not connect or disconnect any cables or perform installation, maintenance, or reconfiguration of this product during an electrical storm.**
- **Connect all power cords to a properly wired and grounded electrical outlet.**
- **Connect properly wired outlets to any equipment that will be attached to this product.**
- **Whenever possible, use one hand only to connect or disconnect signal cables.**
- **Never turn on any equipment when there is evidence of fire, water, or structural damage.**
- **Disconnect the attached power cords, battery, and all the cables before you open the device covers, unless instructed otherwise in the installation and configuration procedures.**
- **Do not use your computer until all internal parts enclosures are fastened into place. Never use the computer when internal parts and circuits are exposed.**

 **DANGER**

Connect and disconnect cables as described in the following procedures when installing, moving, or opening covers on this product or attached devices.

To connect:

1. Turn everything OFF.
2. First, attach all cables to devices.
3. Attach signal cables to connectors.
4. Attach power cords to outlets.
5. Turn devices ON.

To disconnect:

1. Turn everything OFF.
2. First, remove power cords from outlets.
3. Remove signal cables from connectors.
4. Remove all cables from devices.

The power cord must be disconnected from the wall outlet or receptacle before installing all other electrical cables connected to the computer.

The power cord may be reconnected to the wall outlet or receptacle only after all other electrical cables have been connected to the computer.

 **DANGER**

During electrical storms, do not perform any replacement and do not connect the telephone cable to or disconnect it from the telephone outlet on the wall.

Laser safety information

CAUTION:

When laser products (such as CD-ROMs, DVD drives, fiber optic devices, or transmitters) are installed, note the following:

- Do not remove the covers. Removing the covers of the laser product could result in exposure to hazardous laser radiation. There are no serviceable parts inside the device.
- Use of controls or adjustments or performance of procedures other than those specified herein might result in hazardous radiation exposure.

 **DANGER**

Some laser products contain an embedded Class 3B laser diode. Note the following:
Laser radiation when open. Do not stare into the beam, do not view directly with optical instruments, and avoid direct exposure to the beam.

Liquid crystal display (LCD) notice



To avoid shock hazards:

- Do not remove the covers.
- Do not operate this product unless the stand is attached.
- Do not connect or disconnect this product during an electrical storm.
- The power cord plug must be connected to a properly wired and grounded power outlet.
- Any equipment to which this product will be attached must also be connected to properly wired and grounded power outlets.
- To isolate the monitor from the electrical supply, you must remove the plug from the power outlet. The power outlet should be easily accessible.

Handling:

- If your monitor weighs more than 18 kg (39.68 lb), we recommend that it be moved or lifted by two people.

Product disposal (TFT monitors):

- The fluorescent lamp in the liquid crystal display contains mercury; dispose according to local, state, or federal laws.

Battery warnings:

- Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type.
- Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.

Use earphones, headphones, or a headset

- If your computer has both a headphone connector and an audio line-out connector, always use the headphone connector for earphones, headphones, or a headset. However, the headphone connector does not support the microphone of the headset.
- If your computer has both a headset connector and an audio line-out connector, always use the headset connector for earphones, headphones, or a headset.



Excessive sound pressure from earphones and headphones can cause hearing loss. Adjustment of the equalizer to maximum increases the earphone and headphone output voltage and the sound pressure level. Therefore, to protect your hearing, adjust the equalizer to an appropriate level.

Excessive use of headphones or earphones for a long period of time at high volume can be dangerous if the output of the headphone or earphone connectors do not comply with specifications of EN 50332-2. The headphone output connector of your computer complies with EN 50332-2 Sub clause 7. This specification limits the computer's maximum wide band true RMS output voltage to 150 mV. To help protect against hearing loss, ensure that the headphones or earphones you use also comply with EN 50332-2 (Clause 7

Limits) or a wide band characteristic voltage of 75 mV. Using headphones that do not comply with EN 50332-2 can be dangerous due to excessive sound pressure levels.

If your Lenovo computer came with headphones or earphones in the packaging, as a set, the combination of the headphones or earphones and the computer already complies with the specifications of EN 50332-1. If different headphones or earphones are used, ensure that they comply with EN 50332-1 (Clause 6.5 Limitation Values). Using headphones that do not comply with EN 50332-1 can be dangerous due to excessive sound pressure levels.

Choking hazard notice



CHOKING HAZARD – Product contains small parts.

Keep away from children under three years.

Plastic bag notice



Plastic bags can be dangerous. Keep plastic bags away from babies and children to avoid danger of suffocation.

Glass parts notice

CAUTION:

Some parts of your product may be made of glass. This glass could break if the product is dropped on a hard surface or receives a substantial impact. If glass breaks, do not touch or attempt to remove it. Stop using your product until the glass is replaced by trained service personnel.

Computer placement notices

Inappropriate computer placement might cause harm to children.

- Place the computer on a sturdy piece of low-rise furniture or furniture that has been anchored.
- Do not place the computer at the edge of the furniture.
- Keep the computer cables out of the reach of children.
- Some items, such as toys, might attract children. Keep such items away from the computer.

Supervise children in rooms where the above safety instructions cannot be fully implemented.

Hazardous energy statement



Disconnect all power cords from electrical outlets before removing the computer cover or any part that has the above label attached.

DO NOT disassemble components that have the above label attached. There are no serviceable parts inside these components.

Your product is designed for safe use. However, hazardous voltage, current, and energy levels are present inside any component that has this label attached. Disassembling of these components might cause fire or might even result in death. If you suspect a problem with one of these parts, contact a service technician.

CAUTION:



Bright Light, possible skin or eye damage. Disconnect power before servicing.

CAUTION:



Infrared Light, possible skin or eye damage. Disconnect power before servicing.

Eye comfort

The property of the display in combination with following notes result in reduced eye fatigue and increased comfort.

For tips on how to minimize visual fatigue, please go to <https://www.lenovo.com/us/en/safecomp/> to visit “Minimizing Visual Fatigue”.

Tip-over hazard prevention notice

The computer may cause harm to children if it is not located in an appropriate place. Follow the tips below to protect children from harm caused by the computer tipping over:

- Place the computers or monitors on sturdy furniture with a low base or furniture that has been anchored. Push the computers or monitors as far from the edge of the furniture as possible.
- Keep remote controls, toys, and other items that might attract children away from the computers or monitors
- Keep the computer or monitor cables out of the reach of children.
- Supervise children in rooms where these safety tips have not been followed.

CAUTION:

Some parts of your product may be made of glass. This glass could break if the product is dropped on a hard surface or receives a substantial impact. If glass breaks, do not touch it or attempt to remove it. Stop using your product until the glass is replaced by trained service personnel.

Remote control

CAUTION:

Do not use rechargeable batteries in this device.

Static electricity prevention

Static electricity, although harmless to you, can seriously damage computer components and options. Improper handling of static-sensitive parts can damage the part. When you unpack an option or CRU, do not open the static-protective packaging containing the part until the instructions direct you to install it.

When you handle options or CRUs, or perform any work inside the computer, take the following precautions to avoid static-electricity damage:

- Limit your movement. Movement can cause static electricity to build up around you.
 - Always handle components carefully. Handle adapters, memory modules, and other circuit boards by the edges. Never touch exposed circuitry.
 - Prevent others from touching components.
 - When you install a static-sensitive option or CRU, touch the static-protective packaging containing the part to a metal expansion-slot cover or other unpainted metal surface on the computer for at least two seconds. This reduces static electricity in the packaging and your body.
 - When possible, remove the static-sensitive part from the static-protective packaging and install the part without setting it down. When this is not possible, place the static-protective packaging on a smooth, level surface and place the part on it.
 - Do not place the part on the computer cover or other metal surface.
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Operating environment

Maximum altitude (without pressurization)

- Operating: From 0 m (0 ft) to 3048 m (10 000 ft)
- Storage: From 0 m (0 ft) to 12192 m (40 000 ft)

Temperature

- Operating: From 5°C (41°F) to 35°C (95°F)
- Storage:
 - For common desktop computers: From -40°C (-40°F) to 60°C (140°F)
 - For all-in-one desktop computers: From -20°C (-4°F) to 60°C (140°F)

Relative humidity

- Operating: 20%-80% (non-condensing)
 - Storage: 10%–90% (non-condensing)
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Cleaning and maintenance

With appropriate care and maintenance, your computer will serve you reliably. The following topics offer information to help you keep your computer working with best performance.

Basic maintenance tips

Here are some basic points about keeping your computer functioning properly:

- Keep the computer in a clean, dry environment. Ensure that the computer rests on a flat, steady surface.
- Do not cover any of air vents. These air vents provide airflow to keep the computer from overheating.
- Keep electrical appliances such as an electric fan, radio, high-powered speakers, air conditioner, and microwave oven away from your computer because the strong magnetic fields generated by these appliances can damage the monitor and data on the storage drive.
- Keep food and drinks away from all parts of the computer. Food particles and spills might make the keyboard and mouse stick and unusable.
- Do not get the power switches or other controls wet. Moisture can damage these parts and cause an electrical hazard.
- Always disconnect a power cord by grasping the plug instead of the cord.
- Keep the computer software, device drivers, and operating system up-to-date.
- Empty your recycle bin on a regular basis.
- Clean out your Inbox, Sent Items, and Deleted Items folders in your e-mail application on a regular basis.
- Clean up files and free up storage drive space and memory space occasionally to prevent performance problems.
- Keep a log book. Entries might include major software or hardware changes, device-driver updates, intermittent problems and what you did to resolve them, and other issues you might have experienced. The cause of a problem might be change in hardware, change in software, or any other actions that might have taken place. A log book can help you or a Lenovo technician determine the cause of a problem.
- Back up your data on the storage drive regularly. You can restore the storage drive from a backup.
- Create a recovery medium as early as possible. You can use the recovery medium to recover your operating system even if Windows fails to start up.
- Get the most up-to-date operating system update patches, software programs, and device drivers.

Maintenance tips about moving the computer

Before moving the computer, take the following precautions:

1. Back up your data on the storage drive.
2. Remove any media from the drives and turn off all connected devices and the computer. Then, disconnect all power cords from electrical outlets and disconnect all cables that are connected to the computer.
3. If you saved the original shipping cartons and packing materials, use them to pack the units. If you are using different cartons, cushion the units to avoid damage.

When you move the computer to another country or region, you must take local electrical standards into consideration. If the local electrical outlet style is different from the type you are currently using, contact the Lenovo Customer Support Center to purchase either an electrical plug adapter or a new power cord.

Clean your computer

CAUTION:

Remove any media from the drives and turn off all connected devices and the computer. Then, disconnect all power cords from electrical outlets and disconnect all cables that are connected to the computer.

It is a good practice to clean your computer periodically to protect the surfaces and ensure trouble-free operation.

Clean the computer surface: Wipe it with a lint-free cloth dampened in mild soap and water. Avoid applying liquids directly to the surface.

Clean the keyboard: Wipe the keys one by one with a lint-free cloth dampened in mild soap and water. If you wipe several keys at a time, the cloth might hook onto an adjacent key and possibly damage it. Avoid spraying cleaner directly onto the keyboard. To remove any crumbs or dust from beneath the keys, you can use a camera blower with a brush or use cool air from a hair dryer.

Clean the computer screen: Scratches, oil, dust, chemicals, and ultraviolet light can affect the performance of your computer screen. Use a dry, soft lint-free cloth to wipe the screen gently. If you see a scratchlike mark on your screen, it might be a stain. Wipe or dust the stain gently with a soft, dry cloth. If the stain remains, moisten a soft, lint-free cloth with water or eyeglass cleaner, but do not apply liquids directly to your computer screen. Ensure that the computer screen is dry before closing it.