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PN54-B

User Guide

Regulatory Model: PN54

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About this guide

This user guide includes information on the following SKUs:

- **Mini PC**
(Memory and M.2 solid state drive already included in the Mini PC system; Windows 11/11 Pro 64-bit Operating System included):
Specifications and steps to set up your Mini PC.
- **Kit (barebones)**
(Memory and M.2 solid state drive not included; Operating system not included):
Specifications and steps to set up your Kit.

NOTE: Memory and M.2 solid state drive are purchased separately for this SKU.

Audience

This user guide is intended to provide basic setup information about the Mini PC and components to vendors, system integrators, and other engineers and technicians who need this level of information.

Conventions used in this guide

To highlight key information in this manual, some text are presented as follows:

IMPORTANT! This message contains vital information that must be followed to complete a task.

NOTE: This message contains additional information and tips that can help complete tasks.

WARNING! This message contains important information that must be followed to keep you safe while performing certain tasks and prevent damage to your Mini PC system's data and components.

Other Common Notation

#	Used after a signal name to identify an active-low signal (such as USBP0#)
GB	Gigabyte (1,073,741,824 bytes)
GB/s	Gigabytes per second
Gb/s	Gigabits per second
KB	Kilobyte (1024 bytes)
Kb	Kilobit (1024 bits)
kb/s	1000 bits per second
MB	Megabyte (1,048,576 bytes)
MB/s	Megabytes per second
Mb	Megabit (1,048,576 bits)
Mb/s	Megabits per second
TDP	Thermal Design Power
xxh	An address or data value ending with a lowercase h indicates a hexadecimal value.
x.x V	Volts. Voltages are DC unless otherwise specified.
x.x A	Amperes.

Production identification information

ASUSTeK Mini PC Product ExpertCenter PN54 Identification Information

Product Name	ExpertCenter PN54
PN54-B	Kit
PN54	Mini PC

Where to find more information

Refer to the following source(s) for additional information and for product and software updates.

ASUS website

The ASUS website (www.asus.com) provides updated information on ASUS hardware and software products.

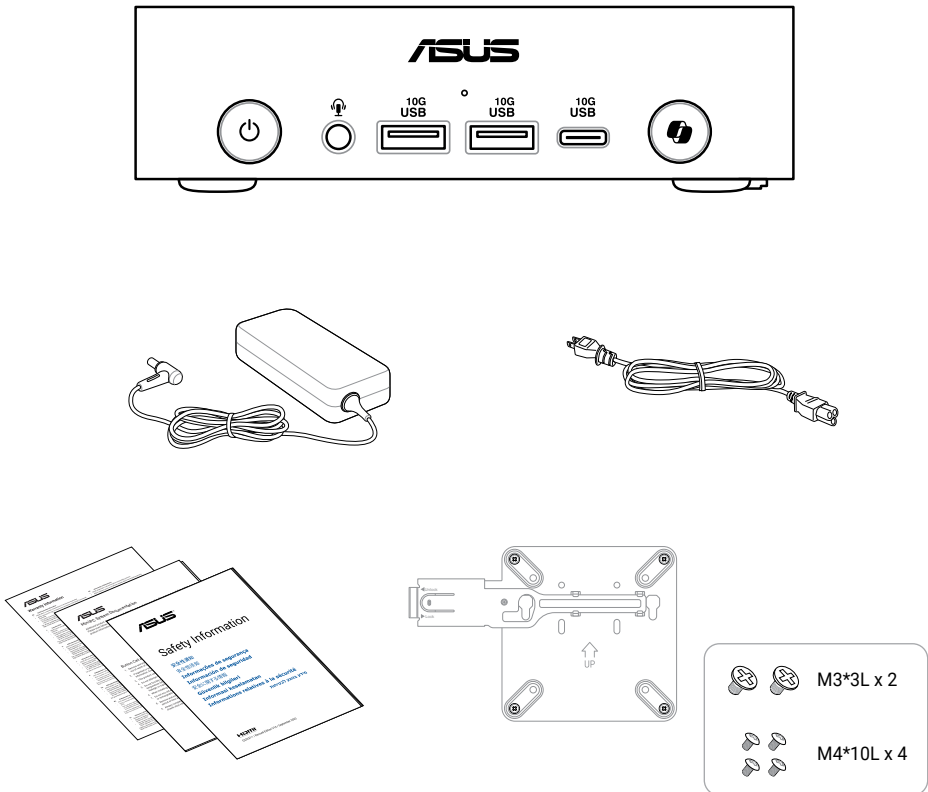
Safety and caution information

- Accessories that came with this product have been designed and verified for the use in connection with this product. Never use accessories from other products to prevent the risk of electric shock or fire.
- This device may interfere with the operation of some pacemakers, hearing aids or other medical devices. To reduce the risk, maintain a separation distance of 20 cm (8 inches) between the device and the medical device. Refer to the medical device for additional information.
- Modification of the wireless solution, thermal solution, device components or enclosure shall violate regulatory compliance requirements and may induce safety hazards.



Risk of explosion if the battery is replaced with an incorrect type. Batteries should be recycled where possible. Disposal of used batteries must be in accordance with local environmental regulations.

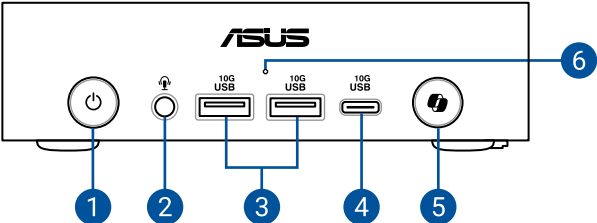
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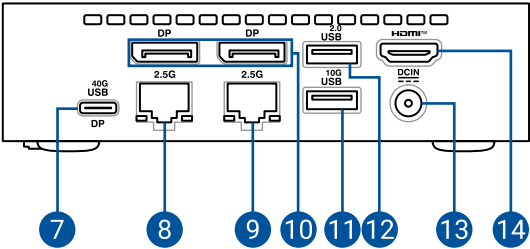
NOTE:

- The most up-to-date and accurate product specifications are available on www.asus.com for download.
- Product and accessory images are for illustrative purposes only. The actual appearance and specifications may vary depending on the model.
- *The bundled power adapter may vary depending on the model and the country (or region) of sale.
- Some bundled accessories may vary depending on the model. For details on these accessories, refer to their respective user manuals.
- If the device or its components fail or malfunction during normal and proper use within the warranty period, bring the warranty card to the ASUS Service Center for replacement of the defective components.

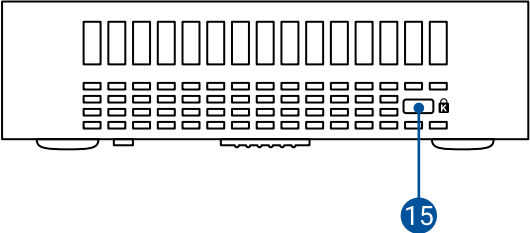
Front view



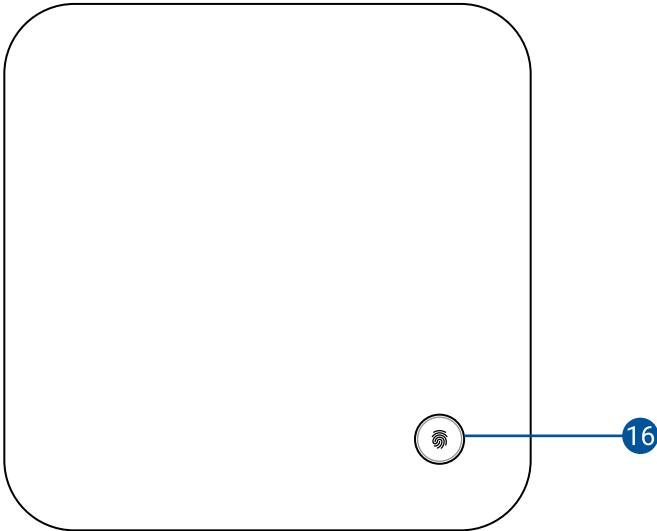
Rear view















Right view



Top view



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|---|---|----|---|
| 1 |  Power button | 9 | 2.5G LAN port |
| 2 |  Headphone/Headset/
Microphone jack | 10 | DP DisplayPort |
| 3 |  USB 10Gbps port | 11 |  USB 10Gbps port |
| 4 |  USB 10Gbps Type-C® port | 12 |  USB 2.0 port |
| 5 |  Windows Copilot button | 13 |  Power input |
| 6 | Digital Microphone | 14 |  HDMI™ HDMI port |
| 7 |  USB 40Gbps Type-C® port
with DisplayPort | 15 |  Kensington® security slot |
| 8 | 2.5G LAN port
(on selected models) | 16 |  Fingerprint sensor |

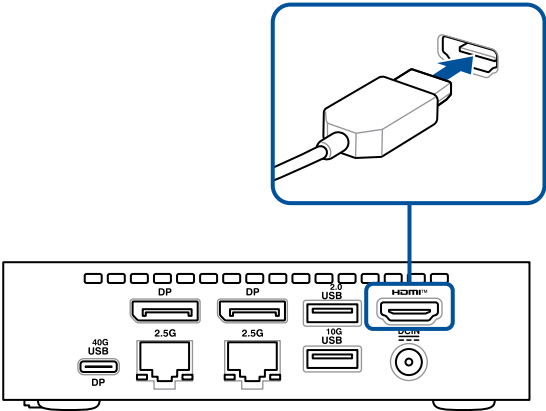
NOTE: USB 40Gbps Type-C® port power profiles:

- 5V @ 3A (source)
- 20V @ 5A (sink)

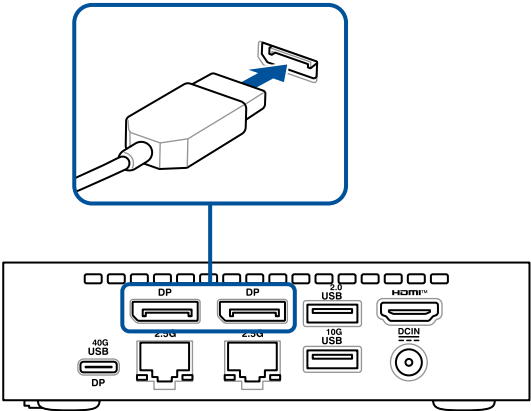
Mini PC setup guide

Connecting the display

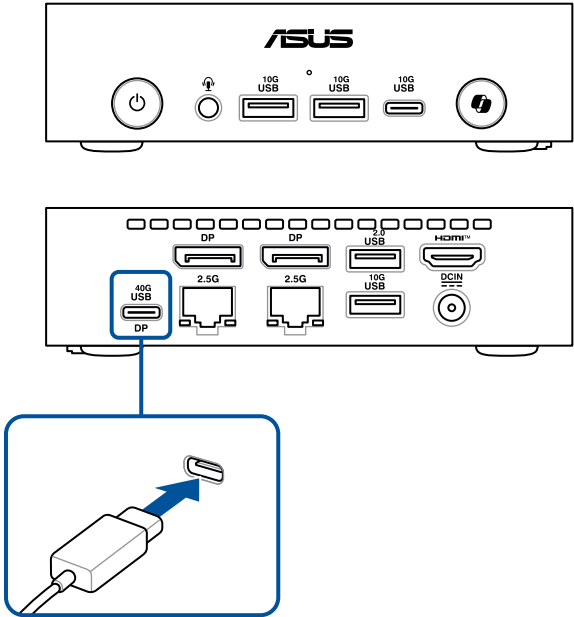
HDMI port



DisplayPort



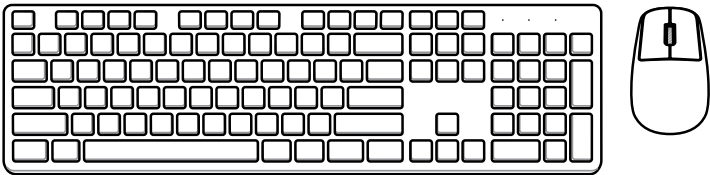
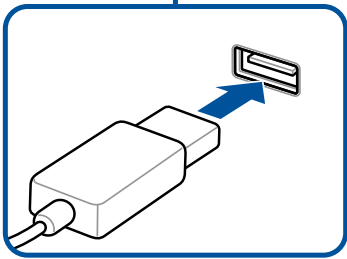
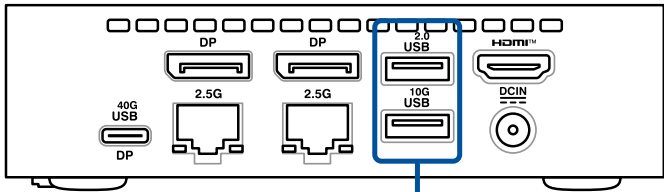
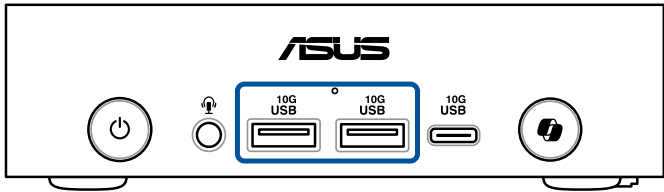
USB Type-C® port



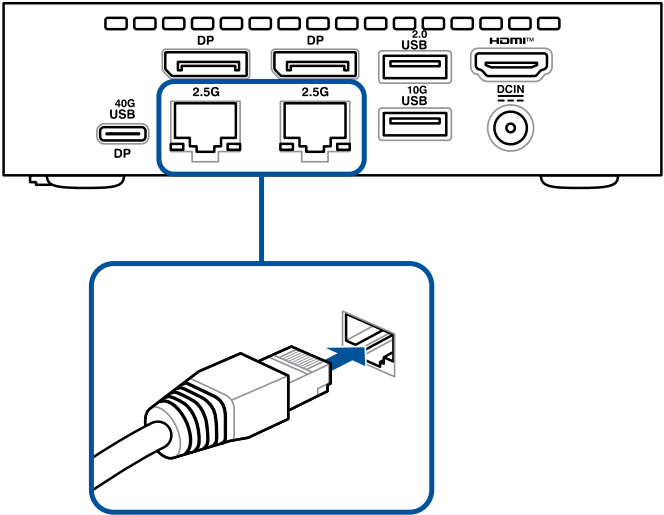
Display resolution table:

Port	Video Output	Max. Resolution
HDMI	HDMI 2.1 (FRL8)	4K (3840 x 2160) @ 120Hz
DisplayPort	DisplayPort 1.4 (HBR3)	4K (3840 x 2160) @ 120Hz
DisplayPort over USB-C®	DisplayPort 2.1 (UHBR10)	4K (3840 x 2160) @ 144Hz

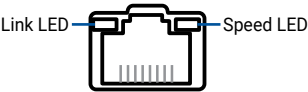
Connecting the keyboard and mouse



Connecting the LAN cable



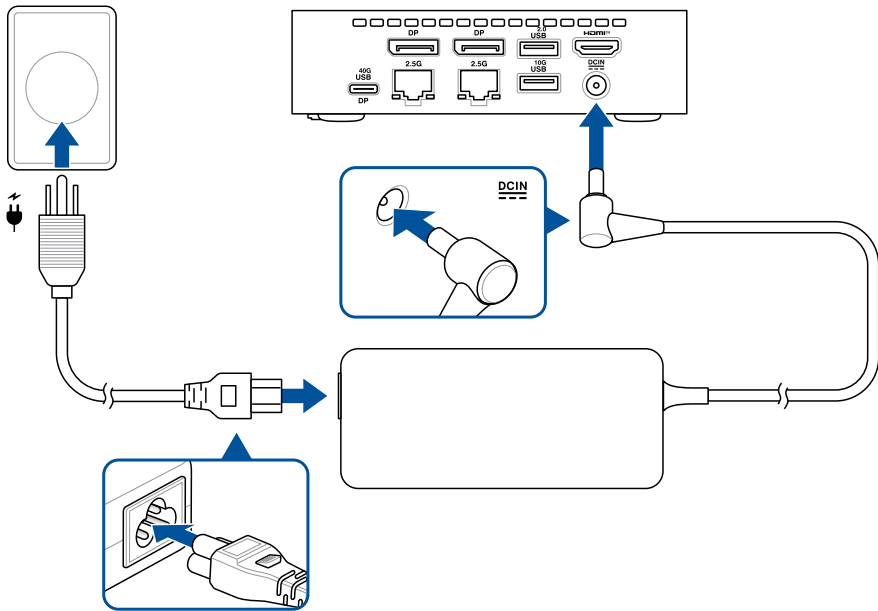
LAN port LED indications:



Link LED	
Status	Description
OFF	No link
GREEN	Linked
BLINKING	Data activity

Speed LED	
Status	Description
OFF	100 Mbps / 10 Mbps connection
YELLOW	1 Gbps connection
GREEN	2.5 Gbps connection

Connecting the power adapter



NOTE:

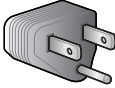


- Please refer to the following for more information on the adapter and the system:

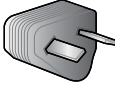
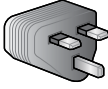
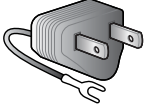
120W Power adapter


- Input voltage: 100-240 Vac
- Input frequency: 50-60 Hz
- Output current: 6 A (120.0 W)
- Output voltage: 20 Vdc
- Rated for use between 0°C and 35°C (32°F and 95°F)

System

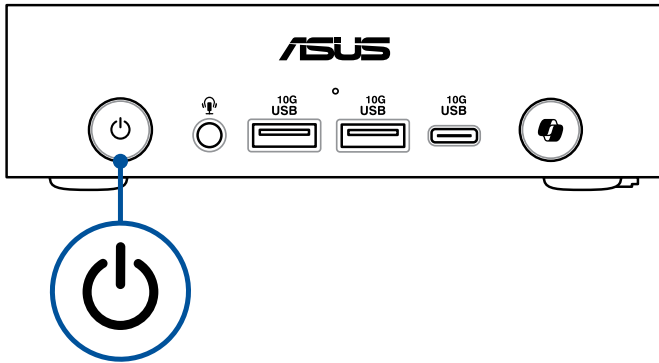
- Rated input current: 6 A (120.0 W)
 - Rated input voltage: 20 Vdc
 - Operating temperature: 0°C to 35°C (32°F to 95°F)
- Operating this system in an environment that exceeds 50°C (122°F) may cause the system time shown in the BIOS to deviate by more than 3 seconds.
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Plug			
Code	US	CN	EU
Country	United States	China	European Union

Plug			
Code	AU	UK	JP
Country	Australia	United Kingdom	Japan (Type-A)

Plug	
Code	IN
Country	India

Powering on the system



NOTE: To view the current power management settings in Windows® 11, click the **Start Button**. Type *Power Management*, then press <Enter>.

Default settings on a new system, as received, has the recommended settings (below) applied.

NOTE: This section only applies to the Mini PC, and is not applicable to the Kit.

BIOS settings

NOTE: Enter BIOS Setup by pressing <F2> during startup. If you're using this system at home, it is unlikely you will need to alter these settings.

- CPU Fan Detection and Speed - Set to automatic.
- After Power Failure - System stays off; press the power button to restart.
- S3 State Indicator - Power light on the front of the system will blink on and off. (This is sleep mode)
- Wake-on-LAN S4/S5 - System will power up to a normal boot. (This is for IT departments)

Operating System Settings (Windows® 11)

- Turn Off the Display - 5 Minutes. (Your monitor will go blank)
- Put the Computer to Sleep - Within 5 minutes of user inactivity.

To Wake Your Computer

- To wake your system up from display sleep or HDD power off
- Put the Computer to Sleep - Within 5 minutes of user inactivity.

Managing power modes

Putting your Mini PC system to the Off mode with fast startup enabled

You can put your Mini PC system to the Off mode with fast startup enabled:

Enter **Control Panel** in the search bar and open it (**View by: Category**), select **Hardware and Sound > Power Options > Choose what the power button does**, click **Change settings that are currently unavailable**, select **Turn on fast startup (recommended)** and click **Save changes**.

- Launch the Start menu, select the power icon then select **Shut down** to do a normal shutdown.

From the log-in screen, select the power icon then select **Shut down**.

- Press <Alt> + <F4> to launch Shut Down Windows. Select **Shut down** from the drop-down list then select **OK**.

If your Mini PC system is unresponsive, press and hold the power button for at least four (4) seconds until your Mini PC system turns off.

Putting your Mini PC system to sleep

You can put your Mini PC system to Sleep mode in two ways:

- Launch the Start menu, select the power icon then select **Sleep** to put your Mini PC system to sleep.

From the log-in screen, select the power icon then select **Sleep**.

- Press <Alt> + <F4> to launch Shut Down Windows. Select **Sleep** from the drop-down list then select **OK**.

NOTE: You can also put your Mini PC system to Sleep mode by pressing the power button once.

Putting your Mini PC system to the lowest power mode

You can put your Mini PC system to the lowest power mode by following the steps below:

1. Enter BIOS setup by pressing <F2> or during the boot process.
2. Go to **Power > ErP Ready**, and select **Enabled(S5)**.



3. Enter **Control Panel** in the search bar and open it (**View by: Category**), select **Hardware and Sound > Power Options > Choose what the power button does**, click **Change settings that are currently unavailable**, clear **Turn on fast startup (recommended)** and click **Save changes**.
4. Launch the Start menu, select the power icon then select **Shut down** to do a normal shutdown.
From the log-in screen, select the power icon then select **Shut down**.
5. Press <Alt> + <F4> to launch Shut Down Windows. Select **Shut down** from the drop-down list then select **OK**.

If your Mini PC system is unresponsive, press and hold the power button for at least four (4) seconds until your Mini PC system turns off.

Enabling fast startup

You can shut down the your Mini PC system with fast startup enabled.

To enable fast startup in Shutdown settings:

Enter **Control Panel** in the search bar and open it (**View by: Category**), select **Hardware and Sound > Power Options > Choose what the power button does**, click **Change settings that are currently unavailable**, select **Turn on fast startup (recommended)** and click **Save changes**.

NOTE: If fast startup is disabled, when you shut down the your Mini PC system, it shuts down to the S5 power state.

Component integration guide

IMPORTANT! ASUS is not responsible for direct, indirect, intentional or unintentional damages resulting from improper installation and operation.

Safety precautions

- This device is intended for use in ambient temperatures between 0°C and 35°C (32°F and 95°F). Avoid using or storing next to heat sources, in direct sunlight, or outside the intended temperature ranges.
- Do not use this product near water or a heated source.
- Openings on the chassis are for ventilation. Do not block or cover these openings. Make sure you leave plenty of space around the system for ventilation. Never insert objects of any kind into the ventilation openings.
- Use this product in environments with ambient temperatures between 0°C and 35°C.
- Failure to use the included power adapter shall violate regulatory compliance requirements and may expose the user to safety hazards.
- Risk of electric shock, fire, or burn if using an AC adapter other than the one provided with this device. Indoor use only and in dry locations. The adapter is rated for use between 0°C and 35°C (32°F and 95°F).
- If you use an extension cord, make sure that the total ampere rating of the devices plugged into the extension cord does not exceed its ampere rating.
- The power supply cord must be plugged into a socket or outlet that is provided with a suitable earth ground.
- This equipment should be installed and operated with a minimum distance of 20 cm between the radiator and your body.
- Do not install this equipment at a height exceeding 2 meters.

Care during use

- Do not walk on the power cord or allow anything to rest on it.
- Do not spill water or any other liquids on your system.
- When the system is turned off, a small amount of electrical current still flows. Always unplug the power cord from the power outlets before cleaning the system.
- If you encounter the following technical problems with the product, unplug the power cord and contact a qualified service technician or your retailer.
 - The power cord or plug is damaged.
 - Liquid has spilled into the system.
 - The system does not function properly even if you follow the operating instructions.
 - The system was dropped, or the cabinet is damaged.
 - The system performance changes.
- Avoid contact with hot components inside the Mini PC. During operation, some components become hot enough to burn the skin. Before you open the computer cover, turn off the computer, disconnect the power, and wait approximately 30 minutes for the components to cool.
- Disposal of a battery into fire or a hot oven, or mechanically crushing or cutting of a battery, that can result in an explosion.
- Leaving a battery in an extremely high temperature surrounding environment that can result in an explosion or the leakage of flammable liquid or gas.
- A battery subjected to extremely low air pressure that may result in an explosion or the leakage of flammable liquid or gas.

Before you begin

1. Read the entire manual before starting any service procedures and follow all instructions.
 2. Back up your Mini PC system.
 3. Turn off your Mini PC system.
 4. Place your Mini PC system on a stable surface.
 5. Disconnect all connected peripherals and cables.
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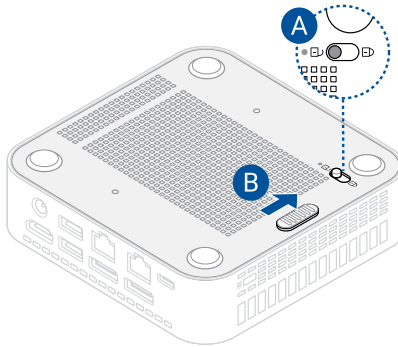
- Purchase replacement components from an authorized retailer of this Mini PC system to ensure maximum compatibility and reliability.
 - Refer to <https://www.asus.com> for a list of compatible components.
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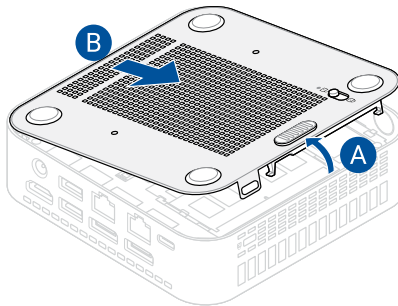
- The illustrations are for reference only.
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 - Keep all adhesive tape, insulating materials, screws, and other removable items in a safe place until the service procedure is completed, as they may be needed during installation.
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Opening system

1. Place your Mini PC system with its top side facing down.
2. Slide the bottom cover lock to the unlocked position (A), then slide the spring-loaded release button as shown (B).



3. Remove the bottom cover.



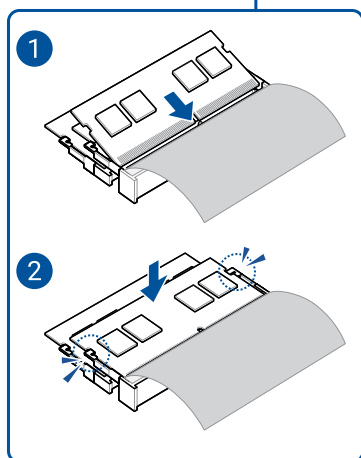
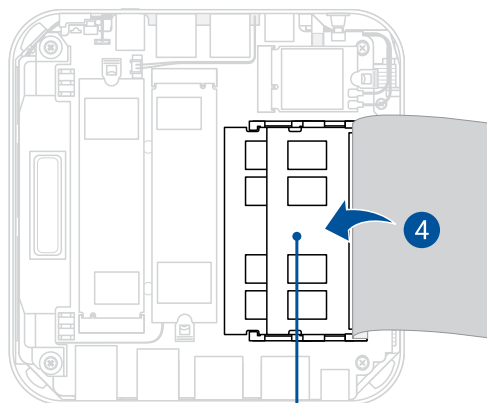
DDR5 SO-DIMM Installation

To install memory, be sure to select memory modules that meet these requirements:

- 1.1V low voltage memory
- DDR5 5600 MHz SO-DIMMs
- Non-ECC
- Up to 64 GB of system memory with two SO-DIMMs using 32 GB memory modules

Find compatible and validated memory modules in the ASUS Qualified Vendor List at www.asus.com/support.

1. Align the small space at the bottom edge of the DDR5 SO-DIMM with the key on the SO-DIMM slot, then insert the DDR5 SO-DIMM into the SO-DIMM slot.
2. Push the DDR5 SO-DIMM down until the retaining clips click into place.
3. Repeat the same steps to install a second module.
4. Flip the EMI film back to its original position so that it is shielding the memory module(s).



M.2 Installation

This system supports the following:

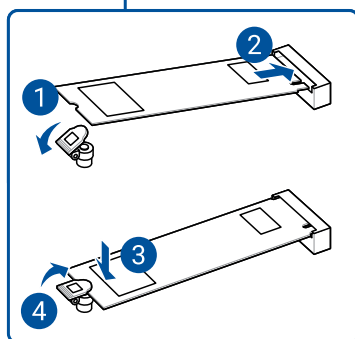
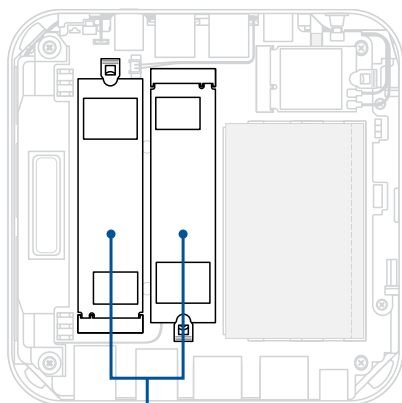
- Two M.2 PCIe Gen4x4 slots supporting M.2 22x80 (key type M) for NVMe SSDs
 - One M.2 slot supporting M.2 22x30 (key type E) for Wi-Fi modules
- Find compatible and validated M.2 modules in the ASUS Qualified Vendor List at www.asus.com/support.

2280 M.2

1. Press down on the 2280 M.2 retaining clip for one of the two M.2 slots to access the alignment standoff.

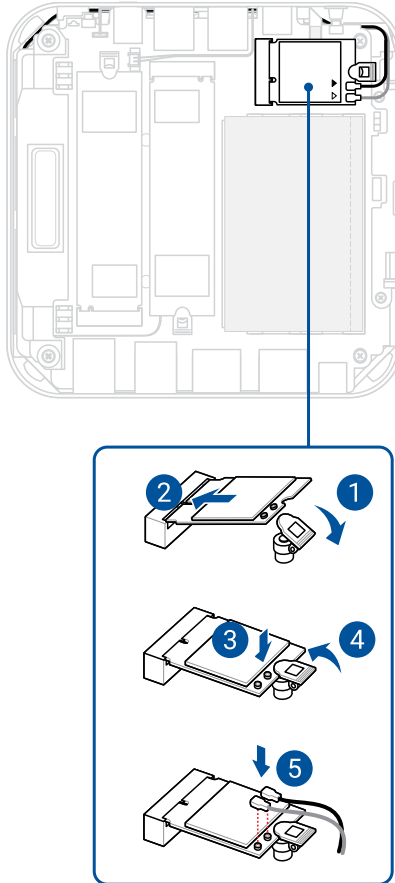
NOTE: We recommend installing the M.2 module with the primary boot system in the slot closer to the SO-DIMM slots.

2. Insert an M.2 module into the M.2 slot.
3. Gently push down the M.2 module on top of the standoff.
4. Secure the M.2 module by returning the retaining clip to its closed position.



2230 M.2

1. Press down on the 2230 M.2 retaining clip to access the alignment standoff.
2. Insert an M.2 module into the M.2 slot on the system board.
3. Gently push down the M.2 module on top of the standoff.
4. Secure the M.2 module by returning the retaining clip to its closed position.
5. (Optional) Connect the antennas to your M.2 module.

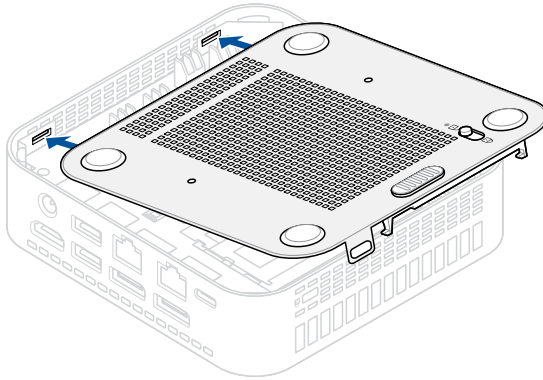


NOTE:

- Connecting antennas to your M.2 module may strengthen the wireless signal.
 - A soft clicking sound indicates that the antenna has been securely attached on the module.
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Closing system

1. Insert the two tabs on the bottom cover into the corresponding slots on the chassis.



2. Gently press down on the bottom cover until it clicks into place.
3. Slide the lock to the locked position to secure the bottom cover.

