Congratulations on your purchase of the GIGABYTE Notebook.
This manual will help you to get started with setting up your notebook. The final product configuration depends on the model at the point of your purchase. GIGABYTE reserves the right to amend without prior notice. For more detailed information, please visit our website at www.gigabyte.com

Using GIGABYTE Notebook for the First Time

1. Connect the power cord to the AC adapter.
2. Connect the AC adapter to the DC-in jack on the right side of the notebook.
3. Connect the power cord to the power outlet.

Switching on the Power
After you turn on the U2442 for the very first time, do not turn it off until the operating system has been configured. Please note that the volume for the audio will not function until Windows® Setup has completed.

Booting Up the U2442 for the First Time
Depending on your configuration, the Microsoft® Windows® Boot Screen will be the first screen that you will see as the notebook starts up. Follow the on-screen prompts and instructions and enter your personal information to complete the setup of the Windows® Operating System.
Your GIGABYTE Notebook Tour

Top View

1 Webcam Status LED Indicator
2 Webcam
3 Light sensor
4 Microphone x 2
5 Speakers
6 TouchPad
7 Battery Indicator Button
8 LED Indicators
9 Power Button
10 Smart Button

1 Press the right button of touchpad to check the remaining battery power.

2 Bluetooth Status LED
   Wireless Lan Status LED
   HDD Status LED
   Battery Status LED
   Power Status LED

3 To call out smart manager function.
   ● Smart Setup:
     Under off condition, Push "" to enter "Smart Setup" menu in off mode. You can choose BIOS Setup Utility, Smart Recovery in the setup menu.
   ● Smart Manager:
     In Windows® Mode Press "" button to initiate "Smart Manager".

Left View

1 Ethernet Port
2 D-sub (VGA) Port
3 USB Port x 2
4 Microphone Jack
5 Headphone Jack
6 Kensington Lock Slot
Right View

1. SD Card Reader
2. USB Port x 2
3. HDMI Port
4. DC-in Jack

Base View

1. Memory Compartment
The computer employs hotkeys or key combinations to access most of the computer’s controls like screen brightness and volume output. To activate hotkeys, press and hold the <Fn> key before pressing the other key in the hotkey combination.

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<th>Hotkey</th>
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<td>Fn+F1</td>
<td>Sleep</td>
<td>Put the computer in Sleep mode.</td>
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<td>Fn+F2</td>
<td>Wireless LAN</td>
<td>Enables/disable the Wireless LAN function.</td>
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<td>Fn+F3</td>
<td>Brightness Down</td>
<td>Decrease the screen brightness.</td>
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<td>Fn+F4</td>
<td>Brightness Up</td>
<td>Increase the screen brightness.</td>
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<td>Fn+F5</td>
<td>Display Toggle</td>
<td>Switch display output between the display screen, external monitor (if connected) and both.</td>
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<td>Fn+F6</td>
<td>Screen Display</td>
<td>Turn the screen display on and off.</td>
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<td>Fn+F7</td>
<td>Speaker Toggle</td>
<td>Turn the speaker on and off.</td>
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<td>Fn+F8</td>
<td>Volume Down</td>
<td>Decrease the sound volume.</td>
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<td>Fn+F9</td>
<td>Volume Up</td>
<td>Increase the sound volume.</td>
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<td>Fn+F10</td>
<td>Touchpad Toggle</td>
<td>Turn the internal touchpad on and off.</td>
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<td>Fn+F11</td>
<td>Bluetooth</td>
<td>Enable/disable the Bluetooth function.</td>
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<td>Fn+F12</td>
<td>Webcam</td>
<td>Turn the internal webcam on and off.</td>
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<td>Fn+Space</td>
<td>Keyboard Backlight Toggle</td>
<td>Turn the keyboard backlight on and off.</td>
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GIGABYTE Software Application

- **GIGABYTE Smart Manager**
  You can activate GIGABYTE Smart Manager by double clicking on the shortcut icon on the desktop if the machine you purchased has the operation system built-in. GIGABYTE Smart Manager is an icon-based control interface, enabling users to intuitively access common system setup as well as GIGABYTE exclusive utilities. Please be noted that the GIGABYTE Smart Manager interface, icons, utilities and software versions may vary based on the purchased models. Please operate GIGABYTE Smart Manager according to the actual version built-in.

- **GIGABYTE Smart Setup**
  During the off mode, press Smart+ Button to enter "Smart Setup" menu. You can choose BIOS Setup Utility, Smart Recovery, and other functions in this setup menu.

![GIGABYTE Smart Setup Menu](image)

Press "Continue to OS" button to enter operating system.

**Continue to OS**

Press "BIOS Setup Utility" button to enter BIOS setup utility.

**BIOS Setup Utility**

Press "Smart Recovery" button to enter GIGABYTE Smart Recovery.

**Smart Recovery**

Press "Shutdown" button to shutdown the system.

**Shutdown**
Recovery Guide

System Recovery (Restore your laptop operating system)
When something is going wrong with the laptop operating system, the storage of the laptop has a hidden partition containing a full back up image of the operating system that can be used to restore the system to factory default settings.

Note
- If the storage has been switched or the partition deleted, the recovery option will no longer be available and a recovery service will be needed.
- The recovery function is only available on devices with O/S preinstalled. Devices with DOS do not have the recovery function.

Launch System Recovery
The system recovery feature is preinstalled before the laptop is shipped from the factory. The option menu allows you to launch the Windows recovery tool to reinstall the operating system to factory default.

The brief introduction below will show you how to start the recovery tool and restore your system.

All ready to go
Make sure your PC is plugged in. This will take a few minutes.

Windows 7 Recovery Guide

1. Turn off and restart the laptop.

2. During the laptop turn on process, press and hold F9 key to launch the tool.

3. The recovery will be activated and you will see the option buttons on the window. Click on “Recovery” to start it.

Caution
Once the “Recovery” is selected, your personal data and files will be deleted after the laptop starts restoring, and the operating system will be reset to factory default settings.

4. A progress indicator bar will show on the window when the recovery process is running. Please make sure the AC-adapter is plugged in and do not turn off the laptop.
Reboot the laptop after the system recovery is complete.

Windows 8 Recovery Guide

1 Turn off and restart the laptop.

2 During the laptop turn on process, press and hold F9 key to launch the tool.

3 Choose your keyboard layout.
   You can press “See more keyboard layouts” to see next page of languages.

4 Choose “Troubleshoot” to enter the recovery settings.
   (Also you can choose “Continue” to exit recovery system and continue to Windows 8 for files or data backup.)

   There are two options for system recovery
   • Refresh your PC
     You can refresh your laptop to improve the system stability without losing your files.
   • Reset your PC
     If you want to remove all of your files, you can reset your PC completely.

   Caution: All personal data and files will be lost.
Choose “Refresh your PC”
[Click on “Next”] > [Choose a target operating system.] > [Click on “Windows 8”] >
[Click on “Refresh” to execute recovery function.]

Here are what will happen
• Your files and personalization settings won’t be changed.
• Your PC settings will be restored to factory default settings.
• Apps from Windows Store will be kept.
• Apps you installed from discs or websites will be removed.
• A list of removed apps will be saved on your desktop.

Choose “Reset your PC”
[Click on “Next”] > [Choose a target operating system.] > [Click on “Windows 8”] >
[Choose an option to recover your system]

▸ Just remove my files
Only personal data and files will be removed, but computer settings will be kept.

▸ Fully clean the drive
The drive will be completely restored to factory default settings. It takes more time.

Here are what will happen
• All of your personal files and apps will be removed.
• Your PC settings will be restored to factory default settings.

Remark

Advanced options

System Restore
Use a restore point recorded on your PC to restore Windows.

System Image Recovery
Recover Windows using a specific system image file.

Automatic Repair
Fix problems that keep Windows from loading.

Command Prompt
Use the Command Prompt for advanced troubleshooting.

UEFI Firmware Settings
Change settings in your PC’s UEFI firmware.
Appendix

- Warranty & Service:
  Warranty and service and related information please refer to the warranty card or GIGABYTE service website as the below link:
  http://www.gigabyte.com/support-downloads/technical-support.aspx

- FAQ:
  FAQ (Frequent Asked Questions) please refer to the below link: