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1. Introduction to the ZFx86 BIOS

The ZFx86 BIOS is the Phoenix 4.0 Revision 6 BIOS customized for the ZFx86™, and is licensed for use with the ZF Micro Devices, Inc. ZFx86 System-On-a-Chip.

This manual is a supplement to the “PhoenixBIOS™ 4.0 Revision 6 User's Manual” dated June 22, 2000 and is included with the ZFx86 BIOS Release Set version 1.04. It covers ZFx86 specific configuration settings and utilities used to manage the ZFx86 BIOS.

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See the [PhoenixBIOS™ 4.0 Rev6 User Manual.PDF](#).

2. Features

In addition to the standard features documented in the PhoenixBIOS™ User's Manual, the ZFx86 BIOS includes these extended features important for embedded applications:

- ZFlash OS Loader Hook – enables operating systems such as Linux and VxWorks to boot from the same flash chip that contains the BIOS.
- ZFlash legacy ISA extension processor – allows user extension ROMs to be placed in the same flash device as BIOS
- Configuration settings that manage ZFx86 ZF Logic Memory and I/O Chip Selects for Disk On Chip, flash based extensions and custom I/O hardware
- Advanced Power Management 1.2 Functions
- Universal Serial BUS Host Controller and Legacy Configuration Settings
- Infrared support
- Watchdog Timer Function
- Remote Management from PC Host
- Resident Flash Disk Function

2.1. ZFx86 BIOS Set Contents

The zfx10300.ZIP zipped file contains the components of the ZFx86 BIOS Set software release version 1.04 (part number 9270-0012-01040). The ZFx86 BIOS Set contains the items in the following list:

- PhoenixBIOS 4.0 revision 6 User's Manual
- ZFx86 BIOS User's Manual Supplement
- readme.txt – release notes text file
- readme.pdf – release notes in PDF format
- zfx10400.rom – Binary image file with ZF Micro Devices, Inc. splash screen¹
- zfx10400.ron – Binary image file – with no splash screen
- zfx10400.lnx – Binary image file (special case for some Linux systems. See the readme file)
- zfx10400rom.bin – Z-tag Manager binary image file with splash screen (amd29f0xx 8-BIT FLASH)
- amdflash.exe utility
- zeb.exe – ZF Edit BIOS utility

3. Installation

The ZFx86 BIOS binary image files are 256 Kbytes in length. Any of these files may be placed in an ROM, EPROM or Flash Device that is chip selectable by the processor's reset vector, (0FFFFFFF0h) and chip select 0. Although the image is 256 Kbytes in this space, during initialization certain blocks are decompressed and/or discarded. The result is that a 128 Kbyte image loads into the shadow area of system memory at 0E0000h to 0FFFFFFh. The BIOS image may be loaded into the Integrated Development System (IDS) AMD Flash using either the Z-tag Dongle or from a DOS prompt using the amdflash.exe Utility.

Optionally, external Programmers may be used to transfer the BIOS image into EPROM or Flash devices.

Find detailed instructions for installing user software in flash devices in “*Booting User Software From Flash Chips*” Software Note, Part # 9100-0067-00. Download this document from the ZF Micro Devices website: <http://www.zfmicro.com>

3.1. Installation Using amdflash.exe

AMDFLASH is a convenient way to update the BIOS in the Integrated Development System or another Target Board which has a 2 MB AMDFLASH chip installed. AMDFLASH supports only AMD flash chips, and requires that you have a working BIOS already installed (and thus can boot DOS).

Amdflash.exe always loads the BIOS image from a file called BIOS.ROM residing on a floppy or a hard disk. In the installation example below, we copy the BIOS files into a directory located on the C: Drive named AMDFLASH, and the files are being loaded from an A: floppy drive.

To load the ZFx86 BIOS follow this procedure:

1. Start up screen containing the ZF Micro, Inc. icon.

1. Use the COPY /B command to transfer the desired BIOS image to the BIOS.ROM file. This file must be in the same directory as amdflash.exe. For example, type:

C:\AMDFLASH> COPY /B A:zfx10400.rom BIOS.ROM

Always use the /B binary argument when you COPY from a DOS prompt.

2. Set the jumpers so that the ZFx86 boots from the AMDFLASH (the board may be set already – newer systems arrive as such). Jumper pins 4 and 6 of the FLASH CS CONF jumper JP7, and set BOOTSTRAPS switch S3 #12 to OFF. See [Figure 1](#).

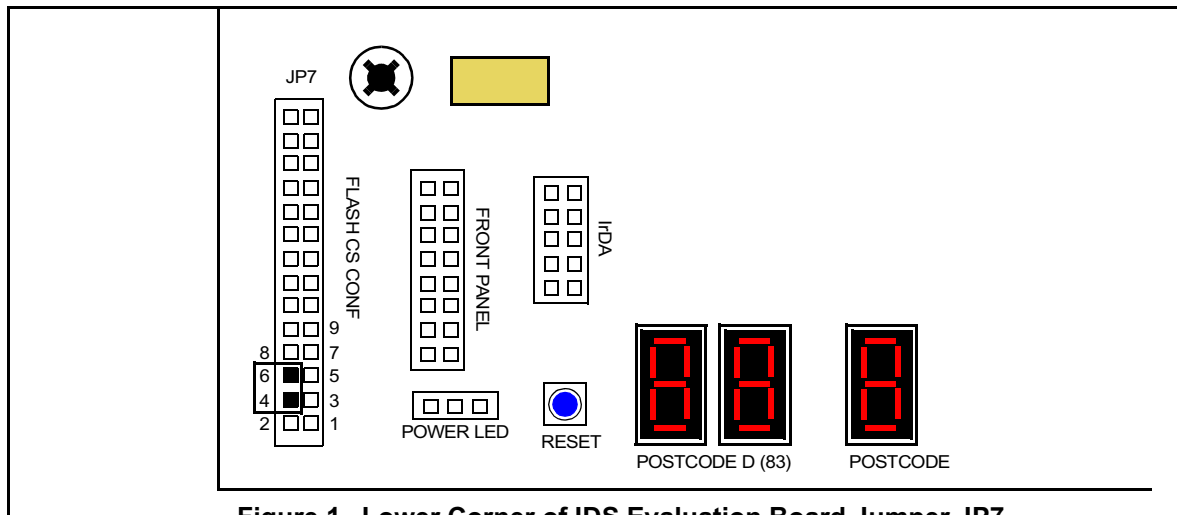


Figure 1. Lower Corner of IDS Evaluation Board Jumper JP7

Since the AMDFLASH utility runs from a DOS prompt, make sure you are able to boot using any working BIOS, or the GS from the ATMEL CHIP (if present), or a previous version of PhoenixBIOS from the AMD Flash.

Note that if you boot DOS from the GS/ATMEL, you need to change the FLASH CS CONF jumper JP7 from pins 3 and 5 to pins 4 and 6 (see [Figure 1](#)), and place S3 switch #12 to the right before executing the AMDFLASH utility.

3. Boot DOS. You may boot DOS from the floppy disk or the hard disk.
4. Copy the amdflash.exe program (contained in the ZIP file) to the DOS disk. For example, type:

C:\AMDFLASH> COPY /B A:amdflash.exe

5. Copy the .BIN files into the same directory. For example, type:

C:\AMDFLASH> COPY /B A:zfx10400rom.bin

6. Run "AMDFLASH 0".

Status messages display as the system boots.² Do not change any jumpers unless you boot from the ATMEL Flash (see step 2 above). This version of the program places a copy of the BIOS.ROM in the IDS AMD flash.

2. If you have trouble running AMDFLASH 0 program, we recommend removing any ISA slot boards (except video). Currently, AMDFLASH is "hardwired" for a 2 MB Flash Chip.

3.2. Installation Using the Dongle

Use the Z-tag Manager software application to load the BIOS image into the Z-tag Dongle. Then use the Dongle to load the BIOS on systems that support the Z-tag interface such as the IDS. See the examples in Chapter 4 of the *ZFx86 Integrated Development System Quick Start Guide*.³

The Dongle must be loaded with a second SEEPROM. To obtain this part contact ZF support and ask for Part Number 3100-0165-00. Dongles manufactured after January, 2001 contain this update. The Z-tag Manager provides an error message if the Dongle does not contain enough SEEPROM.

4. BIOS Setup

To start the BIOS Setup utility, press the [F2] function key during the boot up process. The PhoenixBIOS Setup Utility screen displays with the following selections across the top:

- Main
- Advanced
- Security
- Power
- Boot
- Exit

4.1. Main

The Main menu selections contain no changes with this release; therefore, that information is not duplicated in this supplement. For information specific to the Main menu, see the [PhoenixBIOS™ 4.0 Rev6 User Manual.PDF](#).

4.2. Advanced

Figure 2 shows the Advanced menu selections.

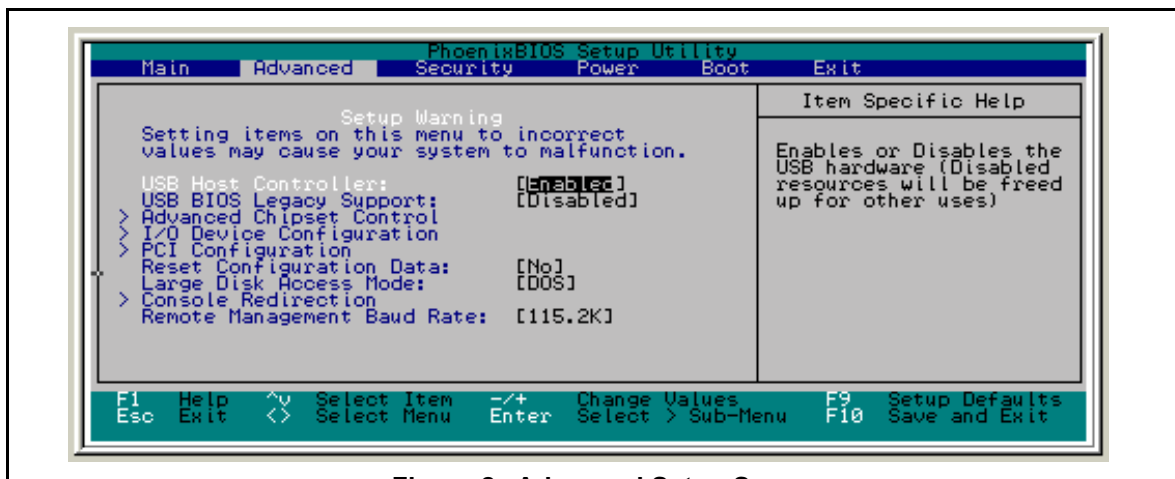


Figure 2. Advanced Setup Screen

3. TheDongle's flash programmer allows you to specify where in the flash to place the BIOS. Place the BIOS in the high addresses of the flash. Since the ZFx86 Phoenix BIOS is a 256K image, use starting address 1C0000 if you have a 2MB Flash, and C0000 if you have a 1 MB flash, and so on.

Table 1: Advanced Setup Screen

Feature	Options	Description
USB Host controller	Disabled Enabled	Enables or Disables the USB hardware. (Disabled resources are available for other uses.) Default setting is Enabled .
USB BIOS Legacy Support	Disabled Enabled	Enables or Disables support for USB Keyboard and Mouse. (Enable for use with a non-USB aware Operating System such as DOS or UNIX.) Default setting is Disabled .
Advanced Chipset Control		See ' Advanced Chipset Control ' on page 6.
I/O Device Configuration		See ' I/O Device Configuration ' on page 9.
PCI Configuration		See ' PCI Configuration ' on page 11.
Reset Configuration Data	No Yes	Select 'Yes' if you want to clear the Extended System Configuration Data (ECSD) area. Default setting is No .
Secured Setup Configurations	No Yes	Yes – Prevents a Plug and Play Operating System from changing system settings. Default setting is No .
Installed O/S	Other Win95	Select the operating system installed on your system that you will use most commonly. Default setting is Other . Note: An incorrect setting causes some operating systems to display unexpected behavior.
Large Disk Access Mode	Other DOS	For UNIX, Novel NetWare, or other operating systems, select Other . If you are installing new software and the drive fails, change this selection and try again. Different operating systems require different representations of drive geometries. Default setting is DOS .
Console Redirection		See ' Console Redirection ' on page 15
Remote Management Baud Rate	115.2K 57.6K 38.4K 28.8K 19.2K 14.4K 9600 2400	Selects the baud rate used for serial remote configuration mode. Default setting is 115.2K .

4.3. Advanced Chipset Control

Figure 3 shows the Advanced Chipset Control submenu selections.

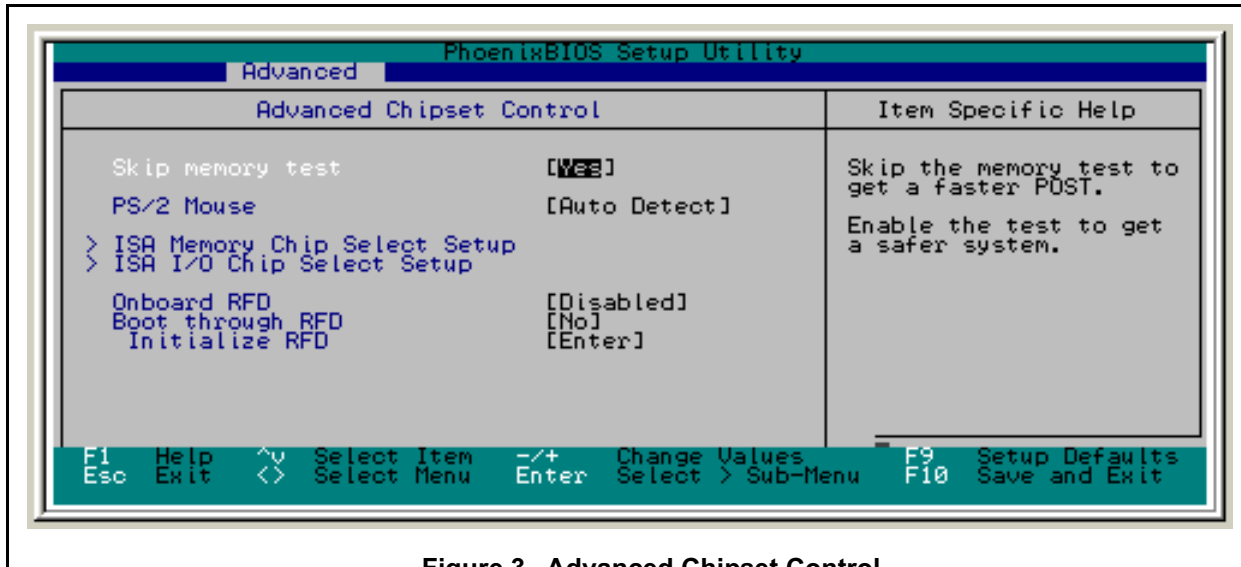


Figure 3. Advanced Chipset Control

Table 2: Advanced Chipset Control

Feature	Options	Description
Skip memory test	No Yes	Skip the memory test to get a faster POST. Enable the test to create a more stable system.
PS/2 Mouse	Disabled Enabled Auto Detect	Disabled – Prevents any installed PS/2 mouse from functioning, but frees up IRQ12. Enabled – Forces the PS/2 mouse port to be enabled regardless if a mouse is present. Auto Detect – Only enables the PS/2 mouse if present. Default setting is Auto Detect . OS Controlled – Option displays only if the OS controls the mouse.
ISA Memory Chip Select Setup		See ' ISA Memory Chip Select Setup ' on page 7.
ISA I/O Chip Select Setup		See ' ISA I/O Chip Select Setup ' on page 8.
Onboard RFD	Disabled To mem_cs1 To mem_cs2 To mem_cs3	Selects whether the onboard flash disk is enabled. Default setting is To mem_cs3 .
Boot Through RFD	No Yes	Select Yes to boot from the RFD as floppy A:. Default setting is No .

4.3.1. ISA Memory Chip Select Setup

The Memory Chip Selects provide initial values for the four memory windows which may be created using the ZF-logic built in the ZFx86 chip. For more information, see 'Understanding Memory Windows' on page 20.

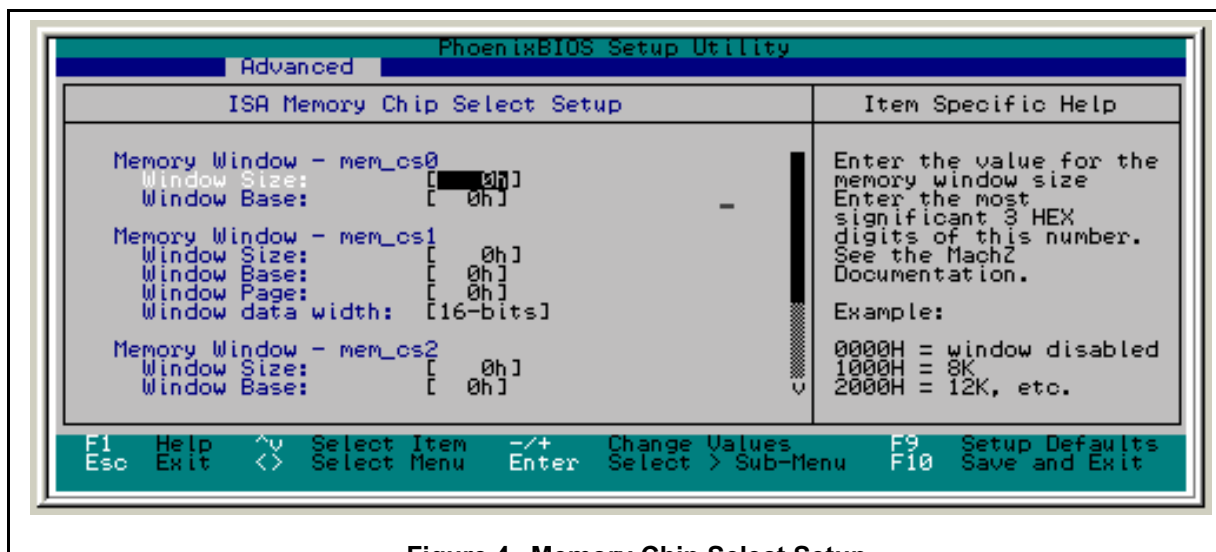


Figure 4. Memory Chip Select Setup

Table 3: ISA Memory Chip Select Setup

Feature	Options	Description
Window SIZE		Enter the value for the memory window size register. Acceptable range is from 000000H to FFF000H. Enter the hexadecimal value of the most significant 3 HEX digits of this number. See the ZFx86 documentation for additional information. Example: 0000H = window = disabled, 1000H = 8K, 2000 = 12K, and so on.
Window BASE		Enter the value for the memory window base register. Acceptable range is from 000000H to FFF000H. Enter the hexadecimal value of the most significant 3 HEX digits of this number. See the ZFx86 documentation for additional information. Example: 0C0000 = base address is 000C0000 (or C000:0)
Window PAGE		PAGE = 1000000 – BASE + FLASHA. If Base = 0D0000, then set PAGE to F30000 so that D000:0 goes to address 0 in the flash. That is 1000000 – D0000 + 0. For D0000 to go to D0000 in the flash, set PAGE to 0, that is, 1000000 - D0000 + D0000 (you only specify 4 digits).
Read/Write Control	Read/Write Read Only	Select the behavior of the memory range between read/write or read only access type. Default setting is Read/Write .
Window data width	16-bits 8-bits	Select the window datapath width. Default setting is 8-bits .

4.3.2. ISA I/O Chip Select Setup

Figure 5 shows the ISA I/O Chip Select Setup menu selections.

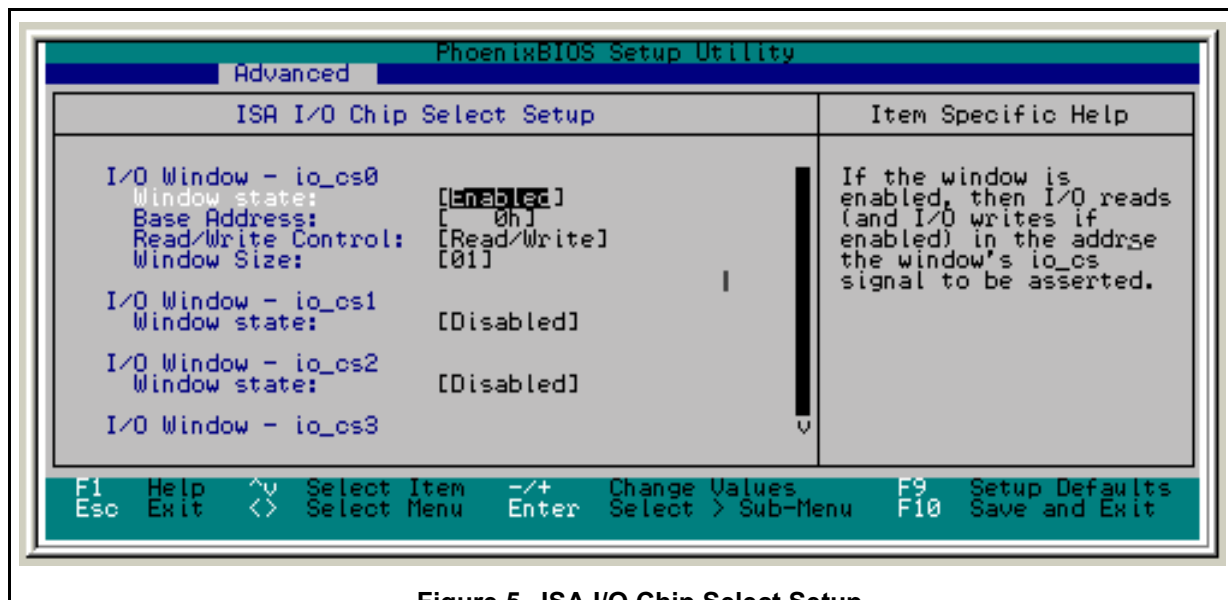


Figure 5. ISA I/O Chip Select Setup

Table 4: ISA I/O Chip Select Setup

Feature	Options	Description
Window state	Enabled Disabled	If the window is enabled, then I/O reads (and I/O writes if enabled) in the address range of Base to Base+Size -1 causes the window's io_cs signal to be asserted. Default setting is Disabled .
Base address	0 - FFFF	Enter the base address for the I/O window. Default setting is 0 .
Read/Write Control	Read/Write Read Only	Select the behavior of the I/O range between read/write or read only access type ports. Setting window to read only mode disables the IOW_N signal on ISA bus for I/O window address range. Default setting is Read/Write .
Window data width	8-bits 16-bits	Select the window datapath width. Default setting is 8-bits .
Active level	Active Low Active High	Select the level to assert on the io_cs pin. The ZF86 asserts the selected level on the window's io_cs pin when the program accesses I/O in the window range of Base to Base+Size-1. Default setting is Active Low .
Window Size	01 - 16	Select the number of consecutive I/O address to decode starting from the I/O window base. Example, a value of 4 decodes 4 consecutive 8-bit I/O addresses, or 2 consecutive 16-bit addresses. Decode occurs on I/O read, and may occur on I/O write. Default setting is 01 .

4.3.3. I/O Device Configuration

Figure 6 shows the I/O Device Configuration menu selections.

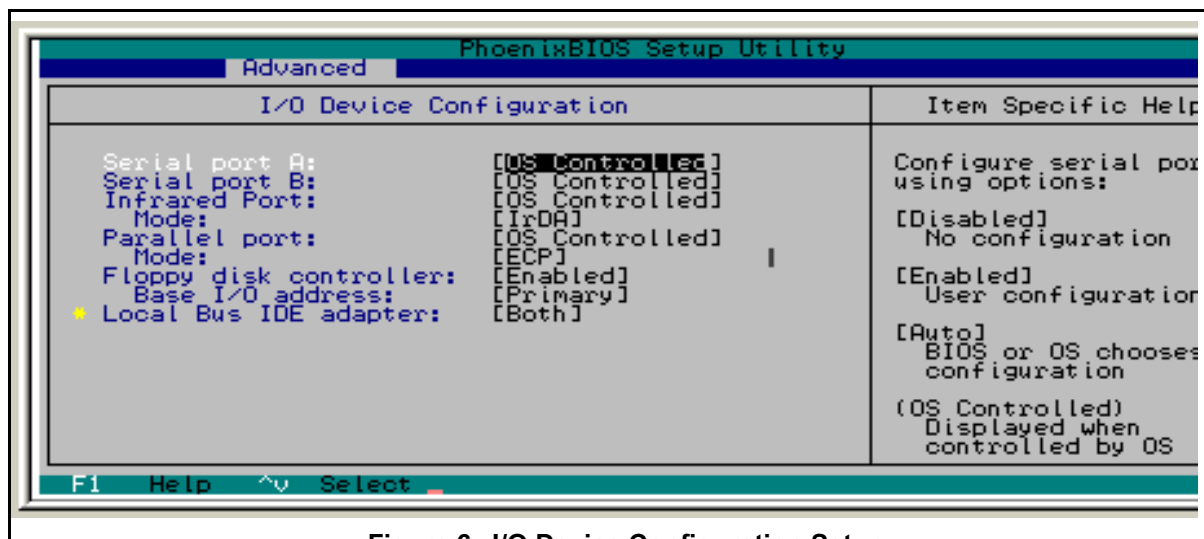


Figure 6. I/O Device Configuration Setup

Table 5: I/O Device Configuration Setup

Feature	Options	Description
Serial Port A	Disabled Enabled Auto OS Controlled	Configure Serial Port A using the following options: Disabled – No configuration Enabled – User Configuration Auto – BIOS or OS chooses configuration OS Controlled – Displays when port controlled by OS. Default setting.
Base I/O address	3F8 2F8 3E8 2E8	Set the base I/O address for Serial Port A. Default setting is 3F8 .
Interrupt	IRQ 3 IRQ 4	Set the interrupt for serial port A. Default setting is IRQ 4 .
Serial Port B	Disabled Enabled Auto OS Controlled	Configure serial port B using the following options: Disabled – No configuration Enabled – User Configuration Auto – BIOS or OS chooses configuration OS Controlled – Displayed when controlled by OS. Default setting.
Base I/O address	3F8 2F8 3E8 2E8	Set the base I/O address for Serial Port B. Default setting is 2F8 .
Interrupt	IRQ 3 IRQ 4	Set the interrupt for Serial Port B. Default setting is IRQ 3 .
Infrared Port	Disabled Enabled Auto OS Controlled	Configure Infrared port using the following options: Disabled – No configuration Enabled – User Configuration Auto – BIOS or OS chooses configuration OS Controlled – Displays when controlled by OS. Default setting.
Mode	IrDA FIR	Set mode for Infrared port. Default setting is IrDA .

Table 5: I/O Device Configuration Setup (Continued)

Feature	Options	Description
Base I/O address	3F8 3E8	Select the base I/O address for Infrared port. Default setting is 3E8 .
Interrupt	IRQ 3 IRQ 5	Select the interrupt for the Infrared port. Default setting is IRQ 5 .
Parallel port	Disabled Enabled Auto OS Controlled	Configure parallel port using options: Disabled – No configuration Enabled – User Configuration Auto – BIOS or OS selects the configuration OS Controlled – Displayed when controlled by OS. Default setting.
Mode	Output only Bi-directional EPP ECP	Set the mode for the parallel port using the following options: Output only, Bi-directional, EPP, and ECP. Default setting is ECP .
Base I/O address	378 278 3BC	Set the base I/O address for the parallel port. Default setting is 387 .
Interrupt	IRQ 5 IRQ 7	Set the interrupt for the parallel port. Default setting is IRQ 7 .
DMA channel	DMA 1 DMA 3	Set the DMA channel for the parallel port. Default setting is DMA 1 .
Floppy disk controller	Disabled Enabled Auto	Configure using the following options: Disabled – No configuration Enabled – User Configuration. Default setting. Auto – BIOS or OS chooses configuration OS Controlled – Displayed when controlled by OS.
Base I/O address	Primary Secondary	Set the base I/O address for the floppy disk controller using options. Default setting is Primary .
Local Bus IDE adapter	Disabled Primary Secondary Both	Enable the integrated local bus IDE adapter. Default setting is Both .

4.3.4. PCI Configuration

Figure 7 shows the PCI Configuration submenu settings.

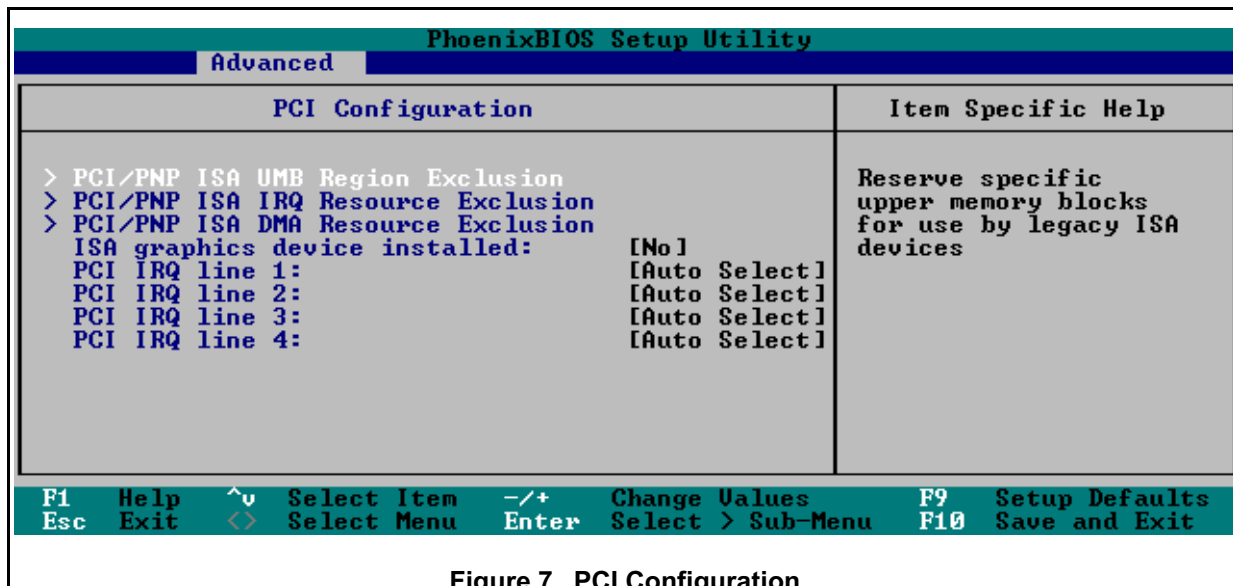


Figure 7. PCI Configuration

Table 6: PCI Configuration

Feature	Options	Description
PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion		Reserve specific upper memory blocks for use by legacy ISA devices. See ' PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion ' on page 12.
PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion		Reserve specific IRQ's for use by legacy ISA devices. See ' PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion ' on page 13.
PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resource Exclusion		Reserve specific DMA channels for use by legacy ISA devices. See ' PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resource Exclusion ' on page 14.
ISA graphics device installed:	No Yes	Enable ISA (non-VGA) graphics device to access palette data in PCI VGA device. Default setting is No .
PCI IRQ line 1 PCI IRQ line 2 PCI IRQ line 3 PCI IRQ line 4	Disabled Auto Select 3 4 5 7 9 10 11 12 14 15	PCI devices use hardware interrupts called IRQ's. A PCI device cannot use IRQ's already in use by ISA Enable.

4.3.5. PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion

Figure 8 shows the PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion submenu selections. This menu may display with different values depending on your configuration .

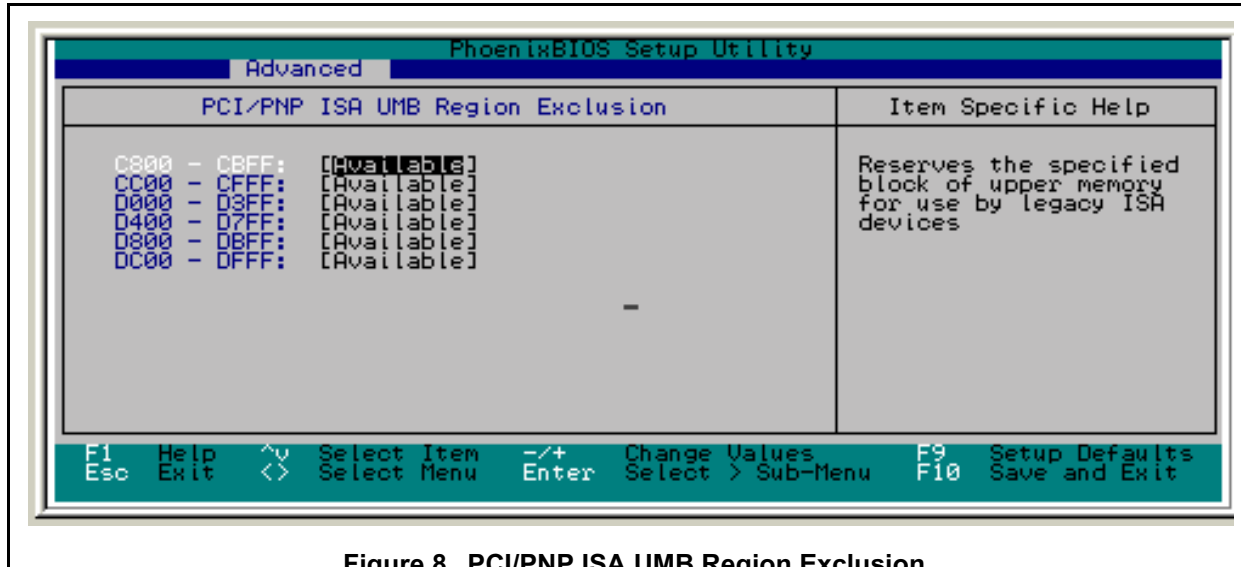


Figure 8. PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion

Table 7: PCI/PNP ISA UMB Region Exclusion

Feature	Options	Description
C800 - CBFF CC00 - CFFF D000 - D3FF D400 - D7FF D800 - DBFF DC00 - DFFF	Available Reserved	Reserves the specified block of upper memory for use by legacy ISA devices. Default setting is Available .

4.3.6. PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion

Figure 9 shows the PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion submenu selections. This menu may display with different values depending on your configuration.

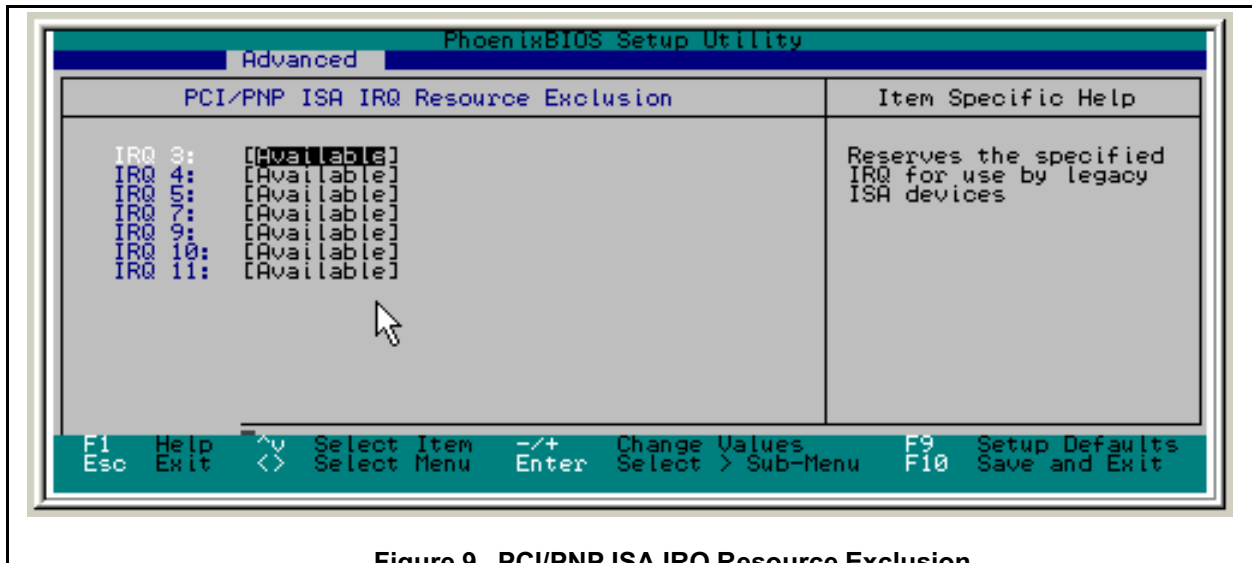


Figure 9. PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion

Table 8: PCI/PNP ISA IRQ Resource Exclusion

Feature	Options	Description
IRQ 3 IRQ 4 IRQ 5 IRQ 7 IRQ 9 IRQ 10 IRQ 11	Available Reserved	Reserves the specified IRQ for use by legacy ISA devices. Default setting is Available .

4.3.7. PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resource Exclusion

Figure 10 shows the PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resource Exclusion submenu selections.

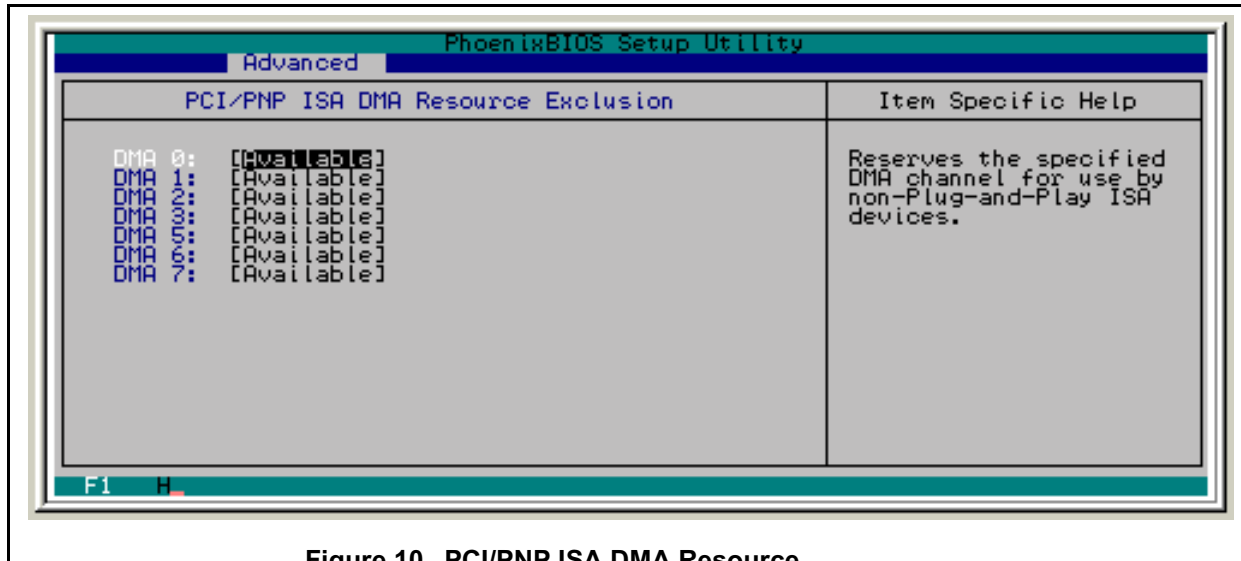


Figure 10. PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resource

Table 9: PCI/PNP ISA DMA Resources Exclusion

Feature	Options	Description
DMA 0 DMA 1 DMA 2 DMA 3 DMA 4 DMA 5 DMA 6 DMA 7	Available Reserved	Reserves the specified DMA channel for use by non-Plug-and-Play ISA devices. Default setting is Available .

4.3.8. Console Redirection

UCR (Universal Console Redirect) feature supports those embedded systems which do not use a keyboard or monitor. The BIOS Binary Image file may be configured for this feature using the ZEB utility. See “Using the ZEB Editor with the IDS” on page 17.

A null modem cable connection is required between the ZFx86 COM A (COM1) and a PC/ANSI terminal or terminal emulator such as Procomm™ or Hyperterminal™. Text mode video operations are only supported during console redirect.

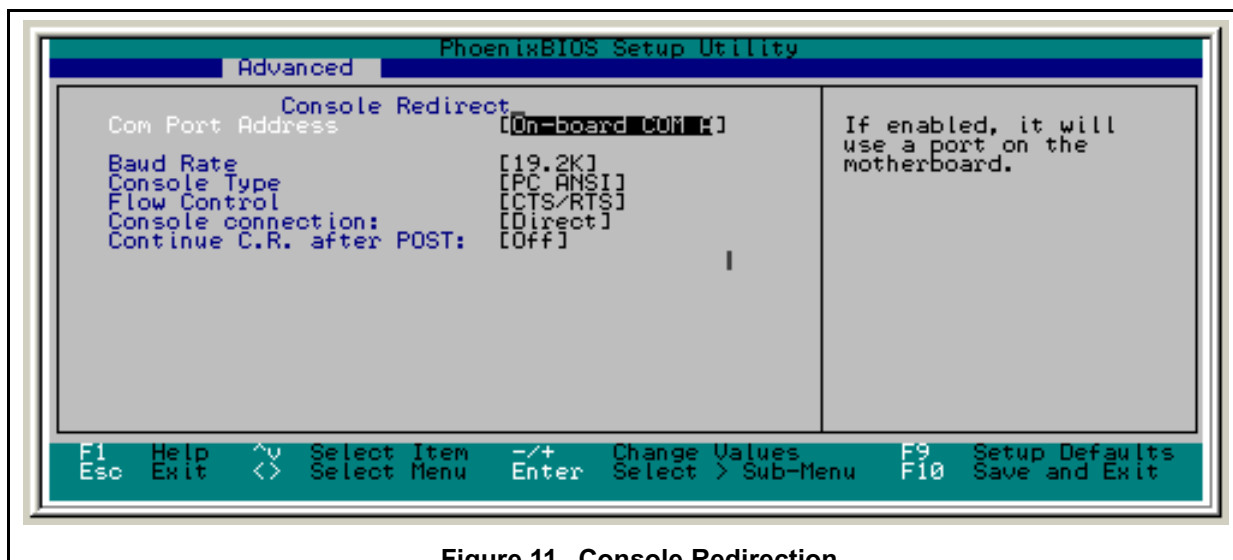


Figure 11. Console Redirection

Table 10: Console Redirection

Feature	Options	Description
Com Port Address	Disabled On-board COM A On-board COM B	If enabled, ZFx86 uses a port on the motherboard. Default setting is Disabled . (Console redirection default is COM A .)
Baud Rate	300 1200 2400 9600 19.2 K 38.4 K 57.6 K 115.2 K	Enables the specified baud rate. Default setting is 19.2K . (Console redirection default is 19.2K .)
Console Type	PC ANSI VT100	Enables the specified console type. Default setting is PC ANSI .
Flow Control	None XON/XOFF CTS/RTS	Enables Flow Control. Default setting is CTS/RTS .
Console connection	Direct Via modem	Indicates whether the console is connected directly to the system or a modem. Default setting is Direct .
Continue C.R. after POST	Off On	Enables Console Redirection after OS loads. Default setting is Off . (Console redirection default is On .)

4.4. Other Setup Screens

For information on the screens below, refer to [PhoenixBIOS™ 4.0 Rev6 User Manual.PDF](#) which is supplied on the ZF CD ROM.

- Security
- Power
- Boot
- Exit
- Help

5. ZFlash OS LOADER

This feature allows Operating Systems, such as Linux or VxWorks to load and boot from the same flash device that holds the BIOS.

Prior to a boot attempt of standard media devices, the ZFx86 BIOS scans external Flash devices address blocks. These blocks are defined by the user configurable Memory Window Chip Selects and contain a standard legacy ISA extension ROM header. A checksum (modulo 100h) is performed, and if successful, the BIOS transfers the boot attempt to code beginning at byte 3 of the special header. When the transfer is executed, a signature parameter value of 'MORX' is passed in register EDX, allowing the user to authenticate the call.

Thus, user supplied external code may be installed in flash and can continue the boot function using its own algorithms. Details are available from ZF Micro Devices. Ask support for the "*Booting User Software From Flash Chips*" Software Note, Part # 9100-0067-00 or download this document from the ZF Micro Devices website: <http://www.zfmicro.com>

6. Using the ZF Edit BIOS (ZEB) Utility

The ZF Edit BIOS utility, ZEB.EXE, allows you to establish custom default BIOS settings. The editor is ideal for those ZFx86 embedded systems with no battery backed CMOS storage, and allows additional debug flexibility when you bring up new designs. ZEB runs in either DOS or Windows.

Remember to disable your CMOS battery (if your system contains one) and to completely re-power the system each time you experiment with BIOS changes. The power reset guarantees that the BIOS reboot launches with the new defaults you selected.

This utility supports creating a debug version of the BIOS that outputs POST Codes on the serial port. See the ZEB Debug menu item.

6.1. Using the ZEB Editor with the IDS

Use ZEB to change the default CMOS BIOS settings. Remember to disable the CMOS battery by setting pins 2 and 3 to Clear. Refer to [Figure 12](#) for the JP5 jumper location.

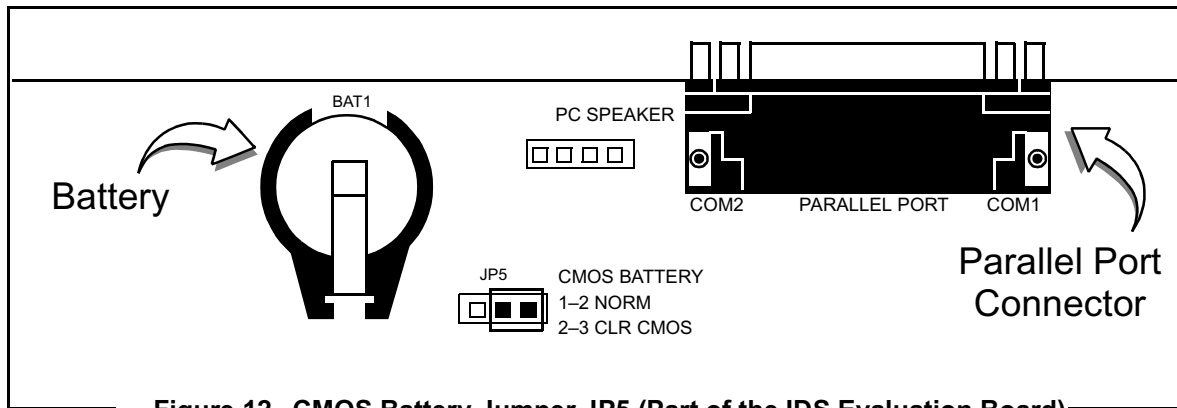


Figure 12. CMOS Battery Jumper JP5 (Part of the IDS Evaluation Board)

The ZEB menus contain information on how to change BIOS settings. The following procedure illustrates how to change the default Summary Window setting.

1. Start ZEB at a DOS prompt by typing the following:

ZEB <your_image_name.rom>

If you do not enter a BIOS Image name (<your_image_name.rom>), a listing of directories and files found in the launch directory displays. Use the arrow keys to select the BIOS Image you want to edit, and press Enter.

Use the up and down arrow keys to select an item on the start up menu.

2. Select the **Edit Defaults** menu item, and press the Enter key. See [Figure 13](#).

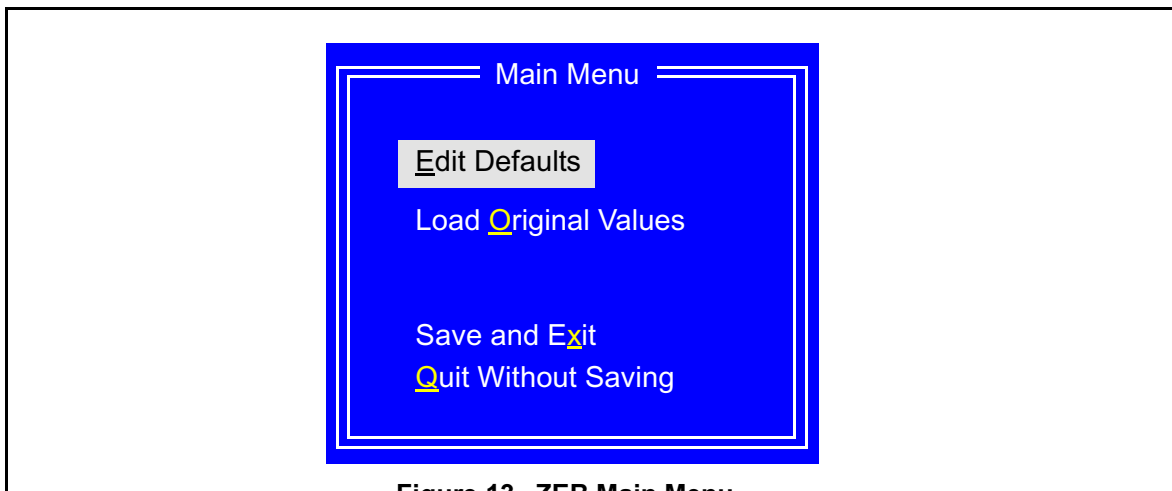


Figure 13. ZEB Main Menu

The ZEB utility displays seven top-level menu selections. Using the right and left arrow keys, select the **Main** menu item. See [Figure 14](#).

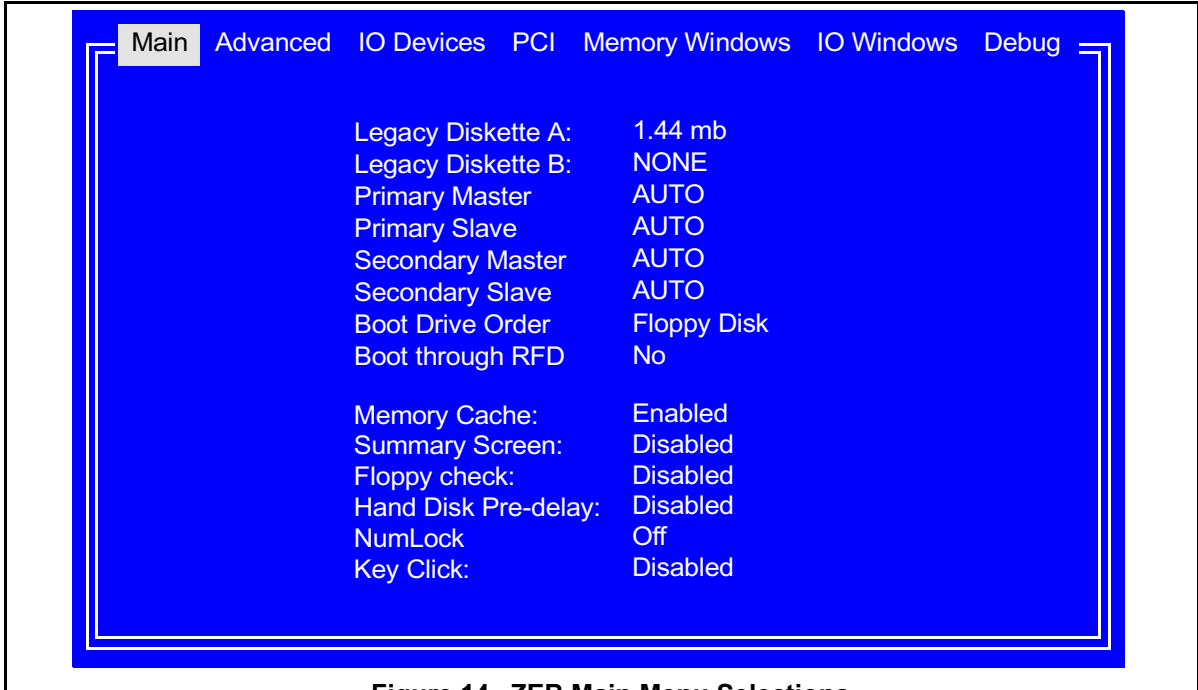


Figure 14. ZEB Main Menu Selections

3. Press Enter to access the Main menu.
 - a. Use the down arrow to move down the menu selections until the **Summary Screen** item is selected.
 - b. Use the right and left arrow keys to toggle the Enabled or Disabled selection. See [Figure 15](#).

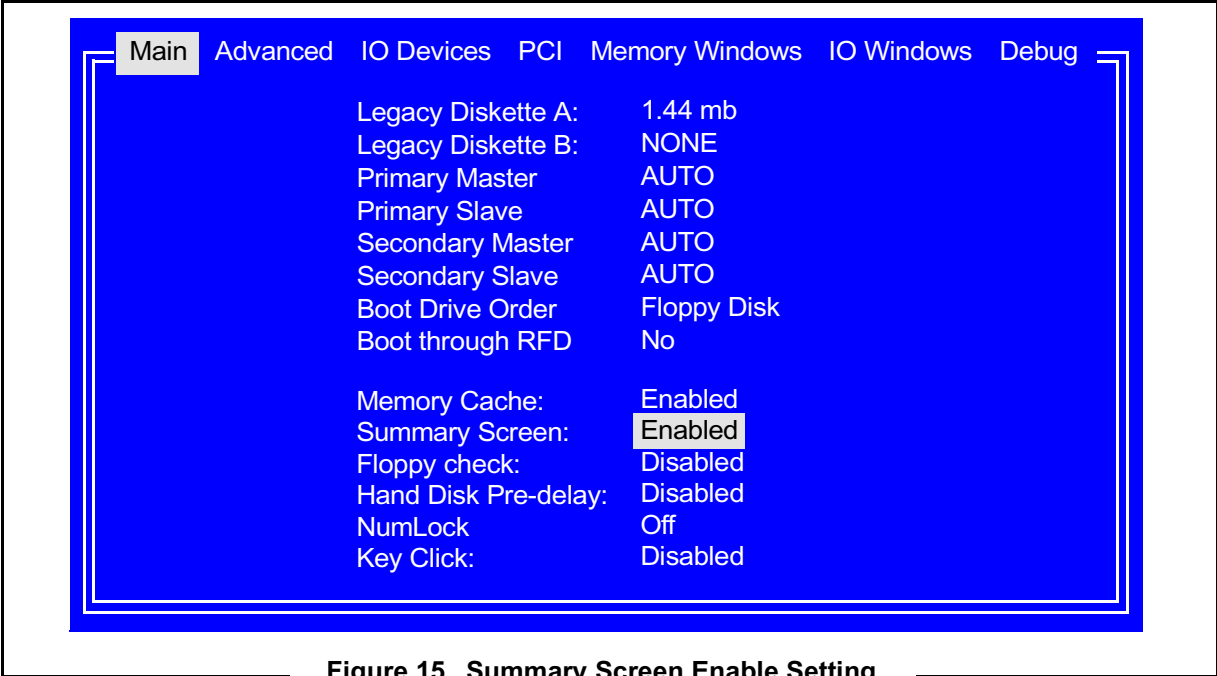
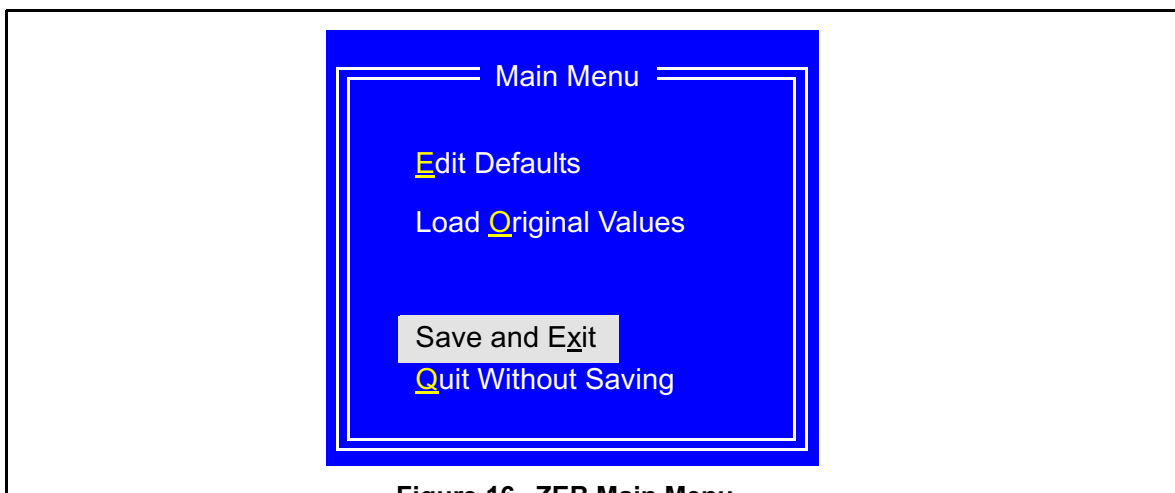


Figure 15. Summary Screen Enable Setting

- c. With Enabled selected, press the Escape key to exit the Main menu.

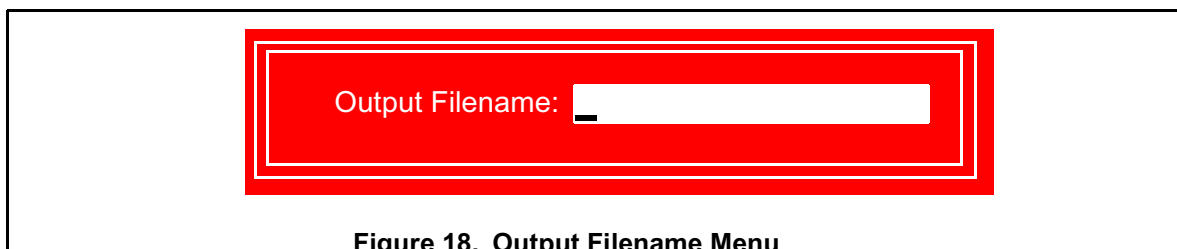
4. Press the Escape key again to exit the ZEB Main menu.
 - a. Use the down arrow to select Save and Exit. See [Figure 16](#).



- b. Press Enter. The Save & Exit? command prompt displays.
 - c. Press the Enter key to save the changed BIOS file. See [Figure 17](#).



- d. Type a new file name, or type the original file name in the Output Filename: prompt as desired. Remember, file names may not exceed eight characters in length. See [Figure 18](#).



- e. Press the Enter key.

The ZEB utility exits, and returns you to the DOS prompt.

Copy <your_image.rom> to BIOS.ROM file

To verify that your BIOS changes are correct, copy your edited BIOS image to the AMDFLASH directory using the “/b” binary switch. Remember to rename your edited image to BIOS.ROM using the following copy command, for example:

```
C:\AMDFLASH> COPY /B <your_image_name.rom> BIOS.ROM
```

Remove AC-Power to the IDS

The IDS non-volatile RAM is battery backed, and although you have disabled the battery by jumpering JP5 pins 2 and 3 (see [Figure 12](#)), you must also re-power the IDS board to erase the original data in the non-volatile RAM.

7. Technical Tips

This section discusses items and techniques particular to the effective use of the ZFx86 BIOS.

7.1. Understanding Memory Windows

Memory windows are a feature of the ZF Logic. Memory windows provide chip select and addressing for SRAM and Flash Chips external to the ZFx86 chip.

Memory windows benefit the user two ways:

- Allows interconnect to Flash and SRAM chips without extra glue logic
- Allows addressing of up to 64 MB of external Flash/SRAM (4 chip selects times 16 MB per chip select) through an aperture in the ISA address space called a memory window.

7.1.1. Memory Window Basics

XT computers contained a paged memory scheme that allows the XT to access memory above 1 MB. A small aperture (window) below 1 MB was used to address perhaps 1 to 8 MB of additional RAM through page switching.

The memory windows on the ZFx86 work in a similar manner. From a DOS prompt, run the program AMDFLASH on the ZFx86 and specify option P in the Main Menu screen. You see a printout similar to the following:

```
Phoenix Mach Z BIOS Memory Window Setup Calculator
Window OK at C8000–CBFFFFH
Window OK at CC000–CFFFFFH
Window OK at D0000–D3FFFFH
Window OK at D4000–D7FFFFH
Window OK at D8000–DBFFFFH
Window OK at DC000–DFFFFFH
```

These numbers specify where to place the windows (apertures) in the memory space below 1 MB. Actually, it specifies memory in the range of C0000 through FFFFF which is not shadowed. The ZFx86 BIOS lives in the upper 128K of the first megabyte, that is, addresses E0000 through F0000. However, to allow the BIOS to run faster, rather than read it from 8-bit wide flash, the BIOS is copied into the typical 32-bit wide SDRAM. Then the SHADRC and SHADWC registers in the ZFx86 North Bridge hardware are set to enable read from the SDRAM and not to enable Write to the SDRAM. This results in memory reads directed to this address space that are also directed to the North Bridge SDRAM controller, which in turn is generally connected to high performance 32-bit wide SDRAM.

Addresses not shadowed, which are in the range C0000 to FFFFF, are directed to the ISA bus. Any addresses on the ISA bus, which are below E0000, may be used as memory windows.

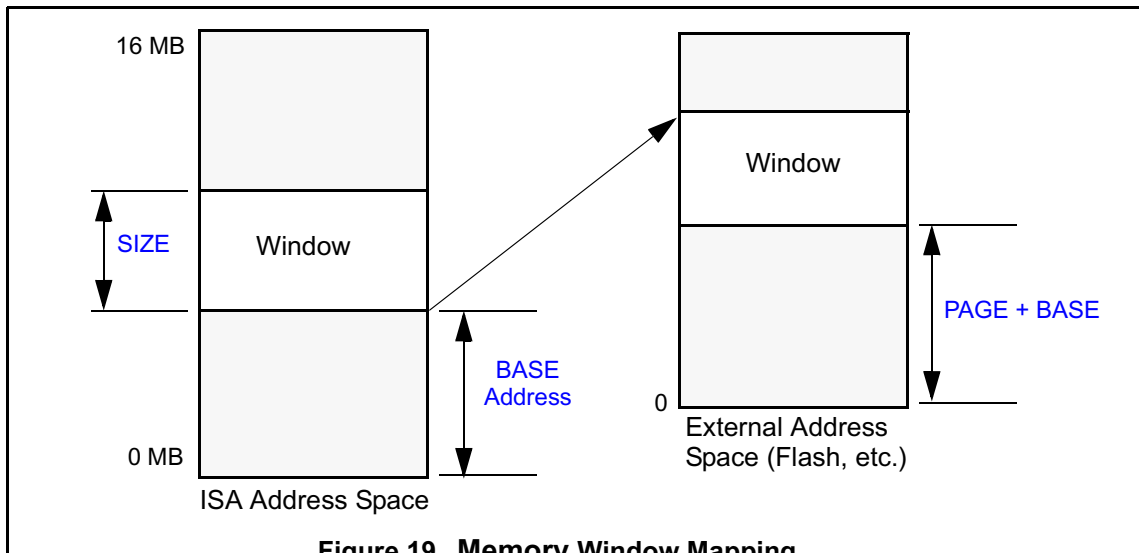


Figure 19. Memory Window Mapping

To use these memory windows to access external SRAM or FLASH chips, the ZFx86 allows you to activate one of four mem_csn pins (where n=0,1,2, or 3) when addresses between BASE and BASE+SIZE are encountered.

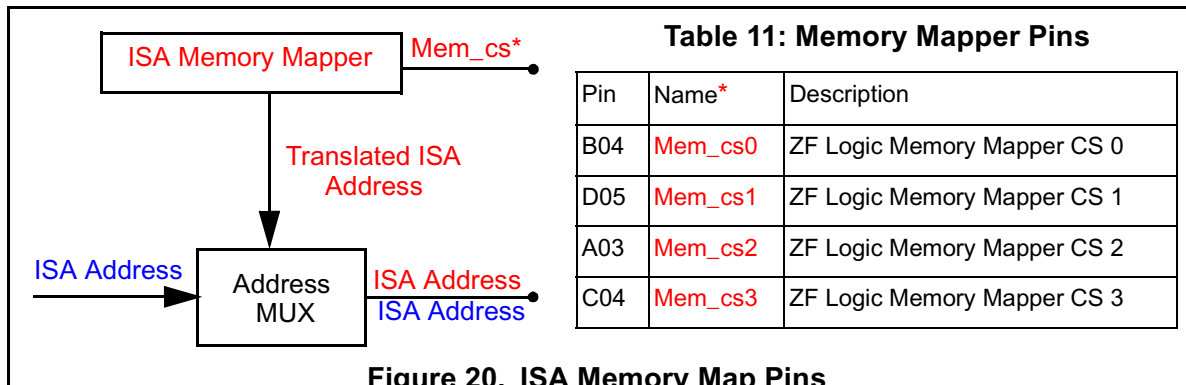


Figure 20. ISA Memory Map Pins

Thus if you set base to D0000 and size to 64K (and those addresses were available), whenever you execute a memory read or a memory write in the range of D0000 to DFFFF you also generate a memory chip select. Which chip select would you get? Well, there are four register sets, one for each of the four mem_cs signals.

The address which comes out on the ISA bus is translated by the memory window hardware. In general, the question is this: how do I move the target window through my flash chip so that using the fixed window I have set up in the ZFx86 address space I can reference all of the data in the flash chip (up to 16 MB). This answer is embodied in a formula for setting the value of the PAGE register:

$$\text{PAGE} = 1000000 - \text{BASE} + \text{FLASHA}.$$

If $\text{BASE} = 0\text{D}0000$ then set PAGE to $\text{F}30000$ so that $\text{D}000:0$ goes to address 0 in the Flash. That is $1000000 - \text{D}0000 + 0$.

For $\text{D}0000$ to go to $\text{D}0000$ in the flash, set PAGE to 0. That is, $1000000 - \text{D}0000 + \text{D}0000$. (only specify 6 digits).

7.1.2. Using the BIOS to Set Initial Memory Window Positions

AMDFLASH contains a calculator to make the initial setup of your windows easier. Set the initial values of the $\text{BASE}/\text{SIZE}/\text{PAGE}$ registers using exactly the same technique you use in your own software to reset or move these memory windows.

The operative part of the $\text{BASE}/\text{SIZE}/\text{PAGE}$ registers is a 12 bit field (3 hex digits) out of a 32-bit register. The $\text{BASE}/\text{SIZE}/\text{PAGE}$ registers are 32-bits wide, but only bits 23–12 are used (12 bits or 3 hex digits). The possible ranges of data written to these registers is thus $000000\text{H} - \text{FFF}000\text{H}$.

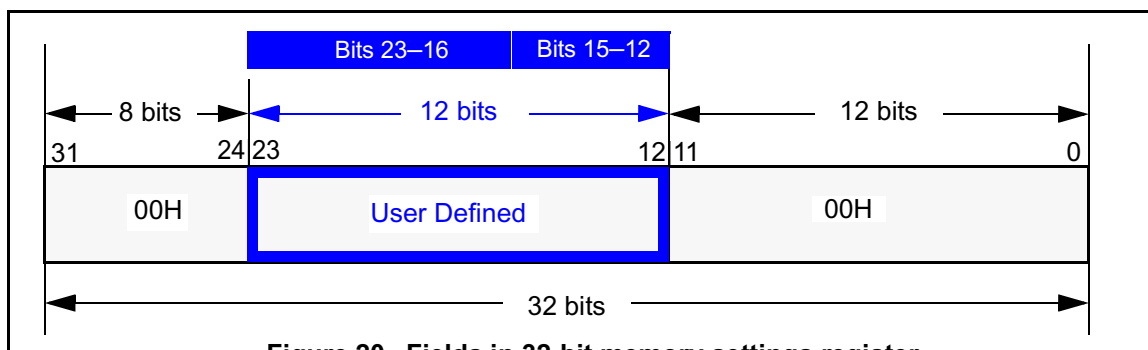


Figure 20. Fields in 32-bit memory settings register

Since each field is 12 bits wide, the actual data values are 000 to FFF hex (in the 12 bit field).

If you want the window to start at $\text{D}0000$ in the ZFx86 address space, set the BASE to $0\text{D}0000$ hex, that is, $0\text{D}0$ in the 12-bit field and in the BIOS settings for the Memory Window BASE .

Table 12 shows the values used to setup a Memory Window Chip Select that enables blocks placed at flash address 0 to be mapped to ISA addresses shown in the first column.

Table 12: Sample Window Calculations

ISA Window Base	BASE (hex)	PAGE (hex)
C8000	C8	F38
CC000	CC	F34
D0000	D0	F30
D4000	D4	F26
D8000	D8	F28
DC000	DC	F24

Calculate the window SIZE as BASE to BASE+SIZE where it is assumed that the right most 12 bits are implicitly FFF. Therefore, a size of 001000 hex would be 1FFF, thereby providing an 8K window. Note that you might think that 0 would provide a 4K window; however, we decode 0 internally to disable the window.

Treat the PAGE field as a signed number (if PAGE = -BASE then the target is the beginning of the flash), but because all 32 bits are not available, it becomes a bit tricky.

It is best to use the calculator built into AMDFLASH. An example of the printout and a copy of the source code in C follows.

Sample Code for Initial Memory Window Positions

Create a **32K** window starting at **D0000** in the ZFx86 address space. The window initially points to an **offset 2000H** within the flash chip.

Example: Set the Page register to 00F32000H (or F32 in the ZFx86 Phoenix BIOS Memory Window Setup screen).

Phoenix ZFx86 BIOS Memory Window Setup Calculator

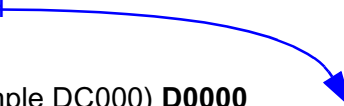
Helper: Enter Window Size between 8K and 16384K: **32**

Recommended Value for Size = **007000H**

Enter Desired Window Base in Hex (example DC000) **D0000**

Enter Desired Window Size in Hex (example 1000 = 8K, FFF000 = 16 MB **7000**)

Enter Flash Target Address in Hex (example 2000 = 8K) **2000**



NOTE: In the following example, the program creates a 32K window starting at D0000H which points initially to offset 2000H in the flash using BASE = 0D0H, SIZE = 007H, and PAGE = F32H.

```
1 unsigned long ulBase, ulSize, ulTarget, ulPage, ulDesiredK;
2 printf ("\n\nPhoenix ZF86 BIOS Memory Window Setup Calculator \n\n", uiWorkingCS);
3
4 printf ("\n\nHelper: Enter Window Size between 8 and 16384K: ");
5 ulDesiredK = uiScanInDecimal(0);
6
7 if ((ulDesiredK >= 8) && (ulDesiredK <= 16384))
8     printf ("\n\nRecommended Value for ""Size"" = %06lXH\n\n", (ulDesiredK-4) * 1024 );
9
10 printf ("\n\nEnter Desired Window Base in Hex (example DC000) ");
11     ulBase = ulScanInHex ();
12 printf ("\n\nEnter Desired Window Size in Hex (example 1000 = 8K, FFF000 = 16 MB ");
13     ulSize = ulScanInHex ();
14 printf ("\n\nEnter Flash Target Address in Hex (example 2000 = 8K) ");
15     ulTarget = ulScanInHex ();
16     ulBase = ulBase & 0xFFF000;
17     ulSize = ulSize & 0xFFF000 ;
18     ulTarget = ulTarget & 0xFFF000;
19     printf ("\n\nBase = %08lXH or %03lXH or %04ld decimal", ulBase, ulBase >> 12, ulBase
20         >>12);
21 if (ulSize == 0) printf ("\n\nWindow Disabled Size == 0");
22 else
23     printf ("\n\nSize = %08lXH or %03lXH or %04ld decimal for Size = %dK", ulSize, ulSize >> 12,
24         ulSize >>12, ((ulSize >> 12) + 1) * 4);
25     ulPage = (0x1000000 - ulBase + ulTarget) & 0xFFF000;
26     printf ("\n\nPage = %08lXH or %03lXH or %04ld decimal for Flash Offset = %08lXH\n\n",
27         ulPage, ulPage >> 12, ulPage >>12, ulTarget);
```

7.2. Using the Watchdog Timer

The ZF86's Watch Dog Timer function is implemented using the following interface:

INT 15H System Services Interrupt

Calling Parameters:

Register AH = C3H Enable/Disable Watchdog Timer

Register AL = 00 Disable Watchdog Timeout

Register AL = 01 Enable Watchdog Timeout

Register BX = 1 - 255 seconds

Return Parameters:

Register Flag CF (Carry Flag) = 0 = Operation Complete

Register Flag CF (Carry Flag) = 1 = Operation Failed

WDTON.EXE is a sample test program for WDT functions. WDTON.c is the source code written in MS C and may be used as a tutorial for developing user based WDT routines in Assembler or Other C language compilers.

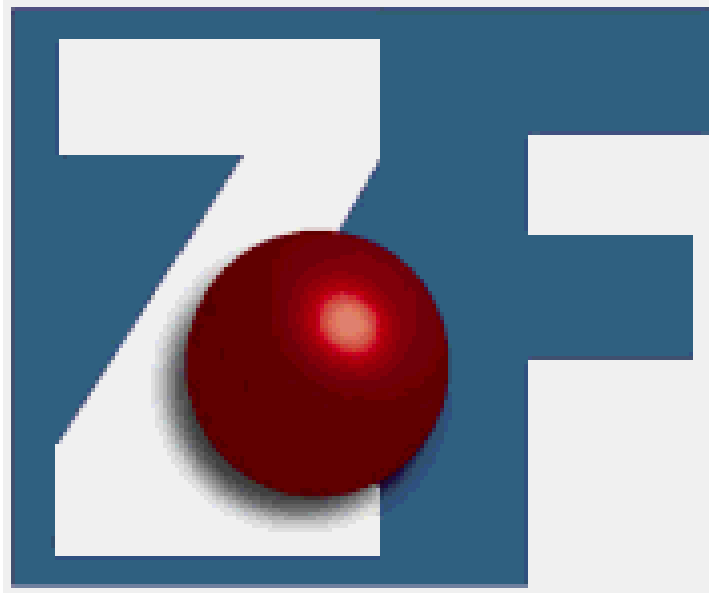
As an example, set the IDS board's watchdog Jumper J2 to short pin 2 to 3. (WD OSC INT). Then, at a DOS prompt, run WDTON 10. The WDTON utility displays the time continuously for 10 seconds. The test keeps the ZF86's watchdog timer from firing until the ten second interval. At that time the watchdog timer fires and the system resets.

WDTON.C Sample Program

```
6 // Tests WDT INT 15 Functions
7
8 #include <ctype.h>
9 #include <io.h>
10 #include <dos.h>
11 #include <stdlib.h>
12 #include <stdio.h>
13 #include <string.h>
14 #include <time.h>
15
16 void main(argc,argv)
17 int argc;
18 char *argv[];
19 {
20 char tbuffer[9];
21 union REGS inregs, outregs;
22 int delay_value=0;
23 int wait_value=0;
24 int start_secs = 0;
25 int stop_secs = 0;
26 time_t t1,t2;
27
28 setbuf(stdout,NULL);
29
30 if(argc !=2) // only two args allowed
31 { printf("\nError: \n");
32 printf("Format: WDTON <secs> i.e WDTON 10"); exit(EXIT_FAILURE);}
33
34 delay_value = (abs(atoi(argv[1])));
35 wait_value = delay_value*2;
36 system("cls");
37 //_strtime (tbuffer);
38 printf("\nWatch Dog Timer Tickle Test\n");
39 printf("\nSystem will REBOOT in %2.2d seconds",delay_value);
40 printf("\nStart Time %s\n", _strtime (tbuffer));
41
42 //start_secs = (atoi(&tbuffer[6]));
43 start_secs = (time(&t1));
44 //printf("Startsecs == %d\n", start_secs);
45 //stop_secs += (atoi(&tbuffer[6]));
46 //printf("Start Secs %d\n", start_secs);
47
48 time(&t1);
49
50 while ((difftime(t2,t1) != delay_value+1))
51 {
```

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```
52 printf("Tickling WDT %s\r", _strtime (tbuffer));
53 time(&t2);
54 }
55 printf("WDT FAILED %s\n", _strtime (tbuffer));
56 printf("\n");
57 while ((difftime(t2,t1) < delay_value+7))
58 {
59 printf("Waiting 5 more seconds: %s\r", _strtime (tbuffer));
60 time(&t2);
61 }
62 outregs.x.ax = 0xc301;
63 outregs.x.bx = delay_value;
64 int86(0x15, &inregs, &outregs);
65 printf("\nINT 15 function C3 01 failed CF = %d\n", outregs.x.cflag);
66 }
```



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