

# Acer LCD Monitor

## User's Guide

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# Special notes on LCD monitors

The following are normal with the LCD monitor and do not indicate a problem.

- Due to the nature of the fluorescent light, the screen may flicker during initial use. Turn off the power switch and then turn it on again to make sure the flicker disappears.
- You may find slightly uneven brightness on the screen depending on the desktop pattern you use.
- The LCD screen has 99.99% or more effective pixels. It may include blemishes of 0.01% or less such as a missing pixel or a pixel lit all the time.
- Due to the nature of the LCD screen, an afterimage of the previous screen may remain after switching the image, when the same image is displayed for hours. In this case, the screen is recovered slowly by changing the image or turning off the power switch for a few hours.

# Information for your safety and comfort

## Safety instructions

Read these instructions carefully. Keep this document for future reference. Follow all warnings and instructions marked on the product.

## Cleaning your monitor

Please carefully follow these guidelines when cleaning the monitor:

- Always unplug the monitor before cleaning.
- Use a soft cloth to wipe the screen and cabinet front and sides.

## Connecting/disconnecting the device

Observe the following guidelines when connecting and disconnecting power from the LCD monitor:

- Make sure the monitor is attached to its base before connecting the power cord to the AC power outlet.
- Make sure both the LCD monitor and the computer are turned off before connecting any cable or unplugging the power cord.
- If the system has multiple sources of power, disconnect power from the system by unplugging all power cords from the power supplies.

## Accessibility

Be sure that the power outlet you plug the power cord into is easily accessible and located as close to the equipment operator as possible. When you need to disconnect power from the equipment, be sure to unplug the power cord from the electrical outlet.

## Safe listening

To protect your hearing, follow these instructions.

- Gradually increase the volume until you can hear it clearly and comfortably and without distortion.
- After setting the volume level, do not increase it after your ears have adjusted.
- Limit the amount of time listening to music at high volume.
- Avoid turning up the volume to block out noisy surroundings.
- Turn the volume down if you can't hear people speaking near you.

## Warnings

- Do not use this product near water.
- Do not place this product on an unstable cart, stand or table. If the product falls, it could be seriously damaged.
- Slots and openings are provided for ventilation to ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating. These openings must not be blocked or covered. The openings should never be blocked by placing the product on a bed, sofa, rug or other similar surface. This product should never be placed near or over a radiator or heat register, or in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided.
- Never push objects of any kind into this product through cabinet slots as they may touch dangerous voltage points or short-out parts that could result in a fire or electric shock. Never spill liquid of any kind onto or into the product.
- To avoid damage of internal components and to prevent battery leakage, do not place the product on a vibrating surface.
- Never use it under sporting, exercising, or any vibrating environment which will probably cause unexpected short current or damage internal devices.

## Using electrical power

- This product should be operated from the type of power indicated on the marking label. If you are not sure of the type of power available, consult your dealer or local power company.
- Do not allow anything to rest on the power cord. Do not locate this product where people will walk on the cord.
- If an extension cord is used with this product, make sure that the total

ampere rating of the equipment plugged into the extension cord does not exceed the extension cord ampere rating. Also, make sure that the total rating of all products plugged into the wall outlet does not exceed the fuse rating.

- Do not overload a power outlet, strip or receptacle by plugging in too many devices. The overall system load must not exceed 80% of the branch circuit rating. If power strips are used, the load should not exceed 80% of the power strip's input rating.
- This product's power cord is equipped with a three-wire grounded plug. The plug only fits in a grounded power outlet. Make sure the power outlet is properly grounded before inserting the power cord plug. Do not insert the plug into a non-grounded power outlet. Contact your electrician for details.



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**Warning! The grounding pin is a safety feature. Using a power outlet that is not properly grounded may result in electric shock and/or injury.**



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**Note:** The grounding pin also provides good protection from unexpected noise produced by other nearby electrical devices that may interfere with the performance of this product.

- Use the product only with the supplied power supply cord set. If you need to replace the power cord set, make sure that the new power cord meets the following requirements: detachable type, UL listed/CSA certified, type SPT-2, rated 7 A 125 V minimum, VDE approved or its equivalent, 4.5 meters (15 feet) maximum length.

## Product servicing

Do not attempt to service this product yourself, as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltage points or other risks. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.

Unplug this product from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel when:

- the power cord or plug is damaged, cut or frayed
- liquid was spilled into the product
- the product was exposed to rain or water
- the product has been dropped or the case has been damaged
- the product exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service
- the product does not operate normally after following the operating instructions



**Note:** Adjust only those controls that are covered by the operating instructions, since improper adjustment of other controls may result in damage and will often require extensive work by a qualified technician to restore the product to normal condition.

## Potentially explosive environments

Switch off your device in any area with a potentially explosive atmosphere and obey all signs and instructions. Potentially explosive atmospheres include areas where you would normally be advised to turn off your vehicle engine. Sparks in such areas could cause an explosion or fire resulting in bodily injury or even death. Switch off the device near gas pumps at service stations. Observe restrictions on the use of radio equipment in fuel depots, storage and distribution areas; chemical plants; or where blasting operations are in progress. Areas with a potentially explosive atmosphere are often, but not always, marked. They include below deck on boats, chemical transfer or storage facilities, vehicles using liquefied petroleum gas (such as propane or butane), and areas where the air contains chemicals or particles such as grain, dust or metal powders.

## Additional safety information

Your device and its enhancements may contain small parts. Keep them out of the reach of small children.

Suitable for use in offices with controlled luminous environments, to avoid disturbing reflections from the screen.

## IT Equipment Recycling Information

Acer is strongly committed to environmental protection and views recycling, in the form of salvaging and disposal of used equipment, as one of the company's top priorities in minimizing the burden placed on the environment.

We at Acer are very conscious of the environmental effects of our business and strive to identify and provide the best working procedures to reduce the environmental impact of our products.

For more information and help when recycling, please go to this website:  
<http://www.acer-group.com/public/Sustainability>

Visit [www.acer-group.com](http://www.acer-group.com) for further information on the features and benefits of our other products.

## Disposal instructions

Do not throw this electronic device into the trash when discarding. To minimize pollution and ensure utmost protection of the global environment, please recycle. For more information on the Waste from Electrical and Electronics Equipment (WEEE) regulations, visit <http://www.acer-group.com/public/Sustainability>



## LCD pixel statement

The LCD unit is produced with high-precision manufacturing techniques. Nevertheless, some pixels may occasionally misfire or appear as black or red dots. This has no effect on the recorded image and does not constitute a malfunction.

This product has been shipped enabled for power management:

- Activate display's Sleep mode within 15 minutes of user inactivity.
- Activate computer's Sleep mode within 30 minutes of user inactivity.
- Wake the computer from Sleep mode by pushing the power button.

## Tips and information for comfortable use

Computer users may complain of eyestrain and headaches after prolonged use. Users are also at risk of physical injury after long hours of working in front of a computer. Long work periods, bad posture, poor work habits, stress, inadequate working conditions, personal health and other factors greatly increase the risk of physical injury.

Incorrect computer usage may lead to carpal tunnel syndrome, tendonitis, tenosynovitis or other musculoskeletal disorders. The following symptoms may appear in the hands, wrists, arms, shoulders, neck or back:

- numbness, or a burning or tingling sensation
- aching, soreness or tenderness
- pain, swelling or throbbing
- stiffness or tightness
- coldness or weakness

If you have these symptoms, or any other recurring or persistent discomfort and/or pain related to computer use, consult a physician immediately and inform your company's health and safety department.

The following section provides tips for more comfortable computer use.

### Finding your comfort zone

Find your comfort zone by adjusting the viewing angle of the monitor, using a footrest, or raising your sitting height to achieve maximum comfort. Observe the following tips:

- refrain from staying too long in one fixed posture
- avoid slouching forward and/or leaning backward
- stand up and walk around regularly to remove the strain on your leg muscles



## Taking care of your vision

Long viewing hours, wearing incorrect glasses or contact lenses, glare, excessive room lighting, poorly focused screens, very small typefaces and low-contrast displays could stress your eyes. The following sections provide suggestions on how to reduce eyestrain.

### Eyes

- Rest your eyes frequently.
- Give your eyes regular breaks by looking away from the monitor and focusing on a distant point.
- Blink frequently to keep your eyes from drying out.

### Display

- Keep your display clean.
- Keep your head at a higher level than the top edge of the display so your eyes point downward when looking at the middle of the display.
- Adjust the display brightness and/or contrast to a comfortable level for enhanced text readability and graphics clarity.
- Eliminate glare and reflections by:
  - placing your display in such a way that the side faces the window or any light source
  - minimizing room light by using drapes, shades or blinds
  - using a task light
  - changing the display's viewing angle
  - using a glare-reduction filter
  - using a display visor, such as a piece of cardboard extended from the display's top front edge
- Avoid adjusting your display to an awkward viewing angle.
- Avoid looking at bright light sources, such as open windows, for extended periods of time.

## Developing good work habits

Develop the following work habits to make your computer use more relaxing and productive:

- Take short breaks regularly and often.
- Perform some stretching exercises.
- Breathe fresh air as often as possible.
- Exercise regularly and maintain a healthy body.



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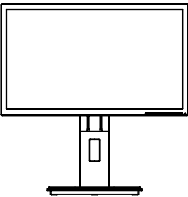

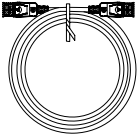
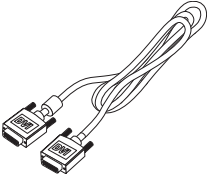
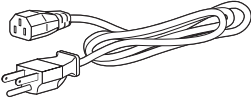
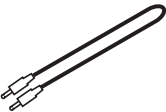
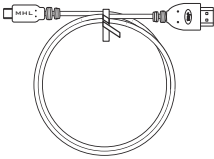

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Model Number:	XFA240
SKU Number:	XFA240   xxxxxx ; ("x" = 0~9, a ~ z, A ~ Z or Blank)
Name of Responsible Party:	Acer America Corporation
Address of Responsible Party:	333 West San Carlos St. Suite 1500 San Jose, CA 95110 U. S. A.
Contact Person:	Acer Representative
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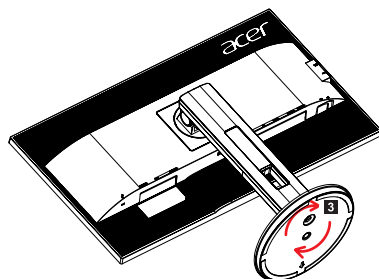
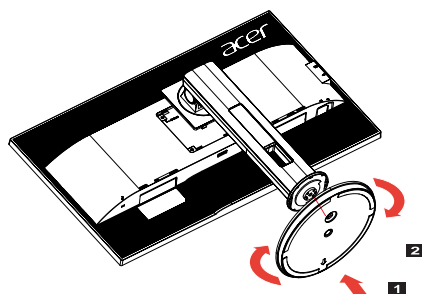
# Unpacking

Please check that the following items are present when you unpack the box, and save the packing materials in case you need to ship or transport the monitor in the future.

LCD monitor	Quick start guide	DP cable (Option)
		
DVI cable (Option)	AC power cord	Audio Cable (Option)
		
MHL cable (Optional)	HDMI cable (Optional)	
		

## ATTACHING/REMOVING THE BASE

**Install:** Align the base with the stand and push the base towards the top of the monitor, and then rotate the base clockwise. Tighten the screw clockwise.



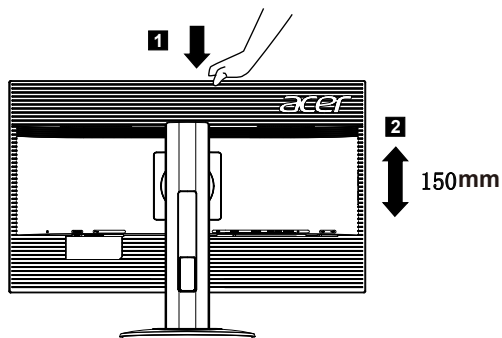
**Remove:** Reverse the steps to remove the base.

## SCREEN POSITION ADJUSTMENT

In order to optimize the best viewing position, you can adjust the height/tilt/swivel/pivot of the monitor.

- **Height Adjustment**

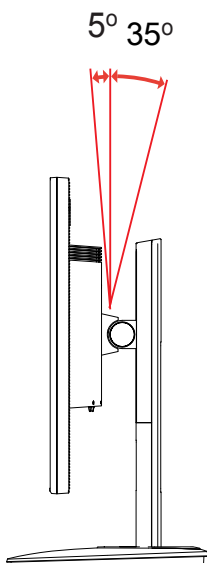
After pressing the top of the monitor then you can adjust the height of the monitor.



- **Tilt**

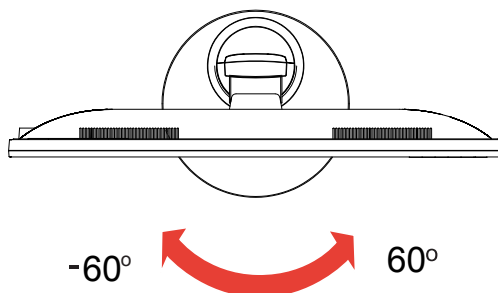
Please see the illustration below for an example of the tilt range.

Only at the highest point can 35 degrees of recline be offered for the angle of elevation.



## • Swivel

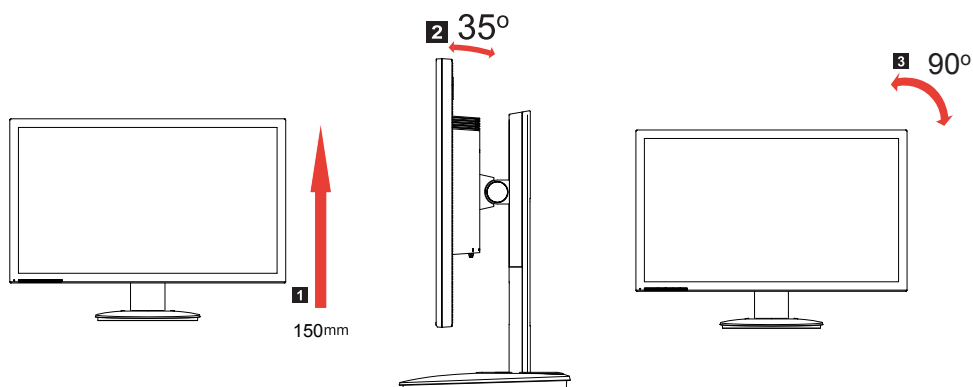
With the built-in pedestal, you can swivel the monitor for the most comfortable viewing angle.



## • Monitor Pivot

Before rotating the display, lift it to the top position and then push it back to the utmost degree.

Rotate clockwise until the monitor stops at  $90^{\circ}$ .



## Connecting the power cord

- Check first to make sure that the power cord you use is the correct type required for your area.
- The monitor has a universal power supply that allows operation in either 100/120 V AC or 220/240 V AC voltage area. No user-adjustment is required.
- Plug one end of the power cord to the AC inlet, and plug the other end into an AC outlet.
- For units using 120 V AC:  
Use a UL-listed cord set, type SVT wire and plug rated 10 A/125 V.
- For units using 220/240 V AC:  
Use a cord set consisting of H05VV-F cord and plug rated 10 A/250 V. The cord set should have the appropriate safety approvals for the country in which the equipment will be installed.

## Power saving

The monitor will be switched to "power saving" mode by the control signal from the display controller, as indicated by the amber-colored power LED.

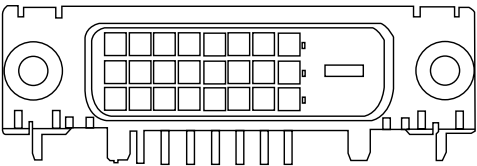
Mode	LED light
On	Blue
Power saving	Amber

The power saving mode will be kept until a control signal has been detected or the keyboard or mouse is activated. The recovery time from "power saving" mode back to "on" is around 3 seconds.

## Display Data Channel (DDC)

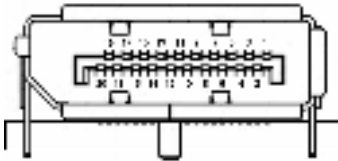
To make installation easier, so long as your system supports the DDC protocol, the monitor is able to plug-and-play. The DDC is a communication protocol through which the monitor automatically informs the host system about its capabilities; for example, supported resolutions and corresponding timing. The monitor supports the DDC2B standard.





24-pin color display signal cable\*

PIN No.	Description	PIN No.	Description
1	TMDS data 2-	13	NC
2	TMDS data 2+	14	+5 V power
3	TMDS data 2/4 shield	15	GND (return for +5 V hsync.vsync)
4	NC	16	Hot-plug detection
5	NC	17	TMDS data 0-
6	DDC clock	18	TMDS data 0+
7	DDC data	19	TMDS data 0/5 shield
8	NC	20	NC
9	TMDS data 1-	21	NC
10	TMDS data 1+	22	TMDS clock shield
11	TMDS data 1/3 shield	23	TMDS clock+
12	NC	24	DDC TMDS clock-

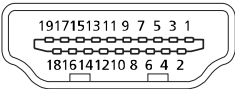


20-pin color display signal cable\*

PIN No.	Description	PIN No.	Description
1	Lane0(p)	11	GND
2	GND	12	Lane3(n)
3	Lane0(n)	13	Config1
4	Lane1(p)	14	Config2
5	GND	15	AUX_CH (n)
6	Lane1(n)	16	GND
7	Lane2(p)	17	AUX_CH (p)
8	GND	18	Hot Plug Detect
9	Lane3(n)	19	DP Power_Return
10	Lane3(p)	20	DP Power

\* only for certain models

19-Pin Color Display Signal Cable\*

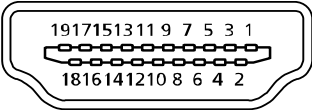


PIN	Meaning	PIN	Meaning
1.	TMDS Data2+	10.	TMDS Clock+
2.	TMDS Data2 Shield	11.	TMDS Clock Shield
3.	TMDS Data2-	12.	TMDS Clock-
4.	TMDS Data1+	13.	CEC
5.	TMDS Data1 Shield	14.	Reserved (N.C. on device)
6.	TMDS Data1-	15.	SCL
7.	TMDS Data0+	16.	SDA
8.	TMDS Data0 Shield	17.	DDC/CEC Ground
9.	TMDS Data0-	18.	+5V Power
		19.	Hot Plug Detect

\* only for certain models

\*19-Pin Color Display Signal Cable

PIN NO.	DESCRIPTION
7.	MHL+
9.	MHL-
18.	VBUS
19.	CBUS
5, 11, 17	GND



\*Only for MHL models

# Standard timing table

VESA MODES			
MODE	Resolution		
1	VGA	640x480	60Hz
2	MA7	640x480	***2Hz
3	J95	+8\$ (00	+5Hz
4	SVGA	800x600	56Hz
5	SVGA	800x600	60Hz
6	XGA	1024x768	60Hz
7	XGA	1024x768	70Hz
8	V95	1%&, *(	75Hz
9	SXGA	1280x1024	60Hz
10	J95	1280x+8	60Hz
11	WXGA	1280x800	60Hz
12	WXGA+	1440x900	60Hz
13	WSXGA+	1680x1050	60Hz
14	I XGA	1-8\$%,\$	60Hz
15	I XGA	1-80x%,\$	60Hz
16	I XGA	1-8\$%,\$	%80Hz *F
17	I XGA	1-80x%,\$	% (Hz *G

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\*Only for MHL-Model

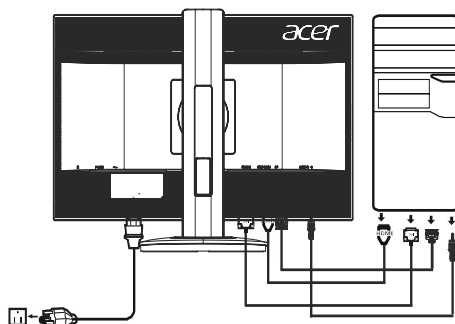
Mode	Resolution
1	640×480@60Hz
2	720×480@60Hz
3	720×576@50Hz
4	800×600@60Hz
5	1024×768@60Hz
6	1280×720@60Hz
7	1280×720@50Hz
8	1920×1080@30Hz
9	1920×1080@60Hz
10	1920×1080@50Hz

# Installation

To install the monitor on your host system, please follow the steps below:

## Steps






- 1 Connect the video cable
  - a Make sure both the monitor and computer are switched off.
  - b Connect the digital cable (only for dual-input models).
    - (1) Make sure both the monitor and computer are switched off.
  - c (2) Connect one end of the 24-pin DVI cable to the back of the monitor and the other end to the computer's port.  
Connect the digital cable (only for DP models).
    - (1) Make sure both the monitor and computer are switched off.
  - d (2) Connect one end of the 20-pin DP cable to the back of the monitor and the other end to the computer's port.  
Connect HDMI Cable (Only for HDMI-Input Model)(Optional)
    - a. Make sure both the monitor and computer are powered-OFF.
    - b. Connect the HDMI cable to computer. Or connect MHL cable  
Or connect MHL cable(Only for MHL-Input Model)(Optional)  
to the portable device
- 2 Connect the power cord  
Connect the power cord to the monitor, then to a properly grounded AC outlet.
- 3 Optional:Connect the audio input socket(AUDIO IN) of the LCD monitor and the line-out port on the computer with the audio cable.
- 4 Turn on the monitor and computer  
Turn on the monitor first, then the computer. This sequence is very important.
- 5 If the monitor does not function properly, please refer to the troubleshooting section to diagnose the problem.



# Users controls



## External controls

1&2	Power button	Turns the monitor on/off. Blue indicates power on. Amber indicates standby/ power saving mode.
3	Function key 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press to view Main page. Press again to enter Volume adjustment function.</li> <li>When the Function Menu is active, press this key selected or move to the next function.</li> </ol>
4	Function key 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press to view Main page. Press again to enter Input select function.</li> <li>When the Function Menu is active, press this button selected or move to the previous function.</li> </ol>
5	Function key 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press to view Main page. Press again to enter next function in the Function Menu.</li> <li>When the Function Menu is active, this button will enter a selection in the OSD.</li> </ol>
6	Function key 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press to view Function Menu. Press again to activate the Overdrive function and set it to either Normal or Extreme mode.</li> <li>When the OSD menu is active, this button will act as the exit key (exit OSD menu).</li> </ol>
7	Function key 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When the Main page is active, Press to trigger the Game mode control</li> <li>When the Function Menu is active, press to select scenario mode.</li> </ol>

***FreeSync (DP only):***

It can allow a FreeSync supported graphics source to dynamically adjust display refresh rate based on typical content frame rates for power efficient, virtually stutter free and low-latency display update.

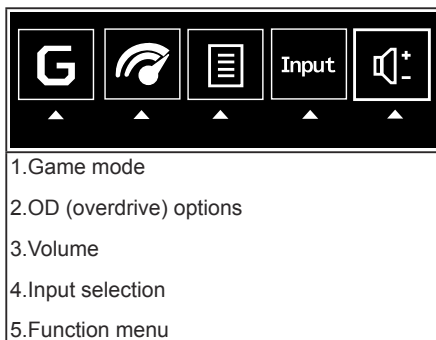
## Adjusting the OSD settings



**Note:** The following content is for general reference only. Actual product specifications may vary.

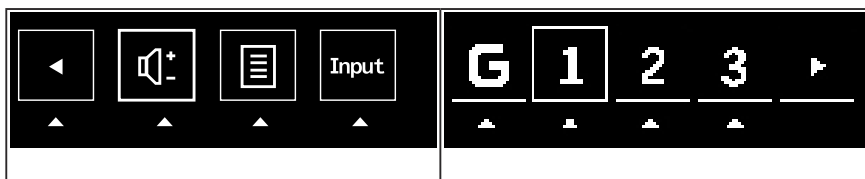
The OSD (onscreen display) can be used to adjust the settings of your LCD monitor. Press the MENU key to open the OSD. You can use the OSD to adjust the picture quality, OSD position and general settings. For advanced settings, please refer to following page:

### Main page




### Turn Game mode on or off

Open the Game mode control and turn Game mode on or off using the arrows (OFF/ON), and select which user-defined profile to use (please see the OSD section for more information).



### Adjusting the OD setting


Open the OD control and select your preferred OD setting using the arrows. When you are done, use  to go back one level.

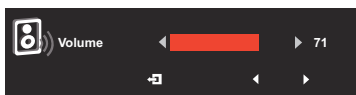





## Adjusting the volume

Open the Volume control and set the Volume using the arrows. When you are done, use

 to go back one level.




## Selecting the input

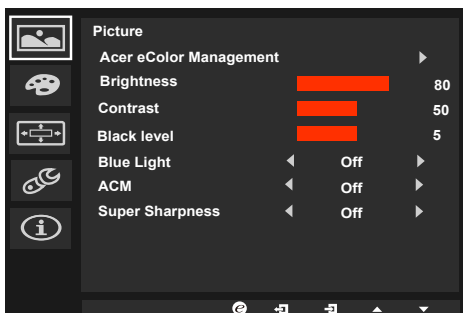
Open the Input control and select HDMI or DP or DVI. When you are done, use  to go back one level.



## The Function page

Open the Function page to adjust the Picture, Color, OSD and Setting functions, settings which you want using the arrows. You can also view your monitor's system information from this page. When you are done, use  to go back one level.

### Picture



1. Press the MENU key to open the OSD.
2. Using the  $\Delta$ / $\nabla$  keys, select Picture from the OSD. Then navigate to the picture element you wish to adjust.
3. Use the  $\triangleleft$ / $\triangleright$  keys to adjust the sliding scales.
4. The Picture menu can be used to adjust the Acer eColor, Brightness, Contrast, Blue Light, Dark boost and Adaptive contrast.

- Brightness: Adjust the brightness from 0 to 100.



**Note:** Adjusts the balance between light and dark shades.

- Contrast: Adjust the contrast from 0 to 100.



**Note:** Sets the degree of difference between light and dark areas.

- Black Level: Adjust the black level from 0 to 10. Enhances shadows by increasing the brightness without changing lighter shades.



**Note:** If the image is very bright or has few shadow areas, adjusting this setting may not result in any noticeable changes to the image.

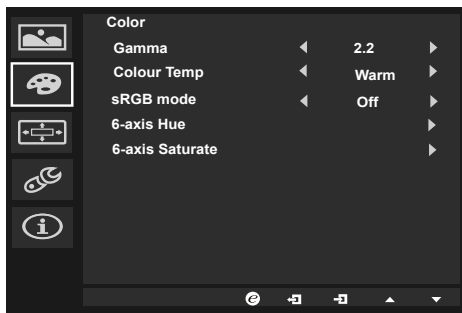
- Blue Light: Filters out blue light to protect your eyes by adjusting how much blue light is shown -- 80%, 70%, 60%, or 50%.



**Note:** Higher values allow more blue light through. For the best protection select a lower value.

- ACM: Turn ACM on or off. The default is off.
- Super Sharpness: Turn the sharpness On or Off. Sharpness technology can simulate high-resolution images by boosting the pixel density of the original source to make images sharper and clearer.

## Color

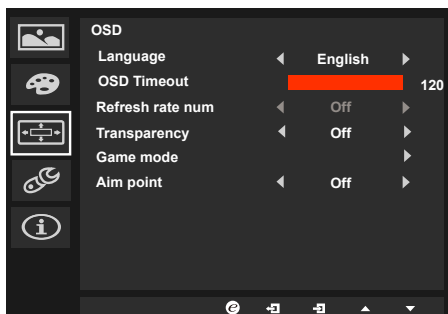


- Press the MENU key to open the OSD.
- Using the  $\blacktriangle/\blacktriangledown$  keys, select Color from the OSD. Then navigate to the picture element you wish to adjust.
- Use the  $\blacktriangleleft/\blacktriangleright$  keys to select the setting.
- Gamma mode allows you to adjust the luminance tone. The default value is 2.2 (standard value for Windows).
- Color temperature: Default is warm. You can choose Cool, Warm, Normal, Bluelight or User.
- sRGB: Default is off. You can turn sRGB on or off to better color match with peripheral

devices, such as printers and digital cameras.

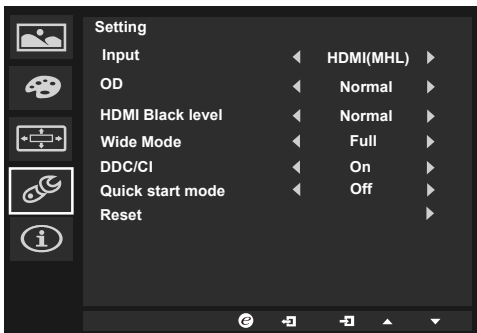
7. 6-axis Saturate: Adjust the red, green, blue, yellow, magenta and cyan saturation.
8. 6-axis Hue: Adjust the red, green, blue, yellow, magenta and cyan hue.

## OSD



1. Press the MENU key to open the OSD.
2. Using the ▲/▼ keys, select OSD from the OSD. Then navigate to the setting you wish to change.
3. Use the ◀/▶ keys to adjust any sliding scales.
4. Language: Set the OSD menu language.
5. OSD timeout: Adjust the delay before turning off the OSD menu.
6. Refresh rate num: Display the panel's current refresh rate on the screen.
7. Transparency: Select the transparency when using gaming mode. The transparency can be 0% (OFF), 20%, 40%, 60%, or 80%.
8. Game mode: There are three user-defined profiles available. When you have decided what settings suit you, save them and system will be able to recall the settings in the future when you turn on gaming mode and press 1, 2 or 3.
9. Aim point: Show an Aim point on the screen for shooting games.

## Setting



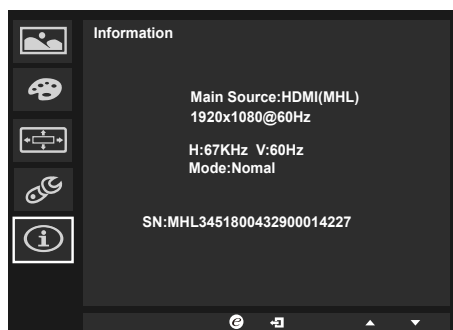
1. The Setting menu can be used to select the screen menu language and other important settings, including input and OD level.
2. Press the MENU key to open the OSD.
3. Using the ▲/▼ keys, select Setting from the OSD. Then navigate to the setting you wish to adjust.
4. Use the ◀/▶ keys to select the setting.
5. Input: Select the source from DP In, HDMI.
6. OD: Select Off, Normal, or Extreme.
7. HDMI Black level setting
8. Wide mode: You can select which screen aspect you are using. The options are Aspect and 1:1.
9. DDC/CI: Allows the monitor settings to be set through the software on the PC.



**Note:** DDC/CI, short for Display Data Channel/Command Interface, which allows monitor controls to be sent via software.

10. Quick start mode setting
11. Reset: Resets the custom color settings to the factory defaults.

## Product information



1. Press the MENU key to open the OSD.
2. Using the ▲/▼ keys, select Information to view the basic information for your monitor and current input.

# Troubleshooting

Before sending your LCD monitor for servicing, please check the troubleshooting list below to see if you can self-diagnose the problem.

## DVI/DP/HDMI/MHL mode

Problem	LED status	Remedy
No picture visible	Blue	Using the OSD, adjust brightness and contrast to maximum or reset to their default settings.
	Off	Check the power switch.
		Check if the AC power cord is properly connected to the monitor.
	Amber	Check if the video signal cable is properly connected at the back of monitor.
		Check that the computer system is switched on and in power saving/standby mode.