USER'S MANUAL





PHC-16 GUIDE TO OPERATIONS

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- * Reorient the receiving antenna
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- Plug the computer into a different outlet so that the computer and receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful:

"How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems"

Printers should be attached with approved FCC shielded cable to maintain FCC compliance.

Meeting PHC-16

Welcome to PHC-16, the world's first truly personal computer.

PHC-16 is a full-featured IBM-compatible business computer. It comes with:

- * 256K of memory, expandable to 1280K.
- * 5-1/4 inch physical (diskette) drive and 3.5 inch physical (diskette) drive plus a unique internal electronic RAM drive with up to 360K memory.
- * Optional add-on physical (diskette) drive.
- Full 80 column, 25 line LCD screen.
- RS-232 serial and parallel printer connections.
- * RGB and composite ports for optional monitors.
- * Optional built-in modem.
- * Optional add-on expansion unit.
- * Reads from and writes to a 3.5 inch floppy disk.

With all these features, you might expect a desktop full of equipment. Instead, PHC-16 is as portable as a briefcase. It's compact design, low weight, (only 12 pounds), and optional battery pack, make it an ideal companion for the business person on the go. Use it on a plane, train, boat, taxi, bus, or in your hotel room. Take it home for the evening, or take it around the world. It's always ready.

Best of all, PHC-16 is easy to use. It uses Microsoft DOS and runs most programs written for the IBM PC. Add your favorite application software, and you're off and running.

This manual, the PHC-16 Guide to Operations, gives you instructions for setting up and operating your PHC-16. If you have never operated a computer before, a section for the first time user introduces you to a few helpful basics.

It is beyond the scope of this manual to tell you everything you may need to know about computers, MS-DOS, BASIC, and application programs. Since there are many books available for the IBM PC, we have tried to give you a quick primer on PC operations while concentrating only on those items that differ from IBM PC operations. This section is only for those who have already opened their PHC-16, are experienced using IBM PC or compatible computers and PC or MS-DOS, and hate to read manuals. Follow these few steps to get off to a fast start:

- 1. Press the keyboard release latch to detach the keyboard.
- 2. Install batteries in the keyboard. Press any key and make sure the light in the upper right corner comes on. The keyboard is wireless, but needs a clear path between the keyboard and computer.
- 3. Insert the AC adapter into the computer. Turn the AC adapter switch on.
- 4. Press the screen release latch and adjust the screen angle.
- 5. Insert the DOS diskette from the DOS manual, or any bootable diskette, into the PHC-16's physical (diskette) drive. MAKE SURE THE LABEL ON THE DISKETTE FACES TOWARD THE REAR OF THE COMPUTER AND THE NOTCH IS UP. Push the diskette into the slot until it clicks. Press in the button labeled "PUSH" at the top of the drive until it clicks.
- 6. Turn ON the PHC-16 power switch at the back and lower right of the computer. Press in the left side of the switch so the red line on the right side of the switch is showing.
- 7. Depending on the internal switch settings, the PHC-16 either:
 - Automatically sets up a RAM drive as Drive B, and installs DOS, or
 - Displays a screen that lets you set up a RAM drive.
 Follow the instructions on the screen.

You are now up and running!

USING THE RAM DRIVE FOR A TWO DRIVE SYSTEM

The RAM drive enables the PHC-16 to work like a two-drive system. Since the RAM drive is much faster than the physical diskette drive, we recommend that you load your application software program diskette onto the RAM drive and use the physical drive for your data. Since the default drive is A, you can toggle the drive designations of A and B between the physical and RAM drives by pressing the CTRL, Left Shift, and D keys simultaneously and continue to use A as the default drive. Or, you can change the default drive to B. Here are some examples:

- Your word processor programs are on one diskette and your data is on another. Insert your word processor program diskette in the physical drive and copy the files to the RAM drive like this:
 - COPY *.* B:

Remove the word processor diskette and insert the data diskette in the physical drive. Swap drive designations by pressing CTRL, ALT, and D at the same time. The RAM drive (your word processor) is now A and the physical drive (your data) is now B. Load your word processor (for Wordstar, for example, type WS and press ENTER) and operate as you would on any two-drive system.

- 2. Your spreadsheet is copy protected and won't copy to the RAM drive. Instead, copy your data (or only the files you need) to the RAM drive, and use the spreadsheet program diskette in the physical drive. REMEMBER TO COPY YOUR DATA BACK TO YOUR DATA DISKETTE WHEN YOU'RE THROUGH, BEFORE TURNING OFF THE PHC-16!
- 3. Your filer system is on one diskette and your data is on another. But once the filer programs load, that diskette is never read. Insert the filer system diskette in the physical drive and load it as you would normally. Swap drive designations, remove the program diskette, and insert your data diskette in the physical drive.

To display the help screen showing switch settings and keyboard options press the CTRL, Left Shift, and T (for Teach) keys at the same time.

CAUTION: BE SURE TO ALLOCATE ALL 360K TO THE RAM DRIVE BEFORE USING THE DISKCOPY COMMAND! Although it appears that DOS has copied the entire 360K disk, it has not and may result in missing data or produce unpredictable results!

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CHAPTER 1

Getting Started



Chapter 1 Getting Started

A. Unpacking

You probably have already unpacked your PHC-16 computer box, but check this list of items you should have found there:

The PHC-16 Computer

The AC Power Pack

Four AA batteries for the keyboard

Remember to save your box and the packing material to use if you ever need to ship your PHC-16.

WARNING: Transporting the PHC-16 without the cardboard insert (or a scratch diskette) installed in the physical (diskette) drive and the release button pushed in may invalidate the physical (diskette) drive warranty.

B. Setting Up

1. The Keyboard

To release the keyboard, find the keyboard release latch and press down. The keyboard is completely detachable. Remove it and place it in front of your PHC-16.



The keyboard has two elevation feet on the back. Pull them out if you want your keyboard tilted slightly.

PHC-16 keyboard is not attached to the rest of the computer. The keyboard sends signals to the computer by infrared light beam. The illustration below shows how this infrared light works.



The keyboard is powered by four standard AA batteries. The battery compartment is located in the upper left corner of the keyboard. Find the small cover just above the gray function keys and slide it off. Install the batteries included in your PHC-16 box, following the diagram on the inside of the battery compartment. Replace the cover. Press any key and the red light on the keyboard should come on. If it doesn't come on now, or at any time you use your PHC-16, the batteries are dead and must be replaced. We recommend standard AA batteries available at most convenience stores. Always replace all four batteries at the same time.

An optional keyboard cable is available to physically connect the keyboard to the computer if you wish to do so. This cable is coiled and can be extended to ten feet. You still need working batteries to power the keyboard; the cable replaces the infrared beam.

Tips for better computing with your infrared light beam:

- Don't let anything block the beam when you are using the keys.
- * Don't turn the keyboard at too great an angle. The infrared beam will not make proper contact with the PHC-16.
- * Sometimes a key may appear to be stuck. This is rare and happens if the computer senses when the key is pressed, but not when it is released. This is not a mechanical error, but may occur because of some interference between the keyboard and the computer. If this happens, reposition the keyboard and press the key that seems stuck again.
- 2. The Screen

Find the screen release latch and PRESS IT IN lightly. You can feel it release. Now, pull the screen out until it's in the best position for you.



Caution: Make sure the screen panel is not forced up beyond it's limit. Also, never lift or move the computer by grasping the screen panel.

C. A Quick Tour of PHC-16

Now that your PHC-16 is set up, let's take a quick look at all the external switches and plugs. We'll talk about each of these in different places in this Guide to Operations. But this illustration lets you find your way around PHC-16 and can help as a quick reference later.









D. For the First Time User

If PHC-16 is the first microcomputer you have used, this section introduces you to a few basics.

We don't want to bore you with the history of computers or bury you with technical computerese. But we do want you to understand enough about how your PHC-16 works so that you can logically work your way through new situations and use your computer more efficiently. If you are already familiar with computers, you may want to skip this section.

1. How Your Computer Works

Your PHC-16, like any computer, has a single purpose: to manipulate data. A computer is not very smart--its mathematical ability is no better than that of a pre-school child. But it is so astonishingly fast that it can process in seconds what might take humans days or weeks. And it can store data more conveniently and compactly than we have traditionally done with paper. These attributes, and its portability, make the PHC-16 a very powerful and productive business tool.

Every computer system is built around the Central Processing Unit This is the box, big or little, that holds the processing chips and electronic circuits. The Central Processing Unit, as the name implies, does the processing or computing.

Your body is like a computer system. Your brain receives information from your senses, analyzes it and sends instructions to your muscles. In this way you communicate with your environment. In a similar manner, your computer system needs devices to communicate with you, to receive instructions and data from you and to send the results back to you in a form you can understand. These devices are call peripherals. Here's a simple diagram of a computer system:



Your PHC-16 has two built-in peripherals: a keyboard for you to enter data and a screen for you to see the results. You can add a printer to print the results on paper, and you can add a modem so your PHC-16 can exchange information with other computers over telephone lines. With a modem, for example, you could compose memos or write reports in your hotel room and send them by telephone to your home office thousands of miles away.

2. Software

Your computer system is called hardware and the instructions that tell the computer what to do are called software. These instructions are grouped together in programs to do a certain job, like word processing, and are usually called application programs.

There are some other software programs that make the computer system work, called system software. The most important system software you will use is the operating system. The operating system manages your data and instructions for application software as they move through the computer system.

3. How Data is Stored

Inside the computer is an area called internal memory where data is stored while the computer manipulates the data. The computer can transfer data into and out of internal memory very quickly. This is called reading and writing.

But your computer's internal memory is limited. You need a way to store large amounts of data. Your PHC-16 uses diskettes. These are sometimes called floppy disks. Diskettes store data permanently, and you can use as many diskettes as necessary to store your data. Other computers use cassette tapes or hard disks.

Data storage capacity is measured in kilobytes or K. A byte is one character of data. One kilobyte, or K, equals not 1000 bytes or characters as the name "kilo" implies, but 1024 bytes.

The internal memory of your computer is divided into two sections. One area is reserved for portions of the operating system and hardware instructions. This area is called Read Only Memory, or ROM. The other section of memory is a working storage area where the computer stores instructions and data. This area is called Random Access Memory or RAM. RAM in your PHC-16 can be subdivided, or partitioned, into working storage RAM and a RAM drive. 4. Things to Know About the Keys

Think of your keyboard as a sophisticated typewriter. It has all the regular keys, plus some others. Most of the keys work just like a typewriter, but there are a few exceptions.

Keys that Look Alike

On typewriters, the letter O and the number zero are interchangable. Not so with computers. Make sure you type the right character in commands and file names. On your keyboard and on your screen the zero has a diagonal line through it.



The computer also knows the difference between a lower-case L and the number 1. Sometimes the computer requires you to enter only numbers or only letters. Be careful to use the right key.

The Spacebar

Find the spacebar on your keyboard. The spacebar works like one on a regular typewriter, but it also has special functions. Blanks are important to a computer and the spacebar is used to enter those blanks.

The Shift and Caps Lock Keys

PHC-16 has two shift keys marked with up arrows and located about where you would find them on a regular typewriter. Use either shift key to type upper-case letters or to type the symbols in the upper portion of the number keys. Use the Left Shift key with the CTRL key to perform special features.

The Caps Lock key is located just below the right shift key and works like the shift lock key on a typewriter. It lets you type only capital letters until you press it again. Unlike a typewriter, it only affects letter keys. You still have to press the shift key to use the symbols in the upper portion of the number keys. To turn off the Caps Lock, press the key again. The Function Keys

Notice the darker gray keys across the top left side of your keyboard. These keys take on different "functions" epending on the software you are using on your computer.

The Arrow Keys and Numeric Keypad

The medium gray keys in the upper right corner of your keyboard serve two functions. The four keys marked with arrows are called the Up, Down, Left, and Right Arrow keys, and allow you to move the cursor around your screen.



When you press the key marked NUM LOCK, the numeric keypad is ON. This means that the number keys in the upper right corner of your keyboard become a numeric keypad, similar to the keys on a calculator. Press the NUM LOCK key again to turn the numeric keypad OFF.

The ENTER Key

The large key on the right side of your keyboard is used when you have finished typing a command. After you press ENTER, the computer starts processing the command you just typed. The ENTER key also works like a carriage return on a typewriter. For this reason it's called the RETURN key on some computers.



5. About Diskettes and the Physical Drive

The PHC-16 uses 5-1/4 inch diskettes. Diskettes are sometimes called floppy disks. PHC-16 uses double-sided, double density diskettes.

A permanent, protective black jacket holds the diskette. And diskettes are stored in paper envelopes that provide additional protection. Information and software, the instructions to the computer, are stored on diskettes. The computer can read the existing data on the diskette, or you can add more data in unused space on the diskette.

Because important information is stored on diskettes, they must be protected. Follow these cautions:

- Do not try to remove the permanent black jacket.
- * Do not touch the exposed surface of the diskette (see illustration). It is important that this surface stay clean. A speck of dust or a fingerprint could destroy data.
- * Always return your diskettes to the paper envelopes. This helps protect them.
- * Store all diskettes away from heat and magnetic field sources such as telephones and dictating equipment.
- * Always make copies of your diskettes for additional protection. These are called back-up copies. Instructions for making backup copies are found in Chapter 4: Operations.
- * Always label your diskettes with a felt-tipped pen. Pencils or pens could damage the diskette. Use the adhesive labels that come with a box of diskettes.
- * Do not leave diskettes in a parked car on a very hot day or expose them to temperatures below 50 F (10 C).
- * Do not bend diskettes.

To use a diskette, insert it in the PHC-16 physical (diskette) drive with the notch up and the label facing away from you. The drive is the slot on the right side of your computer.



While the RAM drive (discussed in the next section) is electronic, the diskette drive is mechanical. To avoid confusion between the two drives, this manual always calls the diskette drive the physical drive.

To insert the diskette in the physical drive, follow these steps:

- 1. Press the release button (labeled PUSH) at the top of the physical drive. Then remove the white cardboard protector from the PHC-16 physical drive. Grasp the flap and pull it out.
- 2. Hold the diskette with the LABEL FACING THE BACK OF THE COMPUTER AND THE NOTCH UP, and slide it into the physical drive.
- 3. When it is all the way in the slot you will hear a faint click.
- 4. Press the release button (labeled PUSH) at the top of the physical drive until you hear another click. This is like closing the door to the physical drive.

6. An Electronic Drive -- The RAM Drive

PHC-16 includes a built-in electronic drive that works just like the mechanical diskette drive, and gives you the versatility and convenience of a two-drive system. This electronic drive is called a RAM drive because it uses a portion of RAM. PHC-16 lets you set aside up to 360K of RAM to use to store programs and data, just like the diskette drive. When you start up, PHC-16 asks you to designate how much RAM to allocate to the RAM drive. You may assign from 0 to 360K in 8K increments. Or, you can turn switch SW2-1 ON so that PHC-16 will automatically allocate the full 360K to the RAM drive whenever you start up.

When using the RAM drive, remember to always copy any data you want saved to a diskette before you turn the power off. All RAM ^{memory}, including the RAM drive, is lost when power is turned off.

Caution: Be sure to allocate all 360K to the RAM drive before using the DISKCOPY command. Using DISKCOPY to copy to a RAM drive of less than 360K may cause data loss or unpredictable results.

For detailed instructions on using the RAM drive, see the section on "Using the RAM Drive" in Chapter 4: Operations.

E. Turning the Power ON and OFF

Now that your PHC-16 is unpacked and set up, and you've learned the keys and some important terms and concepts, you're ready to turn your PHC-16 on and put it to work.

Your PHC-16 operates on either household AC electricity, or with a battery pack. The AC power pack is standard equipment and was shapped with your PHC-16. The battery power pack is optional.

1. Inserting the Power Source

Both the AC pack and the optional battery pack are inserted in exactly the same place and in the same way:

- Make sure the on/off switch on the back of the PHC-16 is OFF (press down on the right side of the switch so the red line does not show). It should come shipped turned OFF, but check to make sure.
- Insert the power pack (either battery or AC) into the power slot located on the left side of PHC-16. The power pack can only be put in one way. If it doesn't go in at first, flip it over.
- 3. Push the power pack all the way in until you hear it click.
- 4. Turn the power pack switch ON.



2. Removing the Power Pack

To take out either the standard AC pack or the optional battery power pack, follow these steps:

1. If you have been using the computer, make sure all data has been saved, and that any data on files in the RAM drive has been copied back to a diskette.

- 2. Remove any diskette in the physical drive.
- 3. Turn the on/off switch on the back of the PHC-16 OFF.
- 4. Turn the power pack switch OFF.
- 5. Find the gray button just to the left of the power pack and press it. The power pack should pop out of its slot part way.
- 6. If nothing happens, use your other hand to press in slightly on the power pack while you press the gray button. This releases the pressure on the catch and it should pop out part way.
- 7. Pull the power pack the rest of the way out.



F. Start Up

PHC-16 is easy to turn on. Follow these steps:

- Install either the AC adapter or the battery power pack as described in the steps above. If you are using the AC adapter, plug it into an electrical outlet.
- 2. Turn the on/off switch on the power pack ON.
- Turn the on/off switch on the back of PHC-16 ON (press in on the left side of the switch so that the red line on the right is showing).

If your PBC-16 has less than 768K, you should immediately see a display like this on your screen:



If this message does not appear:

- * Check the setting of switch SW2-1. If it is ON, this screen displays for only a few seconds.
- * Sit down in front of your computer and adjust the tilt of the screen.
- * Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and S keys at the same time to adjust the LCD palette and alter the intensity of different parts of the display. Choose the one that is best.
- * Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and Up Arrow keys at the same time to increase the contrast on the screen. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and Down Arrow keys at the same time to decrease the contrast on the screen.

- * Review the steps outlined above to make sure you did everything right.
- * Be sure the computer is plugged in.
- If you are still having trouble, turn to Chapter 5: Problem Solving for more things to check.

1. The PHC-16 Memory Screen

The screen you see when you first turn on your computer allows you to allocate a portion of RAM (up to 360K) to the RAM drive. This procedure is called partitioning memory.

If you are using PHC-16 for the first time, you do not have to partition memory right now. You can skip the rest of this section and come back to it later when you have a better idea of how you want to use your computer. Return to this section when you're ready to set up your RAM drive.

If you already know how you want to divide up the memory, use the right and left arrow keys. The plus symbol indicates 8K increments of RAM allocated to the RAM drive. To increase RAM drive memory (and decrease working storage), press the Left Arrow key. The plus symbols increase from right to left. To decrease RAM drive memory (and increase working storage) press the Right Arrow key.

2. Managing Memory

Depending on how you bought your PHC-16, the amount of memory in your computer is one of the following:

256K 768K 1280K

The first 640K of memory is called "main" memory. Anything over 640K is called "extended" memory. For practical purposes, both may be considered RAM, or "working storage."

You'll see two lines across the middle of your screen. One is made of squares and the other is made of diamonds. Each square indicates 8K of main memory and each diamond indicates 8K of expanded memory. As you allocate RAM to a RAM drive, these squares or diamonds will be replaced by plus symbols, and the amounts of memory allocated will be displayed on the summary lines below.

You can, and certainly will want to, reserve some RAM for a RAM drive. The RAM drive turns your PHC-16 into a much more versatile, two-drive computer.

If you have the standard 256K of memory, however, you must manage your memory carefully. With 256K, the maximum size your RAM drive can be is 192K. This is less than your diskette drive (360K) and only leaves 64K for working storage--too little for most software available today.

Increasing memory to 768K or 1280K gives ample RAM for a full RAM drive and enough working storage to run the larger and more complex software appearing on the market.

If you have ample memory for a full 360K RAM drive, you probably will want to turn switch SW2-1 ON so that your full 360K RAM drive will automatically be allocated every time you start up. With this switch ON, you'll see this memory allocation screen briefly when you start up, but you won't be able to change the RAM drive memory allocation.

Another feature you'll want to use if you have enough memory is reserved memory. Turning switch SW2-5 ON will reserve 24K of RAM to save your screen so that when you return from using a CTRL Left Shift feature, your screen will be as you left it. Otherwise, you return to a blank screen. PHC-16 uses part of the 24K as a data buffer for the remote (dumb) terminal mode. With this switch ON, the three rightmost squares or diamonds on the screen will be replaced with three pyramid symbols, and the reserved memory line will read 24K. These CTRL Left Shift key functions are explained fully in the next chapter.

3. Ready to Go

When you're through partitioning memory, make sure your DOS diskette (or any bootable application software diskette) is in the physical drive and press ENTER. DOS loads, responds with copyright information and the date and time, and displays the A> prompt. Remove the DOS diskette, insert your favorite software, and begin

CHAPTER2

Customizing Your PHC-16



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PHC-16 lets you tailor your computer to your own needs, through switches (also called DIP switches) and features used by pressing the CTRL key, the Left Shift key, and another key, all at the same time. Switches are also used to tell PHC-16 what optional equipment you have installed.

This chapter explains the switch settings and the customizing features available.

A. Help When You Need It

PHC-16 offers a unique help (teach) screen that gives a summary of all the customizing features and a diagram of the factory switch settings.

To see this help screen, press the CTRL, Left Shift, and T (for Teach) keys at the same time. The following screen appears.

SW1 12345678 ON	$ \begin{array}{c} SW1-1 \text{ OFF}\\ SW1-2 \text{ ON}\\ SW1-2 \text{ ON} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ 256K \text{ RAM} \text{ OFF}\\ ON \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ SW1-3 \text{ ON} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ OFF \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ OFF \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ OFF \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ SW1-4 \text{ ON}=NO \end{array} \begin{array}{c} 8087 \text{ COPROCESSOR INSTALLED}\\ SW1-5 \text{ ON} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OFF\\ SW1-5 \text{ ON} \end{array} $
SW2	'SWI-6 ONJ MONITOR ON JCOLOR OFFJCOLOR OFFJB/W SWI-7 ONJ 1 DISK OFFJ2 DISK ON J3 DISK OFFJ4 DIS SWI-8 ONJ DRIVE ON JDRIVES OFFJDRIVES OFFJDRIVE SW2-1 ON=AUTO BOOT MAXIMUM RAM DISK (360K OR 720K MAX)
	SW2-2 ON=MAKE RAM DISK ACTIVE SW2-3 ON=DO ROM AND RAM CHECKS [USE OF LCD IS FORCED] SW2-4 ON=USE EXTERNAL VIDEO CARDS IN EXPANSION I/O UNI
SW3	SW2-5 ON=KEEP 24K OF HIGH RAM FOR CTRL-L SHIFT FUNCTIC SW2-6 ON=720K RAM DISK FORMAT, OFF=360K RAM DISK FORMA SW2-7 RESERVED SW2-8 RESERVED
12345678 ON	SW3-1 RESERVED SW3-2 ON=ENABLE POWER SAVING MODE ON FLOPPY DISK DRIVE SW3-3 ON=2ND FLOPPY DISK DRIVE IS INTERNAL
DIP SWITCH SETTINGS FACTORY SETTING [FOR 256K UNIT]	SW3-4 ON=INTERNAL VIDEO RAM IS BEING USED [B8000-BFFFF SW3-5 ON] USA OFF]TYPE 2 ON TYPE 3 OFF]TYPE 4 SW3-6 ON FONT ON FONT OFFJFONT OFFJFONT SW3-7 ON=INTERNAL RAM USED [40000-7FFFF], OFF=EXTERNAL SW3-8 ON=INTERNAL RAM USED [80000-AFFFF], OFF=EXTERNAL PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE

Press any key to display the second screen:

1	HOW TO USE	THE CTR	L KEY WITH THE LEFT SHIFT KEY TO ALTER THE SYSTEM
	LEFT SHIFT	-	TO TEACH HOW TO SETUP AND USE THE COMPUTER
	LEFT_SHIFT		TO INCREASE AND DECREASE KEYBOARD AUDIO FEEDBACK
			TO SWAP DRIVE A: TO DRIVE B: [AND BACK AGAIN]
	LEFT_SHIFT		TO CHANGE THE LCD COLOR PALETTE ON THE SCREEN
			TO INVERT THE BLACK/WHITE ON THE LCD
	LEFT_SHIFT		TO TOGGLE BETWEEN UNDERLINE AND BLOCK CURSORS
	LEFT_SHIFT	W	TO SEE THE WORLD CLOCK
	LEFT_SHIFT	R	TO ACTIVATE THE REMOTE TERMINAL MODE
	LEFT_SHIFT	† 5 ↓	TO INCREASE, PRESET, OR DECREASE SCREEN CONTRAST
	LEFT_SHIFT	963	[IN THE KEYPAD] FOR BACKLIGHT UP, MIDDLE, DOWN
	LEFT_SHIFT	0	TO TOGGLE BACKLIGHT ON/OFF
	LEFT_SHIFT		TO SELECT THE LCD OR EXTERNAL MONITOR DISPLAY
CTRL	LEFT_SHIFT	в	TO CHECK THE BATTERY LEVEL

--- PRESS ANY KEY TO RETURN ---

This screen provides:

- * a summary of all the customizing features discussed in the previous section.
- * a diagram of all the switches and a list of what each switch does.

You can see this screen whenever you want, even if you are using application software. When you are through using the help screen, press ENTER.

Caution: The switch settings shown on this screen are FACTORY SETTINGS. They may not match the actual settings of your switches. To see the actual settings, remove the cover from the modem compartment and look at the switches. Your actual setting will be displayed.

B. Switches

There are three switch blocks, each containing eight slider switches, located in the modem compartment on the left side of the computer. Remove the cover to see the switches:

These switches are set at the factory, and won't need to be changed if you're just starting to use your PHC-16. After you become familiar with your PHC-16 and want to tailor it to your needs, or to add options, you may want to change some settings.

To change a switch, use a pencil, ballpoint pen, bent paper clip, or other pointed object. Always move the switch gently, sliding it up for ON or down for OFF.

The rest of this section shows the factory settings for each switch block, and explains what each switch does.

Switch Block 1



A. MEMORY INSTALLED

SWITCH	256K	512K	640K or More
1	OFF	OFF	ON
2	ON	OFF	ON
3	ON	ON	OFF

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SWITCH	YES	NO
4	OFF	ON

C. MONITOR TYPE & INITIAL SET-UP MODE

		COLOR	COLOR	MONO
SWITCH	NONE	40x25	80x25	80X25
5	ON	OFF	ON	OFF
6	ON	ON	OFF	OFF

D. NUMBER OF PHYSICAL DRIVES INSTALLED

SWITCH	1	2	3*	4*	
7 8	ON ON	OFF ON	ON OFF	OFF OFF	

(* Not available at this time)

Switch Block 2

1234	5678	R I OFF
1234 ↓↑↓↓	$\uparrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow$	[Factory settin

SWITCH	ON	OFF
	lly take maximum RAM ive (up to 360K)	Display memory allocation screen on start up for manual allocation.
2 Allow RAM	drive to be used.	Turn RAM drive OFF.
	AM check during nd display on LCD.	Skip ROM & RAM checking during start up (saves time).
4 Use extern the expans	al video cards in ion unit.	Use monitor through PHC-16 LCD or RGB & composite jacks.
last scree	f high RAM to save n while performing Shift features.	Do not reserve RAM. Return from CTRL-Left Shift features to a blank screen.
6 720K RAM d	rive format *	360K RAM drive format.
7 Not used		
8 Not used		

(* Not available at this time)

Switch Block 3

	ON
SWITCH ON	OFF
l Not used	
2 Only supplies power to physical drive when needed. Saves battery power.	Supplies power to physical drive all the time. May be required fo some software.
<pre>3 Second physical drive is internal.*</pre>	Second physical drive is external
4 Internal video RAM is being used.	Internal video RAM is not being used (external must be available)

5	ON	OFF	ON	OFF	
6	ON	ON	OFF	OFF	
					OFF

SWITCH	ON		051	: 			
7 First og internal	otional bank of RAM is being used.	External	RAM	is	being	used	instead.
8 Second o internal	ptional bank of RAM is being used.	External	RAM	is	being	used	instead.
(* No	ot available at this	time)					

C. Audio Feedback

Audio feedback is a beep that sounds whenever you press a key. You can vary the volume of the beep from a clearly audible sound to none at all. To adjust the audio feedback follow these steps:

- Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and Plus Sign keys at the same time and hold them down.
- You can hear a beep sound that increases in volume as you hold the three keys down.
- 3. Release all three keys and press any of the keys on your keyboard. The beep you hear is called the audio feedback. If you decide you don't like this feedback, you can decrease the sound again.

4. To decrease or eliminate the audio feedback, repeat the steps above except press the key marked with a minus sign (-) instead of the plus sign. In other words, press the CTRL, Left Shift, and the minus (-) keys at the same time. The beep decreases. Release the keys when the feedback reaches the volume you want.





To Decrease Beep

This audio feedback adjustment works any time you are using PHC-16, no matter what kind of software you are using. The audio feedback setting is stored in the PHC-16 and remains the same until you change it.

D. Screen Adjustments

1. LCD Palette

There are six LCD palettes, or settings, for character intensity. Application software displays different shades and intensities depending on how it's programmed and the characteristics of the monitor used. The palette adjustment lets you select the best display for your PHC-16 LCD screen. Keep pressing CTRL, Left Shift, and S to cycle through the palettes until you find the best one for your software.

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2. Screen Contrast

You can also adjust the contrast on your screen. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and Up Arrow keys at the same time to increase the contrast. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and Down Arrow keys at the same time to decrease the contrast. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and 5 (on the numeric keypad) keys at the same time to return to the default (middle) setting.



You can also adjust the screen contrast. Press the CTRL, Left Shift the numeric pad 9keye at the same time to increase the contrast. Prethe CTRL, Left Shift, and the numeric pad 3keys at the same time to decrease the contrast. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and the numeric 6keys at the same time to return to the default (middle setting.



To turn the back-light completely on or off, press the CTRL, Left S. and the numeric pad Okeys at thesame time. Every time you press thi combination, the back-light will switch from being on to being off being on again.



3. Inverse Video

Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and I keys at the same time to switch dark and light on your screen. This is called inverse video. Press these same keys again to switch it back.



4. Cursor Shape

Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and C keys at the same time to change the cursor from a blinking line to a blinking block. Press these keys again to change the cursor back to a line.



E. World Clock

The World Clock lets you select and display, besides Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), any 23 cities or locations in the world with their current date and 24-hour time. You choose and set your home time zone date and time, and define all locations as a plus or minus difference from GMT. Choose locations which are meaningful for you, such as places you do business, or where friends or relatives live. You must make any adjustments for Daylight Savings time changes. The year is given as four digits to allow for use into the 21st century.

Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and W keys at the same time to display the world clock screen. For example:

((14))	W
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[GMT]	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	1:00:00
LONDON	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	1:00:00
PARIS	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	2:00:00
CAIRO	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	3:00:00
MOSCOW	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	4:00:00
MAURITIUS	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	5:00:00
KARACHI	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	6:00:00
BOMBAY	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	6:30:00
DACCA	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	7:00:00
BANGKOK	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	8:00:00
PEKING	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	9:00:00
YOKOHAMA	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	10:00:00
MELBOURNE	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	11:00:00
KURIL ISLANDS	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	12:00:00
AUCKLAND	DATE:	1-01-1986	TIME:	13:00:00
SAMOA	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	14:00:00
HONOLULU	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	15:00:00
ANCHORAGE	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	16:00:00
SAN FRANCISCO	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	17:00:00
DENVER	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	18:00:00
CHICAGO	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	19:00:00
ATLANTA	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	20:00:00
BERMUDA	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	21:00:00
RIO DE JANEIRO	DATE:	12-31-1985	TIME:	22:00:00

 ${\rm Press}$ ESC to return where you were. Press the Up or Down Arrow keys to change the home location, indicated by the reverse video bar.

To change the time or locations, press S and this screen appears:

[GMT]	+ 0:00	MENU FOR SETTING THE WORLD CLOCK
LONDON	+ 0:00	
PARIS	+ 1:00	
CAIRO	+ 2:00	
MOSCOW	+ 3:00	DATE: 12-31-1985 TIME: 20:00:00
MAURITIUS	+ 4:00	
KARACHI	+ 5:00	
BOMBAY	+ 5:30	
DACCA	+ 6:00	ESCRETURNS TO THE WORLD CLOCK
BANGKOK	+ 7:00	
PEKING	+ 8:00	F1MOVES TO THE NEXT SECTION
YOKOHAMA	+ 9:00	
MELBOURNE	+10:00	\leftarrow AND \rightarrow , ALTER VALUES
KURIL ISLANDS	+11:00	
AUCKLAND	+12:00	RETURNMOVES TO THE NEXT ITEM FOR UPDATING
SAMOA	-11:00	
HONOLULU	-10:00	F10RESETS ALL PARAMETERS TO THE DEFAULT VALU
ANCHORAGE	- 9:00	
SAN FRANCISCO	- 8:00	
DENVER	- 7:00	
CHICAGO	- 6:00	
ATLANTA	- 5:00	RESET HOME TIME ZONE DATE AND TIME
BERMUDĂ	- 4:00	REDEFINE CITY NAMES
RIO DE JANEIRO	- 3:00	REDEFINE TIME DIFFERENCE FROM GMT [TOP CLOCK POSITIO

Press Fl to cycle through the three things you can change. These are listed at the bottom right of the screen, and the active one is highlighted:

Reset home time zone date and time. Redefine city names Redefine time difference from GMT

As you cycle through this list, the cursor moves to the information to be changed.

Use the Right and Left Arrow keys to change numeric values; type in the location name. Press ENTER to move to the next item to update.

If you want to return all items to the default values, press the Fl0 key.

Press ESC to return to the World Clock display.

F. Using PHC-16 as a Remote (Dumb) Terminal

The PHC-16 can be used as a remote, or "dumb" terminal, to communicate with:

- * A data retrieval service, such as the Source.
- * A mainframe computer.
- * Another PHC-16 or other microcomputer.

You must add the optional internal modem or an external modem plugged into the serial port. If you communicate with another PHC-16 or compatible computer using a cable and not telephone lines, you don't need a modem.

Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and R keys at the same time to display the Remote Terminal screen:

BAUD	PARITY	STOP	WORD	SERIAL	LF+CR FOR	COPY OUTPUI
RATE		BIT(S)	LENGTH	PORT	RECEIVED DATA	TO SCREEN
1200	NONE	1	8 BITS	COM2:	YES	YES
	PRESS	- or → ′	TO CHOOSE	PARAMETER	S FOR SETTING	
	PRESS TI	E SPACEB	AR TO CHAN	IGE THE PA	RAMETERS	
					UNICÁTIONS	
	PRESS TI	IEPI	KEY TO TO	GLE COPY	TO THE PRINTER O	N/OFF
	PRESS TH		VEV DO I	יועד שווכ	PROGRAM AND NOT	UANC UP
		IE Fl				
	PRESS TH				PROGRAM AND HOL	
		IE F2	KEY TO H		PROGRAM AND HANG	
	PRESS TH	IE F2 IE F10	KEY TO E KEY TO S	XIT THIS	PROGRAM AND HANG AK CODE	
BAUD	PRESS TH	IE F2 IE F10 [COI	KEY TO E KEY TO S	EXIT THIS SEND A BRE ED VALUES	PROGRAM AND HANG AK CODE	UP
BAUD RATE	PRESS TH PRESS TH	IE F2 IE F10 [COI STOP	KEY TO E KEY TO S MMONLY USE WORD	EXIT THIS SEND A BRE ED VALUES	PROGRAM AND HANG AK CODE ARE:] LF+CR FOR	UP COPY OUTPUT

Press, the Fight or Left Arrow keys to choose the parameter you want to change.

Press the Spacebar to cycle through the options available for each parameter:

OPTION	VALUES
Baud Rate	110 150 300 600 1200 2400 4800 9600
Parity	Odd Even None
Stop Bit(s)	1 2
Word Length	7 bits 8 bits
Serial Port	COM1: COM2:
LF+CR for Received Data	Yes No
Copy Output to Screen	Yes No

Press P at any time to send copy to the printer, or not to.

Press ENTER to start communications.

To exit the Remote Terminal, press F2 to exit and hang up, or F1 to exit and not hang up. Press F10 to send a break code.

The option you choose for each parameter is stored in the computer for you and remains the same until you change it.

CHAPTERS

Traveling With PHC-16



Chapter 3 Traveling With PHC-16

PHC-16 is a good traveling companion. With the optional battery power pack installed, it weighs only 14 pounds and is small enough to take almost anywhere.

In addition, the optional built-in modem (see Chapter 6: Options) lets you stay in touch with other computers when you are on the road.

This section gives you a few suggestions and cautions to make traveling with the PHC-16 easy and efficient.

A. Carrying Case

When you're on the go with PHC-16, the optional carrying case provides protection for the computer and makes it easier for you to carry.

The convenient shoulder strap leaves your hands free. Also, the carrying case is designed with an outside pocket to carry batteries or other equipment securely.

B. The Battery Pack

A battery power pack can be purchased as an option for PHC-16. It is installed exactly the same way as the AC power pack.

Caution: Be sure to recharge the battery as soon as the red LED light flashes. If the battery discharges totally, you will not be able to fully recharge it again.

To recharge the battery power pack, use the charger adapter clip that comes with the battery power pack and the AC power pack that comes standard with PHC-16. The charger adapter clip connects the battery pack to the AC power pack.

You can fully recharge the battery while in the PHC-16 only when the computer is turned off.

To recharge the battery pack while it is in the computer, follow these steps:

- 1. Put the battery pack in the PHC-16 exactly the same way as the AC power pack.
- 2. Plug one end of the Charger Clip into the computer on the side to the right of the screen. Clip the other end onto the AC power pack.
- 3. Plug the AC power pack into an electrical outlet.



When the battery power pack is not in the PHC-16 follow these steps to recharge the battery:

- 1. Put the clip on the battery and plug the other end of the clip into the AC power pack.
- 2. Plug the AC Power Pack into an electrical outlet.



It takes about three hours to recharge the battery pack. If you are recharging the battery while it's in the PHC-16, you can charge to only 85% of capacity. It is best to let the battery discharge to 10-15% of power capacity frequently before recharging.

C. Battery Indicator

Immediately under the LCD screen is a small red indicator light. The light begins to blink when the battery is low. Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and B keys at the same time to see the percentage of power capacity remaining.

There are two ways to keep your data safe as power declines:

* Plug the AC adapter or auto adapter into a power source and the charge clip into the side of the computer. Operate in this manner or exchange the discharged battery for a fully charged battery and disconnect the adapter.

OR:

- * Save your data, turn the computer off and insert a new battery.
- D. Traveling Hints and Suggestions
 - * When traveling with PHC-16 or moving it, always insert the white cardboard protector in the physical drive. This protects the physical drive from any damage.

Or, insert a scratch diskette turned 90 degrees.

- * When you travel by plane, carry PHC-16 with you. NEVER CHECK IT IN BAGGAGE CLAIM!
- * Don't leave PHC-16 in a parked car for long periods if the temperature is either very hot or very cold. The screen display may not work if it has been in extreme temperatures. If this happens, let the computer return to normal room temperature (which might take about an hour) before using it.
- * If you need to ship PHC-16, pack it in the box that it came from the factory in, if possible.
- * Dropping the PHC-16 or hitting it sharply may damage the LCD screen or physical drive alignment. Your warranty will not cover abuse.

CHAPTER4

Operations

CHAPTER 4: OPERATIONS

A. Using DOS

1. What is DOS?

In Chapter 1 you learned about how data is stored in your PHC-16. From your viewpoint, your data is handled quickly and efficiently. However, keeping track of hundreds of thousands of characters is no easy task. The operating system must manage both data and data transfer in the computer.

Your PHC-16 uses Microsoft Corporation's Disk Operating System, which is also called MS-DOS, or just DOS, for short. DOS consists of several programs which allow you to manage your data and to run software written for the MS-DOS Operating System.

2. Inserting the DOS Diskette

Before you begin to use your PHC-16, you must load DOS into internal memory. Remove the DOS diskette from your DOS manual, and insert it in the physical drive with the notch up and the label facing backward. Notice that the DOS diskette has no write protect notch. This keeps it from being written over and destroyed.



Turn the power on and DOS will load into internal memory. This is

called starting the computer. It is also called booting. Starting with the computer turned off is called a cold boot. Pressing the reset button performs a cold boot without having to turn the on/off switch OFF and ON again. During a cold boot, all data in RAM, which includes working storage and the RAM drive, is lost.

You may, at any time, restart with the computer running by

pressing CTRL, ALT and DEL simultaneously. This is called a warm boot. Caution: restart only when necessary because you will loose any data in working storage; you will not, however, loose any data in the RAM drive.

After a few seconds, DOS loads and displays the date and time. DOS takes these from the PHC-16 internal clock. If you want to change the date and time, change them through the World Clock, or using the Clock Tests option from the Diagnostics diskette. You can't change them in DOS.

DOS displays this prompt:

A>

This is called the A prompt. It means that Drive A (your physical drive) is the drive that DOS will read from or write to. This is called the default drive because DOS will work from Drive A unless you tell it otherwise.

The ">" in the prompt means that DOS is waiting for you to enter a command or file name following the >.

You may change the default drive from the physical drive to the RAM drive. At the A>, type B: and press ENTER. DOS will then display the B prompt:

B>

This means that DOS will read from and write to the RAM drive, until instructed otherwise.

You'll learn more about why this is useful later in the chapter under DOS Commands.

CAUTION: Before you continue to work with DOS, make a working, or backup, copy. Then, if you accidently damage your diskette, your DOS master will still be intact. See the section "Making a Backup Copy of Your DOS Diskette" toward the end of this chapter for step-by-step instructions.

B. About the DOS keyboard

Usually.you.will use the standard keyboard functions for DOS that you learned about in Chapter 1. This includes the keys for letters, numbers and special characters. DOS doesn't differentiate between upper or lower case letters for commands and file names, so you may use either and get the same results.

Here are some of the special keys you will use with DOS. See your DOS manual for a complete list.

ENTER	Press ENTER when you finish typing a line (such as a command) and want to send it to DOS.
backspace	This key will erase what you have typed, one character at a time, by moving the cursor left over what you typed.
ESC	When you make an error while typing a response, press ESCape to cancel the line and start over. DOS will display a / on the canceled line and go to a new line for your response.
CTRL and NUM LOCK	Use these keys to stop the screen from scrolling the file when using the TYPE command.
Right Shift and PRT SC	Press these keys at the same time to print whatever text is displaying on the screen. Your printer must be connected to your PHC-16, turned on, and on- line. This DOS function will work with many application software programs too.
CTRL and BREAK	Press these keys at the same time to end the current operation and return you to the A>.

C. Summary of DOS Commands

Earlier in this chapter you learned that DOS is a data manager. DOS organizes data into files. You name the file, and DOS assigns storage space in memory or on a diskette.

DOS organizes your data in a way similar to the way you would organize data in a filing cabinet. Each drawer contains file folders that contain your data--sometimes a page or two, and sometimes many pages. You organize the folders in some logical way, and label each file folder and file drawer so you can find your data easily.

DOS puts your data into computer files and stores them in a logical fashion either in memory or on a diskette. DOS maintains a directory on each so it can easily retrieve your data.

Every file must have a name. On a diskette, or in memory, no two files can have the same name. Two files may have the same name, however, if they are on different diskettes, or on one diskette and in memory. In your file cabinet, for example, two files called "miscellaneous" would be OK if one were in the drawer for household expenses, and another was in the drawer for business expenses. If they were in the same drawer, however, you couldn't telf them apart. The name you give to a file in DOS must follow this format:

хххххххх.ууу

where xxxxxxx is the filename from 1-8 characters, and yyy is the extension from 1-3 characters.

The filename and extension may consist of

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o the letters of the alphabet
o the numbers 0 through 9
o these special characters: $ & @ ! % ( ) - { }
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The filename and extension may not contain blanks and must be separated by a period. For example, NEW-MEMO.DOC is valid while NEW MEMO DOC is not.

1. DOS Commands

Although your DOS manual discusses the DOS commands in detail, here are some of the common commands that you'll use often:

FORMAT - sets up a diskette so it is ready to receive files.

DIR - list all the files on a diskette or on the RAM disk.

DISKCOPY and COPY - copy a file or files from one location to another.

ERASE - erases a file or files from a diskette or the RAM disk.

TYPE - displays the contents of a file on your screen.

The following pages briefly describe how to use these commands. Options are shown in brackets. These options are not required, but provide flexibility in using the commands. Only the most commonly used options are discussed; see your DOS manual for a complete description.

Although the names of the commands are printed here in caps so they stand out on the page, you may type them in either upper or lower case letters. Options are shown in brackets to indicate they are not required. When you type the command, do not enclose the options in brackets! Leave a space between the command and options, but don't leave spaces between options. Finally, after you type the command and options, be sure to press ENTER.

When you use a file name with a command, you may specify a specific file, or you may specify a series of files by substituting a special character for all or a portion of the filename and extension. These special characters are called wildcards. The most commonly used wildcard is the asterisk (*). You'll see how to use this character in the next few pages.

FORMAT

Before you can use a diskette, DOS must divide it into sectors and tracks, and set up a directory so it can find the files it writes on the diskette. The FORMAT command tells DOS to do this. The FORMAT command must be in this form:

FORMAT [d:][/S][/8][/V][/B]

Everything in brackets is optional, but allows you several options in formatting. Here's what they mean:

- d: Drive designation of the diskette you want formatted. With a one-drive system, this will always be A (the RAM drive is formatted automatically). Leave this option out if you are working from the A>.
- /S This option will copy the system files (the files DOS uses to start your PHC-16) onto the formatted diskette. This is very helpful when you are using application software, like a word processor. If you copy the application programs onto a diskette formatted with the system files, the diskette becomes self-starting. This means that you don't have to start with the DOS diskette and then take the DOS diskette out and put the application diskette in, because everything you need will be on the same diskette.
- /8 or /B If you don't use these options, DOS will format the diskette with 9 sectors, or 360K total capacity. However, if you tried to use these disks with DOS 1.0 or 1.1, these earlier versions of DOS couldn't read the diskette. Using /8 or /B tells DOS to format the diskette with only 8 sectors. This limits storage capacity to 320K, but allows the diskette to be read by any version of DOS.
- /V This option allows you to enter an ll-character volume name for the diskette, providing you format the diskette for 9 sectors.

For example, entering, at the A>, FORMAT /S/B will format a diskette with eight sectors and will contain the system files.

The DIR or directory command displays the names of all the files stored on a diskette or on the RAM drive. The DIR command has several handy options:

DIR [d:][filename[.ext]][/W]

Typing DIR alone lists all the file names on the diskette or on the RAM drive, in a single column.

d: specifies a drive other than the default drive.

filename [.ext] allows you to display specific file names, or, by using a wildcard, specific groups of file names. For example, DIR *.BAS would list all file names with an extension of BAS, and DIR JAN*.* would list all file names starting with JAN.

/W lists all file names in five columns across the screen. This lets you display a large directory on a single screen.

DISKCOPY and COPY

These commands copy files from one location to another. With a PHC-16 with one physical drive, you can copy from a diskette to a diskette, from a diskette to the RAM drive, or from the RAM drive to a diskette.

Copying is one of the most frequently performed tasks you will do with DOS. Backing up your data and your application programs is critical. Your data is always subject to accidental loss, and diskettes may be damaged and eventually will wear out.

Copying files also allows you to keep one copy of a data file as a master file, and use another copy as a work file. And, copying allows you to organize files on diskettes to meet your own individual needs.

DISKCOPY copies the contents of one diskette (or the RAM drive) to another diskette, exactly as they are on the first. Since DISKCOPY formats as it copies, it erases all data on the diskette (or RAM drive) you are copying to. Be careful!

Use DISKCOPY to backup your data files at the end of each work session. When copying to the RAM Drive, you must have allocated a full 360K to the RAM drive for DISKCOPY to work properly. Use the format: d: d: The first d: is the drive you are copying from, or the source drive. The second d: is the drive you are copying to, or the target drive. If you are using Drive A for both, omit these options.

COPY copies one file, or using wildcards, a series of files, from one diskette to another. Although there are many options that can be used with COPY, the most commonly-used format is:

COPY [d:][filename[.ext]] [d:]

- d: is the drive you are copying from. Omit it if you are copying from the default drive.
- filename[.ext] is the name of the file you are copying. You
 may name a specific file to be copied, such as
 MEMO.DOC. You may select a series of files to be
 copied, such as *.BAS (all files with the
 extension of BAS). Or, you may copy all files by
 using *.* as the filename and extension.
- d: is the drive you are copying to, or the target drive.

Using the COPY command can get complicated and confusing. If you have any doubts about what you want to do, see your DOS manual before you try it!

ERASE

ERASE (or DEL) removes files from your disk. The format is:

ERASE [d:][filename[.ext]]

- d: is the drive where the file you want to erase is located. Omit it, and DOS will look on the default drive.
- filename[.ext] is the name of the file you want to delete.
 As with other commands, you may use a wildcard to
 erase a series of files, but use extreme caution!
 For example, typing MEMO*.* will erase all memo
 files, but there may be a MEMO file you wanted to
 keep, and you may not realize it until it's too late.

ТҮРЕ ____

TYPE is a very useful command, because it displays the contents of a file. Use the form:

- TYPE [d:][filename[.ext]]
 - d: is the drive on which the file is located.

filename[.ext] is the name of the file you want to display.

The file scrolls from beginning to end automatically. Use the CTRL and NUM LOCK keys together to stop the file from scrolling. Press any key to continue.

A Final Word About DOS Commands

If you look at the directory of the DOS diskette, you'll see a list of filenames that match the commands discussed in the previous pages. These files contain programs that perform the functions described under the commands.

DOS commands are of two types: resident and non-resident, or external. When you start the system with the DOS diskette, some of the commands, or program files, are loaded into memory. These are called resident commands, because they reside in memory and will run without having the DOS diskette in the physical drive, or loaded onto the RAM drive. DIR, COPY, ERASE, and TYPE are all resident commands.

Other DOS commands are called external because they are not in memory and will run only if you have the DOS diskette in the physical drive, or have the program file loaded into the RAM drive. FORMAT and DISKCOPY are external commands.

D. Making a Backup Copy of DOS

Now that you have read about several DOS commands, you are ready to use these commands to make a working, or backup, copy of your DOS diskette. Follow these steps, and besides making a copy of DOS, you can practice using the commands and see how DOS prompts you to swap diskettes into and out of the physical drive.

Use the DISKCOPY command to copy your DOS diskette.

1. At the A>, type DISKCOPY.

2. DOS prompts you with this message:

Insert source diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

- 3. The DOS diskette is the source diskette. Place it in the physical drive if it is not already there. Press any key.
- 4. DOS displays this message to let you know it's copying:

Copying 2 side(s), 9 sectors per track

5. After a few seconds, DOS prompts you again:

Insert destination diskette in drive A Strike any key when ready

- 6. Remove the DOS diskette from the physical drive, and insert a new diskette in the drive. The new diskette is the destination diskette. Press any key.
- 7. DOS displays another status message:

Formatting target while copying

Since you are using a new diskette, DOS must format it before copying files onto it.

8. After a few seconds, DOS prompts you again:

Insert source diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

- 9. Remove the new diskette from the physical drive and insert the DOS diskette. Press any key.
- 10. After a few seconds, DOS prompts you again:

Insert destination diskette in drive A Strike any key when ready

11. Remove the DOS diskette from the physical drive and insert the new diskette. Press any key.

12. After a few seconds, DOS finishes the DISKCOPY and displays this message:

Copy complete

Copy another disk (Y/N)?

13. Type n and DOS returns to the A>.

To make sure that the new diskette is good, compare the two diskettes with the DISKCOMP command:

1. At the A>, type DISKCOMP and press ENTER. DOS displays this prompt:

Insert first diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

- 2. Insert the DOS diskette in the physical drive and press any key.
- 3. DOS displays this message:

Comparing 2 side(s), 9 sectors per track

4. After a few seconds, DOS prompts you again:

Insert second diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

- 5. Remove the DOS diskette from the physical drive and insert the new diskette. Press any key.
- 6. After a few seconds, DOS prompts you again:

Insert first diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

- 7. Remove the new diskette from the physical drive and insert the DOS diskette. Press any key.
- 8. After a few seconds, DOS tells you that it's finished:

Diskettes compare ok

Compare another disk (Y/N)?

9. Type n and DOS returns to the A>.

This new diskette now becomes your Working Copy DOS diskette. Put the master DOS diskette back in the DOS manual and keep it in a safe place.

The DISKCOMP may find errors in certain tracks and sectors on your new diskette. If this happens, use the FORMAT command to reformat the new diskette. If DOS finds bad sectors, throw the diskette away and FORMAT a new diskette until you find one that formats without bad sectors. Then repeat the DISKCOPY and DISKCOMP steps above.

Making a Working Copy DOS diskette - Alternate Method

Another way to make a working copy of your DOS diskette is to use the RAM drive (full 360K) as an intermediate repository. This means you must first copy the DOS diskette to the RAM drive and then copy to the new diskette, but it reduces the diskette swapping required by only using the physical drive. Here's how it works:

- 1. At the A>, type DISKCOPY A: B: and press ENTER.
- 2. DOS prompts you with this message:

Insert source diskette in drive A: Insert destination diskette in drive B: Strike any key when ready

- 3. Insert the DOS diskette in the physical drive and press any key.
- 4. DOS displays this message to let you know it's copying:

Copying 2 side(s), 9 sectors per track

When DOS finishes copying, it will display this message:

Copy complete

Copy another disk (Y/N)?

- 5. Type N and DOS returns to the A>.
- 6. Type B: and press ENTER to change the default drive to B.
- 7. At the B>, type DISKCOPY B: A: and press ENTER.
- 8. DOS prompts you with this message:

Insert source diskette in drive B: Insert destination diskette in drive A: Strike any key when ready

9. Remove the DOS diskette from the physical drive, insert a new diskette, and press any key.

10. DOS dreplays this message to let you know it's copying:

Copying 2 side(s), 9 sectors per track

when DOS finishes, it displays this message:

Copy complete

Copy another disk (Y/N)?

11. Type N and DOS will return to the B>.

12. Type A: and press ENTER to change the default drive to A.

This completes the copying phase. Follow the DISKCOMP instructions above to make sure your new working copy of DOS is $\boldsymbol{o}\boldsymbol{k}$.

E. Using the RAM Drive

PHC-16 RAM drive works like a second physical drive, so you have the versatility of a two-drive system. We suggest that, when you run normal application programs, you follow these steps:

1. Load DOS into the PHC-16.

- 2. Remove the DOS diskette.
- 3. Put the application diskette in the physical drive.
- 4. Copy the programs into the RAM drive using COPY or DISKCOPY.
- 5. Remove the application diskette from the physical drive.
- 6. Put the data diskette in the physical drive.
- 7. Change the default drive designation to B, the RAM drive.

8. You are now ready to start.

This puts your application programs on the RAM drive where they will run faster and allows the PHC-16 to read and write your data to the diskette.

When you are asked for file names by the application program, be sure to include the drive designation as part of the filename. For example, suppose your word processor is in Drive B (the RAM drive) and your data diskette is in Drive A (the physical drive.) Your word processor asks you what file you want to edit. The file you want is called MEMO.DOC and is on your data diskette. Type A:MEMO.DOC.

Caution: Your application program'may be copy-protected to prevent piracy. This will usually prevent you from using the RAM drive as we have just described. Always follow the installation instructions that come with your application program. F. Using BASIC (Not Included with PHC-16)

BASIC is a programming language that lets you write your own programs. If you want to use BASIC to write programs, skip this section and go directly to the optional Microsoft BASIC manual.

BASIC for the IBM and COMPAQ computers will not run on the PHC-16. You must buy GWBASIC, Better BASIC, or some other generic BASIC that does not depend on BIOS ROM code for identification or support routines.

There will be times, however, when you may want to run BASIC programs that are already written. This section introduces you to BASIC and shows you how to load and run BASIC programs.

Caution: Before you begin using BASIC, be sure to make a back-up or working copy of your BASIC diskette.

To use BASIC, start the PHC-16 with DOS. Remove the DOS diskette from the physical drive and insert your working copy of the BASIC diskette. At the A> prompt type BASICA and press ENTER. This screen appears:

GW-BASIC 2.02 (C) Copyright Microsoft 1983, 1984 xxxxx Bytes free OK

lLIST 2RUN< 3LOAD" 4SAVE" 5CONT< 6,"LPT1 7TRON< 8TROFF< 9KEY
0SCREEN</pre>

Notice that the DOS A> prompt no longer appears. BASIC has it's own prompt to tell you it's ready for your response. The BASIC prompt is OK with the cursor on the line below it. Make sure you begin typing at the BASIC prompt.

Look at the numbers at the bottom of the screen. These numbers correspond to the function keys, and show the BASIC commands that are programmed for each function key. The only function keys you need to load and run BASIC programs are F2 and F3, RUN and LOAD.

Remove the BASIC diskette from the physical drive and insert your data diskette containing the BASIC program you want to run. Suppose it's a game with the file name FUN.BAS. Before you can run the program you must load it. At the BASIC prompt, type LOAD"FUN and press ENTER. BASIC will load the program and return to the BASIC prompt. Or, if you want to use the function keys, at the BASIC prompt, press F3. BASIC will reply with LOAD" and the cursor will be after the ". Type FUN and press ENTER.

To run the program, type RUN and press ENTER or press F2. BASIC will run your program. When you exit your program, BASIC returns to the BASIC prompt.

When you are through using BASIC, put the BASIC diskette back in the physical drive. Type SYSTEM at the BASIC prompt and press ENTER. BASIC returns to the DOS A> prompt.

Some programs, especially games, use 40-column displays rather than 80-column. When you exit the BASIC program and return to the BASIC prompt, you may see a large OK and no function key commands listed at the bottom of the screen. This means you are still in the 40-column display mode. But you can continue to use BASIC commands and function keys as with the BASIC screen, even though the function key identifiers do not appear at the bottom of the screen. If this happens, and you want to return to the BASIC screen, insert the BASIC diskette in the physical drive, if it is not already there, type SYSTEM and press ENTER to return to the A> prompt, and type BASICA and press ENTER to reload BASIC.

For more information on BASIC, see your BASIC manual.

CHAPTER5

Problem Solving



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PHC-16 is a solidly constructed and thoroughly tested computer that should give you years of trouble free operation. However, as with any equipment, things can go wrong. If your PHC-16 is not operating properly, you can check a number of functions yourself.

A. Check These Things First

If your PHC-16 fails to turn on, check these things first:

- * Is your computer plugged into an electrical outlet?
- * Are both the on/off switch on the back of the PHC-16 and the switch on the power pack turned ON?
- * Is the memory board plugged securely into the connection? The black part of the plug must completely cover the gold-colored prongs. Sometimes you have to press hard.
- * Is the screen adjusted so you can see the memory partition screen?
- * Is the palette being used visible? Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and S keys at the same time to cycle through the palettes and choose the best one.
- * Is the PHC-16 in the external monitor mode? Press the CTRL, Left Shift, and M keys at the same time to turn the external monitor mode on or off.

If your PHC-16 has been operating and suddenly stops, check these things first:

- * Is the keyboard infrared beam still pointed directly at the computer?
- * If you are using a battery power pack, has the battery run down? The light on your computer just under the screen comes on to warn you that the battery is low.
- * If the red light on the keyboard does not come on when you press a key, the keyboard batteries need to be replaced. Follow the instructions and diagrams in Chapter 1 for installing batteries.
- * Sometimes application software will "lock up." Press CTRL and BREAK keys at the same time. This should return you to the A> prompt.

If this doesn't work, restart by pressing the CTRL, ALT, and DEL keys at the same time. Make sure you have a

DOS diskette or self-starting application diskette in the physical drive before you restart. This erases everything in working storage but keeps all data on the RAM drive. Return to your application and continue.

If this doesn't work either, press the reset button. This returns you to the memory allocation screen, but erases everything in both working storage and the RAM drive.

B. Memory Test

This is a special test that allows you to see if any of the ROM or RAM memory chips in your PHC-16 are not working properly. Turn switch SW2-3 ON and the tests will be run during start up. This screen shows the condition of your memory chips:



* * * * ROM TEST PASSED RAM TEST IS NEXT * * * *

* * SET DIP SWITCH SW2-3 OFF TO SKIP THESE TESTS * *

***** PRESS THE 'ESC' KEY IF YOU WANT TO RESET

ALL SYSTEM PARAMETERS * * * * *

* * * * * * PRESS ANY KEY TO CONTINUE * * * * * *





Since this test takes considerable time, you may want to use it only when you suspect your memory may be malfunctioning. Keep switch SW2-3 OFF for normal use.

CHAPTER6

Options



Chapter 6 Options

A number of options are designed specifically for use with the PHC-16. These are described briefly here, but specific instructions for installing and operating them come with the individual options.

Also, PHC-16 is completely compatible with the IBM PC. Printers or "mice" designed for use with the IBM PC can also be used with the PHC-16.

A. Add-On Physical (Diskette) Drive

PHC-16 has an optional second 360K byte physical drive that attaches directly to the back of PHC-16. With the add-on drive your system becomes a two physical drive system.



l. How it Works

To attach the add-on physical drive, follow these steps:

- 1. Attach the connector plate to the back of the PHC-16 by putting the hooks on the plate into the slots on the back of the PHC-16 case.
- 2. Attach the add-on physical drive to the plate with the knobs on the plate and the slots on the back of the add-on.

- 3. Take the connector that is attached to the add-on physical drive and insert it into the expansion port on the back of the PHC-16.
- 4. Change these switch settings:

Switch SW1-7 must be OFF Switch SW1-8 must be ON Switch SW3-3 must be OFF

Now when you use any software, the add-on physical drive can be used and identified as the C drive. For example, if you put a word processing program in the A drive, you could put another diskette in the add-on physical drive and instruct PHC-16 to create your text files on the diskette in the add-on physical drive. Identify the add-on as the C drive.

B. Modem

PHC-16 offers an optional internal modem that is Bell 212A Standard. It can communicate at either 300 or 1200 baud. It features auto-dial, auto-answer and re-dial. It accepts Hayestype commands and is bundled with the communications software Crosstalk XVI.

The PHC-16 built-in modem is easy to use. Install it in the modem compartment on the left side of your computer (just below the memory slot). It adds little weight to the PHC-16.

C. Expansion Unit

The optional expansion unit allows you to use up to three IBM PC compatible expansion boards, and can be purchased with or without a 10 megabyte hard drive.

If you use the expansion unit to run a monitor, be sure to turn switch SW2-4 $\rm ON.$

If you use the expansion unit to add memory, be sure to turn switch SW3-7 or SW3-8 (or both) OFF.

Caution: When the I/O box is used to supply power to the PHC-16, make sure the power adaptor has been disconnected. Failure to do so is dangerous and may cause damage to the power adaptor. If the adaptor is dameged bue to this negligence, the maker is not responsible for replacement, even if the damage occurs during the warranty period.

D. Expanding Hemory

PHC-16 comes with 256K bytes of memory already installed, but this can be expanded to 1280K. You can buy your PHC-16 with an additional 768K or 1024K.

If you buy additional memory, it will be located on an expansion memory board in the memory compartment on the left side of the PHC-16. If you buy the full 1024K expansion (for a fully-loaded PHC-16 of 1280K, or 1.25 MEG, total) you will probably never need to remove the memory board.

However, if you buy the 512K expansion (768K total), you may want to add memory at some time. You must use 256K chips, and must add memory in banks of 256K at a time.

Open the cover to the memory board compartment on the left side of the computer:



To remove the memory board and install more memory chips, follow these steps:

- 1. Turn OFF all power to the PHC-16.
- 2. After opening the cover, disconnect the board by pulling the white plastic tab a little to your left. You'll be able to tell when the board plug is disconnected.
- 3. Now, slide the whole memory board out.


The memory board really contains two individual boards bolted together. If you bought 512K of additional memory, the lower board will be filled with chips and the upper board will be empty. The empty chip sockets are in two rows and are numbered 1-8 and 9-16.

Memory can only be increased in 256K increments by filling up a whole row of eight sockets at a time. Be sure to use only 256K chips. Install the first row of chips in sockets 1-8. If you also install a second set, use sockets 9-16.

To install new chips, follow these steps:

- The pins on your new chips are usually spread apart a little too much. Before inserting, press the pins in slightly.
- Now, insert the chip on the board in the correct slot as shown in this illustration.



- 3. Make sure that all the chips are inserted facing the same direction. The tops (the end with the notch) should all be facing up, as are the chips that were installed in your PHC-16 at the factory.
- 4. After you have installed'the extra memory chips, insert the board back into the slot. Notice the tracks that the upper board should slide into.
- 5. Plug in the connector.

If you bought the PHC-16 with the 512K memory upgrade installed, the switches should be set correctly, and are the same for all total memory over 640K.

Here's a summary of possible memory combinations and appropriate switch settings:

System Board		256K				
Lower board socket	s 1-8	Empty	256K			
Lower board socket	s 9-16	Empty	Empty	256K		
Upper board socket	s 1-8	Empty	Empty	Empty	256K	
Upper board socket	s 9-16	Empty	Empty	Empty	Empty	256K
TOTAL MEMORY		256K	512к	768K	1024К	12808
SWITCHES: SW1-1 SW1-2 SW1-3			OFF ON ON	ON ON OFF		

E. Color or Composite Monitor

PHC-16 contains all the circuitry necessary to use a color or composite monitor. Plug a color monitor into the RGB jack or a composite monitor into the composite (RCA type) jack. Both jacks are on the back of the PHC-16.

Make sure you set switches SW1-5 and SW1-6 for your monitor. These settings will be different for different monitors.

You can switch back and forth between the monitor and the PHC-16 LCD by pressing the CTRL, Left Shift, and M keys at the same time.

F. Carrying Case

A carrying case designed specifically for the PHC-16 is available in a sturdy, canvas-like cloth.

The carrying case features an outside pocket for storing extra batteries, the PHC-16 Guide to Operations, or other supplies. G. Car Adapter

This option is the same design as the AC power pack that comes standard with the PHC-16. But instead of plugging into an electrical outlet, it plugs into an automobile cigarette lighter.

H. Keyboard Cable

An optional keyboard cable is available for use with the PHC-16. The available cable is coiled and can be extended up to ten feet.

I. High Performance Components

You can add these components to greatly increase the performance of your PHC-16. All are installed on the system board by removing the case and plugging them into the appropriate socket. See the Appendix, Technical Information, for more details.

1. 8087 Coprocessor

Adding an 8087 coprocessor can greatly increase the processing speed of your PHC-16. The most significant increase will come when performing complicated mathematical calculations.

Be sure to turn switch SW1-4 OFF.

2. ROM

You can add a pre-programmed 16K or 32K ROM chip. The PHC-16 will read this ROM on startup. Although programming ROM is a complicated process and must be performed by experts, this gives you the capability of making your own programs permanently available on the PHC-16, independent of other storage devices. This is called "firmware".

3. CMOS

CMOS (Complementary Metal Oxide Semiconductor) is RAM powered by a battery to retain the data stored in it. PHC-16 comes with 2K of CMOS, which is used to store settings for the world clock, audio feedback, monitor, and remote terminal. You can add up to 8K to permanently store your own data. For example, you may want to store a telephone number list for your modem.

GLOSSARY



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ASCII -Acronym for American Standard Code for Information Interchange, the standard set of characters used by your computer and printer. This includes letters, numbers, punctuation, and a few special characters such as a carriage return. 3ASIC -Abbreviation for Beginner's All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code. BASIC is a popular, easy-to-learn programming language. Bit -The smallest unit of storage in a computer's memory. Eight bits equal one byte. A bit is an electrical pulse in a microcomputer's chip that represents the one or zero of computer binary language. Byte -A single character or number (see Bit). Chip -A small slice of silicon crystal etched with electrical circuits. The chip has allowed computers to become smaller in size while they have increased in storage capacity. The two most common types of chips are the microprocessor, or the computer's "brain", and the memory chip. Circuit Board - See Expansion Unit. Cursor - A flashing bar or block that moves around on the screen and shows you where to enter information. Default - A value, option, or disk drive that is assumed by the computer when none is specified. Disk -See Diskette or Hard Drive. Disk Drive - See Physical Drive or Hard Drive. Diskette -A circular sheet of flexible plastic treated to store electomagnetic charges and used by a computer to permanently store data. The PHC-16 uses double-sided, double-density 5-1/4 inch diskettes which hold 360K of data. Diskette Drive - See Physical Drive DOS see MS-DOS.

Expansion Board - A board containing circuits and electronic components which expand the features of a computer. Expansion boards can be installed in PHC-16 optional expansion unit. The most common expansion boards add memory or produce graphics. See Expansion Unit.

Expansion Slot - See Expansion Unit.

Expansion Unit - PHC-16 optional chassis which plugs into the expansion bus on the back of the PHC-16 and which has expansion slots for adding IBM PC compatible expansion boards.

Fixed Disk - See Hard Drive.

- Floppy Disk See Diskette.
- Function Keys Keys on the keyboard that allow the computer to perform specific tasks and functions, such as moving the cursor or deleting characters.
- Hardware The computer system itself, made up of the CPU, the physical drive, keyboard, and screen.

Hard Disk - See Hard Drive.

- Hard Drive A mechanical unit containing a rigid disk (hard disk) treated to store electromagnetic charges and used by a computer to permanently store data. Hard drives for the PHC-16 must be mounted in the expansion unit or externally mounted in their own case and attached to the expansion unit. Unlike diskettes, hard disks are usually not removable. Because of their construction, hard disks hold much more data (usually 10 or 20 megabytes) and are much faster than diskettes.
- K Abbreviation of Kilobyte.
- Keyboard The collection of keys and controls used for typing information into a computer.
- Kilobyte Roughly 1000 bytes, abbreviated as K; actually 1,024 bytes. The PHC-16 standard 256K of memory equals 262,144 bytes.
- Megabyte Roughly one million bytes, abbreviated as MB. Actually 1,024,000 bytes.
- Memory The area in which programs and information are stored in the computer.
- Menu Like a menu in a restaurant, a list of choices you can select from to perform desired functions, such as edit, delete, or print.

Microcomputer - A computer that uses a microprocessor as its central processor. The term microcomputer includes personal, desktop, home, and portable computers.

Microprocessor - See Chip.

- Modem A device allowing a computer to send and receive information to and from another computer over telephone lines.
- MS-DOS The most widely used operating system for microcomputers, and included with the PHC-16.
- Operating System A software program that allows the computer and its peripherals to function as a system. MS-DOS is an operating system.
- Palette A combination of shades of gray on your LCD. Six palettes are available on the PHC-16 to compensate for the different ways application software displays on the screen.
- Peripherals Computer components that are not part of the computer itself, such as physical drives and printers, but that the computer controls. Peripherals help the computer process information.
- Physical Drive the mechanical unit that reads, writes, and stores data on a diskette.
- Port A computer or peripheral device's input/output connections.
- Printer A machine that prints output on paper. Dot matrix printers form characters, numbers or graphics with a collection of dots. The characters on letter-quality printers resemble typewriter characters.
- Program The computer instructions recorded on disks that make the computer "intelligent" and able to perform different functions such as accounting and word processing.
- Programming The process of writing instructions for a computer.
- RAM Drive An electronic "drive" that reads, writes, and stores data like a physical drive, but is temporary, and loses data when power is shut off. Data is stored in a portion of RAM and is controlled by software built into the PHC-16. The PHC-16 RAM drive can be from 0 to 360K.

- Random Access Memory (RAM) A computer's read and write memory, which allows the CPU to receive, record and store information when the machine is on.
- Read Only Memory (ROM) This permanent memory stores the information necessary for the machine's daily operations. The computer can only read information from ROM. ROM memory is never lost, whereas RAM memory can be if the information is not stored on diskette and the computer is turned off.
- Scratch Diskette A diskette containing data you don't want or need anymore.
- Software Programs that tell the computer to store and process. It is the software that makes the computer capable of doing the tasks you want it to perform.

APPENDICES



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A. Technical Information

l. Memory Map

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FFFFF FC000 FBFFF	STAN	ROM 1 32KBytes (27256)	OPT-O	ROM 1 32KBytes (27256)	O P T	ROM 1 32KBytes (27256)	For Option 2 all data in that area is read as FEH
F8000 F7FFF	D					ROM 2	
F4000	ANDRAD	BLANK	Й	ROM 2 32KBvtes	М	16KBytes	
F3FFF F0000		Demix	1	32KBytes (27256)	2		
EFFFF	B	Bank switched Jp to 640K cs	RAN	1 addressed	in th	ic 61K area	
E0000	Ĭ	(Optional) S	iee b	below for sw	itchi	ng info.	
DFFFF	ß	eserved					
00000							
CFFFF	R	leserved					
0000							
CBFFF	H	lard Disk ROM					
00080							
C7FFF	R	leserved					
BC000							
BBFFF		16%Bytes for Internal star					
B8000							
B7FFF	R	Reserved					
B4000							
B3FFF		l6KBytes for /ideo sdapter					
B0000							
AFFFF	R	Reserved					
A0000							
HEFFE	1	28KBytes Exp					
80000							
TEEFE	2	256KBytes Exp					
11000							
	2	256KBytes Mai	n Bo	bard RAM (St	andar	d)	

2. ROM

You can put programs into a 27128 or 27256 ROM and have these programs always present for use.

When the BIOS is booting, it checks from C8000H to F7FFFH at 2K increments (C8000H, C8800H,...) looking for AA55H. This is the data code that tells the system that a program is present in ROM. The third byte is the number of 512-byte blocks contained in the routine. Checksums are not calculated. The system then does a far call to the fourth byte on that boundary (for example, C8003H). This allows the ROM code to do its own initialization, if needed, or to take over the system and run its own software.

This allows some interesting possibilities. Word processors, communications software, dedicated industrial controllers, etc. can be implemented without the need for disk-based software.

As viewed from the modem door, ROM 1 is the upper ROM, ROM 2 is the lower ROM. Be sure to turn off the computer and pay close attention to the direction of the notch on the ROM when inserting ROM chips.

Most of the routines that can be called using the CTRL Left Shift XXX keyboard sequence can also be called from within a program by using a far call to 0F000:0FEA8H with AL=ROUTINE to call.

- AL=0 Show battery level
- AL=1 Show date and time (cursor is moved to home position)
- AL=2 Invert black/white on the LCD
- AL=3 Toggle between LCD and RGB or composite monitor
- AL=4 Cycle through the 6 palette choices
- AL=5 Toggle between block and underline cursor
- AL=6 Enter the dumb terminal program
- AL=7 Enter the help screen program
- AL=8 Enter the world clock program

Writing to and reading from CMOS RAM is done through an 1/0 port and is rather complicated. To make the use of CMOS RAM easier, the following BIOS calls are available:

Set the address you want to read from or write to into the DX register.

Write: Set the data you want to write into the AL or AX register. Do a far call to the desired routine.

Read: Do a far call to the desired routine. The data read is returned in the AL or AX register.

F000:FF60	READ BYTE	[AL HAS THE BYTE READ]	
F000:FF64	WRITE BYTE	[AL HAS THE BYTE TO WRITE]	
F000:FF68	READ WORD	[AX HAS THE WORD READ]	
F000:FF6C	WRITE WORD	[AX HAS THE WORD TO WRITE]	

Memory can be increased from 256K (standard) to 1280K (1.25 megabytes) in 256K increments.

The maximum system RAM is 640K. Sections of this can be enabled internally or externally to allow the use of memory cards or other devices in the expansion interface box.

For the 768K configuration, the 128K portion that exceeds the 640K limit can be used as a RAM drive. This 128K resides in the 64K area from E0000H to EFFFFH. This is done by bank switching in 64K blocks of RAM.

For a 1024K (1 megabyte) configuration, the system memory is 640K and 360K of the 384K over that can be used as a RAM drive.

The remaining 24K can be used by the system for CTRL-Left Shift functions to store the screen image and as a buffer:

- l6K of the high RAM is used to store the current screen when any of the CTRL-Left Shift functions are called.
- * 8K is used as a data buffer for the dumb terminal program.

For a 1280K (1.25 megabyte) system, the upper 256K is free for use.

Bank switching of the RAM is done through control port 77H (write only). The data pattern written to this port controls RAM as follows:

D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0	
X	x	X	X	0	0	0	0	Bank #0 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	0	0	1	Bank #1 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	0	1	0	Bank #2 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	0	1	1	Bank #3 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	1	0	()	Bank #4 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	1	0	1	Bank #5 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	1	1	0	Bank #6 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	0	1	1	1	Bank #7 Open RAM Windo
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	0	0	0	Bank #8 Open RAM Windo
X	Х	Х	Х	1	0	0	1	Bank #9 Open RAM Windo
х	Х	Х	Х	1	0	1	0	Close RAM Window
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	0	1	1	Close RAM Window
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	1	0	0	Close RAM Window
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	1	0	1	Close RAM Window
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	1	1	0	Close RAM Window
Х	Х	Х	Х	1	1	1	1	Close RAM Window

X = Don't care

With the RAM window closed, any external drive wishing to use the area from E0000H to EFFFFH can do so.

4. Battery Backup CMOS RAM

2K bytes are standard and 8K bytes are optional.

To upgrade from 2K to 8K, turn the power off, remove the 6 screws that hold the front and back of the case together, and remove the socketed RAM chip (M5M5117P or equivalent) on the I/O board and replace it with an 8K RAM chip (M5M5165P or equivalent).

When installing a 2K memory chip (24 pins) in the CMOS RAM socket (28 pins), be sure that the end that is not notched is even with the end of the socket:

Lower RAM locations (IK) are used by the system to store setup parameters. This allows the system to power up in the same mode as when it powered down.

RAM locations 0400H to 07FFH are free for the programmer (2K standard). RAM locations 0400H to 3FFFH are free for the programmer when the optional 8K is installed.

This memory is addressed through I/O port addresses 27BH, 37FH, and 370H - 377H.

The procedure is to first set address lines All, Al2 via the port 27BH. The data on the LSB Dl, D0 lines are latched (D0->All, D1->Al2).

Then set address lines A3 to A10 through port 37FH. (D0->A3, ... D7->A10).

8 bytes of data can now be read/written directly from/to the CMOS RAM by reading/writing any of ports 370H to 377H.

Example: Write the number 55 to location 37 in the RAM. 37 DECIMAL = 25 HEX = 100101

This corresponds to putting the following pattern on the address bus:

Al2 All Al0 A9 A8 A7 A6 A5 A4 A3 A2 Al A0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 0 1

 MOV
 DX, 27BH

 MOV
 AL,0

 OUT
 DX,AL
 ;SET A12, A11

 MOV
 DX,37FH

 MOV
 AL,00000100B

 OUT
 DX,AL

 OUT
 DX,AL

 MOV
 DX,AL

 MOV
 DX,375H

 MOV
 AL,55

 OUT
 DX,AL

 SOUT
 DX,AL

To make it easier, there are two routines in the system BIOS ROM that when called will do a read/write to the CMOS RAM area.

How to use:

Set the address you want to read from or write to into the DX register.

Write: Set the data you want to write into the AL or AX register. Do a far call to the desired routine.

Read: Do a far call to the desired routine. The data read is returned in the AL or AX register.

F000:FF60READ BYTE(AL HAS THE BYTE READ)F000:FF64WRITE BYTE(AL HAS THE BYTE TO WRITE)F000:FF68READ WORD(AX HAS THE WORD READ)F000:FF6CWRITE WORD(AX HAS THE WORD TO WRITE)

The backup battery may run down if the computer is not used for 45 days or more (NICAD type). If this happens, it may be necessary to set switch 2-3 ON to force the computer to boot up using the LCD display when no RGB is attached.

5. DIP Switches

See Chapter 2: Customizing Your PHC-16 for the location and use of the dip switches. This section provides technical information about the switches.

Switch 1 is read through an 8255 chip having ports 60H, 61H, 62H, and 63H:

- * Port 60H is used as a read only port.
- * Port 61H is used as a control port and can be written to or read from.
- * Port 62H is used as a read only port.
- * Port 63H is the 8255 chip control port and is used to set up ports 60H 62H.

The relationship between ports 60H, 61H, 62H, the SWl-l to SWl-8 settings, and the data that is read at ports 60H and 62H are as follows:

PORT 60H DATA BIT	PORT 61H D7=0	PORT 61H D7=1
D0	KEYBOARD DO	1
Dl	KEYBOARD D1	SW1-4
D2	KEYBOARD D2	1
D3	KEYBOARD D3	1
D 4	KEYBOARD D4	SW1-5
D5	KEYBOARD D5	SW1-6
D6	KEYBOARD D6	SW1-7
D7	KEYBOARD D7	SW1-8
PORT 62H	PORT 61H D2=0	PORT 61H D2=1

D0	SW1-3	0
D1	1	1
D2	1	SW1-1
D3	1	SW1-2

CAUTION: Some software does direct read/write without using the system BIOS routines. This software may not work correctly unless SW3-2 is ON.

A 5.25 inch floppy disk drive can be attached to the back of the case. In this configuration, it is necessary to distinguish between Drive B being internal or external. After power on, the internal/external Drive B selections can be made by setting D2 of port 73H to 1 or 0.

SW3-5 and SW3-6 can be used to select different fonts. Type 3 and 4 fonts are currently undefined.

Port 73H (write only) is a control port used to enable or disable the functions selected by dip switch SW3-2 to SW3-8. The following are the data bit settings:

D0=0 Used to turn power to the backlit LCD (when installed) ON or OFF.

D1=0 Always supply power to the floppy disk drives (OFF saves battery power).

- D2=0 The 2nd floppy disk drive is internal.
- D3=0 Internal video RAM is being used (B8000-BFFFF).

D4=0 Selects D4=1 Selects D4=0 Selects D4=1 Selects

D5=0 USA font D5=0 Type 2 font D5=1 Type 3 font D5=1 Type 4 font

D6=0 Internal RAM is being used (40000-7FFFF), OFF for external cards.

D7=0 Internal RAM is being used (80000-BFFFF), OFF for external cards.

This allows a programmer to select these options from a program if desired.

6. CRT Video and LCD Video

The PHC-16 has RBG and composite video connectors out the back. The RBG pinout is the same as the "industry standard".

The CRT video and LCD video are controlled by a V6355 controller chip. The selection of a CRT monitor or the LCD screen is done by reprogramming the chip and by writing to port 72H (write only).

Port 72H also controls the reverse video and contrast on the LCD screen.

D0=1 Lower the contrast.

Dl=l Raise the contrast.

D2=1 Set the contrast to a mid-range value.

D3=1 Select a CRT monitor (D3=0 selects the LCD).

D4=1 Reverse the black and white on the LCD screen.

D5 Not used.

D6 Not used.

D7 Not used.

The V6355 chip has 16 palettes. Each one can be reprogrammed to give any of an 8 level gray scale on the screen. All "colors" can be made the same, or they can be set as desired.

The CTRL-Left Shift-S command rotates through six different palette settings to make the LCD screen readable for a variety of color combinations. The first five settings are fixed. The sixth setting is user selectable; however, the desired values must be written to CMOS RAM.

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- General use.
- 1 Enables the intensity bit for Wordstar type programs.
- 2 Reverses the use of the intensity bit.
- Gives an 8-level gray scale in text mode.
- 4 For composite video output.
- 5 User definable. The default values give the same effect as inverse video on the LCD screen (the values are the reverse of palette 3).

RBG output will not be affected by the palette selection.

Default Palette 5 values are:

00H,70H,00H,60H,00H,50H,00H,40H 00H,30H,00H,20H,00H,10H,00H,00H 00H,70H,00H,60H,00H,50H,00H,40H 00H,30H,00H,20H,00H,10H,00H,00H

7. 8087 Coprocessor

When SW1-4 is OFF, an 8087 coprocessor can be used.

8. CTRL-Left Shift Functions

The CTRL-Left Shift functions are explained in Chapter 2: Customizing Your PHC-16.

In addition:

- Only one function can be active at a time
- The remote (dumb) terminal program is used for communication purposes. It can go through either COMl or COM2. It is menu driven for ease of use. At present, there is no checking of the clear to send or data set ready.
- Data is received through an interrupt driven routine. If 24K of RAM is saved for the the CTRL-Left Shift functions, then the last 8K is used as a data buffer. If not, the last 8K of video RAM is used as a buffer. If the buffer is overrun, an error message occurs and the system prompts the user. Further data is lost, however.
- 9. Technical Notes
- 1. To conserve power, the PHC-16 uses CMOS parts wherever possible including the printer port. If the computer is turned off before the printer, garbage may be printed as the printer circuit loses power. Turn the printer off first.
- 2. Some software continually refreshes the screen during certain displays. The video chip for LCD, RGB, and composite video is built such that it is never necessary to disable video to refresh the screen. Certain software assumes a CRT and waits for VSYNC, turns off video, then updates the data. When done, it enables video again. For a CRT, the first few raster scans are not shown and the picture is OK. For an LCD, all rasters are shown. This and timing differences cause about five raster lines at the top and the middle to be missing from the LCD.

Paralle Port Pin Chart

Pin NO. # 1



<pre># 1 # 2 # 4 2 # 4 3 # 4 # 5 # 7 # 8 # 9 # 10 # 11 # 112 # 113 # 114 # 116 # 117 # 118 # 119 # 201 # 221 # 222</pre>	Strobe Data 0 Data 1 Data 2 Data 2 Data 3 Data 4 Data 5 Data 6 Data 7 ACK Busy PE SLCT N/C (no connect) N/C init N/C ground GND ground GND ground GND ground GND ground GND
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#22	ground GND
#23	ground GND
#24	ground GND
#25	ground GND

Sirial Port Pin Chart



Pin NO. # 1

2

3

4

5

6 # 7

8

#16

#20 #21

FG (frame ground)	
TKD Transmit Data	
RXD Receive Data	
RST Request to send	
CTS Clear to send	
DSR Data set ready	
signal ground	
CD (carrier detect)	
+ 5	
DTR (data terminal r	eady)
RI (ring indicator)	

RGBI Pin Chart



Pin	NO.	
# #	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	ground GND ground GND R G B I non connect HSYNC VSYNC

Composite Pin Chart



Pin	NO.	
#	1	VIDEO OUT
#	2	ground GND

Modem Bus Port Pin Chart

	Pin NO	•	Pin NO.	
[][-]	# 1	+5v	#18	IBA4
	# 2	IRQ4	#19	-15V
	# 3	IBD7	#20	IBA3
F-5 }-1	# 4	IBRESET	#21	-15V
	# 5	IBD6	#22	IBA2
	# 6	MODEMCS-N	#23	IBAENRD
	# 7	IBD5	#24	TBA 1
남 날	# 8	NC	#25	+5V
	# 9	IBD4	#26	I BAO
	#10	IBA7	#27	GND
	#11	IBD3	#28	IBIOW-N
	#12	IBA6	#29	GND
날날	#13	IBD2	#30	1BIOR-N
	#14	IBA5	#31	GND
	#15	IBD1	#32	TRO3
33 - 34	#16	MODEMOPN-N	# 3 3	GND
	#17	IBDO	#34	GND

Externai Bus Port Pin Chart

	Pin NO.		Pin No	D.
	и 1			LOONGR N
0	# 1 # 3	+5V	#2 #4	I/OCHCK-N
12		D7		EXREST
1 2	# 5 # 7	D6	# 6	+5V
		D5	# 8	IRQ2
• •	# 9	D4	#10	NC
••	#11	D3	#12	DRQ
••	#13	D2	#14	-15V
••	#15	D1	#16	DIR
••	#17	D0	#18	+12V
••	#19	I/OCHRDY	#20	GND
	#21	IBAENBRD	#22	I BMEMW-N
	#23	IBAl8	#24	IBMEMR-N
• •	#25	IBA19	#26	IBIOW-N
••	#27	IBA17	#28	IBIOR-N
••	#29	IBA16	#30	IBDACK3-N
• •	#31	IBA15	#32	DRQ3
••	#33	IBA14	#34	IBDACK1-N
••	#35	IBA13	#36	DRQ1
••	#37	IBAl2	#38	IBDACKO-N
• •	#39	IBAll	#40	EXCRK
	#41	IBA10	#42	IRQ7
• •	#43	IBA9	#44	IRQ6
• •	#45	IBA8	#46	IRQ5
••	#47	IBA7	#48	IRO4
••	#49	IBA6	#50	IRO3
••	#51	1 BA 5	#52	IBDACK2-N
••	#53	IBA4	#54	IBTIC
••	#55	IBA3	#56	IBAENBRD
61 52	#57	1BA2	#58	+5V
01	#59	IBAl	#60	OSC
0	#61	IBAO	#62	GND
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ASCII		Control	ASCII	
value	Character	character	value	Character
000	(null)	NUL	032	(space)
001	0	SOH	033	!
002	•	STX	034	··
003	♥	ETX	035	#
004	•	EOT	036	\$
005	≜	ENQ	037	0/ /0
006		ACK	038	&
007	(beep)	BEL	039	,
008	0	BS	040	(
009	(tab)	HT	041)
010	(line feed)	LF	042	*
011	(home)	VT	043	+
012	(form feed)	FF	044	
013	(carriage return)	CR	045	-
014	F	SO	046	•
015	‡	SI	047	/
016	►	DLE	048	0
017	4	DC1	049	1
018	ŧ	DC 2	050	2
019	!!	DC3	051	3
020	भ	DC4	052	4
021	9	NAK	053	5
022		SYN	054	6
023	Ł	ETB	055	7
024	ŧ	CAN	056	8
025	ł	EM	057	9
026	-+	SUB	058	:
027	+-	ESC	059	;
028	(cursor right)	FS	060	<
029	(cursor left)	GS	061	=
030	(cursor up)	RS	062	>
031	(cursor down)	US	063	?

ASCII		ASCII	
value	Character	value	Character
064	@	096	•
065	Α	097	a
066	В	098	b
067	С	099	с
068	D	100	d
069	E	101	е
070	F	102	f
071	G	103	9
072	Н	104	h
073	I	105	i
074	J	106	i
075	К	107	k
076	L	108	1
077	Μ	109	m
078	N	110	n
079	0	111	0
080	Р	112	ρ
081	Q	113	q
082	R	114	r
083	S	115	s
084	Т	116	t
085	U	117	u
086	V	118	v
087	W	119	w
880	Х	120	x
089	Y	121	У
090	Z	122	z
091	I	123	1
092	\	124	1 1
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095		127	\Box

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129	Ü	161	í
130	é	162	ó
131	à	163	ú
132	ä	164	ñ
133	à	165	Ñ
134	à	166	ā
135	ç	167	ō
136	ê	168	د
137	ë	169	(
138	è	170	
139	ï	171	1/2
140	î	172	1/4
141	ì	173	i
142	Ä	174	«
143	λ	175	»
144	É	176	
145	æ	177	6866
146	Æ	178	8 338
147	ô	179	1
148	ö	180	-1
149	ò	181	=
150	û	182	-1
151	Ù	183	
152	Ÿ	184	7
153	Ö	185	
154	Ü	186	II.
155	¢	187	- 1
156	£	188	1
157	¥	189	LL.
158	Pt	190	
159	f	191	7

ASCII		ASCII	
vatue	Character	value	Character
192	L	224	α
193	_	225	β
194	т	226	Г
195	F	227	π
196		228	Σ
197	-+	2 29	σ
198	⊧	230	μ
199	#	231	т
200	LL.	232	Ф
201	ſŗ	233	-0-
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221	1	253	2
222		254	
223		255	(blank 'FF')

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