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PARTS-QUICK 1GB DDR2 PC2-4200 SODIMM RAM Installation Guide

For Acer Aspire 3680-2682 Laptops

1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your PARTS-QUICK 1GB DDR2 PC2-4200 SODIMM RAM module. This memory module is specifically designed for compatibility with the Acer Aspire 3680-2682 laptop model, enhancing its performance by increasing available system memory. Please read this guide thoroughly before proceeding with installation.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

- Always disconnect the laptop from its power source and remove the battery before opening the chassis or handling internal components.
- Discharge static electricity from your body by touching a grounded metal object (e.g., an unpainted metal surface on the computer chassis) before touching any internal components. Consider using an anti-static wrist strap.
- Handle the memory module by its edges to avoid touching the gold connectors or the integrated circuits.
- Ensure proper ventilation and a clean workspace to prevent dust or debris from entering the laptop.
- If you are unsure about any step, consult a qualified technician.

3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Verify that your package contains the following item:

- 1 x PARTS-QUICK 1GB DDR2 PC2-4200 SODIMM RAM Module

Figure 3.1: A close-up view of the PARTS-QUICK 1GB DDR2 PC2-4200 SODIMM RAM module, showing the green circuit board, memory chips, and gold-plated connectors.

4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Follow these steps carefully to install the new RAM module into your Acer Aspire 3680-2682 laptop.

1. **Prepare the Laptop:**
   - Shut down your Acer Aspire 3680-2682 laptop completely.
   - Disconnect the AC adapter and remove the battery.
   - Place the laptop on a clean, flat, and static-free surface.

2. **Access the Memory Compartment:**
   - Carefully turn the laptop over.
   - Locate the memory compartment cover, usually secured by one or more screws.
   - Using a small Phillips-head screwdriver, unscrew and remove the cover. Set the screws aside in a safe place.

3. **Install the New RAM Module:**
   - If there is an existing memory module in the slot you intend to use, gently push apart the small metal clips on either side of the module. The module should pop up at an angle. Carefully pull it out.
   - Hold the new PARTS-QUICK SODIMM module by its edges. Align the notch on the module with the key in the memory slot.
   - Insert the module into the slot at a 45-degree angle.
   - Gently push down on the module until the metal clips on both sides snap into place, securing the module horizontally.

4. **Reassemble the Laptop:**
   - Replace the memory compartment cover and secure it with the screws.
   - Reinsert the battery and reconnect the AC adapter.
   - Turn the laptop over to its normal operating position.

5. OPERATING AND VERIFICATION

After installation, verify that the new RAM module is recognized by your system.

1. **Power On:** Turn on your laptop. The system should boot normally.

2. **Verify Memory in Windows:**
   - Right-click on "My Computer" or "This PC" on your desktop or in the Start Menu.
   - Select "Properties".
   - Under "System", locate "Installed memory (RAM)". The total amount of installed RAM should reflect the new total (e.g., if you had 1GB and added 1GB, it should now show 2GB).

3. **Verify Memory in BIOS/UEFI:**
   - During startup, press the designated key (often F2, F10, DEL, or ESC) to enter the BIOS/UEFI setup.
   - Navigate to the system information or memory section to confirm the detected RAM amount.

6. MAINTENANCE

Memory modules generally require minimal maintenance. To ensure optimal performance and longevity:

- Keep the laptop's internal components free from dust by periodically cleaning with compressed air, ensuring the laptop is powered off and unplugged.
- Avoid exposing the memory module or laptop to extreme temperatures or humidity.
- Handle the module with care during any future upgrades or servicing to prevent physical damage.

7. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues after installing the RAM, consider the following troubleshooting steps:

- **Laptop Does Not Boot or Beeps:**
  - Ensure the RAM module is fully seated in its slot. Remove and reinsert it firmly.
  - Check if the notch on the module aligns correctly with the slot key.
  - If multiple modules are installed, try booting with only the new module, or with only the original module if you replaced one.

- **Incorrect RAM Amount Detected:**
  - Verify the module is correctly seated.
  - Check your laptop's specifications to ensure it supports the total amount of RAM installed.
  - Update your laptop's BIOS/UEFI firmware if an update is available, as this can sometimes improve memory compatibility.

- **System Instability or Blue Screens:**
  - Run a memory diagnostic tool (e.g., Windows Memory Diagnostic) to check for errors.
  - Ensure the module is compatible with your laptop's existing memory (if applicable) in terms of speed and type.

8. SPECIFICATIONS

Capacity	1GB

Form Factor	200-pin SODIMM
Memory Type	DDR2
Speed	533MHz (PC2-4200)
Voltage	1.8V
Error Correction	Non-ECC
Buffering	Unbuffered
Compliance	Halogen Free; ROHS
Compatible Devices	Acer Aspire 3680-2682 Laptop

9. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

This PARTS-QUICK memory module is backed by a **Lifetime Warranty**. For technical support or warranty claims, please refer to the contact information provided with your purchase or visit the official PARTS-QUICK website. Toll-free technical support is also available.