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Model: MPG X670E CARBON WIFI

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides detailed instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Gaming Motherboard. Designed for AMD Ryzen 7000/8000/9000 Series Processors, this motherboard features the AM5 socket, DDR5 memory support, and PCIe 5.0 connectivity, offering a robust platform for high-performance computing.

Please read this manual thoroughly before proceeding with installation to ensure proper setup and to maximize the performance and longevity of your system.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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Always observe the following safety precautions during installation and operation:

- **Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Prevention:** Always wear an anti-static wrist strap or frequently touch a grounded metal object (like the computer case) before handling components to prevent ESD damage.
- **Power Disconnection:** Ensure the power supply is unplugged from the wall outlet before installing or removing any components.
- **Component Handling:** Handle components by their edges. Avoid touching pins, contacts, or circuitry directly.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure adequate airflow within your computer case to prevent overheating.
- **Liquid and Moisture:** Keep the motherboard and other components away from liquids and moisture.

## 3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

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Verify that all items are present in your motherboard package. Contents may vary slightly by region.

- MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Motherboard
- SATA Cables

- Wi-Fi Antenna
- M.2 Screws/Standoffs
- User Manual and Quick Installation Guide
- Driver DVD/USB Drive (for initial driver installation)

## 4. MOTHERBOARD LAYOUT AND COMPONENTS

Familiarize yourself with the various components and connectors on your motherboard.



Figure 4.1: Top-down view of the MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Motherboard. This image displays the CPU socket (AM5), four

DDR5 DIMM slots, multiple M.2 slots with heatsinks, PCIe expansion slots, and various headers and connectors.



**Figure 4.2:** Angled view of the MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Motherboard, highlighting the VRM heatsinks, the integrated I/O shield, and the design elements of the M.2 Shield Frozr heatsinks.



**Figure 4.3:** Rear I/O Panel of the MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Motherboard. This panel includes USB 3.2 Gen 2 ports (Type-A and Type-C), HDMI, DisplayPort, 2.5Gbps LAN port, Wi-Fi 6E antenna connectors, audio jacks, and the Flash BIOS Button with Clear CMOS button.

## 5. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

Follow these steps for proper installation of your motherboard and components.

### 5.1. CPU Installation

1. **Prepare the Socket:** Gently lift the load lever on the AM5 socket.
2. **Install CPU:** Align the triangular mark on the AMD Ryzen processor with the mark on the socket. Carefully place the CPU into the socket without applying force.
3. **Secure CPU:** Lower the load lever back into position until it clicks, securing the CPU.
4. **Apply Thermal Paste and Cooler:** Apply a thin, even layer of thermal paste to the CPU IHS (Integrated Heat Spreader) and install your CPU cooler according to its manufacturer's instructions.

### 5.2. Memory (RAM) Installation

The motherboard supports DDR5 memory modules. For optimal performance, install memory in dual-channel configuration.

1. **Open DIMM Slots:** Open the clips on both ends of the DIMM slots.
2. **Align Memory:** Align the notch on the DDR5 memory module with the key in the DIMM slot.
3. **Insert Memory:** Press down firmly on both ends of the memory module until the clips snap into place.
4. **Dual Channel Configuration:** For two modules, install them into DIMMA2 and DIMMB2 (typically the second and fourth slots from the CPU) as indicated in the motherboard manual for optimal dual-channel performance.

### 5.3. Storage Device Installation (M.2 SSDs and SATA Drives)

The motherboard features multiple M.2 slots (PCIe 5.0 and PCIe 4.0) and SATA 6Gb/s ports.

- **M.2 SSD:**
  - a. Unscrew and remove the M.2 Shield Frozr heatsink from the desired M.2 slot.
  - b. Insert the M.2 SSD into the slot at a 30-degree angle.
  - c. Gently push down the SSD and secure it with the provided M.2 screw or EZ M.2 clip.
  - d. Reattach the M.2 Shield Frozr heatsink.
- **SATA Drives:**

- a. Connect one end of a SATA data cable to a SATA port on the motherboard and the other end to your SATA HDD/SSD.
- b. Connect a SATA power cable from your power supply to the SATA HDD/SSD.

## 5.4. Expansion Card Installation (Graphics Card, etc.)

The motherboard supports PCIe 5.0 and PCIe 4.0 expansion cards.

1. **Open Slot Latch:** Open the latch on the desired PCIe slot.
2. **Insert Card:** Align the expansion card with the slot and press down firmly until it is fully seated and the latch clicks into place.
3. **Secure Card:** Secure the card to the chassis with a screw.
4. **Power Connection:** If installing a graphics card, connect the appropriate PCIe power cables from your power supply.

## 5.5. Power Connections

Connect the main 24-pin ATX power connector and the 8-pin/4-pin CPU power connectors from your power supply to the motherboard.

## 5.6. Front Panel Connectors

Connect the front panel cables (power button, reset button, USB ports, audio jacks, LED indicators) from your computer case to the corresponding headers on the motherboard. Refer to the detailed motherboard diagram in the full manual for exact pin assignments.

# 6. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

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## 6.1. First Boot and BIOS Access

1. **Power On:** After all components are installed and connected, connect your monitor, keyboard, and mouse. Turn on the power supply and press the power button on your case.
2. **Access BIOS:** During the boot process, repeatedly press the **Del** key to enter the BIOS/UEFI setup utility.
3. **Initial Configuration:** In the BIOS, you may need to:
  - Set the correct date and time.
  - Enable XMP/EXPO for your DDR5 memory to run at its rated speed.
  - Configure boot order to install your operating system from a USB drive or optical drive.

## 6.2. Operating System and Driver Installation

1. **Install OS:** Install your preferred operating system (e.g., Windows 11) following its installation instructions.
2. **Install Drivers:** After OS installation, install all necessary drivers. You can use the provided driver DVD/USB or download the latest drivers from the official MSI website. Key drivers include:
  - Chipset Drivers (AMD X670)
  - LAN Driver (2.5Gbps Ethernet)
  - Wi-Fi Driver (Wi-Fi 6E)
  - Bluetooth Driver (Bluetooth 5.3)
  - Audio Driver
  - Graphics Card Driver (from GPU manufacturer)

## 6.3. Software Utilities

MSI provides various software utilities to enhance your experience:

- **MSI Center:** A centralized application for system monitoring, tuning, and customization, including Mystic Light control for RGB lighting.
- **Mystic Light:** Control the RGB lighting effects on your motherboard and compatible peripherals.

## 7. MAINTENANCE

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### 7.1. Cleaning

Regular cleaning helps maintain optimal performance and extends component lifespan.

- **Dust Removal:** Use compressed air to remove dust from heatsinks, fans, and other components. Perform this outside or in a well-ventilated area.
- **Surface Cleaning:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth lightly dampened with isopropyl alcohol to clean non-conductive surfaces.
- **Frequency:** Clean your system every 3-6 months, or more frequently in dusty environments.

### 7.2. BIOS Updates

Updating the BIOS can improve system stability, compatibility, and performance. Always exercise caution when updating the BIOS.

- **Check for Updates:** Visit the official MSI website for your motherboard model to check for the latest BIOS versions.
- **Flash BIOS Button:** This motherboard features a Flash BIOS Button on the rear I/O panel (see Figure 4.3). This allows you to update the BIOS without a CPU, RAM, or graphics card installed. Refer to the MSI website or full manual for detailed instructions on using this feature.
- **In-BIOS Update:** Alternatively, you can update the BIOS from within the BIOS utility using a USB flash drive.

## 8. TROUBLESHOOTING

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This section addresses common issues you might encounter.

### 8.1. Q-Code Display

The motherboard features a Q-Code display (Debug LED) that shows a two-digit code during boot-up. These codes can help identify the source of a problem if the system fails to boot.

- **Common Codes:**
  - **00:** Not used.
  - **d0/d1/d3:** CPU initialization error. Check CPU installation and power connections.
  - **55:** Memory not installed or recognized. Reseat RAM modules, try one stick at a time.
  - **A0/A2:** IDE initialization is started. System is booting normally.
  - **A9:** Start of Setup.
- Refer to the full motherboard manual for a complete list of Q-Codes and their meanings.

### 8.2. No Display Output

- Ensure your monitor is connected to the graphics card (if dedicated) or the motherboard (if using integrated graphics, which AM5 CPUs typically do not have, requiring a dedicated GPU).
- Check all power connections to the graphics card and motherboard.
- Reseat the graphics card and RAM modules.
- Try booting with only essential components (CPU, one RAM stick, GPU).

### 8.3. Network Connectivity Issues

- **Wired (LAN):** Ensure the Ethernet cable is securely connected. Check router/modem status. Reinstall LAN drivers.
- **Wireless (Wi-Fi):** Ensure Wi-Fi antennas are securely attached. Check Wi-Fi settings in the operating system. Reinstall Wi-Fi drivers.

### 8.4. System Instability or Crashes

- Check CPU and GPU temperatures using monitoring software.
- Ensure all drivers are up to date.
- Verify RAM stability (e.g., run a memory test).
- Check power supply wattage and connections.

## 9. SPECIFICATIONS

### MSI MPG X670E Carbon WiFi Motherboard Key Specifications

Feature	Detail
<b>CPU Support</b>	AMD Ryzen™ 8000/ 7000 Series Desktop Processors
<b>CPU Socket</b>	AM5
<b>Chipset</b>	AMD X670
<b>Memory</b>	4x DDR5 DIMM slots, Dual Channel, up to 7800+ MHz (OC)
<b>PCIe Slots</b>	2x PCIe 5.0 x16 slots (support x16/x0 or x8/x8) 1x PCIe 4.0 x16 slot (supports x4)
<b>Storage</b>	2x M.2 slots (PCIe 5.0 x4) 2x M.2 slots (PCIe 4.0 x4) 6x SATA 6Gb/s ports
<b>USB Ports</b>	USB 3.2 Gen 2, USB 3.2 Gen 1, USB 2.0 (various Type-A/Type-C)
<b>LAN</b>	2.5Gbps Ethernet
<b>Wireless</b>	Wi-Fi 6E, Bluetooth 5.3
<b>Audio</b>	High Definition Audio
<b>Form Factor</b>	ATX
<b>Dimensions</b>	12 x 9.6 inches (30.48 cm x 24.38 cm)

## 10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

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MSI provides a limited warranty for its products. The specific terms and duration of the warranty may vary by region and product type. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official MSI website for detailed warranty information.

For technical support, driver downloads, BIOS updates, and FAQs, please visit the official MSI support website:

**MSI Global Support**

When contacting support, please have your motherboard model (MPG X670E CARBON WIFI) and serial number ready.

## 11. REGULATORY NOTICES

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This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

For detailed regulatory compliance information, please refer to the full user manual available on the MSI website.