msi GeForce RTX 3050 LP 6G OC

MSI Gaming RTX 3050 LP 6G OC Graphics Card User Manual

Brand: MSI | Model: GeForce RTX 3050 LP 6G OC

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1. Product Overview

The MSI Gaming RTX 3050 LP 6G OC Graphics Card is built with the NVIDIA Ampere architecture, featuring dedicated Ray Tracing Cores, AI Tensor Cores, and high-speed G6 memory. This low-profile graphics card is designed to deliver enhanced visual performance for gaming and creative applications, making it suitable for compact system builds. It offers a significant upgrade for users looking to step up to GeForce RTX capabilities.



Figure 1: Front view of the MSI Gaming RTX 3050 LP 6G OC Graphics Card, showcasing its dual-fan cooling system.

2. Setup and Installation

Proper installation of your graphics card is crucial for optimal performance and system stability. Follow these steps carefully.

2.1 System Requirements

- PCI Express-compliant motherboard with one x16 graphics slot.
- Minimum 300W power supply (check your system's power supply for compatibility).
- Operating System: Windows 10/11 64-bit or Linux 64-bit.
- Internet connection for driver download.

2.2 Hardware Installation

1. **Prepare Your System:** Power off your computer and unplug all cables. Open the computer case.
2. **Locate PCIe Slot:** Identify an available PCI Express x16 slot on your motherboard.
3. **Remove Slot Cover:** Remove the metal slot cover from the back of your computer case corresponding to the chosen PCIe slot.
4. **Insert Graphics Card:** Align the graphics card with the PCIe slot and press down firmly until it is securely seated. Ensure the retention clip on the motherboard clicks into place.
5. **Secure the Card:** Use a screw to secure the graphics card bracket to the computer case.
6. **Close Case:** Close your computer case and reconnect all cables.



Figure 2: Angled view of the graphics card, illustrating its compact design suitable for low-profile installations.



Figure 3: Rear view of the graphics card showing the DisplayPort and HDMI output connectors.

2.3 Driver Installation

1. **Power On:** Turn on your computer. The system may boot into a basic display mode.
2. **Download Drivers:** Visit the official MSI website (www.msi.com) or NVIDIA's official website (www.nvidia.com/drivers) to download the latest drivers for your GeForce RTX 3050 graphics card.
3. **Install Drivers:** Run the downloaded driver installer and follow the on-screen instructions. It is recommended to perform a clean installation.
4. **Restart:** Restart your computer after the driver installation is complete.

3. Operating Your Graphics Card

Once installed and drivers are updated, your graphics card is ready for use. Connect your display(s) to the available ports.

3.1 Connecting Displays

- The card features DisplayPort 1.4a and HDMI 2.1a outputs.
- Use high-quality cables for optimal signal integrity.
- For multiple displays, connect each monitor to an available port. Your operating system's display settings can be used to configure display modes (e.g., extended, duplicate).

3.2 Software Utilities

MSI provides software utilities such as MSI Afterburner for monitoring and fine-tuning your graphics card's performance, including clock speeds and fan curves. NVIDIA also offers GeForce Experience for driver updates, game optimization, and recording gameplay.

4. Maintenance

Regular maintenance helps ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your graphics card.

4.1 Cleaning

- Periodically clean dust from the fans and heatsink using compressed air. Ensure the system is powered off and unplugged before cleaning.
- Hold the fan blades gently to prevent them from spinning rapidly during cleaning, which can damage the bearings.

4.2 Driver Updates

- Keep your graphics drivers updated to benefit from performance improvements, bug fixes, and new features.
- Check the NVIDIA or MSI website regularly for the latest driver releases.

5. Troubleshooting

If you encounter issues with your graphics card, refer to the following common problems and solutions.

5.1 No Display Output

- **Check Connections:** Ensure the display cable is securely connected to both the graphics card and the monitor.
- **Power:** Verify that your power supply meets the minimum requirements and is functioning correctly.
- **Reseat Card:** Power off the system, unplug it, and reseat the graphics card in its PCIe slot.
- **Monitor Input:** Confirm your monitor is set to the correct input source (HDMI, DisplayPort).

5.2 Performance Issues or Crashes

- **Driver Issues:** Ensure you have the latest drivers installed. Try a clean installation of the drivers.
- **Overheating:** Monitor GPU temperatures using software like MSI Afterburner. Ensure adequate airflow in your case and clean any dust from the card's fans and heatsink.
- **System Resources:** Close unnecessary background applications that may be consuming system resources.
- **Game Settings:** Reduce in-game graphics settings if experiencing low frame rates or instability.

6. Technical Specifications

Feature	Detail
Graphics Coprocessor	NVIDIA GeForce RTX 3050

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Video Memory	6GB GDDR6
Memory Interface	96-bit
Boost Clock Speed	1492 MHz
Memory Speed	14 Gbps
Max Screen Resolution	7680x4320
Output Ports	1x DisplayPort 1.4a, 2x HDMI 2.1a
Item Model Number	GeForce RTX 3050 LP 6G OC
Item Weight	1.15 pounds
Product Dimensions (LxWxH)	10.32 x 7.17 x 2.64 inches
Manufacturer	MSI
First Available Date	February 5, 2024

7. Warranty and Support

7.1 Warranty Information

MSI products typically come with a limited warranty. For specific warranty terms, conditions, and duration, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official MSI website. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty claims.

7.2 Customer Support

For technical assistance, driver downloads, or service inquiries, please contact MSI customer support through their official channels:

- **MSI Official Website:** www.msi.com/support
- Refer to the MSI website for regional contact information, FAQs, and service centers.

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