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INTRODUCTION

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Blue Chip Technology is a leading specialist PC product manufacturer in Europe, providing innovation with quality design and manufacturing from a single source.

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CE

This product meets the essential protection requirements of the European EMC Directive (2004/108/EC) and the Low Voltage Directive (2006/95/EC), and is eligible to bear the CE mark.

Warning

This is a Class A product. In a domestic environment this product may cause radio interference in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

FCC

NOTE:

This equipment has been designed to meet the requirements of a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at their own expense.

WARNING:

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

The following publications will provide useful information related to the Standard Personal Computer and can be used in conjunction with this manual.

- IBM Personal Computer AT Technical Reference, 1502494, IBM, 1984.
- IBM Personal System/2 and Personal Computer BIOS Interface Technical Reference, 15F0306, IBM, 1987.
- The Programmers PC Sourcebook, Microsoft
- The Winn L. Rosch Hardware Bible, Brady

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PRECAUTIONS

Certain precautions are necessary when designing with, handling, and using circuit boards. *It is imperative that precautions are taken at all stages to avoid electro-static discharges, which will damage boards. Those boards fitted with an on-board lithium battery must be handled carefully to avoid maltreatment of the battery that could create a hazard.*

ELECTRO-STATIC DISCHARGES

Some of the devices within the Industrial PC can be totally destroyed by static electricity. Also bear in mind that the damage caused by static electricity may be partial and not immediately obvious. This could have an effect on your product's reliability and warranty. Ensure that you take necessary static precautions, ideally you should wear an approved wrist strap or if that is not possible, touch a suitable ground to discharge any static build up. This should be repeated if the handling is for any length of time.

When carrying any boards around, please place them into the anti-static bag in which they came. This will prevent any static electricity build up. If the board has an on-board battery, do not use black anti-static bags because these tend to be conductive and will discharge any on-board battery.

ON-BOARD BATTERY

The ULTIMA Industrial PC may contain a Processor board with an on-board lithium cell connected. To that end the following precautions apply and should be observed. If the battery is mistreated in any way there is a very real possibility of fire, explosion, and harm. Great care should be taken with this type of battery. Under NO circumstances should it be:

- short-circuited
- exposed to temperatures in excess of 100 °C or burnt
- immersed in water
- unsoldered
- recharged
- disassembled

Expired batteries remain hazardous and must be disposed of in a safe manner.

BIOS & CMOS RAM

Please be aware that on Industrial PC products, it is possible to create configurations within the CMOS RAM that make booting impossible. If this should happen, clear the CMOS settings, (see the description of the Jumper Settings on the Processor board being used for details).

ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY

This product has been assessed operating in representative, standard configurations. As with any PC product, however, final installation & configuration can vary significantly, and so the following guidelines are offered to help ensure that compatibility is maintained.

- All components added to a system should either carry appropriate equivalent levels of compliance, or be tested for compliance as part of the final system, and should be installed in accordance with supplier recommendations.
- The external enclosure should be securely fastened (with standard lids and covers in place) to ensure good metal-to-metal contact around the internal electronics
- Any metal back plate must be securely screwed to the chassis of the computer to ensure good metal-to-metal (i.e. earth) contact.
- Metal, screened, connector bodies should be securely connected to the enclosure.
- The external cabling to boards causes most EMC problems. It is recommended that any external cabling to the board be totally screened, and that the screen of the cable connects to the metal end bracket of the board or the enclosure and hence to earth. Round, screened cables with a braided wire screen are used in preference to those with a foil screen and drain wire. Wherever possible, use metal connector shells that connect around the full circumference of the cable screen: they are far superior to those that earth the screen by a simple “pig-tail”.
- The keyboard and mouse will play an important part in the compatibility of the processor card since they are ports into the board. Similarly, they will affect the compatibility of the complete system. Fully compatible peripherals must be used otherwise the complete system could be degraded. They may radiate or behave as if keys/buttons are pressed when subject to interference. Under these circumstances it may be beneficial to add a ferrite clamp on the leads as close as possible to the connector. A suitable type is the Chomerics type H8FE-1004-AS.
- USB cables should be high quality screened types.
- Ensure that the screens of any external cables are bonded to a good RF earth at the remote end of the cable.
- An earth stud is available on the back of the unit to improve grounding in extreme environments

Failure to observe these recommendations may invalidate the EMC compliance.

GETTING STARTED

MANUAL ORGANISATION

This manual describes in detail the Blue Chip Technology ULTIMA Industrial PC.

We have tried to include as much information as possible but we have not duplicated information that is provided in the standard IBM Technical References, unless it proved to be necessary to aid in the understanding of the ULTIMA Industrial PC.

The manual is sectioned as follows:

- Overview, listing the Chassis's features and specification;
- Layout, and dimensional details;
- Installation, and associated issues;
- Troubleshooting guide;

We strongly recommend that you study this manual carefully before attempting to interface with the ULTIMA Industrial PC or change the standard configurations. Whilst all the necessary information is available in this manual we would recommend that unless you are confident, you contact your supplier for guidance. ***IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THE SECTION 'PRECAUTIONS' BEFORE HANDLING ANY BOARDS.***

If you have any suggestions or find any errors concerning this manual and want to inform us of these, please contact our Technical Services department with the relevant details.

OVERVIEW

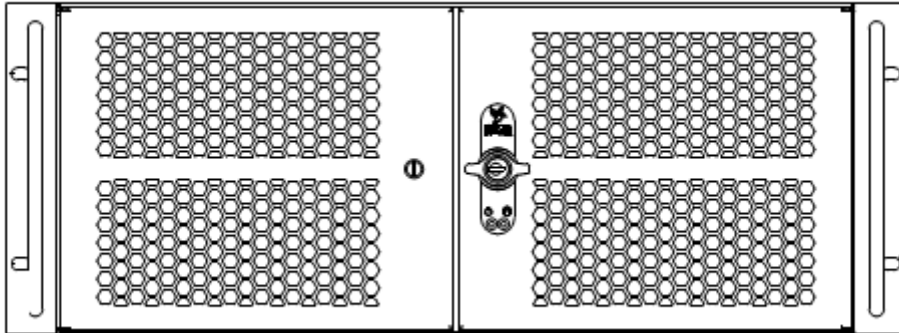
INTRODUCTION

The ULTIMA is a ruggedised PC compatible microcomputer designed for reliable operation in adverse environments. The unit can take a variety of PC-compatible ISA and PCI cards with both passive and active motherboard. It is available as a 19" rack mountable unit, and as a desktop unit. Both units use a common chassis and layout. System controls and disk drives are protected behind a sealed lockable steel door. The machine is cooled internally by filtered air, which enters through a removable filter at the front panel and exits at the rear. Access to boards is by a removable top cover. Connections to the boards are made at the rear of the chassis and behind the front door.

FEATURES

- Robust polished stainless steel chassis using recognised electromagnetic compatible (EMC) emission and immunity design techniques.
- Front panel with lockable door security for system controls.
- ATX, PICMG & ISA compliant.
- Various switch mode power supply unit
- Shock and vibration protected drive cage
- Filtered air through two 92 x 25 mm, 12V DC fans mounted behind the filter panel.
- Quick access to the air filter. The filter is a coated polyester material of 30 PPI porosity having a flammability rating to UL94 Class V0.
- Optional card retention mechanism.
- Optional telescopic slide rail fittings.
- Optional removable fans.
- Each system is supplied configured to order. The System Release Documentation details each particular system's configuration

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Ultima X 2015 Model

CHASSIS FEATURES

CHASSIS

The basic chassis is common to both types of assembly (rack mounting and desktop), and comprises several sub-assemblies:

- Chassis body including the cooling fan assembly
- Chassis front panel
- Chassis cover
- Internal drive cage assembly
- Power supply unit and associated battery pack

The common metalwork is of stainless steel construction with riveted fitments. Removable items are fixed by screws.

Fitted internally are two cooling fans, the chosen passive/active back plane and drives.

The front panel has two hinged doors. The left hand one has a slotted front to allow air through to the filter. The right hand door, which is lockable, gives access to the drive bays, the power on/off switch and two USB ports.

SPECIFICATION

Chassis

- 19" Rack mountable polished stainless steel chassis
- Optional Card restraining system
- Shock mounting for drives
- Front panel handles
- Optional fully extending heavy-duty slide rails
- High capacity fans
- Air filter approved to UL94 V-0
- Locking door covering disk drives, power and reset switch.
- Nitrile/PVC seals - Approved to FMVSS302

Temperature	Non-Operating	-20 °C to +70 °C
	Operating	+0 °C to +50 °C

(Note1: Unit should not be started at temperatures less than 5°C as items with mechanical parts, such as the HDD, may not operate correctly at such low temperatures resulting in damage)

Note2: Max Temperature changes are restricted to $\pm 20^{\circ}\text{C}$ per hour as damage to HDD's resulting in data loss may occur above this rate of change

Humidity

0-90 %RH non-condensing

Shock:

(IEC 68-2-27)
Operating 5G 11 ms, ½ sine wave
Non-operating 15G 11ms, ½ sine wave

Vibration:

(IEC 68-2-6)
Operating 5 to 500 Hz, 0.5G
Non-operating 5 to 500 Hz, 2.0G

Safety

Designed to meet EN 60950

CHASSIS LAYOUT

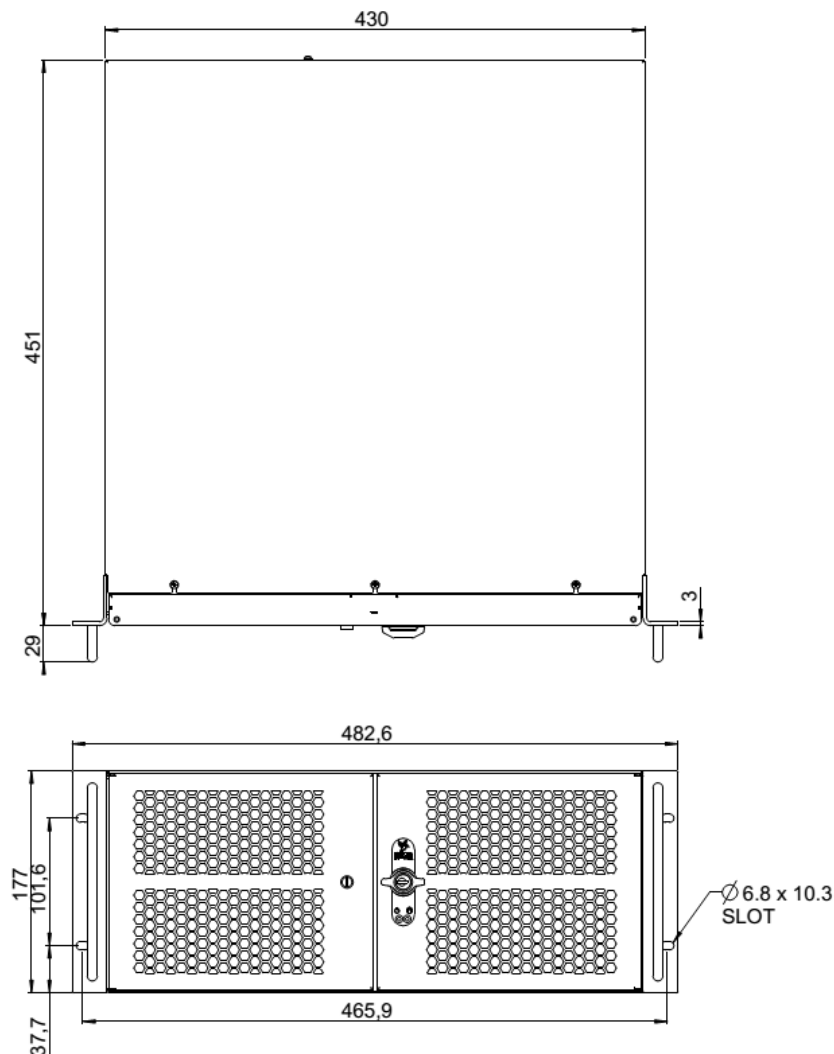
RACK MOUNT

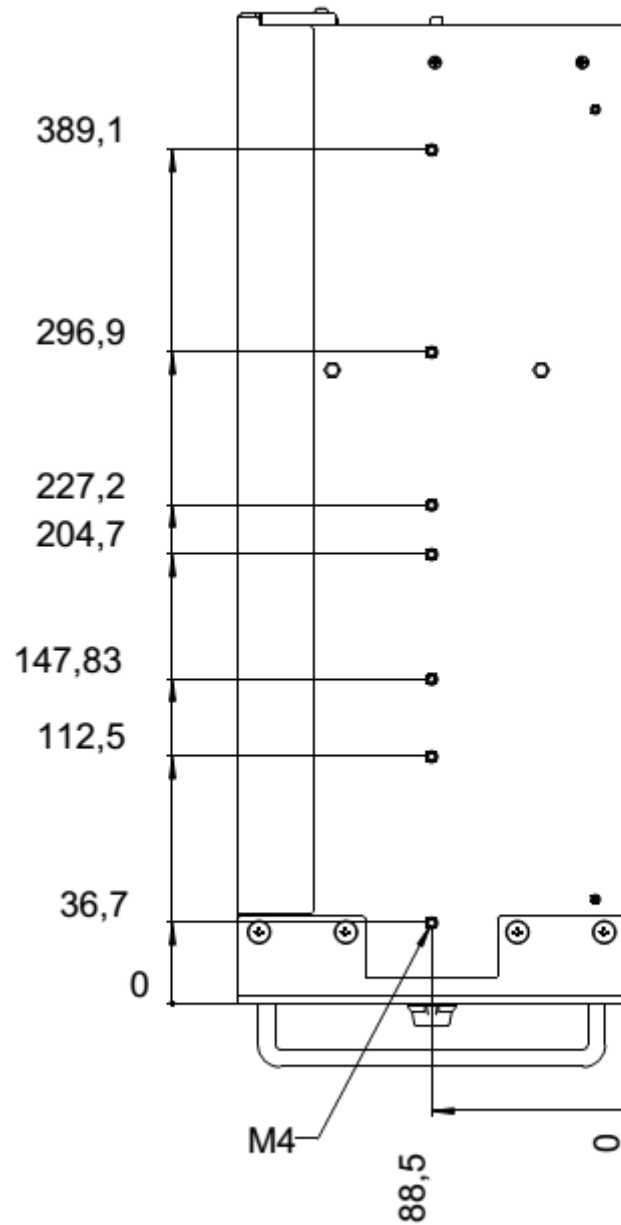
The rack mounting chassis is made of polished stainless steel and is shown in Figure 1. It comprises the same chassis as the bench mount, but has mounting ears. The chassis is completed by a polished stainless steel lid held in place by eight screws.

The front panel is a 4U high, full 19" racking width panel. The front panel secures the unit to the rack ladder by four fixing screws. To permit withdrawal from the racking, handles are fitted to the front panel.

The rack mount unit has tapped holes along each side to facilitate the mounting of the slide rails. Take care not to insert longer screws than those provided in the side (M4 x 6 maximum). Overly long screws may cause internal damage.

Figure 1 Rack Mount Dimensions

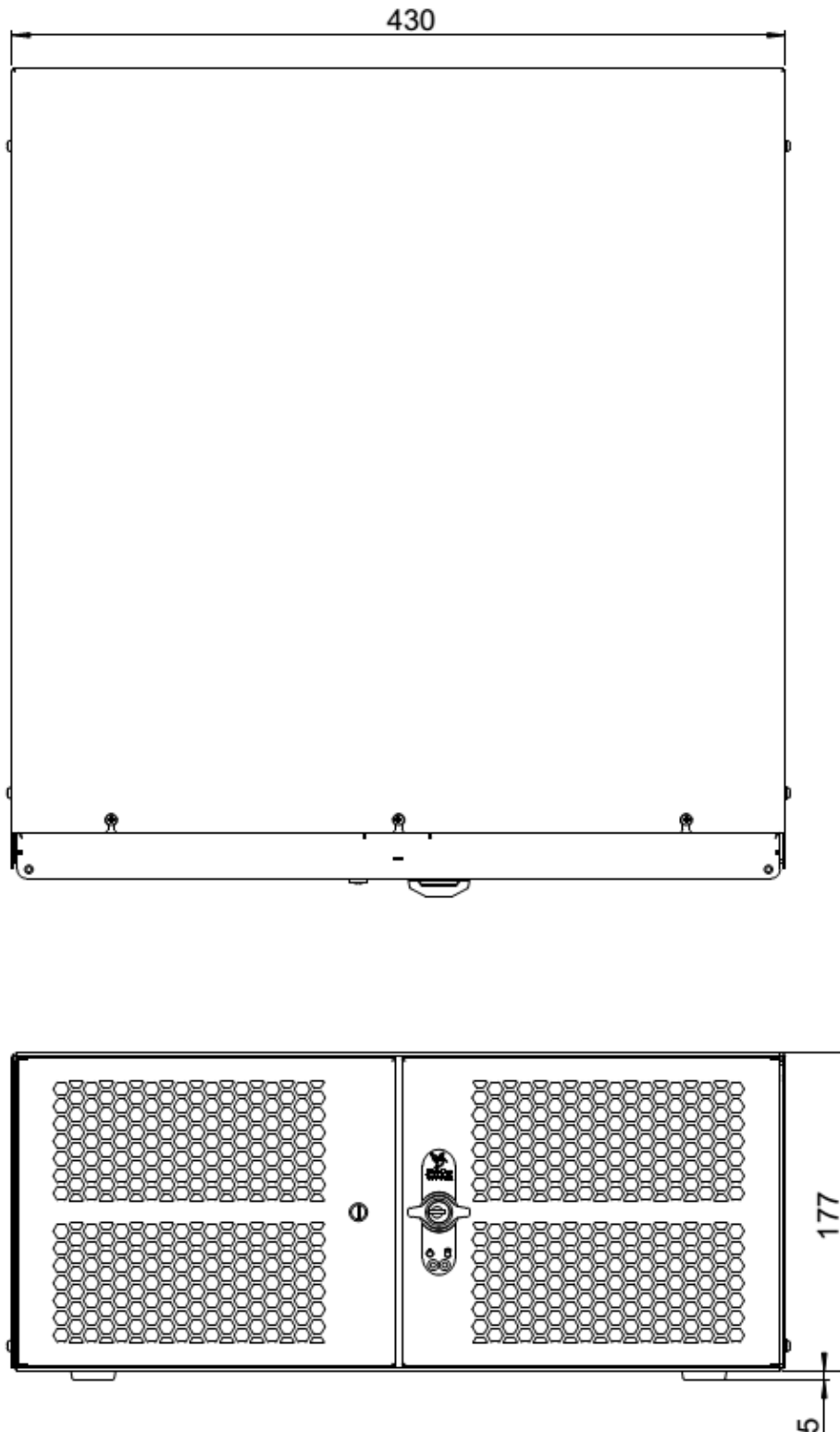


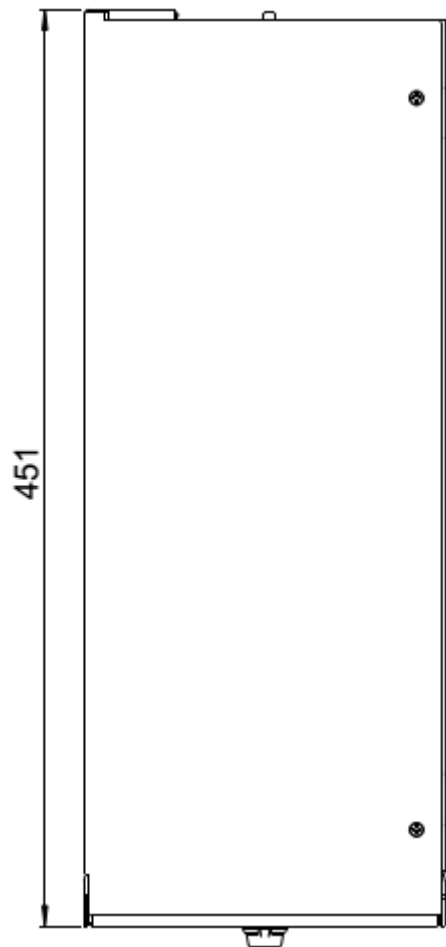


DESKTOP

The desktop unit is shown in Figure 2. It comprises the same chassis as the rack unit, but without the mounting ears.

Figure 2 Desktop Dimensions





FRONT PANEL

Operator controls and the air filter are located on the front panel behind sealed doors. The operator controls are behind a key-lockable door, on the right hand side. The filter is held in place behind the left-hand door. A $\frac{3}{4}$ turn fastener allows access to the filter.

REAR PANEL

All electrical connections to the ULTIMA are made at the rear of the unit. Units are configured individually to requirements. Refer to the System Release Documentation for details of a particular PC configuration. To ensure the integrity of the system EMC, it is important that the chassis earth stud is connected direct to the best available cabinet earth in rack mounted installations, because of the proximity of other electrical equipment.

POWER SUPPLY & BBU

The chassis can be fitted with a variety of ATX style PSUs including Dual Redundant. Some PSUs may have switchable input voltage range. In these cases the following warning should be observed.

WARNING

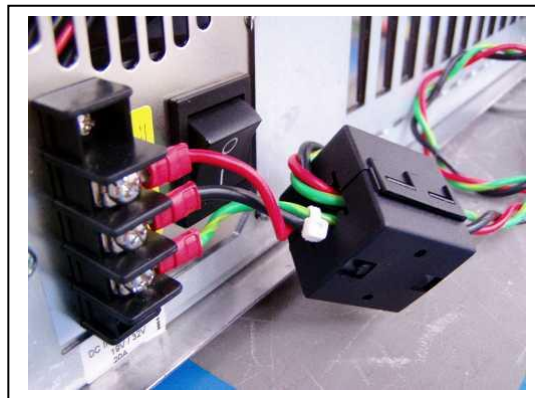
Selection of the wrong voltage may cause permanent damage to the unit. Ensure that the switch is correctly set for the installation supply before connecting to the supply. If the wrong voltage is applied to the unit the internal fuse may protect the ULTIMA. However, this cannot be guaranteed. Blue Chip Technology accepts no responsibility for the consequences of operating the unit on the wrong supply.

Some Power Supply variants do not offer –5Volts. If this voltage rail is required, or if other specific voltage rails and power needs are required, then please contact Blue Chip Technology in order to identify a suitable power supply option to match your requirements.

If a DC/DC power supply is being used, in order to maintain full Electro-Magnetic Compatibility under all conditions, the cable connecting the DC source to the Ultima power supply should be well-screened. The braid should be connected to the earthing stud on the Ultima and a good earth at the power source end. The exposed cable and the braid ends should be kept as short as possible.

Where this is not possible, a clip-on Ferrite suppressor (supplied) should be fitted to the DC cable as close as possible to the Ultima power supply terminal block. The cable should loop through the Ferrite clamp twice, as shown below

For DC powered units which are not provided with a physical 'on/off' switch at the power supply inlet, it is recommended that a suitable isolation switch be provided in the DC feed to the unit to enable isolation from power during maintenance activities



INSTALLATION

ELECTRICAL

This item must be connected to an earthed socket. To improve EMC performance a stud is fitted to the rear panel of the chassis to enable the chassis to be connected directly to a good earth within the racking system. Cutting washers must be used in order to maintain a good connection.

The plug on the power supply cord is intended to serve as the power disconnect device. The socket outlet into which this is plugged should be near the equipment, and should remain readily accessible when all items are mounted in the racking enclosure. It is good practice to identify the socket.

If the plug fitted to the power supply cord is removed, the cord should be connected to a suitably installed power disconnect device, by qualified personnel.

RACK MOUNTING

If the ULTIMA is to be installed in a 19" rack unit, it is recommended that telescopic slide rails are used. A slide rail kit is available from Blue Chip Technology Ltd. Both Ultima models have the same mounting arrangements

WARNING

Under no circumstances must the ULTIMA be mounted in a 19" rack solely by its front panel fixings. Slide rails or a rear support must be used.

Before installation carefully assess the space available. Figure 1 gives outline dimensions of the chassis. Ensure there is enough room at the rear of the unit for cables. DO NOT mount the unit in such a way that air inlet or outlet vents are covered or blocked.

The slide rail kit will accommodate cabinets with front to rear ladder depths from 540mm to 790mm. The slide rail kit comprises:

M6 cage nut	12
M6 x 10 Pan Head screw	4
10/32 UNF Fillister Head Screw	8
Bar Nut	4
Large extension bracket (Rear)	2
Small extension bracket (Front)	2
Telescopic slide rail	2
M4 Screw & washers	8

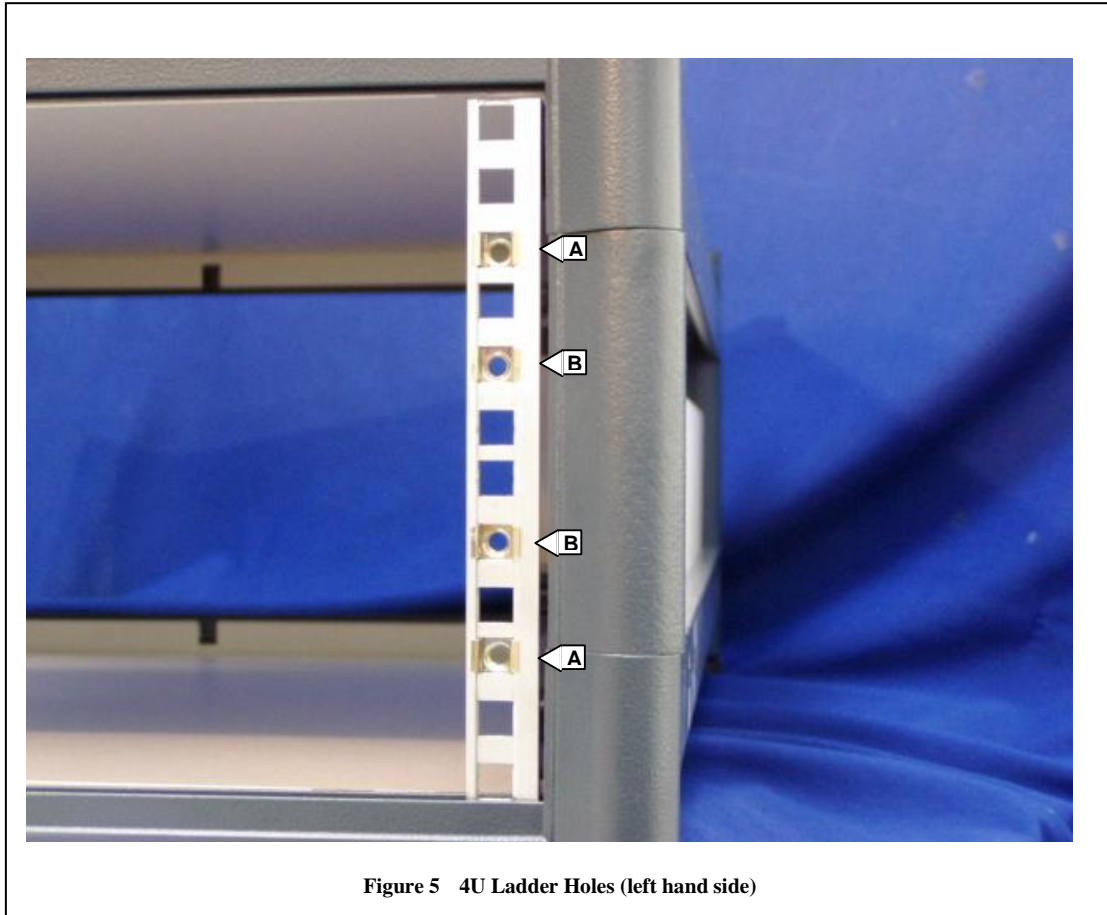
The following procedure describes the installation for one slide rail. Both sets of slides will need to be installed to mount the ULTIMA within a cabinet.

CAGE NUT INSTALLATION

Refer to Figure 5 to identify the pattern of the ladder holes. Holes A, hold cage nuts to which the front panel will eventually be secured. Holes B hold cage nuts and clamp the front and rear ends of the fixed section of the slide rails.

Clip M6 cage nuts into front ladder sections in positions A and B. Repeat on the right hand side. A total of 8 cage nuts will be fitted to the front of the 19in cabinet.

Clip M6 cage nuts into rear ladder sections in positions B only. Repeat on the right hand side. A total of 4 cage nuts will be fitted to the rear of the 19in cabinet.



SLIDE RAIL AND BRACKET ASSEMBLY

Referring to Figure 6.1, withdraw the inner slide section and disconnect by depressing the spring catch. Figure 6.2 shows outer and inner slide rail sections disconnected, top and bottom respectively.

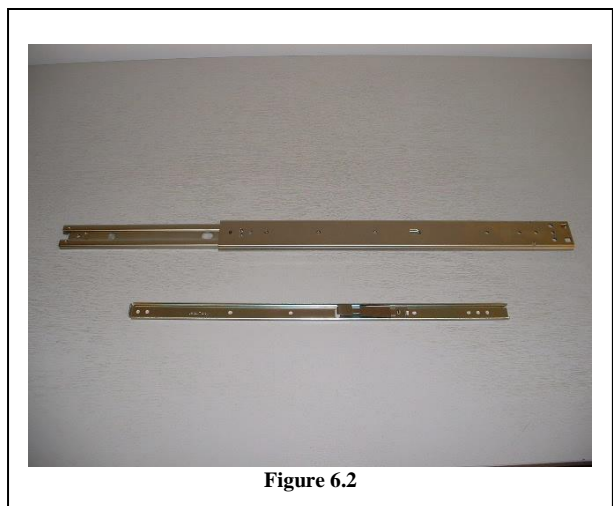
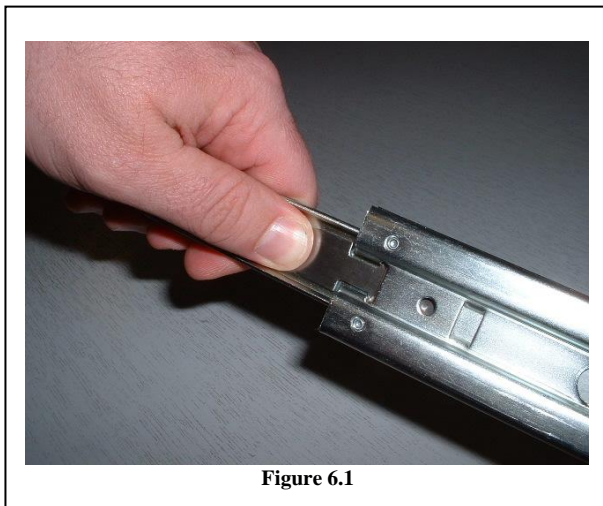


Figure 6.3, shows the relationship between the brackets and slide rail outer section. The small bracket fits to the front of the cabinet, the larger to the rear. Note the rail orientation, with middle slide visible at the front.

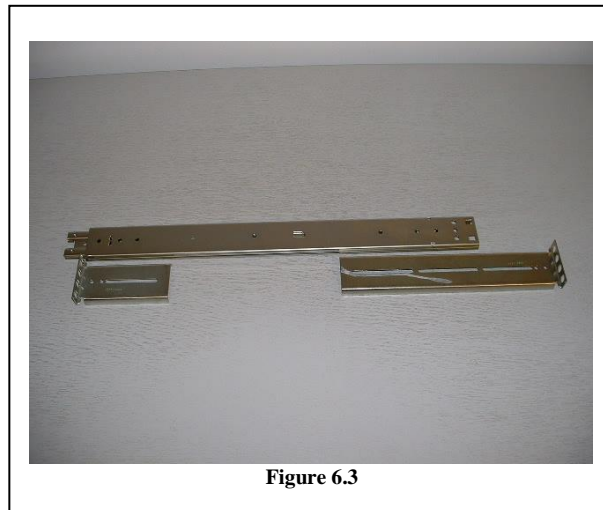


Figure 6.3

Referring to Figure 6.4 and 6.5, attach the front bracket to the slide rail outer section. For most installations the first attachment hole on both the slide and bracket is recommended. For assembly an access hole on the middle slide is provided. In this position the slide rail outer will sit flush to the front of the bracket slot face.

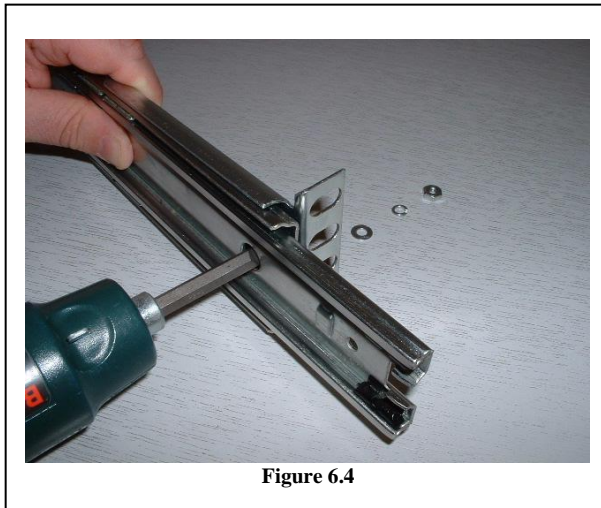


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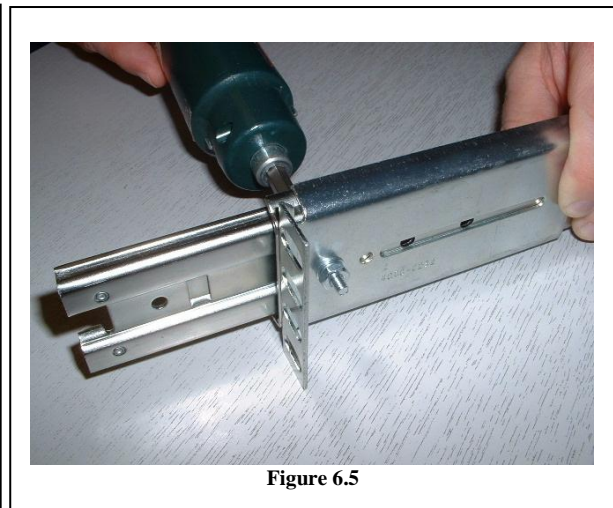


Figure 6.5

Referring to Figure 6.6 and 6.7, loosely attach the rear bracket to the slide rail outer section. The bracket position indicated is typically suitable for a 600mm deep cabinet. It is recommended that at least two screws, per bracket be used. The screws will be tightened once the slides are installed in the 19in cabinet.

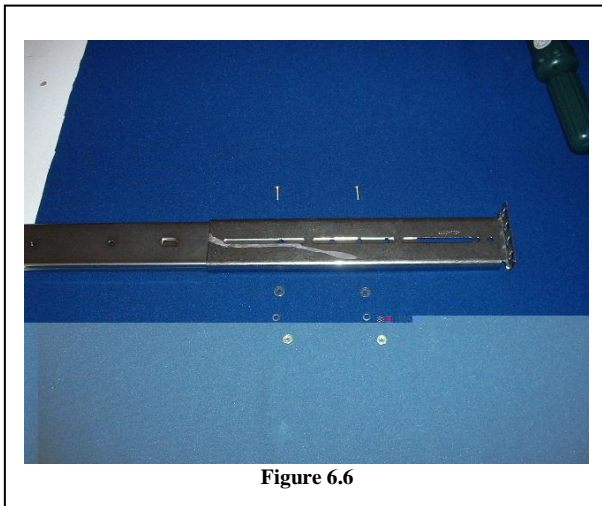


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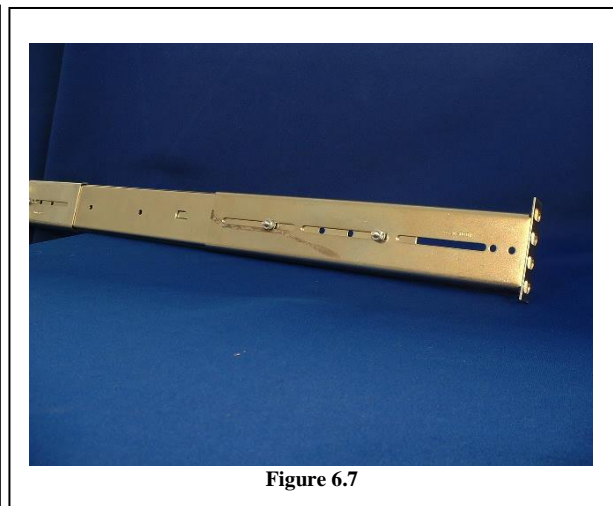
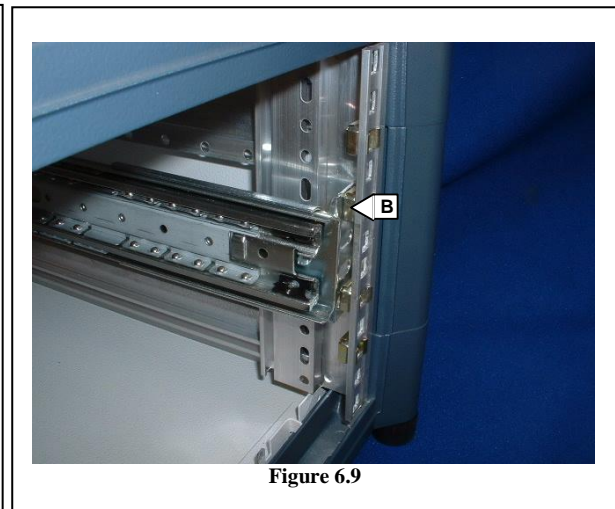
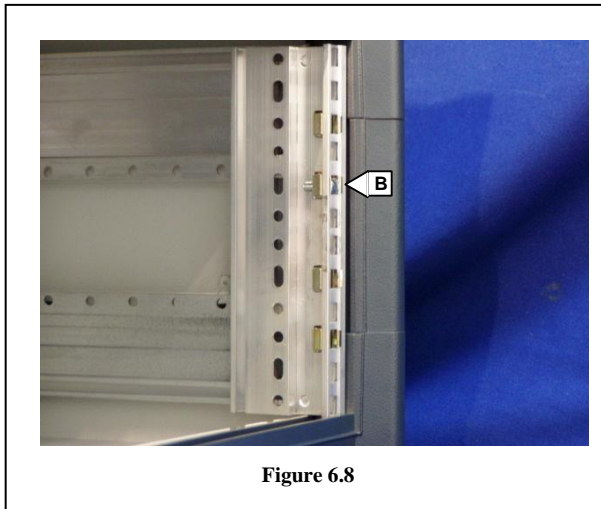


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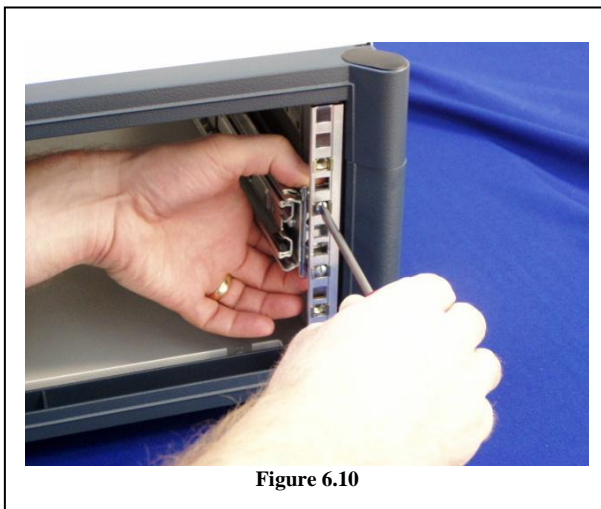
SLIDE RAIL INSTALLATION

Referring to Figure 6.8, insert fillister head screws through cage nut B at front and rear.



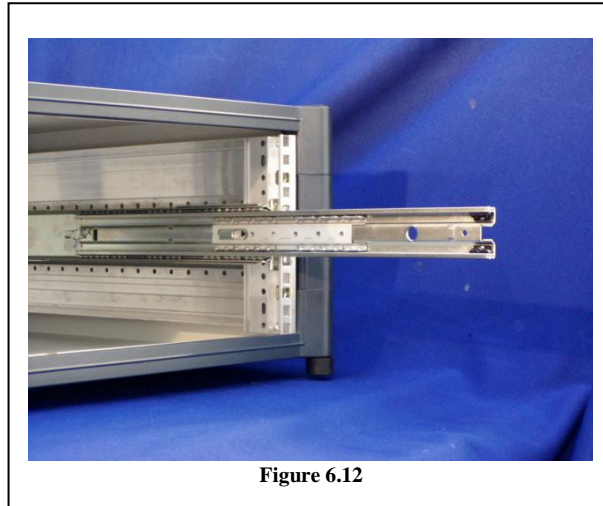
Referring to Figure 6.9, carefully position slide rail and bracket assembly on to fillister screws B at front and rear.

Referring to Figure 6.10, carefully slide bar nut behind front bracket and turn fillister screw to engage thread and loosely clamp the bracket. Insert fillister screw into lower cage nut B position (Figure 5) and loosely tighten. The installation will look like Figure 6.11.



Repeat this procedure at the rear.

Referring to 6.12, withdraw the middle slide until it locks into the extended position.

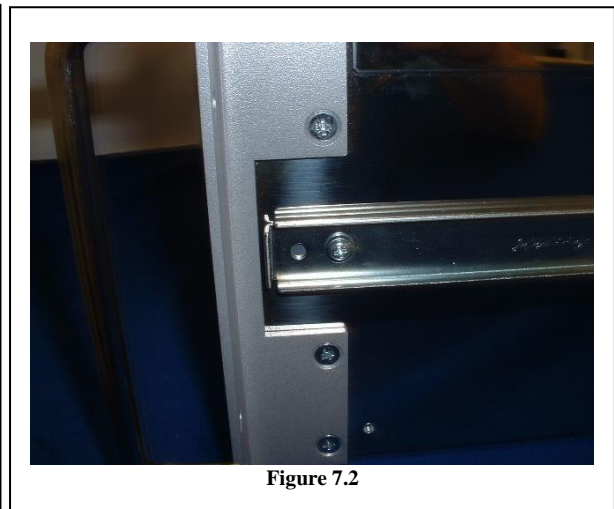
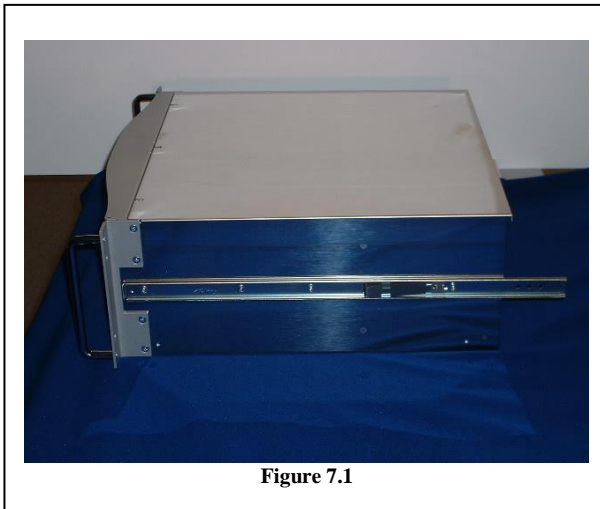


ULTIMA INSTALLATION

Referring to Figure 7.1 and 7.2, attach the inner slide rails to ULTIMA sides using 4 off M4 x 6 screws.

WARNING

Do not use longer screws (M4 x 6 maximum). Longer screws may damage the electronics within the unit.



Referring to Figure 7.2, note the second hole position on the inner slide.

WARNING: depending on the configuration and equipping levels the Ultima chassis may exceed 20Kg in weight. Assistance may be required in installing the unit into a rack/cabinet.

Referring to Figure 7.3 and 7.4, slide unit on to extended middle sections until spring catches lock. Press the catches again and slide unit home. Tighten rear fillister screws. Adjust unit until front panel is central and does not foul equipment panels above and below. This is best achieved by adjusting each side and tightening front fillister screws separately. Tighten rear extension bracket screws.

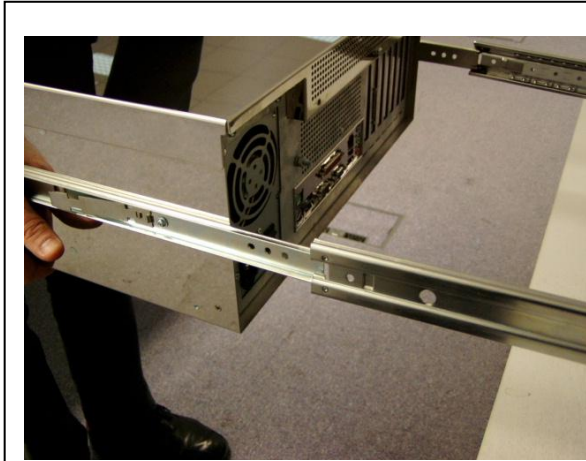


Figure 7.3



Figure 7.4

When the unit is satisfactorily adjusted, secure ULTIMA to the cabinet with 4 off M6 screws in cage nut positions A (see Figure 5).

MAINTENANCE

PRECAUTIONS

It is recommended that the unit is switched off and any mains cables disconnected before removing any cover. Some systems may incorporate battery-backed power supplies, in which case a failure to switch off the supply may result in internal electronics still receiving power. Note that some components may become hot during operation, and so it is generally good practice to allow the unit to cool before starting any significant internal maintenance work'

WARNING

The electronic assemblies within the unit are susceptible to electrostatic discharge (ESD). Take anti-static precautions before handling, otherwise damage will occur.

TOOLS

The following readily available standard tools are required to maintain and upgrade the ULTIMA:

- Pozidrive/Supadrive screwdriver size 1
- M5 Hex spanner.

REPLACING THE FILTER

Depending upon environmental conditions, from time to time the inlet filter will need to be cleaned. The air filter is accessible from the front of the chassis, and is located behind the left hand door. Routinely examine the filter for dust build up. It may be cleaned or replaced..

Referring to Figure 8.1 turn the catch on the left door through 180° and the door will open. The filter can be removed by pulling away from its locating frame. On the right hand door turn the lock to open

Wash the filter in warm water to which has been added a low foam domestic detergent, rinse and drip dry.

Replace filter into the recess in the front panel and close and lock the door by turning the door catch A back to its original position.

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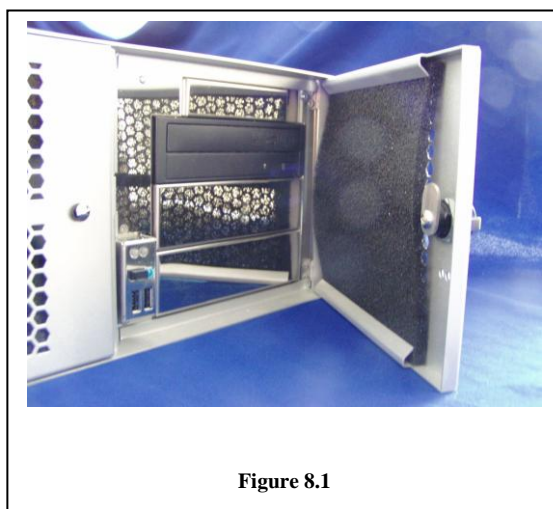


Figure 8.1

REMOVING THE TOP COVER

It is not necessary to remove all the cover screws to remove the Top Cover.

First loosen the three top cover screws and remove the three rear cover screws. Slide the top cover back slightly and lift to remove.

Replacing the unit cover is the reverse of the above.

REMOVING THE DRIVE CAGE

The Drive cage is removable as a single unit to allow for easier upgrade and replacement. The assembly is held in place by 8 screws, two behind the front door and 6 on the top of the cage assembly.

Referring to Figure 9.1, first remove the two front screws, indicated A. Next remove the 6 screws shown as B in Figure 9.2.

Disconnect the all power and signal cables to the drives in the cage. By moving slightly back then upwards, the drive cage can easily be removed.

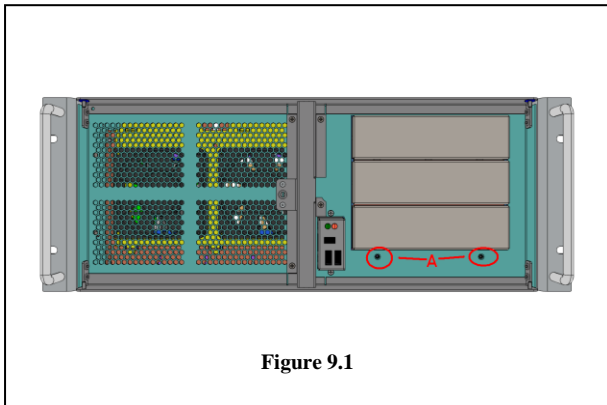


Figure 9.1

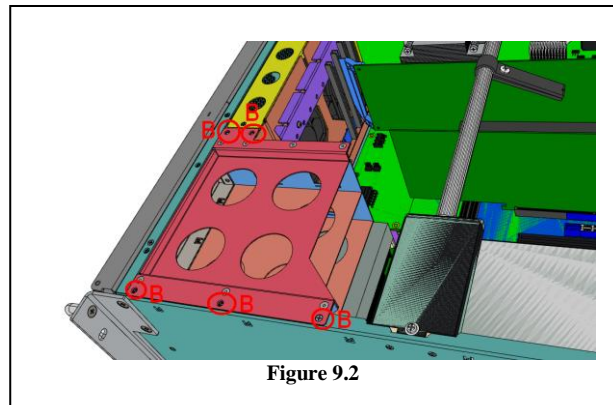


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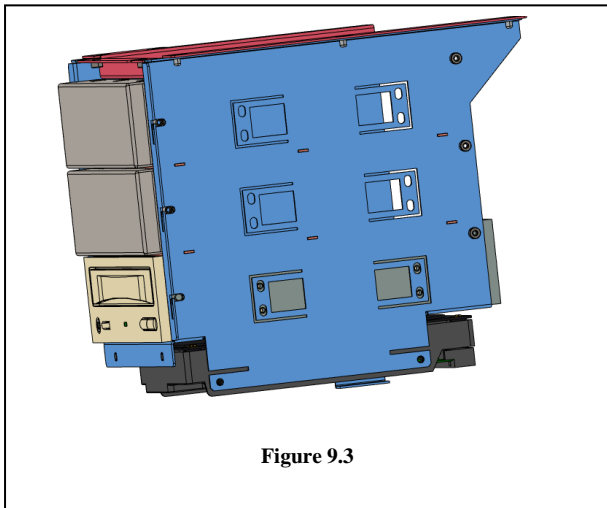


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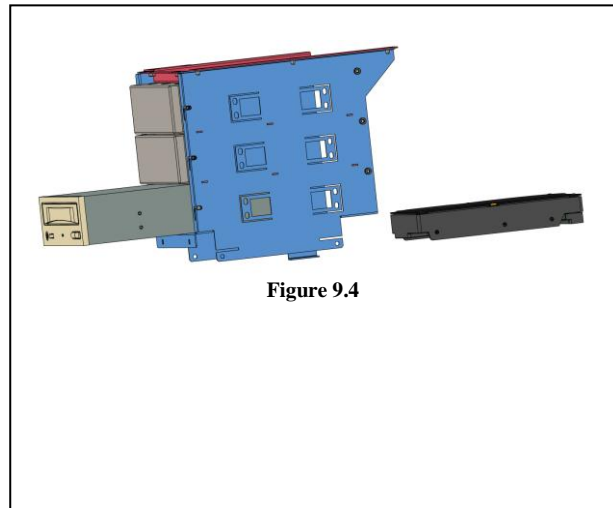


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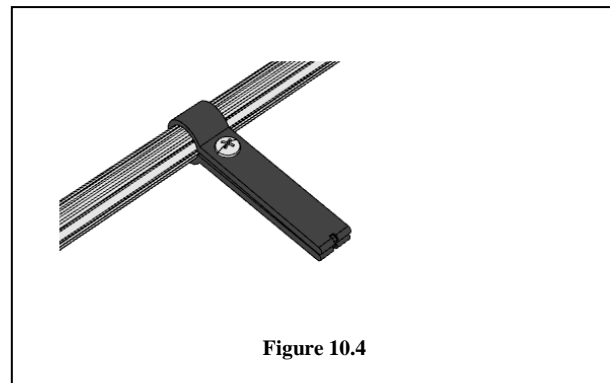
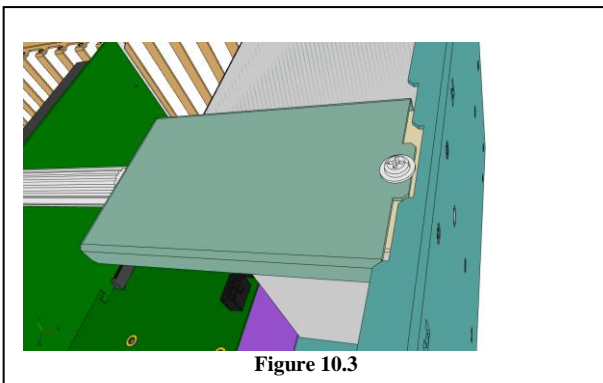
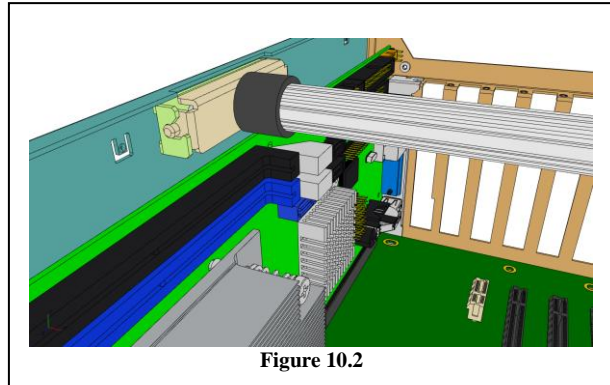
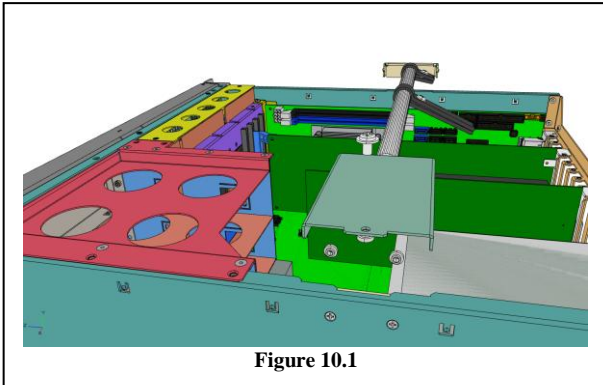
With the drive cage fully removed as indicated in Figure 9.3, there is access to all bays. From Figure 9.4, the HDD is fitted to the bottom 3.5" bay by sliding in from the rear, while for the 5.25" bays, the device is fitted from the front.

FITTING THE CARD RETAINING CLAMP

The ULTIMA system can be fitted with an optional card retaining clamp.

Before fitting the clamp, insert all the required expansion cards.

The clamp is held in place by two brackets. The Swivel mount of the Retaining arm is inserted into bracket as shown in Fig 10.2 and the opposite end screwed into Bracket as shown in Fig 10.3



Once the retention arm is secured in place, fit a clamp onto the arm as shown in Fig 10.4. Position the clamp directly over the expansion card to be secured, aligning the small notch on the edge of the clamp with the top edge of the expansion board.

Once aligned, fit the screw and screw tightly to ensure no movement of the clamp.

Repeat procedure for other expansion cards

Note. The retaining arm is not suitable for low profile or some short length expansion cards

IMPORTANT: PLEASE REMOVE POWER BEFORE ATTEMPTING ANY OF THE ACTIONS BELOW.

ADDING NEW BOARDS

Remove the system cover, observing anti-static precautions.

Remove the expansion board clamp assembly.

Check the expansion card documentation to ensure it is correctly configured. Pay particular attention to the selection of the link settings if any.

Identify the back plane connector slot to be used. Remove the corresponding blanking plate in the back panel of the chassis by pushing in the 'Break-out' panel until it breaks away from the rear panel.

If a full-length board is to be installed, locate the board end (nearest the front of the unit) into the plastic guide corresponding to the chosen slot as shown in Fig 11.1.

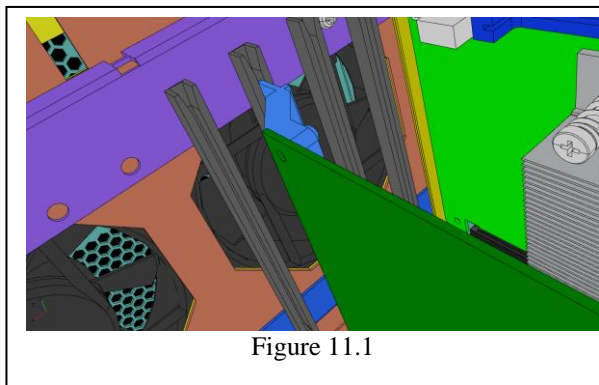


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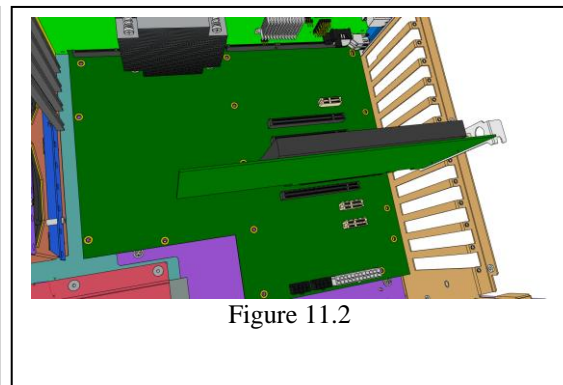


Figure 11.2

Slide the board down the guide until the edge connect contacts the back plane connector. Press the board firmly into place. Note that the lower end of the metal bracket has to be pushed into a spring clip just below the level of the back plane. This is designed to improve the EMC performance of the system.

Fasten the metal bracket into place using an M3 screw.

Re fit the card clamp assembly into position.

REPLACING THE SINGLE BOARD COMPUTER

The Single Board Computer can be removed and replaced as shown in the previous section.

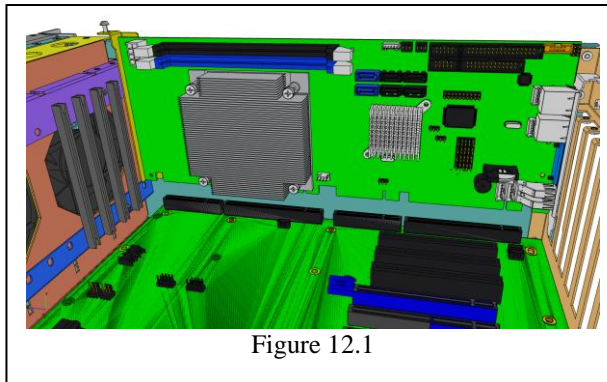


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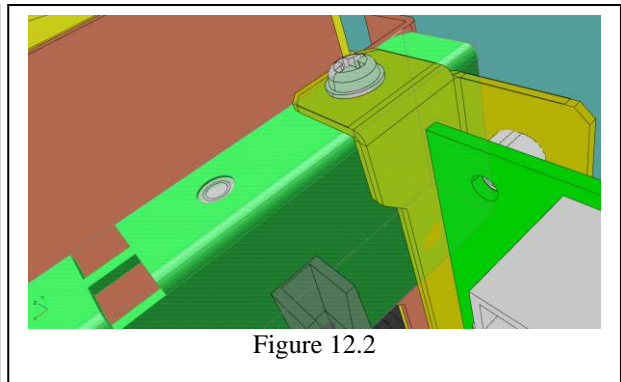


Figure 12.2

In addition to the retaining screw on the rear panel, the Single Board Computer is held in place with another screw as shown in Figure 12.2.

REPLACING A SYSTEM FAN

The latest Ultima Chassis design incorporates easier access to the System fans for either upgrade or replacement. Although the new design is such that it is possible to now replace a system fan without shutting down the OS, it is recommended that for safety the unit is powered off first.

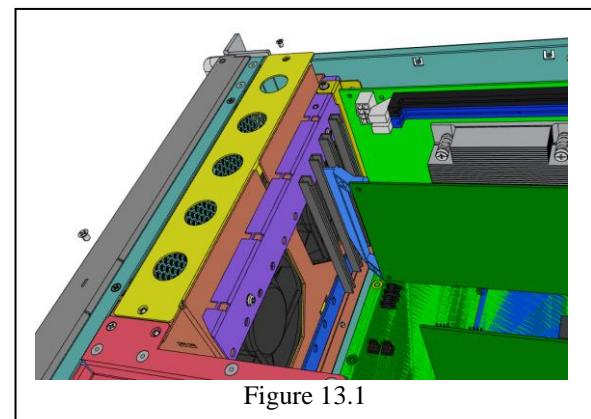


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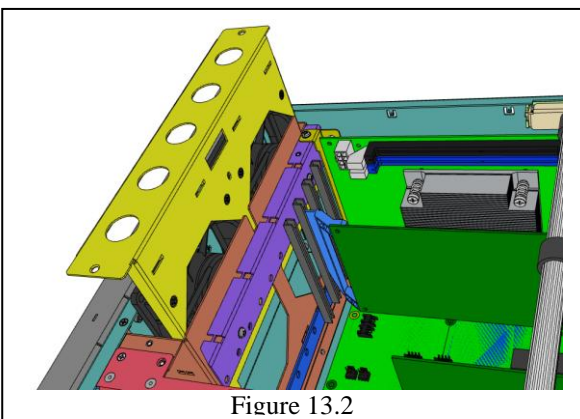


Figure 13.2

Remove the two retaining screws and pull the fan assembly upwards to remove. Each fan is held in place by 4 screws as show in Fig 13.3 below

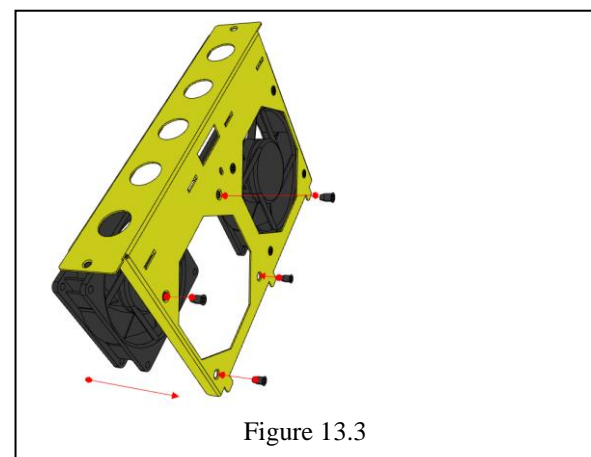


Figure 13.3

REPLACING THE PSU

The Ultima can be configured with either Dual Redundant Supply (Fig 14.1) or a standard ATX type supply (Fig 14.2).

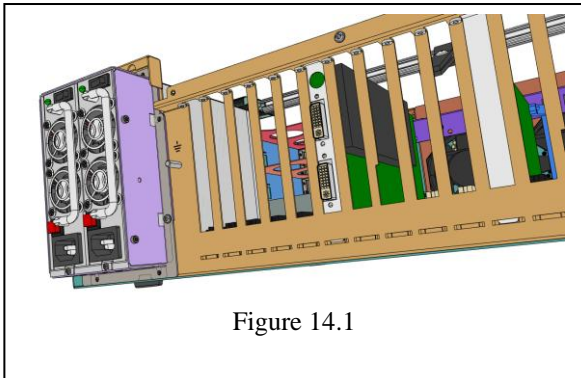


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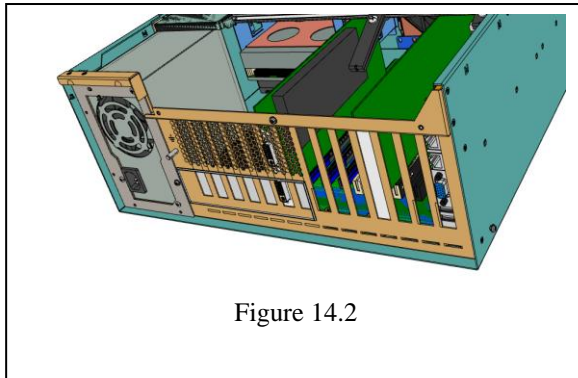


Figure 14.2

To remove the power supply unit, first ensure that the power supply is switched off and then disconnect the AC supply to the unit.

Remove the top cover as described previously.

Disconnect all the DC output leads from the drives, the Single Board Computer and the back plane.

On the ATX PSU model there are retaining screws on the inside of the chassis.

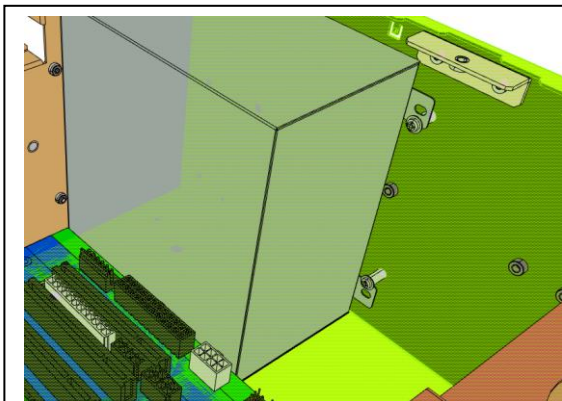


Figure 14.3a

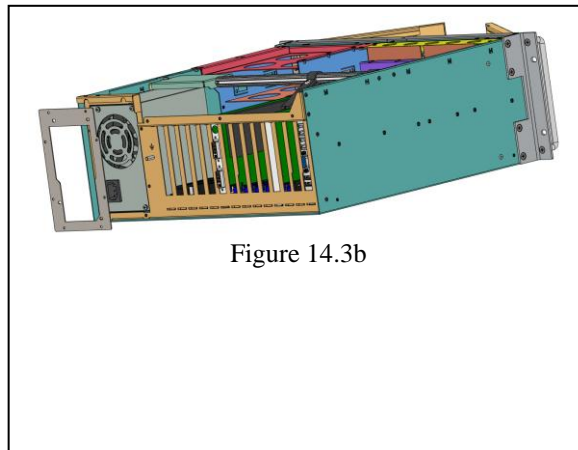


Figure 14.3b

For the ATX model an adapter plate is required which attaches to the rear panel. The PSU is connected to the panel by four retaining screws. For the Dual Redundant model, there are eight retaining screws which hold the PSU assembly including brackets to the rear panel. The ATX model is removed via the top of the chassis however for the Dual Redundant, this is removed via the back as shown in Fig 14.4

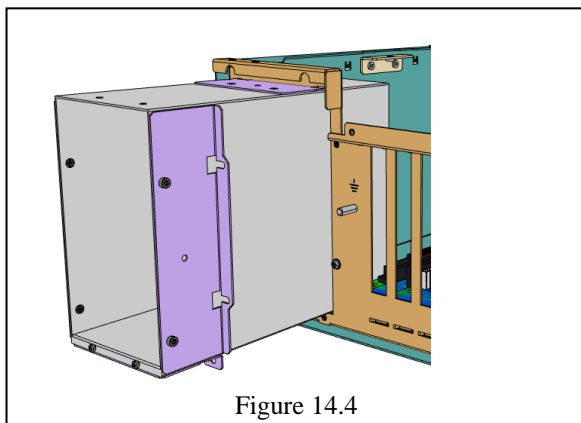
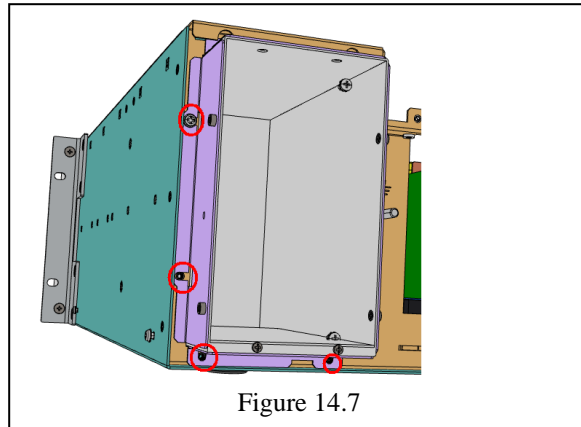
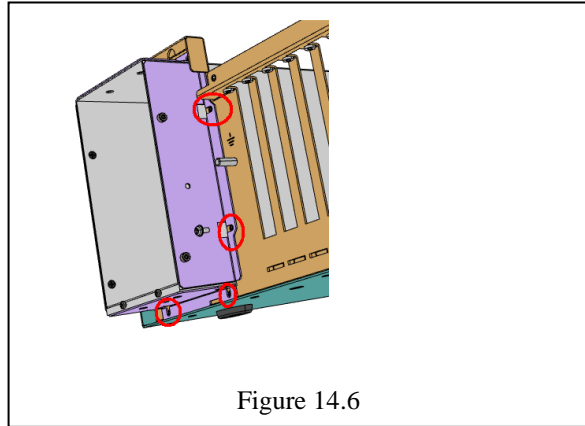
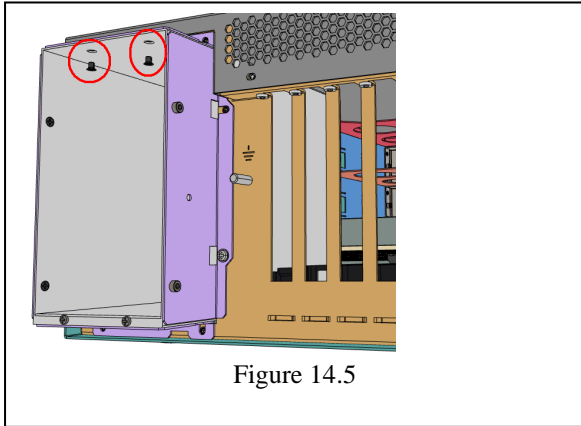


Figure 14.4

Note that the dual modules are removed first and then the upper bracket is unscrewed from the inside before unscrewing the remaining 6 screws holding the remaining brackets to the chassis



TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

This is not intended as an extensive faultfinding procedure, rather it is intended to indicate the more likely causes of failure with this product. Ensure that the power is switched off before making any hardware changes. Bear in mind that it is possible to set combinations of parameters within the BIOS that will prevent proper operation of the board. See the BIOS section for details. If in doubt, set default values or clear the CMOS memory and start again. Default values will generally provide a working but limited system.

SYMPTOM	Fail to boot
Possible Cause	Power supply incorrect
Action	Check correct voltage is being applied to Power Supply
Possible Cause	CMOS memory corrupt/invalid.
Action	Power off, set CMOS clear jumper to 'Clear' on Processor board, then return jumper to operational position, following instructions in the User Manual for the Processor board
Possible Cause	CMOS Clear jumper in wrong position
Action	Set to operational position, NOT 'Clear'
Possible Cause	Extended System Configuration Data (ESCD) memory corrupt/invalid
Action	Use BIOS Setup to clear and re-write the ESCD memory
Possible Cause	Memory not fully seated in socket
Action	Remove and refit memory
Possible Cause	Add-in board requires other voltage rails
Action	Check power requirements of expansion board, and power supplies
Possible Cause	Processor or add-in board has become loose
Action	Remove the board from the system and reseat
SYMPTOM	No display on monitor
Possible Cause	Incorrect BIOS setting, LCD display selected rather than Monitor or Both
Action	Clear CMOS memory, reset correct values
Possible Cause	Screen Resolution set to high for Display.
Action	Boot OS in Safe mode and reset Resolution to lower value
Possible Cause	System has more than one Video Output
Action	Check each video output in turn in case display attached to the wrong one
SYMPTOM	System crashes during intensive operation or after prolonged use
Possible Cause	Inadequate cooling allowing CPU/chipset to overheat
Action	reposition cables and obstructions to ensure good airflow
Possible Cause	Air Filter Blocked with dust
Action	Remove Air Filter and clean
Possible Cause	Cooling Fan not working
Action	Check power connections and replace Fan if required

AMENDMENT HISTORY

Issue Level	Issue Date	Author	Amendment Details
2.0	May 2012	T MCK	Release of Ultima X doors configuration
2.1	Aug 2014	T Mck	Updated chassis
3.0	March 2015	T Mck	Release of 2015 model