



## ***Abbreviations and Acronyms***

<b>Acronym or Abbreviation</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Acronym or Abbreviation</b>	<b>Description</b>
A	ampere(s)	C	Celsius
AC	alternating current	CCFT	cold cathode fluorescent tube
ADC	analog-to-digital converter	CD	compact disc
ADI	Autodesk Device Interface	CD-ROM	compact disc read-only memory
AI	artificial intelligence	CGA	color graphics adapter
ANSI	American National Standards Institute	cm	centimeter(s)
APIC	Advanced Peripheral Interrupt Controller	CMOS	complementary metal-oxide semiconductor
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange	C.O.D.	collect on delivery
ASIC	application-specific integrated circuit	cpi	characters per inch
BASIC	Beginner's All-Purpose Symbolic Instruction Code	cpl	characters per line
BBS	bulletin board service	CPU	central processing unit
BIOS	basic input/output system	DAC	digital-to-analog converter
bpi	bits per inch	DASH	Dell Advanced SCSI Host
bps	bits per second	DAT	digital audio tape
BTU	British thermal unit	dB	decibel(s)
		dBA	adjusted decibel(s)

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DC	direct current	EPROM	erasable programmable read-only memory
DIMM	dual in-line memory module	ESD	electrostatic discharge
DIN	Deutsche Industrie Norm	ESDI	enhanced small-device interface
DIP	dual in-line package	ESM	embedded server management
DMA	direct memory access	F	Fahrenheit
DOC	Department of Communications (in Canada)	FAT	file allocation table
dpi	dots per inch	FCC	Federal Communications Commission
DRAM	dynamic random-access memory	FIFO	first-in first-out
DS/DD	double-sided double-density	ft	feet
DS/HD	double-sided high-density	g	gram(s)
DSA	Dell SCSI Array	G	gravities
ECC	error checking and correction	GB	gigabyte(s)
EDO	extended-data out	GUI	graphical user interface
EGA	enhanced graphics adapter	h	hexadecimal
EIDE	enhanced integrated drive electronics	HIP	Hardware Instrumentation Package
EISA	Extended Industry-Standard Architecture	HMA	high memory area
EMI	electromagnetic interference	HPFS	High Performance File System
EMM	expanded memory manager	Hz	hertz
EMS	Expanded Memory Specification	I/O	input/output
EPP	Enhanced Parallel Port	ID	identification
		IDE	integrated drive electronics
		IRQ	interrupt request

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ISA	Industry-Standard Architecture	MGA	monochrome graphics adapter
JEIDA	Japanese Electronic Industry Development Association	MHz	megahertz
K	kilo- (1024)	MMX	MultiMedia eXtensions
KB	kilobyte(s)	mm	millimeter(s)
KB/sec	kilobyte(s) per second	ms	millisecond(s)
Kb	kilobit(s)	MS-DOS	Microsoft Disk Operating System
Kbps	kilobit(s) per second	MTBF	mean time between failures
kg	kilogram(s)	mV	millivolt(s)
kHz	kilohertz	NIC	network interface controller
LAN	local area network	NiCad	nickel cadmium
lb	pound(s)	NiMH	nickel-metal hydride
LCD	liquid crystal display	NMI	nonmaskable interrupt
LED	light-emitting diode	ns	nanosecond(s)
LIF	low insertion force	NTFS	NT File System
LN	load number	NVRAM	nonvolatile random-access memory
lpi	lines per inch	OS/2®	Operating System/2
LVD	low-voltage differential	OTP	one-time programmable
m	meter(s)	PAL	programmable array logic
mA	milliampere(s)	PCI	Peripheral Component Interconnect
mAh	milliampere-hour(s)	PCMCIA	Personal Computer Memory Card International Association
MB	megabyte(s)	PGA	pin grid array
Mb	megabit(s)		
Mbps	megabit(s) per second		
MBR	master boot record		
MDA	monochrome display adapter		

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POST	power-on self-test	SIMM	single in-line memory module
ppm	pages per minute	SMB	server management bus
PQFP	plastic quad flat pack	SNMP	simple network management protocol
PS/2	Personal System/2	SRAM	static random-access memory
PVC	polyvinyl chloride	SVGA	super video graphics array
QIC	quarter-inch cartridge	TFT	thin film transistor
RAID	redundant arrays of independent disks	tpi	tracks per inch
RAM	random-access memory	TSR	terminate-and-stay-resident
RAMDAC	random-access memory digital-to-analog converter	UMB	upper memory block
RCU	Resource configuration Utility	UPS	uninterruptible power supply
REN	ringer equivalence number	USOC	Universal Service Ordering Code
RFI	radio frequency interference	V	volt(s)
RGB	red/green/blue	VAC	volt(s) alternating current
ROM	read-only memory	VDC	volt(s) direct current
rpm	revolutions per minute	VESA®	Video Electronics Standards Association
RTC	real-time clock	VGA	video graphics array
SCA	Single Controller Architecture	VLSI	very-large-scale integration
SCSI	small computer system interface	VRAM	video random-access memory
SDS	Scalable Disk System	W	watt(s)
sec	second(s)	WH	watt-hour(s)
SEC	single-edge contact		
SDRAM	synchronous dynamic random-access		

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XMM	extended memory manager
XMS	eXtended Memory Specification
ZIF	zero insertion force

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