# Before you begin using your Allegro DOS

Complete all of the steps outlined in each section of this guide.



#### Installing the battery pack into the Allegro

Before turning on the Allegro, the battery pack must be installed. To do this, complete the following steps:

- 1) Push up on the release latches on the sides of the Allegro to open the battery compartment door.
- Place the NiMH battery pack in the left side of the battery compartment, push down, and slide it to the right.
- Push the battery door closed until each release latch clicks into place.
- 4) Slide the release latches downward until they cannot slide any further to securely latch the battery door closed.

#### Do not turn on the Allegro yet.

5) Plug the AC wall charger that came with the Allegro into the wall socket.

Note: A small green light on the wall adapter turns on when it is plugged into the wall.

- 6) Remove the rubber protector from the Allegro's external power input jack.
- 7) Plug the power connector end of the AC wall charger into the Allegro. The Allegro turns on automatically.

The MS-DOS operating system loads onto the Allegro, a progress bar appears. No action is required until the New Battery Detected screen appears.









#### Setting the Battery Packs Charge Level

The battery charge level must be set before you can use your Allegro. To do this, complete the following steps:

As MS DOS loads, no action is required until it gets to the *Battery Change Detected* screen.

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Battery Change Detected

Please set desired values for

percent charge and battery capacity.

Battery Charge Percent: >100 %

Battery Charge Capacity: 3800 mAh

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ESC =Exit F2=Next
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The Arrows key will move your selection between the *Battery Charge Percent* and the *Battery Charge Capacity*.

F1 moves the selected setting up.

F2 moves the selected setting down.

ESC or ENTER exists the *Battery Change Detected* screen and saves your settings.

1) Set the charge percent to 10% by pressing on *F1* or *F2* to move the percent.

The capacity of the NiMH battery we have provided with the Allegro is 3800 mAh. The capacity default is set at 3800.

If you are using a different brand of NiMH battery pack and are unsure of your batteries capacity check the label on the battery to discover the charge capacity. If it is not 3800 mAh you will need to set the capacity as well.

2) Press *ESC* or *ENTER* to save your settings and exit the *Battery Change Detected* screen.

Note: The Battery Change Detected screen closes and the charge status is set. Once the battery pack is fully charged, the gauging automatically sets to 100%.

The Allegro is now operational but it needs to remain attached to the AC wall charger until the battery pack is fully charged (approximately two to three hours).

#### Install Acrobat Reader

It is not required to complete this section if you already have Acrobat Reader installed on your desktop PC. Acrobat Reader is required for viewing the Allegro DOS Owner's Manual, located on the Allegro DOS Distribution CD. Insert the Allegro Distribution CD into the PC's CD-ROM drive.

- 1) Wait for the Allegro DOS's CD menu screen to appear on your desktop PC's screen.
- 2) Click on the Install Acrobat Reader option.
- 3) Follow the installation instructions.

## Read the Owner's Manual

To help you better understand the capabilities of your Allegro DOS and the multiple functions it can perform, we recommend reading your Allegro DOS Owner's Manual.

- 1) Click on the *Read Owner's Manual* option on the Allegro CD menu page.
- 2) Refer to this on-line Allegro DOS Owner's Manual as needed.

We recommend that you read the following sections now:

- Batteries Chapter 2
- Communication Ports Chapter 2
- Warranty Statement Chapter 7

### Tips

- Save data to the C\_Drive to avoid any accidental data loss.
- When storing the Allegro for less than a week, plug your Allegro into your AC wall adapter that was shipped with your Allegro.
- When storing the Allegro for more than a week, fully charge the battery pack and remove it from your Allegro. Then follow the instructions for storing your Allegro for less than a week.



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