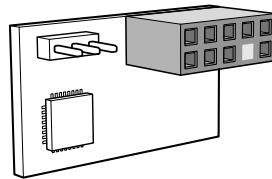
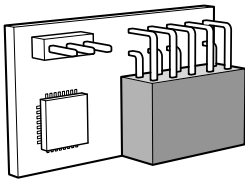




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## Preface

### About This User's Guide

This user's guide is written for system integrators, IT professionals, and knowledgeable end-users who wish to add additional data security mechanisms to their systems to protect highly sensitive applications. It provides detailed information on configuring, provisioning, and using the Trusted Platform Module (TPM) for X12 and H12 motherboards.

### User's Guide Organization

**Chapter 1** provides an overview of the TPM, including its features and uses.

**Chapter 2** provides detailed instructions on installing, provisioning, and using the TPM.

### Conventions Used in This User's Guide

Pay special attention to the following symbols for proper TPM configuration.



**Warning:** Important information is given to avoid TPM configuration errors.



**Note:** Additional information is given to ensure the correct and proper TPM configuration setup.

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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### 1.1 Overview of the Trusted Platform Module (TPM)

The Trusted Platform Module (TPM9670) is a special add-on module that may be installed onto Supermicro X12/H12 dual and single processor motherboards that support CPU Socket 3674 only.

#### *Types of TPMs*



**Note:** TPM modules must be provisioned in order to use Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (TXT). Please contact Supermicro Technical Support for more details about the Intel tool.

The TPM-9670 series add-on modules use TCG (Trusted Computing Group) version 2.0 firmware.

The following SKUs are available:

- AOM-TPM-9670V, a vertical TPM module
- AOM-TPM-9670H, a horizontal TPM module

*Horizontal vs. Vertical:* Generally, whether you should use a TPM with a horizontal or vertical form factor depends on the physical space available. Horizontal TPMs are used in 1U chassis. Vertical TPMs are used in 2U or taller chassis and also designed with a smaller footprint to occupy less space on the motherboard.

*Server vs. Client:* To use the TXT function, each TPM has been provisioned as a server model or client model. Be sure to use the appropriate TPM for your needs. Both server TPM and client TPM are designed to support motherboards with Socket P (LGA3647) processors installed.

## 1.2 Supermicro TPM Features

1. TCG 2.0 compliance
2. SPI interface
3. Microcontroller in 0.22/0.09- $\mu\text{m}$  CMOS technology
4. Compliant embedded software
5. EEPROM for TCG firmware enhancements and for user data and key support
6. Hardware accelerator for SHA-1 and SHA-256 hash algorithm
7. True Random Number Generator (TRNG)
8. Tick counter with tamper detection
9. Protection against dictionary attack
10. Infineon's TPM 2.0 is Common Criteria (CC) certified at Evaluation Assurance Level (EAL) 4 Moderate
11. General-purpose I/O
12. Intel<sup>®</sup> Trusted Execution Technology (TXT) support
13. AMD<sup>®</sup> Secure Virtual Machine Architecture support
14. Full personalization with Endorsement Key (EK) and EK certificate
15. Power-saving sleep mode
16. 3.3V power supply
17. WHQL dual-mode 1.1b + 1.2 TPM Windows Kernel Mode Driver



**Note:** On H12 motherboards, only H12SSG-AN6 and H12SSG-ANP6 support the SPI interface (10-pin header).



## 1.3 Motherboards Supported for TPM

Please refer to the Supermicro website (<http://www.supermicro.com/>) for a complete and most up-to-date list of the motherboards that can support the TPM. Such motherboards will have a specially designated JTPM1 connector, which will be listed in the respective motherboard's manual.

## 1.4 Intel® TXT

The Intel® Trusted Execution Technology (TXT) is a software tool that may be used in conjunction with the TPM to provide additional security for pre-launch firmware of clusters and clouds, including but not limited to the BIOS, IPMI, SAS firmware, and CMM firmware. It is optional, but the TPM is required for it to be provisioned. It further increases system security by protecting firmware against malicious attacks on vulnerable areas.

It works by matching hypervisor measures with encryption keys upon system launch. If the hypervisor does not match the keys, the hypervisor will be prevented from starting up.

To use the TXT, you need to enable TXT support after provisioning the TPM.



**Note:** TXT is only supported on Intel platforms that support TPM use.

### *How the TXT Works*

The Intel TXT, when enabled, follows a step-by-step process to ensure the security of pre-launch components.

1. Measures the hypervisor launch upon system startup
2. Checks for a match
3. If matched: The TXT signals are "trusted," and the launch is allowed to proceed.
4. If mismatched: The TXT signals are "untrusted," and the launch is blocked.

## 1.5 An Important Note to the User

The graphics shown in this user's guide were based on the latest information available at the time of publishing this guide. The TPM screens shown on your computer may or may not look exactly like the screen shown in this user's guide.

## Chapter 2

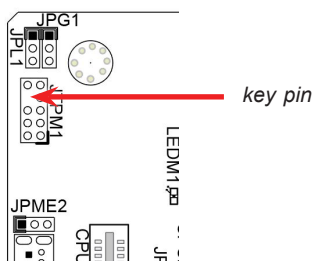
### Deploying and Using the TPM

Follow the instructions below to begin using the TPM.


#### 2.1 Installing the TPM Onto the Motherboard

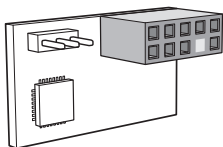
To install the Trusted Platform Module onto your motherboard, follow the steps below.

1. Find the 9-pin male JTPM1 connector on the motherboard. If you need help locating this connector, consult your motherboard manual. If the board does not have this feature, then it does not support the TPM.
2. Using the key pin as a reference, orient, and align your TPM with the connector.

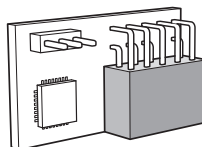


3. Carefully insert the TPM into the connector on the motherboard, making sure not to damage the pins.

 **Note:** The orientation of the TPM to be installed depends on whether it has a horizontal or vertical form factor. The vertical TPM is intended to "stand" perpendicular to the motherboard, while the horizontal TPM lies flat (parallel) on the motherboard. See the below two images for the correct orientation.



*Horizontal TPM*



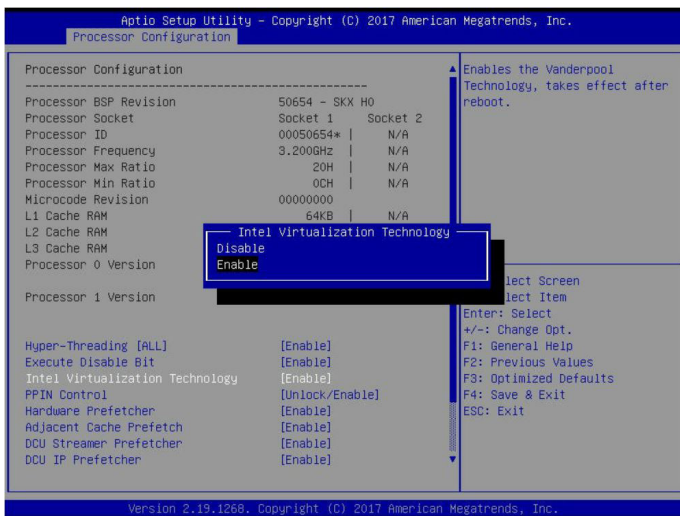
*Vertical TPM*

## 2.2 Enabling the TPM via the BIOS and Intel® Provision Utility

There are two components to the process of enabling the TPM. After you have installed the TPM onto the motherboard, you must first "verify" the TPM for the motherboard; this is done through the BIOS. (Also in the BIOS, you should enable TXT support.) After that, you then "lock" the TPM in the firmware. This is done through the provision utility provided by Intel.

### A. Enabling the TPM in the BIOS

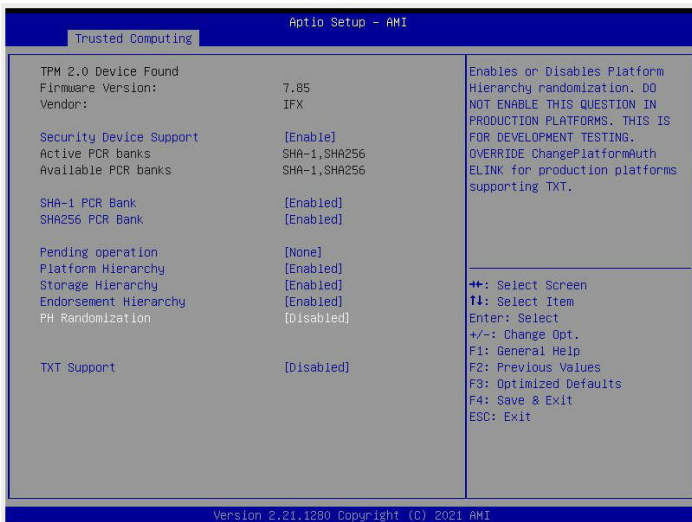
1. Enter the BIOS setup screen. You may do this either from the IPMI remote console or from the server directly using KVM. Reboot the system, and press the <Del> key as the system boots until you reach the BIOS screen.
2. You will be presented with the BIOS Setup main screen. Using your arrow keys, navigate to the "**Advanced**" tab. From there, navigate down and select the "**CPU Configuration**" option. Press <Enter>.
3. You will then be taken to the CPU Configuration page. Using your arrow keys, navigate down to the "**Intel Virtualization Technology**" option, as shown below, and press <Enter>. If this item is not already enabled, select **Enable** and press <Enter>.



4. Once you have enabled virtualization support, press your <Esc> key until you are back to the "**Advanced**" tab. Navigate down to the "**Trusted Computing**" option and press <Enter>.
5. The Trusted Computing window will appear.

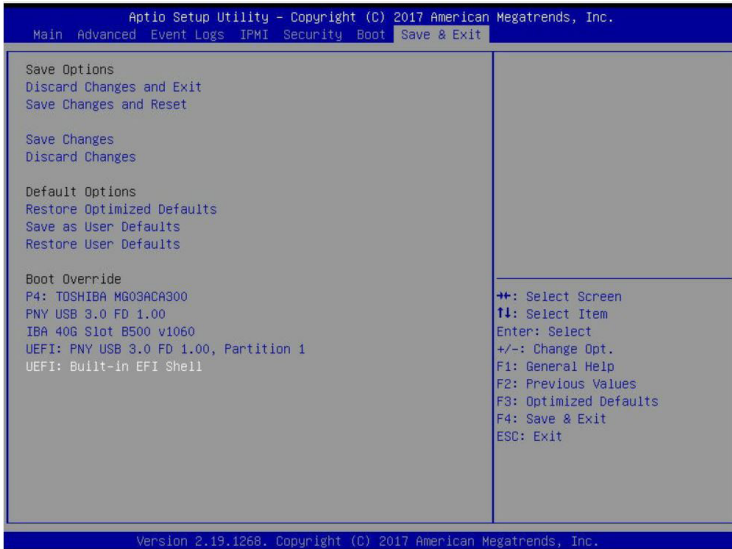
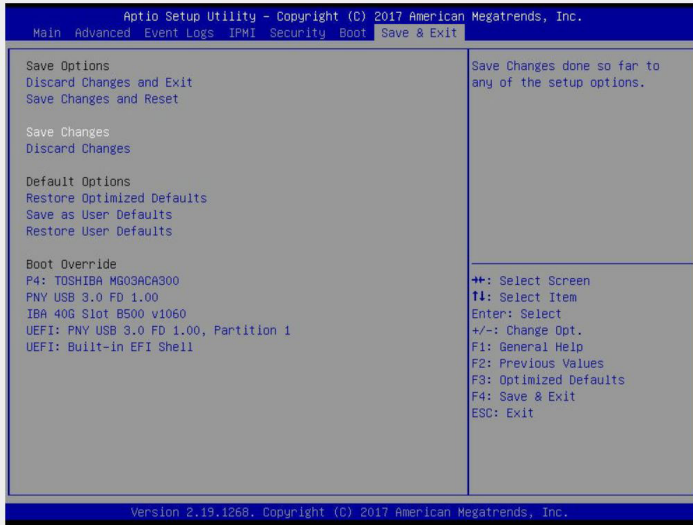


**Note:** By default, "**SHA-1 PCR Bank**" and "**SHA-256 PCR Bank**" are Enabled.




6. Disable "**PH Randomization**" and "**TXT Support**" only. Using the arrow keys, select each option, press the <Enter> key to select **Disabled**, and press the <Enter> key again.
7. Press the <Esc> key to bring you back to the "**Advanced**" tab options. Use the arrow keys to toggle to the "**Save & Exit**" tab.
8. Use the arrow keys to select "**Save Changes**". Press the <Enter> key.

- Use the arrow keys to select "**UEFI: Built-in EFI Shell**" and press the <Enter> key.




## B. Provisioning Intel TXT (Server)

Next, you will need to provision Intel® TXT in the UEFI shell.

 **Note:** If the TPM part number is AOM-TPM-9670V-S or AOM-TPM-9670H-S, you do not need to get the Intel® Provisioning tool. Please go ahead and enable the Intel TXT feature in the BIOS.

1. Select **"UEFI: Built-in EFI Shell"** in the BIOS. The system will boot into the Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) with a list of available USB devices.
2. Each USB device has its own code. Type the code for the USB device that you want to use into the command line at the bottom of the screen and press the **<Enter>** key.

 **Note:** The device used for the purposes of this user guide had a code of fs0. Replace this code with the code that corresponds to your device.

3. In the command line at the bottom of the screen, follow these steps below after typing **"FS0"**.

```

UEFI Interactive Shell v2.2
EDK II
UEFI v2.80 (American Megatrends, 0x00050016)
Mapping table
  FS1: Alias(s):HD1b0b::BLK4:
        PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x1D,0x2)/Pci(0x0,0x0)/USB(0x1,0x0)/HD(1,MBR,0x0FA258
6D,0x3F,0x3B9A7C1)
  FS0: Alias(s):HD0b::BLK1:
        NVMe(0x1,00-00-00-01-00-00-03)/HD(1,GPT,F8DE1BD6-7725-4716-893E-BF4
54B25B12D,0x22,0x10089E)
  BLK3: Alias(s):
        PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x1D,0x2)/Pci(0x0,0x0)/USB(0x1,0x0)
  BLK0: Alias(s):
        NVMe(0x1,00-00-00-01-00-00-03)
  BLK2: Alias(s):
        NVMe(0x1,00-00-00-01-00-00-03)/HD(2,GPT,E4B4B0F0-C765-46D2-8B7C-DB0
D6B99698C,0x1008C0,0x6A21371F)
Press ESC in 1 seconds to skip startup.nsh or any other key to continue.
She11> fs0:

```

- i. Go to the directory “TPm2ProvTools-CBnT”.

```

10/25/2019  15:38                9,974  Tpm2PoProv.nsh
05/13/2015  01:41                9,944  Tpm2PoProv.nsh.bak
10/25/2019  15:40               10,919  Tpm2PpiProv.nsh
09/23/2021  18:21                10,666  Tpm2Prov.cfg
09/19/2015  04:55             275,712  TPM2ProvTool.efi
09/19/2015  04:55             479,744  TPM2ProvTool.exe
04/15/2021  09:45                4,262  Tpm2SetPlatformPolicy.log
04/21/2021  07:48                84,506  Tpm2SgxProv.log
09/20/2018  02:30             14,993  Tpm2Txt2Prov.nsh
10/25/2019  15:40             18,305  Tpm2TxtProv.nsh
05/22/2015  02:47             15,041  Tpm2TxtProv.nsh.bak
04/16/2021  11:26             14,984  Tpm2TxtPs2Prov.nsh
09/23/2021  18:21            141,154  TPM2_CBnT_Prov.log
10/25/2019  15:39              8,873  Tpm2_CBnT_Prov.nsh
04/06/2021  09:30            481,376  TxtBtgInfo_v1.0.7.efi
12/15/2014  07:22                1,000  UnDefineSpaceSpecial.pDef
05/21/2015  23:15              8,555  _ReadmeFirst.txt
04/16/2021  11:05 <DIR>          16,384  bin
06/18/2020  05:48 <DIR>          32,768  Legacy_CbWT_NVCI_Default
06/18/2020  05:48 <DIR>          16,384  NFW_Allow
05/19/2021  23:45             41,996  Tpm2TxtProv.log
09/24/2021  12:10            123,814  TXTBtgPaulLog.txt

    191 File(s)  3,684,974 bytes
     5 Dir(s)
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> _

```

- ii. Type the command “Tpm2\_CBnT\_Prov.nsh sha256 example”.

```
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> Tpm2_CBnT_Prov.nsh sha256 example_
```

- iii. The provisioning process is now Completed.

```

FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> Tpm2_CBnT_Prov.nsh sha256 Example
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> echo -OFF
***** Provisioning AUX NV Index *****
*** Start PW Session for PlatformAuth & Index Read Auth
*** Checking if AUX index exists
*** AUX already exists, check if provisioned correctly
Aux Index provisioned correctly
*****
***** Provisioning Completed Successfully *****
*****
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> _

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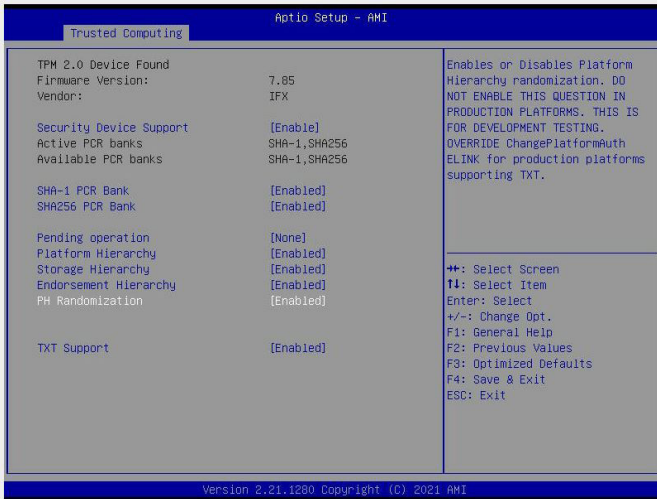
4. After the provisioning process has been completed, you will need to go back into the BIOS and enable "**TXT Support**". To do this, type "**exit**" in the command line at the bottom of the screen and press the **<Enter>** key.



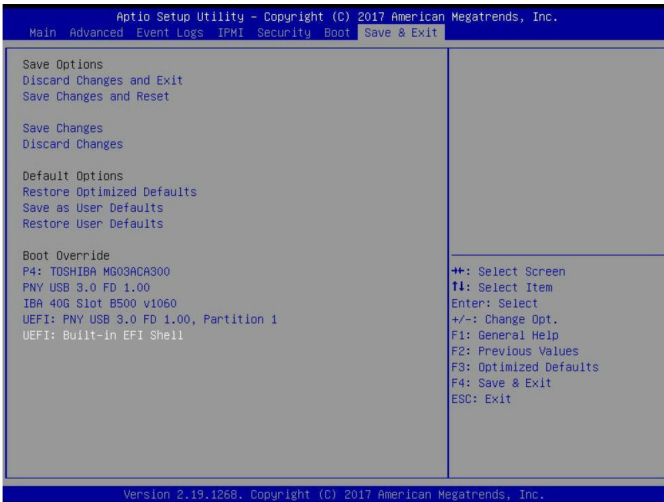
### C. Enabling TXT Support

The last step is enabling TXT Support in the BIOS and UEFI shell.

1. Go back to the "Advanced" tab in the BIOS and enable Platform Hierarchy, Storage Hierarchy, Endorsement Hierarchy, PH Randomization, and TXT Support.



2. Go back to the "Save & Exit" tab and select "UEFI: Built-in EFI Shell" in the BIOS. When the confirmation window appears, select <Yes>.



3. After Enabling TXT Support in BIOS, you will need to run TXT in the UEFI shell. In the Command line at the bottom of the page, type “**getsec64\_v2.0.11.efi -l sen -a**” and press the <Enter> key. TXT support is now enabled.

```
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> getsec64_v2.0.11.efi -l sen -a_
```

4. To Exit from the TXT Environment, type “**getsec64\_v2.0.11.efi -l sextit**” in the command line at the bottom of the screen and press the <Enter> key.

```
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> getsec64_v2.0.11.efi -l sen -a
*****
GETSEC64 v2.0.11
Built: Mar 18 2021 22:44:39
Intel Corporation
Copyright (c) 2010-2021
*****
Done
GETSEC[SENDER] complete. System is now in TXT Environment.
FS0:\Tpm2ProvTools-CBnT\> _
```

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