

preface

USING THIS GUIDE

This *Maintenance and Service Guide* is a troubleshooting reference that can be used when servicing the Compaq Armada E500 and Armada V300 Series of Personal Computers.

Compaq Computer Corporation reserves the right to make changes to the Compaq Armada E500 and Armada V300 Series of Personal Computers without notice.

Symbols

The following words and symbols mark special messages throughout this guide:



WARNING: Text set off in this manner indicates that failure to follow directions in the warning could result in bodily harm or loss of life.



CAUTION: Text set off in this manner indicates that failure to follow directions in the caution could result in damage to equipment or loss of information.

IMPORTANT: Text set off in this manner presents clarifying information or specific instructions.

NOTE: Text set off in this manner presents commentary, sidelights, or interesting points of information.

Technician Notes

WARNING: Only authorized technicians trained by Compaq should repair this equipment. All troubleshooting and repair procedures are detailed to allow only subassembly/module level repair. Because of the complexity of the individual boards and subassemblies, no one should attempt to make repairs at the component level or to make modifications to any printed wiring board. Improper repairs can create a safety hazard. Any indication of component replacement or printed wiring board modifications may void any warranty or exchange allowances.

WARNING: The computer is designed to be electrically grounded. To ensure proper operation, plug the AC power cord into a properly grounded electrical outlet only.

CAUTION: To properly ventilate the system, you must provide at least 3 inches (7.62 cm) of clearance on the left and right sides of the computer.

Serial Number

When requesting information or ordering spare parts, provide the computer serial number. The serial number is on the bottom of the computer.

Locating Additional Information

The following documentation provides information for the computer:

- Compaq Armada E500 and Armada V300 Series of Personal Computers documentation set
- Compaq Armada E500 and Armada V300 Series of Personal Computers *Technical Reference Guide*
- Microsoft Operating System Manual
- Compaq Service Training Guides
- Compaq Service Advisories and Bulletins
- *Compaq QuickFind*
- *Compaq Service Quick Reference Guide*
- Compaq Internet site at <http://www.Compaq.com>

