



SW Series
LCD Monitor
User Manual



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Power Safety



Please follow these safety instructions for best performance, and long life for your monitor.

- The AC plug isolates this equipment from the AC supply.
- The power supply cord serves as a power disconnect device for pluggable equipment. The socket outlet should be installed near the equipment and be easily accessible.
- This product should be operated from the type of power indicated on the marked label. If you are not sure of the type of power available, consult your dealer or local power company.
- An approved power cord greater or equal to H03VV-F or H05VV-F, 2G or 3G, 0.75mm² must be used.

Care And Cleaning

- Cleaning. Always unplug your monitor from the wall outlet before cleaning. Clean the LCD monitor surface with a lint-free, non-abrasive cloth. Avoid using any liquid, aerosol or glass cleaners.
- Slots and openings on the back or top of the cabinet are for ventilation. They must not be blocked or covered. Your monitor should never be placed near or over a radiator or heat source, or in a built-in installation unless proper ventilation is provided.
- Never push objects or spill liquid of any kind into this product.

Safety warning and precautions

- The warranty may be void if any of the instructions in this user manual are not followed. Improper use will invalidate the guarantee. These safety instructions also apply to original accessories.

- It is the sole responsibility of the user if problems (such as data loss and system failure) occurred due to non-factory provided software, parts, and/or non-original accessories.
- Please use the original accessories (e.g. power cable) only with the device to avoid possible dangers such as electric shock and fire.
- It takes about 30 minutes (under BenQ standard testing condition) for the system to reach to a stable state. For works that involve critical color judgment or image enhancement, please wait for 30 minutes after the monitor is powered on.
- It is recommended to set the monitor to a lower brightness for long-term use to reduce your eye strain, and maintain a stable display in order to extend the display's lifetime. Yet you should always adjust the monitor brightness according to the light condition around the monitor. See [Adjusting the backlight on page 36](#) for more information.

Servicing

Do not attempt to service this product yourself, as opening or removing covers may expose you to dangerous voltages or other risks. If any of the above mentioned misuse or other accident such as dropping or mishandling occurs, contact qualified service personnel for servicing.

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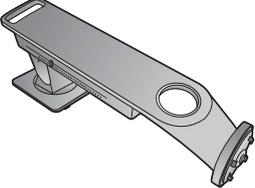
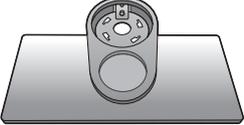
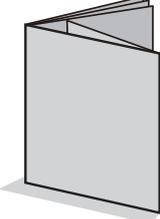
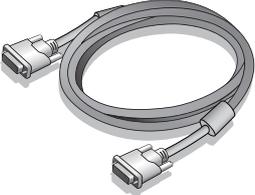


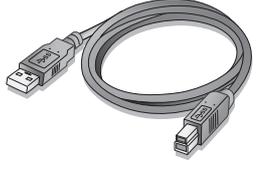
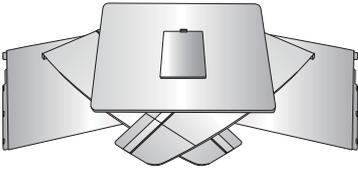
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Getting started

When unpacking please check you have the following items. If any are missing or damaged, please contact the place of purchase for a replacement.

| | |
|---|---|
| BenQ LCD Monitor |  |
| Monitor Stand |  |
| Monitor Base |  |
| Quick Start Guide |  |
| CD-ROM |  |
| Power Cord (Picture may differ from product supplied for your region.) |  |
| Video Cable: DVI-DL |  |

| | |
|---|--|
| Video Cable: DP to mini DP |  |
| Video Cable: HDMI (Optional accessory) |  |
| USB Cable |  |
| OSD Controller |  |
| Shading hood |  |



• Available accessories and the pictures shown here may differ from the actual contents and the product supplied for your region. And the package contents may subject to change without prior notice. For cables that are not supplied with your product, you can purchase them separately.

• Consider keeping the box and packaging in storage for use in the future when you may need to transport the monitor. The fitted foam packing is ideal for protecting the monitor during transport.

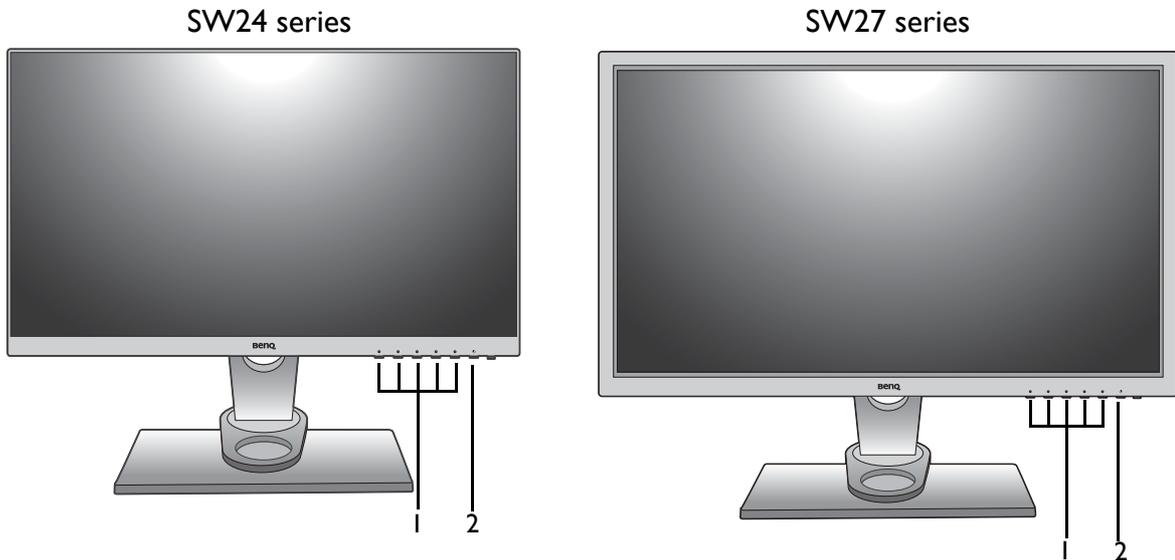


Always keep the product and accessories out of reach of small children.

Getting to know your monitor

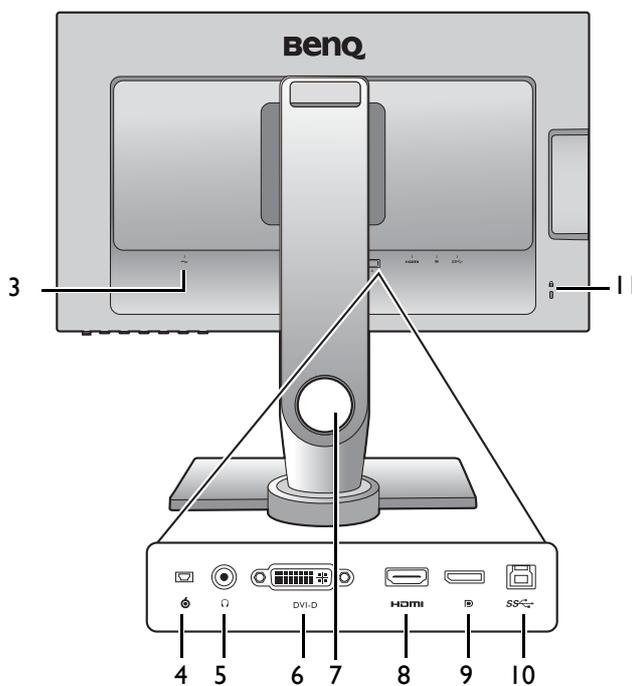
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Front view

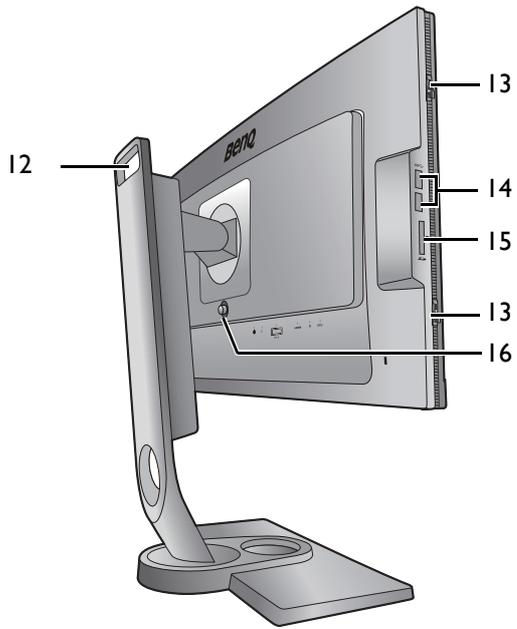


1. Control buttons
2. Power button

Back view



3. AC power input jack
4. OSD Controller socket
5. Headphone jack
6. DVI-D socket
7. Cable management hole
8. HDMI socket
9. DisplayPort socket
10. USB port (upstream; connecting to the PC)
11. Kensington lock slot



- 12. Handle
- 13. Hook (for shading hood installation)
- 14. USB port x 2 (downstream; connecting to USB devices)
- 15. SD card slot
- 16. VESA mount release button

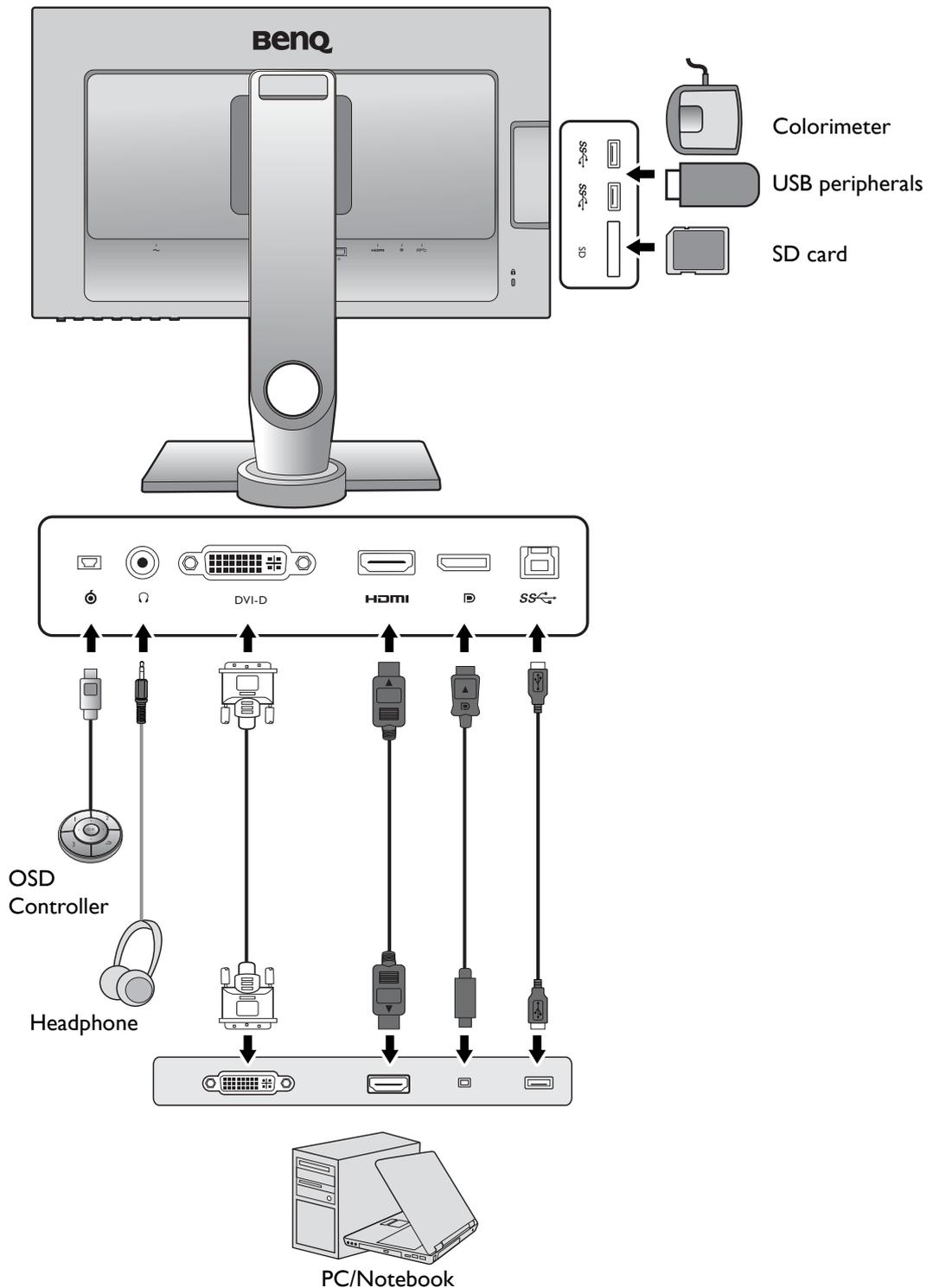


- Above diagram may vary depending on the model.
- Picture may differ from product supplied for your region.

Connection

The following connection illustrations are for your reference only. For cables that are not supplied with your product, you can purchase them separately.

For detailed connection methods, see page [12](#) - [14](#).



How to assemble your monitor hardware



- If the computer is turned on you must turn it off before continuing.
Do not plug-in or turn-on the power to the monitor until instructed to do so.
- The following illustrations are for your reference only. Available input and output jacks may vary depending on the purchased model.

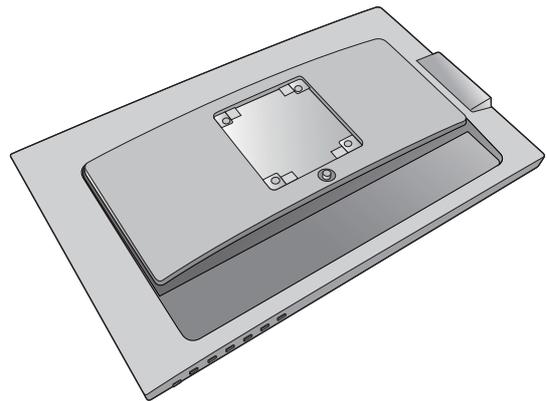
I. Attach the monitor base.



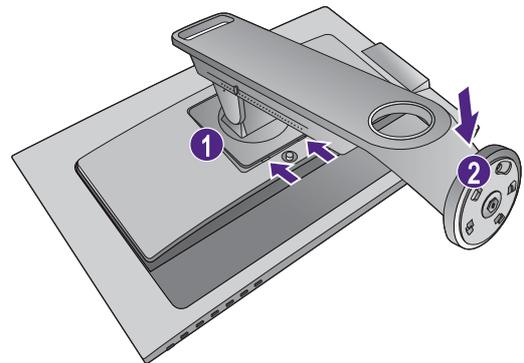
Please be careful to prevent damage to the monitor. Placing the screen surface on an object like a stapler or a mouse will crack the glass or damage the LCD substrate voiding your warranty. Sliding or scraping the monitor around on your desk will scratch or damage the monitor surround and controls.

Protect the monitor and screen by clearing a flat open area on your desk and placing a soft item like the monitor packaging bag on the desk for padding.

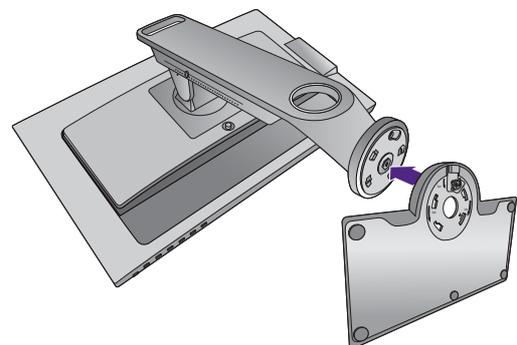
Gently lay the screen face down on a flat clean padded surface.



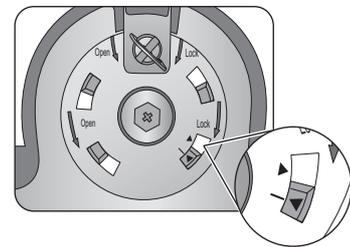
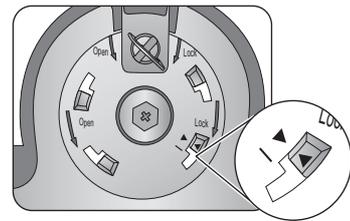
Orient and align the stand arm with the monitor (1), push them together until they click and lock into place (2).



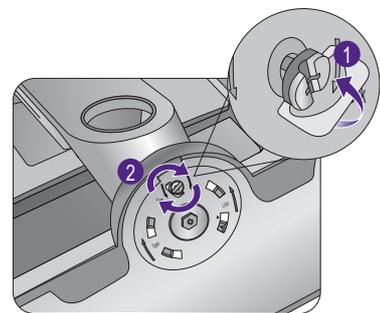
Orient and align the stand base socket with the end of the stand arm. Make sure to align the arrow on the end of the stand to the one on the monitor base.



Turn the base counterclockwise until you cannot go further.

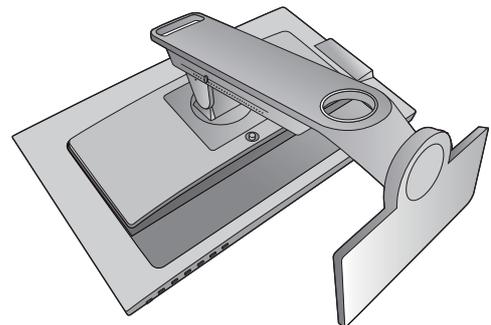


Raise the thumbscrew lid (1) and tighten the thumbscrew as illustrated (2). Then push the lid back. Carefully put down the stand and the base.

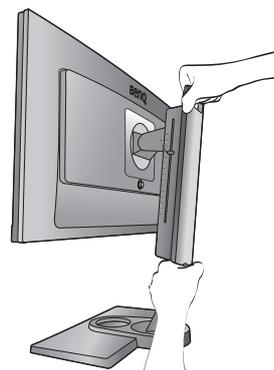


Gently attempt to pull the stand and the base back apart to check that they have properly engaged.

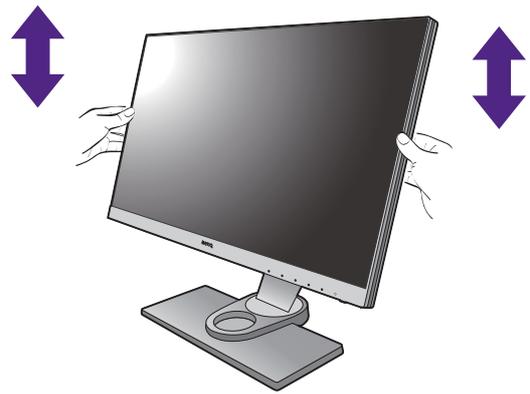
Carefully lift the monitor, turn it over and place it upright on its stand on a flat even surface.



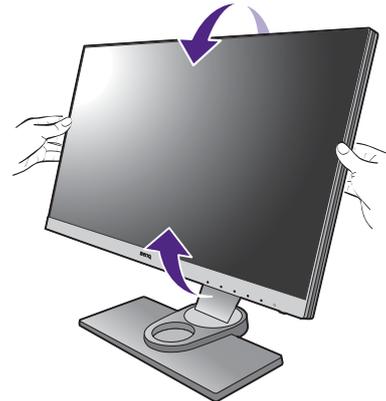
To move the monitor, you must hold the handle and the bottom of the stand base at the same time as illustrated.



You might want to adjust the monitor stand height. See [Adjusting the monitor height on page 21](#) for more information.



You should position the monitor and angle the screen to minimize unwanted reflections from other light sources.

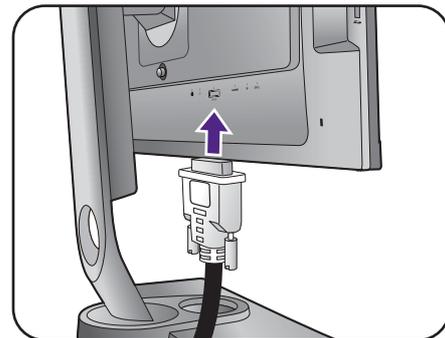


2. Connect the PC video cable

To Connect the DVI-DL Cable

Connect the plug of the DVI-DL cable (at the end without the ferrite filter) to the monitor video socket. Connect the other end of the cable (at the end with the ferrite filter) to the computer video socket.

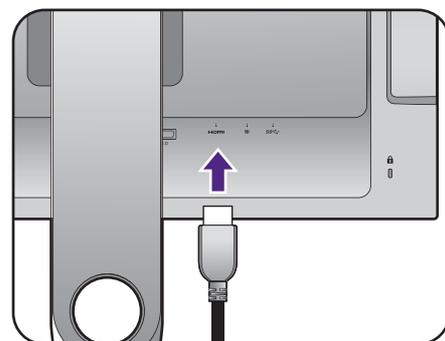
Tighten all finger screws to prevent the plugs from accidentally falling out during use.



Or

To Connect the HDMI Cable

Connect the plug of the HDMI cable to the HDMI port on the monitor. Connect the other end of the cable to the HDMI port of a digital output device.



To Connect the DP Cable

Connect the plug of the DP cable to the monitor video socket. Connect the other end of the cable to the computer video socket.



The video cables included in your package and the socket illustrations on the right may vary depending on the product supplied for your region.

3. Connect the OSD Controller to the monitor.

Connect the OSD Controller to the mini USB port (exclusively for OSD Controller connection) on the rear of the monitor.

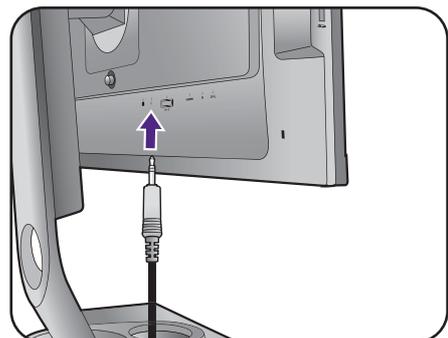
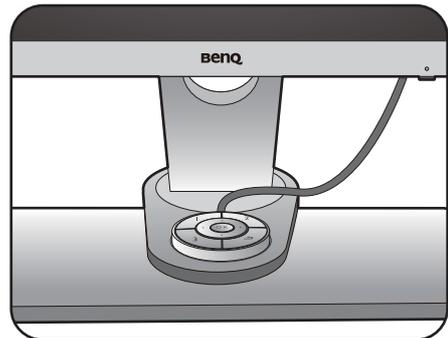
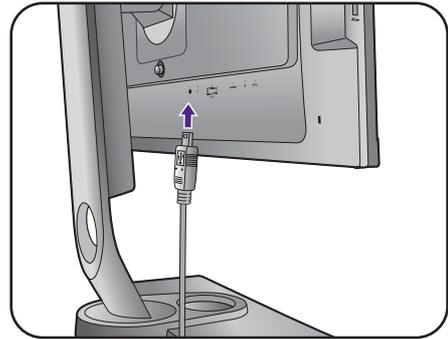
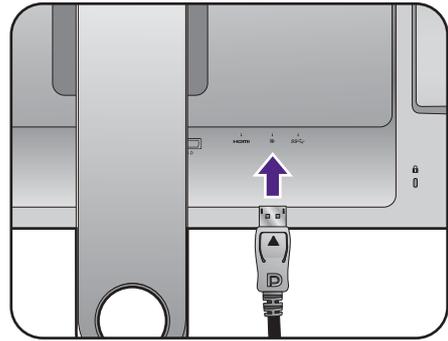
And place the OSD Controller properly on your monitor base.

For more information on OSD Controller, see [OSD Controller on page 32](#).

4. Connect the headphones.

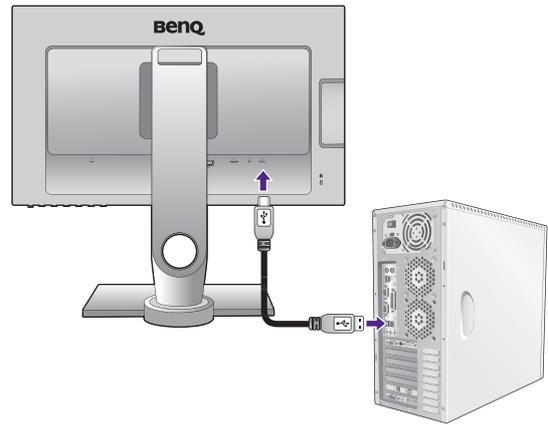
You may connect headphones to the headphone jack found on the back side of the monitor.

Or



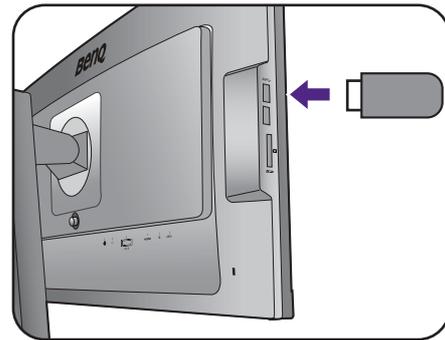
5. Connect USB devices.

Connect the USB cable between the PC and the monitor (via the upstream USB port at the back). This upstream USB port transmits data between the PC and the USB devices connected to the monitor.



Connect USB devices via other USB ports (downstream) on the monitor. These downstream USB ports transmit data between connected USB devices and the upstream port.

See picture on the right.



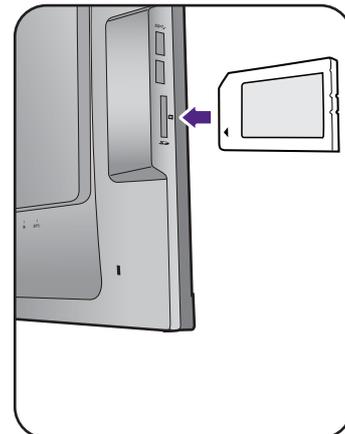
6. Connect the memory card.

Insert a SD, MMC, or MS memory card following the direction indicated on the card to exchange files.



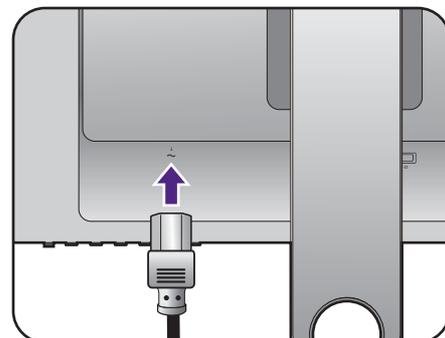
Supported memory card formats are as follows:

- SD / SDHC / SDXC
- MMC
- Memory Stick / Memory Stick Pro
- MS Duo / MS-Pro Duo

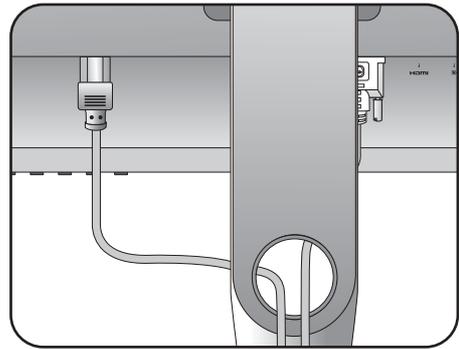


7. Connect the power cable to the monitor.

Plug one end of the power cord into the socket labelled  on the rear of the monitor. Do not connect the other end to a power outlet just yet.



8. Organize the cables.



9. Connect-to and turn-on the power.

Plug the other end of the power cord into a power outlet and turn it on.



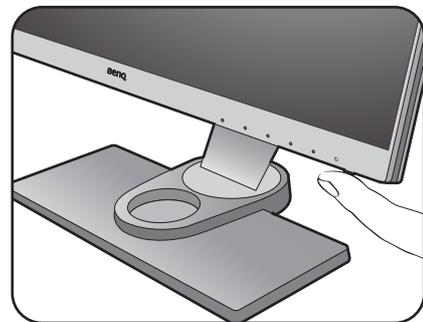
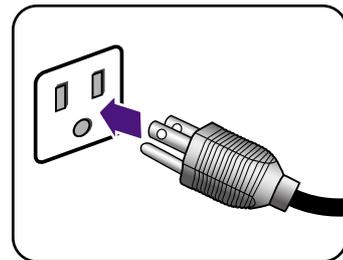
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Turn on the monitor by pressing the power button on the monitor.

Turn on the computer too, and follow the instructions in [Getting the most from your BenQ monitor on page 26](#) to install the monitor software.



To extend the service life of the product, we recommend that you use your computer's power management function.

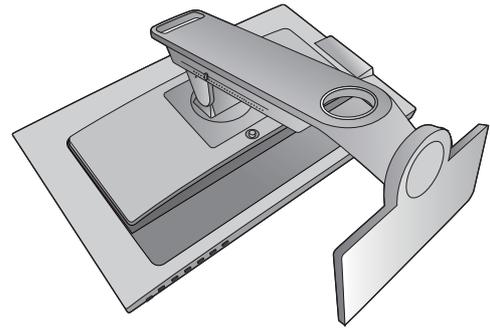


How to detach the stand and the base

I. Prepare the monitor and area.

Turn off the monitor and the power before unplugging the power cable. Turn off the computer before unplugging the monitor signal cable.

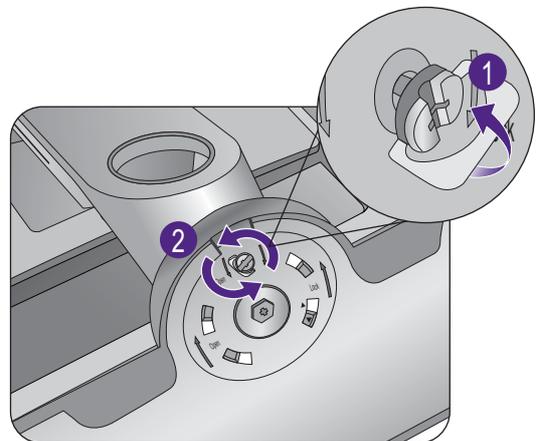
Protect the monitor and screen by clearing a flat open area on your desk and placing a soft item like a towel on the desk for padding, before laying the screen face down on a flat clean padded surface.



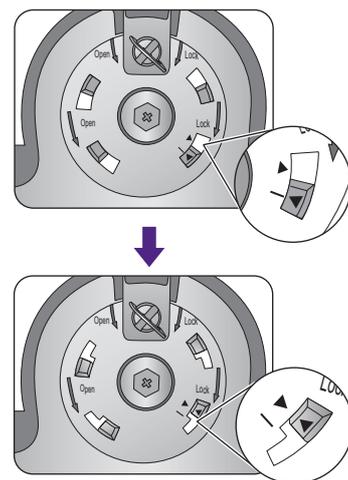
 Please be careful to prevent damage to the monitor. Placing the screen surface on an object like a stapler or a mouse will crack the glass or damage the LCD substrate voiding your warranty. Sliding or scraping the monitor around on your desk will scratch or damage the monitor surround and controls.

2. Remove the monitor base.

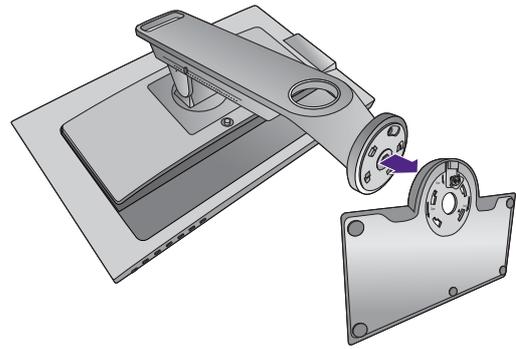
Raise the thumbscrew lid (1) and release the thumbscrew as illustrated (2).



Turn the base clockwise until you cannot go further.

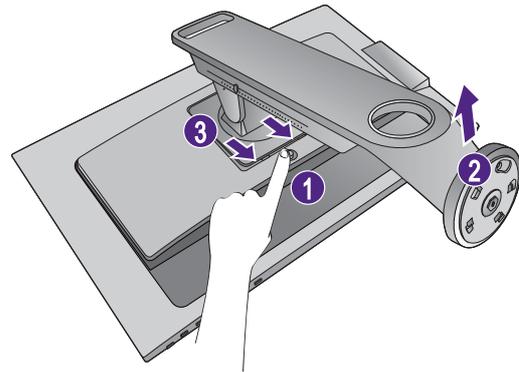


And then detach the base from the stand.



3. Remove the monitor stand.

While pressing and holding the VESA mount release button (1), detach the stand from the monitor (2) and (3).



Installing shading hood (optional step)

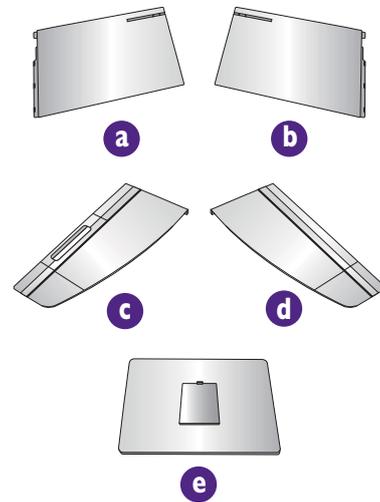


- To prevent glare or most of unwanted reflections from other light sources off your screen, you can install the shading hood.
- Please be careful to prevent damage to the shading hood and the monitor. Different pieces of shading hood are well-designed and can fit into your monitor properly. Do not use excessive force when installing the shading hood to avoid possible damage.

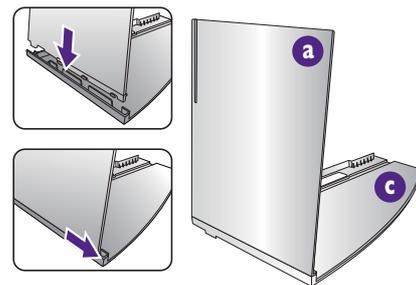
1. Prepare for the shading hood installation.

Place the monitor upright on its stand on a flat even surface. Make sure the monitor is rotated to the landscape mode.

There are 5 different pieces of the shading hood. Follow the illustrations to complete the installation carefully.

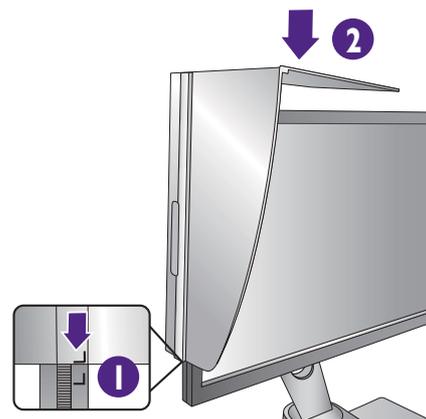


2. Install the left part of shading hood.

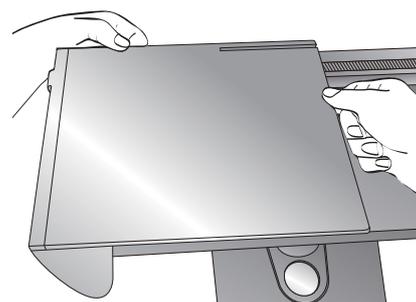


3. Attach to the left side of the monitor.

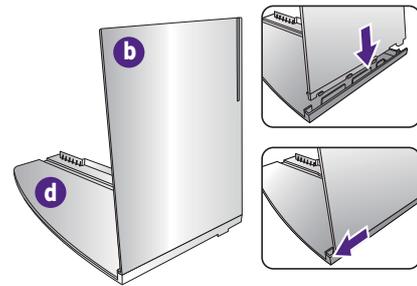
Align the L shape bar on the hood with the one on the left side of the monitor, and press down the hood to fix it firmly.



Align the velcro inside the hood with the one on the top of the monitor.

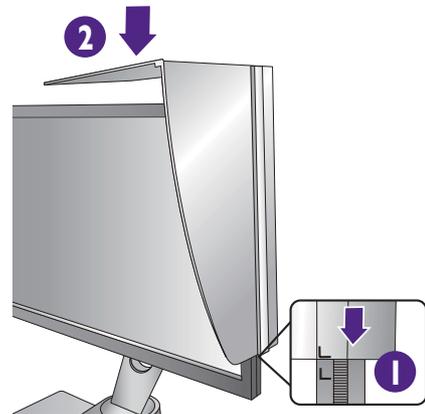


4. Install the right part of shading hood.

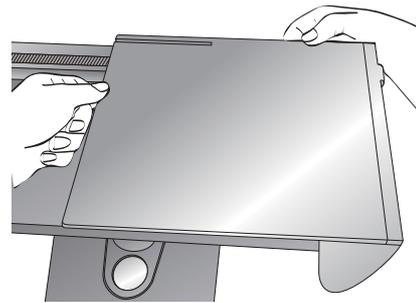


5. Attach to the right side of the monitor.

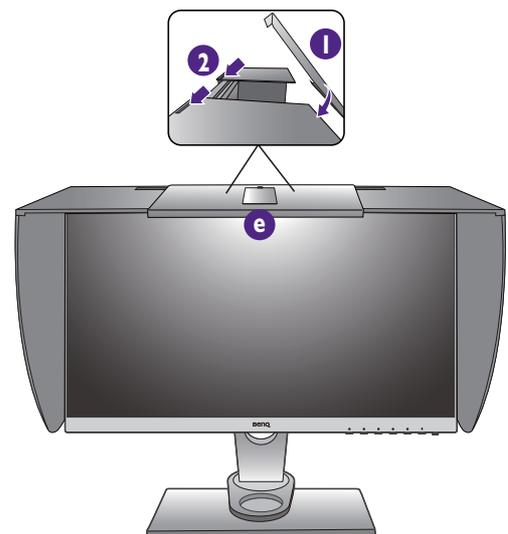
Align the L shape bar on the hood with the one on the right side of the monitor, and press down the hood to fix it firmly.



Align the velcro inside the hood with the one on the top of the monitor.



6. Install the piece e.



7. If you intend to calibrate the display's color by a colorimeter, slide the piece **e** down so the colorimeter can be installed.

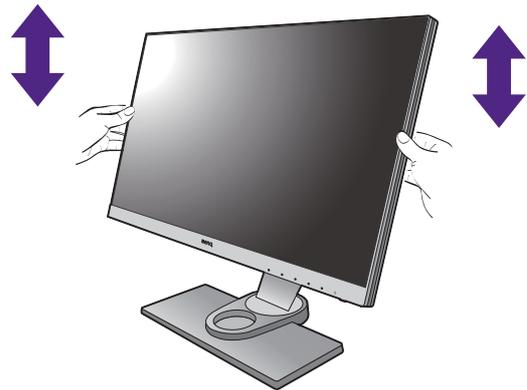


Follow the instruction manuals of the colorimeter you purchased and the provided software to complete the installation and calibration process.

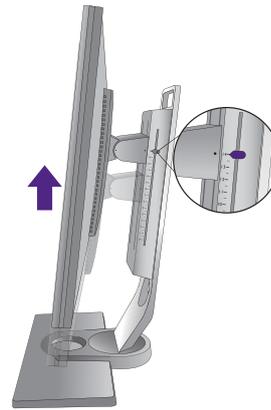


Adjusting the monitor height

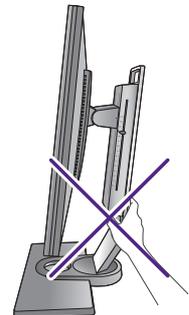
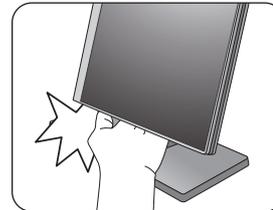
1. To adjust the monitor height, hold both the left and the right sides of the monitor to lower the monitor or lift it up to the desired height.



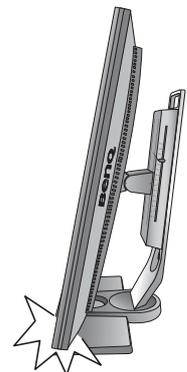
2. On the monitor stand is an adjustment scale that helps keep track of your preferred monitor height. Move the marker on the scale to the monitor stand height just set.



- Avoid placing hands on the upper or lower part of the height-adjustable stand or at the bottom of the monitor, as ascending or descending monitor might cause personal injuries. Keep children out of reach of the monitor while performing this operation.



- If the monitor has been rotated to portrait mode and height adjustment is desired, you should be noted that the wide screen will keep the monitor from being lowered to its minimum height.

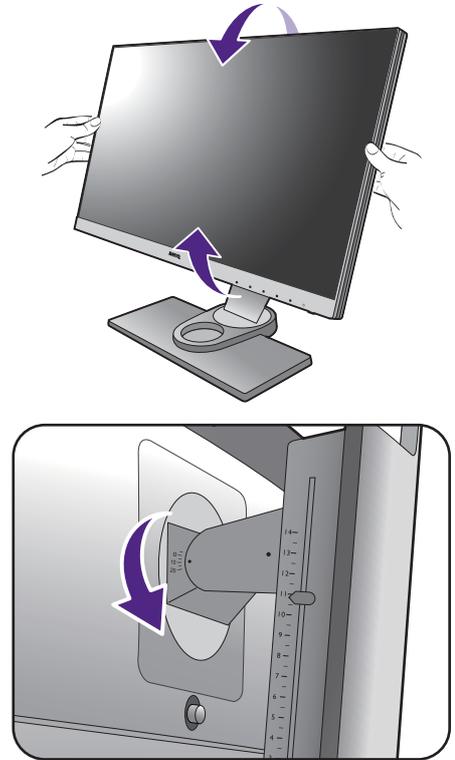


Viewing angle adjustment

You may position the screen to the desired angle with the monitor tilt, swivel, and height adjustment functions. Refer to the product specifications for details.

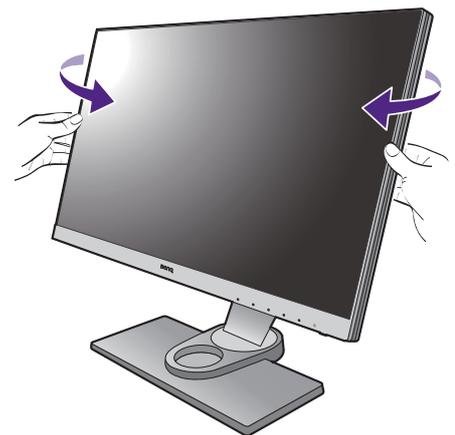
Tilting the monitor

Tilt the monitor gently. The scale on top of the column helps keep track of your preferred tilt angle.



Swiveling the monitor

Turn the monitor to the left or right as desired.



Rotating the monitor

1. Pivot the display.

Before rotating the monitor with a portrait viewing orientation, the display has to be rotated 90 degrees.

Right-click the desktop and select **Screen resolution** from the popup menu. Select **Portrait in Orientation**, and apply the setting.



Depending on the operating system on your PC, different procedures should be followed to adjust the screen orientation. Refer to the help document of your operating system for details.

2. Pivot the OSD menu.

Once the display is rotated, you also need to rotate the OSD menu.

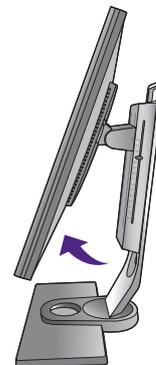
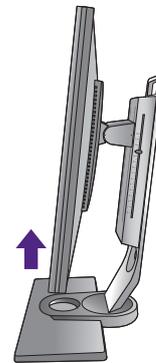
Go to **System** and **Auto Pivot**. Select **On**. The OSD menu rotates with the monitor.

3. Fully extend the monitor and tilt it.

Gently lift the display up and extend it to the maximum extended position. Then tilt the monitor.



The monitor should be vertically extended to allow to rotate from landscape to portrait mode.



4. Rotate the monitor 90 degrees clockwise as illustrated.



To avoid the edge of the LCD display hitting the monitor base surface while it is being rotated, do tilt and extend the monitor to the highest position before you start to rotate the display. You should also make sure there are no obstacles around the monitor and there is enough room for cables.



5. Adjust the monitor to the desired viewing angle. See [Viewing angle adjustment on page 22](#) for more information.



Using the monitor wall mounting kit

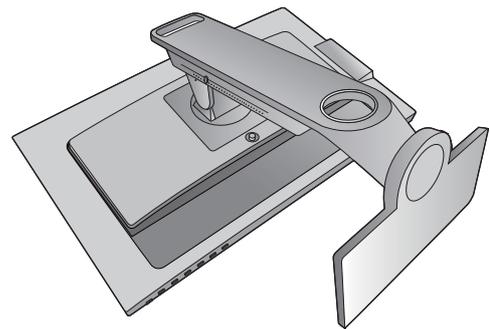
The back of your LCD monitor has a VESA standard mount with 100mm pattern, allowing the installation of a wall mount bracket. Before starting to install a monitor wall mounting kit, please read the precautions carefully.

Precautions

- Install your monitor and monitor mounting kit on a wall with flat surface.
- Ensure that the wall material is stable to support the weight of the monitor.
- Turn off the monitor and the power before disconnecting the cables from the LCD monitor.

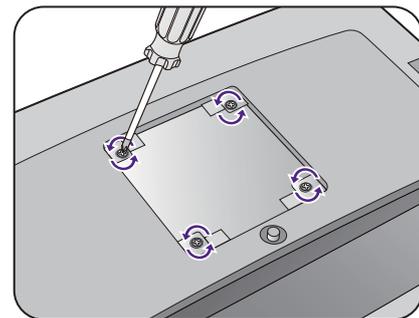
1. Remove the monitor stand.

Lay the screen face down on a clean and well-padded surface. Detach the monitor stand as instructed in [How to detach the stand and the base on page 16](#).



2. Remove the screws on the back cover.

Use a cross-pointed screwdriver to release the screws on the back cover. The use of a magnetic-head screwdriver is recommended to avoid losing the screws.



In case you intend to use your monitor on the stand in the future, please keep the monitor base, monitor stand, and screws somewhere safe for future use.

3. Follow the instruction manuals of the wall mount bracket you purchased to complete the installation.

Getting the most from your BenQ monitor

To gain the most benefit from your new BenQ LCD monitor, you should install the custom BenQ LCD Monitor driver software as provided on the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM.

The circumstances under which you connect and install your BenQ LCD Monitor will determine which process you need to follow to successfully install the BenQ LCD Monitor driver software. These circumstances relate to which version of Microsoft Windows you are using, and whether you are connecting the monitor and installing the software onto a new computer (without existing monitor driver software), or whether you are upgrading an existing installation (which already has existing monitor driver software) with a newer monitor.

In either case however, the very next time you turn on your computer (after connecting the monitor to your computer), Windows will automatically recognize the new (or different) hardware, and will launch its **Found New Hardware wizard**.

Follow the wizard instructions until it asks you to select a monitor model. At that point, click the **Have Disk** button, insert the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM and select the appropriate monitor model. Further details and step-by-step instructions for either an automatic (new) or upgrade (existing) installation, see:

- [How to install the monitor on a new computer on page 27.](#)
- [How to upgrade the monitor on an existing computer on page 28.](#)



- If you require a User Name and Password to login to your Windows computer, you must be logged on as an Administrator or as a member of the Administrators group in order to install the monitor driver software. Furthermore, if your computer is connected to a network which has security access requirements, network policy settings may prevent you from installing software on your computer.
 - To check the name of the purchased model, refer to the specification label on the back of the monitor.
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How to install the monitor on a new computer

This instruction details the procedure for selecting and installing the BenQ LCD Monitor driver software on a new computer which has never had a monitor driver installed before. This instruction is only suitable for a computer which has never been used before, and for which the BenQ LCD Monitor is the first ever monitor to be connected to it.



If you are adding the BenQ LCD Monitor to an existing computer that has already had another monitor connected to it (and has monitor driver software installed), you should not be following these instructions. You should instead be following the instructions for [How to upgrade the monitor on an existing computer](#).

1. Follow the instructions in [How to assemble your monitor hardware on page 10](#).
When Windows starts, it will automatically detect the new monitor and launch the **Found New Hardware Wizard**. Follow the prompts until it displays the option to **Install Hardware Device Drivers**.
2. Insert the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM into a CD drive on the computer.
3. Check **Search for a suitable driver for my device** option, and click **Next**.
4. Check the option for CD-ROM drives (uncheck all others) and click **Next**.
5. Look to confirm that the wizard has selected the correct name of your monitor and click **Next**.
6. Click **Finish**.
7. Restart the computer.



To find the suitable driver files for the purchased model, refer to the following table.

| Driver files | Suitable models |
|--------------|-----------------|
| SW240I | SW240IPT |
| SW2700 | SW2700PT |

How to upgrade the monitor on an existing computer

This instruction details the procedure for manually updating the existing monitor driver software on your Microsoft Windows computer. It is currently tested as compatible for Mac OS, Windows 8.1, Windows 8, and Windows 7 Operating System (OS).



The BenQ LCD Monitor driver for your model may well function perfectly with other versions of Windows, however, as at the time of writing, BenQ has done no testing of this driver on other versions of Windows and cannot guarantee its operation on those systems.

Installing monitor driver software involves selecting an appropriate information file (.inf) on the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM for the particular model monitor you have connected, and letting Windows install the corresponding driver files from the CD. You need only steer it in the right direction. Windows has an Upgrade Device Driver Wizard to automate the task and guide you through the file selection and installation process.

See:

- [How to install on Windows 8 \(8.1\) system on page 29.](#)
- [How to install on Windows 7 system on page 30.](#)

How to install on Windows 8 (8.1) system

1. Open **Display Properties**.

Move the cursor to the lower-right of the screen or press the **Windows + C** buttons on the keyboard to bring up the **Charm** bar. Go to **Settings, Control Panel, Devices and Printers** and right-click the name of your monitor from the menu.

Alternatively, right-click the desktop and select **Personalize, Display, Devices and Printers**, and right-click the name of your monitor from the menu.

2. Select **Properties** from the menu.

3. Click the **Hardware** tab.

4. Click **Generic PnP Monitor**, and then the **Properties** button.

5. Click the **Driver** tab and the **Update Driver** button.

6. Insert the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM into a CD drive on the computer.

7. In the **Update Driver Software** window, select the option **Browse my computer for driver software**.

8. Click **Browse** and navigate to the following directory: d:\BenQ_LCD\Driver\ (where d is the drive letter designator for the CD-ROM drive).



The drive letter for your CD drive may differ from the example above depending upon your system - it may be 'D:' or 'E:' or 'F:' etc.

9. Select the correct folder name of your monitor from provided driver list, and click **Next**.

This will copy and install the appropriate monitor driver files to your computer.

10. Click **Close**.

You may be prompted to restart your computer after the driver update is complete.

How to install on Windows 7 system

1. Open **Display Properties**.

Go to **Start, Control Panel, Hardware and Sound, Devices and Printers** and right-click the name of your monitor from the menu.

Alternatively, right-click the desktop and select **Personalize, Display, Devices and Printers**, and right-click the name of your monitor from the menu.

2. Select **Properties** from the menu.

3. Click the **Hardware** tab.

4. Click **Generic PnP Monitor**, and then the **Properties** button.

5. Click the **Driver** tab and the **Update Driver** button.

6. Insert the BenQ LCD Monitor CD-ROM into a CD drive on the computer.

7. In the **Update Driver Software** window, select the option **Browse my computer for driver software**.

8. Click **Browse** and navigate to the following directory: d:\BenQ_LCD\Driver\ (where d is the drive letter designator for the CD-ROM drive).



The drive letter for your CD drive may differ from the example above depending upon your system - it may be 'D:' or 'E:' or 'F:' etc.

9. Select the correct folder name of your monitor from provided driver list, and click **Next**.

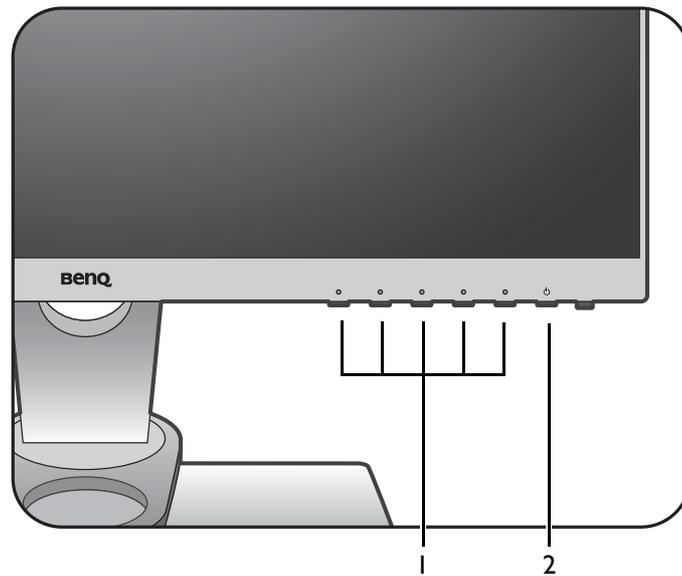
This will copy and install the appropriate monitor driver files to your computer.

10. Click **Close**.

You may be prompted to restart your computer after the driver update is complete.

How to adjust your monitor

The control panel



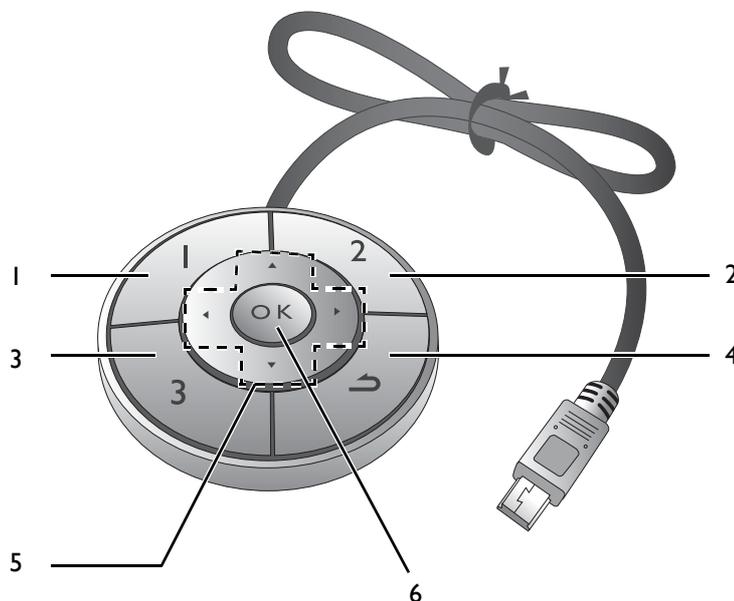
| No. | Name | Description |
|-----|--------------|---|
| 1. | Control keys | Accesses the functions or menu items displayed on the screen, right next to each key. |
| 2. | Power key | Turns the power on or off. |

OSD Controller

Apart from the control keys, OSD Controller also provides a quick way to control and access the OSD menus.



You need to connect the OSD Controller to your monitor prior to use. Follow the instructions in [Connect the OSD Controller to the monitor](#) on page 13.



| No. | Name | Description |
|-----|------------------------|--|
| 1. | Controller Key 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press to switch to Adobe RGB (Picture Mode). • Press and hold for 5 seconds to bring up a list of options, select another feature of setup menu by pressing ▲ or ▼, and confirm with OK. |
| 2. | Controller Key 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press to switch to sRGB (Picture Mode). • Press and hold for 5 seconds to bring up a list of options, select another feature of setup menu by pressing ▲ or ▼, and confirm with OK. |
| 3. | Controller Key 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Press to switch to B+W (Picture Mode). • Press and hold for 5 seconds to bring up a list of options, select another feature of setup menu by pressing ▲ or ▼, and confirm with OK. |
| 4. | Return button (↶) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exits OSD menu. • Returns to the previous menu. • Activates the hot key menu. |

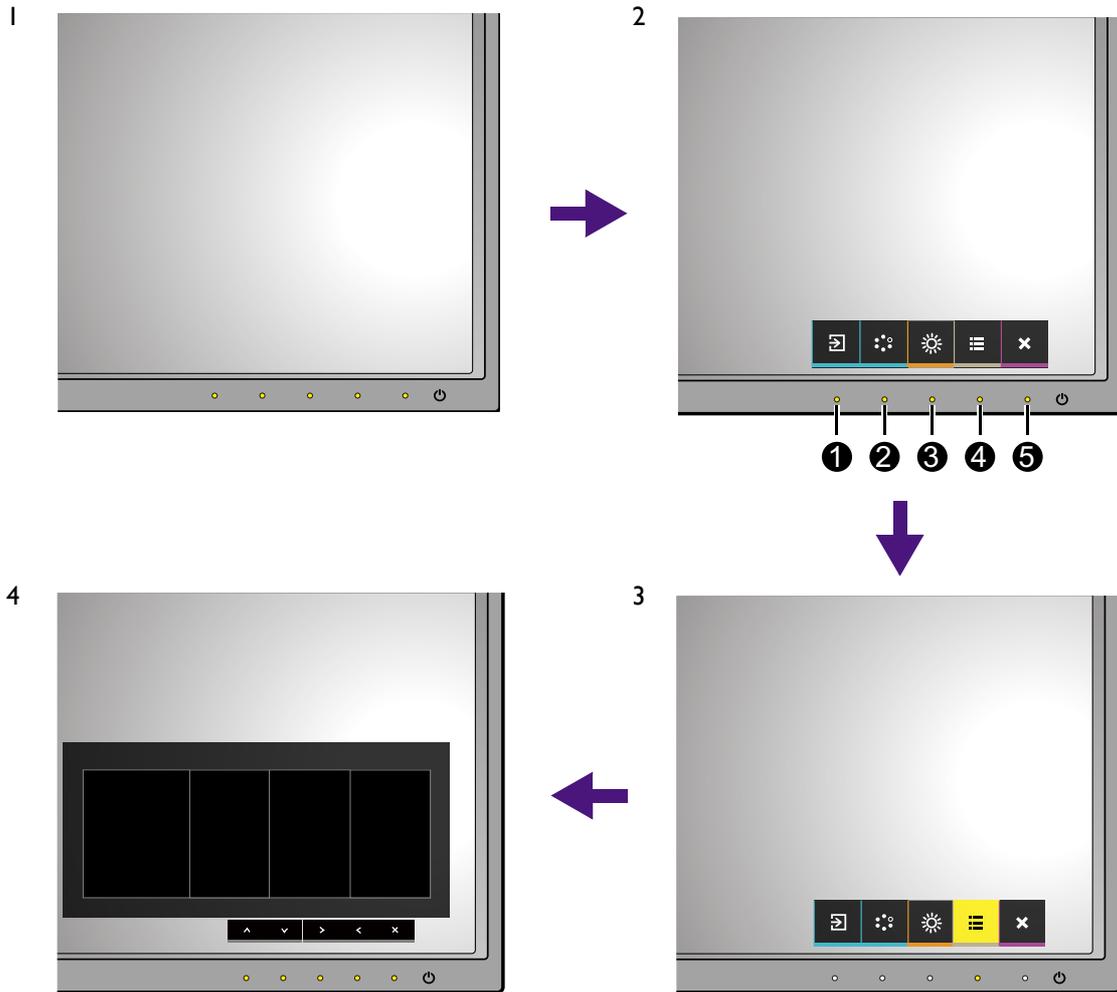
| No. | Name | Description |
|-----|---------------------------------------|--|
| 5. | Navigation buttons (▲ / ▼ / ◀ / ▶) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ▲: For Up/Increase adjustment. • ▼: For Down/Decrease adjustment. • ▶: Enters sub menus. • ◀: Returns to the previous menu. |
| 6. | OK key (OK) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activates the hot key menu. • Selects menu items. |



OSD Controller is designed for BenQ LCD Monitor exclusively and is available for compatible models only. Do not connect it to other devices with mini USB ports.

Basic menu operation

All OSD (On Screen Display) menus can be accessed by the control keys. You can use the OSD menu to adjust all the settings on your monitor.



1. Press any of the control keys.
2. The hot key menu is displayed. The left three controls are custom keys and are designated for particular functions.
3. Select  (**Menu**) to access the main menu.
4. In the main menu, follow the icons next to the control keys to make adjustments or selection. See [Navigating the main menu on page 37](#) for details on the menu options.

| No. | OSD in hot key menu | OSD icon in main menu | Function |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| ① | Custom Key 1 | ^ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By default, the key is the hot key for Input. To change the default settings, see Customizing the hot keys on page 36. • For Up/Increase adjustment. |

| No. | OSD in hot key menu | OSD icon in main menu | Function |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| ② | Custom Key 2 | ∨ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By default, the key is the hot key for Color Mode. To change the default settings, see Customizing the hot keys on page 36. • For Down/Decrease adjustment. |
| ③ | Custom Key 3 | ✓ / > | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By default, the key is the hot key for Brightness. To change the default settings, see Customizing the hot keys on page 36. • Enters sub menus. • Selects menu items. |
| ④ | Menu | < | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activates the main menu. • Returns to the previous menu. |
| ⑤ | Exit | × | Exits OSD menu. |



- OSD = On Screen Display.
The hot keys only operate while the main menu is not currently displaying. Hot key displays will disappear after a few seconds of no key activity.
- To unlock the OSD controls, press and hold any key for 10 seconds.

Customizing the hot keys

The left 3 control keys (also called custom keys) perform as hot keys to provide direct access to pre-defined functions. You can change the default setting and designate different functions for these keys.

1. Press any of the control keys to bring up the hot key menu, and press  (**Menu**) to access the main menu.
2. Go to **System**.
3. Select the custom key you want to change.
4. In the sub menu, select a function that can be accessed by this key. A pop-up message will appear, showing that the setup is complete.

Adjusting the display color

To adjust the display color, you can do one of the following:

- Apply the standard color settings from **Color Adjustment > Color Mode**.
- Change the display and color settings manually from the OSD menu. Settings you might want to change are:
 - [Color Temp. \(see page 41\)](#)
 - [Gamma \(see page 42\)](#)
 - [Color Gamut \(see page 42\)](#)
 - [Hue \(see page 42\)](#)
 - [Saturation \(see page 42\)](#)
 - [Black Level \(see page 42\)](#)

Depending on the **Color Mode** you just set, the available options for color adjustment may vary. See [Available menu options for each Color Mode on page 43](#) for more information.

Once the adjustment is done, you can save the customized settings from **Color Adjustment > Save Color Settings**.

- Use a colorimeter (purchased separately) to work with the provided software named **Palette Master** and optimize the display color. The calibration result will be saved under **Color Adjustment > Color Mode > Calibration 1** or **Calibration 2**. See the **Palette Master How-to-Use Guide** (available from www.benq.com) for more information. To apply the calibrated result, go to **Color Adjustment > Color Mode > Calibration 1** or **Calibration 2**.

Adjusting the backlight

To adjust the backlight of the monitor, you can change the backlight manually from **Color Adjustment > Brightness**. See [Brightness on page 41](#) for more information.

Navigating the main menu

You can use the OSD (On Screen Display) menu to adjust all the settings on your monitor.

Press any of the control keys to bring up the hot key menu, and press  (**Menu**) to access the main menu. See [Basic menu operation on page 34](#) for details.

Available menu options may vary depending on the input sources, functions and settings. Menu options that are not available will become grayed out. And keys that are not available will be disabled and the corresponding OSD icons will disappear. For models without certain functions, their settings and related items will not appear on the menu.



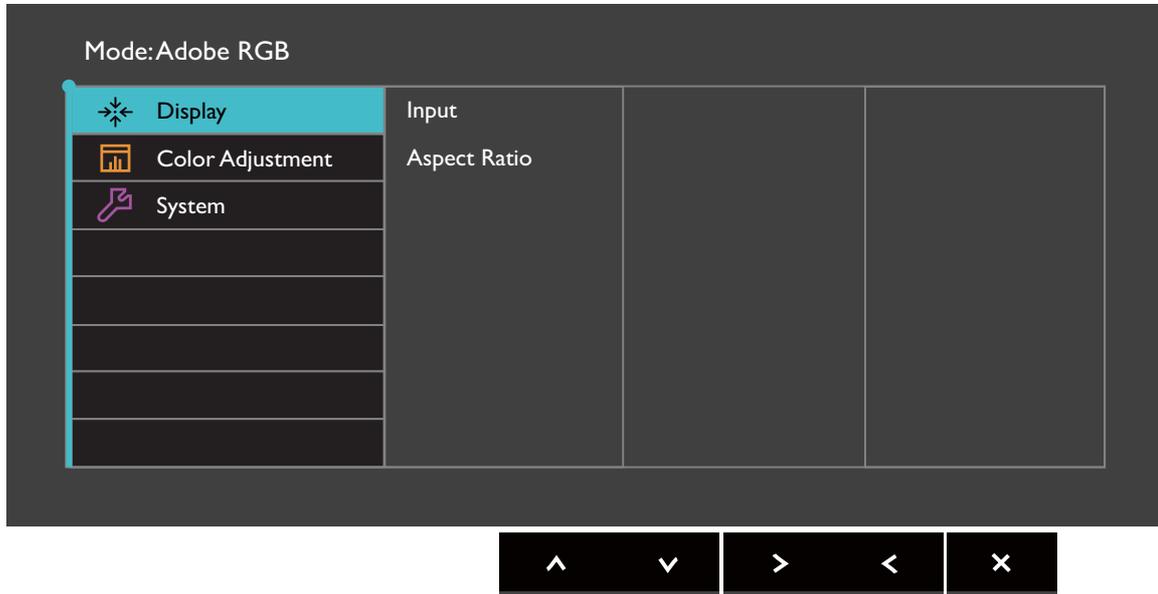
The OSD menu languages may differ from the product supplied to your region, see [Language on page 45](#) under **System** and **OSD Settings** for more details.

For more information on each menu, please refer to the following pages:

- [Display menu on page 38](#)
- [Color Adjustment menu on page 40](#)
- [System menu on page 44](#)

Display menu

Available menu options may vary depending on the input sources, functions and settings. Menu options that are not available will become grayed out. And keys that are not available will be disabled and the corresponding OSD icons will disappear. For models without certain functions, their settings and related items will not appear on the menu.



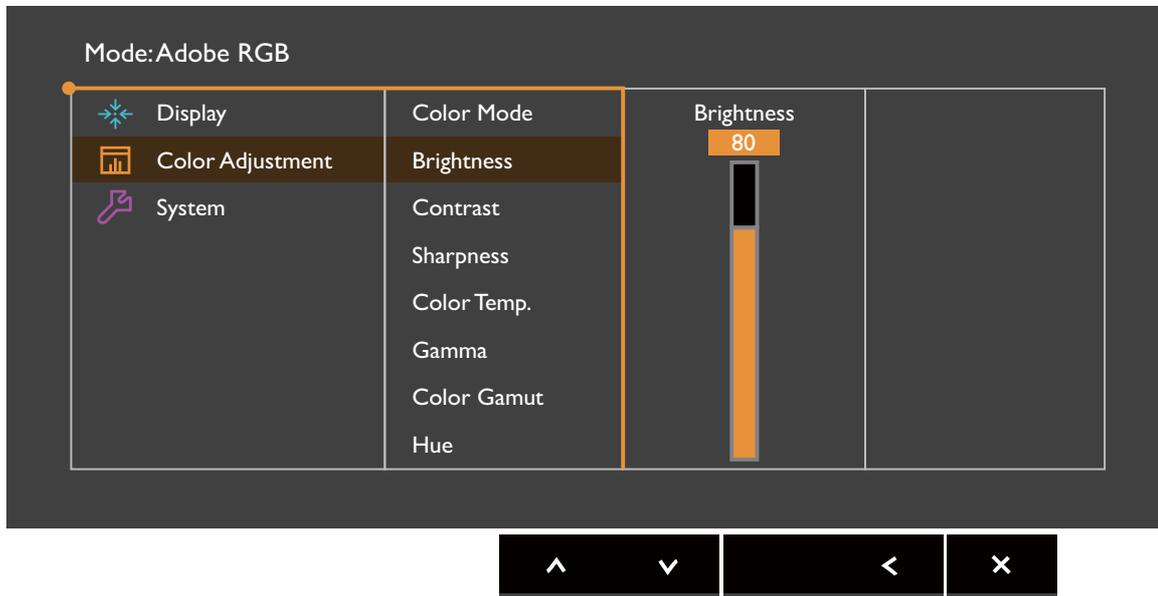
1. Select  (**Menu**) from the hot key menu.
2. Use \wedge or \vee to select **Display**.
3. Select $\>$ to go to a sub menu, and then use \wedge or \vee to select a menu item.
4. Use \wedge or \vee to make adjustments, or use \checkmark to make selection.
5. To return to the previous menu, select \leftarrow .
6. To exit the menu, select \times .

| Item | Function | | Range |
|---------------------|---|---|---|
| Input | Use this to change the input to that appropriate to your video cable connection type. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DVI • HDMI • DP |
| Aspect Ratio | This feature is provided to allow aspect ratios other than 16:9 to be displayed without geometric distortion. | | |
| | Full | Scales the input image to fill the screen. Ideal for 16:9 aspect images. | |
| | Aspect | The input image is displayed without geometric distortion filling as much of the display as possible. | |

| Item | Function | | Range |
|------|------------|--|-------|
| | 1:1 | Displays the input image in its native resolution without scaling. | |

Color Adjustment menu

Available menu options may vary depending on the input sources, functions and settings. Menu options that are not available will become grayed out. And keys that are not available will be disabled and the corresponding OSD icons will disappear. For models without certain functions, their settings and related items will not appear on the menu.



1. Select  (**Menu**) from the hot key menu.
2. Use  or  to select **Color Adjustment**.
3. Select  to go to a sub menu, and then use  or  to select a menu item.
4. Use  or  to make adjustments, or use  to make selection.
5. To return to the previous menu, select .
6. To exit the menu, select .

| Item | Function | | Range |
|-------------------|---|--|-------|
| Color Mode | Select a color mode that best suits the type of images shown on the screen. | | |
| | Standard | For basic PC application. | |
| | Adobe RGB | For better color matching representation with Adobe® RGB compatible peripherals. | |
| | sRGB | For better color matching representation with sRGB compatible peripherals. | |
| | B+W | Applies a black and white theme. | |
| | Photo | For viewing still images. | |

| Item | Function | | Range | |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Low Blue Light | Decreases the blue light emitted from the display to reduce the risk of blue light exposure to your eyes. | | | |
| |  The value for each Low Blue Light mode indicates how much blue light is decreased compared with the Standard mode. | | | |
| | Multimedia | For viewing multimedia files. | -30% | |
| | Web Surfing | For web surfing. | -50% | |
| | Office | For office works or office environment. | -60% | |
| | Reading | For reading e-books or documents. | -70% | |
| Calibration 1 | Applies the calibration result optimized by the provided calibration software named Palette Master and your colorimeter (purchased separately). See the Palette Master How-to-Use Guide (available from www.benq.com) for more information. | | | |
| Calibration 2 | | | | |
| Custom 1 | | | Applies a combination of color settings defined by users. | |
| Custom 2 | | | | |
| Brightness | Adjusts the balance between light and dark shades. | | 0 to 100 | |
| Contrast | Adjusts the degree of difference between darkness and lightness. | | 0 to 100 | |
| Sharpness | Adjusts the clarity and visibility of the edges of the subjects in the image. | | 0 to 10 | |
| Color Temp. | 5000K | Applies a color tint (cool or warm) to the image. Color temperature is measured in K (Kelvin) degrees. The display becomes reddish if the color temperature is low, and becomes bluish if the color temperature is high. | | |
| | 6500K | | | |
| | 9300K | | | |
| | |  Some color gradations may not be displayed well if this the setting has been adjusted. | | |
| User Define | <p>The blend of the Red, Green and Blue primary colors can be altered to change the color tint of the image. Go to the succeeding R (red), G (green), and B (blue) menus to change the settings.</p> <p>Decreasing one or more of the colors will reduce their respective influence on the color tint of the image. (e.g. if you reduce the Blue level the image will gradually take on a yellowish tint. If you reduce Green, the image will become a magenta tint.)</p> | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R Gain (0~100) • G Gain (0~100) • B Gain (0~100) | |

| Item | Function | | Range |
|---|--|---|--|
| Gamma | Adjusts the tone luminance. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.6 • 1.8 • 2.0 • 2.2 • 2.4 • 2.6 |
| Color Gamut (not available when Color Mode is set to Adobe RGB , sRGB , B+W , or Calibration) | Adobe RGB | Suitable for Adobe® RGB compatible peripherals. | |
| | sRGB | Suitable for sRGB compatible peripherals. | |
| Hue | Adjusts the degree of how we perceive colors.  Some color gradations may not be displayed well if this the setting has been adjusted. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R • G • B • C • M • Y |
| Saturation | Adjusts the purity degree of colors.  Some color gradations may not be displayed well if this the setting has been adjusted. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R • G • B • C • M • Y |
| Black Level | Adjusts the luminance of the dark areas in an image. | | 0~10 |
| Save Color Settings | Saves a new set of customized color settings. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Custom Mode 1 • Custom Mode 2 |
| Reset Color | Resets the custom color settings to the factory defaults. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES • NO |

Available menu options for each Color Mode

Depending on the **Color Mode** you just set, the available options for color adjustment may vary. Color modes and the available display options are as follows:

| Setting | Color Mode | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------|--------|
| | Standard | Adobe RGB | sRGB | B+W | Photo | Low Blue Light | Calibration | Custom |
| Brightness | V | V | V | V | V | V | N/A | V |
| Contrast | V | V | V | V | V | V | N/A | V |
| Sharpness | V | V | V | V | V | V | V | V |
| Color Temp. | 5000K / 6500K / 9300K | N/A | N/A | V |
| Gamma | 1.8 / 2.2 | 1.8 / 2.2 | 1.8 / 2.2 | 1.8 / 2.2 | 1.8 / 2.2 | 1.8 / 2.2 | N/A | V |
| Color Gamut | V | N/A | N/A | N/A | V | V | N/A | V |
| Hue | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | V | V |
| Saturation | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | V | V |
| Black Level | V | V | V | V | V | N/A | N/A | V |

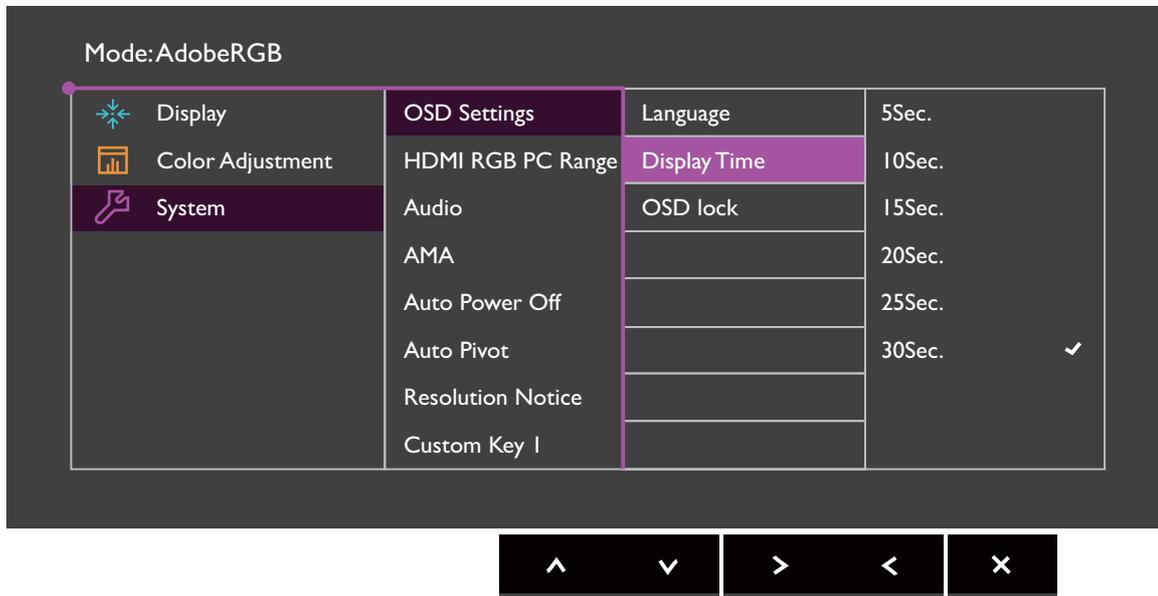


V: all options are available for adjustment.

N/A: all options are not available for adjustment.

System menu

Available menu options may vary depending on the input sources, functions and settings. Menu options that are not available will become grayed out. And keys that are not available will be disabled and the corresponding OSD icons will disappear. For models without certain functions, their settings and related items will not appear on the menu.



1. Select  (**Menu**) from the hot key menu.
2. Use  or  to select **System**.
3. Select  to go to a sub menu, and then use  or  to select a menu item.
4. Use  or  to make adjustments, or use  to make selection.
5. To return to the previous menu, select .
6. To exit the menu, select .

| Item | Function | | Range |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| OSD Settings | Language | Sets the OSD menu language.  The language options displayed on your OSD may differ from those shown on the right, depending on the product supplied in your region. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English • Français • Deutsch • Italiano • Español • Polski • Český • Magyar • SiCG/BiH/CRO • Română • Nederlands • Русский • Svenska • Português • 日本語 • 繁體中文 • 简体中文 |
| | Display Time | Adjusts the display time of the OSD menu. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 sec. • 10 sec. • 15 sec. • 20 sec. • 25 sec. • 30 sec. |
| | OSD Lock | Prevents all the monitor settings from being accidentally changed. When this function is activated, the OSD controls and hotkey operations will be disabled.  To unlock the OSD controls, press and hold any key for 10 seconds. | |
| HDMI RGB PC Range | Determines the range of color scales. Select an option that matches the RGB range setting on the connected HDMI device. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RGB (0~255) • RGB (16~235) |
| Audio | Volume | Adjusts the audio volume. | • 0~100 |
| | Mute | Mutes the audio input. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ON • OFF |
| AMA | Improves the gray level response time of the LCD panel. | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ON • OFF |

| Item | Function | Range |
|--------------------------|--|---|
| Auto Power Off | Sets the time to power off the monitor automatically in power saving mode. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OFF • 10 min. • 20 min. • 30 min. |
| Auto Pivot | Sets to rotate the OSD menu with the monitor. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ON • OFF |
| Resolution Notice | Sets whether to display the resolution notice of the recommended resolution when a new input source is detected by the monitor. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ON • OFF |
| Custom Key 1 | Sets the function to be accessed by custom key 1. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brightness • Contrast • Input • Color Mode • Color temp. • Gamma • Color gamut |
| Custom Key 2 | Sets the function to be accessed by custom key 2. | |
| Custom Key 3 | Sets the function to be accessed by custom key 3. | |
| Controller Key 1 | Sets the feature or setup menu to be accessed by Controller Key 1. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard • Adobe RGB • sRGB • B+W • Photo • Low Blue Light • Calibration 1 • Calibration 2 • Custom 1 • Custom 2 |
| Controller Key 2 | Sets the feature or setup menu to be accessed by Controller Key 2. | |
| Controller Key 3 | Sets the feature or setup menu to be accessed by Controller Key 3. | |
| DDC/CI | <p>Allows the monitor settings to be set through the software on the PC.</p> <p> DDC/CI, short for Display Data Channel/Command Interface, which was developed by Video Electronics Standards Association (VESA). DDC/CI capability allows monitor controls to be sent via the software for remote diagnostics.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ON • OFF |

| Item | Function | Range |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Information | Displays the current monitor property settings. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input • Current Resolution • Optimum Resolution (best with the monitor) • Model Name |
| Reset All | Resets all mode, color and geometry settings to the factory default values. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YES • NO |

Troubleshooting

Frequently asked questions (FAQ)

? The image is blurred.

✓ Read the instructions on the link "**Adjusting the Screen Resolution**" on the CD, and then select the correct resolution, refresh rate and make adjustments based on these instructions.

? Does the blurring only occur at resolutions lower than the native (maximum) resolution?

✓ Read the instructions on the link "**Adjusting the Screen Resolution**" on the CD. Select the native resolution.

? Pixel errors can be seen.

One of several pixels is permanently black, one or more pixels are permanently white, one or more pixels are permanently red, green, blue or another color.

✓ • Clean the LCD screen.

• Cycle power on-off.

• These are pixels that are permanently on or off and is a natural defect that occurs in LCD technology.

? The image has a faulty coloration.

✓ It has a yellow, blue or pink appearance.

Go to **Color Adjustment** and **Reset Color**, and then choose **YES** to reset the color settings to the factory defaults.

If the image is still not correct and the OSD also has faulty coloration, this means one of the three primary colors is missing in the signal input. Now check the signal cable connectors. If any pin is bent or broken off, please contact your dealer to get necessary support.

? Faint shadow from the static image displayed is visible on the screen.

✓ • Activate the power management function to let your computer and monitor go into a low power "sleep" mode when not actively in use.

• Use a screensaver to prevent the occurrence of image retention.

-  The LED indicator is white or orange.
-  • If the LED lights up in solid white, the monitor is powered on.
 -  • If the LED is illuminated in white and there is a message **Out of Range** on the screen, this means you are using a display mode that this monitor does not support, please change the setting to one of the supported mode. Please read the "**Preset display modes**" section from the link "**Adjusting the Screen Resolution**".
 -  • If the LED is illuminated in orange, the power management mode is active. Press any button on the computer keyboard or move the mouse. If that does not help, check the signal cable connectors. If any pin is bent or broken off, please contact your dealer to get necessary support.
 -  • If the LED is off, check the power supply mains socket, the external power supply and the mains switch.
-  The image is distorted, flashes or flickers.
-  Read the instructions on the link "**Adjusting the Screen Resolution**" on the CD, and then select the correct resolution, refresh rate and make adjustments based on these instructions.
-  You are running the monitor at its native resolution, but the image is still distorted.
-  Images from different input sources may appear distorted or stretched on the monitor running at its native resolution. To have the optimal display performance of each type of input sources, you can use the **Aspect Ratio** function to set a proper aspect ratio for the input sources. See [Aspect Ratio on page 38](#) for details.
-  The image is displaced in one direction.
-  Read the instructions on the link "**Adjusting the Screen Resolution**" on the CD, and then select the correct resolution, refresh rate and make adjustments based on these instructions.
-  The OSD controls are inaccessible.
-  To unlock the OSD controls when it is preset to be locked, press and hold any key for 10 seconds.
-  No sound can be heard from the connected external speakers.
-  • Remove your headphone (if the headphone is connected to the monitor).
-  • Check whether the headphone jack is properly connected.
 -  • If the external speakers are USB-powered, check whether the USB connection is OK.
 -  • Increase the volume (volume may be muted or too low) on the external speakers.

Need more help?

If your problems remain after checking this manual, please contact your place of purchase or e-mail us at: Support@BenQ.com.