

# ThinkPad i Series Port Replicator

User's Guide



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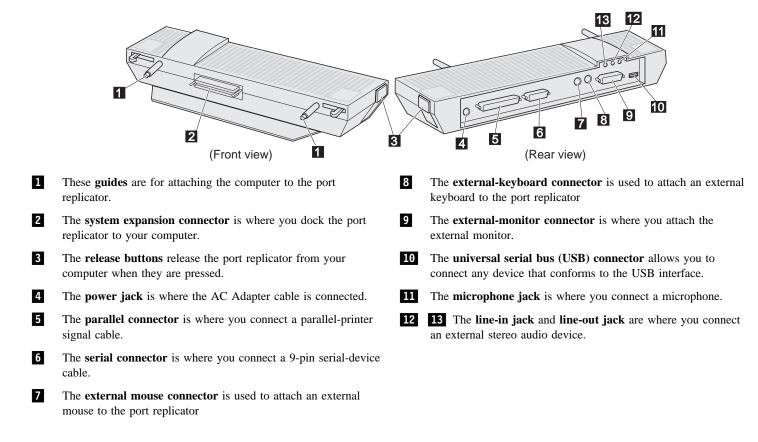
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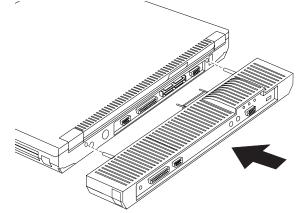
## **Identifying the Hardware Features**



# Attaching the Port Replicator to Your Computer

To attach the port replicator to your computer, do as follows:

- *1.* Power off your computer.
- 2. Disconnect all peripheral device cables from your computer.
- 3. Align the guides of the port replicator with the holes on the computer; then press the port replicator firmly to your computer.



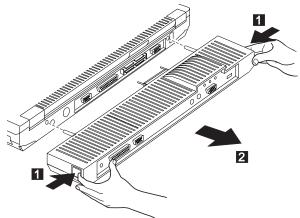
- 4. Connect all peripheral device cables to the port replicator.
- 5. Power on the computer.

You have finished attaching the port replicator.

# **Detaching the Port Replicator from Your Computer**

To detach the port replicator from your computer, do as follows:

- 1. Power off your computer.
- 2. Disconnect all peripheral device cables from the port replicator.
- 3. Press the release buttons 1 and gently pull the port replicator2.



- 4. Connect all peripheral device cables to the computer.
- 5. Power on your computer.

You have finished detaching the port replicator.

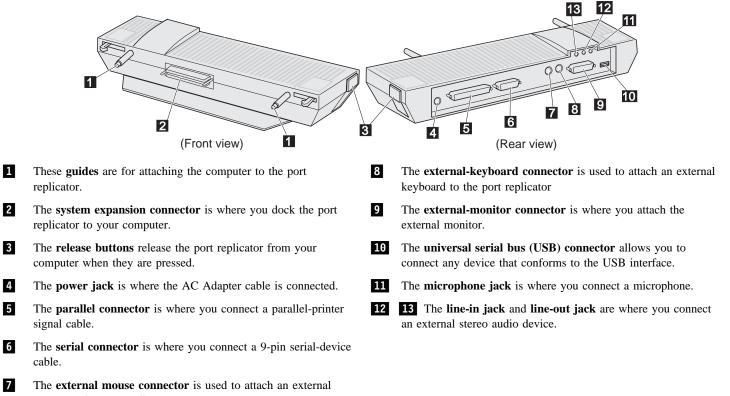
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### **Product Service and Warranty Information**

For technical support, support hours, and warranty terms and conditions, see the enclosed inserts, or contact your IBM reseller or IBM marketing representative.

### **Identifying the Hardware Features**



## Attaching the Port Replicator to Your

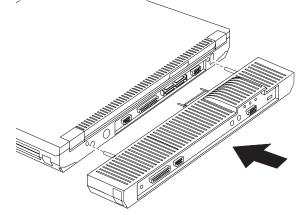
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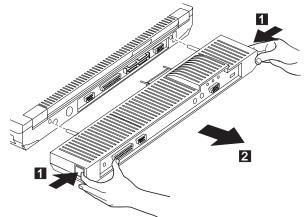
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## Part 2. Appendixes

## Appendix A. Help and Service Information

If you have questions about your new Options by IBM product, or require technical assistance, visit the IBM Personal Computing Support Web site at http://www.pc.ibm.com/support. For information about IBM, IBM PC products, or Options by IBM visit the IBM Personal Computing Web site at http://www.pc.ibm.com. Additionally, you can receive information from the IBM Automated Fax system at 1-800-426-3395 (in Canada, 1-800-465-3299), or from the Personal Systems Group Bulletin Board System (PSG BBS) at 1-919-517-0001. You can also get help and information through the IBM PC HelpCenter, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Response time might vary depending on the number and nature of the calls received.

Marketing, installation, and configuration support through the HelpCenter will be withdrawn or made available for a fee, at IBM's discretion, 90 days after the option has been withdrawn from marketing. Additional support offerings, including step-by-step installation assistance, are available for a nominal fee.

During the warranty period, assistance for replacement or exchange of defective components is available. In addition, if your IBM option is installed in an IBM computer, you might be entitled to service at your location. Your technical support representative can help you determine the best alternative.

## Step 1. Problem Solving

You may be able to solve the problem yourself. Before calling the HelpCenter, please prepare for the call by following these steps:

- 1. If you are having installation or configuration problems, refer to the detailed sections on installation found in this manual, and review any README.TXT files found on the installation diskettes.
- 2. Visit the Personal Computing Support Web site specific to the model of option you have purchased. Updated installation instructions, hints and tips, or updated system-specific notes are often published in this section. You might find that later device drivers are available that will improve the performance and compatibility for your new option.

If you are installing this option in an IBM computer, also visit the applicable support Web page for that computer model. These pages might also contain useful hints and tips related to installation of this option and might refer to BIOS or device-driver updates required for your computer model. If you are installing the option in a non-IBM computer, refer to the manufacturer's Web site.

- Uninstall and then reinstall the option. During the uninstallation process, be sure to remove any files that were installed during the previous installation. Many IBM options include uninstallation programs.
- 4. Check all cabling to be sure that it is correct as shown in this manual. When you connect a cable to a cable connector, pay close attention to the colored stripes along the edge of the cable, and ensure that they are matched with PIN 1 on both the computer connector and the option connector.
- 5. If your option contains jumpers or switches, be sure their positions and orientation match the instructions in this manual.

## Step 2. Preparing for the Call

To assist the technical support representative, have available as much of the following information as possible:

- 1. Option name
- 2. Option number
- 3. Proof of purchase
- 4. Computer manufacturer, model, serial number (if IBM), and manual
- 5. Exact wording of the error message (if any)
- 6. Description of the problem
- 7. Hardware and software configuration information for your system

If possible, be at your computer. Your technical support representative might want to walk you through the problem during the call.

## Step 3. Placing the Call to IBM

If you call 90 days or more after the date of withdrawal or after your warranty has expired, you might be charged a fee.

For the support telephone number and support hours by country, refer to the following table or to the enclosed technical support insert. If the number is not provided, contact your IBM reseller or IBM marketing representative.

Support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week	
Canada	1-800-565-3344
U.S.A. or Puerto Rico	1-800-772-2227

#### **Additional Technical Support Resources**

Online technical support is available during the life of your product. Online assistance can be obtained through the Personal Computing Support Web site, the PSG Electronic Bulletin Board System (BBS), and the IBM Automated Fax System.

Online Technical Support	
IBM Personal Computing Support Web site	http://www.pc.ibm.com/support
IBM PSG BBS	1-919-517-0001
IBM Automated Fax System	1-800-426-3395 1-800-465-3299 (in Canada)

## Appendix B. Product Warranty

The following warranty information applies to products purchased in the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. For warranty terms and conditions for products purchased in other countries, see the enclosed warranty insert, or contact your IBM reseller or IBM marketing representative.

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Machine: ThinkPad i Series Port Replicator

Warranty Period\*: One year

\*Contact your place of purchase for warranty service information.

#### **Production Status**

Each Machine is manufactured from new parts, or new and used parts. In some cases, the Machine may not be new and may have been previously installed. Regardless of the Machine's production status, IBM's warranty terms apply.

#### The IBM Warranty for Machines

IBM warrants that each Machine 1) is free from defects in materials and workmanship and 2) conforms to IBM's Official Published Specifications. The warranty period for a Machine is a specified, fixed period commencing on its Date of Installation. The date on your receipt is the Date of Installation, unless IBM or your reseller informs you otherwise.

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If a Machine does not function as warranted during the warranty period, IBM or your reseller will repair it or replace it with one that is at least functionally equivalent, without charge. The replacement may not be new, but will be in good working order. If IBM or your reseller is unable to repair or replace the Machine, you may return it to your place of purchase and your money will be refunded.

If you transfer a Machine to another user, warranty service is available to that user for the remainder of the warranty period. You should give your proof of purchase and this Statement to that user. However, for Machines which have a lifetime warranty, this warranty is not transferable.

#### Warranty Service

To obtain warranty service for the Machine, you should contact your reseller or call IBM. In the United States, call IBM at **1-800-772-2227**. In Canada, call IBM at **1-800-565-3344**. You may be required to present proof of purchase.

IBM or your reseller will provide certain types of repair and exchange service, either at your location or at IBM's or your reseller's service center, to restore a Machine to good working order.

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