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Returning Merchandise for Service

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For faster service, RMA authorizations may be requested online (http://www.supermicro.com/support/rma/).

Whenever possible, repack the backplane in the original Supermicro box, using the original packaging materials. If these are no longer available, be sure to pack the backplane in an anti-static bag and inside the box. Make sure that there is enough packaging material surrounding the backplane so that it does not become damaged during shipping.

This warranty only covers normal consumer use and does not cover damages incurred in shipping or from failure due to the alteration, misuse, abuse or improper maintenance of products.

During the warranty period, contact your distributor first for any product problems.
Chapter 1

Guidelines

This chapter offers guidelines for personal and equipment safety, and notes about the BPN-SAS3-216A-N4 version documented in this manual.

1-1 ESD Safety Guidelines

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can damage electronic components. To prevent damage to your system, it is important to handle it very carefully. The following measures are generally sufficient to protect your equipment from ESD.

• Use a grounded wrist strap designed to prevent static discharge.

• Touch a grounded metal object before removing a component from the antistatic bag.

• Handle the backplane by its edges only; do not touch its components, peripheral chips, memory modules or gold contacts.

• When handling chips or modules, avoid touching their pins.

• Put the card and peripherals back into their antistatic bags when not in use.

1-2 General Safety Guidelines

• Always disconnect power cables before installing or removing any components from the computer, including the backplane.

• Disconnect the power cable before installing or removing any cables from the backplane.

• Make sure that the backplane is securely and properly installed on the mounting frame in the chassis to prevent damage to the system due to power shortage.
1-3 Version Information

The BPN-SAS3-216A-N4 backplane has been designed to utilize the most up-to-date technology available, providing your system with reliable, high-quality performance.

This manual reflects BPN-SAS3-216A-N4, Revision 1.00, the most current release available at the time of publication. Refer to the Supermicro Web site at www.supermicro.com for the latest updates, compatible parts and supported configurations.
Chapter 2

Connectors, Jumpers and LEDs

This manual covers BPN-SAS3-216A-N4 with NVMe capabilities.

2-1 Rear Connector Locations

The following connectors are on the side of the backplane that faces the rear of the chassis. They are marked by silkscreen labels.

2. SAS3 Connectors: JSM1-6
3. CPLD programming port: JP70 (7-pin)
4. CPLD
5. NVMe #1 Connector: JSM7
6. NVMe #2 Connector: JSM8
7. NVMe #3 Connector: JSM9
8. NVMe #4 Connector: JSM10

Figure 2-1. Rear Connector Locations
2-2 Rear Connector Definitions

1. Backplane Main Power Connectors

2. SAS3 Connectors
   JSM1 through JSM6 provide connections for the SAS drive cables. Pins are defined according to the SAS standard.

3. CPLD Upgrade Port
   The JP70 connector is used only by manufacturing to upgrade firmware.

5-8. NVMe Connectors
   Four NVMe connectors are used to connect the NVMe drive cables. Each connector controls one NVMe SSD. Pins are defined according to the NVMe standard.

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<th>Main Power 4-Pin Connector</th>
<th>Pin#</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>+12V</td>
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<td></td>
<td>2 and 3</td>
<td>Ground</td>
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<td></td>
<td>4</td>
<td>+5V</td>
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2-3 Rear Jumpers

**Explanation of Jumpers**

To modify the operation of the backplane, jumpers can be used to choose between optional settings. Jumpers create shorts between two pins to change the function of the connector. Pin 1 is identified with a square solder pad on the printed circuit board. **Note:** On two pin jumpers, "Closed" means the jumper is on and "Open" means the jumper is off the pins.
2-4 Front Connectors and LED Indicators

Connectors for SAS drive numbers #0 through #19 are SAS3. SAS #20 through #23 are hybrid ports that support SAS3 or NVMe.

48 LEDs, two per receptacle, indicate activity and failure. (along the bottom of the backplane)

Figure 2-3. Front Connectors and LEDs

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### Front Drive Connectors and LED Indicators

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<th>Drive Number</th>
<th>Label</th>
<th>HDD Activity LED (blue)</th>
<th>Failure LED (red)</th>
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<td>J1</td>
<td>ACT#0</td>
<td>FAIL#0</td>
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*Hybrid ports; NVMe or SAS

**This failure LED is multi-color, as described in the table below.

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<th>Indication</th>
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<td>Failure</td>
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<td>Rebuild</td>
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<td>Red, blinking at 4Hz</td>
<td>Identify</td>
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<tr>
<td>Amber, blinking</td>
<td>Attention! Do not remove NVMe device</td>
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<tr>
<td>Green</td>
<td>NVMe device ready be removed</td>
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