

# Epson<sup>®</sup> PowerLite<sup>®</sup> Home 20

Home Theater Projector • Projecteur cinéma maison

# User's Guide Guide de l'utilisateur



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# Welcome!

The Epson<sup>®</sup> PowerLite<sup>®</sup> Home 20 Theater Projector lets you enjoy high-quality projection in the relaxing environment of your own home. It offers these powerful features:

- Adjustable color modes with built-in cinema filter for great viewing
- 16:9 LCD panel for wide format projection
- Flexible setup configurations for front or rear projection and ceiling-mounted installation
- Short lens focus; you can project a 120-inch diagonal image with the projector just 10 feet away
- 1200 ANSI lumens
- 1000:1 contrast ratio
- Parental control through the projector's child lock function
- Lock port for optional Kensington<sup>®</sup> MicroSaver<sup>®</sup> anti-theft device
- Toll-free two-year priority technical support

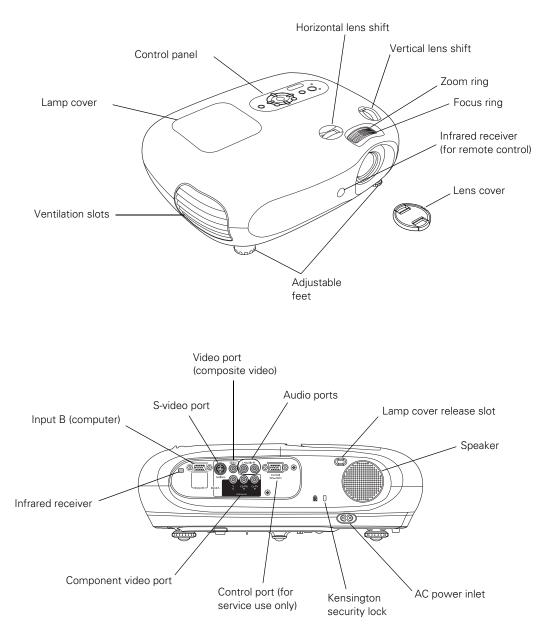
### **Registration and Warranty**

The Epson PowerLite Home 20 projector comes with a basic two-year carry-in warranty. For details, see page 45.

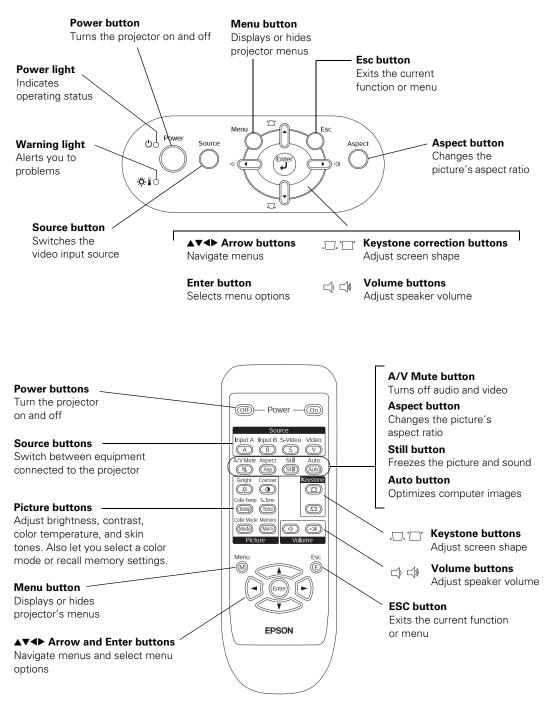
In addition, Epson offers free Extra Care<sup>SM</sup> Home Service during your warranty period. In the unlikely event of an equipment failure, you won't have to wait for your unit to be repaired. Instead, Epson will ship you a replacement unit anywhere in the United States or Canada, usually via overnight delivery. See your *Extra Care Home Service* brochure for details.

We encourage you to please register your projector. To register, simply fill out the registration card that came with your projector and mail it to Epson. Or you can register online at http://www.epson.com/webreg. Registering also lets you receive special updates on new accessories, products, and service.

# **Projector Parts**



# **Projector Controls**



# **Optional Accessories**

Epson provides the following optional accessories for the projector:

Product	Part number
Replacement lamp	ELPLP33
Air filter replacement	ELPAF09
Customized carrying cases:	
Samsonite® wheeled soft case Samsonite soft shoulder bag	ELPKS35 ELPKS43
Ceiling mount	ELPHT020
Suspension adapter	ELPHTAPL
False ceiling plate	ELPHTFCP
Kensington security lock	ELPSL01
S-video cable	F8V308X25

You can purchase these accessories from an Epson authorized reseller. To find the nearest reseller, please call 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766). To purchase online, visit www.epsonstore.com (U.S. sales only). In Canada, please call (800) 463-7766 for reseller referral.

# **About This Manual**

See the *Quick Setup* sheet to connect the projector to your video or computer equipment. This book contains information on using the projector, in addition to maintenance instructions, troubleshooting tips, important safety instructions, specifications, and warranty information.

Please follow these guidelines as you read through the manual:

Warnings: Must be followed carefully to avoid bodily injury.

Cautions: Must be observed to avoid damage to your equipment.

Notes: Contain important information about your projector.

Tips: Contain helpful projection tips.

### **Getting More Information**

Need additional help? Take advantage of Epson's automated support services 24 hours a day at http://support.epson.com. Use this site to view FAQs (Frequently Asked Questions) or product information and e-mail your questions to Epson support.

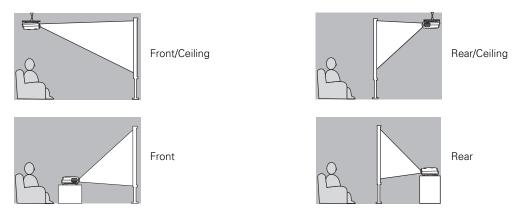
If you need more help, you can use the Epson PrivateLine<sup>®</sup> Support service. Call (800) 637-7661 and enter the PIN on the PrivateLine support card that came with your projector.

# **Using the Projector**

Follow the instructions in this section to choose a location for the projector, adjust the picture, control projector operation, and use the menu system.

## **Choosing a Location**

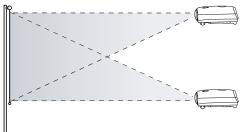
You can set up the projector for these four viewing arrangements:



If you install the projector in a rear or overhead position, you need to invert and/or mirror the image by selecting the correct Projection option (see page 20). Professional installation is recommended if you want to attach the projector to the ceiling.

Ideally, place the projector at a height so its lens is between the top and bottom of the screen. That way, you can keep the projector level and use the vertical lens shift dial to position the image (see page 13). This produces the best-looking picture.

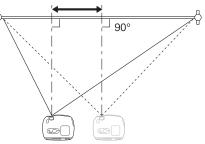
If you place the projector above or below screen level, you have to tilt it up or down to aim the image at the screen; this distorts the shape of the image, but you can correct it with the projector's Keystone function (see page 14).



To project a rectangular (non-distored) image, you do not need to align the projector exactly with the center of the screen. By using the horizontal lens shift dial, you can place the projector to the left or right of the screen's center, by up to 25 percent of the image's width when projecting with a 16:9 aspect ratio. Make sure the projector faces straight ahead (at a 90-degree angle to the screen).

Note: If you place the projector too far left or right, your image will not be rectangular.

Place the projector at a suitable distance from the screen to obtain the desired image size, as indicated Projector can be moved from center by up to 25 percent of the image's width



lmage size (16:9)	Projection distance
30 in. (26 × 15 in.)	2.4 to 3.7 feet
40 in. (35 × 20 in.)	3.2 to 4.9 feet
60 in. (51 × 28 in.)	4.9 to 7.4 feet
80 in. (71 × 39 in.)	6.6 to 9.9 feet
100 in. (87 × 47 in.)	8.2 to 12.4 feet
200 in. (173 × 98 in.)	16.5 to 24.8 feet
300 in. (260 × 146 in.)	24.8 to 37.3 feet

below. Note that the Zoom adjustment also affects image size.

When placing the projector, keep these considerations in mind:

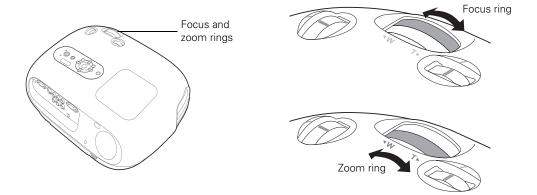
- Make sure there is plenty of space for ventilation around and under the projector. Do not set the projector on top of loose materials that could block the vents underneath.
- Make sure the projector is within 6 feet of a grounded electrical outlet or extension cord.

# **Adjusting the Picture**

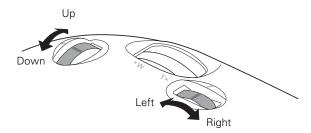
Follow the steps on the *Quick Setup* sheet to connect the projector to your equipment, turn it on, and select the image source. Once you see your picture, you may need to make certain adjustments.

**Note:** If you don't see a picture, or the picture doesn't look right, see page 34 for troubleshooting instructions.

1. Rotate the focus ring to sharpen the picture, or the zoom ring to reduce or enlarge it.



2. If the image is not centered on the screen, use the horizontal and vertical lens shift dials to adjust its position.



**Note:** The lens shift feature cannot move the image both horizontally and vertically by the full amount. For example, if you have moved the image all the way up, then you cannot shift it all the way to the right or left at the same time.

3. If you still need to raise the height of the image after using the vertical lens shift dial, lift the front of the projector and rotate the adjustable feet until the image is positioned correctly. You can also use the feet to correct the angle of the image if it's tilted horizontally.



- 4. If you raise or lower the image by tilting the projector, the image becomes "keystoned" and looks like □ or □. To return the image to a rectangular shape, use the .□. or `□.' Keystone button on the projector or remote control.
- 5. To change the picture's aspect ratio (ratio between length and height), press the Aspect button on the projector or remote control. Choose from these settings:
  - Auto

To automatically display the image in the correct size.

Normal

For standard TV broadcasts, computer images, or images having a 4:3 aspect ratio.

Squeeze

For DVDs or video recordings made in a compressed (anamorphic) 16:9 format, sometimes called "Squeeze Mode."

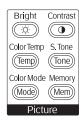
Zoom

For images having a 16:9 aspect ratio (wide-screen or letterbox format).

**Note:** If you display a 4:3 image using the Zoom setting, the edges of the image will be cut off. You can use the Zoom Caption option to resize and position the image to your liking (see page 19).

6. Use the **Picture** buttons on the remote control to adjust the brightness, contrast, and color. See page 17 for more information about using these settings.

**Note:** Before selecting the Color Mode or other picture settings, make sure the Setup Level is set correctly (see page 20).



## **Controlling Your Presentation**

Use these settings to control the projector's speaker volume, temporarily freeze the picture, or turn off the picture and sound.

### Adjusting the Volume

When an audio source is connected to the projector's Audio port, use the  $rac{1}$  and  $rac{1}$  Volume buttons on the projector or remote control to adjust the sound output from of the projector's speaker.

### Freezing the Action

To freeze the action temporarily on the screen, press the Still button on the remote control. This freezes any moving images until you press the Still button again.

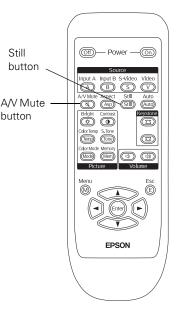
**Note:** The sound from your video source continues to be heard while the image is frozen. You need to press the pause button on your video source if you wish to resume playback where you stopped it.

### Turning Off the Picture and Sound

You can use the A/V Mute button on the remote control to darken your screen and turn off the sound.

- To turn off the picture and sound, press the A/V Mute button. The screen goes dark.
- To turn the picture and sound back on, press the A/V Mute button again.

**Note:** Your video source continues to play while the screen is dark. You should pause the video if you wish to resume playback where you stopped it.



# Using the Projector's Menu System

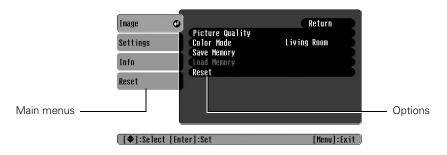
You can use the projector's on-screen menus to fine-tune the image quality, check lamp usage, and customize projector features.

- The Image menu controls the look and quality of the picture. It offers several ways to adjust the color and improve the sharpness and clarity of the picture.
- The Settings menu lets you set the child lock or sleep mode, adjust the position and size of the picture, select front or rear projection, and customize other projector features.
- The Info menu provides information about lamp status and video or computer settings.
- The **Reset** menu lets you reset the lamp timer, clear the projector's Memory settings, or return all the menu settings to their factory defaults.

You can use the buttons on the projector or remote control to display the menus and change settings. Follow the steps in the next section.

### **Changing Menu Settings**

1. Press the Menu button on the projector or remote control. You see the main menu screen:



Note: The available options depend on which type of equipment is connected to the projector.

2. Use the ▲ and ▼ arrow buttons on the projector or remote control to highlight the desired menu, then press the Enter button to select it.

3. If you see a list of options, use the  $\blacktriangle$  and  $\blacktriangledown$  arrow buttons to highlight the option you want, then press Enter to select it. (Enabled settings are indicated by a green light.)

If you see a slider bar like the one shown below, use the  $\triangleleft$  and  $\triangleright$  arrow buttons to adjust the setting.



4. Press the Esc button to return to the previous menu, or the Menu button to exit the menu system.

### Adjusting the Appearance of the Picture

The Image menu lets you make a variety of adjustments to the projected image to get the best color and quality.

**Note:** Before selecting the Color Mode or other picture settings, make sure the Setup Level is set correctly (see page 20).

#### Choosing the Color Mode

The Color Mode adjusts the brightness, contrast, and color for various common viewing environments. Use this setting to quickly obtain a good picture.

Press the Menu button. Select Image > Color Mode and then choose from these options:

Dynamic

For projecting in bright rooms; images have greater color intensity.

Living Room

For projecting in rooms with a lot of ambient light.

Natural

For projecting in subdued lighting; increases contrast and makes flesh tones appear more natural.

Theatre

For projecting in dark rooms; enhances the appearance of movies with dark scenes.

Theatre Black 1 or 2

For projecting in fully darkened rooms; lamp brightness decreases and image contrast increases.

#### Using Picture Quality Settings

Before adjusting the image with these settings, make sure you have already selected the best Color Mode, as described on page 17.

**Note:** All settings apply to (and are retained for) only the currently selected input source (Input A, Input B, Video, or S-Video). If you use more than one source, you should adjust the settings separately for each one.

Press the Menu button. Select Image > Picture Quality and then choose from these options:

- Brightness Adjusts the brightness of the picture.
- Contrast Adjusts the contrast between light and dark parts of the picture.
- Color Saturation (video only)
  Adjusts the color depth of the picture.
- Tint (video only) Adjusts the hue of the picture by shifting the color balance between green and magenta.
- Color Temp.

Adjusts red and blue tones. A lower color temperature produces a picture with more red (warmer tones), while a higher color temperature produces more blue (cooler tones).

Skin Tone

Makes fine adjustments to the tint, adjusting the balance of green to magenta. This adjustment is saved with the specific Color Mode you have selected (if you switch Color Modes, a different Skin Tone setting will apply).

Sharpness

Makes lines and edges more distinct.

#### Adjusting Computer Images

In addition to the settings listed above, you can also adjust the following settings when projecting from a computer.

Auto Setup

Select Image > Auto Setup. Leave this setting on so that the projector automatically adjusts the tracking, sync, and position of the image.

#### Tracking

Select Image > Picture Quality > Tracking. Lets you manually eliminate unwanted vertical lines. Easiest to adjust when the image contains fine detail, such as black text on a white background.

Sync

Select Image > Picture Quality > Sync. Corrects fuzziness by synchronizing the projector with the computer's tracking signal. For best results, adjust the tracking first.

### Saving and Recalling Picture Settings

You can use the projector's Memory feature to save the current picture quality settings as a group. This lets you quickly recall them for future use.

- 1. Press the Menu button, then select Image > Save Memory.
- 2. Select Memory 1, Memory 2, or Memory 3, then press the Enter button to save your settings.
- 3. Press the Menu button to exit the menu system.
- To recall the settings, press the Memory button on the remote control (or press the Menu button and select Image > Load Memory). Select the memory setting you wish to use, then press Enter. The screen is adjusted with your settings.

### Using Advanced Picture Settings

Use these options to select basic settings for your picture, such as its position, size, and orientation, and compatible signal formats for your connected video equipment.

Press the Menu button. Select Settings > Screen and then choose from these options:

Position 

Use the  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangledown$ ,  $\blacklozenge$ ,  $\blacklozenge$ ,  $\blacklozenge$  arrow buttons to move the picture to a different position on the screen.

#### Progressive

Leave this setting OFF when viewing video so that interlaced-to-progressive conversion is carried out (best for fast-moving pictures). If you notice flickering while viewing still images, switch this setting to ON.

#### Aspect

Selects the picture's aspect ratio (see page 14).

Zoom Caption

Lets you adjust the screen so that subtitles are visible (available only when you've selected the Zoom aspect ratio). Use Vertical Size to adjust the proportions of the image, and Zoom Position to move the image up or down.

#### ■ Output Scaling (component video only)

Lets you see the edges of the image that are not normally visible. Select Larger to view both the hidden and visible parts of the image. Normal displays images at standard size.

#### Keystone

Corrects vertical keystone distortion (when your image looks like  $\Box$  or  $\Box$  from tilting the projector). Makes the image somewhat smaller.

#### Projection

Mirrors and/or inverts the image as needed, depending on the projector's location relative to the screen:

For this projector position	Use this setting
In front of the screen	Front
In front of the screen, mounted upside-down on the ceiling	Front/Ceiling
Behind the screen	Rear
Behind the screen, mounted upside-down on the ceiling	Rear/Ceiling

Setup Level

Adjusts the threshold at which dark areas of the image are rendered black. For compatibility with most video equipment sold in the United States, set to **7.5%** (7.5 IRE).

If you need to select the video signal format for any video equipment connected to the projector, select **Settings > Input Signal** and then choose from these options:

Video Signal (composite and S-video signals only) Leave this setting on Auto to automatically detect the video format of your equipment. If you notice a lot of interference in the image, or no image is being projected, select the format specified in your equipment's manual.

Input A (component and RGB video signals only) Specifies the format for the video source connected to the Input A (component/RGB) port. Select either Component or RGB Video.

### Using On-screen Display Features

Use these settings to control the appearance of the on-screen menus, display a background image or color, create a startup screen, and choose a menu language.

Press the Menu button. Select Settings > On-Screen Display and then choose from these options:

#### Menu Color

Use this option to change the color scheme of the menu from purple and orange (Color 1) to black and white (Color 2).

#### Message

Turn this option off if you don't want to display information messages on the screen, such as the **No Signal** message, image source, color mode, and aspect ratio.

#### Background Color

Select the screen color (Black or Blue) or a custom Logo to display when you press the A/V Mute button on the remote control or when no image signal is present.

**Note:** To create a custom logo, see "Creating a Custom Logo" below. If you turn on the Startup Screen option (next item below), your logo also appears when the projector is warming up.

#### Startup Screen

Turn on this option to display the Epson logo or your custom logo whenever the projector starts.

### Creating a Custom Logo

You can create a custom logo that displays when the projector is warming up, not receiving a signal, or when you press the A/V Mute button on the remote control.

- 1. To capture the image, first set the projector to display the image you want to use.
- Press the Menu button, then select Settings > User's Logo. Follow the instructions on the screen, selecting the part of the screen you want to capture, and then choosing a "zoom rate" to set its magnification level.
- 3. When done, change the Background Color setting to Logo, as described above.

#### Choosing a Menu Language

To change the language you want to use for the projector menus, press the Menu button, then select Settings > Language.

### **Customizing Projector Operation**

Use these settings to activate the Direct Power ON feature, set the child lock or sleep mode, and make the fan run faster for high-altitude operation.

Press the Menu button. Select Settings > Operation and then choose from these options:

#### Direct Power ON

Use this feature to turn on the projector automatically when you plug it into an electrical outlet.

**Note:** When this feature is used, the projector may turn itself on after power outages, or after any temporary interruption of power. Make sure your electrical outlet isn't controlled by a wall switch or timer.

#### Sleep Mode

When Sleep Mode is on, the projector turns off the lamp if it has not received any input signals for the specified amount of time (5, 10, or 30 minutes). You can also turn Sleep Mode off.

#### Child Lock

When this feature is on, the projector does not come on unless you press and hold the  $\mathcal{O}$  **Power** button on the control panel for three seconds. (The remote control operates normally.)

#### Fan Speed

When using the projector at an altitude above 5000 feet (1500 meters), select High to ensure that the internal temperature is regulated properly. Set to Normal for lower elevations.

### Viewing Lamp Usage and Other Information

Use the Info menu to view information about the display settings of your input source and the number of hours the lamp has been used.

Press the Menu button and select Info. If the projector is connected to video equipment, you see these settings:

Image	Lamp Hours	19H
Settings	Source	S-Video
Info	Video Signal	Auto ()
Reset	ĺ	

If the projector is connected to a computer, you see these settings:

Image	Lamp Hours	OH
Settings	Source	Input A
	(Input Signal	RGB-Video
Info	Resolution	640x 480
	🖌 (Refresh Rate	75.03Hz
Reset	Sync Info	SSPP06002
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The life span of the lamp is about 3000 hours if the Color Mode is consistently set to **Theatre Black**, and 2000 hours if any other Color Mode is used. If the number shown is close to the limit, make sure you have a spare lamp handy.

**Note:** Lamp life results vary depending on environmental conditions and usage. Turn the projector off when not in use. Continuous 24-hour-a-day use may reduce the overall life of the product.

After you change the lamp, you need to reset the lamp timer. See pages 27 to 29 for instructions on replacing the lamp and resetting the timer.

Note: The Lamp Hours shows 0H (zero hours) until you've used the lamp for at least 10 hours.

### Restoring the Default Settings

The Reset menu lets you reset the lamp timer, clear the projector's Memory settings, or return all the projector settings to their factory default values.

**Note:** The Image menu and Settings menu also have their own Reset function that lets you clear only the settings in those menus. The Reset function in the Settings menu clears all settings except for Aspect, Child Lock, Fan Speed, Input A, and Language.

Inage Settings Info Reset Reset [Esc]:Return [◆]:Select [Enter]:Enter [Menu]:Exit

Press the Menu button, then select Reset. You see this screen:

Choose from these options:

Reset All

Resets all settings to their factory default values. The only settings not affected by this option are Child Lock, Input A, Language, Memory settings, and Lamp Hours.

Memory Reset

Clears all settings saved using the projector's Memory feature (see "Saving and Recalling Picture Settings" on page 19).

#### Lamp-Hours Reset

Resets the lamp timer to 0H (zero hours). See page 23.

# **Caring for the Projector**

Your projector needs little maintenance. All you need to do on a regular basis is keep the lens clean. You also need to clean the air filter periodically to prevent overheating.

**Warning:** Before you clean any part of the projector, turn it off and unplug the power cord. Never open any cover on the projector, except the lamp and filter covers. Dangerous electrical voltages in the projector can injure you severely. Do not try to service this product yourself, except as specifically explained in this *User's Guide*.

The only parts you should replace are the lamp and air filter. If another part needs replacing, contact Epson or a qualified servicer (see page 38).

Follow the instructions in this section to clean the lens and projector case, clean and replace the air filter, replace the lamp, and store or transport the projector.

### **Cleaning the Lens**

Clean the lens whenever you notice dirt or dust on the surface.

- Use a canister of compressed air to remove dust.
- To remove dirt or smears, use lens-cleaning paper. If necessary, moisten a soft cloth with lens cleaner and gently wipe the lens surface.

Caution: Never rub the lens with abrasive materials.

# **Cleaning the Projector Case**

Before you clean the case, turn off the projector and unplug the power cord.

- To remove dirt or dust, wipe the case with a soft, dry, lint-free cloth.
- To remove stubborn dirt or stains, moisten a soft cloth with water and a neutral detergent. Then wipe the case.

**Caution:** Never use wax, alcohol, benzene, thinner, or other chemical detergents. These can damage the case.

# **Cleaning and Replacing the Air Filters**

Clean the air filters on the bottom of the projector after every 100 hours of use. If they're not cleaned periodically, they can become clogged with dust, preventing proper ventilation. This can cause overheating and damage the projector.

- 1. Turn off the projector and wait for the  $\mathcal{O}$  power light to stop flashing.
- 2. Unplug the power cord and disconnect any cables.
- 3. Turn the projector over. Then use a small vacuum cleaner designed for computers and other office equipment to clean the filters, as shown.

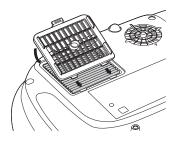
If you cannot clean the removable filter or it is broken, replace it. Contact an authorized Epson reseller at 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766) and ask for part number **ELPAF09**. In Canada, please call (800) 463-7766 for reseller referral.



4. If you need to replace the filter, press the tab in and lift the cover up.



- 5. Remove the old filter and replace it with a new one.
- 6. Replace the cover.



# **Replacing the Lamp**

The life span of the lamp is about 3000 hours if the Color Mode is consistently set to **Theatre Black**, and 2000 hours if any other Color Mode is used. You can check how long the lamp has been used, as described on page 23. If the number shown is close to the limit, make sure you have a spare lamp handy.

**Note:** Lamp life results vary depending on environmental conditions and usage. Turn the projector off when not in use. Continuous 24-hour-a-day use may reduce the overall life of the product.

It's time to replace the lamp when:

- The projected image gets darker or starts to deteriorate.
- The projector's warning light flashes red at half second intervals.
- The message **Replace the lamp** appears on the screen when you start projecting.

Co Power Source Criter

— Warning light

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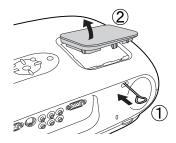
Be sure to read the "Important Safety Information" on page 42 before replacing the lamp.

Follow these steps to replace the lamp:

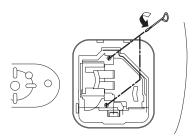
- 1. Turn off the projector and wait for the  $\bigcirc$  power light to stop flashing.
- 2. Unplug the power cord and any cables.
- 3. If the projector has been on, let it cool for at least an hour.

**Warning:** Let the lamp cool before replacing it. If the lamp breaks, handle the shards carefully to avoid injury. If your projector is mounted on the ceiling, take it down before beginning this procedure.

4. Insert a small screwdriver into the lamp cover release slot, pushing it in gently to release the lamp cover.

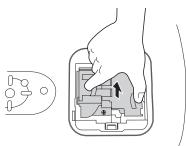


5. Loosen the two silver screws holding the lamp in place. (You can't remove these screws.)



6. Grasp the lamp as shown and pull it straight out.

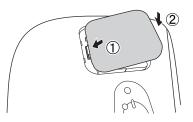
**Note:** (H9) The lamp(s) in this product contain mercury. Please consult your state and local regulations regarding proper disposal or recycling. Do not place in the trash.



7. Gently insert the new lamp and tighten its screws.

**Caution:** Don't touch the glass portion of the lamp with your bare hands; the invisible residue left by the oil on your hands may shorten the lamp life. Use a cloth or gloves to handle the new lamp assembly.

8. To replace the lamp cover, insert the tabs and then snap the cover into place. (The projector won't work if the lamp cover is loose.)



After replacing the lamp, you need to reset the lamp timer, as described in the next section.

### Resetting the Lamp Timer

- 1. Press the Menu button on the projector or remote control.
- 2. Select the Reset menu, and then select Lamp-Hours Reset.
- 3. When you see a prompt asking whether you want to execute the command, highlight Yes and press the Enter button.
- 4. When you're finished, press Esc or Menu.

The lamp usage timer displays 0H (zero hours) until you've used the lamp for at least 10 hours.

# **Storing the Projector**

If you need to store the projector for a while, do the following:

- Make sure the temperature and humidity of the storage area are within the recommended range for the projector (14 to 140 °F [-10 to 60 °C] and 10 to 90% relative humidity).
- Attach the lens cover and retract the feet.
- Remove the batteries from the remote control.
- Package the projector in its original packaging or equivalent (as described in the following section).

# **Transporting the Projector**

Note: Epson shall not be liable for any damages incurred during transportation.

The projector contains many glass and precision parts. If you need to transport it, follow these guidelines to prevent damage:

- When shipping the projector for repairs, use the original packaging material if possible. If you do not have the original packaging, use equivalent materials, placing plenty of cushioning around the projector. Be sure the carrier is capable of transporting fragile equipment and is aware that the projector is fragile.
- When you are hand-carrying the projector, grasp it by its left and right sides, using the recessed hand grips underneath.

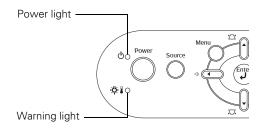
# **Problem Solving**

This section explains how to interpret the projector's status lights, solve problems with the picture and remote control, and contact technical support.

## What To Do When the Lights Flash

The lights on top of the projector indicate the projector's status and let you know when a problem occurs.

If the projector isn't working correctly, first turn it off, let it cool, and unplug it. Then plug the power cord back in and turn on the projector. If this doesn't solve the problem, check the status lights on top of the projector.



#### The <sup>(1)</sup> power light is orange.

The projector is in sleep mode. Unplug it or press the  $\bigcirc$  Power button to turn it on.

#### The $\bigcirc$ power light is flashing green.

The projector is warming up. Wait for the picture to appear.

#### The $\bigcirc$ power light is flashing orange and you can't turn on the projector.

The lamp is cooling down. Wait until the light stops flashing, then press the  ${}^{\textcircled{}}$  Power button.

#### The $\bigcirc$ power light does not come on.

Make sure the power cord is connected securely both at the power outlet and the projector.

#### The 🌣 🌡 warning light is flashing orange.

High-speed cooling is in process. If the projector gets too hot again, projection stops automatically. Make sure there is plenty of space around and under the projector for ventilation. Clean or replace the air filters if necessary (see page 26). If you are using the projector at an altitude above 5000 feet (1500 meters), switch the Fan Speed setting to High (see page 22).

#### The 🔅 🌡 warning light is red.

The projector is too hot and has turned itself off. Let it cool for five minutes, then turn it back on. Make sure there is plenty of space around and under the projector for ventilation. Clean or replace the air filters if necessary (see page 26). If you are using the projector at an altitude above 5000 feet (1500 meters), switch the Fan Speed setting to High (see page 22).

#### The 🔅 🌡 warning light is flashing red at half second intervals.

The lamp needs to be replaced. See page 27.

#### The 🔅 🌡 warning light is flashing red at one second intervals.

- The lamp cover may be loose or off. Make sure it's securely fastened. See page 28.
- There is an internal problem. Unplug the projector and contact Epson. See page 38.

# **Solving Projector Problems**

#### The projector doesn't turn on.

- Check the <sup>(1)</sup> power light. If it's dark, the projector is not receiving power. Make sure the power cord is securely attached at both ends. Check that the electrical outlet isn't controlled by a timer, wall switch, or power strip switch, which may be interrupting the power.
- If the <sup>(1)</sup> power light is orange, the projector is in sleep mode. Press the <sup>(1)</sup> **Power** button to turn on the projector.

If the Child Lock is being used (see page 22), you have to press and hold the projector's  $\bigcirc$  **Power** button for at least 3 seconds to turn on the projector. (The remote control, however, operates normally.)

■ If the <sup>(1)</sup> power light is green and not flashing, the projector is operating normally. Make sure the lens cover is off. Press the A/V Mute button on the remote control to make sure the picture hasn't been turned off temporarily.

#### The projector turns itself off after a period of time.

The projector's Sleep Mode function may be turned on. This causes the projector to turn itself off if it hasn't received any input signals for a specified period of time. You can turn the Sleep Mode setting off. See page 22.

#### The projector turns on by itself.

If you are using the Direct Power ON feature, the projector turns on automatically when you plug it into an electrical outlet (see page 22). It may also turn itself on after power outages, or after any temporary interruption of power. Make sure your electrical outlet isn't controlled by a wall switch or timer.

#### There is no sound coming from the projector.

- Make sure audio cables are connected to the Audio port, and your audio equipment is turned on.
- Use the is and it Volume buttons on the projector or remote control to adjust the sound output from the projector's speaker.
- Press the A/V Mute button on the remote control to make sure the picture and sound haven't been turned off temporarily.

#### The projector doesn't respond to remote control commands.

- Make sure you're within 20 feet of the projector, and within range of the projector's front or back sensor (approximately 30° left or right, and 15° above or below).
- You may need to replace the remote control's batteries. Make sure they're inserted with the positive (+) ends facing the bottom of the remote, as shown on the *Quick Setup* sheet.
- Dim the room lights and turn off any fluorescent lights. Make sure the projector is not in direct sunlight.
- Turn off nearby equipment that emits infrared energy, such as a radiant room heater.

# **Solving Picture Problems**

#### You see a screen with the message No Signal displayed.

- Make sure your video equipment is turned on.
- Make sure your cable(s) are connected correctly, as described in the *Quick Setup* sheet.
- Use the **Source** button(s) on the projector or remote control to select the correct input source. Allow a few seconds for the projector to sync up.
- Press the Menu button and select Info. Make sure the resolution or video signal format shown for your connected equipment is listed as a compatible format on page 41.

#### No picture appears on the screen.

- Make sure the projector is turned on (the  $\mathcal{O}$  power light is green and not flashing).
- Make sure the lens cover is off.
- Press the A/V Mute button on the remote control to make sure the picture hasn't been turned off temporarily.
- If you're projecting from a laptop, you may need to set it to display on an external monitor, as described below.

#### If you're using a PC laptop:

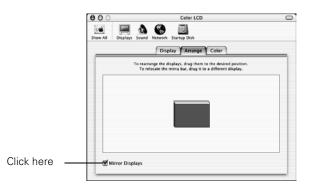
Press the function key that lets you display on an external monitor. It's often labeled with an icon such as  $\underline{}/\underline{}/$ , but it may also be labeled CRT/LCD. You may have to hold down the Fn key while pressing it, or restart your laptop. Check your laptop's manual or online help.

On most systems, the  $\equiv 10^{\circ}$  key lets you toggle between the LCD screen and the projector, or display on both at the same time. Allow a few seconds for the projector to sync up after pressing it.

Depending on your computer's video card, you might need to use the Display utility in the Control Panel to make sure that both the LCD screen and external monitor port are enabled. See your computer's documentation for details.

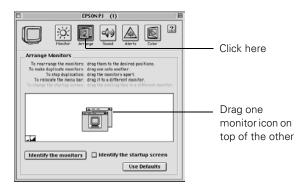
If you're using a Macintosh® laptop with OS X:

- 1. Select System Preferences from the Apple<sup>®</sup> menu and click Displays.
- 2. Click Detect Displays.
- 3. To display the entire desktop on both your projector screen and LCD screen, click the Arrange (or Arrangement) tab. (If you don't see this tab, make sure it isn't hidden by another window.)
- 4. Click **Mirror Displays** in the lower corner of the screen. One of the monitor icons automatically moves on top of the other.



If you're using a Macintosh laptop with OS 9.x or earlier:

- 1. From the Apple menu, select Control Panels, then click Monitors and Sound.
- 2. Click the Arrange icon, and then drag one monitor icon on top of the other.



If the Arrange option isn't available, you may need to select one of the Simulscan resolutions. Click the Monitor icon and then select a Simulscan resolution from the Resolution box. (Allow a few seconds for the projector to sync up.)

#### The picture is upside-down or reversed.

Change the setting for the Projection option in the Settings menu. See page 20.

#### The image doesn't fit on the screen correctly, or it is stretched or compressed.

- Press the Aspect button to select a different aspect ratio. See page 14.
- Check the Zoom Caption and Output Scaling settings. See pages 19 and 20.
- Use the **Position** setting in the Settings menu to reposition the image on the screen. See page 19.

#### The picture is wider at the top or bottom.

You've tilted the projector to raise or lower the image, causing it to become "keystoned." Use the  $D_{\cdot}$  or  $D_{\cdot}$  Keystone button on the projector or remote control to correct the problem.

Better yet, place the projector at a height approximately between the top and bottom of the screen, keeping it level, and then use the vertical lens shift dial to position the image (see page 13). You won't have to correct for keystone distortion this way, and you'll get a better-looking image.

#### The picture is taller on the left or right side.

The projector is set at an angle to the screen. Face it squarely toward the screen, and then use the horizontal lens shift dial to center the image. See pages 12 and 13.

#### The picture contains static or noise.

- Make sure your cable is securely connected at both ends.
- Excessive cable length may cause interference. The practical length of the cable depends on the type of cable used, its quality, and the complexity of your connections. Consider using a signal amplifier.
- If you're displaying the same image on your computer and projector screen, try turning off your laptop's LCD display.
- Check the settings in the Video Signal and Input A options in the Settings menu to make sure they're correct for your video equipment. See page 20.
- Make sure the Progressive setting is set to OFF when viewing video. If you notice flickering while viewing still images, switch the setting to ON. See page 19.

#### The picture is blurry.

- There may be dirt on the lens. Clean the lens as described on page 25.
- Make sure the lens is not fogged by condensation. If you've just moved the projector from a cold environment, wait a couple of minutes before using it.
- Adjust the focus using the focus ring. See page 13.
- Make sure the projector is placed the correct distance from the screen: no closer than 2.4 feet (73 cm) and no farther than 45.7 feet (13.9 m).
- Adjust the Sharpness setting in the Image menu. See page 18.
- If you're using the Keystone adjustment, be aware that it lessens image quality. You may wish to decrease the projection angle to reduce the amount of keystone correction needed, or use the lens shift dials to position the image. See page 13.
- If you're projecting from a computer, press the Auto button on the remote control. If you see no improvement, you may need to adjust the Tracking and Sync. See page 18.

#### The picture looks too light or too dark.

- Make sure the Setup Level is set correctly (see page 20). If it's not, dark or black parts of the picture may look washed-out.
- Press the Color Mode button on the remote control to select the best setting for your viewing environment.
- Adjust the Brightness and Contrast settings in the Image menu. See page 18.
  Note: These settings should be adjusted separately for each video source you're using.
- If the picture looks darker than it used to, you may need to replace the lamp. See page 27.

#### The colors on the screen don't look right.

- Press the Color Mode button on the remote control to select the best setting for your viewing environment.
- Adjust the following settings in the Image menu: Color Saturation, Tint, Color Temp., and Skin Tone. See page 18.

Note: These settings should be adjusted separately for each video source you're using.

- Check the settings in the Video Signal and Input A options in the Settings menu to make sure they're correct for your video equipment. See page 20.
- If your video equipment is connected with component video cables, make sure all three connectors are securely attached at both ends.

# Where To Get Help

Epson provides technical assistance 24 hours a day at http://support.epson.com. Here you can access troubleshooting information, download product documentation, and receive technical advice through e-mail.

To use the Epson PrivateLine Support service, call (800) 637-7661 and enter the PIN on the Epson PrivateLine Support card that came with your projector. This is the fastest way of speaking to a live representative, and it's free. This service is available 6 AM to 6 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday, for the duration of your warranty period.

You may also speak with a projector support specialist by dialing one of these numbers:

- U.S.: (562) 276-4394, 6 AM to 6 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday
- Canada: (905) 709-3839, 6 AM to 6 PM, Pacific Time, Monday through Friday

Toll or long distance charges may apply.

Before you call, please have the following information ready:

- Product name (Epson PowerLite Home 20)
- Product serial number (located on the bottom of the projector)
- Computer configuration, if you're projecting from a computer
- Description of the problem

You can purchase screens, carrying cases, or other accessories from an Epson authorized reseller. To find the nearest reseller, please call 800-GO-EPSON (800-463-7766). To purchase online, visit www.epsonstore.com (U.S. sales only). In Canada, please call (800) 463-7766 for reseller referral.

# **Specifications and Notices**

This section includes projector specifications, safety instructions, and other important information about your projector.

# **Projector Specifications**

### General

Type of display	Poly-silicon TFT active matrix
Size of LCD panels	0.55 inch (14 mm) wide
Lens	F=1.7 to 2.1, f=13.7 to 20.5 mm
Resolution (native format)	854 × 480 pixels, 480p
Brightness	1200 lumens (ANSI)
Color reproduction	24 bit, 16.8 million colors
Contrast ratio	1000:1
Image size	30 to 300 inches (0.76 to 7.6 m)
Projection distance	2.4 to 45.7 feet (0.73 to 13.9 m)
Internal sound system	1 W monaural
Zoom ratio	1:1.5
Lens shift (maximum)	50% vertically, 25% horizontally
Optical aspect ratio	16:9
Noise level	<ul><li>33 dB (all color modes except Theatre Black)</li><li>28 dB (Theatre Black color mode)</li></ul>
Keystone correction	Vertical: –30° to +30°

#### **Remote Control**

Range	Approx. 20 feet (6 m)
Battery	$AA \times 2$

### **Projection Lamp**

Туре	135 W UHE (Ultra High Efficiency)
Part number	ELPLP33
Lamp life	Approx. 2000 hours (all color modes except Theatre Black) Approx. 3000 hours (Theatre Black mode)

**Note:** Lamp life results vary depending on environmental conditions and usage. Turn the projector off when not in use. Continuous 24-hour-a-day use may reduce the overall life of the product.

#### Dimensions

Height	4.4 inches (111 mm), excluding feet
Width	14.7 inches (373 mm)
Depth	11.6 inches (295 mm)
Weight	7.8 lb. (3.5 kg)

### Electrical

Rated voltage	100 to 240 VAC
Rated frequency	50/60 Hz
Power consumption	Operating: 200 W Standby: 4 W

### Environmental

Temperature	Operating: 41 to 95 °F (5 to 35 °C) Storage: 14 to 140 °F (–10 to 60 °C)
Humidity	Operating: 20 to 80% RH, non-condensing Storage: 10 to 90% RH, non-condensing
Operating altitude	0 to 7,500 ft (0 to 2,286 m)

#### Safety and Approvals

United States	FCC 47CFR Part 15B Class B (DoC) UL1950 Rev. 3
Canada	ICES-003 Class B CSA C22.2 No. 950-95 (cUL)

Pixelworks<sup>TM</sup> DNX<sup>TM</sup> ICs are used in this projector.



### **Compatible Video Formats**

The projector supports digital video (SDTV, HDTV), analog TV (NTSC, PAL, SECAM), and various monitor display formats. Images are automatically resized, if necessary, to display in the projector's native resolution.

**Note:** To project images from a computer, set the computer's video card at a refresh rate (vertical frequency) compatible with the projector; see below for compatible formats.

Mode	Refresh Rate (Hz)	Resolution
HDTV (750p)	60	1280 × 720
HDTV (1125i)	60	1920 × 1080
HDTV (1125i)	50	1920 × 1080
SDTV (525i)	60	640 × 480
SDTV (525p)	60	640 × 480
SDTV (625i)	50	768 × 576
SDTV (625p)	50	768 × 576

Digital video formats

#### Monitor display formats

Mode	Refresh Rate (Hz)	Resolution
VGAEGA	70	640 × 350
VGA—60	60	640 × 480
VESA—72	72	640 × 480
VESA—75	75	640 × 480
VESA—85	85	640 × 480
SVGA—56	56	800 × 600
SVGA—60	60	800 × 600
SVGA—72	72	800 × 600
SVGA—75	75	800 × 600
SVGA—85	85	800 × 600
XGA—60	60	1024 × 768
XGA—70	70	1024 × 768
XGA—75	75	1024 × 768
XGA—85	85	1024 × 768
MAC13	67	640 × 480
MAC16	75	832 × 624
MAC19	75	1024 × 768
MAC19—60	59	1024 × 768

Analog TV formats

Mode	Refresh Rate (Hz)
NTSC	60
NTSC 4:43	60
PAL	50
N-PAL	50
M-PAL	60
PAL—60	60
SECAM	50

### **Important Safety Information**

Follow these safety instructions when setting up and using the projector:

- Except as specifically explained in this *User's Guide*, do not attempt to service this product yourself. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel.
- Never open any cover on the projector, except the lamp and filter covers. Dangerous electrical voltages inside the projector can severely injure you.
- The projector and its accessories come packaged in plastic bags. Keep plastic bags away from small children to avoid any risk of suffocation.
- Never look into the projector lens when the lamp is turned on; the bright light can damage your eyes. Never let children look into the lens when it is on.
- Don't place the projector on an unstable cart, stand, or table. Also, don't stand on the projector or place heavy objects on it.
- Never push objects through the cabinet slots or spill liquid into the projector.
- Do not use the projector near water or sources of heat.
- Use a damp cloth for cleaning. Do not use liquid or aerosol cleaners. Unplug the projector from the wall outlet before cleaning.
- Never try to remove the lamp immediately after use. Doing so will result in serious burns. Before removing the lamp, turn off the projector and wait for the lamp to cool completely.
- The lamp is fragile and can easily break. If the lamp breaks, handle the projector with extreme care to avoid injury from broken glass. If the projector is mounted to a ceiling, take it down before replacing the lamp, or pieces of broken glass could fall into your eyes or mouth.
- Do not use the lamp after the lamp replacement period has elapsed, because the possibility of lamp breakage increases. When the lamp replacement message appears, replace the lamp with a new one as soon as possible.
- (H9) The lamp(s) in this product contain mercury. Please consult your state and local regulations regarding disposal or recycling. Do not place in the trash.

- The lamp in this projector is under high internal pressure and may make a loud noise if it breaks. If it breaks, ventilate the room to prevent mercury gas inside the lamp from being inhaled or coming into contact with the eyes or mouth.
- Do not bring your face close to the projector while it is in use, to prevent inhaling or contact with the gases inside the lamp if it breaks.
- If the lamp breaks and gas from the lamp or fragments of broken glass are inhaled or get into the eyes or mouth, or if any other ill effects are noticed, immediately seek medical advice.
- Use the type of power source indicated on the projector. If you're not sure of the power available, consult the power company.
- If you use the projector in a country other than where you purchased it, use the correct power cord for that country.
- Place the projector near a wall outlet where the plug can be easily unplugged.
- Don't place the projector where the cord can be walked on. This may result in fraying or damage to the plug.
- Don't insert the plug into an outlet with dust present, and insert the plug firmly into the outlet.
  Failure to do so could result in sparks or fire.
- Don't handle the plug with wet hands.
- Don't overload wall outlets, extension cords, or integral convenience receptacles. This can cause fire or electric shock.
- Unplug the projector from the wall outlet and refer servicing to qualified service personnel under the following conditions: when the power cord or plug is damaged or frayed; if liquid has been spilled into the projector, or if it has been exposed to rain or water; if it doesn't operate normally when you follow the operating instructions, or if it exhibits a distinct change in performance, indicating a need for service; if it has been dropped or the housing has been damaged.
- If there is an electrical storm, do not touch the power plug, otherwise you may receive an electric shock.
- Keep the projector unplugged when not in use for extended periods.
- Keep the batteries for the remote control out of the reach of children. Batteries are choking hazards and can be very dangerous if swallowed. If they are swallowed, seek medical attention immediately.
- Replace the batteries as soon as they run out.
- Do not expose batteries to heat or flame.
- Dispose of used batteries according to local regulations.
- Remove the batteries if you won't be using the projector for a long period of time.
- Don't block the slots and openings in the projector case. They provide ventilation and prevent the projector from overheating. Don't operate the projector on a sofa, rug, or other soft surface, or in a closed-in cabinet unless proper ventilation is provided.
- Material or paper may get stuck against the air filter underneath the projector while it is in use. Remove anything from underneath the projector that might get stuck against the air filter in this way.

- Don't place the projector or remote control on top of heat-producing equipment or in a heated place, such as a car.
- Don't use the projector outside of the required temperature range (see page 40). Doing so may cause an unstable display and could lead to projector damage.
- Don't store the projector outside of the required temperature range (see page 40) or in direct sunlight for long periods of time. Doing so may cause damage to the case.

**WARNING:** The cord included with this product contains chemicals, including lead, known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. *Wash hands after handling.* (provided in accordance with Proposition 65 in Cal. Health & Safety Code § 25249.5 et seq)

## **FCC Compliance Statement**

#### For United States Users

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio or television reception. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio and television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

#### WARNING

The connection of a non-shielded equipment interface cable to this equipment will invalidate the FCC Certification of this device and may cause interference levels which exceed the limits established by the FCC for this equipment. It is the responsibility of the user to obtain and use a shielded equipment interface cable with this device. If this equipment has more than one interface connector, do not leave cables connected to unused interfaces. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

#### For Canadian Users

This Class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

### **Declaration of Conformity**

According to 47CFR, Part 2 and 15 for Class B Personal Computers and Peripherals; and/or CPU Boards and Power Supplies used with Class B Personal Computers:

We:	Epson America, Inc.
Located at:	3840 Kilroy Airport Way
	MS 3-13
	Long Beach, CA 90806
	Telephone: (562) 290-5254

Declare under sole responsibility that the product identified herein, complies with 47CFR Part 2 and 15 of the FCC rules as a Class B digital device. Each product marketed is identical to the representative unit tested and found to be compliant with the standards. Records maintained continue to reflect the equipment being produced can be expected to be within the variation accepted, due to quantity production and testing on a statistical basis as required by 47CFR §2.909. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Trade Name:EpsonType of Product:ProjectorModel:EMP-TW20Marketing Name:PowerLite Home 20

## **Epson America, Inc. Limited Warranty**

What Is Covered: Epson America, Inc. ("Epson") warrants to the original end user customer that the Epson product enclosed with this limited warranty statement, if purchased new and operated only in the United States or Canada, conforms to the manufacturer's specifications and will be free from defects in workmanship and materials for a period of two (2) years from the date of original purchase (except that the warranty period is 90 days for projector lamps). For warranty service, you must provide proof of the date of original purchase.

What Epson Will Do To Correct Problems: Should your Epson projector require service during the warranty period, Epson will, at its option, exchange or repair the projector without charge for parts or labor. If Epson authorizes an exchange for the defective unit, Epson will ship a replacement projector to you, freight prepaid, to an address in Canada or the U.S. (excluding Puerto Rico and U.S. Possessions). Shipments to other locations will be made freight collect. You are responsible for securely packaging the defective unit and returning it to Epson within five (5) working days of receipt of the replacement. Epson requires a debit or credit card number to secure the cost of the replacement projector in the event that you fail to return the defective one. If your projector is being repaired by carry-in warranty service, please bring the product securely packaged in its original container or an equivalent to your Epson Dealer or Epson Customer Care Center. Epson will, at its option, repair or replace on an exchange basis the defective unit, without charge for parts or labor. When warranty service involves the

exchange of the product or of a part, the item replaced becomes Epson property. The exchanged product or part may be new or previously repaired to the Epson standard of quality, or, at Epson's option, may be another model of like kind and quality. Exchange or replacement products assume the remaining warranty period of the product covered by this limited warranty, except that each replacement lamp carries the limited 90-day warranty stated above.

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