Acer Aspire A515-56 - InsydeH2O Setup Utility Rev 5.0 Fully Unlock Settings Guide

WARNING:

Modifying a Bios can be dangerous for your system and if done wrong it can leave it obsolete so I advise you to have a backup plan in case something goes wrong like a bootable USB.

- 1. Bios ver: 1.04 (11/02/2020)
- 2. Tools used:
 - FPTW 15.0.30.1716 (Take into account that the FPTW folder you may need varies on the system. For more information download <u>HWINFO64</u> and click this link and go to the C2. section)
 - <u>UEFITooINEA 59</u>
 - HxD
 - IFRExtractor
 - H2OUVE

First off we need to change some settings just in case. Go to your Bios and make sure there are *none* Set Supervisor Passwords and Boot mode is **UEFI**.

Now the process of getting the Bios. Go to Command Prompt and enter as administrator, input "cd + location of the folder FPTW 15.0.30.1716", then input "FPTW64.exe -bios -d biosreg.bin". Your Bios dump should appear in the folder

We also need to check if Bios Lock is enabled, go to UEFITooINEA 59 and click the *Action* tab click *Search*, go to *Text* and search for "*Bios Lock*", then click the search result that says "*DriverSampleDxe*". Now you need to right-click and select "*Extract as is*", a file named "*Section_PE32_image_DriverSampleDxe_SetupUtility.sct*" should appear in the folder.

Now open the "IFRExtractor" and select the file we just got thanks to UEFITool, now another file named "Section_PE32_image_DriverSampleDxe_SetupUtility IFR.txt" will also appear. Open and search the words "BIOS Lock" and "Flash Protection Range Registers", if below Bios Lock you see "One Of Option: Disabled, Value (8 bit): 0x0 {09 07 04 00 00 00 00}" and in Flash Protection Range Registers you also see "One Of Option: Disabled, Value (8 bit): 0x0 {09 07 04 00 00 00 00}" then we need to make some changes if not skip the next paragraph.

To disable both "Bios Lock" and "Flash Protection Range Registers", go to the folder H2OUVE, click "GET VARS.bat", this will give you the vars of your Bios. Open "vars.txt" and search for "PchSetup", now look the variables that enable Bios Lock and Flash Protection Range Registers, in my case 1C and 683 respectively, you will be able to identify them by seeing the value next to "VarStoreInfo (VarOffset/VarName):" Now go to 1C and 683 and replace the 01 with 00, not done yet tho. Just in case, copy the GUID down below "PchSetup", in my case "4570B7F1-ADE8-4943-8DC3-406472842384", and as we did it before replace the 1C and 683 values of 01 with a 00. Now save the changes, go to Command Prompt as administrator, and once again input "cd + location of the folder"

H2OUVE" then input "H2OUVE.exe -sv vars.txt". This should save the changes that we made to the vars

Using UEFIToolNEA 59 again, go to the *Action* tab, click *Search*, go to *Text* and search for "A01ODMDxe", the search results should appear down below. Right click "PE32 image sectio..." and select "Extract as is". A file named "Section_PE32_image_A01ODMDxeDriver _A01ODMDxeDriver" should appear in the folder.

Go to HxD and open "Section_PE32_image_A01ODMDxeDriver_A01ODMDxeDriver", click the Search tab, select "Go to" and write 16EA. Now change the value to "EB" and save the changes. Finally go back to UEFIToolNEA 59 and replace the "A01ODMDxeDriver" module right click ir and choose "Replace as is", you must select the edited "Section_PE32_image_A01ODMDxeDriver_A01ODMDxeDriver and save the changes.

After all this trouble now you have to just click "FLASH.BAT"

There may be some mistakes and some things left out but this should be enough for you to mod your Bios. I also hope that if you use InsydeH20 this guide may be helpful to you.