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Synopsis: Prof.J.G.Byrne's Thinkpad laptop, Model: 9552 Type E0B, S/N:
C6550LGP6.

Description:

Prof.J.G.Byrne's Thinkpad laptop.

IBM introduced Thinkpad tablets in 1991, not very successfully. Their first (wildly) successful product under the ThinkPad name were the 700-series laptops introduced in Oct-1992, of which this item is an example, a Thinkpad 700C PS/2.

Model 700C ('C' for colour) had a 25MHz Intel i80486SLC (upgradeable to 50MHz), 4-16MB DRAM, a 3.5" floppy disk drive and a 120MB ESDI hard disk. It used IBM's proprietary MicroChannel I/O bus, and had one or two PCMCIA-II slots. Its battery power could last 3.5 hours. It was shipped with DOS 5.0, Windows 3.1, or IBM's OS/2 2.0.

These machines incorporated a novel *TrackPoint II*, between the 'G' and 'H' keys that worked like a mouse, with two buttons below the space-bar acting as mouse buttons. The left button was used for selecting or dragging items, while the right button could act like the ENTER key. It had a very nice 10.4" active-matrix TFT colour LCD display with 256 colors, supporting 640 x 480 VGA graphics.

For its time this was a light machine, weighing just 7.6lb/3.5kg, a big improvement on Prof.Byrne's early 14kg 'luggable' IBM Portable PC 5155, see elsewhere in this catalog.

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1. Wikipedia, *ThinkPad*, see:
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ThinkPad>
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Figure 1: IBM Thinkpad 700C top three-quarter front view, case closed



Figure 2: IBM Thinkpad 700C front view, case closed



Figure 3 IBM Thinkpad 700C rear view



Figure 4: IBM Thinkpad 700C three-quarter front view, case open



*Figure 5: IBM Thinkpad 700C screen closeup
Note "700C PS/2" at bottom left*



Figure 6: IBM Thinkpad 700C keyboard closeup



Figure 7: IBM Thinkpad 700C left side closeup



Figure 8: IBM Thinkpad 700C right side closeup



Figure 9: IBM Thinkpad 700C bottom view

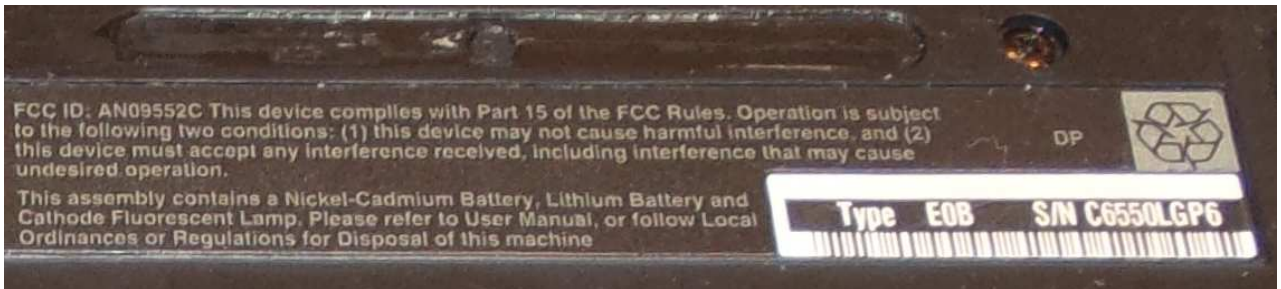


Figure 10: IBM Thinkpad 700C manufacturing label
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