

# Installing



## Windows



# Step 1:

- All versions of Windows XP CD are bootable. In order to boot from CD/DVD-ROM you need to set the boot sequence.
- Look for the boot sequence under your BIOS setup and make sure that the first boot device is set to CD/DVD-ROM.



## Step 2:

- Turn on PC and place Windows XP CD in CD/DVD-ROM drive.
- The PC should automatically detect the CD and give a message saying "Press any key to boot from CD".



## Step 3:

- Hit enter on the keyboard
- If you hit enter on time (you only have about 3 seconds) you should see the following message, “Setup is inspecting your computer’s hardware configuration.”



## Step 4:

- You will then get a Windows XP Setup screen.
- You have the option to do a new Windows install, Repair previous install or quit.
- Since we are doing a new install we just press Enter to continue.



## Step 5:

- You will be presented with the End User Licensing Agreement.
- Press F8 to accept and continue



## Step 6:

- This step is very important. Here we will create the partition where Windows will be installed. If you have a brand new unformatted drive you will get a screen that displays your unpartitioned space with the size. In our case the drive size is 8190MB.
- We will choose to install Windows in this drive without creating a partition, this will use the entire size of the drive. Just hit enter and Windows will automatically partition and format the drive as one large drive.



## Step 7:

- Choose format the partition using NTFS file system. This is the recommended file system.
- If the hard drive has been formatted before then you can choose quick NTFS format.
- We chose NTFS because it offers many security features, supports larger drive size, and bigger size files.





## Step 8:

- After the setup has completed copying the files, the computer will restart.
- Leave the XP CD in the drive but this time DO NOT press any key when the message "Press any key to boot from CD" is displayed.
- Setup will continue. Windows XP Setup wizard will guide you through the setup process of gathering information about your computer.



## Step 9:

- Next, you will see “Regions and Language Options”
- Click Next, this will keep the standard settings for the United States.



## Step 10:

- Next, Windows will ask you to type in your name and organization.
- As a technician, you may not know the name of the user so we type:  
User or Owner



## Step 11:

- Enter the 25-Digit Product Code, usually fixed on the back, bottom or side of the computer.
- During practice, ask your instructor for the product key.



## Step 12:

- Next Windows will ask you to setup an administrator password.
- A technician **should not** put a password on a computer unless the customer/ supervisor specifically asks for one.
- Leave the password fields blank and click next.



## Step 13:

- Enter the correct date and time.
- Select the Eastern Standard Time Zone for the U.S. and Canada.
- Click next.



## Step 14:

- Leave the Typical Settings selected for the network settings and click next.
- This can be configured later, if needed.



## Step 15:

- For the Workgroup or Domain, leave the default settings selected.
- Click next.





## Step 16:

- Windows will start and present you with a Welcome screen.
- Click next to continue.



## Step 17:

- Choose *'help protect my PC by turning on automatic updates now'*
- Click next.



## Step 18:

- When you get the Connect to the Internet page, Click Skip.
- This can be configured later, if needed.



## Step 19:

- When you get the Ready to Activate Windows page, choose “no, remind me in a few days.”
- Click next.



## Step 20:

- When you get the screen *Who will Use this Computer?* Type in User or Owner.
- Click next.



## Step 21:

- On the Thank you page, Click Finish.
- The computer will open to the desktop.



## Step 22:

- You now need to check the device manager to confirm that all the drivers has been loaded or if there are any conflicts.
- From the start menu select **Start -> Settings -> Control Panel**. Click on the **System** icon and then from the **System Properties** window select the **Hardware** tab, then click on **Device Manager**.