

# Error losing battery icon on Windows Taskbar

## 10/8/7

By default, the battery icon will appear under the Taskbar on your computer, laptop. However for some reason the battery icon disappears, then you can apply some solutions below to fix the error and restore the battery icon back on the Taskbar.

The battery icon is integrated on the Windows operating system as well as other operating systems to help users grasp how much battery status your laptop is, the status of the battery is plugged in or not.

Also, when you move the mouse pointer over the battery icon, you can quickly access the Power Options, Windows Mobility Center and Adjust screen brightness functions.

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Also, if you want to check the status of your laptop battery is at what level, you can refer to the steps done here.



## 1. Check if the battery icon is hidden on the taskbar

### 1.1. On Windows 10

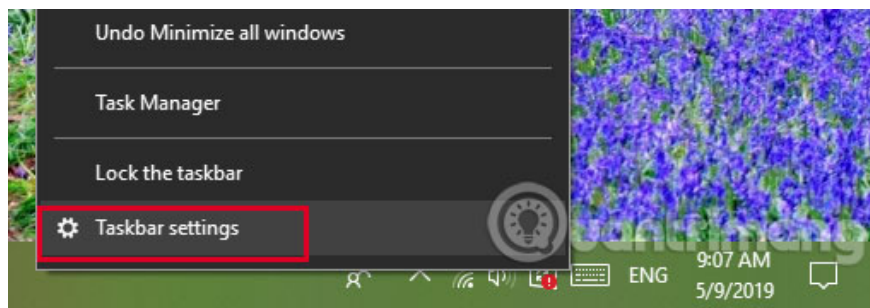
Windows 10 currently has many versions, the settings on each version are also constantly changing. With Windows 10 version 1803 and above you do the following:

Click the arrow in the right corner of the taskbar, if a battery icon appears in the menu as shown, follow the steps below. If there is no battery icon in this menu, switch to items 2, 3, 4 to see how to fix it.

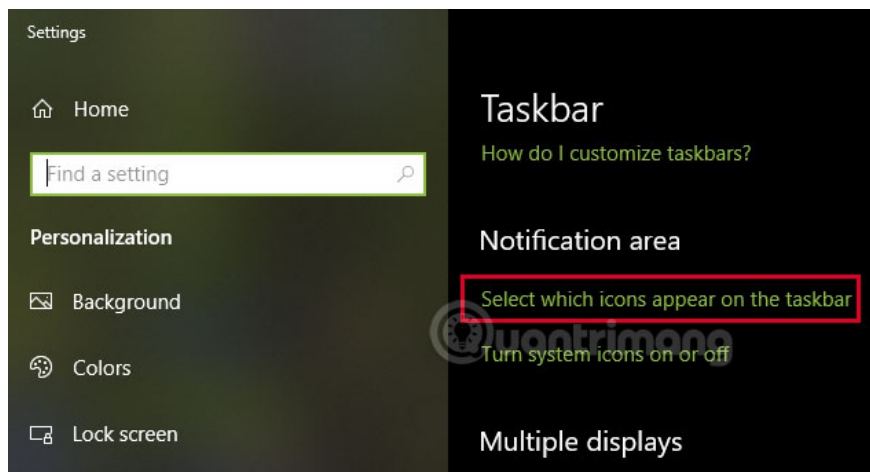


The battery icon is pushed into the taskbar's extra view menu

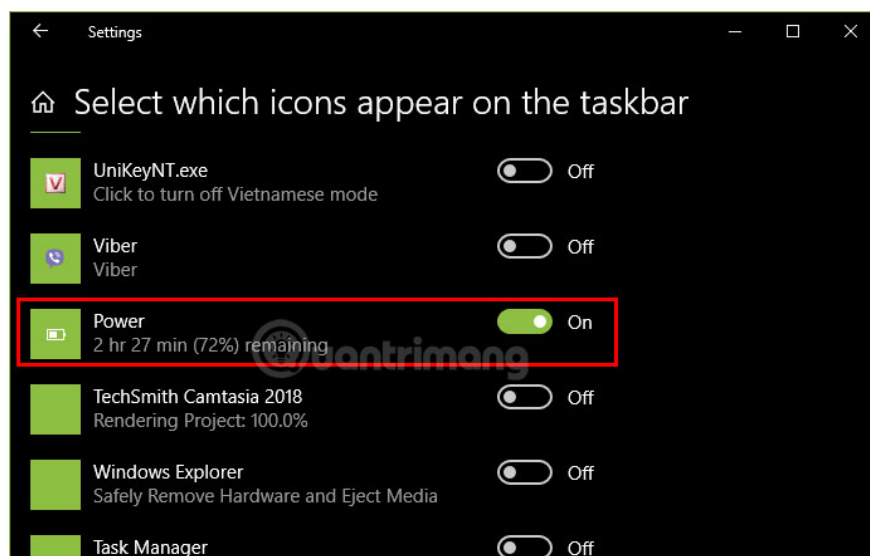
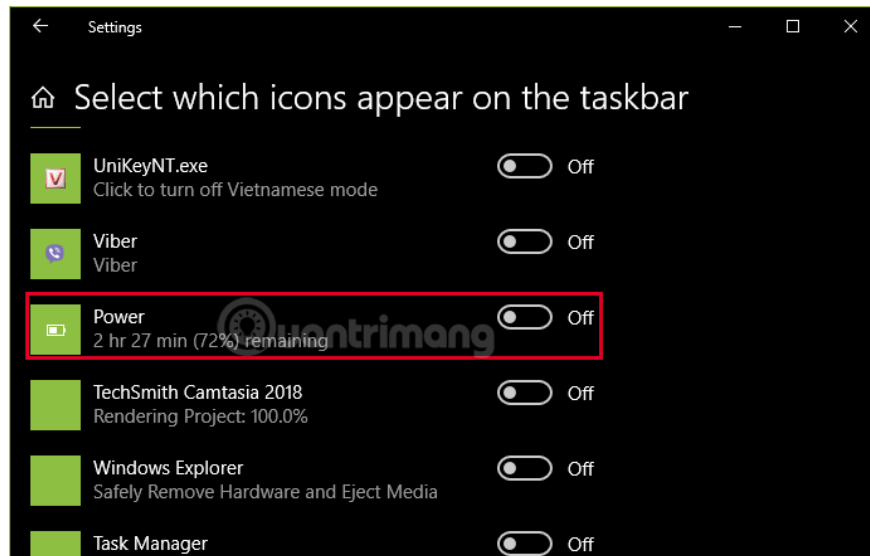
Right-click on the taskbar > **Taskbar settings** :



Go to **Notification Area** > click **Select which icons appear on the taskbar** :



Find the **Power** option > push the button in the corresponding line to turn it on, the button turns green to be:

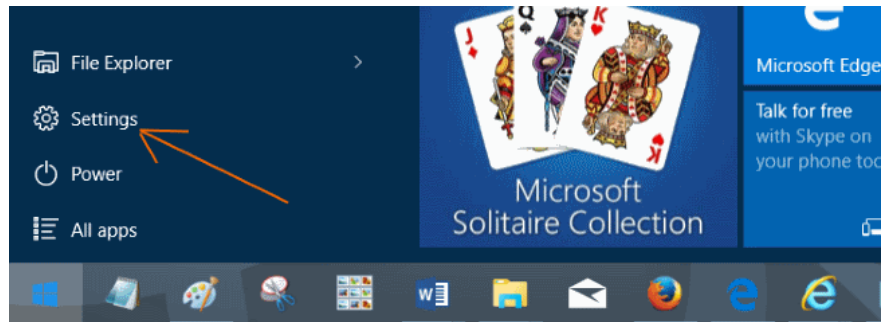


Soon you will see the battery icon appear on the taskbar.



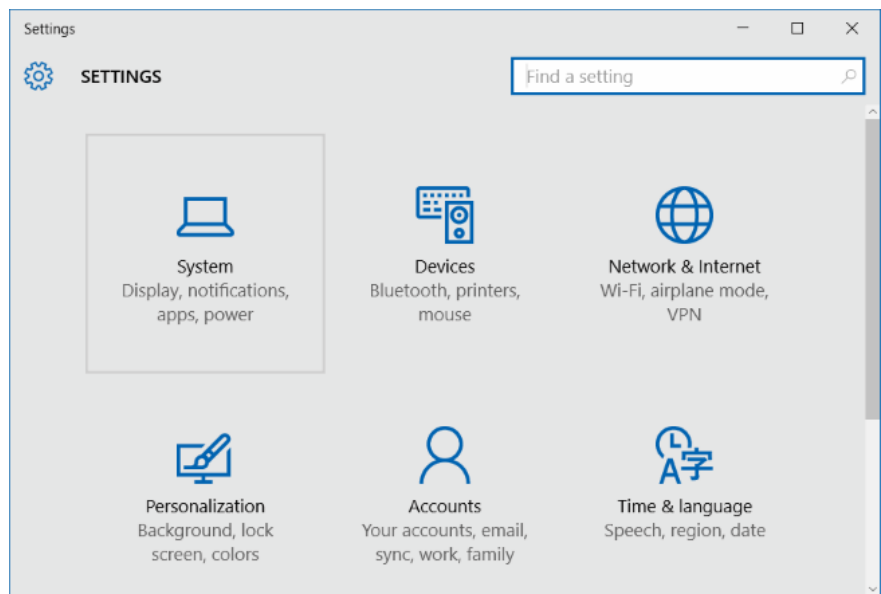
**On older Windows versions:**

Open the Settings app by pressing the **Windows + I** key combination or click the **Settings** icon on the Start Menu.



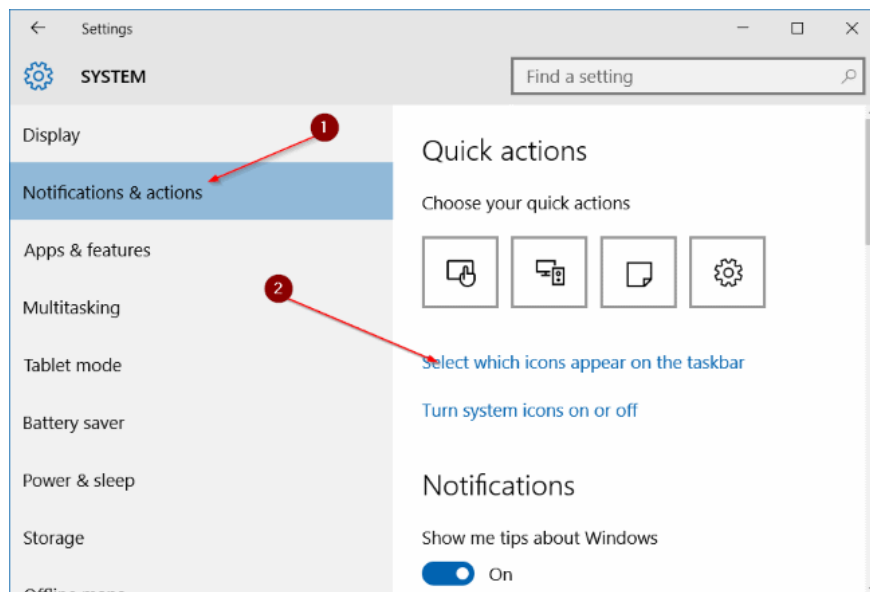
**Step 2:**

On the Settings window, click **System (display, notifications, apps, power)** .



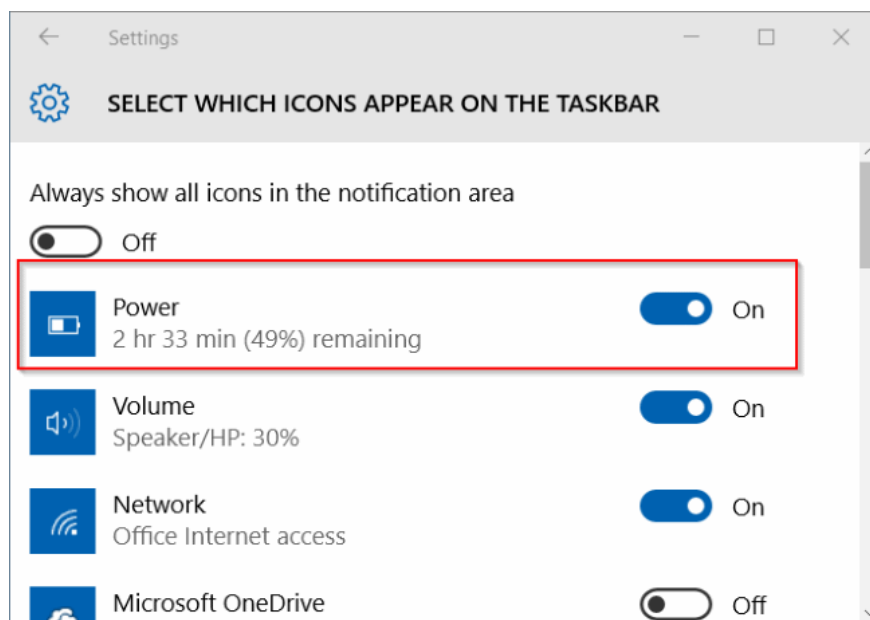
**Step 3:**

Next click on **Notifications and actions**, then look at the right frame and click on the link **Select which icons appear on the taskbar**.



#### Step 4:

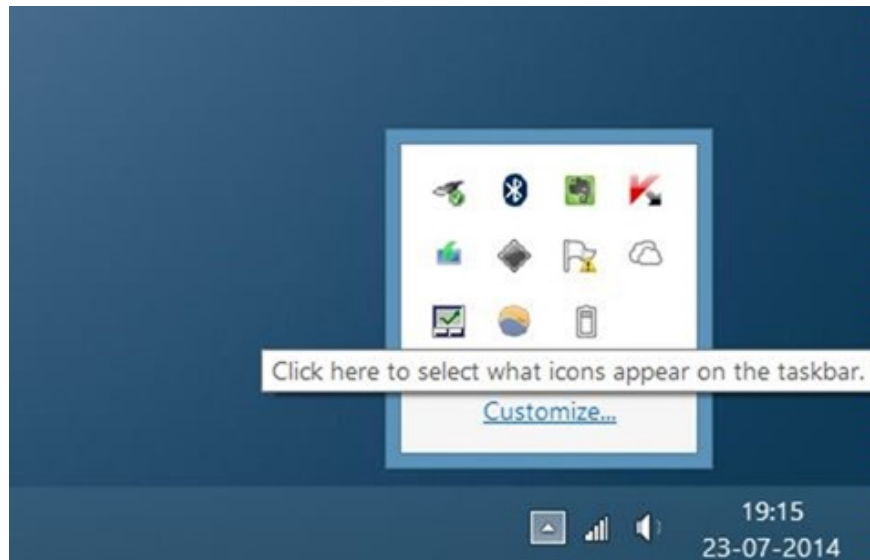
Next switch **Power** status to **ON**.



## 1.2. On Windows 8/7

#### Step 1:

Click the arrow on the Taskbar, then click the **Customize** option to open the Notification Area Icons window.

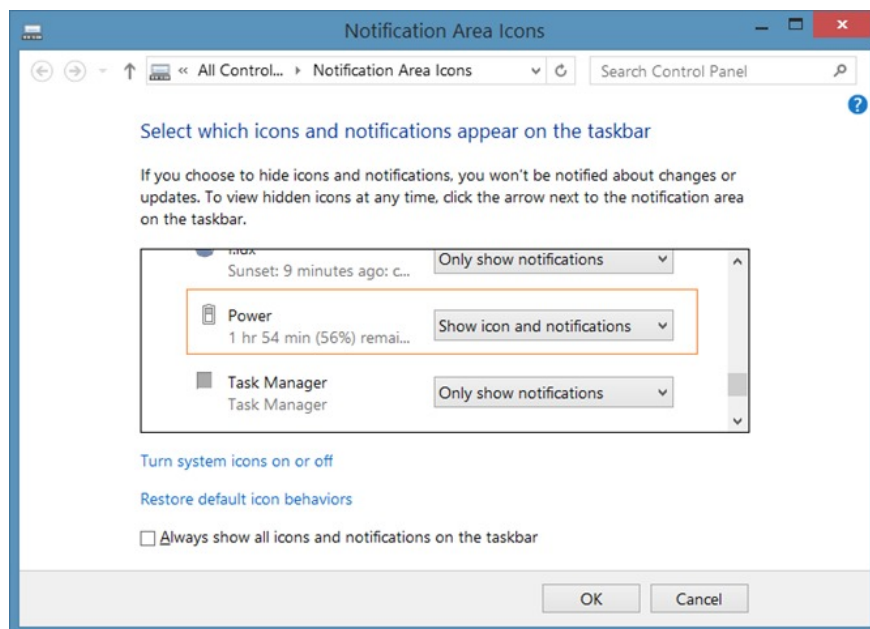


### Step 2:

On the Notification Area Icons window, check to see if Power is set to **Hide icon and notifications**.

### Step 3:

Reset Power **Show icon and notifications** by clicking the Dropdowns Menu, then click **OK** to restore the Pin icon.

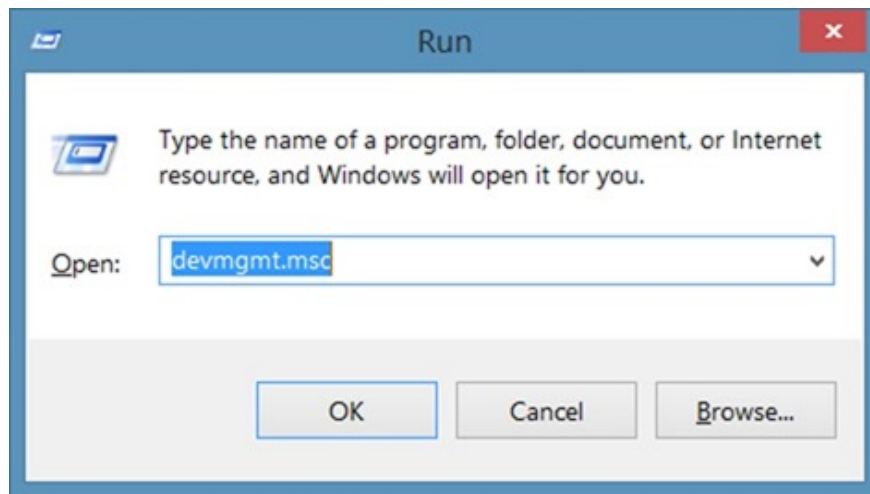


## 2. Scan for hardware changes

### Step 1:

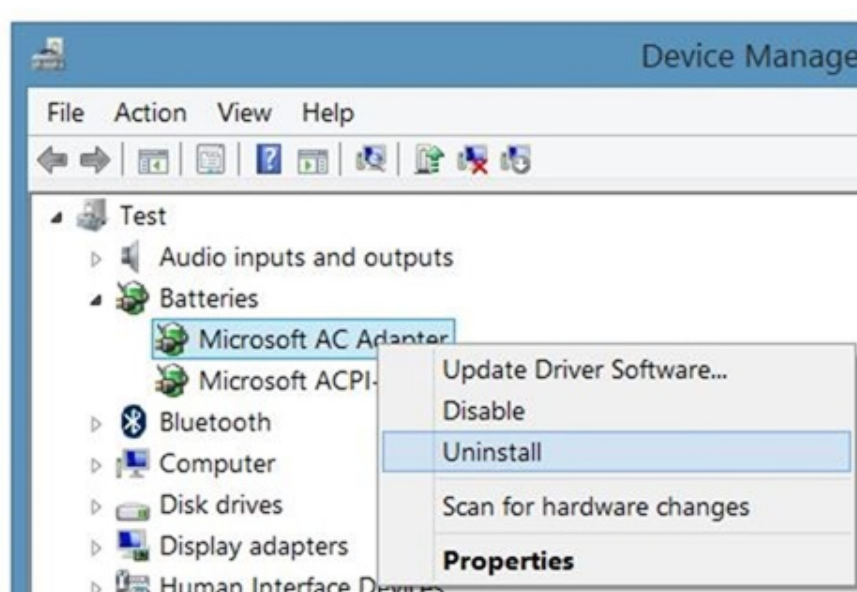
First open Device Manager by right-clicking on the Start button (on Windows 8.1) then clicking Device Manager.

If you're using Windows 10/8/7, open the Run command window by pressing **Windows + R** key combination, then enter **Devmgmt.msc** in the Run command window and press **Enter** to open Device Manager.

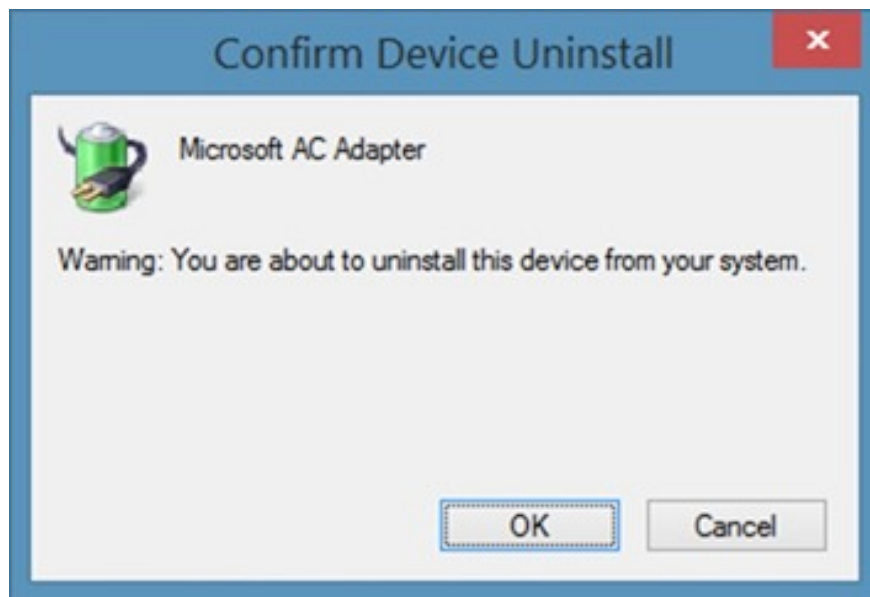


## Step 2:

In the Device Manager window, expand the **Batteries** section, then right-click **Microsoft AC Adapter** , then click **Uninstall** .

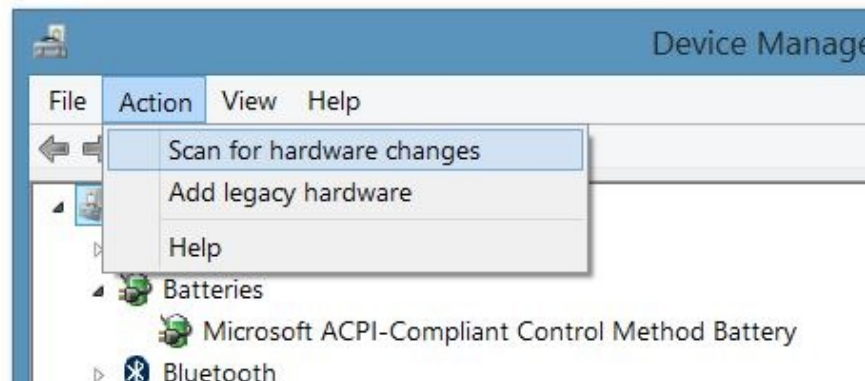


Click **OK** if you see a warning message to continue the driver uninstallation process.



### Step 3:

Next select **Menu Action** , then click the **Scan for hardware changes option** to restore the lost battery icon.



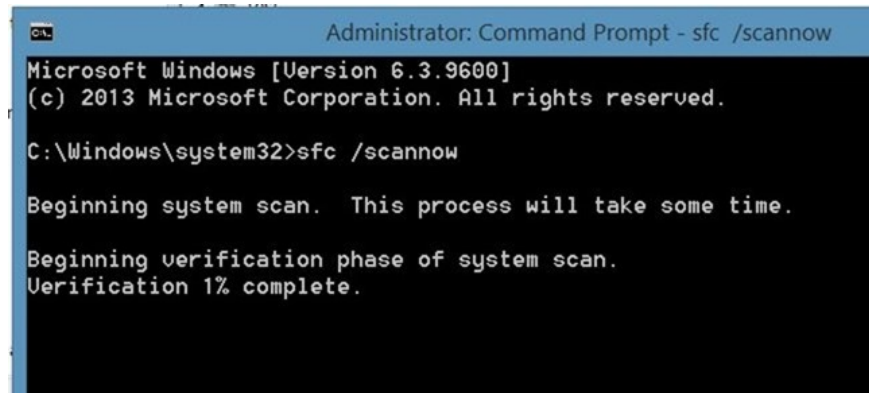
## 3. Fix system files

### Step 1:

Open Command Prompt under Admin. To do this, enter CMD into Search box on Start Screen or Start Menu, then press **Ctrl + Shift + Enter** to run Command Prompt under Admin.

### Step 2:

On the Command Prompt window, enter **sfc / scannow** then press **Enter** to open System File Checker.

A screenshot of a Windows Command Prompt window titled "Administrator: Command Prompt - sfc /scannow". The window shows the following text: "Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600] (c) 2013 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved. C:\Windows\system32>sfc /scannow Beginning system scan. This process will take some time. Beginning verification phase of system scan. Verification 1% complete." The text is displayed in white on a black background.

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This process will take some time to scan all system files and automatically repair corrupted files on the operating system.

After the System File Checker process finishes, you must restart your computer.

## 4. Use the Refresh PC feature (on Windows 8 and Windows 8.1)

Refresh PC on Windows 8 and Windows 8.1 features allows you to reinstall Windows without removing any files, settings and applications installed on the Store.

To use the Refresh PC feature, follow the steps below:

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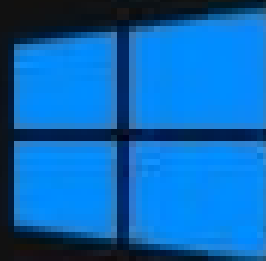
Move the mouse pointer to the lower right corner of the screen to see the Charm bar, then click or click **Settings** on the Charm bar to open the Settings Charm window.



Search



Share



Start

**Step 2:**

On the Settings Charm window, click **Change PC Settings** to open the computer settings (PC settings).

# Settings

Desktop

Control Panel

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Network



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Unavailable



Notifications



Power



Unavailable

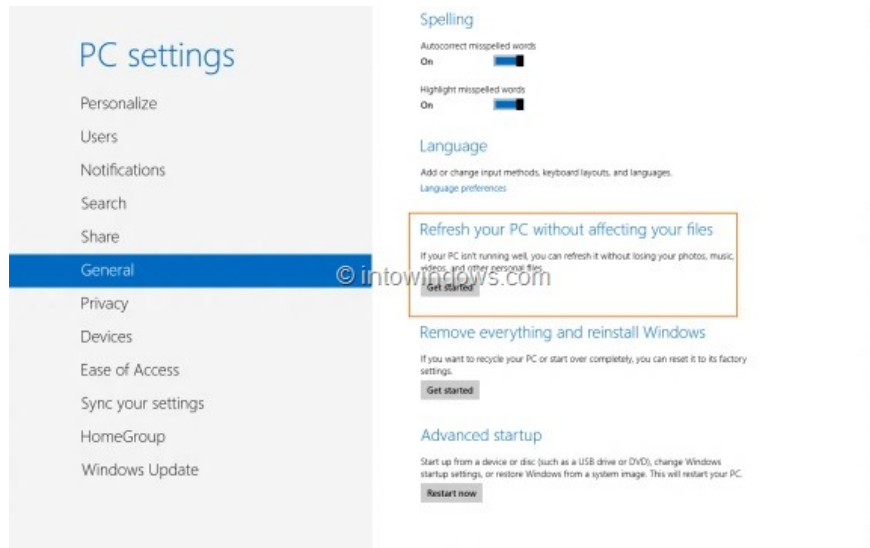
Change PC settings

### Step 3:

In the PC Settings window, look to the left pane, click **General** to see the settings available in the right pane.

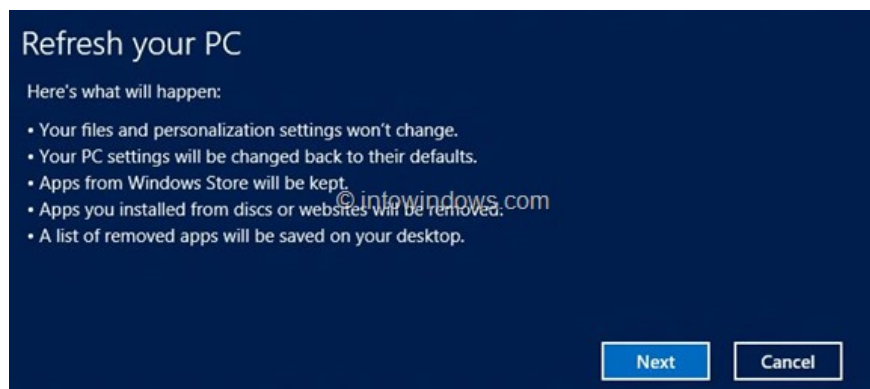
### Step 4:

Here, under **Refresh your PC settings without downloading files**, click on **Get Started**. At this time, the screen will display a notification window indicating the changes that will occur during the Refresh PC.



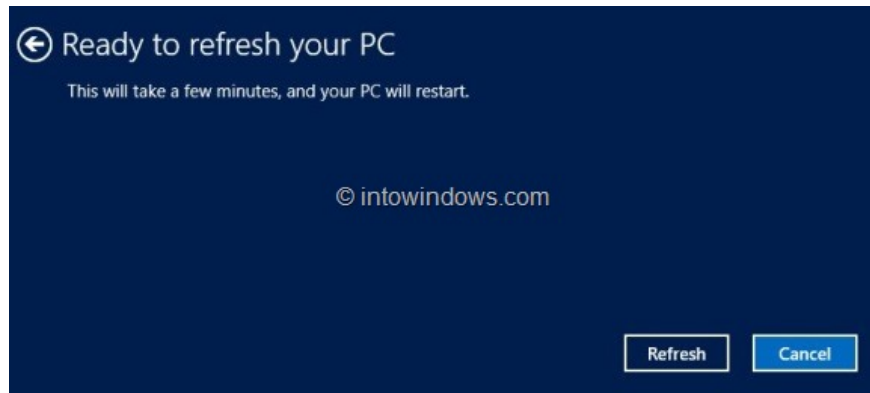
As mentioned earlier, your personal files and settings will not be changed, the settings on your computer will be changed to their original defaults, applications from the Windows Store. will remain the same, applications installed from the drive or from the website will be removed, and the list of uninstalled applications will be saved on the Desktop screen.

Click **Next** to continue, if asked to insert the media installation drive, insert the drive.

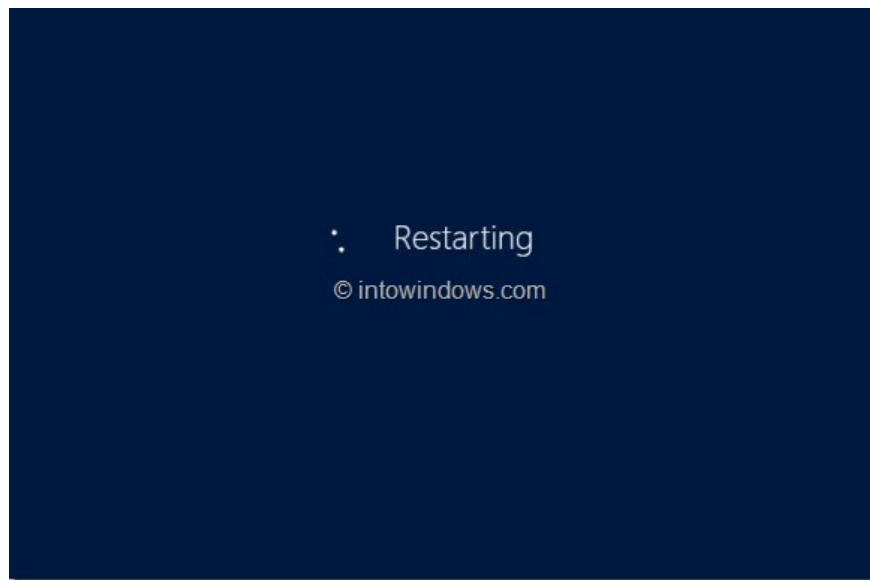


### Step 5:

After the system is ready, you will see as shown below:



Click **Refresh** to restart your computer and begin the process of Refresh your Windows computer.



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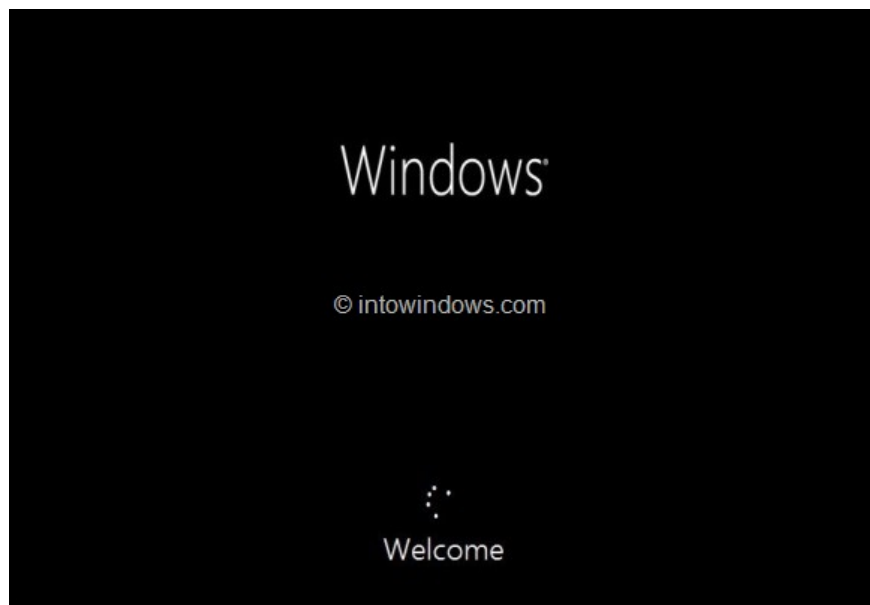
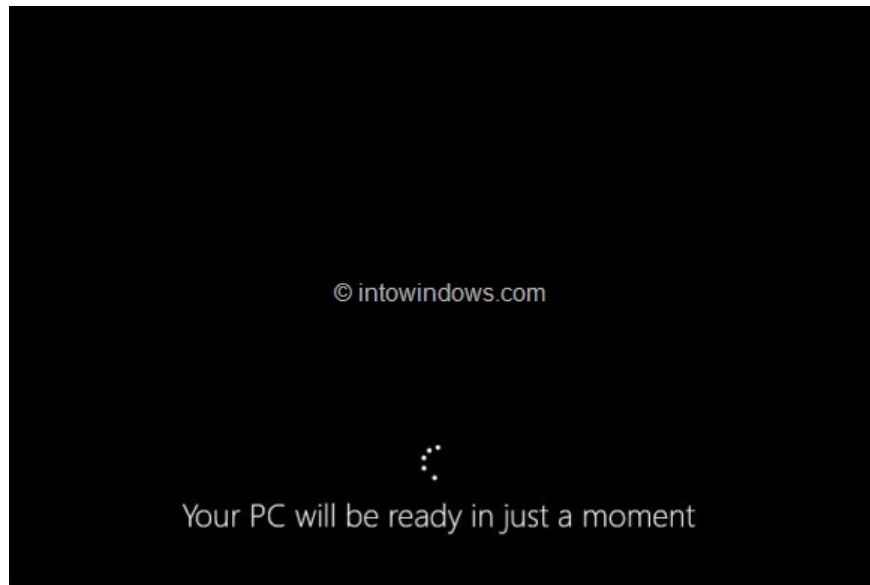
Refreshing your PC (11%)

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Refreshing your PC (94%)



**Step 6:**

After the Refresh process ends, you will see the Lock Screen lock screen or the Start Screen screen.



Refer to some of the following articles:

1. Instructions for bringing Windows 10 back to the default 'root' installation state
2. How to re-activate Windows 10 after changing the hardware?
3. How to check and detect your computer RAM problems?

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