

# How to import Recovery Console in Windows XP?

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## 1. Start Windows XP from the CD drive



To install Recovery Console in Windows XP, you must start Windows XP directly using the Windows XP installation CD drive.

### Step 1:

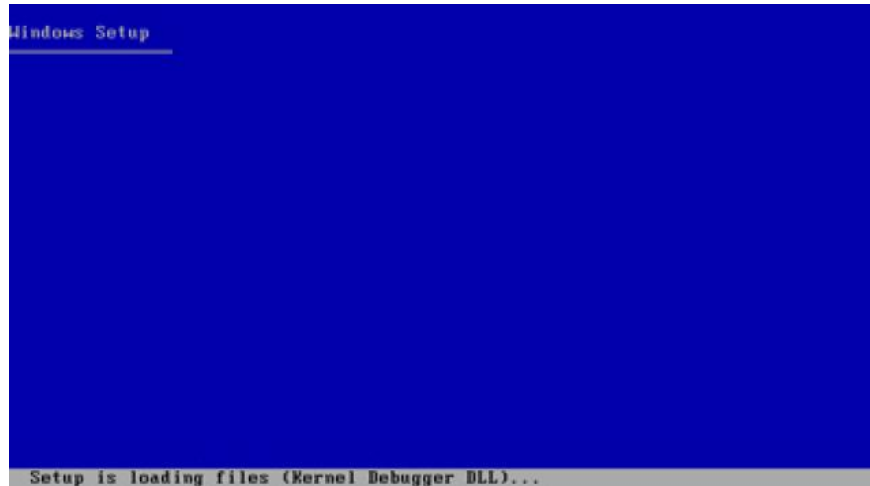
On the screen you will see the message **Press any key to boot from CD .**

### Step 2:

Enter any key to restart your computer from the CD drive.

If you do not press the key, your computer will continue to boot to the installed Windows XP installation on your hard drive. If this happens, just reboot and try booting Windows XP with the CD drive again.

## 2. Allow Windows XP to start the setup process



In this step, users do not need to intervene. Windows XP will download some files to prepare to reinstall Windows XP or use the Recovery Console.

### Note:

In the process you cannot press any function key if required. This option is only required when installing Windows XP or reinstalling Windows XP and in certain cases.

## 3. Press the R key to enter the Recovery Console



When the Windows XP Professional / Home Setup screen appears, press **R** to enter the Recovery Console.

## 4. Select Windows installation

```
Microsoft Windows XP(TM) Recovery Console.  
The Recovery Console provides system repair and recovery functionality.  
Type EXIT to quit the Recovery Console and restart the computer.  
  
I: C:\WINDOWS  
Which Windows installation would you like to log onto  
(To cancel, press ENTER)? █
```

On the screen you will see the question *Which Windows installation would you like to log onto* , just enter the number **1** and press Enter.

## 5. Enter Admin password

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I: C:\WINDOWS  
Which Windows installation would you like to log onto  
(To cancel, press ENTER)? 1  
Type the Administrator password: █
```

You must enter the Admin password to install Recovery Console in Windows XP.

If you are not sure what Admin password is, you can use the Offline program NT Password & Registry Editor. Offline Password Password Password NT Registry & Registry Editor is a tool that allows you to reset lost Windows passwords, as well as convert User accounts to Admin accounts.

**Download Offline NT Password & Registry Editor to your computer and install it here.**

If the screen of the **Admin password** (Type the Administrator password) appears on the screen, enter the password and press Enter.

**Note:**

If your computer does not have a password or Windows XP starts normally without requiring a password, simply press Enter.

## 6. Change the Recovery Console in Windows XP when needed

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(To cancel, press ENTER)? 1  
Type the Administrator password:  
C:\WINDOWS>
```

You can change the Recovery Console in Windows XP when needed. After you have completed the process, remove the CD drive and enter **Exit** and restart your computer.

### Note:

Some of the commands available will be limited when you use the Recovery Console.

You can refer to some of the following articles:

1. **Create a Recovery Console recovery disk in Windows XP**
2. **How to login to Windows XP when you forget or lose your password**
3. **Install and use Recovery Console in Win XP**

**Good luck!**

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