

How to schedule your computer to turn on automatically

Do you want your computer to automatically turn on at a specific time each day, and after booting up, some programs to run automatically so that everything is ready when you sit down at your desk? If you can achieve that, you'll save a considerable amount of time each day. Therefore, this article will present solutions for scheduling your computer to turn on automatically, which you can apply to your computer right now.

Typically, most computer users manually turn their computers on and off, which means they lack control over daily tasks, such as waiting a long time for the computer to boot up. Therefore, this article from Taimienphi will offer a solution: scheduling your computer to turn on, running specific applications, opening websites you'll be working on, and reminding you of scheduled tasks. Please read on.



Instructions for scheduling your computer to turn on

1. For Windows computers

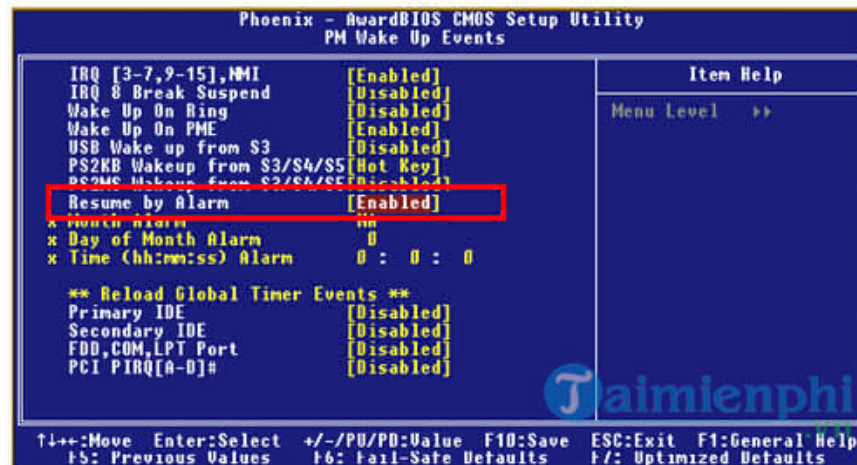
Note: In BIOS Setup, use the arrow keys to move between items and the Enter key to select, and the Esc key to exit (for newer motherboards, you can use the mouse).

Step 1: Restart your computer and access the BIOS settings using keyboard shortcuts. Depending on the computer brand, the BIOS shortcut may vary; it could be the Delete (Del) key, F1, F2, etc. (For more details, please refer to our previous article on **how to access your computer's BIOS** .)

Step 2: After entering the BIOS screen, find **Power Management Setup** or **Power Options** (depending on your motherboard model) and press **Enter** .

Step 3: If your computer supports it, you will see another option that allows you to set the automatic power-on time; this option might be "**Resume by Alarm**" or something similar. If you see "**Disabled**," press **Enter** and select "**Enabled**."

Step 4: Go to Date (of Month) Alarm: enter a day (of the month) in the Key in a DEC number field (from 0 to 31; if you enter 0, your computer will automatically turn on on all days of the month). Then go to Time (hh:mm:ss) Alarm: enter the hour, minute, and second (in 24-hour format).

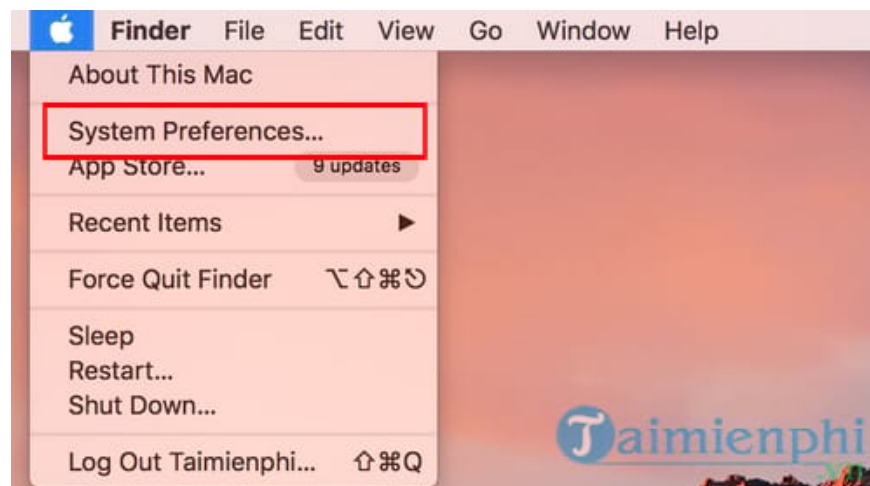


Step 5: Press the **F10** key to save. The computer will restart, and you have successfully scheduled your computer to turn on automatically.

Additionally, if you want a program to automatically open after Windows starts up, copy the program's shortcut and paste it into the C:\Documents and Settings\Username\Start Menu\Programs\Startup folder, where Username is your computer's username. Alternatively, you can drag and drop the program's shortcut into the Startup folder on the Start menu.

2. For MAC computers

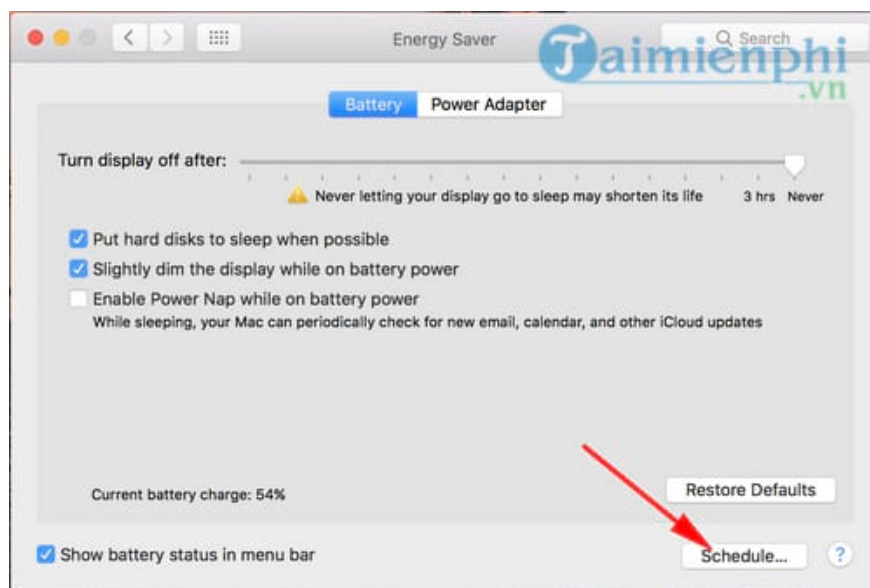
Step 1: On the user interface, access System Preferences by clicking the apple icon in the upper left corner of the screen and selecting **System Preferences**.



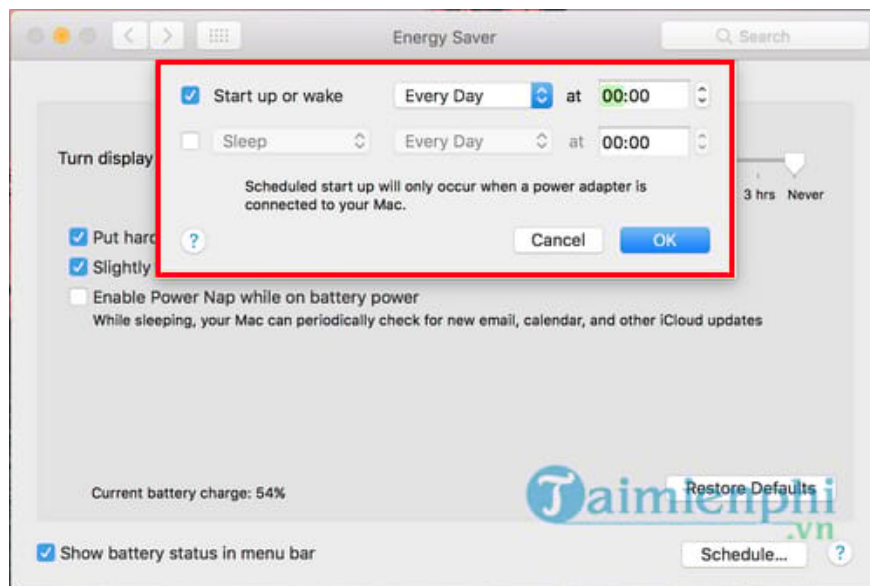
Step 2: The System Preferences dialog box will appear; continue by clicking on **the Energy Saver option**.



Step 3: Look at the bottom right corner of the dialog box and click the **Schedule** button .



Step 4: Here, check the box next to "Start up or wake" to select the timer and set the time for your computer to automatically turn on.



You can also check the box below to select when the computer will automatically shut down, go to Sleep, or restart.

Note: If you are using a laptop, you need to plug it into a power source for this automatic power-on function to work.

The above is a simple guide to scheduling your computer to turn on, which any reader can easily follow. Hopefully, this article is useful and provides inspiration for your daily work.

Besides scheduling your computer to turn on, you can also schedule it to shut down automatically, either using software or built-in computer functions . If you're using Windows 10, you can find instructions on **scheduling a shutdown in Windows 10** here .

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