

Instructions for installing Android 4.0 on HP TouchPad

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Benefits from Android

Currently the HP TouchPad can run the latest version of Android OS with simple installation steps. Installing Android means users will have more applications to choose from Google Play (more than 450,000 applications) instead of narrowing in HP App Catalog (about 10,000 applications).

In addition, using the installation method below will allow installing Android next to webOS, so you can return to using webOS whenever you need it.

Limit

There are a few limitations when installing Android on HP TouchPad. First, you'll notice there's very little storage space after using Android for a short time, mainly because the tablet has two operating systems installed at the same time and due to some sharing tasks like email.

Of course, switching back and forth between the two operating systems requires you to restart the computer. This can be frustrating when you need to use a certain OS more quickly.

Moreover, the built-in camera on the TouchPad will not work on Android. You must return to webOS if you need to use it.

Preparation steps

Before installing Android on the HP TouchPad, users first need to make sure the device is fully charged and do not connect the tablet to the PC until instructed.

Click here to download the standard Android build, created by *Robo13* member from *Google share* .

After downloading, unzip the ZIP file and open the folder. There will be 7 files in the directory.



Before continuing, download and install the latest Java version on your computer. Click here to check and download the version.

In the unzipped folder, double-click *UniversalNovacomInstaller.jar* , a Java-based tool that allows the PC to communicate with HP TouchPad.

The tool detects the operating system and displays a button. Click **Install Novacom** to continue.

Click **Download** to get the latest drivers.

After the download is complete, a change notification appears. Close the Novacom message and dialog box.

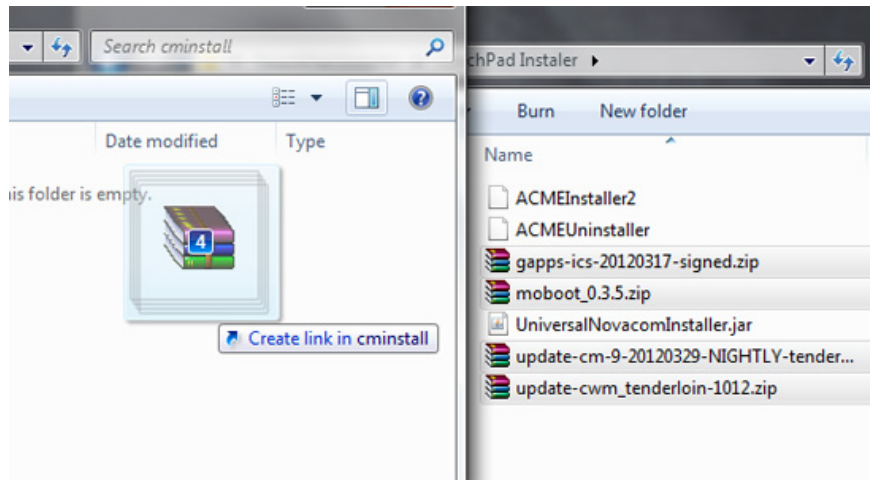
Name	Date modified	Type	Size
novacomd	09/02/2012 12:53	File folder	
terminal	01/05/2012 09:39	File folder	
ACMEInstaller2	01/04/2012 14:35	File	8,885 KB
ACMEUninstaller	01/04/2012 16:57	File	8,825 KB
novacom.exe	15/03/2011 15:35	Application	31 KB

Next, copy 2 files: *ACMEInstaller2* and *ACMEUninstaller* from the unzipped folder into *C: Program FilesPalm, Inc*. Now, we can connect HP TouchPad to the computer via USB. On the TouchPad screen, select USB Drive from the dialog box that appears. In case you do not see the dialog box appear even though you have followed the instructions correctly, close all windows. If it still doesn't work, restart the computer.

Open *My Computer* , find the HP TouchPad drive and open the contents.

Click **New Folder** and name the folder **cminstall** (in lowercase). Open this folder and copy the following files in the original unzipped folder:

gapps-ics-20120317-signed.zip
mboot_0.3.5
update-cm-9-20120329-NIGHTLY-tenderloin-signed.zip
update-cwm_tenderloin-1012.zip



Once completed, turn off the HP TouchPad, then right-click the HP TouchPad drive to select the **Eject** from the context menu. This is to securely separate the device from the computer.

Install Android on HP TouchPad

Although the HP TouchPad has been removed from Windows, devices are actually connected to the device.

Click **Start** and type **CMD** , then press **Enter** to display an order entry window.

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C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
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C:\Users\atonicarna>cd /
C:\>cd Program Files\Palm, Inc
C:\Program Files\Palm, Inc>dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is A4A5-415F

Directory of C:\Program Files\Palm, Inc

01/05/2012  09:44    <DIR>          .
01/05/2012  09:44    <DIR>          ..
01/04/2012  14:35             9,097,412 ACMEInstaller2
01/04/2012  16:57             9,036,440 ACMEUninstaller
15/03/2011  16:35             31,232 novacon.exe
09/02/2012  13:53    <DIR>          novacond
01/05/2012  09:39    <DIR>          terminal
               3 File(s)      18,165,089 bytes
               4 Dir(s)  21,841,395,712 bytes free

C:\Program Files\Palm, Inc>

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First of all, enter **cd /** to move to C:. Then, enter **cd Program FilesPalm, Inc** to open this folder. Enter **dir** to list the directory contents.

On TouchPad at this time, click the **Launcher** button, go to *Settings> Device Info> Reset Options* and click **Restart** . When the device is turned off, wait until the rotation circle icon appears, hold the volume up button next to the TouchPad until it hears the signal to connect / disconnect from Windows and the USB icon is displayed on the tablet screen. Now we are in recovery *mode (Recovery Mode)*.

Conclude

The rest you have to do is wait until Android has finished downloading and set up your account. You can start browsing with Android 4.0 or access Android Market.



One drawback of this method is that users will not be able to use the camera in Android. If you really need this feature, the user must restart the device and choose to boot into webOS in the moboot menu.

Above all, this is the quick and simple method of installing Android on HP TouchPad.

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