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It is expected that the official version of Windows XP for the XO laptop will be released at any time in late 2008.

Microsoft said in 2008 it will also release detailed technology design guidelines to help device manufacturers adopt Flash memory platforms that can build systems that are best compatible with Windows operating systems.



Currently, the XO series of cheap laptops use the Linux operating system and are primarily aimed at children in developing countries. Earlier this year Microsoft also launched an initiative to allow national governments to be allowed to buy software packages for only \$ 3 for learning and research.

Analysts say Microsoft can hardly sit and watch Linux 'dominate' the low-end OLPC laptop line because if children are the main users of this product line, they will get used to using Linux as an adult. . The future is most likely Microsoft to lose a huge number of customers if OLPC succeeds.

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