

## **Sun Server X4-2**

Installation Guide for Windows Server Operating  
Systems



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# Using This Documentation

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This installation guide contains procedures for installing the Windows Operating System, and initial software configuration procedures for bringing the Sun Server X4-2 from Oracle to a configurable and usable state.

This document is written for technicians, system administrators, authorized service providers (ASPs), and users who have experience with installing operating systems.

This section describes how to get the latest software and firmware, documentation and feedback, and support and accessibility information.

- “Getting the Latest Software and Firmware” on page vii
- “About This Documentation” on page viii
- “Related Documentation” on page viii
- “Feedback” on page viii
- “Access to Oracle Support” on page ix

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## Getting the Latest Software and Firmware

Firmware, drivers and other hardware-related software for each Oracle x86 server, server module (blade), and blade chassis are updated periodically.

You can obtain the latest version in one of three ways:

- Oracle System Assistant – This is a new factory-installed option for Oracle x86 servers. It has all the tools and drivers you need and is built into the server.
- My Oracle Support: <http://support.oracle.com>
- Physical media request

For more information, see the *Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide*, “Getting Server Firmware and Software Updates” on page 31.

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## About This Documentation

This documentation set is available in both PDF and HTML formats. The information is presented in topic-based organization (similar to online help) and therefore does not include chapters, appendices, or section numbering.

A PDF version that includes all information on a particular subject (such as hardware installation or product notes) can be generated by clicking the PDF button in the upper left corner of the HTML page.

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## Related Documentation

Documentation	Link
All Oracle documentation	<a href="http://www.oracle.com/documentation">http://www.oracle.com/documentation</a>
Sun Server X4-2	<a href="http://www.oracle.com/goto/X4-2/docs">http://www.oracle.com/goto/X4-2/docs</a>
<i>Oracle X4 Series Servers Administration Guide</i>	<a href="http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs">http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs</a>
Oracle Integrated Lights Out Manager (ILOM) 3.1	<a href="http://www.oracle.com/goto/ILOM/docs">http://www.oracle.com/goto/ILOM/docs</a>
Oracle Hardware Management Pack 2.2	<a href="http://www.oracle.com/goto/OHMP/docs">http://www.oracle.com/goto/OHMP/docs</a>

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# About Microsoft Windows Server Operating System Installs

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This section contains an overview for installing a new Microsoft Windows Server 2008 or Windows Server 2012 operating system (OS) on your server.

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Learn about Windows operating system installation steps.	<a href="#">“Windows OS Installation Task Map” on page 2</a>
Learn about the supported Windows operating systems.	<a href="#">“Supported Windows Operating Systems” on page 3</a>
Learn about storage driver requirements for SAS HBAs.	<a href="#">“SAS PCIe HBAs Requiring LSI Mass Storage Driver for Windows Server 2008 SP2” on page 4</a>
Learn about console display options and how to set them up.	<a href="#">“Selecting the Console Display Option” on page 4</a>
Learn about boot media options and how to set them up.	<a href="#">“Selecting the Boot Media Option” on page 6</a>
Learn about installation target options and how to set them up.	<a href="#">“Selecting the Installation Target Option” on page 9</a>
Learn about operating system installation options.	<a href="#">“Windows OS Installation Options” on page 10</a>
Learn about Oracle System Assistant.	<a href="#">“Oracle System Assistant Overview” on page 13</a>

## Related Information

- [“Installing a Windows Server Operating System” on page 23](#)

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# Windows OS Installation Task Map

The following table lists and describes the steps for installing the Windows Server operating system.

Step	Description	Links
1.	Install your server hardware and configure the Oracle ILOM service processor.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide</i>, “Installing the Server Into a Rack” on page 39</li><li>• <i>Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide</i>, “Cabling the Server” on page 77</li><li>• <i>Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide</i>, “Connecting to Oracle ILOM” on page 85</li></ul>
2.	Obtain the Windows installation media.	<a href="http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/default.aspx">http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/default.aspx</a>
3.	Review the product notes.	<i>Sun Server X4-2 Product Notes</i> at: <a href="http://www.oracle.com/goto/x4-2/docs">http://www.oracle.com/goto/x4-2/docs</a>
4.	Set up the console, the boot media, and the installation target that you will use to perform the installation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• “Selecting the Console Display Option” on page 4</li><li>• “Selecting the Boot Media Option” on page 6</li><li>• “Selecting the Installation Target Option” on page 9</li></ul>
5.	Verify and, if necessary, configure BIOS.	“Setting Up BIOS” on page 17
6.	Install the Windows OS.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• “Install Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant” on page 25</li><li>• “Install Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) Using Local or Remote Media” on page 29</li><li>• “Install Windows Server 2012 or 2012 R2 Using Local or Remote Media” on page 39</li><li>• “Install Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot” on page 54</li></ul>
7.	Perform the post installation tasks, if applicable.	“Post Installation Tasks for Windows Server” on page 59

**Related Information**

- [“Preparing to Install the Operating System” on page 17](#)



# Supported Windows Operating Systems

The server supports the following Microsoft Windows operating systems:

Windows OS	Edition
• Windows Server 2008 SP2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standard Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Enterprise Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Datacenter edition (64-bit)</li></ul>
• Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standard Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Enterprise Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Datacenter edition (64-bit)</li></ul>
• Windows Server 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standard Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Enterprise Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Datacenter edition (64-bit)</li></ul>
• Windows Server 2012 R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standard Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Enterprise Edition (64-bit)</li><li>• Datacenter edition (64-bit)</li></ul>

Additionally, you can install any other supported operating system or virtual machine software on your server. For a complete list of operating systems supported by the server, see the latest version of the *Sun Server X4-2 Product Notes* at <http://www.oracle.com/goto/X4-2/docs>. You can also view the list of supported operating systems at <http://wikis.oracle.com/display/SystemsComm/Sun+Server+X4-2+-+Operating+Systems>.

**Related Information**

- [“Installing a Windows Server Operating System” on page 23](#)

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# SAS PCIe HBAs Requiring LSI Mass Storage Driver for Windows Server 2008 SP2

The following table identifies the SAS PCIe host bus adapter (HBA) options that are supported on the server at the time of this publication. If you have one of these SAS PCIe HBA options configured on your server and you are installing Microsoft Windows Server 2008 SP2, you will need to load the LSI mass storage driver for the PCIe HBA option. This LSI mass storage driver is available on the internal Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive and Oracle System Assistant provides tools for loading it.

**TABLE:** Supported SAS PCIe HBAs Requiring LSI Mass Storage Driver

Supported SAS PCIe HBAs	Option Number	Driver Required During Installation
Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe RAID HBA, Internal	SG-SAS6-R-INT-Z	LSI MegaRAID SAS 92xx-xx
Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe HBA, Internal	SG-SAS6-INT-Z	LSI Adapter SAS 2008 Falcon
Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe HBA, External	SG-SAS6-EXT-Z	LSI Adapter SAS 2008 Falcon

Instructions for loading the LSI mass storage driver during the Windows Server 2008 SP2 installation are provided in Step 8 of the [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) Using Local or Remote Media”](#) on page 29.

If your server does not have an internal Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive, you can download the ISO image that includes the LSI mass storage driver. For download instructions, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, “Getting Server Firmware and Software Updates”](#) on page 31.

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## Selecting the Console Display Option

This section describes the options for connecting a console to perform the installation.

- [“Console Display Options”](#) on page 5

- “Set Up the Local Console” on page 5
- “Set Up the Remote Console” on page 6

## Console Display Options

You can install the OS and administer the server by attaching a local console directly to the server’s service processor (SP). The server supports two types of local consoles:

- A terminal connected to the serial management port (SER MGT)  
You can connect the terminal directly to the port or connect it to a terminal emulator that is connected directly to the port.
- A VGA monitor, USB keyboard, and USB mouse connected directly to the video port (VGA) and the two rear USB connectors

You can also install the OS and administer the server from a remote console by establishing a network connection to the server SP. There are two types of remote consoles:

- Web-based client connection using the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application
- Secure Shell (SSH) client connection to the network management port (NET MGT)

## ▼ Set Up the Local Console

1. **To connect a local console, do one of the following:**
  - Connect a terminal to the serial management port (SER MGT) either directly or through a terminal emulator.
  - Connect a VGA monitor, keyboard, and mouse to the video port (VGA) and the USB ports.
2. **For serial management port (SER MGT) connections only, to establish a connection to the host serial port:**
  - a. **Type your Oracle ILOM user name and password.**
  - b. **At the Oracle ILOM login prompt, type:**  
**-> start /HOST/console**

The serial management port output is automatically routed to the Linux host serial local console.

### Related Information

- Oracle Integrated Lights Out Manager (ILOM) 3.1 Documentation Library at:  
<http://www.oracle.com/goto/ILOM/docs>

## ▼ Set Up the Remote Console

### 1. View or establish an IP address for the server SP.

To login to Oracle ILOM remotely using either the command-line interface or the web interface, you must know the IP address of the server's service processor (SP). For instructions, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, "Determining the IP Address of the Server SP"](#) on page 89.

### 2. If you are using a web-based client connection, perform these steps; otherwise go to the next step.

- a. In a web browser, type the IP address for the server SP.
- b. Log in to the Oracle ILOM web interface.
- c. Redirect the video output from the server to the web client by launching the Oracle ILOM Remote Console.
- d. If necessary, enable device redirection (mouse, keyboard, etc.) in the Devices menu.

### 3. If you are using a SSH client connection, perform these steps.

- a. From a serial console, establish a SSH connection to the server SP (`ssh root@hostname`, where *hostname* can be the DNS name or the IP address for the server SP).
- b. Log in to Oracle ILOM.
- c. Redirect the serial output from the server to the SSH client by typing:  
`-> start /HOST/console`

### Related Information

- Oracle Integrated Lights Out Manager (ILOM) 3.1 Documentation Library at: <http://www.oracle.com/goto/ILOM/docs>

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## Selecting the Boot Media Option

You can start the operating system installation to a server by booting a local or remote installation media source. This section identifies the supported media sources and the setup requirements for each source.

- ["Boot Media Options Requirements" on page 7](#)
- ["Set Up the Local Boot Media Option" on page 7](#)



- [“Set Up the Remote Boot Media Option” on page 8](#)

## Boot Media Options Requirements

This section describes the requirements for using local and remote media.

- [“Local Boot Media Requirements” on page 7](#)
- [“Remote Boot Media Requirements” on page 7](#)

## Local Boot Media Requirements

Local boot media requires a built-in storage device on the server, or an external storage device attached to the server.

Supported OS local boot media sources can include:

- CD/DVD-ROM installation media
- If applicable, floppy device driver media

## Remote Boot Media Requirements

Remote media requires you to boot the install over the network. You can start the network install from a redirected boot storage device or another networked system that exports the installation over the network using a Pre-Boot eXecution Environment (PXE).

Supported OS remote boot media sources can include:

- CD/DVD-ROM installation media, and, if applicable, floppy device driver media
- CD/DVD-ROM ISO installation image, and, if applicable, floppy device driver media
- Automated installation image (requires PXE boot). For instructions for performing PXE network installations for the supported Windows Server operating systems, see [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot” on page 54](#).

## ▼ Set Up the Local Boot Media Option

To set up the local boot media, you must insert a storage device that contains the Windows Server OS installation media into the server using one of the following options:

1. If the server is equipped with an optional DVD drive, insert the Windows Server OS installation DVD into the DVD drive located on the front of the server; otherwise, proceed to the next step.
2. If your server does not contain a DVD drive, insert a USB flash drive that contains the Windows Server OS installation media into one of the external USB ports located on the front and rear of the server.

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**Note** – For information about the location of the server’s external USB ports, see the *Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide*, “About Server Features and Components” on page 19.

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## ▼ Set Up the Remote Boot Media Option

To install the OS from media in a remote location, perform these steps.

1. **To redirect the boot media from a remote storage device, perform these steps; otherwise, go to the next step.**
  - a. **Mount or present the OS boot media so that it is accessible, for example:**
    - **For CD/DVD-ROM**, insert media into the built-in or external CD/DVD-ROM drive.
    - **For CD/DVD-ROM ISO image**, ensure that ISO image(s) are readily available on a network shared location.
    - **For device driver floppy ISO image**, ensure that ISO image, if applicable, is readily available on a network shared location or on a USB drive.
  - b. **Establish a web-based client connection to the server Oracle ILOM SP and launch the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application.**

For more details, see the setup requirements for web-based client connection in “[Selecting the Console Display Option](#)” on page 4.
  - c. **In the Devices menu of the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application, specify the location of the boot media, for example:**
    - **For CD/DVD-ROM boot media**, select CD-ROM.
    - **For CD/DVD-ROM ISO image boot media**, select CD-ROM Image.
    - **For floppy device driver boot media**, if applicable, select Floppy.
    - **For floppy image device driver boot media**, if applicable, select Floppy Image.
2. **To perform the installation using PXE, perform these steps.**
  - a. **Configure the network server to export the installation using PXE boot.**

**b. Make the OS install media available for PXE boot.**

If you are using an automated OS installation image, you will need to create and provide the automated OS install image.

For detailed instructions for automating the installation setup process, consult the Windows operating system documentation.

**c. To boot the installation media, in the server's BIOS Boot Device menu, select the PXE boot interface card as the temporary boot device.**

For details for performing a Windows Server installation using a PXE network boot, see [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot”](#) on page 54.

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## Selecting the Installation Target Option

This section describes how to set up the installation target.

- [“Installation Target Options”](#) on page 9
- [“Set Up a Local Storage Drive \(HDD or SSD\) as the Installation Target”](#) on page 10
- [“Set Up a Fibre Channel Storage Area Network Device as the Installation Target”](#) on page 10

## Installation Target Options

With the exception of the embedded Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive (which is reserved for Oracle System Assistant), you can install the operating system on any of the storage drives installed in the server. These include hard disk drives (HDDs) and solid state drives (SSDs).

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**Note** – SSDs are only supported on Oracle Engineered Systems.

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For servers equipped with Fibre Channel PCIe host bus adapters (HBAs), you can choose to install the operating system to an external FC storage device.

## ▼ Set Up a Local Storage Drive (HDD or SSD) as the Installation Target

- **Ensure that the HDD or SSD is properly installed and powered on.**

For information about installing and powering on a HDD or SSD, see the *Sun Server X4-2 Service Manual*, “Servicing Storage Drives (CRU)” on page 45.

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**Note** – SSDs are only supported on Oracle Engineered Systems.

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## ▼ Set Up a Fibre Channel Storage Area Network Device as the Installation Target

1. **Ensure that the PCIe host bus adapter (HBA) is properly installed in the server.**

For information about installing a PCIe HBA option, see the *Sun Server X4-2 Service Manual*, “Servicing PCIe Cards (CRU)” on page 84.

2. **Ensure that the storage area network (SAN) is installed and configured to make the storage device visible to the server’s host.**

For instructions, refer to the documentation supplied with the Fibre Channel HBA.

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## Windows OS Installation Options

You can choose to install an OS on a single server or on multiple servers. The scope of this document is for single server OS installations. The table below provides some information about these two installation options.

Option	Description
Multiple servers	You can use Oracle Enterprise Manager Ops Center to install an OS on multiple servers, For information, go to <a href="http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/ops-center/index.html">http://www.oracle.com/technetwork/ops-center/index.html</a>

Option	Description
Single server	<p>Install an OS to a single server using one of the following methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Locally: OS installation is performed locally at the server. This option is recommended if you have just completed the physical installation of the server in the rack.</li> <li>Remotely: OS installation is performed from a remote location. Uses the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application to access the Oracle System Assistant or to perform a manual OS installation.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note</b> - Oracle recommends the use of Oracle System Assistant for single server OS installations.</p>

For more information about single-server OS installation methods and Oracle System Assistant, see:

- [“Single-Server Installation Methods” on page 11](#)
- [“Oracle System Assistant Overview” on page 13](#)

## Single-Server Installation Methods

Select a method for providing the Windows installation media. Use the following information to determine the local or remote OS installation that best serves your needs.

Media Delivery Method	Additional Requirements
<b>Local assisted OS installation</b> – Uses Oracle System Assistant. (Recommended)	A monitor, USB keyboard and mouse, a USB device, and Windows distribution media. For more information, see <a href="#">“Assisted OS Installation” on page 12</a> .
<b>Remote assisted OS installation</b> – Uses Oracle System Assistant. (Recommended)	Oracle ILOM Remote Console application, a redirected CD/DVD drive or ISO image file, and Windows distribution media. For more information, see <a href="#">“Assisted OS Installation” on page 12</a> .
<b>Local Using a CD/DVD drive</b> – Uses a physical CD/DVD drive connected to the server.	A monitor, USB keyboard and mouse, a USB CD/DVD drive, and Windows distribution media. For more information, see <a href="#">“Manual OS Installation” on page 12</a> .

Media Delivery Method	Additional Requirements
<b>Remote Using a CD/DVD drive or a CD/DVD ISO image</b> – Uses a redirected physical CD/DVD drive on a remote system running the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application.	A remote system with a browser, an attached physical CD/DVD drive, Windows distribution media, and network access to the server's management port. For more information, see <a href="#">“Manual OS Installation” on page 12</a> .
<b>WDS WIM image</b> – Uses a customized Windows Imaging Format (WIM) image on a Windows Deployment Services (WDS) server.	A server running WDS and a WIM image customized for your server. For more information, see <a href="#">“Windows Deployment Services OS Installation” on page 12</a> .

## Assisted OS Installation

This is the recommended method for installing a supported OS on your server. This method involves using Oracle System Assistant. You deliver the Windows OS installation media on either a local or remote CD/DVD drive, USB device, or CD/DVD image, and Oracle System Assistant guides the installation process and gathers and installs the needed drivers when necessary. Your server must support Oracle System Assistant, and it must be installed in the server.

## Manual OS Installation

With this method, you deliver the Windows distribution media on either a local or remote CD/DVD drive, USB device, or CD/DVD image. You also need to install any necessary drivers. The drivers for your server are available on the server's internal Oracle System Assistant flash drive (if installed) and from the My Oracle Support web site as either OS-specific and server-specific packages or as an ISO image file. To install the OS, use the distribution media's installation wizard.

## Windows Deployment Services OS Installation

You can install the Windows OS from a deployment server environment. For the advanced user, you can create a customized Windows Imaging Format (WIM) image for your server on a system running Windows Deployment Services (WDS). Once this installation image file has been created, you can boot your server from its network card and select the image from the WDS system for unattended deployment. For more information about WDS, go to:

<http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc770667%28WS.10%29.a.spx>.

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# Oracle System Assistant Overview

Oracle System Assistant is a single-server system management tool for Oracle x86 servers. It integrates Oracle's single system management products, the Oracle System Assistant application, and a selection of related software to provide a suite of tools that allow for the quick and convenient configuration and maintenance of your server.

You can access Oracle System Assistant locally, using a local console connection, or remotely, using the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application.

If you just completed the installation of the server, then using Oracle System Assistant locally (while physically present at the server) can be a fast and efficient method of configuring the server. Once the server is operational, you can conveniently access Oracle System Assistant remotely while still retaining full-featured functionality.

The components of Oracle System Assistant include:

- Oracle System Assistant application
- Oracle Hardware Management Pack
- User interface access to configuration and maintenance provisioning tasks (including the Install OS task)
- Oracle System Assistant command-line environment
- Operating system drivers and tools
- Server-specific firmware
- Server-related documentation

Oracle System Assistant resides inside the server as an embedded storage device and is factory configured with a server-specific version of tools and drivers that is maintained as such through use of online updates.

For more information about Oracle System Assistant, see the following topics:

- [“Oracle System Assistant Tasks” on page 14](#)
- [“Get Updates and Install OS Tasks” on page 14](#)
- [“Obtaining Oracle System Assistant” on page 14](#)

For more information about Oracle System Assistant, refer to the *Oracle X4 Series Servers Administration Guide* at:

<http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs>.

# Oracle System Assistant Tasks

The Oracle System Assistant application combines a selected set of the most common and useful single-server management provisioning tasks.

The following information and tasks allow for quick and convenient server configuration and ongoing server management:

- System overview and system inventory information
- Online update acquisition for all components (including tools, drivers, and firmware)
- System firmware (BIOS and Oracle ILOM) and host bus adapter firmware updates
- RAID, Oracle ILOM, and BIOS configuration
- Assisted OS installation
- Network configuration
- Disable feature and embedded media integrity check
- Multilingual keyboard
- Oracle System Assistant shell terminal window allowing use of the runtime environment
- Oracle Hardware Management Pack access (using Oracle System Assistant shell)
- Oracle System Assistant recovery

## Get Updates and Install OS Tasks

If you want to use Oracle System Assistant to update the OS drivers and other firmware components (such as BIOS, Oracle ILOM, HBAs, and expanders, if applicable), you should perform the Get Updates task before you install the OS.

The Oracle System Assistant application's Install OS task provides a guided installation of a supported OS. You supply the OS installation media, and Oracle System Assistant guides you through the installation process. It then fetches the appropriate drivers based on your server hardware configuration. The Install OS task is not available for all server supported operating systems. The Install OS task is not available for all server supported operating systems.

## Obtaining Oracle System Assistant

Since your server supports Oracle System Assistant, the Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive might be already installed in your server. If it is installed, you can update to the latest software release using the Oracle System Assistant Get Updates task. If



Oracle System Assistant is installed in your server, but it has been corrupted or overwritten, then download the Oracle System Assistant Updater image from the My Oracle Support site. For download instructions, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, “Getting Server Firmware and Software Updates”](#) on page 31.

For more information about how to determine if your server has Oracle System Assistant or how to perform updates and recovery procedures, refer to the *Oracle X4 Series Servers Administration Guide* at:  
<http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs>.

## **Related Information**

- *Oracle X4 Series Servers Administration Guide* at:  
<http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs>



# Preparing to Install the Operating System

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This section describes how to prepare the server for installing the operating system.

Description	Links
Setting up BIOS.	<a href="#">“Setting Up BIOS” on page 17</a>
Configure RAID on the server.	<a href="#">“Configuring RAID” on page 22</a>

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## Setting Up BIOS

Before you install the operating system, you should ensure that BIOS settings are configured to support the type of installation you plan to perform. The following topics provide specific instructions on how to configure BIOS to support the installation:

- [“Verify the BIOS Factory Defaults” on page 18](#)
- [“Switch Between Legacy BIOS and UEFI BIOS” on page 20](#)

### Related Information

- [“Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant” on page 24](#)
- [“Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Media” on page 28](#)

## ▼ Verify the BIOS Factory Defaults

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**Note** – If the server is newly installed and this is the first time that an operating system has been installed, then BIOS is probably configured to its default settings and you do not have to perform this task.

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In the BIOS Setup Utility, you can set defaults, as well as view and edit BIOS settings as needed. Any changes you make in the BIOS Setup Utility (through F2) are permanent until the next time you change them.

In addition to using F2 to view or edit the system's BIOS settings, you can use F8 during the BIOS start-up to specify a temporary boot device. If you use F8 to set a temporary boot device, this change is only in effect for the current system boot. The permanent boot device specified through F2 will be in effect after booting from the temporary boot device.

Ensure that the following requirements are met:

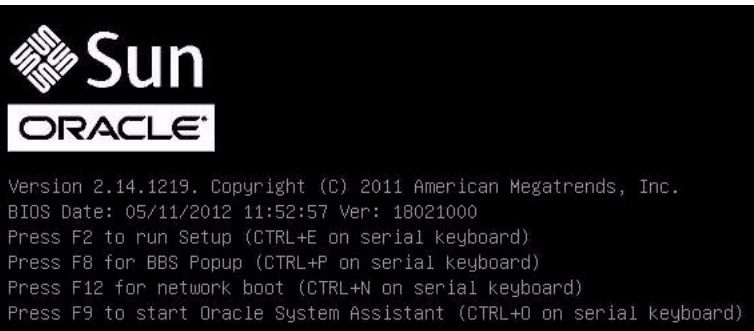
- The server is equipped with a hard disk drive (HDD) or solid state drive (SDD).
- The HDD or SDD is properly installed in the server. For instructions, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Service Manual, "Servicing Storage Drives \(CRU\)"](#) on page 45.
- A console connection is established to the server. For details, see ["Selecting the Console Display Option"](#) on page 4.

### 1. Reset or power on the server.

For example, to reset the server:

- **From the local server**, press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM web interface**, click Host Management > Power Control and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI**, type the following command from the prompt:  
-> **reset /System**

The BIOS screen appears.



2. **When prompted in the BIOS screen, press F2 to access the BIOS Setup Utility.**  
After a few moments, the BIOS Setup Utility appears.
3. **To ensure that the factory defaults are set, do the following:**
  - a. **Press F9 to automatically load the factory default settings.**  
A message appears prompting you to continue this operation by selecting OK or to cancel this operation by selecting CANCEL.
  - b. **In the message, highlight OK then press Enter.**  
The BIOS Setup Utility screen appears with the cursor highlighting the first value in the system time field.
4. **In the BIOS Setup Utility, do the following to edit the values associated with the system time or date.**
  - a. **Highlight the values you want to change.**  
Use up or down arrow keys to change between the system time and date selection.
  - b. **To change the values in the highlighted fields use these keys:**
    - PLUS (+) to increment the current value shown
    - MINUS (-) to decrement the current value shown
    - ENTER to move the cursor to the next value field
5. **To access the boot settings, select the Boot menu.**  
The Boot menu appears.
6. **In the Boot menu, verify that the UEFI/BIOS Boot Mode is set to the appropriate value for your installation.**  
To change the boot mode, use the up and down arrow keys to select the UEFI/BIOS Boot Mode field and use the + and - keys to toggle between UEFI and Legacy.

7. In the Boot menu, use the down arrow key to select `Boot Device Priority`, then press `Enter`.

The Boot Device Priority menu appears listing the order of the known bootable devices. The first device in the list has the highest boot priority.

8. In the Boot Option Priority menu, do the following to edit the first boot device entry in the list:
  - a. Use the up and down arrow keys to select the first entry in the list, then press `Enter`.
  - b. In the Options menu, use the up and down arrow keys to select the default permanent boot device, then press `Enter`.

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**Note** – You can change the boot order for other devices in the list by repeating Steps 8a and 8b for each device entry you want to change.

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9. To save changes and exit the BIOS Setup Utility, press `F10`.

Alternatively, you can save the changes and exit the BIOS Setup Utility by selecting `Save and Reset` on the `Save & Exit` menu. A message appears prompting you to save changes and exit setup. In the message dialog, select `OK`, then press `Enter`.

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**Note** – When using the Oracle ILOM Remote Console, `F10` is trapped by the local OS. You must use the `F10` option listed in the Keyboard drop-down menu that is available at the top of the Remote Console application.

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## ▼ Switch Between Legacy BIOS and UEFI BIOS

The BIOS firmware supports both Legacy BIOS and Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) BIOS. The default setting is Legacy BIOS. Because the Windows Server 2008 and 2012 operating systems support both Legacy BIOS and UEFI BIOS, you have the option of setting BIOS to either Legacy BIOS Boot Mode or UEFI BIOS Boot Mode before you perform the installation.

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**Note** – After you have installed the Windows Server operating system, if you decide you want to switch from Legacy BIOS to UEFI BIOS, or vice versa, you must remove all partitions and reinstall the operating system.

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1. Reset or power on the server.

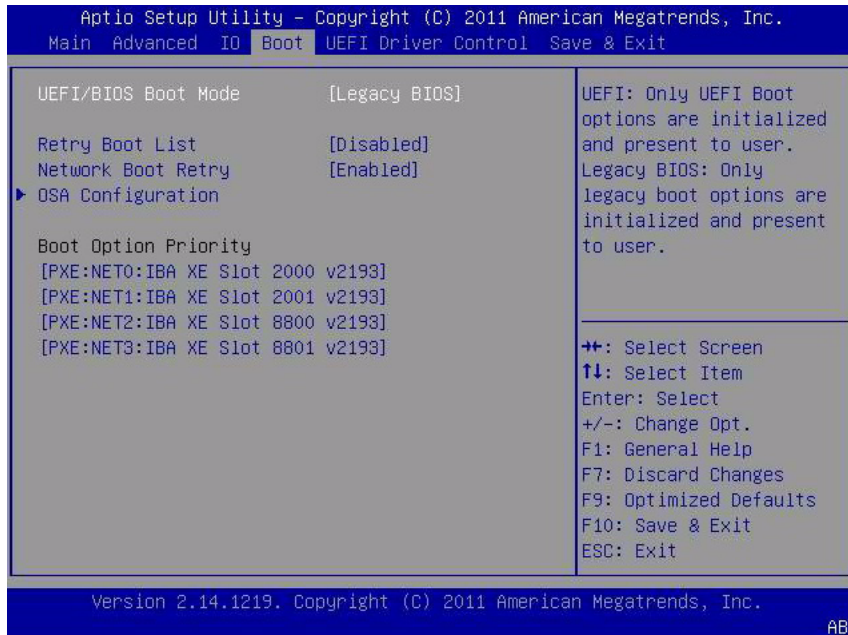
For example, to reset the server:

- **From the local server**, press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM web interface**, click Host Management > Power Control and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI**, type the following command from the prompt:  
     -> **reset /System**

The BIOS screen appears.



2. **When prompted in the BIOS screen, press F2 to access the BIOS Setup Utility.**  
     After a few moments, the BIOS Setup Utility appears.
3. **In the BIOS Setup Utility, select Boot from the top menu bar.**  
     The Boot menu screen appears.



4. Select the UEFI/BIOS Boot Mode field and use the +/- keys to change the setting to UEFI.
5. To save changes and exit BIOS, press the F10 key.

## Configuring RAID

If you want to configure the server storage drives in a RAID configuration, configure RAID on your server before you install a Windows OS. For instructions for configuring RAID, refer to the *Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide*, “Configuring Server Drives for OS Installation” on page 113.

### Related Information

- *Oracle X4 Series Servers Administration Guide* at:  
<http://www.oracle.com/goto/x86AdminDiag/docs>



# Installing a Windows Server Operating System

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This section provides instructions for installing the Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (SP2 and R2 SP1) and Windows Server 2012 operating systems.

Description	Links
Before you begin the OS install.	<a href="#">“Before You Begin” on page 23</a>
Using Oracle System Assistant to install the Windows operating system.	<a href="#">“Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant” on page 24</a>
Using media to install the Windows operating system.	<a href="#">“Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Media” on page 28</a>

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## Before You Begin

Ensure that the following requirements are met:

- If you want to configure RAID (Redundant Array of Independent Disks) on the server’s storage drives, you must do so before you install the operating system. For instructions for configuring RAID, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, “Configuring Server Drives for OS Installation” on page 113](#).

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**Note** – If the server is equipped with the Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe RAID, Internal HBA (SGX-SAS6-R-INT-Z), you must create a RAID volume and make it bootable before installing the operating system; otherwise, the HBA will not be able to identify the server’s storage drives.

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- Verify that the BIOS settings are set to the defaults. For instructions on how to verify and, if necessary, set the BIOS settings, see [“Verify the BIOS Factory Defaults” on page 18](#).

- Ensure that BIOS is configured for the desired mode: Legacy BIOS or UEFI BIOS. For instructions on how to set the BIOS mode, see [“Switch Between Legacy BIOS and UEFI BIOS”](#) on page 20.
- The console display option should have been selected and set up prior to performing the installation. For more information about this option and setup instructions, see [“Selecting the Console Display Option”](#) on page 4.
- The boot media option should have been selected and set up prior to performing the installation. For more information about this option and setup instructions, see [“Selecting the Boot Media Option”](#) on page 6.
- The installation target option should have been selected and set up prior to performing the installation. For more information about this option and setup instructions, see [“Selecting the Installation Target Option”](#) on page 9.
- For local installation, insert the Windows installation media into the attached physical CD/DVD-ROM drive.
- For remote installation, insert the Windows installation media into the Oracle ILOM Remote Console system’s CD/DVD-ROM drive. Ensure that you have selected CD-ROM from the Oracle ILOM Remote Console system’s Devices menu.
- For a Windows image installation, ensure that the Windows ISO image is accessible from the Oracle ILOM Remote Console system. Ensure that you have selected CD-ROM Image from the Oracle ILOM Remote Console system’s Devices menu.
- Gather the Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) or Windows Server 2012 operating system documentation so that you can use it in conjunction with the Windows Server operating system instructions provided in this section. You can obtain a copy of Microsoft Windows Server 2008 and 2012 installation documentation at:  
<http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/default.aspx>.

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## Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant

The Oracle System Assistant application’s Install OS task is the recommended method for installing a supported Microsoft Windows Server OS on the server.

- [“Install Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant”](#) on page 25

## ▼ Install Windows Server on a Single System Using Oracle System Assistant

- Performed the steps in “Preparing to Install the Operating System” on page 17.
- If you want to configure the boot drive (that is, the storage drive onto which you are installing the Windows Server OS) for RAID, you must do so before you install the OS. For instructions on how to configure RAID on your server, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide](#), “Configuring Server Drives for OS Installation” on page 113.

### 1. Ensure that the installation media is available to boot.

- **For Distribution CD/DVD.** Insert the Windows Server Distribution media (CD labeled number 1 or the single DVD) into the local or external USB CD/DVD-ROM drive.
- **For ISO image.** Ensure that the ISO images are available and that the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application is aware of the first ISO image location.  
For additional information about how to set up the installation media, see “Selecting the Boot Media Option” on page 6.

### 2. To launch Oracle System Assistant directly from the Oracle ILOM Interface (recommended), perform the following steps; otherwise proceed to [Step 3](#).

- a. In the Actions panel on the Oracle ILOM web interface (shown below), click the Oracle System Assistant Launch button.

The screenshot shows the Oracle Integrated Lights Out Manager (ILOM) web interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Summary, About, Refresh, and Log Out. The main content area is divided into three sections: Summary, General Information, and Actions.

**Summary**

View system summary information. You may also change power state and view system status and fault information.

**General Information**

Property	Value
System Type	Rack Mount
Model	Sun Server X4-2
Part Number	1237FM506L
Serial Number	-
System Identifier	-
System Firmware Version	3.1.2.0
Primary Operating System	Oracle System Assistant 1.0.0.80755
Host Primary MAC Address	-
ILOM Address	-
ILOM MAC Address	-

**Actions**

Power State: ☒ ON

Locator Indicator: ☐ OFF

Oracle System Assistant Version: 6.0.0.0

System Firmware Update

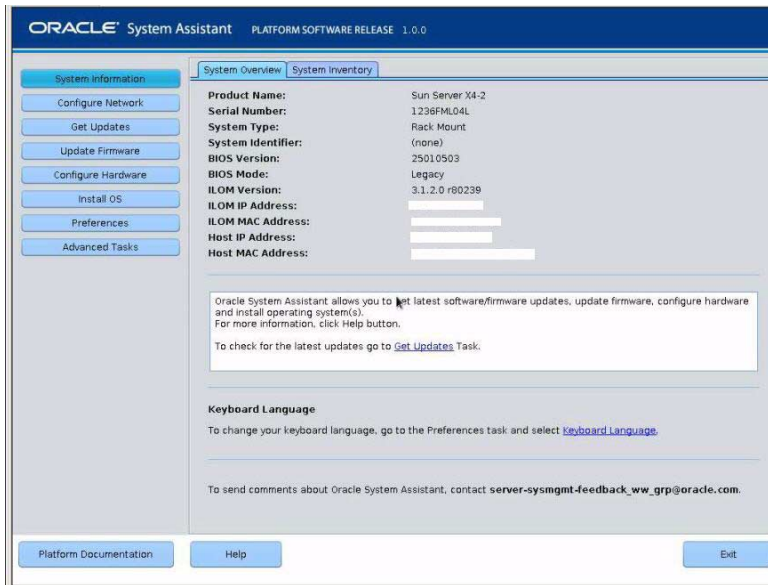
Remote Console

**Status**

Overall Status: ☒ OK Total Problem Count: 0

Subsystem	Status	Details	Inventory
Processors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK	Processor Architecture: x86_64-bit Processor Summary: One Intel Xeon Processor T500 Series	Processors (Installed / Maximum): 1 / 2
Memory	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK	Installed RAM Size: 8 GB	DIMMs (Installed / Maximum): 1 / 16
Power	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK	Permitted Power Consumption: 479 watts Actual Power Consumption: 154 watts	PSUs (Installed / Maximum): 2 / 2
Cooling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK	Inlet Air Temperature: 28 °C Exhaust Air Temperature: 29 °C	Chassis Fans (Installed / Maximum): 8 / 8 PSU Fans (Installed / Maximum): Not Supported / Not Supported
Storage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK	Installed Disk Size: 545 GB Disk Controllers: 1	Internal Disks (Installed / Maximum): 4 / 8
Network/Link	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OK		Installed Ethernet NICs: 4

The Oracle System Assistant System Overview screen appears.



b. Proceed to [Step 4](#).

### 3. To launch Oracle System Assistant using the Oracle ILOM Remote Console and BIOS, perform the following steps:

a. From the Oracle ILOM web interface, click Summary > Launch Remote Console.

The Oracle ILOM Remote Console screen appears.

b. Reset or power on the server.

For example:

- **From the local server**, press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM web interface**, click Host Management > Power Control and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI**, type: **reset /System**

The BIOS screen appears in the Oracle ILOM Remote Console.



Version 2.14.1219. Copyright (C) 2011 American Megatrends, Inc.  
BIOS Date: 05/11/2012 11:52:57 Ver: 18021000  
Press F2 to run Setup (CTRL+E on serial keyboard)  
Press F8 for BBS Popup (CTRL+P on serial keyboard)  
Press F12 for network boot (CTRL+N on serial keyboard)  
Press F9 to start Oracle System Assistant (CTRL+O on serial keyboard)

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**Note** – The next events occur very quickly; therefore, focused attention is needed for the following steps. Watch carefully for these messages as they appear on the screen for a brief time. You might want to enlarge the size of your screen to eliminate scroll bars.

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**c. Press the F9 key.**

The Oracle System Assistant System Overview screen appears.

**4. To update to the latest software release package, click the Get Updates button.**

This action ensures that the server has the latest software release package installed before you begin the OS installation.

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**Note** – Server web access is required to update Oracle System Assistant.

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**5. To update the server firmware, click the Update Firmware button.**

This action ensures that the server has the latest firmware and BIOS before you begin the OS installation.

**6. To install the OS, click the Install OS button.**

The Install OS screen appears.

**7. From the Supported OS drop-down list, select your OS.**

**8. In the Select a BIOS mode if applicable portion of the screen, select the BIOS mode (UEFI or Legacy BIOS) that you want to use for the OS installation.**

**9. Indicate the location of the installation media in the Select your media location section.**

This is the location of the OS distribution media. The options are CD/DVD devices.

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**Note** – Oracle System Assistant does not support Preboot eXecution Environment (PXE) installs.

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**10. Click View Installation Options.**

The Installation Options dialog appears.

**11. In the Installation Options dialog, deselect any items that you do not want to install.**

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**Note** – In the Installation Options dialog, the OS and Drivers options are mandatory and cannot be deselected.

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**12. Click the OS Install button at the bottom of the Operating System Installation screen.**

**13. Follow the prompts until the installation is finished.**

The server boots.

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## Installing Windows Server on a Single System Using Media

This section provides instructions for installing the Windows Server 2008 and Windows Server 2012 (64-bit) operating systems.

- [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) Using Local or Remote Media” on page 29](#)
- [“Install Windows Server 2012 or 2012 R2 Using Local or Remote Media” on page 39](#)
- [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot” on page 54](#)

## ▼ Install Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) Using Local or Remote Media

This procedure describes how to boot the Microsoft Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) operating system from local or remote media. It assumes that you are booting the Windows installation media from one of the following sources:

- Windows Server 2008 SP2 or Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1 CD or DVD
- Windows Server 2008 SP2 or Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1 ISO image

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**Note** – The Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) ISO image can be used for remote installation or for creating an installation CD or DVD.

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**Note** – If you are booting the installation media from a PXE environment, refer to [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot” on page 54](#) for instructions.

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### 1. Ensure that the installation media is available to boot.

- **For Distribution CD/DVD.** Insert the Windows Server 2008 Distribution media (CD labeled number 1 or the single DVD) into the local or remote CD/DVD-ROM drive.
- **For ISO image.** Ensure that the ISO image is available and that the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application is aware of the ISO image location.  
For additional information about how to set up the installation media, see [“Selecting the Boot Media Option” on page 6](#).

### 2. Reset the server.

For example:

- **From the local server,** press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM web interface,** click Host Management > Power Control and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI,** type: **reset /System**

The BIOS screen appears.



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Press F2 to run Setup (CTRL+E on serial keyboard)  
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Press F12 for network boot (CTRL+N on serial keyboard)  
Press F9 to start Oracle System Assistant (CTRL+O on serial keyboard)
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**Note** – The next events occur very quickly; therefore, focused attention is needed for the following steps. Watch carefully for these messages as they appear on the screen for a brief time. You might want to enlarge the size of your screen to eliminate scroll bars.

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**3. In the BIOS screen, press F8 to specify a temporary boot device for the Windows installation.**

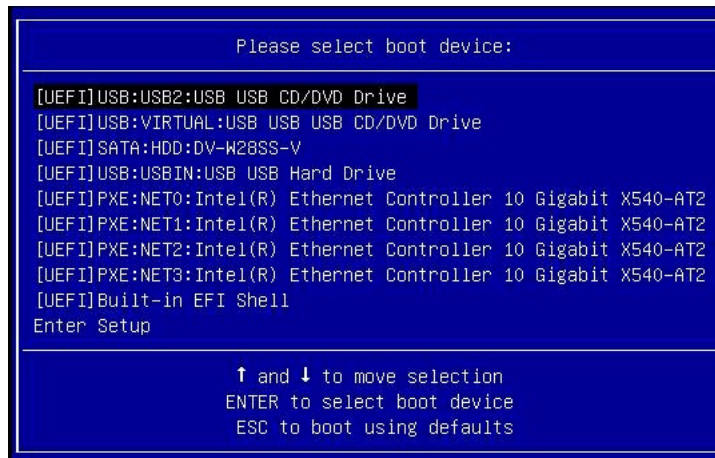
The Please Select Boot Device menu appears. The screen that appears will be different depending on whether you have BIOS configured for Legacy mode or UEFI mode.

- For Legacy BIOS, a screen similar to the following appears:



- For UEFI BIOS, a screen similar to the following appears:





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**Note** – The boot device menu that appears in your installation might differ depending on the type of disk controller installed in your server.

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4. In the Please Select Boot Device menu, select the menu item according to the Windows media installation method and BIOS mode you elected to use, then press Enter.

For example:

- If you elected to use the Windows local delivery method, select SATA:HDD:P4 DV-W28SS-V from the Legacy BIOS screen or [UEFI]USB2:USB USB CD/DVR Drive from the UEFI BIOS screen.
- If you elected to use the Oracle ILOM Remote Console delivery method, select USB:VIRTUAL:AMI VIRTUAL CDROM 1.00 from the Legacy BIOS screen or [UEFI]USB:VIRTUAL:USB USB CD/DVD Drive from the UEFI BIOS screen.

5. If prompted with Press any key to boot from CD, press any key.

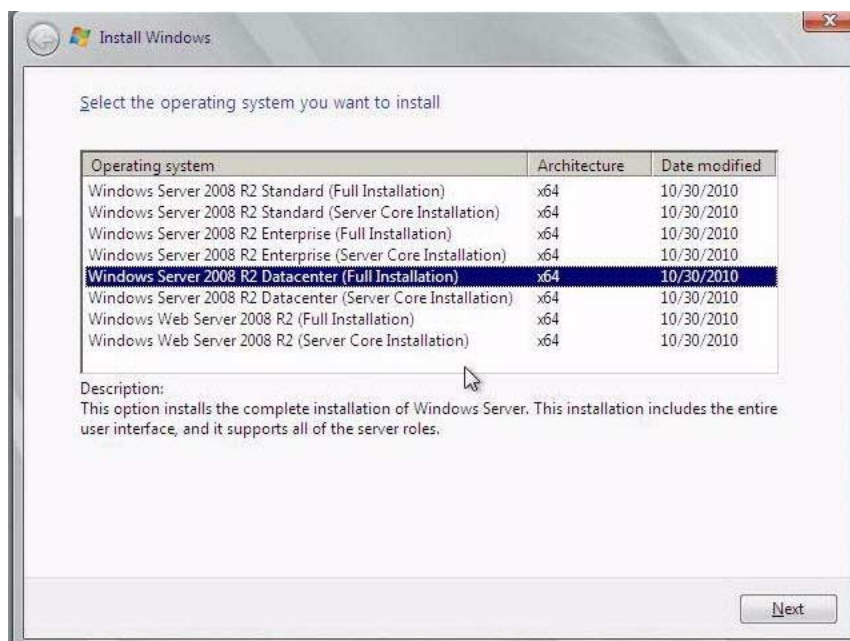
The Windows installation wizard starts.

Continue the Windows installation wizard until the Language Localization dialog appears.



6. Select your language and other preferences, then click **Next** to continue.

The Select Operating System dialog appears.



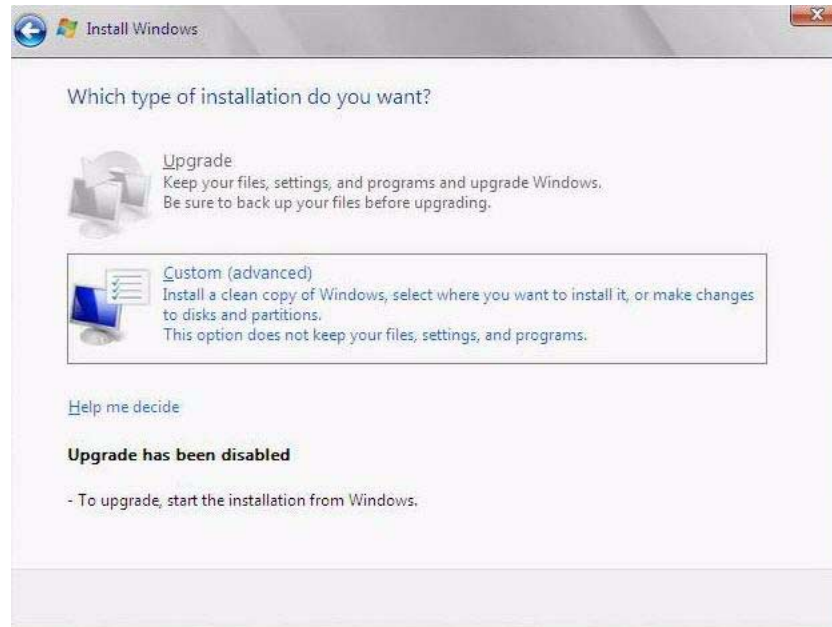
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**Note** – The above dialog varies depending on the type Windows software license: Educational, Volume, or Retail.

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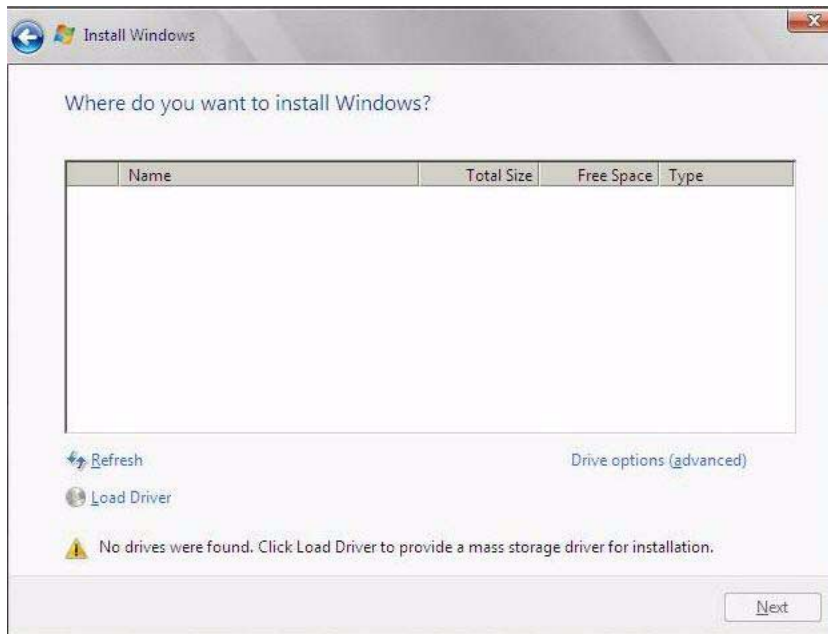
7. In the **Select the Operating System You Want to Install** dialog, select the desired operating system, then click **Next** to continue.

The Installation Type dialog appears.



8. In the **Installation Type** dialog, click **Custom (advanced)**.

The **Where Do You Want to Install Windows** dialog appears.



**9. In the Where Do You Want to Install Windows dialog, perform one of the following tasks:**

- **(This task only applies to Windows Server 2008 SP2 installations)** If you do not see any storage targets listed and have a Sun Storage SAS PCIe RAID HBA option configured on your server, click **Load Driver**, then proceed to [Step 10](#).  
- or -
- If you see the storage target where you want to install the operating system but want to change the default partition settings associated with that target, select the target, click **Drive Options (Advanced)**, then proceed to [Step 11](#).  
- or -
- If you see the storage target where you want to install the operating system and do not want to change the default partition settings for that target, select the target and click **Next**, then proceed to [Step 12](#).

**10. (Load Driver) In the Load Driver dialog, do the following:**



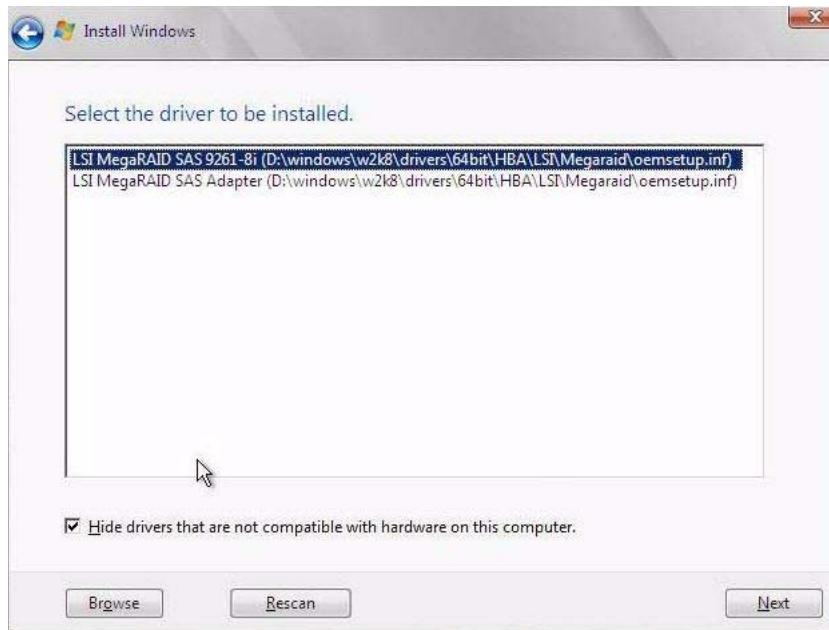
- a. **Ensure that the driver(s) are accessible according to the installation method chosen (described in “[Selecting the Boot Media Option](#)” on page 6).**  
 For example:
  - Storage driver(s) are on a disk mounted as a device from the Oracle ILOM Remote Console.
  - Storage driver(s) are on a local physical storage media, such as the Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive (if installed), which is mounted internally in the server’s chassis; a CD/DVD; or virtual media mounted from the Oracle ILOM Remote Console.
- b. **In the Load Driver dialog, click Browse to navigate to the appropriate driver media folder as described below.**
  - For a system configured with the Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe RAID HBA option (SG-SAS6-R-INT-Z), navigate to the following directory on the internal Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive to load the appropriate LSI driver: `windows/w2k8/drivers/LSI-HBA-MegaSAS2`
  - For a system configured with either of these Sun Storage 6 Gb SAS PCIe HBA options: SG-SAS6-INT-Z or SG-SAS6-EXT-Z, navigate to the following directory on the internal Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive to load the appropriate LSI driver: `windows/w2k8/drivers/LSI-HBA-MPT2`

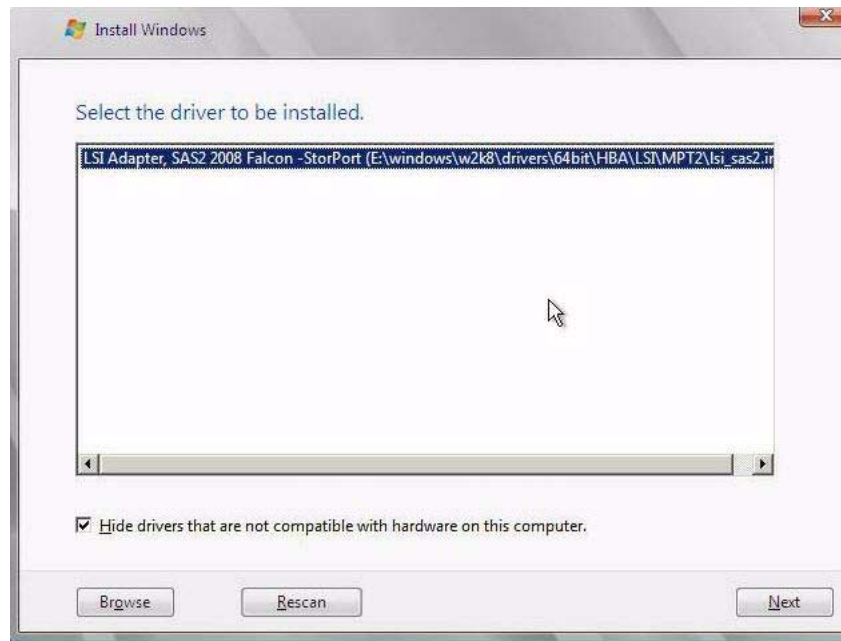
- c. In the Browse for Folder dialog, select the appropriate driver, then click OK to load the driver.

The selected driver appears in the Select the Driver to Be Installed dialog.

For example:

- Two example dialogs follow showing the selected driver to be installed for the two SAS PCIe HBA options. Note that the SAS PCIe HBA drivers are required only for Windows Server 2008 SP2 installations.





- d. In the **Select the Driver to Be Installed** dialog, click **Next** to install the driver.  
The **Where Do You Want to Install Windows** dialog appears.



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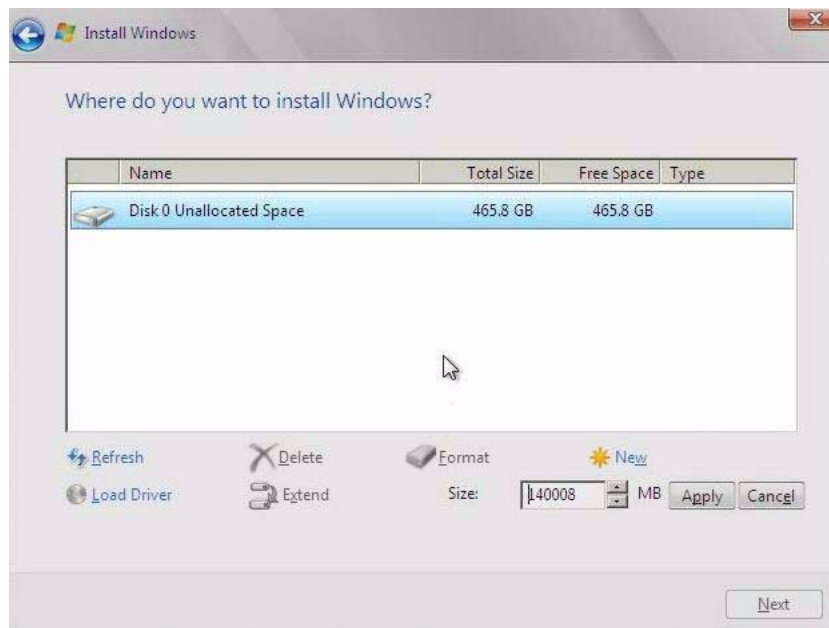
**Note** – If you previously removed or unmounted the Windows Server install media to load the drivers from the internal Oracle System Assistant USB flash drive, you might see the following message: **Windows Cannot be installed to this disk**. If this message appears, insert or re-mount the Windows install media, then click **Refresh**.

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e. In the **Where Do You Want to Install Windows** dialog, do one of following:

- Select the storage target listed and click **Next** to install the operating system, then proceed to [Step 12](#).
- or -
- If any partitions exist on your target disk, it is recommended that you allow setup to create the appropriate partitions. To delete pre-existing partitions, proceed to [Step 11](#).

11. (Partition Drive, advanced) In the lower portion of the **Where Do You Want to Install Windows** dialog, do the following:



a. Click **Delete** to delete the selected storage target existing partition configuration.

A confirmation window appears.

b. Click **OK** to confirm the partition deletion.

c. If any additional partitions exist on the target disk, repeat [Step a](#) and [Step b](#).



- d. Click **Next** to install the operating system to the selected storage target.
12. The Windows installation program begins and will reboot the server multiple times during the installation process.
13. When the Windows installation is complete, Windows starts and prompts you to change the user password.
14. In the user password dialog, click **OK** and set up the initial user login account.

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**Note** – Windows Server 2008 enforces stricter password schemes for user accounts. Password standards include restrictions on length, complexity, and history. For more details, click the [Accessibility](#) link at the account creation page.

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After the initial user account is created, the Windows Server 2008 desktop appears.

15. Proceed to [“Post Installation Tasks for Windows Server”](#) on page 59 to perform the post installation tasks.

## ▼ Install Windows Server 2012 or 2012 R2 Using Local or Remote Media

This procedure describes how to boot the Microsoft Windows Server 2012 operating system from local or remote media. It assumes that you are booting the Windows installation media from one of the following sources:

- Windows Server 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 CD or DVD
- Windows Server 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 ISO image

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**Note** – The Windows Server 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 ISO image can be used for remote installation or for creating an installation CD or DVD.

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**Note** – If you are booting the installation media from a PXE environment, refer to [“Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot”](#) on page 54 for instructions.

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1. **Ensure that the installation media is available to boot.**
  - **For Distribution CD/DVD.** Insert the Windows 2012 Distribution media (CD labeled number 1 or the single DVD) into the local or remote CD/DVD-ROM drive.

- **For ISO image.** Ensure that the ISO image is available and that the Oracle ILOM Remote Console application is aware of the ISO image location.

For additional information about how to set up the installation media, see [“Selecting the Boot Media Option” on page 6.](#)

## 2. Reset the server.

For example:

- **From the local server,** press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM web interface,** click Host Management > Power Control and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI,** type: **reset /System**

The BIOS screen appears.



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**Note** – The next events occur very quickly; therefore, focused attention is needed for the following steps. Watch carefully for these messages as they appear on the screen for a brief time. You might want to enlarge the size of your screen to eliminate scroll bars.

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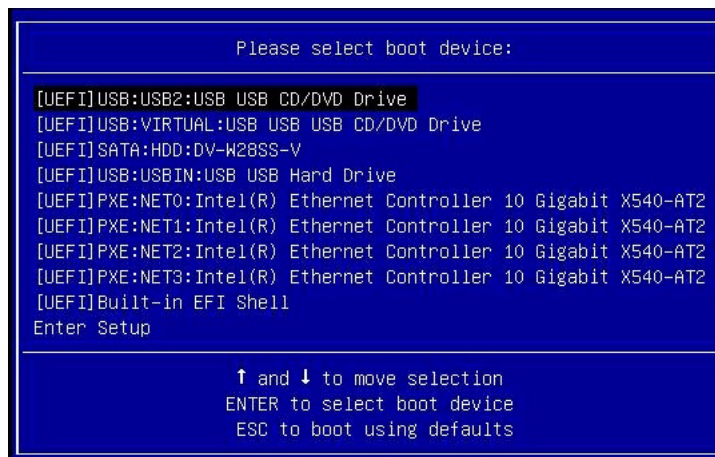
## 3. In the BIOS screen, press F8 to specify a temporary boot device for the Windows installation.

The Please Select Boot Device menu appears. The screen that appears will be different depending on whether you have BIOS configured for Legacy mode or UEFI mode.

- For Legacy BIOS, a screen similar to the following appears:



- For UEFI BIOS, a screen similar to the following appears:




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**Note** – The boot device menu that appears in your installation might differ depending on the type of disk controller installed in your server.

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4. In the Please Select Boot Device menu, select the menu item according to the Windows media installation method and BIOS mode you elected to use, then press Enter.

For example:

- If you elected to use the Windows local delivery method, select SATA:HDD:P4 DV-W28SS-V from the Legacy BIOS screen or [UEFI]USB2:USB USB CD/DVR Drive from the UEFI BIOS screen.

- If you elected to use the Oracle ILOM Remote Console delivery method, select USB:VIRTUAL:AMI VIRTUAL CDROM 1.00 from the Legacy BIOS screen or [UEFI]USB:VIRTUAL:USB USB CD/DVD Drive from the UEFI BIOS screen.

**5. If prompted with Press any key to boot from CD, press any key.**

The Windows installation wizard starts and the Loading files... screen appears.



The Windows installation wizard continues until the Language Localization dialog appears.



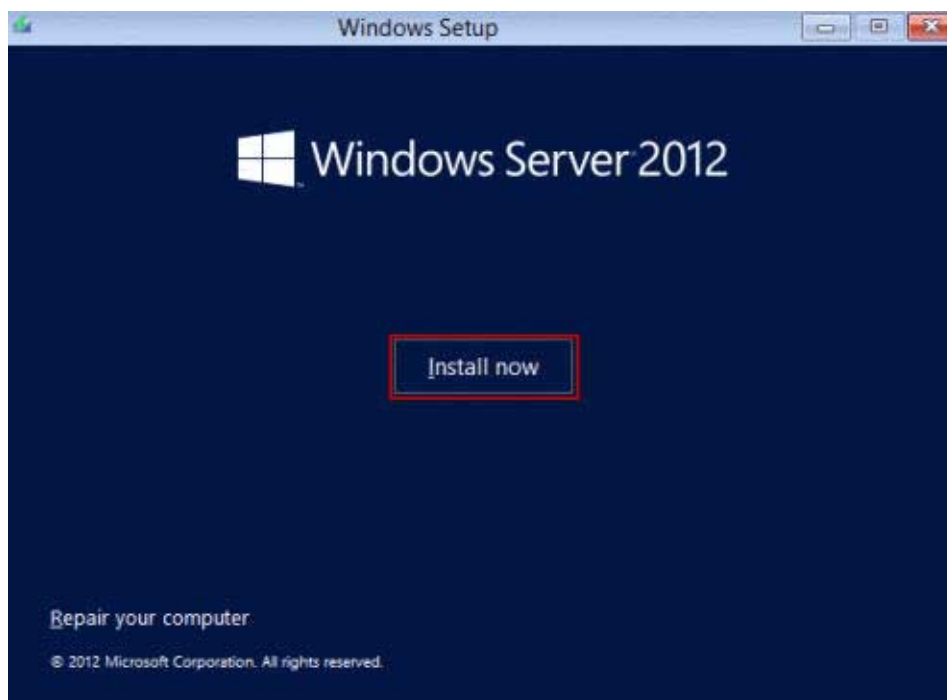
**6. Select your language and other preferences, then click Next to continue.**

The Install Now screen appears.

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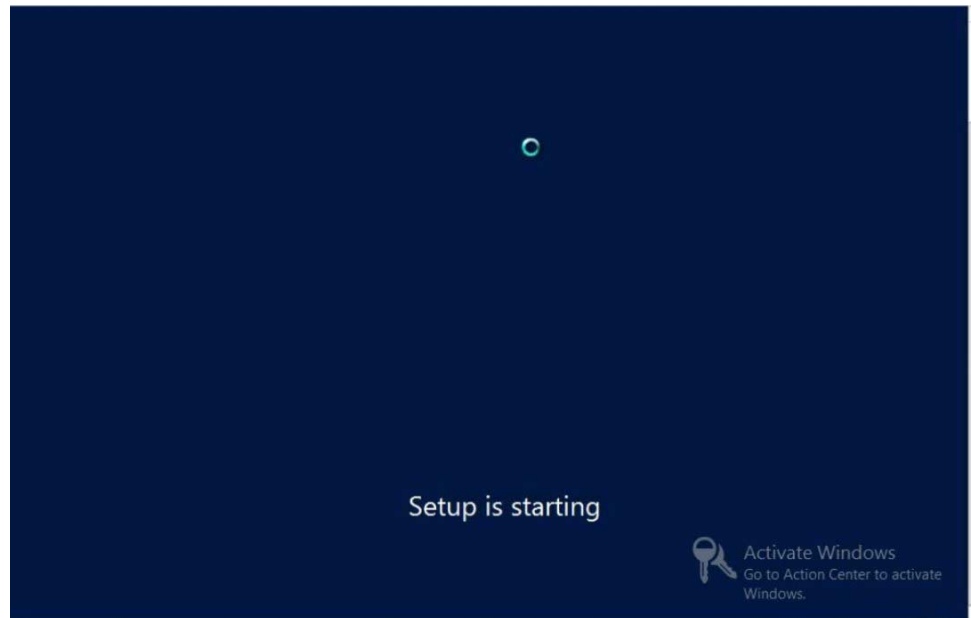
**Note** – The Install Now screen allows you to continue the installation or access an optional Repair menu (see lower left of the screen) for troubleshooting.

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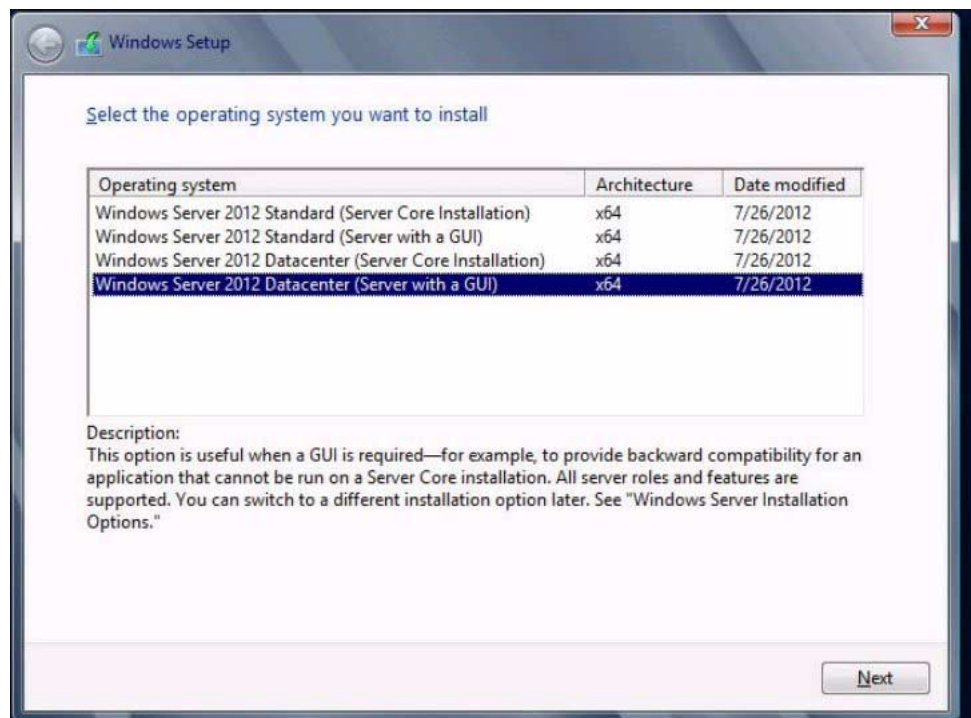


**7. Click Install now.**

The Setup Is Starting screen appears.



Then the Select Operating System dialog appears.

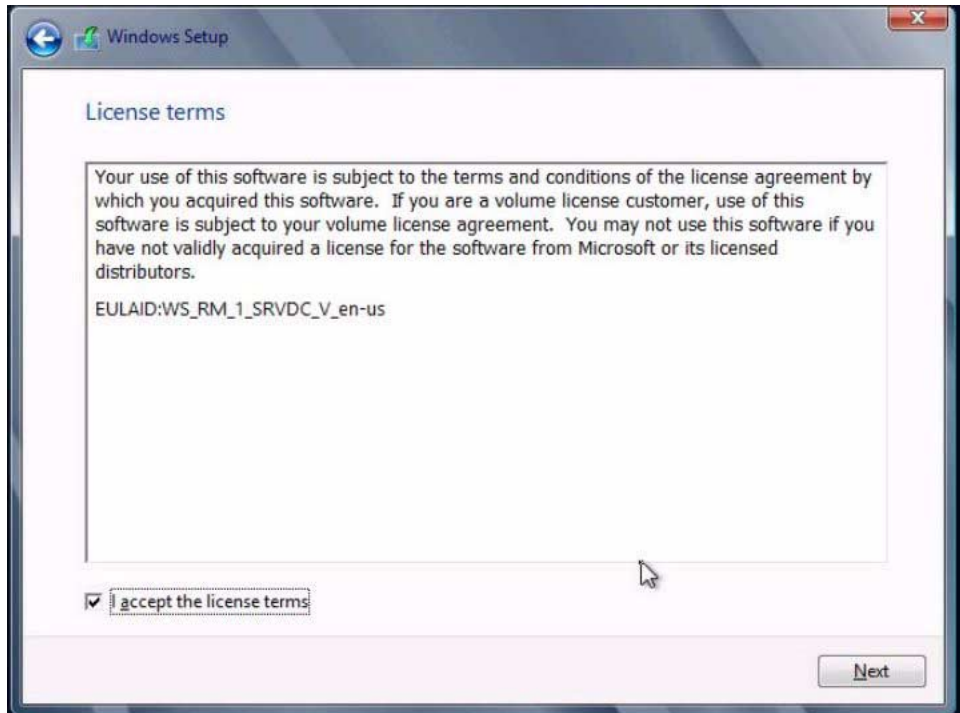


8. In the Select Operating System dialog, select the desired operating system, then click **Next to continue**.

For most installs, select Windows Server 2012 Datacenter (Server with GUI) at the bottom of the list.

For more information on the different types of Windows operating systems, see the Windows 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 documentation at <http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/windowsserver/default.aspx>.

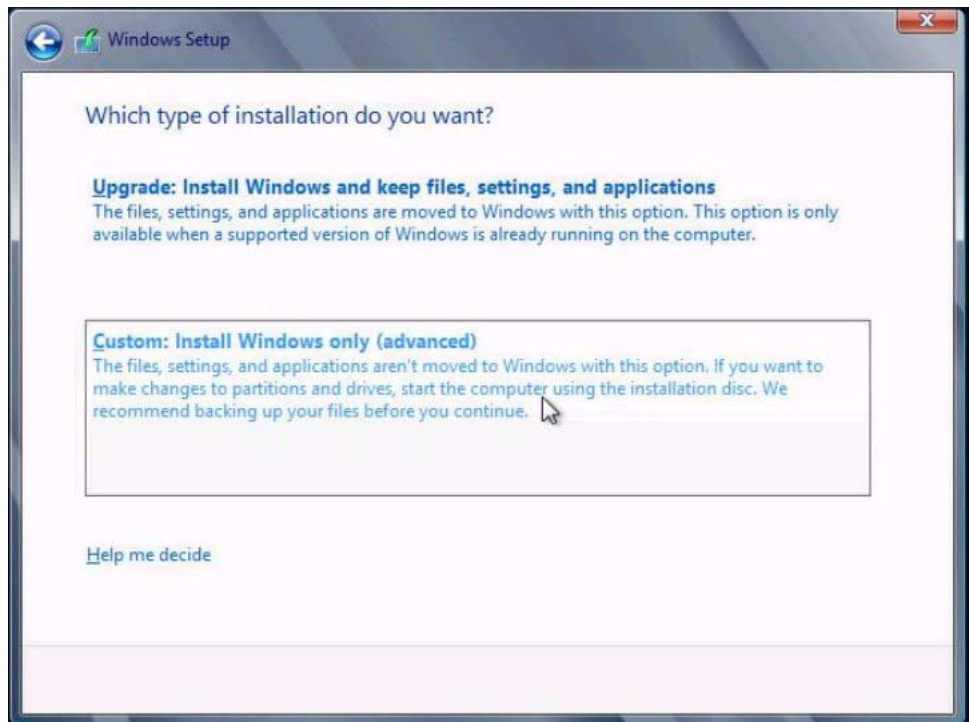
The License Terms screen appears.



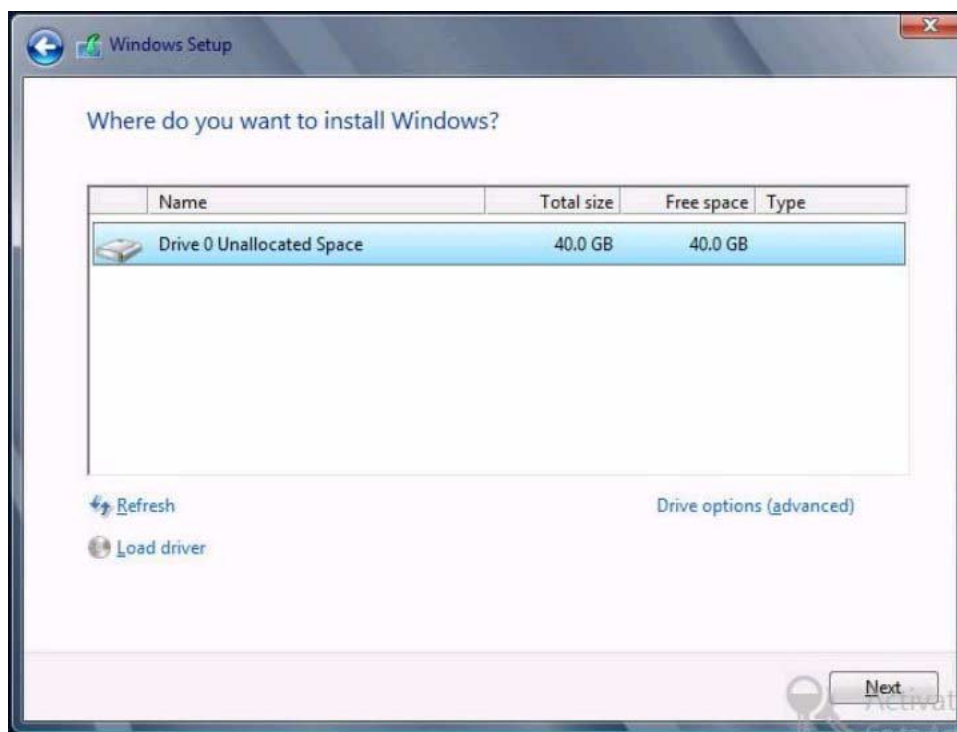
9. In the License Terms screen, check the **I accept the license terms** box, then click **Next to continue**.

The Which Type of Installation Do You Want dialog appears.



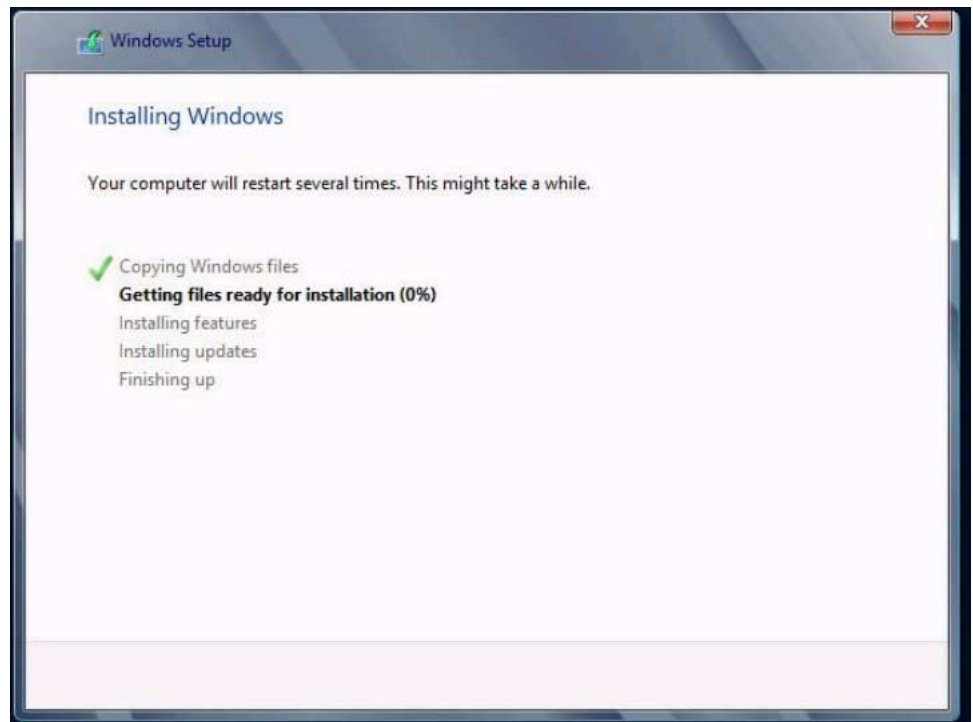


10. For all new installations, in the Which Type of Installation Do You Want dialog, click Custom: Install Windows only (advanced)  
The Where Do You Want to Install Windows dialog appears.

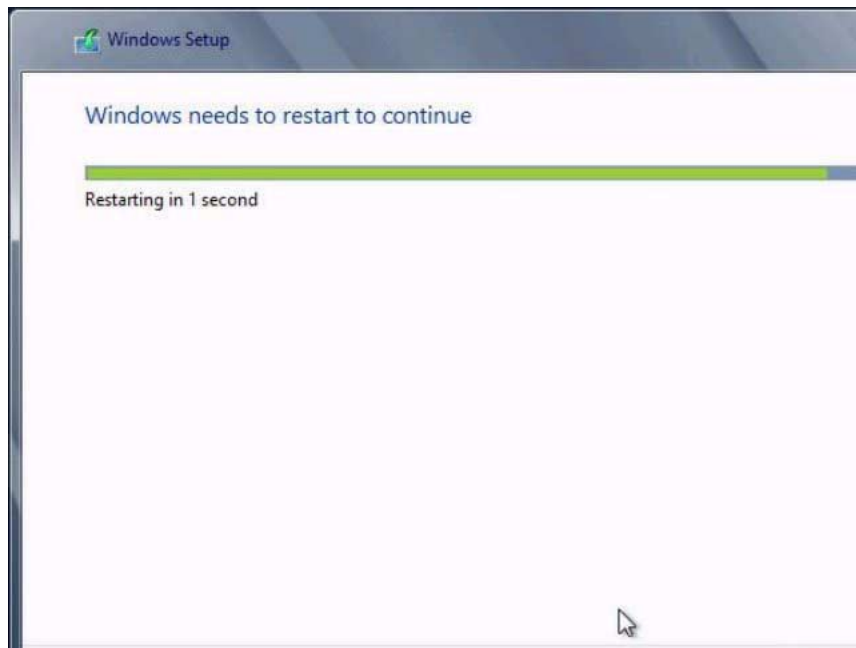


11. Select (highlight) the disk to which you want to install Windows, then click Next.

The Installing Windows screen appears.

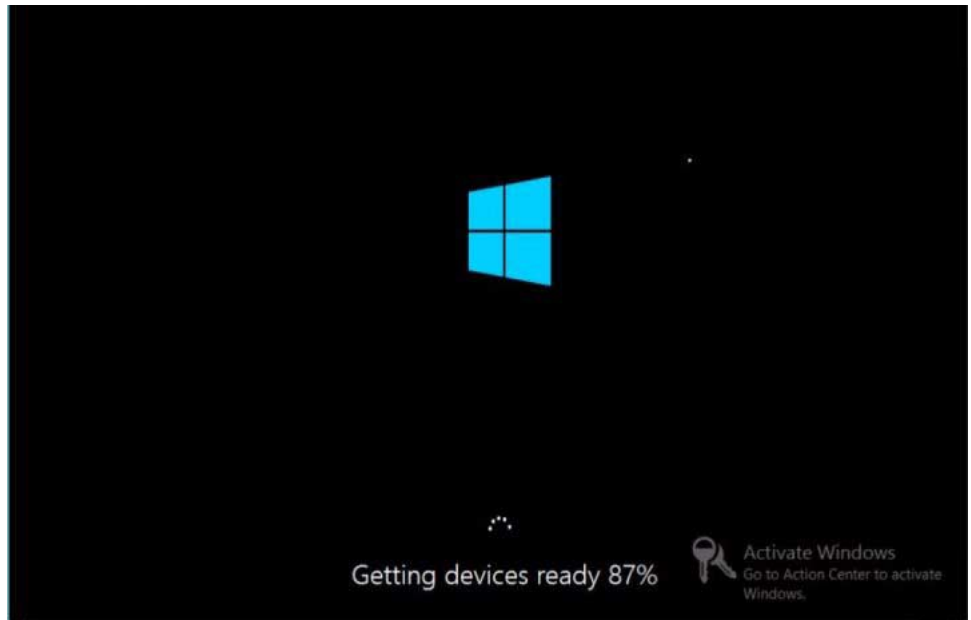


The setup and installation process begins and files are copied to the target. The Windows Needs to Restart to Continue screen appears.

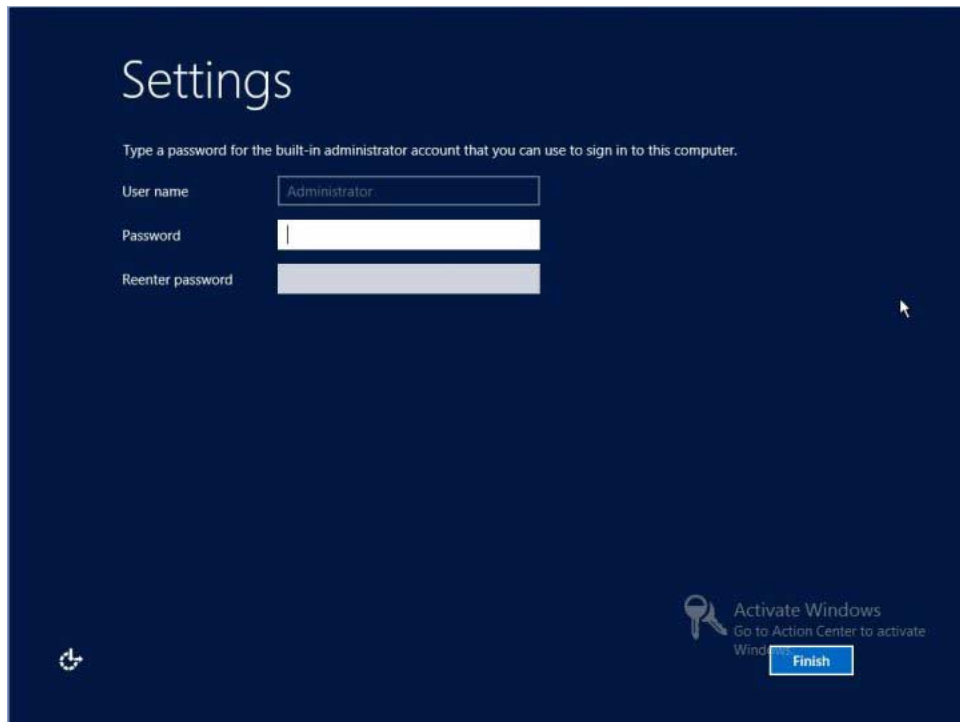


The system reboots.

12. After the system reboots, the Getting Devices Ready screen appears and the Windows Installation Wizard configures the device settings.



After the devices are configured, the system reboots again and the Settings screen appears.



**13. Enter the Administrator user name and password, then click Finish.**

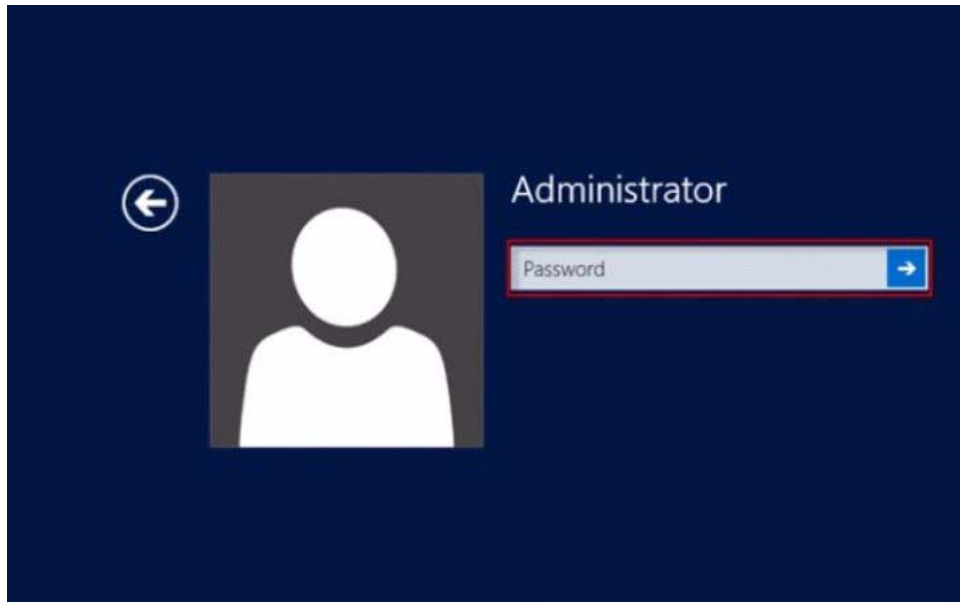
The Finalizing Your Settings screen appears.

This screen indicates that Windows has been installed.



**14. After the installation completes, type Ctrl+Alt+Delete to log in.**

The Administrator log in screen appears.



15. Enter the Administrator password, then click the arrow to log in.

The Windows Server 2012 desktop appears.

This completes the installation.

16. Proceed to [“Post Installation Tasks for Windows Server”](#) on page 59 and perform the post installation tasks.

## ▼ Install Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1) or Windows Server 2012 Using PXE Network Boot

This section explains the initial information you will need and provides the instructions you need to follow to install the Windows Server 2008 (SP2 or R2 SP1), Windows Server 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 operating system over an established PXE-based network using a customer-provided Windows Imaging Format (WIM) image.

Note that the procedure presented in this section documents the initial steps to install Windows Server over the network using a Windows Deployment Services (WDS). Specifically, it explains the steps for selecting the server PXE network interface card that will communicate with your WDS installation server. For further information about using WDS to install Windows Server 2008 or Windows Server 2012, see Microsoft’s Windows Deployment Services documentation.

- To use PXE to boot the installation media over the network, you must:



- Configure the network (NFS, TFTP, DHCP) server to export the installation tree.

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**Note** – Configuring a DHCP server may not be necessary, because only one DHCP server is needed in the local network.

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- Configure the files on the TFTP server that are necessary for PXE booting.
  - Configure the server's MAC network port address to boot from the PXE configuration.
  - Configure Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP).
- To use WDS to perform the installation, you must:
- Add the required system device drivers to the `install.wim` image and, if necessary, the `boot.wim` image.
- For instructions for adding drivers to the WIM installation image(s), see the Microsoft Windows Deployment Services documentation.
- Obtain the WIM Administrator password.
1. **Ensure that the PXE network environment is properly set up and the Windows installation media is available for PXE boot.**

## 2. Reset the server.

For example, to reset the server:

- **From the local server**, press the Power button (approximately 1 second) on the front panel of the server to power off the server, then press the Power button again to power on the server.
- **From the Oracle ILOM Web interface**, click Host Management > Power Control, and select Reset from the Select Action list box.
- **From the Oracle ILOM CLI on the server SP**, type: **`reset /System`**

The BIOS screen appears.



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**Note** – The next events occur very quickly; therefore, focused attention is needed for the following steps. Watch carefully for these messages as they appear on the screen for a brief time. You might want to enlarge the size of your screen to eliminate scroll bars.

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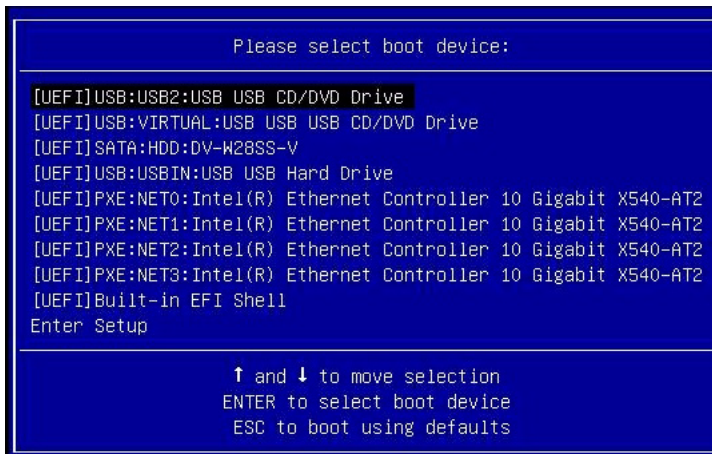
**3. In the BIOS screen, press F8 to specify a temporary boot device.**

The Please Select Boot Device menu appears. The screen that appears will be different depending on whether you have BIOS configured for Legacy mode or UEFI mode.

- For Legacy BIOS, the following screen appears:



- For UEFI BIOS, the following screen appears:



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**Note** – The boot device menu that appears in your installation might differ depending on the type of disk controller installed in your server.

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**4. In the Boot Device menu, select the network port that is configured to communicate with your PXE network install server.**

The network bootloader loads and a boot prompt appears. After a few seconds the installation kernel will begin to load.

**5. To complete the installation, do one of the following depending on which version of Windows Server you are installing:**

- For Windows Server 2008, refer to [Step 5 of “Install Windows Server 2008 \(SP2 or R2 SP1\) Using Local or Remote Media”](#) on page 29.
- For Windows Server 2012, refer to [Step 5 of “Install Windows Server 2012 or 2012 R2 Using Local or Remote Media”](#) on page 39.



# Post Installation Tasks for Windows Server

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**Note** – The procedures in this section assume that you installed the Microsoft Windows Server operating system using the manual procedure, that is, you did not use Oracle System Assistant. If you used Oracle System Assistant to install your operating system, you can skip this section because Oracle System Assistant performed these post installation tasks for you.

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After completing a manual installation of the Windows Server 2008 operating system (SP2 or R2 SP1), Windows Server 2012 or Windows Server 2012 R2 and rebooting the server, you should review the following post installation tasks and, if necessary, perform the tasks that are applicable to your server.

description	Link
About supplemental software.	<a href="#">“Supplemental Software Component Options” on page 59</a>
Install device drivers and supplemental software.	<a href="#">“Installing Device Drivers and Supplemental Software” on page 60</a>
Configure NIC teaming.	<a href="#">“Configuring Intel NIC Teaming” on page 62</a>

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## Supplemental Software Component Options

Oracle System Assistant makes several Supplemental Software components available for the server. You have two options for installation:

- Typical: Installs all Supplemental Software applicable for your server.
- Custom: Installs only the Supplement Software selected for installation.

The following table identifies the optional Supplemental Software components that Oracle System Assistant makes available for your server.

**TABLE:** Optional Supplemental Software

Available Supplemental Software Components	LSI Integrated RAID Controller
<b>LSI MegaRAID Storage Manager</b> Enables you to configure, monitor, and maintain RAID on the SAS internal RAID host bus adapter (HBA).	Typical
<b>Oracle Hardware Management Pack</b> The Oracle Hardware Management Pack provides tools to help you manage and configure your server. It enables you to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a management agent at the operating system level to enable in-band monitoring of your server hardware over Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). You can use this information to integrate your server into your data center management infrastructure.</li> <li>• Use a management agent to enable in-band monitoring of your server's storage devices, including RAID arrays. You can view this information from the Oracle Integrated Lights Out Manager (ILOM) web interface or command-line interface (CLI).</li> <li>• Use a BIOS configuration tool, which runs on the host operating system and configures the host BIOS CMOS settings, host boot order, and some service processor (SP) settings.</li> <li>• Use IPMITool to access the server's service processor via the IPMI protocol and perform management tasks.</li> </ul>	Not typical
<b>Intel NIC Teaming</b> Enables the network interfaces on a server to be grouped together into a team of physical ports called a virtual interface.	Typical

## Installing Device Drivers and Supplemental Software

The InstallPack application provides an installation wizard for installing platform-specific device drivers and supplemental software. This application is included in Oracle System Assistant and is also available for download from My Oracle Support. For download instructions, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, "Getting Server Firmware and Software Updates"](#) on page 31.

If your server is equipped with Oracle System Assistant and you used it to install the operating system, then the required platform-specific device drivers and supplemental software are installed for you. However, if your server is not equipped

with Oracle System Assistant, then you can use InstallPack, which is included in the OS (operating system) Pack, to install the platform-specific device drivers and supplemental software. For instructions on obtaining the OS Pack, see the [Sun Server X4-2 Installation Guide, “Getting Server Firmware and Software Updates”](#) on page 31.

The following procedure describes how to use InstallPack to install the device drivers and supplemental software.

- [“Install Server-Specific Device Drivers and Supplemental Software”](#) on page 61

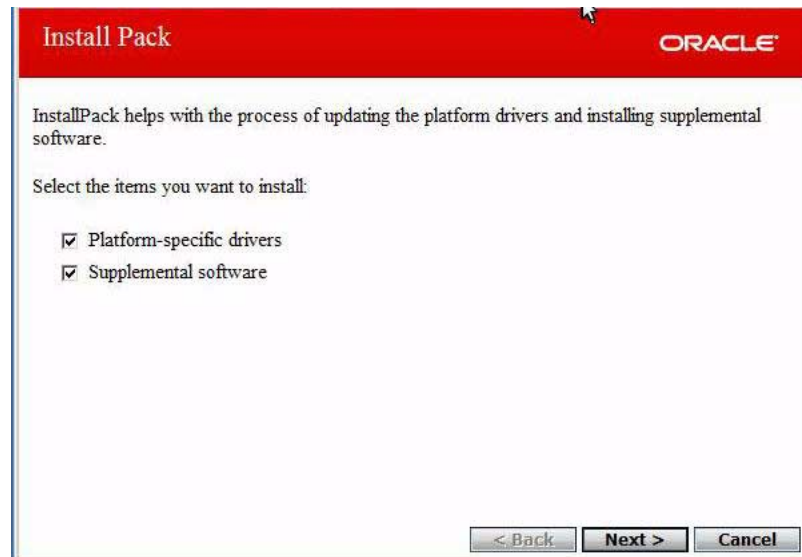
### Related Information

- [“Supplemental Software Component Options”](#) on page 59

## ▼ Install Server-Specific Device Drivers and Supplemental Software

1. **Click on the Install Pack wizard executable:** `InstallPack.hta`.

The Install Pack dialog appears.



2. In the Install Pack dialog, click `Next` to accept the default installable items.

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**Note** – You should always accept the “default installable items” to ensure that the most recent versions of the drivers are installed.

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The Install Pack notice dialog appears.

- 3. Follow the on-screen prompts to complete the installation of the device drivers and supplemental software.**

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## Configuring Intel NIC Teaming

For more information on setting up Intel NIC teaming for your environment, refer to the Intel Connectivity web page on Advanced Networking Services Teaming at:

<http://www.intel.com/support/network/sb/CS-009747.htm>

Additionally, you can download the complete set of Intel Network Connections User Guides for your server’s network adapters at:

<http://www.intel.com/support/network/sb/cs-009715.htm>



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