

Windows 95 Installation Requirements

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SUMMARY

This article lists the installation requirements for Windows 95. It also lists the difference between the amount of hard disk space required to install Windows 95 and the amount of hard disk space required to run Windows 95.

MORE INFORMATION

System requirements for installing Windows 95:

- Personal computer with a 386DX or higher processor (486 recommended)
- 4 megabytes (MB) of memory (8 MB recommended)
- Typical hard disk space required to upgrade to Windows 95: 35-40 MB The actual requirement varies depending on the features you choose to install.
- Typical hard disk space required to install Windows 95 on a clean system: 50-55 MB The actual requirement varies depending on the features you choose to install.
- One 3.5-inch high-density floppy disk drive
- VGA or higher resolution (256-color SVGA recommended)

To use Microsoft Exchange and The Microsoft Network:

- 8 MB of memory
- 20 MB of additional hard disk space
- Modem (required for using The Microsoft Network)

Optional components:

- Microsoft Mouse or compatible pointing device
- Modem or fax/modem
- Audio card and speakers for sound

Installing Windows 95 requires more hard disk space than running Windows 95 because the Setup program creates temporary files on the hard disk during the installation process. These temporary files are removed when Setup is finished. The following tables list the amount of hard disk space required for installing and running Windows 95. These numbers may vary depending on the hardware installed in your computer and the options you choose during the installation process. Note that in the following tables the Custom option assumes that all options are selected; the other options use the default selections.

Upgrading to Windows 95:

Upgrade Option Disk Space Required for Setup	----- Compact 40.0 MB Portable 43.3 MB
Typical 44.2 MB Custom 71.6 MB Upgrade Option Disk Space Used After Setup	----- Compact 27
MB Portable 29 MB Typical 30 MB Custom 61 MB	

Installing Windows 95 on a clean system:

Install Option Disk Space Required for Setup	----- Compact 50.1 MB Portable 52.5 MB
Typical 52.6 MB Custom 83.9 MB Install Option Disk Space Used After Setup	----- Compact
40.8 MB Portable 43.9 MB Typical 44.2 MB Custom 76.2 MB	

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