

Minimum Hardware Requirements for a Windows 98 Installation

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SUMMARY

This article lists the minimum hardware requirements for Windows 98. It also lists the optional components that you can install.

MORE INFORMATION

The following list describes the minimum hardware requirements for Windows 98:

- A personal computer with a 486DX 66 megahertz (MHz) or faster processor (Pentium central processing unit recommended).
- 16 megabytes (MB) of memory (24 MB recommended).
- A typical upgrade from Windows 95 requires approximately 195 MB of free hard disk space, but the hard disk space may range from between 120 MB and 295 MB, depending on your computer configuration and the options that you choose to install.
- A full install of Windows 98 on a FAT16 drive requires 225 MB of free hard disk space, but may range from between 165 MB and 355 MB, depending on your computer configuration and the options that you choose to install.
- A full install of Windows 98 on a FAT32 drive requires 175 MB of free hard disk space, but may range from between 140 MB and 255 MB, depending on your computer configuration and the options that you choose to install.
- One 3.5-inch high-density floppy disk drive.
- VGA or higher resolution (16-bit or 24-bit color SVGA recommended).

MSN, The Microsoft Network, Windows Messaging, or Internet access require a 14.4 bits per second (bps) modem (28.8 or faster recommended).

Optional components:

- Network adapter
- DVD-ROM drive and decoder adapter
- Audio card and speakers for sound
- Scanner or digital camera
- Second monitor and second video adapter
- IEEE 1394 bus (Firewire)
- Universal Serial Bus (USB) bus and HID hardware
- ATI All-in-Wonder graphics card

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