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Creating Installation Media
with a USB Flash Drive

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Introduction

This guide describes how to install software from disc image files (i.e. ISO or IMG files) by creating an installation disc on a USB flash drive.

TERMINOLOGY

The following terms are used in this document.

Term	Definition
Disc image file	The ISO or IMG file that you will use to create your installation media.
Installation media	The USB flash drive with the disc image file mounted on it. This is what you will use to install your software.

REQUIREMENTS

To perform the actions described in this document, you will need:

- Your disc image file (i.e. the IMG or ISO file)
- A USB flash drive with at least 4 GB of storage space

Note: Any existing data on the USB device will be lost. Ensure that you have backed up any important information.

- The [Windows 7 USB/DVD Download Tool](#) (WUDT)

Note: The WUDT is the free application that you will use to mount your disc image file to USB. It runs on Windows XP and later versions. Click the link above to download it.

Creating Your Installation Media

To create your installation media:

1. If your disc image file is an IMG file, change the extension to .ISO before proceeding. The WUDT is only compatible with ISO files.

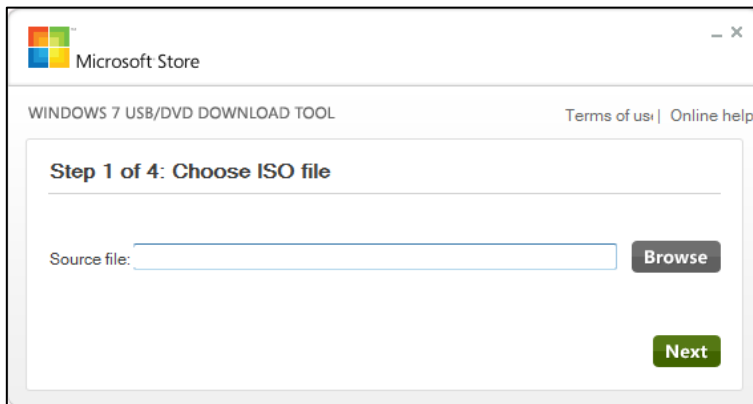
Note: To convert an IMG to an ISO:

- i. Open the folder where your IMG file is located.
- ii. Click: **Tools » Folder Options**. (Note: If you do not see a “Tools” menu at the top of the folder, press **Alt** to display it.)
- iii. Click the **View** tab.
- iv. Turn off the option **Hide Extensions for Known File Types** (if it is currently active), and then click: **OK**.
- v. Right-click your IMG file and click: **Rename**.
- vi. Replace the “.img” at the end of the file name with: “.iso” and then hit enter.

2. Run the WUDT.

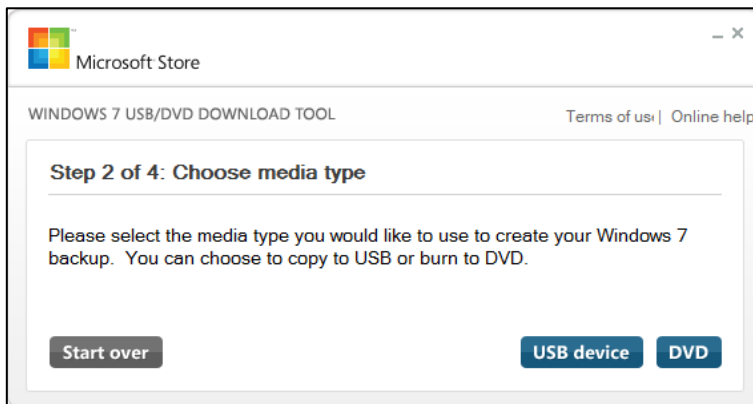
3. Click **Browse**, and then find and double-click your ISO file to select it.

Note: Your disc image file was likely saved to your Downloads folder or to a subfolder of C:\temp.



4. Click **Next**.

5. Click **USB device**.

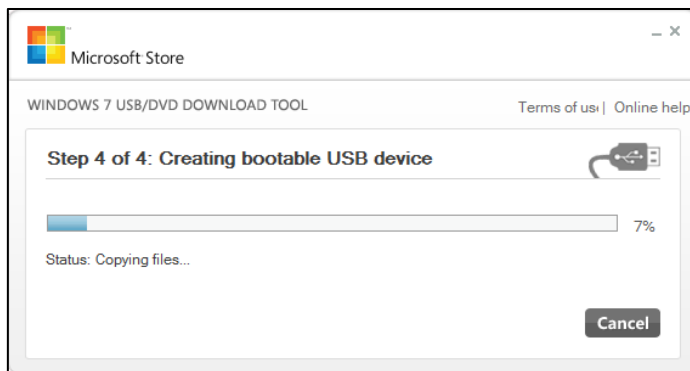
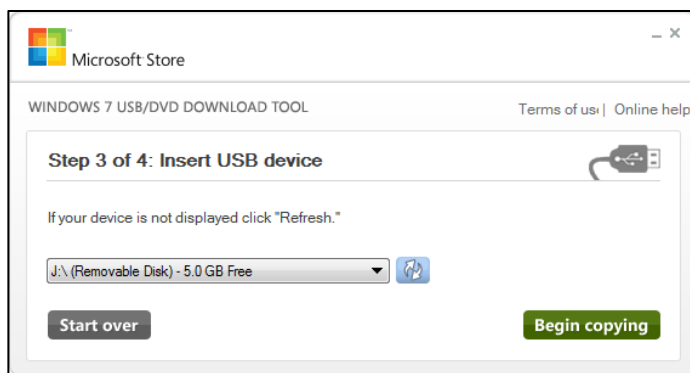


6. Click **Next**.

7. Insert your USB flash drive into one of your computer's USB port.

Note: The USB must have at least 4 GB of free space. Make sure that no important data is stored on the USB device, as all data on it will be lost.

8. Select your USB device in the dropdown list, and then click **Begin copying**. The WUDT will format the storage media and mount the ISO file.



Installing your Software

After you have created your installation media as described in the previous section, you can use it to install your software.

Depending on what software you are installing, installation may require you to:

- Click the file **Setup.exe** in your computer's USB directory, or
- Reboot your computer with the USB inserted.