

System Commander®

OS Wizard™ QuickGuide v8

This guide provides basic OS installation instructions after the OS Wizard runs. To run the OS Wizard, at the System Commander OS selection menu, click on OS Wizard or press **Alt-O** (letter 'O', not zero).

When the OS Wizard completes, instructions will appear on screen that are duplicated here for your convenience. The OS Wizard refers to this QuickGuide by reference code.

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D1



Instructions for DOS Upgrade installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. In the OS selection menu, boot into an existing DOS installation.
3. Follow the DOS installation instructions.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install DOS, pick a new directory name that does not currently exist.

D2



Instructions for complete DOS installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the DOS boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the DOS installation.

D3



Instructions for complete DOS installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the DOS boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the DOS installation.

D4



Instructions for DOS installation, using the SYS command.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the DOS boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the DOS installation:
 - a) SYS C: (at the DOS prompt)
 - b) Create your AUTOEXEC.BAT and CONFIG.SYS files.
 - c) Copy any other desired files.

E1



Instructions for NetWare installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. At the System Commander OS selection menu, select the desired DOS (NetWare installs from DOS).
3. Proceed with the NetWare installation.

L1



Instructions for the new Linux installation, below 8 GB.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Linux boot CD into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Linux OS installation.
4. During the Linux install, if asked, we recommend an "Expert" or "Custom" install. Later when asked, be sure to mount the root partition.
5. As part of the Linux installation, you will likely be asked to use LILO or GRUB.

We recommend you select LILO. Be sure to select the 'First sector of root partition' choice (also referred to as the superblock) and not the MBR choice.

If in LILO you choose the MBR method by accident, once System Commander is enabled, it will normally detect the LILO MBR. It will then be saved and will automatically add the new Linux as a choice. See the manual under Linux for more details.

L2



Instructions for the new Linux installation, above 8 GB.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Linux boot CD into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Linux OS installation.
4. During the Linux install, if asked, we recommend an "Expert" or "Custom" install. Later when asked, be sure to mount the root partition.
5. As part of the Linux installation, you will likely be asked to use LILO or GRUB.

We strongly recommend you select GRUB. When you reboot, the GRUB menu will appear. Select "Windows" to boot the OS where System Commander is installed. Boot to the desktop. Then shut down and reboot. System Commander should reappear with your new Linux choice.

S1



Instructions for the OS/2 Upgrade installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing OS/2 or Windows 3.x (DOS) installation.
3. Proceed with the OS/2 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. Be sure to select **Advanced** install. The *Easy* install option will automatically destroy all data in the partition without any warning!

The OS/2 installation may ask if you wish to use the current format or reformat to HPFS. Select **current** to avoid affecting other OSes.

S2



Instructions for the OS/2 Regular installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the OS/2 boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the OS/2 installation.
4. Be sure to select **Advanced** install. The *Easy* install option will automatically destroy all data in the partition without any warning!

The OS/2 installation may ask if you wish to use the current format or reformat to HPFS. Select **current** to avoid affecting other OSes.

S3



Instructions for the OS/2 Upgrade installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. System Commander will automatically boot into the newly created duplicate partition. Run Windows 3.x or OS/2 from this partition.
3. Proceed with the OS/2 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. Be sure to select **Advanced** install. The *Easy* install option will automatically destroy all data in the partition without any warning!

The OS/2 installation may ask if you wish to use the current format or reformat to HPFS. Select **current** to avoid affecting other OSes.

S4



Instructions for the OS/2 Regular installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing OS/2 or Windows 3.x installation.
3. Proceed with the OS/2 installation.
4. Be sure to select **Advanced** install. The *Easy* install option will automatically destroy all data in the partition without any warning!

The OS/2 installation may ask if you wish to use the current format or reformat to HPFS. Select **current** to avoid affecting other OSes.

U1

Instructions for new OS installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the OS boot CD into the drive.
3. Proceed with the new OS installation.
4. System Commander has created a partition for the new OS, but the installation program must prepare/format the partition.*

U2



Instructions for the new Solaris installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Solaris boot CD into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Solaris installation.
4. System Commander has created a partition for Solaris, but the Solaris installation program must prepare and format the partition.
5. **DO NOT CHOOSE** *Automatic* Solaris installation. This usually erases all partitions on the drive. Instead, choose **Interactive**. *

* If System Commander fails to appear on the next boot cycle: Boot from the System Commander CD or Utility Diskette 1 to automatically update the MBR, or boot from a Windows 95/98/Me or DOS diskette and run CHECKMBR.EXE from the hard drive C.

U3

Instructions for new OS installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the OS boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the new OS installation.
4. System Commander has created a partition for the new OS, but the installation program must prepare/format the partition.*

* If System Commander fails to appear on the next boot cycle: Boot from the System Commander CD or Utility Diskette 1 to automatically update the MBR, or boot from a Windows 95/98/Me or DOS diskette and run CHECKMBR.EXE from the hard drive C.

W95-1



Instructions for Windows 95 Upgrade installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows 3.x installation.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows 95 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows 95 **DO NOT** use the default name! Change the name to a new directory (like WIN95)*

W95-2



Instructions for Windows 95 Upgrade installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. System Commander will automatically boot into the newly created duplicate partition. Run Windows 3.x from this partition.
3. Run **setup** from the Windows 95 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows 95, use the default name (typically Windows).*

* See "Notes for Windows 95 Installations" at the bottom of the next page.

W95-3



Instructions for Windows 95 Regular installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Windows 95 boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Windows 95 installation.*

W95-4



Instructions for Windows 95 OSR2 installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Windows 95 boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Windows 95 installation.*

W95-5



Instructions for Windows 95 Upgrade installation, on top of Windows 3.x.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows 3.x installation.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows 95 upgrade diskette.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows 95, use the default name.*

* For Windows 95 installations

If System Commander fails to appear on the next boot cycle: Boot from the System Commander CD or Utility Diskette 1 to automatically update the MBR, or boot from a Windows 95/98/Me or DOS diskette and run CHECKMBR.EXE from the hard drive C.

W98-1



Instructions for Windows 98 Regular installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Windows 98 boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Windows 98 installation.*

W98-2



Instructions for Windows 98 Upgrade installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. System Commander will automatically boot into the newly created duplicate partition. Run Windows 95 from this partition.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows 98 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows 98, use the default name.*

W98-3



Instructions for Windows 98 Upgrade installation, on top of Windows 3.x/95.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows 3.x/95 installation.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows 98 upgrade CD/diskette.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows 98, use the default name.*

* For Windows 98 installations

If System Commander fails to appear on the next boot cycle: Boot from the System Commander CD or Utility Diskette 1 to automatically update the MBR, or boot from a Windows 95/98/Me or DOS diskette and run CHECKMBR.EXE from the hard drive C.

WME-1



Instructions for Windows Me Regular installation.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted from System Commander, insert the Windows Me boot diskette into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Windows Me installation.*

WME-2



Instructions for Windows Me Upgrade installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. System Commander will automatically boot into the newly created duplicate partition. Run Windows 9x from this partition.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows Me upgrade CD.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows Me, use the default name.*

WME-3



Instructions for Windows Me Upgrade installation, on top of Windows 9x.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows 9x installation.
3. Run **setup /ir** from the Windows Me upgrade CD.
4. When asked for the directory of where to install Windows Me, use the default name.*

* For Windows Me installations

If System Commander fails to appear on the next boot cycle: Boot from the System Commander CD or Utility Diskette 1 to automatically update the MBR, or boot from a Windows 95/98/Me or DOS diskette and run CHECKMBR.EXE from the hard drive C.

X1



Instructions for Windows NT/2000/XP/2003 and Longhorn Upgrade installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. System Commander will automatically boot into the newly created duplicate partition. Run the old Windows from this partition.
3. Run setup from the Windows upgrade CD/DVD.

See “Notes for Windows Installations” after X4 option.

X2



Instructions for Windows NT/2000/XP/2003 and Longhorn new installation, isolated by itself.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. When prompted by System Commander, insert the Windows boot CD/DVD into the drive.
3. Proceed with the Windows installation.

See “Notes for Windows Installations” after X4 option.

X3



Instructions for Windows NT/2000/XP/2003 and Longhorn Upgrade installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows installation (in the MultiFAT where System Commander is installed).
3. Run setup from the Windows upgrade CD/DVD.
4. During the Windows installation, it may ask if you want to convert to NTFS. You must **NOT** switch to NTFS if you wish to continue to use your existing non-NTFS compatible OSes.

See “Notes for Windows Installations” after X4 option.

X4



Instructions for Windows NT/2000/XP/2003 and Longhorn New installation, together with other OSes.

Remaining user actions:

1. Click on Ok to reboot the system.
2. From the OS selection menu, boot into your existing Windows installation (in the MultiFAT where System Commander is installed).
3. Run setup from the Windows CD/DVD.
4. During the Windows installation, it may ask if you want to convert to NTFS. You must **NOT** switch to NTFS if you wish to continue to use your existing non-NTFS compatible OSes.

Notes for Windows installations

During a Windows installation, it will reboot. System Commander may ask if you wish to save the new OS. Select "Save", and continue with the installation.

Once Windows is installed, you can hide the Windows OS Loader message. In the Windows XP/2003 control panel, click on the System icon, select the Advanced tab and click on Settings under Setup and Recovery. Choose the desired default OS (typically leave it as-is) and change the *Time to display list of operating systems* to zero.

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