

# USING THE FREE "WINDOWS 10 ENTERPRISE EVALUATION"

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

There are two ways for you to run the free "Windows 10 Enterprise Evaluation". It is close enough to the other editions of "Windows 10.." so that you can use it to test hardware and compatibility with your existing computer(s).

# NON-EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Method 1:

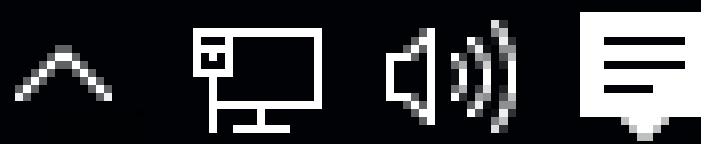
You can run it inside a real, physical computer.

Method 2:

You can run it inside a virtual machine inside an existing "Windows", "Mac", or "Linux" computer

Windows 10 Enterprise Evaluation  
Windows License valid for 90 days  
Build 10240

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# TOPICS

- What is the "Windows 10 Enterprise Evaluation"?
- System requirements
- Testing an old "Pentium 4" computer to make sure that it can run "Windows 10"

# TOPICS (continued)

- Ways for you to run the "Windows 10 Enterprise Evaluation"
  - Method 1: Installing it into a real, physical computer.
  - Method 2: Installing it into a virtual machine.

What is the  
"Windows 10  
Enterprise  
Evaluation"?



# WHAT IS THE "WINDOWS 10 ENTERPRISE EVALUATION"?

- Released as a free, time-limited trial by Microsoft on July 29, 2015

# THREE KEY EDITIONS OF "WINDOWS 10"

- **"Windows 10 Home" (available at retail)**
- **"Windows 10 Pro" (available at retail)**
- **"Windows 10 Enterprise" (available to "Software Assurance" customers who buy through "Microsoft Partners)**

# A COMPARISON OF THE THREE KEY EDITIONS OF "WINDOWS 10":

- **"Windows 10 Home"** ("core edition" with fewest features, can run Storage Spaces)
- **"Windows 10 Pro"** (has "Hyper-V", can run Storage Spaces, can act as a server for Remote Desktop access)

# A COMPARISON OF THE THREE KEY EDITIONS OF WINDOWS 10 (continued):

- **"Windows 10 Enterprise"** (has "Hyper-V", can run Storage Spaces, has "Windows To Go", not available at retail, for "Software Assurance" volume sales to organizations, free time-limited evaluation is available for everyone!)

# A COMPARISON OF THE EDITIONS (continued):

For more details about the differences between the various editions of "Windows 10", see [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windows\\_10\\_editions](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Windows_10_editions)

# SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE "WINDOWS 10 ENTERPRISE EVALUATION"

- According Microsoft's Website:

Windows 10 Enterprise works great on the same hardware that powers Windows 8.1:

- Processor: 1 GHz or faster or SoC
- RAM: 1 GB (32-bit) or 2 GB (64-bit)
- Free hard disk space: 16 GB (32-bit) or 20 GB (64-bit)
- Graphics card: DirectX 9 or later with WDDM 1.0 driver
- Display: 800x600

# SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS..(continued)

- Do not attempt to run any version of "Windows 10" in a computer that only has 1 Gigabyte of RAM:  
Many bloggers and discussion group participants have stated that the actual minimum requirement for RAM for the **32-bit** version of "Windows 10.." is 2 Gigabytes

## SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS..(continued)

- To determine if an old "Pentium 4" computer is capable of running "Windows 10 Enterprise Evaluation", you can download and run Microsoft's free "Coreinfo" program by following our "how to" instructions at [http://aztcs.org/meeting\\_notes/winhardsig/win8/old-computer-Win8.pdf](http://aztcs.org/meeting_notes/winhardsig/win8/old-computer-Win8.pdf)



THE "WINDOWS 10 ENTERPRISE EVALUATION" IS A TRIAL OF A VERSION OF "WINDOWS 10" THAT YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO PURCHASE!

- But it is close enough to the versions of "Windows 10" that you will be able to purchase that it is a **great learning and testing tool at a fabulously great price (free!).**

# DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE "ENTERPRISE EDITION" AND THE OTHER EDITIONS OF "WINDOWS 10"

- The evaluation and "real" versions of "Windows 10 Enterprise" have a "Windows To Go" wizard which lets you create bootable USB flash drives and bootable USB external hard drives.
- No other edition of "Windows 10" has this feature.

**STEP-BY-STEP  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR  
DOWNLOADING THE  
"WINDOWS 10  
ENTERPRISE  
EVALUATION"**

# DOWNLOADING THE "WINDOWS 10 ENTERPRISE EVALUATION"

Step 1:

Go to

[https://www.microsoft.com/en-  
us/evalcenter/evaluate-windows-  
10-enterprise](https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/evalcenter/evaluate-windows-10-enterprise)