

Installing Windows on a Mac using Boot Camp

This tutorial is designed to assist in installing Windows OS on a separate partition on a Macintosh computer using Boot Camp.



In order to install Windows OS, you will need:

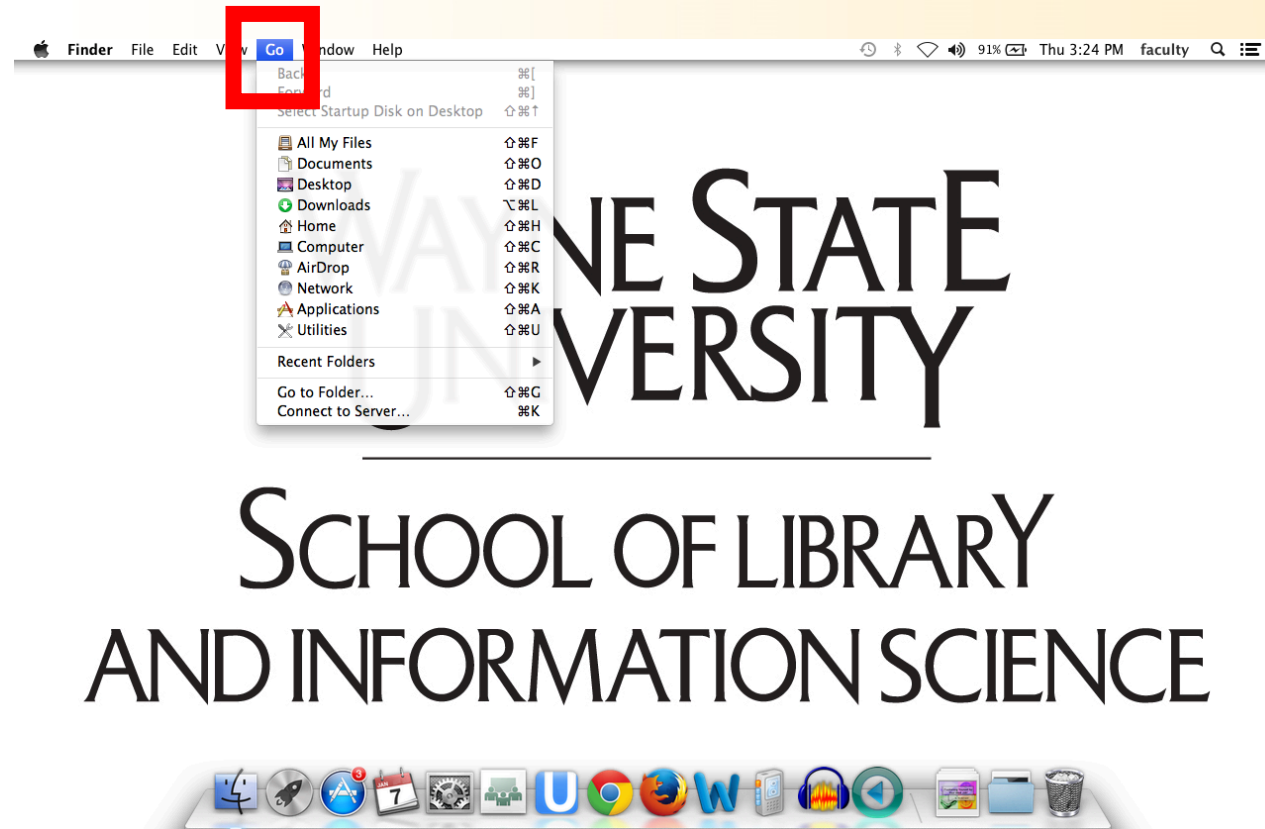
- A Windows installation file (obtained via [Microsoft Azure Dev Tools](#))
- Serial # for Windows
- A blank 16 GB or larger USB flash drive
 - *If your Mac does not have a USB hard drive, please refer to this [Apple Knowledge Base Article](#)*

*It is recommended to **back up important files** before beginning installation.

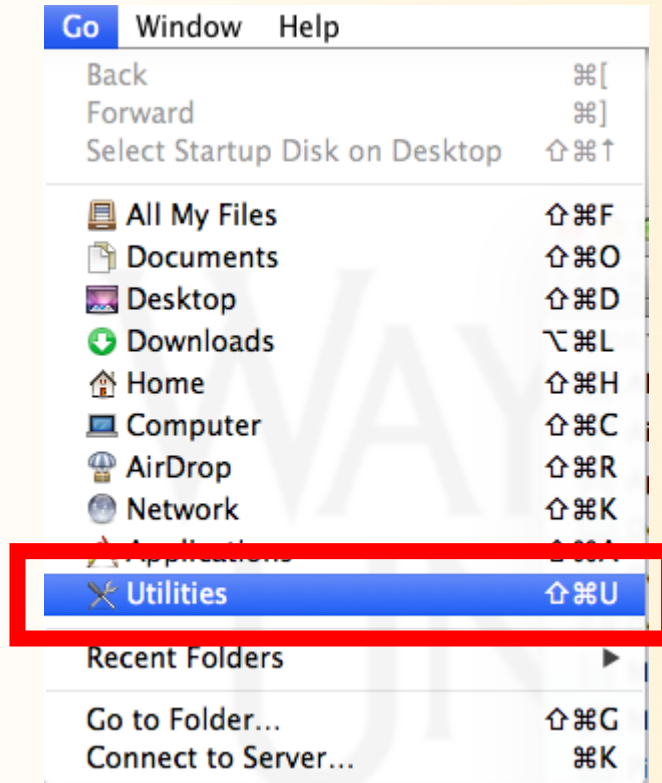
*If using a laptop, connect the power adapter before beginning.



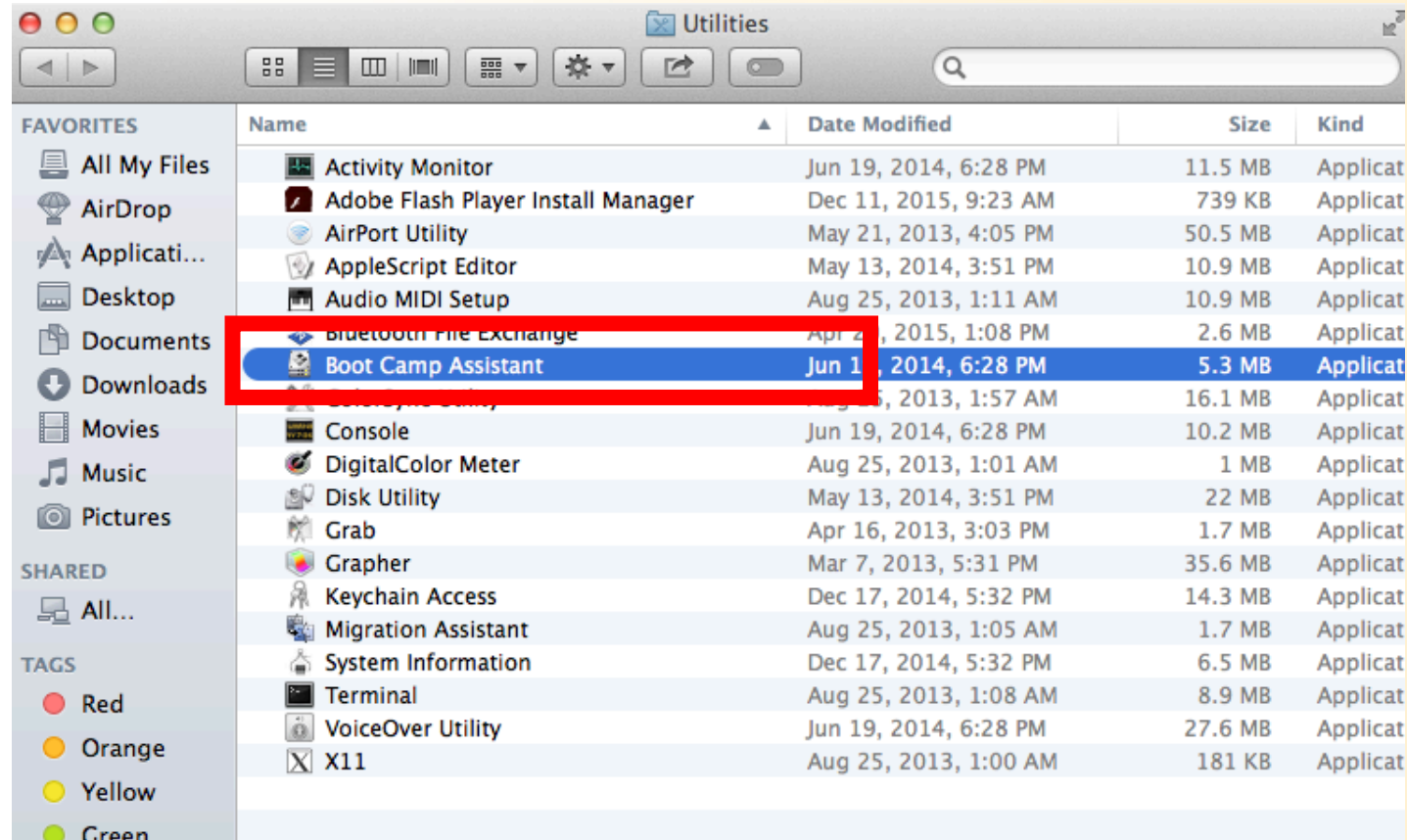
1. Select **Go** from top menu



2. Select **Utilities** from Go drop-down menu



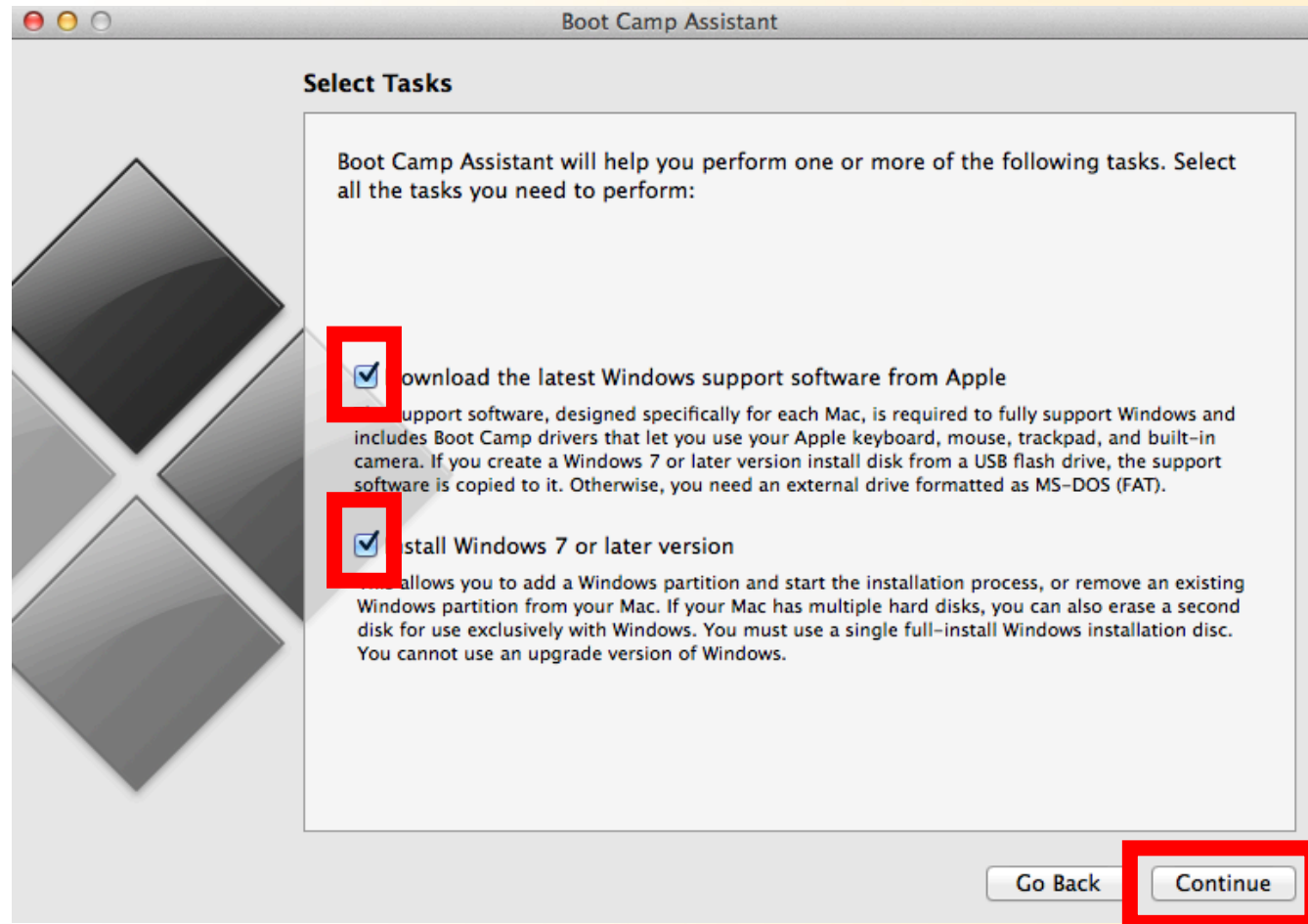
3. Select **Boot Camp Assistant** and insert a blank USB

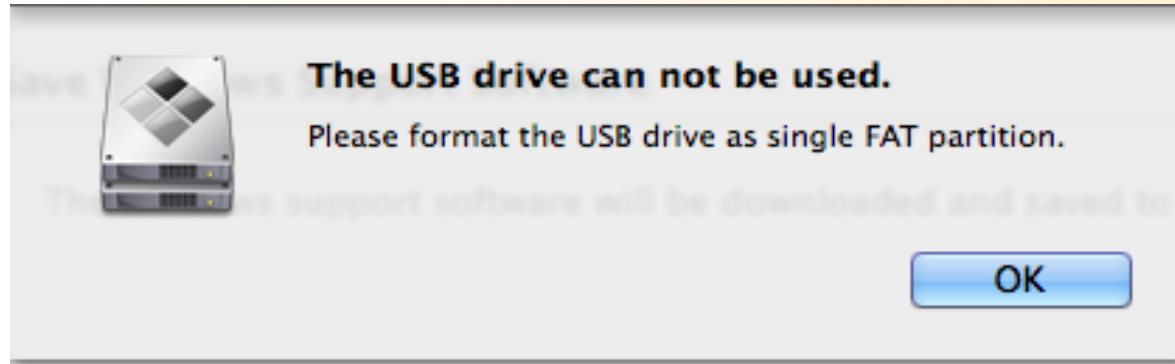


4. Select **Continue** in Boot Camp Assistant



5. Select **both** tasks and **Continue**



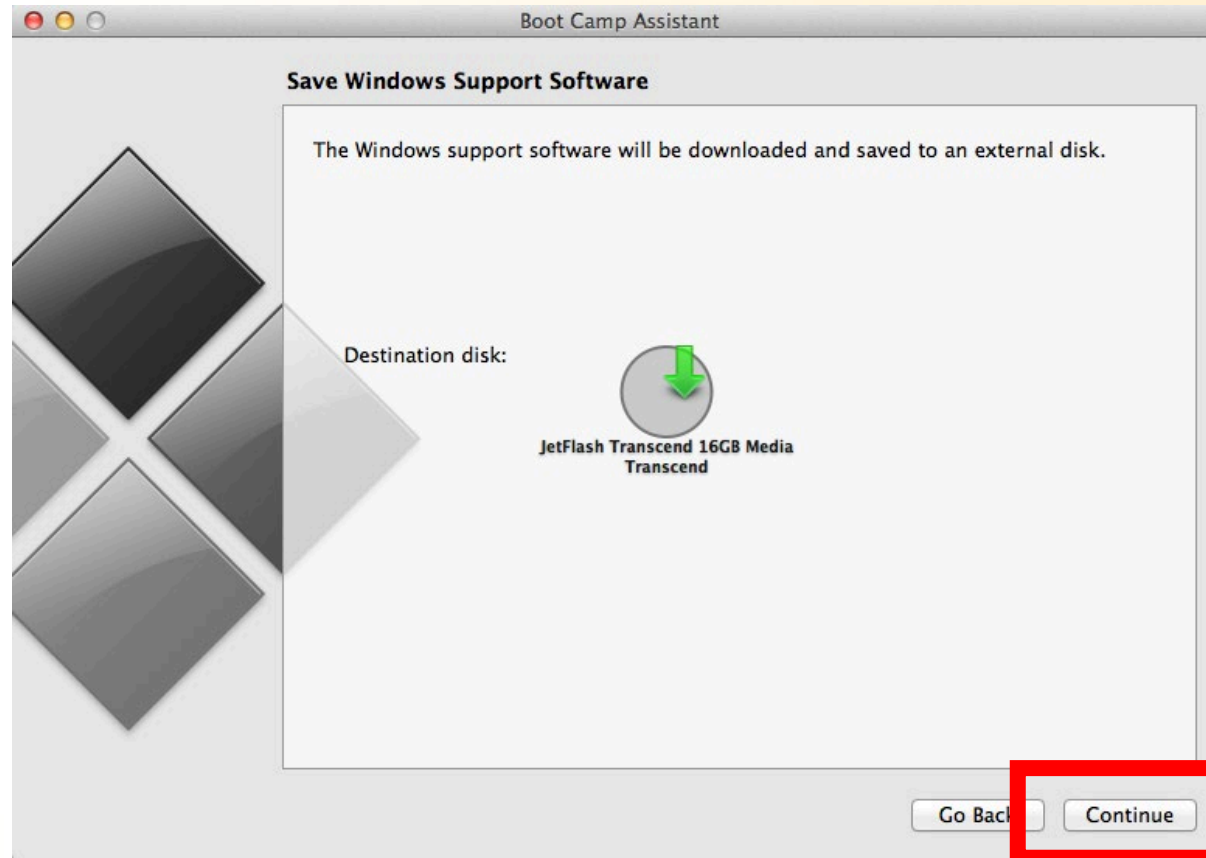


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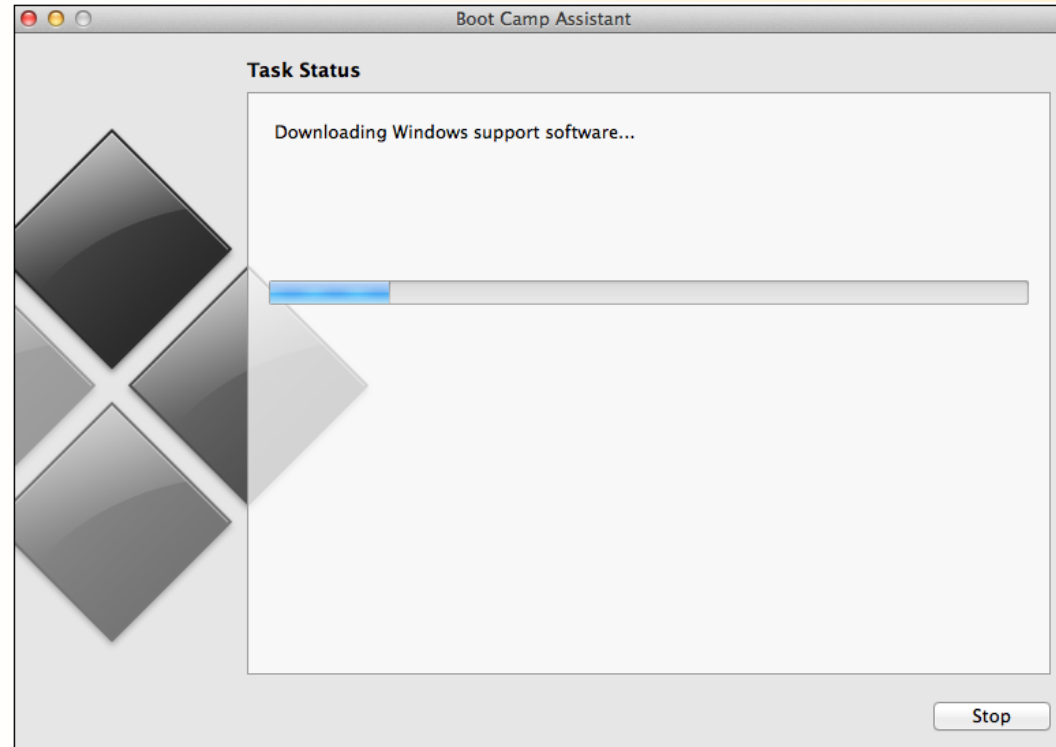
1. Open **Disk Utility**
2. Select the **USB drive** on the left
3. Select the **Erase tab** (THIS WILL ERASE ALL CONTENT ON USB)
4. Ensure the Format is set to **FAT**
5. Select **Erase**
6. Return to Boot Camp Assistant and try again.



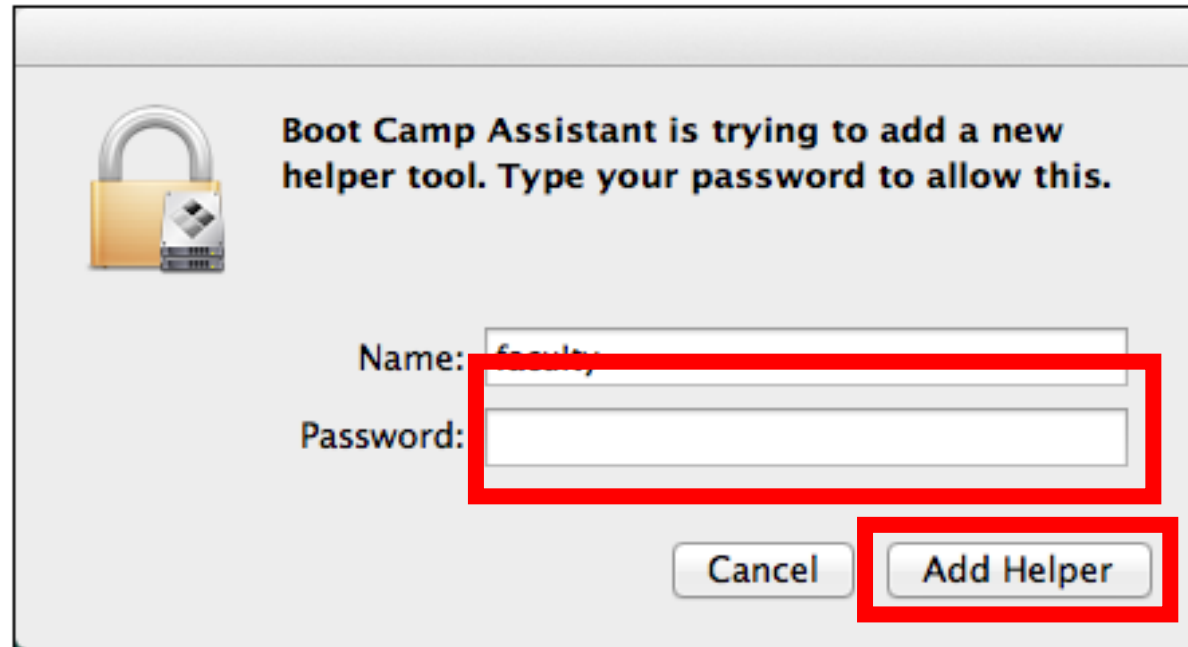
6. Your USB will appear as the destination disk;
select **Continue**



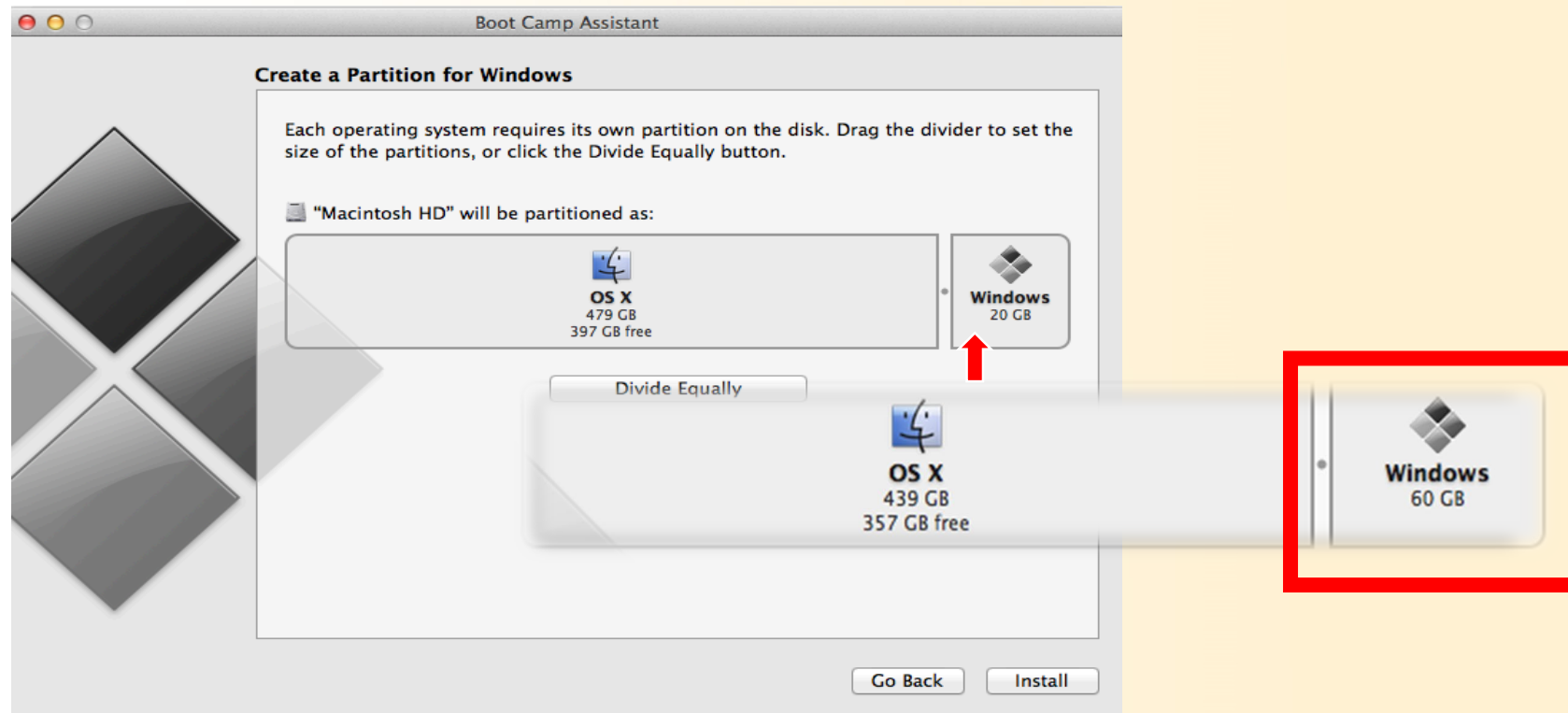
This process may take several minutes...



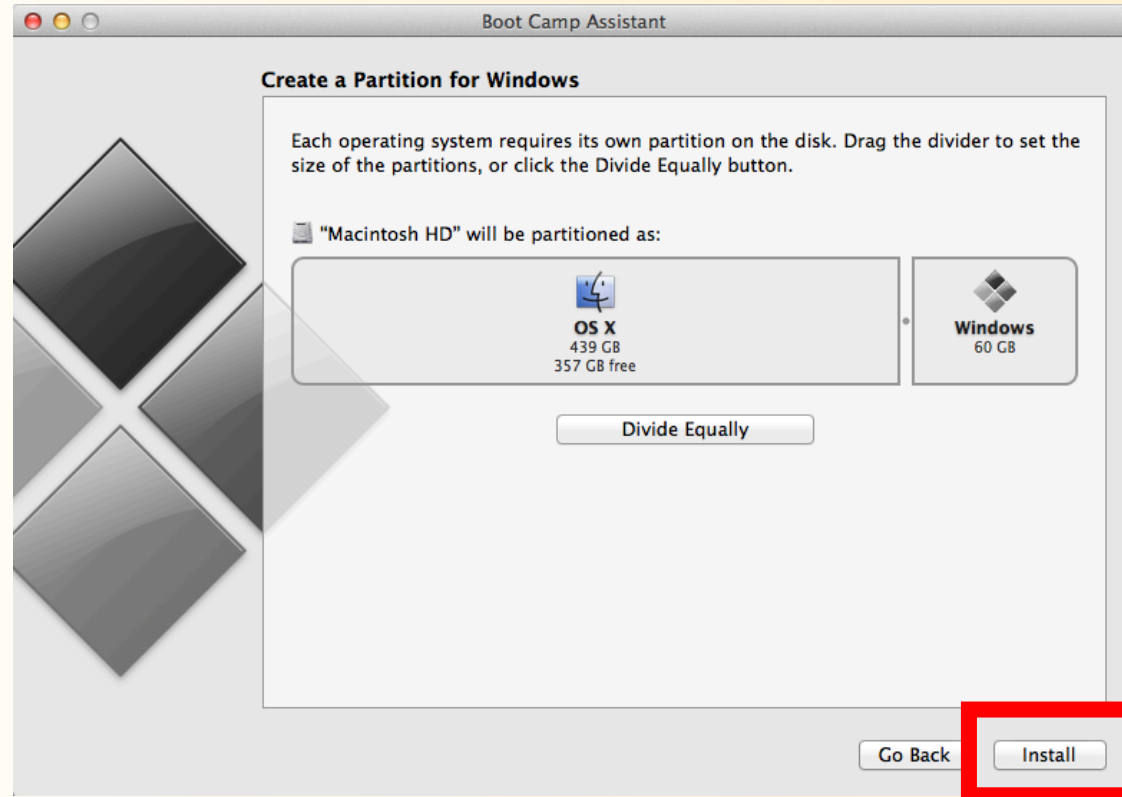
7. When prompted, enter your **password** and select **Add Helper**



8. Adjust the size of the partition by selecting and dragging the Windows box so that **Windows** shows **60 GB**



9. Insert Windows installation disc, then select Install



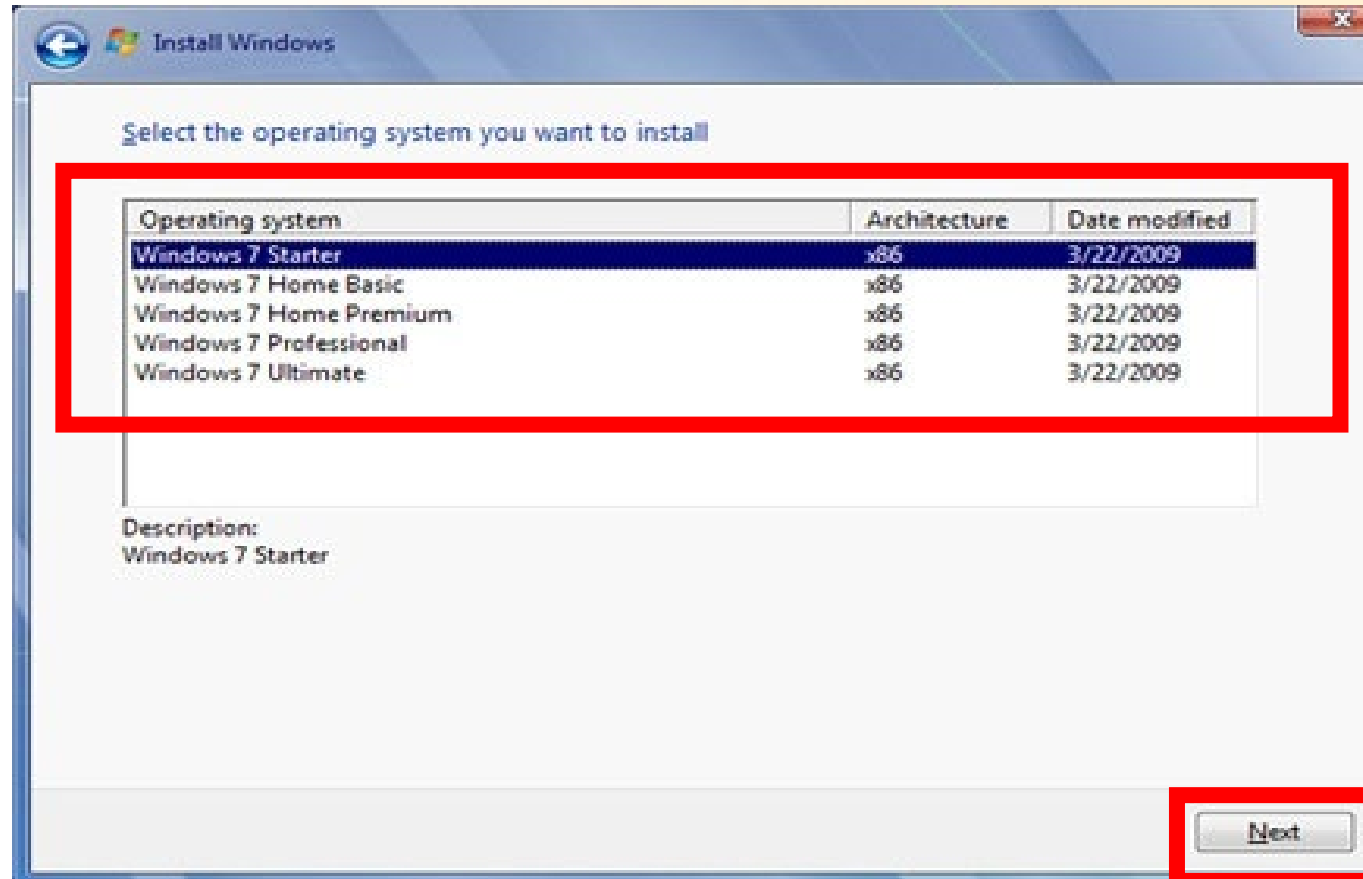
After creating the partition, your Mac will restart itself to the Windows installer. During the installation your screen will be black with the text “Windows is loading files...” and a status bar underneath.



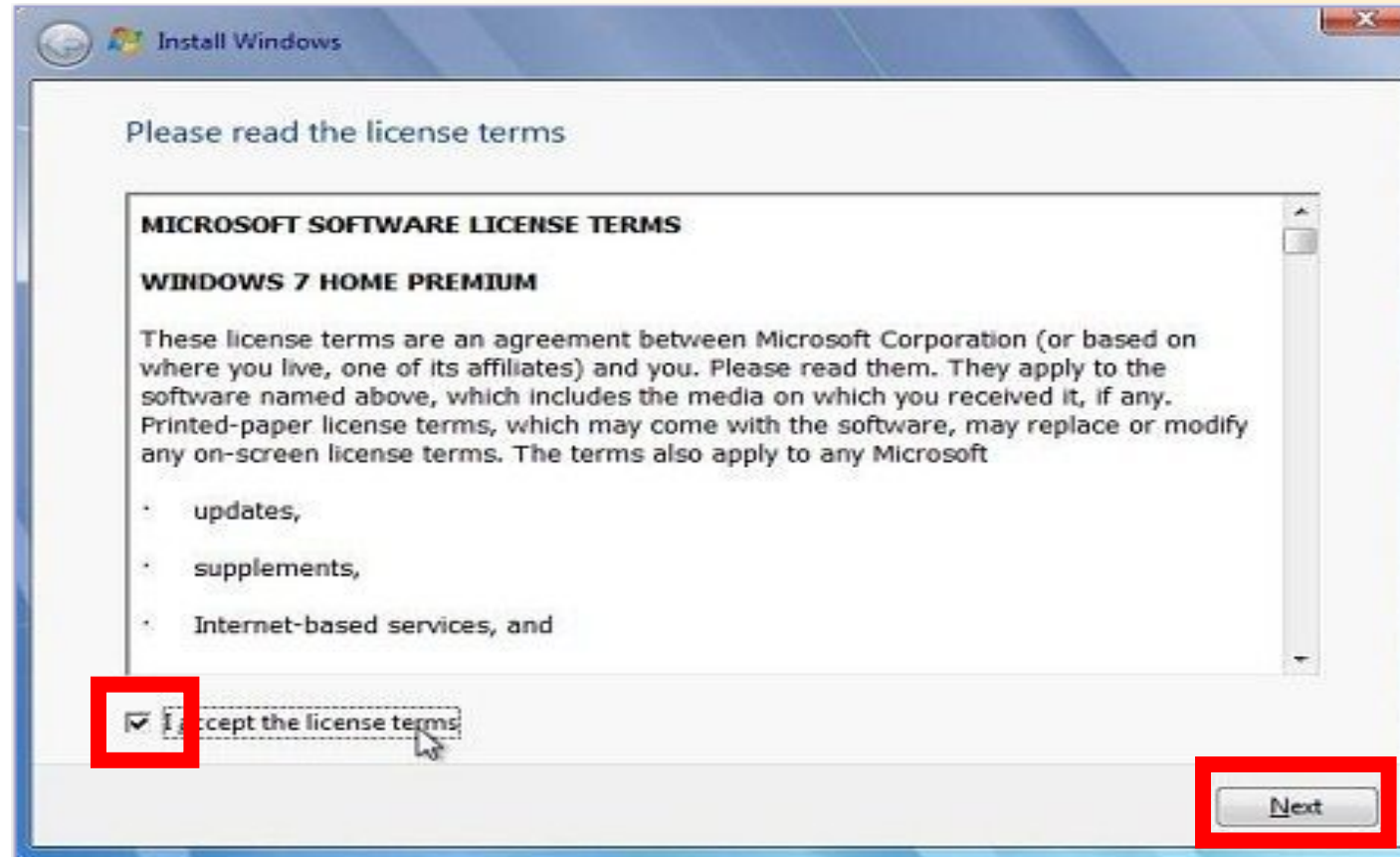
10. Select language, time, etc. and then select **Next**



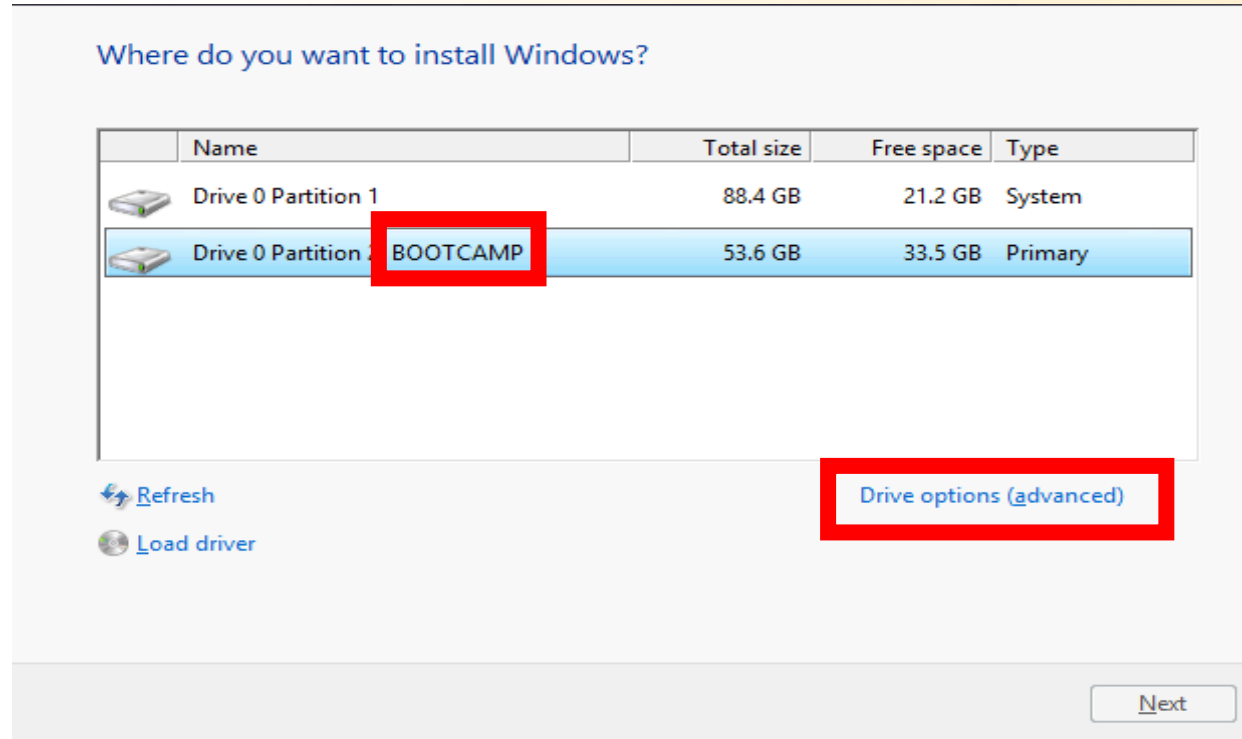
11. Select the **Windows OS** you want to install,
then select **Next**



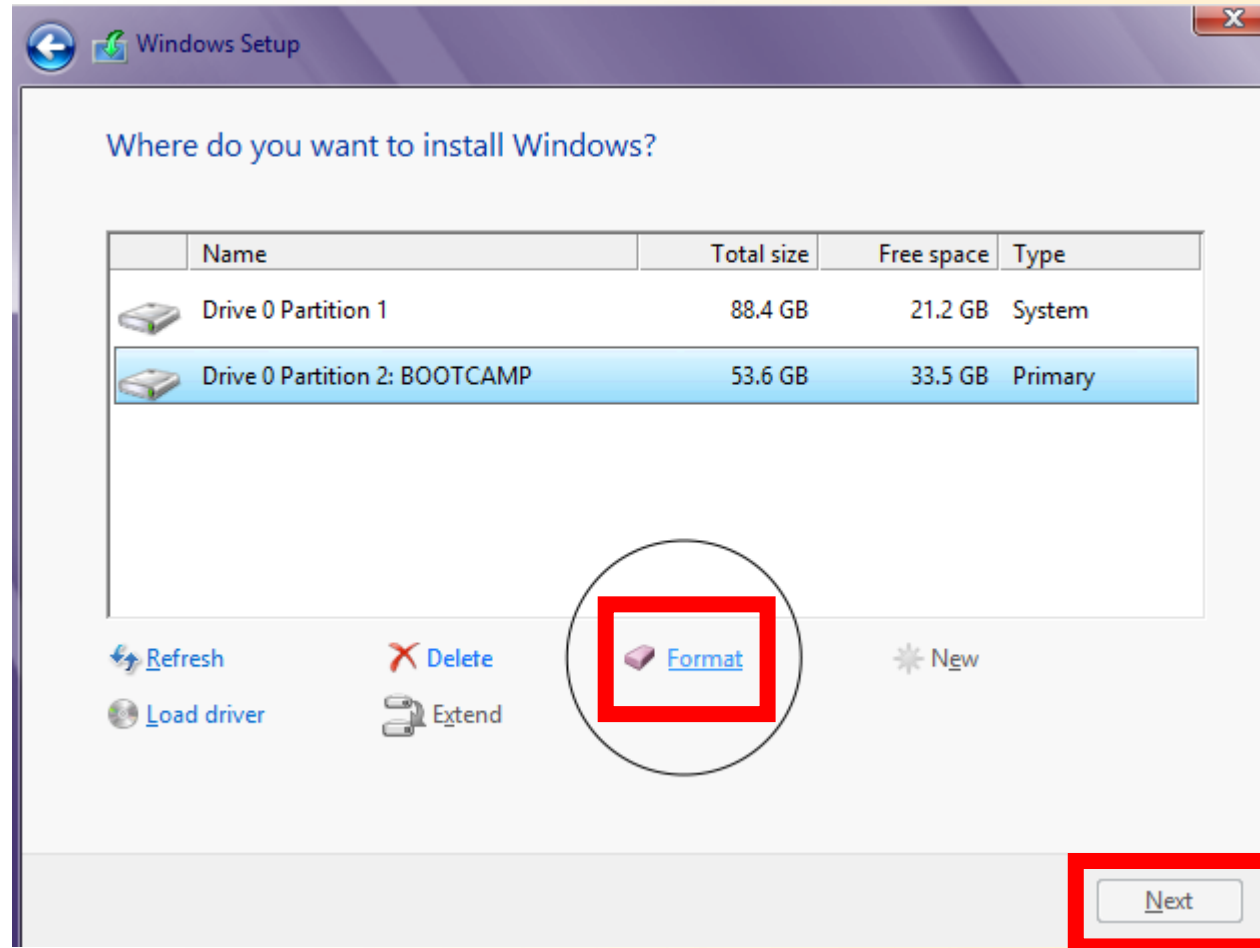
12. Read and accept the license terms, then select Next



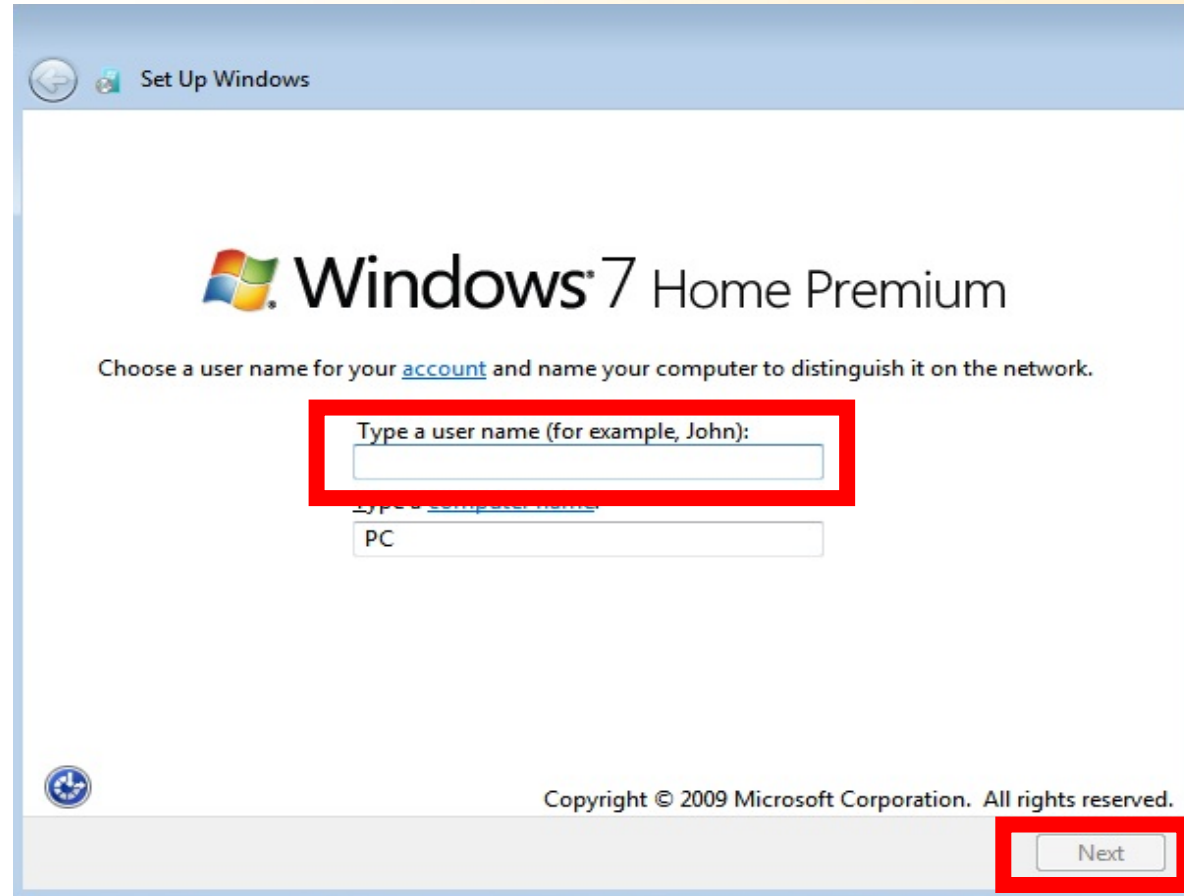
13. Select the partition labeled “**BOOTCAMP**” then select **Drive options (advanced)**



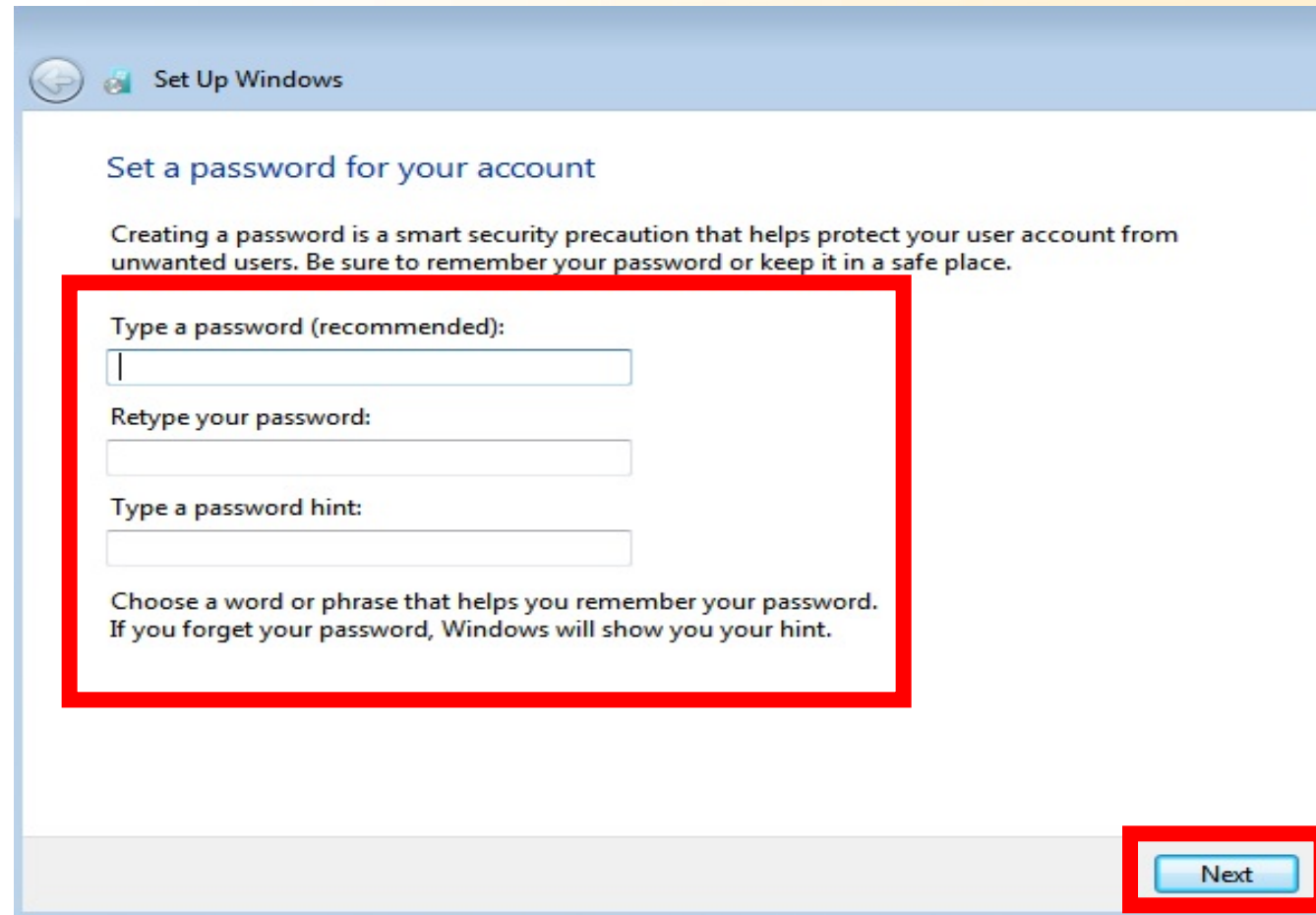
14. Select **Format**, then **Next**



15. Create a **user name** and then select **Next**



16. Create a password and then select Next



The screenshot shows the 'Set Up Windows' window with the title bar 'Set Up Windows'. The main heading is 'Set a password for your account'. Below this, a paragraph reads: 'Creating a password is a smart security precaution that helps protect your user account from unwanted users. Be sure to remember your password or keep it in a safe place.' There are three input fields: 'Type a password (recommended):', 'Retype your password:', and 'Type a password hint:'. A red rectangular box highlights these three input fields. At the bottom right of the window, there is a blue 'Next' button, also highlighted with a red rectangular box.

Set Up Windows

Set a password for your account

Creating a password is a smart security precaution that helps protect your user account from unwanted users. Be sure to remember your password or keep it in a safe place.

Type a password (recommended):

Retype your password:

Type a password hint:

Choose a word or phrase that helps you remember your password. If you forget your password, Windows will show you your hint.

Next



17. Enter **product key** and then select **Next**

Set Up Windows

Type your Windows product key

You can find your Windows product key on a label included with the package that came with your copy of Windows. The label might also be on your computer case. Activation pairs your product key with your computer.

The product key looks similar to this:

PRODUCT KEY: XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX-XXXXX

(dashes will be added automatically)

Automatically activate Windows when I'm online

[What is activation?](#)
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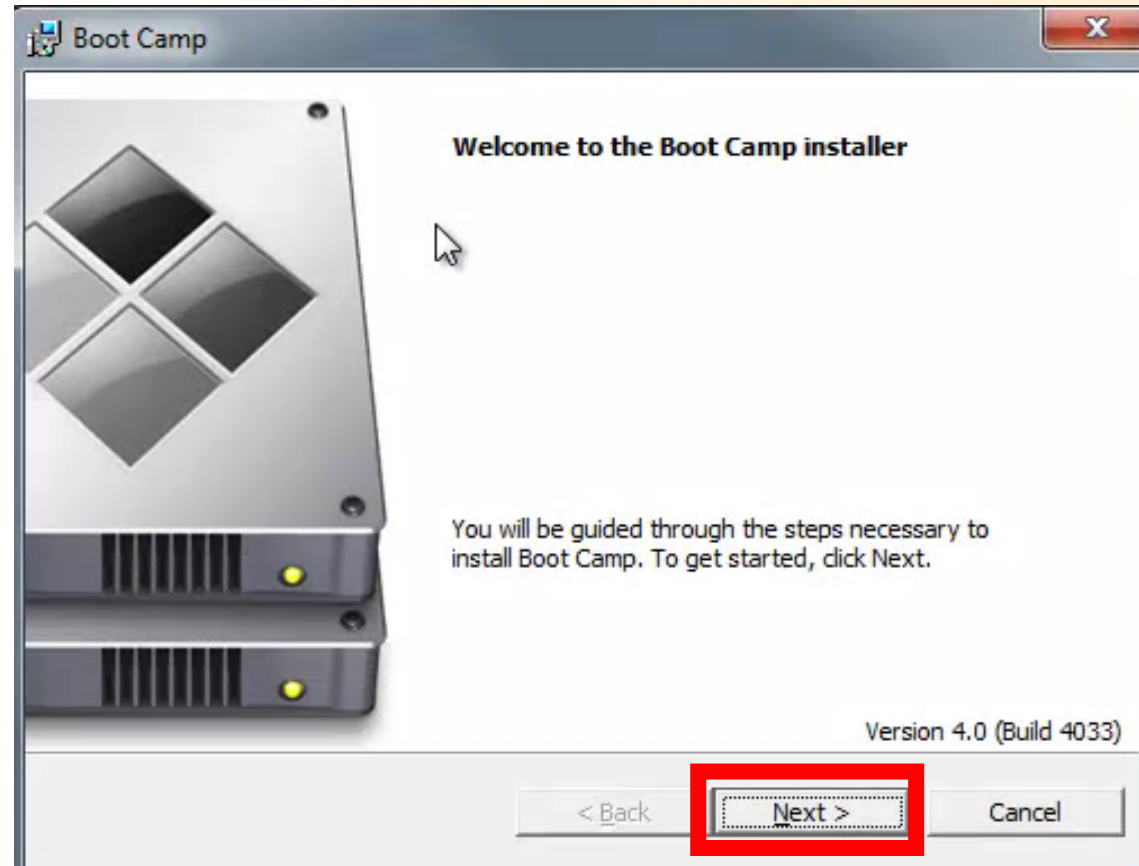
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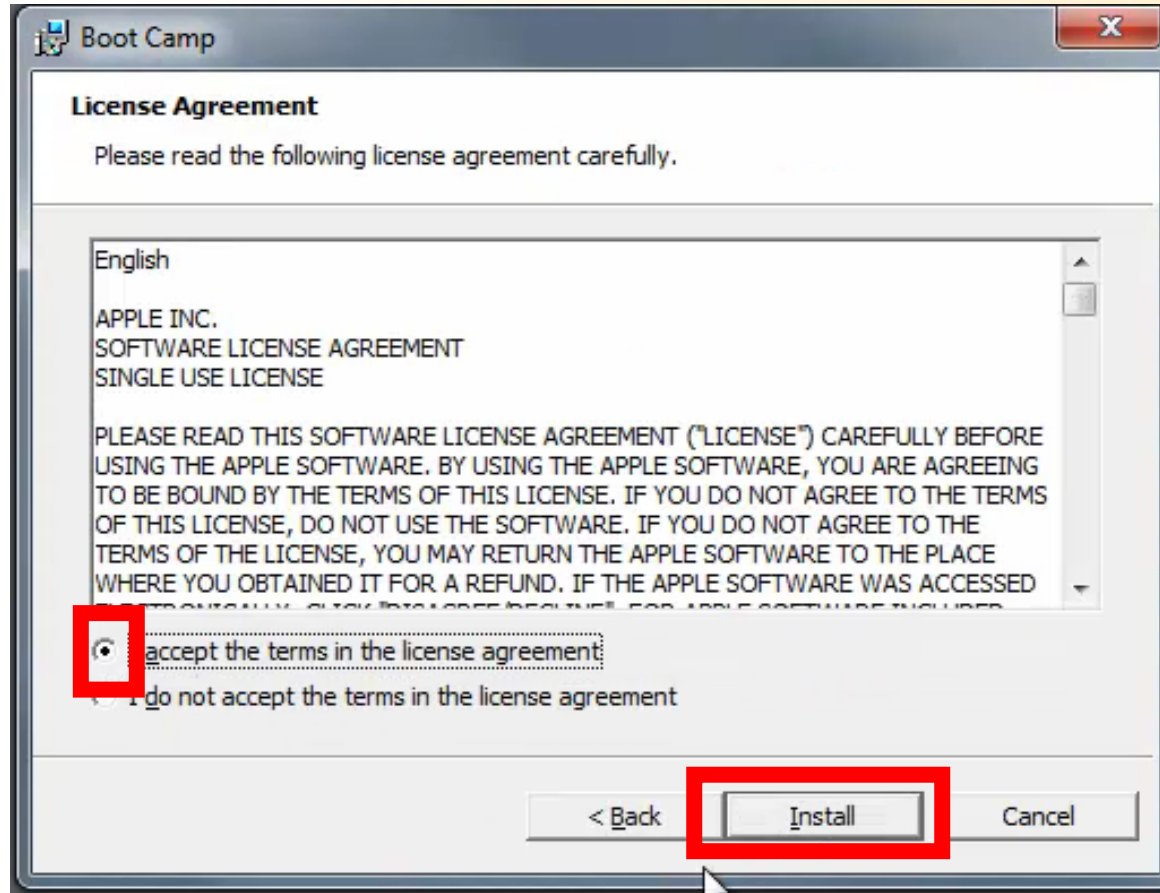
18. Select recommended settings



19. Once Windows is finished setting up, the Boot Camp installer will appear, select **Next**



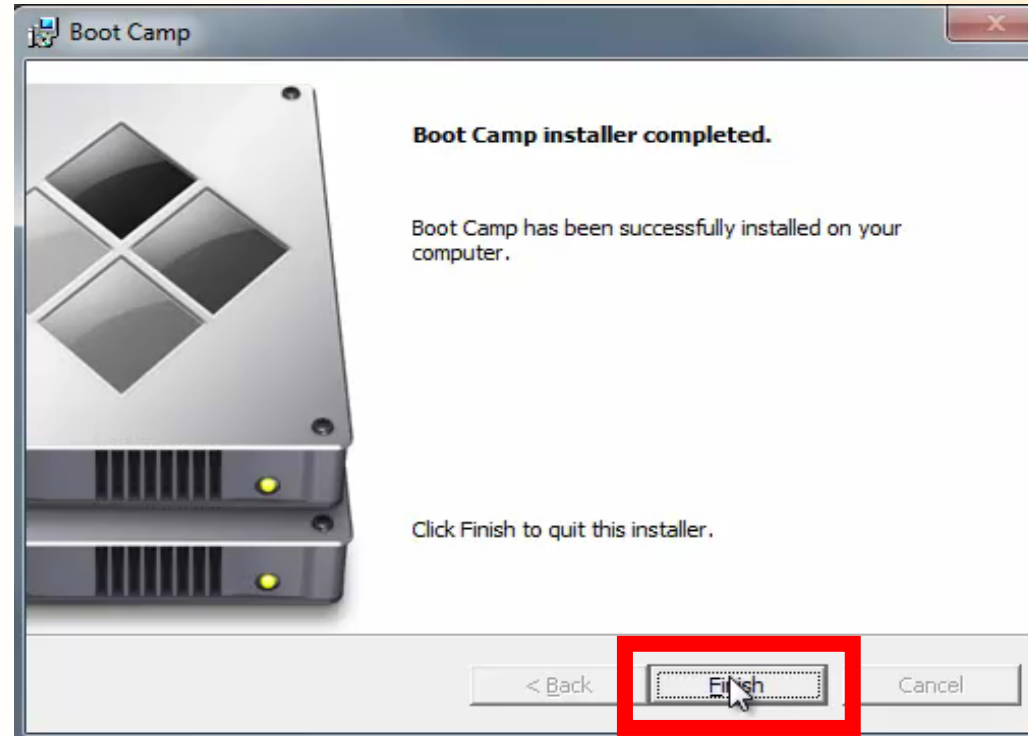
20. **Read and accept** the license agreement,
then select **Install**



Installing Boot Camp will take several minutes...

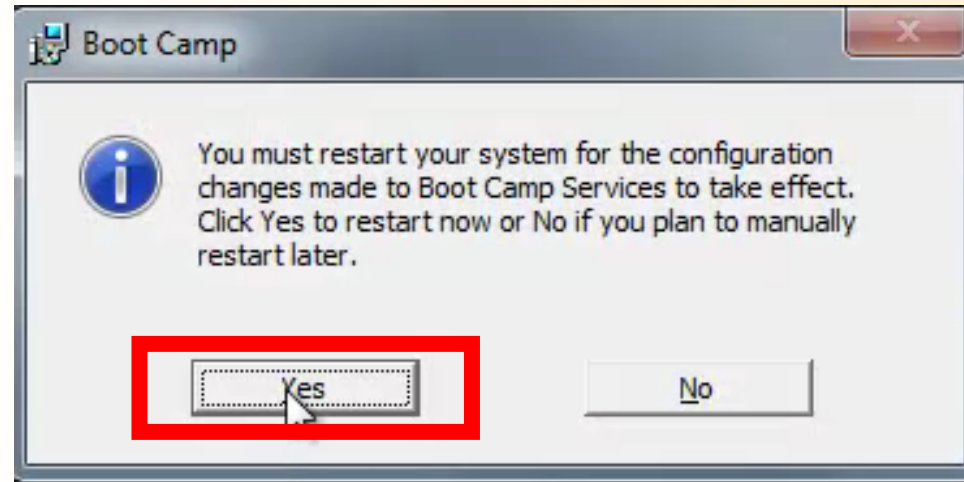


21. When the Boot Camp installation is complete, select **Finish**



22. Select **Yes** when prompted to restart computer

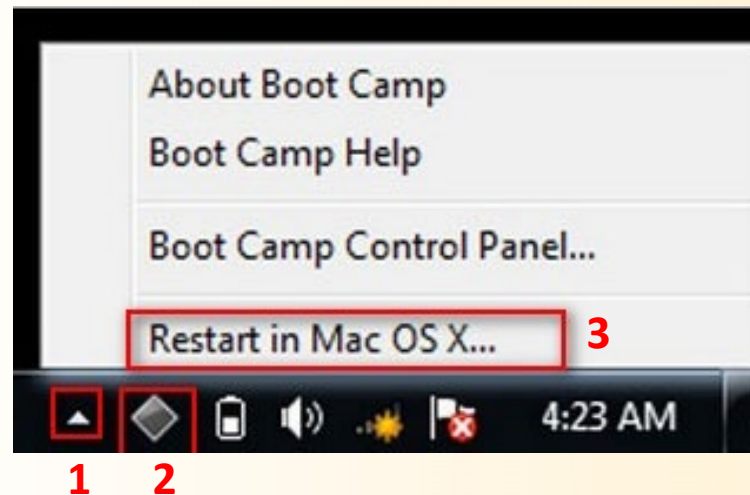
After your computer restarts, the Windows installation process will be **complete**.



To restart in OS X:

Select the small up arrow in the system tray at the bottom of the screen.

Next, select the Boot Camp Icon,
and then select “Restart in Mac OS X”



You can **choose which OS you want to use** by holding down the **Option key** while **restarting or powering on** your computer, until this ↓ screen appears.



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