

Accessing the BIOS and changing the boot sequence

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In order to boot Blancco Driver Eraser (USB, CD, Network booting), the boot device containing the boot media needs to be set as the primary boot device.

To change the boot sequence, you must enter the "Setup" or "BIOS/UEFI Setup" on your computer and change the booting sequence to use the USB drive /CD drive/Network adapter first. There are several ways to enter the setup depending on your computer manufacturer and model. During the booting stage a message will appear stating "Press DEL to enter Setup". As the message flashes only once on the screen, you must be quick to press the key before the boot sequence continues. Please note that the boot sequence may continue without any user intervention.

The [Delete] Key and [F2] are the two most common keys

We have collected some of the key combinations in order to get into the BIOS. On most systems you need to press these keys repeatedly during the POST (Power On Self-Test) as soon as the computer has been turned on. If the Windows Logo appears, you are too late, restart the computer and try again.

Computer Model BIOS Key examples:

Manufacturer	BIOS Key
Acer®	F1, F2, CTRL+ALT+ESC
AST®	CTRL+ALT+ESC, CTRL+ALT+DEL
Compaq® 8700	F10
CompUSA®	DEL
Cybermax®	ESC
Dell®	F3, F1
Dell Dimension	F2 or DEL
Dell Inspiron	F2
Dell Latitude	Fn+F1 (while booted)
Dell Latitude	F2 (on boot)
Dell Optiplex	F2 or DEL
Dell Precision™	F2
eMachine™	DEL
Gateway®: 2000 1440	F1
Gateway 2000 Solo™	F2
HP	F1, F2
IBM	F1
IBM E-pro Laptop	F2
IBM PS/2®	CTRL+ALT+INS after CTRL+ALT+DEL
IBM Thinkpad® (newer)	Windows: Start Programs Thinkpad CFG
Intel® Tangent	DEL
Micron™:	F1, F2, or DEL
Packard Bell®	F1, F2, DEL
Sony® VAIO:	F2, F3
Tiger	DEL
Toshiba	F1 or ESC