

Adjusting Windows Dual Boot Menu (23.8KB)

For: Dual boot between Win9x/WinMe and Win2000 Prof/WinXP Home

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If you are you running dual boot Win9x and Win2K/XP and would like to modify the Windows Boot Menu so your computer automatically boots to a particular operating system after a minimum of delay:

1. Boot to Win2K.
2. Right click **My Computer**.
3. Click **Properties | Advanced | Startup and Recovery**.
4. Under **System startup** select the Default operating system you want your computer to boot to.
5. For the **Display list of operating systems for x seconds** setting, reduce the number of seconds to say, 3-5.

Important Note: DO NOT set the number of seconds to zero and/or uncheck the box, **Display list of operating systems**. If you do so, in either case, you will be UNABLE to boot to the operating system NOT selected as the Default in Step 3 above. And if in Step 3 you selected Win9x, you will NOT be able to boot to Win2K, thus making it impossible to reverse the changes apart from editing the file, boot.ini. Because of this, I strongly suggest simply reducing the number of seconds to 3-5.

6. Click **OK | OK**.

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