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Conventions Used in this Guide

The following notational conventions are used in this guide.

Text is **bolded** to highlight important information.



The caution symbol denotes information that is of critical importance to the operation of the NTO.



The electrical hazard symbol indicates that the power supplies in your system may produce high voltages and energy hazards, which can cause bodily harm.



The hot surface symbol indicates that a surface or component is hot.



The electrostatic discharge (ESD) symbol indicates proper antistatic precautions should be taken to avoid damaging electronic equipment including printed circuit boards and components that are sensitive to static electricity.



The pointer symbol indicates that the information that follows provides helpful tips on how to use and configure the XGS chassis.



Note: Notes are written like this.

Purpose and Upgrade Process Outline

This document describes the steps needed upgrade an Ixia XGS Chassis to Windows 10.

The first step in the upgrade process is to back up and replace the XGS Chassis Windows 7 OS partition with an Ixia XGS Chassis Windows 10 base image. The Data partition with Acronis backup images are not affected.

The following is an outline of the steps required to accomplish this upgrade task:

- Create an Acronis Recovery Image
- Replace the XGS Chassis Windows 7 partition with an XGS Chassis Windows 10 partition
- Windows 10 first-boot procedure
- Windows 10 Activation
- IxOS 9.00 Installation
- IxOS Windows 10 Upgrade License Activation



Note:

- Ensure this Upgrade Guide is available on another system or printed since it will not be available during portions of the upgrade process.
 - The upgrade requires IxOS 9.00 or later version.
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Prerequisites

The following are the prerequisites for upgrading an Ixia XGS Chassis to Windows 10:

- Check to ensure you have the upgrade product 943-0014 IXIA IXOS AND WINDOWS 10 FIELD UPGRADE which includes the USB and Windows 10 license sticker.
- Check that the chassis to be upgraded is an XGS 940-0010, 940-0011 or 940-0110.

 **Note:** The XGS-SD chassis has 2x USB-ports only.

- Ensure there is physical access to the chassis to be upgraded.
- Ensure that a monitor, keyboard, and mouse are available.
- Obtain the license activation key that is emailed as part of purchase of upgrade product 943-0014.
- Print or display these instructions on another system since the system being upgraded will not be available for document viewing.
- You need to de-register the current licenses before starting the Windows 10 upgrade. See the following [De-activate Ixia licenses](#) section.

De-activate Ixia licenses

Ixia Licensing Utility (ILU) manages the licenses issued by Ixia for its various products. Using the ILU, deactivate all your licenses from the chassis and save your receipt file to store all activation codes. Move a copy of the receipt file to the Data partition. See also *Deactivate Licenses* section of the *Ixia Licensing Management Guide*.

Procedures

The procedures for Windows 10 field upgrade are described in the following sections.



WARNING: IxOS version 9.00 or later is required to run Ixia hardware on Windows 10. If you still need to run earlier versions of software, do not proceed with the upgrade to Windows 10.

If at a later date you need to revert the chassis to Windows 7, you will need to contact Support to have a clean Windows 7 image installed on the chassis.

Windows 10 Upgrade Using Partition Replacement Procedure

The Windows 10 partition replacement procedure is outlined as follows:

1. Ensure all user data has been moved to the **Data** partition. All data in the “Windows7” partition will be overwritten.
2. Ensure an Acronis image backup is available.
3. During chassis boot, press **DEL** to enter Setup. (Repeatedly press DEL while the Ixia logo is shown.)

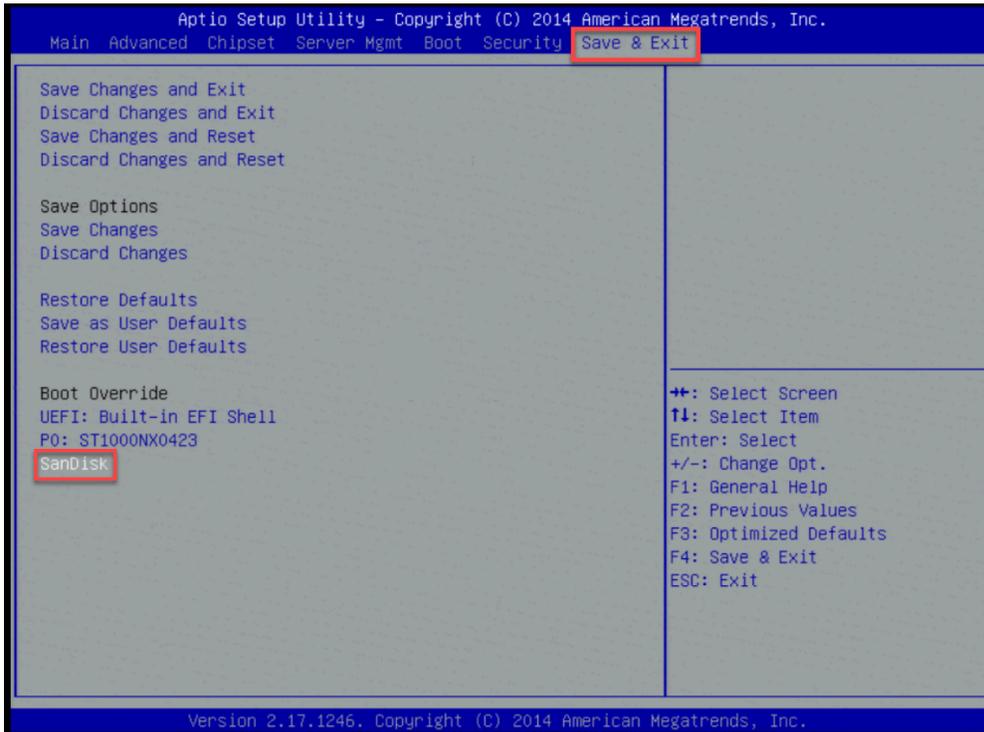


4. If an **Enter Password** prompt appears, leave the prompt blank and press **ENTER**.



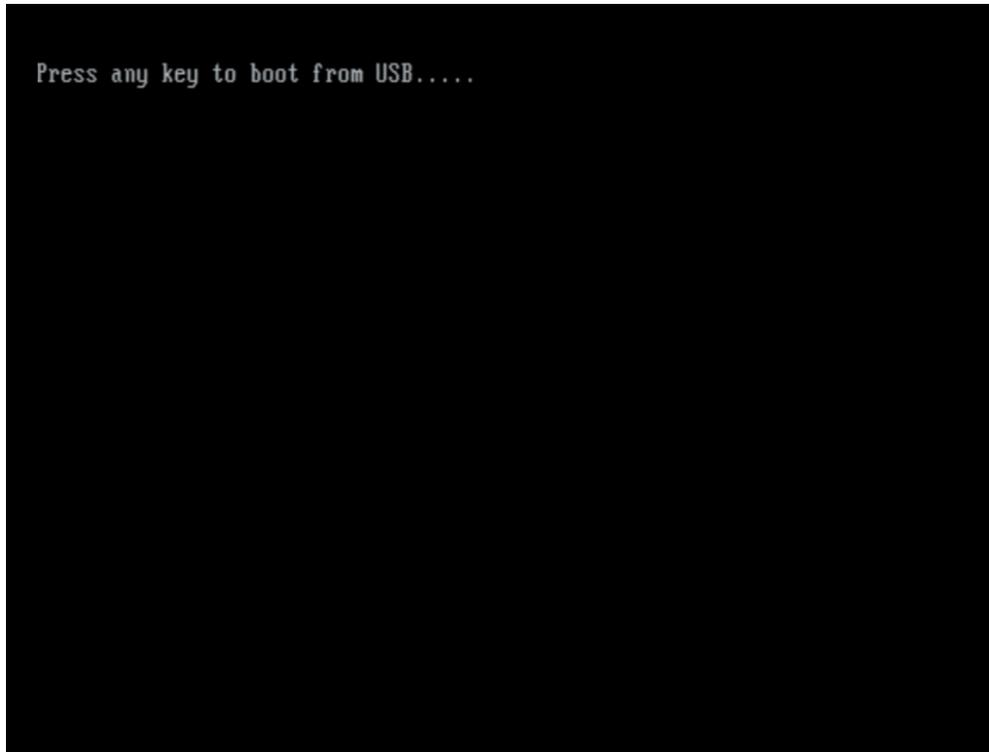
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5. In the Aptio Setup Utility, navigate to the **Save & Exit** tab.
6. Under the **Boot Override** section, select the USB device ("SanDisk" in this example.)

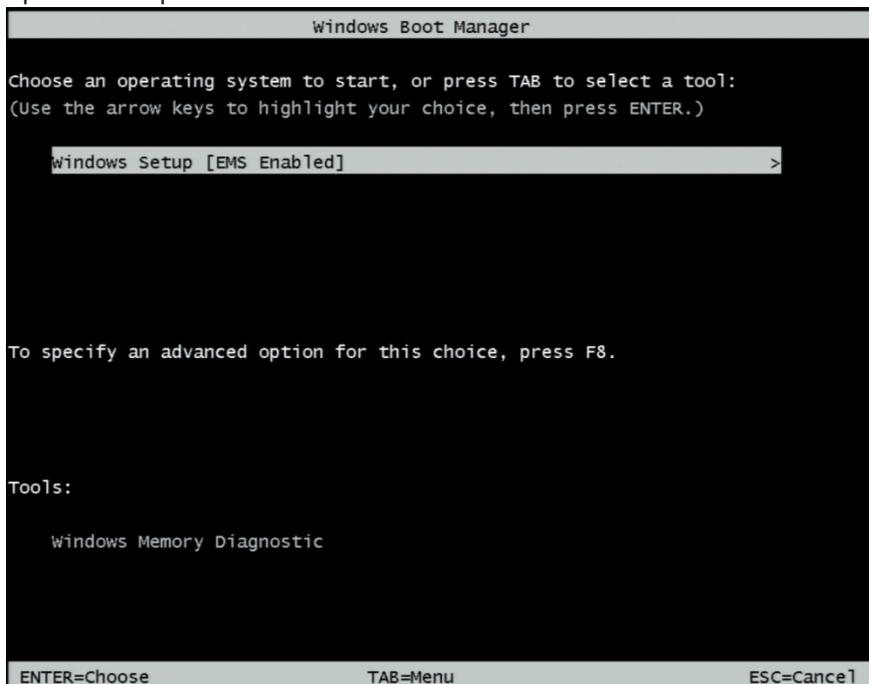


 **Note:** DO NOT select the **UEFI** boot option.

7. The screen should go black and display "Press any key to boot from USB". Press **ENTER**.

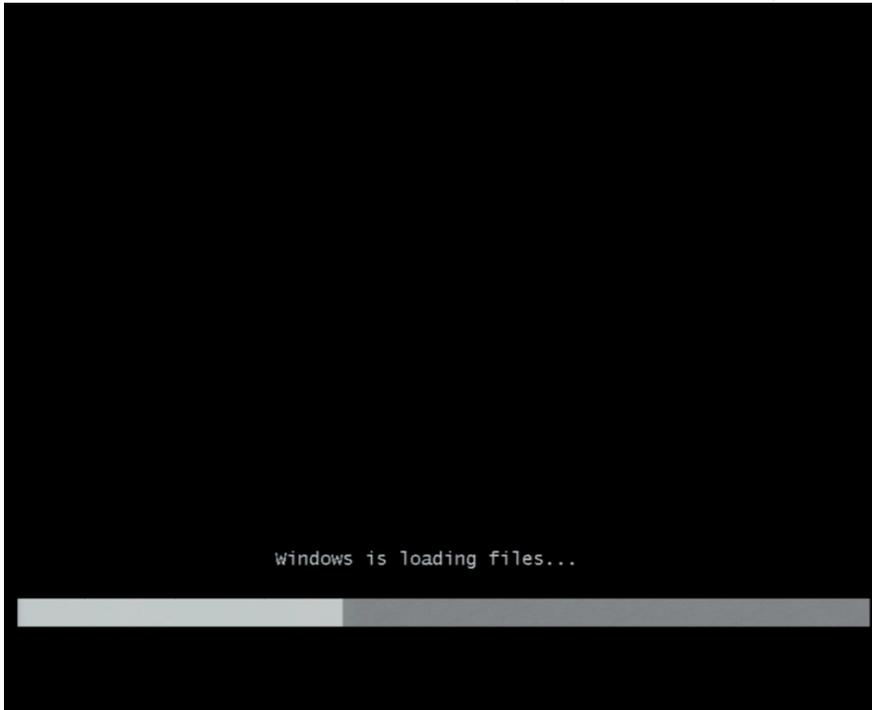


8. On the **Windows Boot Manager** screen, press **ENTER** to select **Windows Setup**. This is an optional step.

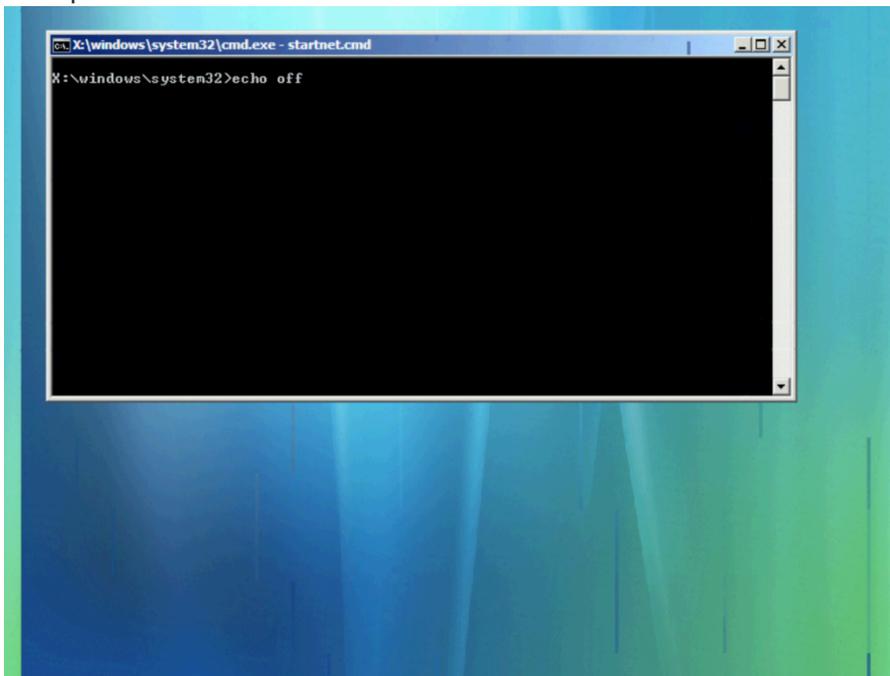


 **Note:** This option is not seen during some installations.

9. Windows PE will now boot. Wait for the progress bar to complete.



10. Once Windows PE has booted, the following command prompt will automatically appear. Wait for the operation to finish.



11. A prompt appears with the line "Ixia Windows 10 Chassis Upgrade", asking to confirm that the Windows partition will be erased. Ensure all data is backed up. When ready, press any key to begin.

12. Wait for Ghost to complete rewriting the Windows partition. Once complete, it restarts automatically.
13. Ensure the system reboots into Windows 10.
14. The system may spend several minutes preparing the desktop, which may require several reboots. Ensure the Windows 10 login prompt appears.
15. Accept Microsoft EULA.

 **Note:** When booting for the first time, the menu item in Windows Boot Manager may still say "Windows 7". This does not indicate a failed upgrade and is corrected at the next step.

Windows 10 First-Boot Procedure

1. Wait until the account completes first-time configuration. The desktop should appear within several minutes.
2. When prompted, enter the 6-digit serial number of the Standard Performance Controller Module and press **Enter**.
The serial number is printed on the label at the front of each controller.
3. The script makes the necessary changes and reboots.
4. After the computer reboots successfully, the chassis is ready for installation of Ixia software.

 **Note:** After the system reboots, you can log in as the **ixia** user. The password will be the 6-digit serial number you entered earlier.

Windows 10 License Activation

1. Obtain the Windows 10 license key from the label in the upgrade kit.
2. Navigate to Start > Settings > Update & Security > Activation.
3. Select **Change product key**.
4. Enter the product key and then select **Next** to complete activation. This step requires connection to the internet to complete the Microsoft license activation.

 **Note:** After you activate the license, do a power down, pull out the controller card, apply the license sticker, and insert the controller back.

For additional information, visit <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/12440/windows-10-activate>.

Installation of IxOS 9.00 or later

Download a copy of IxOS installer (.exe file) from Ixia website.

IxOS installer installs IxExplorer and server components like Demo Server, TCL Server, and Hardware Manager.

Perform the following installation steps:

1. A dialogue box appears providing option for changing Installer Cache path where installer and helper files are stored. You should change it to a location which does not require administrative privileges. Select **Next** to proceed.
2. Installer starts unpacking files after which, setup progress window appears and package integrity check is performed. Wait for the check to complete.
3. After package integrity check passes, a separate welcome dialog box appears indicating that setup is ready to begin. Select **Next** to proceed with the installation. The setup wizard guides you through the next steps.

 **Note:** If you intend to use IxNetwork or IxLoad please download and install the chassis components of these products.

For downloading the installer files, go to <https://support.ixiacom.com/ixos-software-downloads-documentation>.

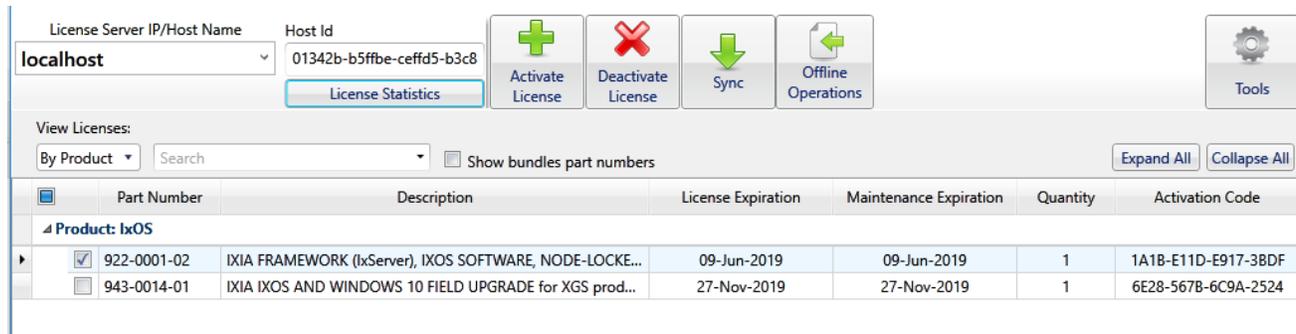
For details on Windows 10 installation procedure, see *IxOS Getting Started Guide* at <https://support.ixiacom.com/user-guide/ixos>.

IxOS Windows 10 Upgrade License Activation

Ixia Licensing Utility (ILU) manages the licenses issued by Ixia for its various products. To open the ILU application, select Start > All Programs > Ixia > LicenseServerPlus > Ixia Licensing Utility.

Perform the following steps:

1. Select **Activate** and add all the licenses (example for IxOS, IxNetwork, and IxLoad), that you deactivated prior to the Windows 10 upgrade. This license information should be in the receipt file you saved to the data partition before the Windows upgrade.
2. Additionally, add the new **Ixia IxOS and Windows 10 Field Upgrade** license that was emailed to you when this product was ordered.



The screenshot shows the Ixia Licensing Utility (ILU) interface. At the top, there are input fields for 'License Server IP/Host Name' (set to localhost) and 'Host Id' (01342b-b5ffb-ecefd5-b3c8). Below these are buttons for 'Activate License', 'Deactivate License', 'Sync', 'Offline Operations', and 'Tools'. A 'License Statistics' button is also present. The main area is titled 'View Licenses:' and includes a search bar, a 'By Product' dropdown, and a 'Show bundles part numbers' checkbox. There are 'Expand All' and 'Collapse All' buttons. Below this is a table with columns: Part Number, Description, License Expiration, Maintenance Expiration, Quantity, and Activation Code. The table shows two licenses under the product 'IxOS':

Part Number	Description	License Expiration	Maintenance Expiration	Quantity	Activation Code
922-0001-02	IXIA FRAMEWORK (IxServer), IXOS SOFTWARE, NODE-LOCKE...	09-Jun-2019	09-Jun-2019	1	1A1B-E11D-E917-3BDF
943-0014-01	IXIA IXOS AND WINDOWS 10 FIELD UPGRADE for XGS prod...	27-Nov-2019	27-Nov-2019	1	6E28-567B-6C9A-2524

For details on activating licenses, see *Ixia Licensing Utility Guide*.

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