



Important information for Windows® XP Pro Customers

What is Windows® XP for Embedded Systems ?

Despite pushing out availability numerous times since Vista's release in Jan 2007, Microsoft stopped supplying Windows® XP Pro early 2009. Our stocks are now depleted and we are moving our customers to Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems.



The provision of Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems effectively gives Blue Chip Technology customers a technically identical product to Windows® XP Pro, with availability now assured until December 2016.

Product Information

Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems is technically identical to the standard version of Windows® XP Pro used for general purpose computing devices. Only the licensing terms have changed, limiting its use to fixed function devices such as kiosks, ATM Systems, POS devices, industrial automation, and complex medical devices.

As such, Blue Chip Technology will be shipping Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems across its product range from Oct 2009. It is targeted for devices that have a strict need for Microsoft Windows® XP Pro application compatibility and where reduced footprint is not a primary design requirement. **Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems should not be confused with Windows® XP Embedded – it is not a componentized version of the Windows OS with a customizable image size.**

Media Disk

Microsoft is no longer providing media with Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems, so customers will not receive the distinctive Microsoft Windows® XP Pro, copper coloured media disk in their product shipment. We appreciate that this may be an issue for some of our customers, so Blue Chip Technology have added a generic Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems Recovery Image to our standard support disk, which also includes product documentation and drivers. Keep this disk safe and in the unlikely event of system failure, simply boot from the disk and follow the onscreen instructions to re-install Windows® XP Pro for Embedded Systems on your system.