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Microsoft support for the DDK and developing software is provided only on fee basis. See [Microsoft Technical Support Options for Developers](#) for more information.

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Building Drivers for Windows XP. Microsoft urges you to develop and test drivers for all devices, to ensure that your customers have a great experience when they install [Microsoft Windows XP](#).

Windows XP launch date set for October 25



USB 2.0 and Bluetooth: Call for Hardware to Test. To deliver high-quality support in Windows for these new technologies, Microsoft needs hardware to test in its development labs. Also, click here to read about the planned Windows support for [USB 2.0](#) and [Bluetooth wireless technology](#).

1394 DevCon 2001. (July 31 - August 2) Features presentations on new wireless IEEE 1394 initiatives, automotive applications, IEEE 1394.1 bridging design, the IEEE 1394b specification, and more.



Designing PCs for the Optimum Windows XP Experience. Preview the guidelines for building innovative PCs.

Windows Logo Program System and Device Requirements, V. 2. Download the requirements for the ["Designed for Windows XP" Logo](#).

Beta Windows XP Hardware Compatibility Test Kit 10.0. The beta HCTs are now available from WHQL.



WinHEC Presentations and White Papers and **Driver and Designer News from WinHEC.** Includes guidelines to make building quality drivers easier.

Job openings. For open positions in the Windows Hardware Strategy Group, search [Microsoft Jobs](#) using the keywords: "technical evangelist" (include quotation marks).

The Windows Driver and Hardware Development site provides tools, information, and services for driver developers and hardware designers who create products that work with the Microsoft® Windows® family of operating systems.

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I/O Ports Blocked from BIOS AML on Windows XP

Windows XP Native Processor Performance Control

Windows XP and Fast System Startup
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Identifying Windows XP in ACPI

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Test Kits for Color-Capable Devices

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