



Installations



Obtaining CentOS Installation Media

- Download files from URL
 - Curl
 - wget
- Download DVD ISO from mirrors
 - Contains stable versions of rpms
 - <https://centos.org/download>
- Download latest Stream ISO from mirrors
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Writing ISO Installation Image to USB Drive

- From Windows
 - Download any disk creator
- From Mac OS
 - Download any disk creator
 - Or use of DD command
- From any other Linuxes
 - Use DD command
- Make sure PC / Server can boot from USB drive



Installing CentOS

- Dual Boot
- Via Virtualization software
 - Vmware Workstation
 - Vmware Vsphere
 - Oracle VirtualBox
 - OpenKVM
 - Microsoft VirtualPC / HyperV
 - QEMU
- Docker Containerization

The Installation screen



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- Language & Locale selection
- Country / Regional settings
- Time zone
- Date & Time
- Keyboard layout
- Kernel Dumps
- Network configuration
- Software Packages
- Security Policies
- Partitioning
 - LVM
 - LVM Thin Provisioning
 - RAID
 - Type of File System
 - Mount point (Folder)
- User Settings

Type of File Systems

Type	Remarks	Size
Ext2	First default FS	16GB – 2TB
Ext3	Ext2 + journaling (improvised reliability)	16GB – 2TB
Ext4	Scalability, multiblock allocation, delayed allocation, fast FSCK	16GB – 16TB
XFS	High speed JFS Parallel IO processing	>300+ TB – 8 EB
BTRFS	Focus on Fault Tolerance, large storage configuration. Lots of feature still under development	Upto 16 EB

Post Installations Configuration

- Collect system information
- Configure repository
- Install Updates
- Install more packages

Collect system information

- Verify OS release and versions
 - `cat /etc/*release`
- Verify kernel version
 - `uname -a`
- Check hostname
 - `hostname`
- Collect cpu, memory information
 - `cat /proc/meminfo`
 - `cat /proc/cpuinfo`
- Verify File system creation
 - `df -k`
 - `mount`
- Verify processes
 - `ps -ef`
 - `top`

Configure repository

- Point to Centos yum repository
- Point to Fedora Core
- Point to local storage (DVD)
- Point to remote storage (NFS / CIFS)

Point to Centos yum repository

- CentOS installation pre-configured some yum repository
- Install Extra Packages repo from Fedora Core
 - `dnf install -y https://dl.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/epel-release-latest-8.noarch.rpm`
- All repo configuration in
 - `/etc/yum.repos.d/` sub directory
 - Must ends with `.repo` extension

Example of centos-baseos.repo

```
[BaseOS]
```

```
name=CentOS-$releasever - Base
```

```
mirrorlist=http://mirrorlist.centos.org/?release=$releasever&arch=$basearch&  
repo=BaseOS&infra=$infra
```

```
#baseurl=http://mirror.centos.org/$contentdir/$releasever/BaseOS/$basearch/  
os/
```

```
gpgcheck=1
```

```
enabled=1
```

```
gpgkey=file:///etc/pki/rpm-gpg/RPM-GPG-KEY-centosofficial
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