Manually Creating a Restore Point in Windows

1. Click the Start menu, type **Control Panel**, and then click the Control Panel app result.

2. Click System and Security, and then click Security and Maintenance, and then Recovery.

3. Click Configure System Restore. The System Properties dialog box will open.

4. Select Local Disk (C:) (System), and then click Configure.

5. Click the Turn on System Protection radio button, and then click OK.

6. Click Create below the Configure button.

7. Type a name for the restore point.

8. When the process is finished, click OK, and then exit out of the Control Panel windows.

> **NOTE**
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> A factory recovery partition may exist on a machine. A vendor has a great deal of freedom with what it puts here, but usually it contains copies of drivers and preinstalled programs. This partition—if it exists—may serve as a last resort for stabilizing a system if all else has failed.