



tom's hardware guide

Windows to Linux Migration Checklist

Did you complete the hardware checklist?

Pick your Linux distribution

1. If you have a fast Internet connection download the .ISO files
2. Burn ISOs
3. Test the burned CDs by booting up with the CD in the tray.
 - a. You should get an install screen.

Drivers

1. Using the Hardware Checklist, find all the Linux drivers for your hardware.
2. Burn the drivers to CD/DVD

Migration folder

1. Make a folder to hold all of your files to be migrated.
 - a. Make subfolders
 - b. Use all lower-case names
 - c. No spaces

Document and File Migration

1. Find all Office Documents and move them into the Migration folder
 - a. Access
 - b. Excel
 - c. Powerpoint
 - d. Word
 - e. txt
2. Find all your pictures
 - a. Jpgs
 - b. Gifs
 - c. Tiffs
3. Find all your videos
 - a. WMV
 - b. Quicktime - MOV
 - c. MPG/MPEG
 - d. AVI
4. Find all your music
 - a. WAV
 - b. MP3
 - c. OGG
 - d. AIFF

Settings Migration

1. Internet Explorer
 - a. Homepage
 - b. Export Bookmarks
 - c. Export Cookies
2. Outlook
 - a. Export PST
 - b. Export Filter Rules
 - c. Export Account Settings
 - i. Username
 - ii. Password
 - iii. POP/SMTP servers
3. Instant Messaging
 - a. Copy down all your usernames and passwords

Final Check

1. Have a friend look over what you did
2. Does your backup CD/DVD work on another computer?
 - a. Do the files open?