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1. Using the Command Prompt

You can retrieve the product key using the Command Prompt with a simple command:

- 1. Press Win + S, type cmd, right-click on **Command Prompt**, and select **Run as** administrator.
- 2. Type or paste the following command and press Enter:

cmd

wmic path softwarelicensingservice get OA3xOriginalProductKey

3. The product key should be displayed on the screen.

2. Using PowerShell

You can also use PowerShell to find your product key:

- 1. Press Win + S, type PowerShell, right-click on **Windows PowerShell**, and select **Run as administrator**.
- 2. Type or paste the following command and press Enter:

powershell

(Get-WmiObject -query 'select * from SoftwareLicensingService').OA3xOriginalProductKey

3. The product key will be displayed.

3. Check in the Registry

You can find the product key stored in the Windows Registry, although it's often encrypted:

- 1. Press Win + R, type regedit, and press Enter to open the Registry Editor.
- 2. Navigate to the following path:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\SoftwareProtectionPlatform

3. Look for the entry labeled **BackupProductKeyDefault**. This might show your product key if it's stored in a readable format.

4. Using a Third-Party Tool

There are various third-party tools available that can help you retrieve your Windows product key:

- **Belarc Advisor**: A popular tool that provides detailed information about your system, including the Windows product key.
- ProduKey by NirSoft: A lightweight tool specifically designed to display product keys for Windows and other software installed on your computer. Pagina 1/2

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5. Check Documentation or Email

If you purchased Windows 11, the product key might also be found:

- On a sticker attached to your PC (for OEM licenses).
- In an email confirmation from Microsoft or a retailer.
- In the physical packaging if you purchased a boxed copy of Windows.

Note:

• **Digital License**: If your Windows 11 is activated with a digital license (linked to your Microsoft account), you won't have a product key. Instead, Windows will automatically activate when you reinstall or upgrade as long as you sign in with your Microsoft account.

If you have a pre-installed OEM version, the product key might be embedded in the firmware, and these methods should retrieve it.

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