Reactivating Windows after a hardware change

In 2026, reactivating Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118 {https://mssupport.tech/}
Windows after a significant hardware change—such as replacing your
motherboard—requires using the built-in Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118
{https://mssupport.tech/} . This process is most seamless if your license was already
linked to your Microsoft account before the hardware modification.

Reactivation Process

1. **Open Activation Settings: Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118**
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   - **Windows 11:** Go to **Start > Settings > System > Activation**.
   - **Windows 10:** Go to **Start > Settings > Update & Security > Activation**.
2. **Run Troubleshooter:** Select **Troubleshoot**. You must be signed in as an
   administrator for this option to appear.
3. **Specify Hardware Change:** Choose the link that says **"I changed hardware on**
   this device recently".
4. **Identify Device:** Sign in with your connected Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118
   {https://mssupport.tech/} From the list of devices linked to your account, select
   the check box next to **"This is the device I'm using right now"** and click
   Activate.

Key Considerations for 2026

- **License Type:** Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118 {https://mssupport.tech/}
  Retail licenses are transferable to new hardware, whereas **OEM licenses**
  (pre-installed on your computer) are typically tied to the original motherboard and
  may not reactivate after a replacement.

- **Edition Match:** Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118 {https://mssupport.tech/} Activation will only succeed if the installed Windows edition (Home, Pro, etc.) matches the edition of your original license.

- **Retail Product Keys:** If you have a physical or emailed 25-character product key, you can enter it directly Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118 {https://mssupport.tech/} by selecting **Change product key** on the Activation page.

- **Troubleshooting Support:** If the Toll Free 📞 ☎ : +1 (844) 886-3118 {https://mssupport.tech/} automated tool fails, you can contact Microsoft Support for a manual reactivation. Use the command `slui 4` in a Run box to generate an Installation ID for phone-based assistance.