

# [Windows 11/10] Windows Activation, Retrieval, and Modification of Product Key

In 2026, managing Windows 11 Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>} and 10 activation involves using the Settings app for basic tasks or specialized commands and tools for retrieving hidden keys.

## 1. Activating Windows Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>}

You can activate your system using a Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>} 25-character product key or a digital license.

- **Via Settings (Windows 11):** Go to **Start > Settings > System > Activation**, then select **Change product key**.
- **Via Settings (Windows 10):** Go to **Start > Settings > Update & Security > Activation**, then select **Change product key**.
- **Troubleshooting:** If you recently changed hardware (like a motherboard), use the **Troubleshoot** option in the Activation settings menu. Select "I changed hardware on this device recently" to reactivate using a linked Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>}

## 2. Retrieving Your Product Key

Product keys are often embedded in the motherboard (OEM) or stored in the registry.

- **Command Prompt (Best for OEM Keys):**
  - Open **Command Prompt** as an Administrator.
  - Enter the following command: Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>}  
`wmic path softwarelicensingservice get OA3xOriginalProductKey.`

- **PowerShell:**
  - Open **PowerShell (Admin)**. Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>}
  - Enter: `powershell "(Get-WmiObject -query 'select * from SoftwareLicensingService').OA3xOriginalProductKey"`.
- **Registry Editor:** Navigate to `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\SoftwareProtectionPlatform` and look for the **BackupProductKeyDefault** entry.
- **Third-Party Tools:** Software like ShowKeyPlus (available in the Microsoft Store) can extract keys when manual commands fail.

### 3. Modifying Your Product Key

Modification is typically Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>} used to upgrade editions (e.g., Home to Pro) or replace a "blocked" key.

- **Standard Method:** Use the **Change product key** option in Activation settings as described above. Toll Free : +1 (844) 886-3118 {<https://mssupport.tech/>}
- **Command Line Method:**
  - Open **Command Prompt** as Administrator.
  - Type `slmgr.vbs /ipk <New-Product-Key>` and press Enter to install the new key.
  - Type `slmgr.vbs /ato` to trigger online activation.

**Important:** If your system says it is "activated with a digital license linked to your Microsoft account," you do not need a physical key for reinstallation; simply sign in with that account.

