

Prepare iMac 24 for final Backup, and deauthorisation...

Ensure iMac 24 is tidy, latest version of software and applications is installed, and backed up via Carbon Copy Clone to an external USB 3 hard disk [and label it].

Create a second Carbon Copy Clone backup as a precaution.

Allow Time Machine to complete and verify the latest state of all data, configurations, applications and OS X...

Then...

[Deauthorize your computer](#) in iTunes, and

Deselect Find My Mac, in iCloud,

[Sign out of iCloud](#): When you sign out of iCloud, you're asked whether you want to remove iCloud data from your Mac. Removing iCloud data in this way makes sure that the data isn't also removed from any of your other devices that are using the same iCloud account.

Sign out of iMessage,

You will not need to back up you iCloud Account [you only need to do that if you abandoning Apple; here is how, [Back up your iCloud content](#) should you ever wish to do so].

Turn off the Time Machine Application, and turn off iMac24 WiFi and shut down the iMac 24.

Setup iMac 27 (2014 Retina)...

Connect the Ethernet Cable, and Printer USB cable,

Startup the iMac 27, select country and language,

When prompted, Transfer information to this Mac, connect the Carbon Copy Clone external USB3 disk, and

Select From another Disk, and the Source,

Select Users, Applications, Settings, Other Files and Folders [select everything, the default], and when Calculating Size is complete, select Transfer... [took only 01:35 hr to complete the transfer]

Setup Assistant will only transfer Applications that do not already exist in the top level Applications folder on the new Mac [Applications that came with the new Mac will not be replaced].

After the iMac 27 restarts...

In iCloud preferences, select:

Keychain Access, before attempting to use any password protected Applications, or Web Sites.

Find My Mac.

[All other iCloud functionality previously set on the iMac 24 should already be selected]

Locate Microsoft Office 2011 installation discs, you will need the license key to open Applications

Make sure the Time Machine Application is turned Off on the iMac 27, it is by default.

Once assured that the iMac 24 backup is solid [see above], turn on Time Machine backup, the iMac 24 archives can be inherited, and Time Machine will create an initial incremental backup of iMac 27 Retina.

Refer: this guide, and key elements were distilled from

[Pond's Guide](#), the bible on this topic, [OS X Daily Guide](#) on creating a Bootable drive, and the attached dialogue from the AppleSeed forum,

References: Mac computer original build OS X, [HT1159](#) and Versions [HT1633](#), and from contributions from AppleSeed Forum members James Austin, Glenn Carter, and John Baltutis [thank you].

Prepare iMac 24 (Early 2009) for Sale...

Model: iMac 24 (Early 2009),

Original OS X: 10.5.6 [Leopard], DVD

Minimum OS X: 10.6.8 [Snow Leopard] to enable access to Apple Software Update [App Store].

A\$25.00, from [On Line Store](#)

Upgrade to OS X: 10.10 [Yosemite], refer [Upgrade to Yosemite](#), and [iMac 24 \[Prepare for Sale\].pages](#)

Option 01:

Create a Yosemite Boot Installer on a USB Drive, as detailed by [OS X Dailey...](#)

- a) Insert the USB Drive, then in Disk Utility, select the drive [not the volume], Erase and Format the USB drive as Mac OS Extended (Journaled), then select Erase, Confirm Erase.
- b) Select Partition, Partition Layout, and change it from Current to 1 Partition.
- c) Change the name to Untitled, from Untitled 1, then,
- d) Select Options, and choose GUID Partition Table as the partition scheme, OK.
- e) Select Apply, and the drive will be formatted.
- f) Ensure OS X Yosemite installer.app is in the ~/Applications folder, (refer [OS X Dailey](#))
- g) Open Terminal, and copy and paste this Command:

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sudo /Applications/Install\ OS\ X\ Yosemite.app/Contents/Resources/createinstallmedia --  
volume /Volumes/Untitled --applicationpath /Applications/Install\ OS\ X\ Yosemite.app --  
nointeraction
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Press enter, and Admin password when prompted...
- h) When Done, exit from terminal, and the USB Drive is ready.

Erase and install OS X Yosemite...

- i) Restart iMac 24, hold down Option key, and select the USB Drive. When the OS X Utilities screen appears, choose Disk Utility and erase the iMac 24 hard drive. Select Erase, Format type as Mac OS Extended (Journaled), name the drive Macintosh HD, and then select Erase. When done, quit Disk Utility to return to the Utilities Menu...
- j) Select Install OS X, select the freshly formatted Macintosh HD destination drive and OS X Yosemite will install a clean OS X version on that blank drive.
- k) After the iMac 24 restarts, at the Welcome screen, press [Command Q](#) to shut it down, leaving the new owner to configure. Shut down the iMac 24. It is ready to ship to the new Owner.

Option 02:

Secure a copy of OS X 10.6 [Snow Leopard] DVD,

Erase the hard drive [HT3910](#), and Install OS X 10.6.3, [Snow Leopard] from the DVD,

at the Welcome screen, press [Command Q](#) to shut it down, leaving the new owner to configure. Shut down the iMac 24. It is ready to ship to the new Owner.

New owner can then upgrade to OS X 10.6.8, and from there to OS X 10.10 [Yosemite],

Visit the Mac App Store ,download free, and follow the instruction to upgrade, or upgrade it at an Apple Retail Store.

Ship the iMac 24 with...

- a) the Yosemite USB Boot Installer,
- b) the retail copy of the Snow Leopard OS X 10.6.3 DVD.
- c) a copy of these instructions.

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HT1159: www.support.apple.com/kb/HT1159

HT1633: www.support.apple.com/kb/ht1633

Deauthorize your computer in iTunes: www.support.apple.com/kb/ht6283

Sign out of iCloud: www.support.apple.com/kb/PH14353

Pond's Guide: www.pondini.org/OSX/SetupLion.html

OS X Daily Guide: www.osxdaily.com/2014/10/16/make-os-x-yosemite-boot-install-drive/

Upgrade to Yosemite: www.apple.com/au/osx/how-to-upgrade/

Erase the hard drive HT3910: www.support.apple.com/kb/ht3910

As a precaution, back up your iCloud content: www.support.apple.com/kb/HT4910