

# Vertiv<sup>TM</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> ADX MP1000 Management Platform Technical Note

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#### 1. Overview

If you lose the firmware image file for the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> ADX MP1000 Management Platform appliance, recovery is possible. Recovery should only be considered if you have lost administrator access, the file system has become corrupted, or other similar technical issues have occurred. In the case of image failure, contact Vertiv Technical Support to obtain a copy of the firmware image and refer to the following procedures for recovery.

NOTE: The image file extension should be .hddimg.

#### 2. Creating a USB Bootable Disk Image

NOTE: Any references to USB bootable disks represent the various types of storage mediums designed for loading and booting an operating system (OS).

To create a USB bootable disk image:

- 1. Insert a USB bootable disk into your computer.
- 2. On your computer, open and run an open-source OS.

NOTE: These steps are based on balenaEtcher, but other open-source OSs can be used.

3. Drag and drop your copy of the firmware image file on the plus symbol.



4. Select Flash.





NOTE: After the image successfully installs, the image validation check may fail. It is recommended to skip the validation process.



5. Connect the USB bootable disk to the management platform appliance and begin the firmware file installation process.

### 2. Installing the Firmware File

To install the firmware:

 Connect a monitor, keyboard, and mouse to the VGA console port and the USB ports on the back of the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> ADX MP1000 Management Platform appliance.

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Connect a KVM appliance.

- 2. Reboot the management platform appliance.
- 3. Press F11 to access the Boot Manager.





4. On the Boot Manager Main Menu screen, select One-shot UEFI Boot Menu, then press Enter.

Boot Manager	Help   About   Exit
Boot Manager	
Boot Manager Main Menu	
Continue Normal Boot	
Launch System Setup Launch Lifecycle Controller	
System Utilities	
This selection will take you to the UEFI Boot Menu and select an one-shot boot option to boot from.	
ADX MP1000 Service Tau: 9XLJ673	Finish



5. Select the name of your USB bootable disk, then press Enter.

Boot Manager	Help   About   Exit
Boot Manager	
Boot Menu	
Select UEFI Boot Option	
Embedded SATA Port Optical Drive E: EFI DVD/CDROM 1	
PXE Device 1: Embedded NIC 1 Port 1 Partition 1	
Integrated RAID Controller 1: EFI Fixed Disk Boot Device 1	
Disk connected to frot USB 1: SanDisk 3.2Gen1	
UEFI Boot Option Maintenance	
Boot From File	
Add Boot Option	
Delete Boot Option	
Device Path : PciRoot(0x0)/Pci(0x14,0x0)/USB(0xA,0x0)	
ADX MP1000 Service Tag : 9XLJ673	Finish

6. Select Install to install the image on the USB bootable disk.

Use the A and V keys to change the selection. Press 'e' to edit the selected item, or 'c' for a command prompt.	boot install
Use the ▲ and ▼ keys to change the selection. Press 'e' to edit the selected item, or 'c' for a command prompt.	
Use the $\blacktriangle$ and $\lor$ keys to change the selection. Press 'e' to edit the selected item, or 'c' for a command prompt.	
	Use the $\blacktriangle$ and $\blacktriangledown$ keys to change the selection. Press 'e' to edit the selected item, or 'c' for a command prompt.

7. A message appears to confirm if you wish to install the image on this location. Enter y to confirm. The installation process can take several minutes.





8. After the installation finishes, remove the USB bootable disk and press Enter.



This screen appears for approximately five seconds before the system automatically reboots into Obsidian Linux.

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9. Once the reboot completes, enter the default password admin/admin.

3.17.8 Hint:	Num Lock on		
MP1000 login: Last login: 1 Using default	admin Sue Mar 28 15:41:24 permissions for ad	+0000 2023 on min	∕dev∕tty1.
Password>	admin /admin		
** You must c New password> Confirm passw	;hange your password ; word>	. **	
∗× Please log Password≻ _	f in again with new	password. **	



10. When prompted, change your password and confirm it.

NOTE: By default, DHCP is enabled and automatically assigns an IP address to the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> ADX MP1000 Management Platform. This IP address allows you to access the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> MP1000 Management Platform web UI (User Interface). You may also configure a static IP address via console.



NOTE: Before any other actions can take place, you must upload the required licenses for the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> ADX MP1000 Management Platform to the web UI.



#### 3. Licensing

After changing your password, you can log in to the Vertiv<sup>™</sup> Avocent<sup>®</sup> MP1000 Management Platform web UI to upload your required licenses. If you do not already have the management platform licenses, contact Vertiv Technical Support to obtain them.

The following keys are the required licenses:

- Master Key: For Appliances
- Add-ons: For Targets

To add a license:

- 1. Log in to the web UI as an administrator.
- 2. Using the side navigation menu, select Administration License.
- 3. Click Expand License.

Management	Administration		
Administration	License Status		
User Management			
Roles & Permissions	Expires 09/07/2023 20:00 (GMT- 4) Consumed 2	Licensed 1000	Expand License
Credential Profile	History 💠		
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Firmware Updates		Started: 09/07/2022 20:0 4)	00 (GMT-
System Settings	1000 Targets	Expires: 09/07/2023 20:0 4)	00 (GMT-
Scheduler			
License			

- 4. In the Number field, enter the appropriate License Key.
- 5. Click Add License.

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