



How to boot into Recovery Mode on the iPhone 7 Plus

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INTRODUCTION

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TOOLS:

- [Lightning to USB Charging Cable](#) (1)
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Step 1 — Press and Hold the Power and Volume Down Buttons



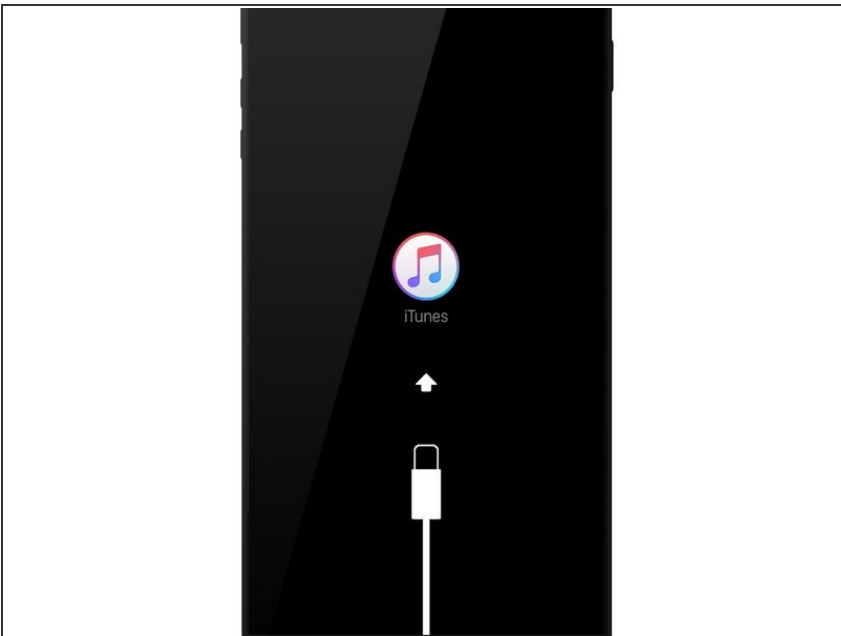
- ✦ Connect your iPhone 7 Plus to your Mac or PC with a Lightning to USB cable before you begin.
- ✦ Resetting your iPhone will NOT remove iCloud Lock. You will be required to enter your Apple ID and/or Password when you set your device up if you have iCloud Lock on.
- Press and hold the Volume Down and Sleep/Wake buttons on your device.
- Your screen should turn black, keep holding down the two buttons once it does.
- ⓘ The Recovery Mode Process is different than that of previous models of the iPhone due to the lack of a Physical Home Button.

Step 2 — Continue to Hold the Power and Volume Down Buttons



- After a few seconds the Apple Logo will appear, continue to hold down the Volume Down and Sleep/Wake Buttons until the screen turns black again.
- ⓘ If you let go of either button during this process the phone will boot into iOS and you will have to start again from Step 1.


Step 3 — Release the Buttons and Open iTunes





- After a few more seconds the Connect to iTunes screen will appear. Once it does, release the

Volume Down and Sleep/Wake Buttons to avoid Force Restarting the device by accident.

- On your Mac or PC, open up iTunes and you will be prompted with an error message stating that “There is a problem with the iPhone that requires it to be updated or restored.”

 If you are updating your iPhone with a IPSW file, hold **Shift** while clicking the **Update** button. You will be prompted to select your IPSW file from apple.

 This feature was removed from the Microsoft Store version of iTunes. You will need the version from Apple.com

 Note that restoring your iPhone will Permanently Delete all your data including Apps, Music, Pictures, Videos, and Contacts. Make sure you backup your device before restoring it.

Step 4 — Booting Back to iOS



i This Step is Optional if you decide not to Update or Restore your Device.

- To boot back into iOS, Press and Hold the Volume Down and Sleep/Wake Buttons until the screen turns black.
- Once you see the Apple Logo, release both buttons and your iPhone will boot into iOS.
- At this point you may Sync your iPhone with iTunes or disconnect the Lightning to USB cable and continue with your day.