

Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX

Read Before Installing

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This letter provides information about Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX that you should read before installing the product.

Operating System & Version: Tru64 UNIX Version 4.0D or higher

Software Version: Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX
Version 2.0B

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Dear Customer,

Thank you for buying Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX Version 2.0B. Diskless Driver is a Tru64 UNIX layered product, and is an extension of Dataless Management Services (DMS). DMS is required on the server system for installation and use of Diskless Driver.

In a dataless management environment, a server system maintains the `root`, `/usr`, and `/var` file systems for all client systems. The server maintains one copy of `root` for each client. The `/usr` file system is exported read only and is shared by all clients registered to the environment. Client systems have their own `/var` file system. All paging is done on the client's local disk.

When used with DMS, Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX eliminates the need for a local disk. A single-board computer (SBC) or workstation can run Tru64 UNIX without a disk by booting over the network and paging to a server system using the Network File System (NFS).

For operating system prerequisites, refer to the Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX Software Product Description (SPD 56.37.xx). A minimum of 48 MB of memory is required; Compaq recommends a minimum of 64 MB of memory. Diskless Driver also requires that the following Tru64 UNIX software subsets be loaded on the system on which you install Diskless Driver:

- OSFBASE—the “Base System” subset
- OSFCLINET—Basic Networking Services
- OSFNFS—NFS Utilities

To install the Diskless Driver for Tru64 UNIX reference pages, the OSFDCMT subset, Doc Tools for Manpages, must be installed on the system on which you install Diskless Driver.

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