

# Bypassing Windows Passwords with Hiren Boot CD

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**Hiren Boot CD is an alternative utility for Konboot to bypass windows passwords which is totally free. The ISO is based on on Windows 10 PE x64 and contains many tools to repair Windows problems**



## Attacks

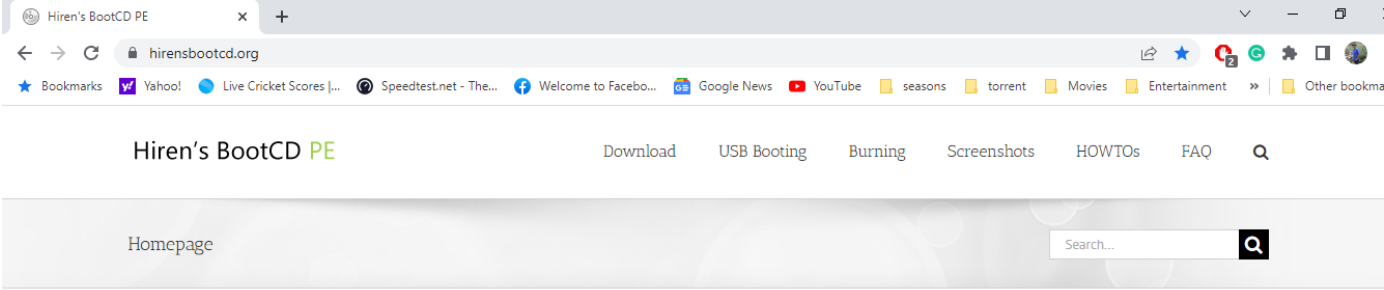
### Scenario

- You have physical access to a system which is **password locked**. The tool can be used to quickly bypass the password

# Step- 1

❖ Download the tool from the official Website

<https://www.hirensbootcd.org/>



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.hirensbootcd.org/>. The page title is "Hiren's BootCD PE". The navigation menu includes "Download", "USB Booting", "Burning", "Screenshots", "HOWTOs", and "FAQ". The main content area features a "Homepage" heading and a search bar. Below the search bar, there is a paragraph of text describing the tool: "Hiren's BootCD PE (Preinstallation Environment) is a restored edition of Hiren's BootCD based on Windows 10 PE x64. Since there are no official updates after November 2012, PE version is being developed by Hiren's BootCD fans. It contains the fewest but best free tools. It is being developed for the new age computers, it supports UEFI booting and requires a minimum of 2 GB RAM." This is followed by another paragraph: "With the useful tools inside of the CD, you can fix many problems related to your computer. It does not contain any pirated software, it contains only free and legal software." A third paragraph states: "After boot, PE version tries to install drivers like graphics, sound, wireless and ethernet card for your hardware. So that you can connect to a WIFI or Ethernet network. Please Contact Us with your hardware model if your WIFI or Ethernet card is not recognized by the PE version. We will try to add the required drivers in the new releases." The final paragraph reads: "The official releases still exists on our Old Versions page. Please check About page for more info."

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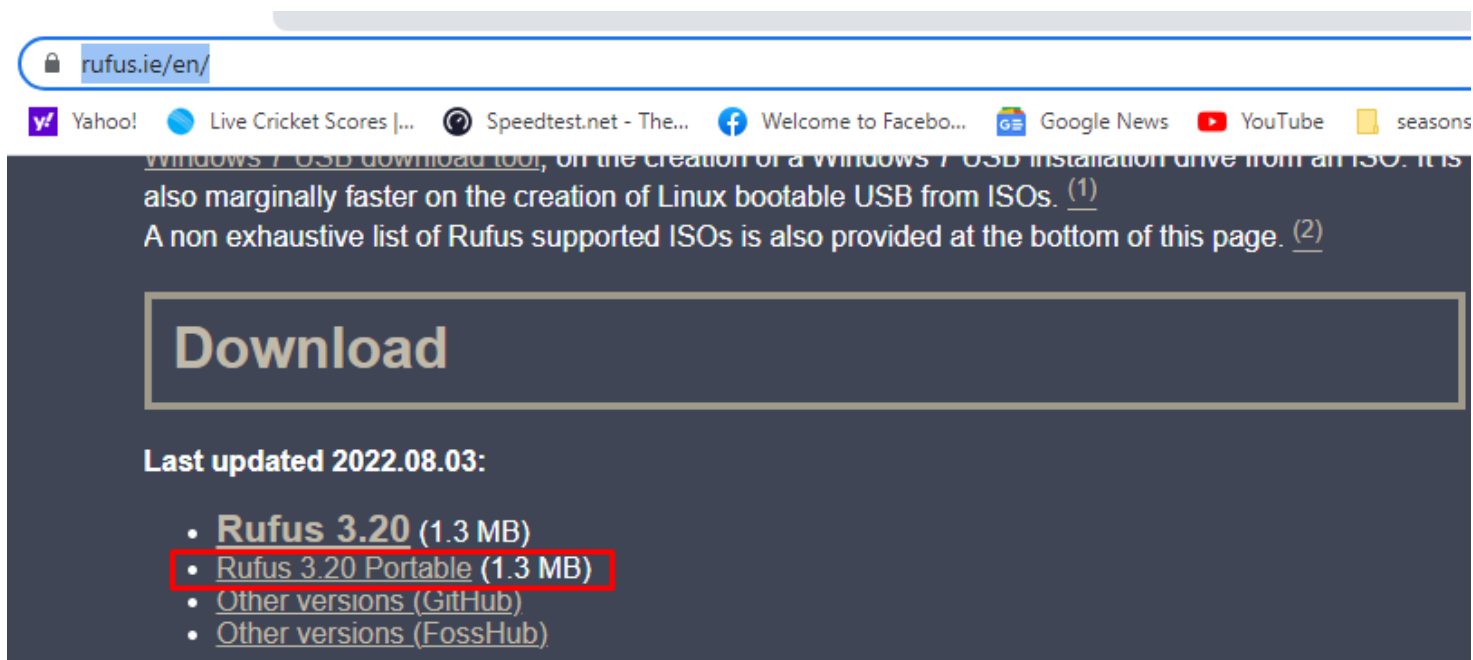
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## Step- 2

- ❖ Download Rufus to make bootable USB(choose the portable version)

<https://rufus.ie/en/>



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar containing 'rufus.ie/en/'. The page content includes a 'Download' button, a 'Last updated 2022.08.03:' notice, and a list of download options. The 'Rufus 3.20 Portable (1.3 MB)' option is highlighted with a red box.

windows 7 USB download tool, on the creation of a windows 7 USB installation drive from an ISO. It is also marginally faster on the creation of Linux bootable USB from ISOs. <sup>(1)</sup>  
A non exhaustive list of Rufus supported ISOs is also provided at the bottom of this page. <sup>(2)</sup>

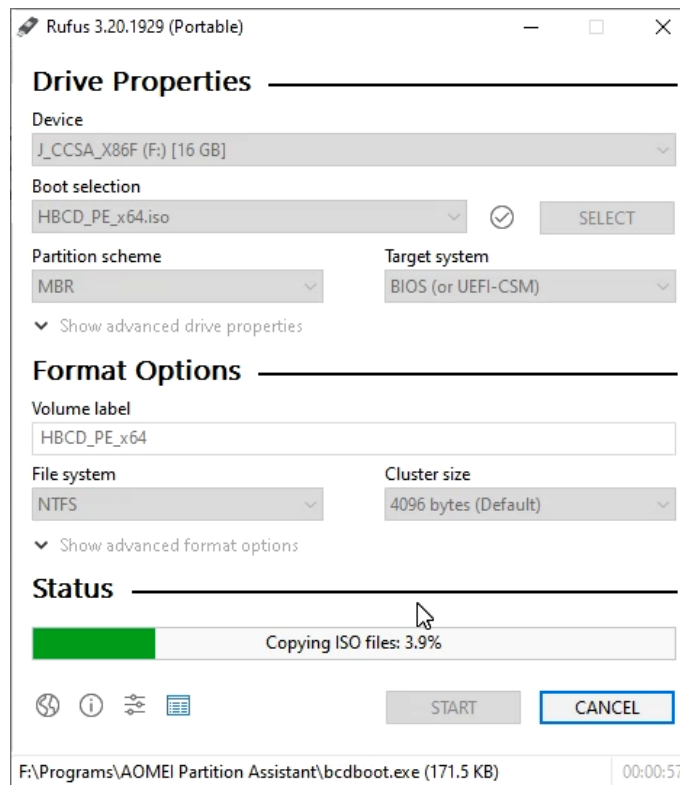
**Download**

Last updated 2022.08.03:

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- [Other versions \(GitHub\)](#)
- [Other versions \(FossHub\)](#)

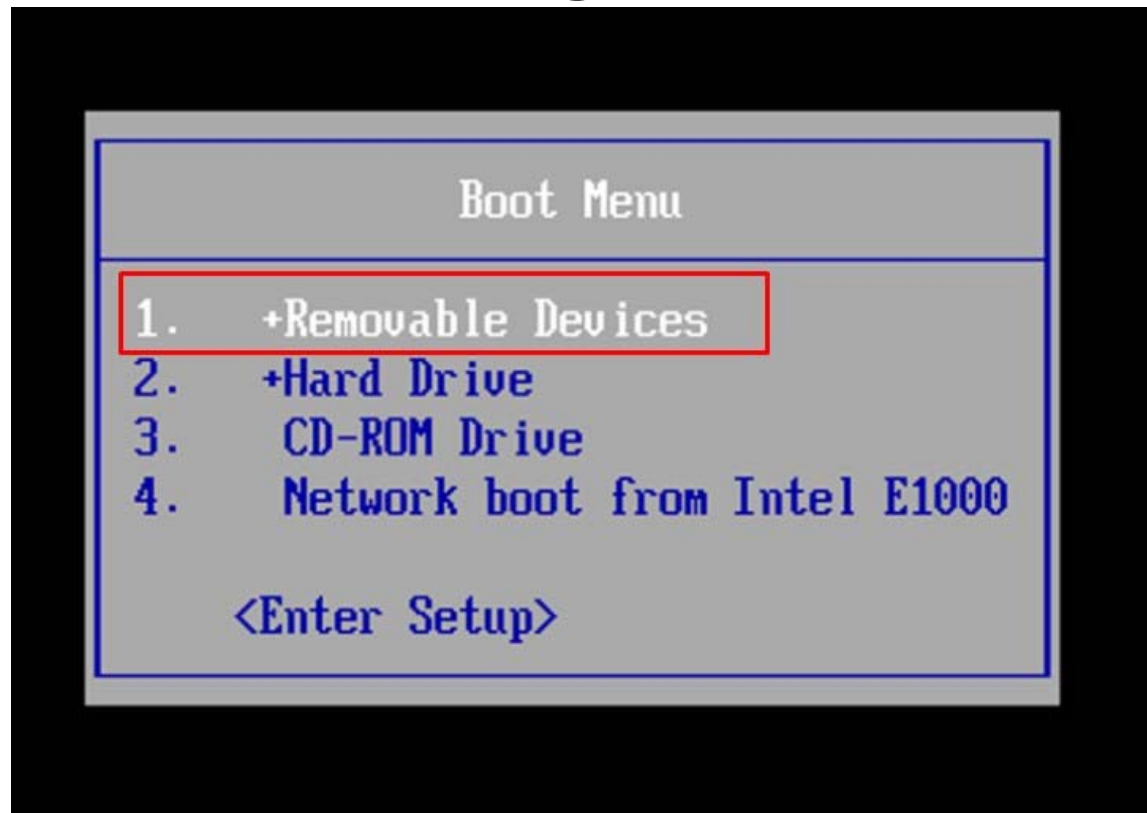
# Step- 3

- ❖ Run Rufus, Select your Hiren Boot ISO and USB drive and make it bootable



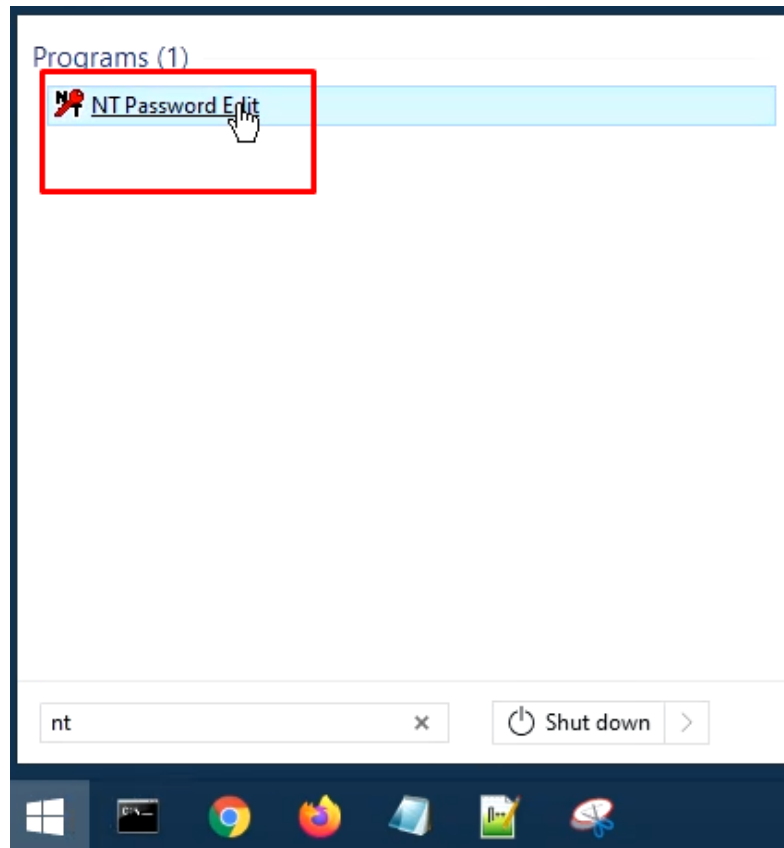
## Step- 4

- ❖ Plug in your USB, Reboot into USB. You may need to disable secure boot from BIOS settings



## Step- 5

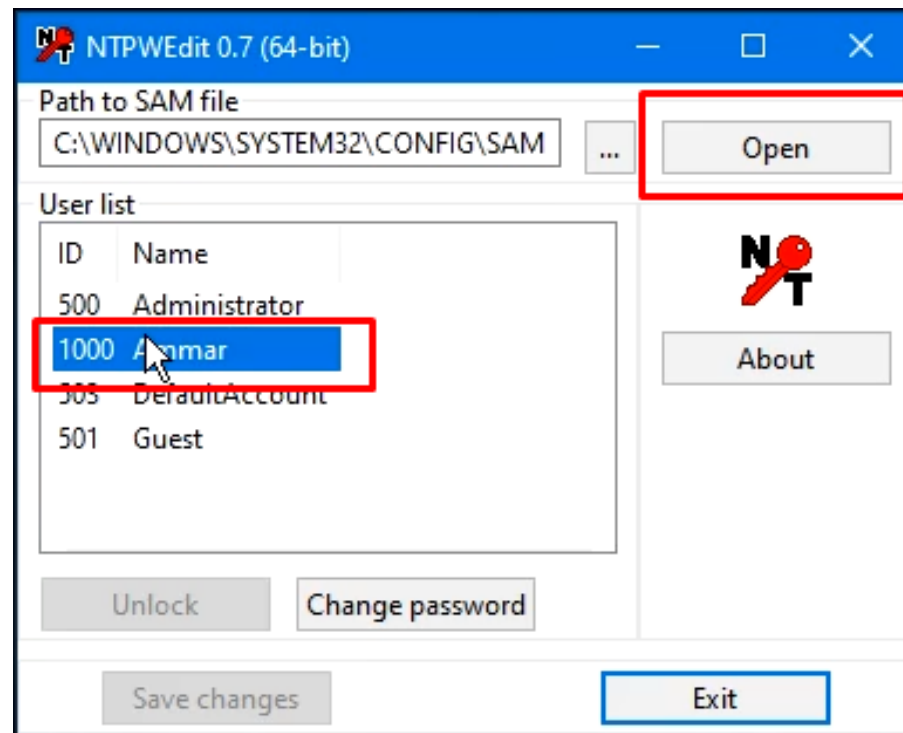
- ❖ Once Hiren Boots search for NT Password edit utility and open it





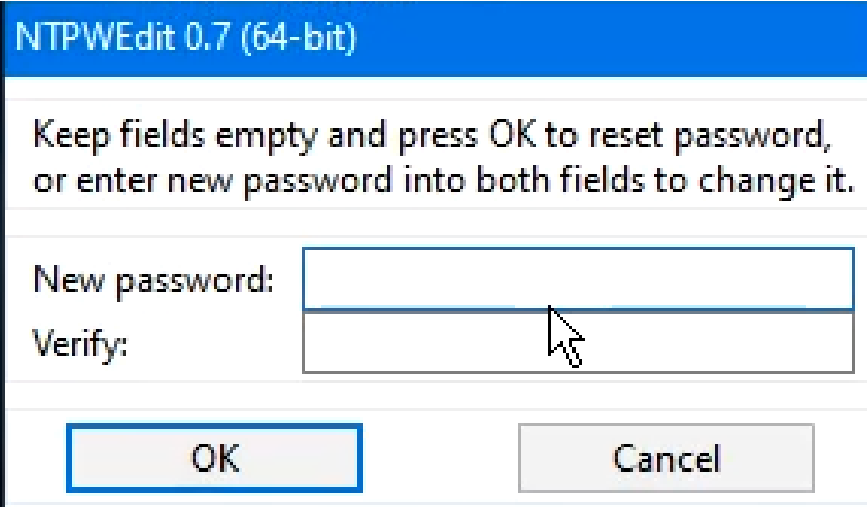
## Step- 6

- ❖ Choose the option to open SAM file and then choose the username for which you want to clear the password for



## Step- 7

- ❖ Choose to change the password and once prompted for a new password enter blank password



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "NTPWEdit 0.7 (64-bit)". The text inside the dialog box reads: "Keep fields empty and press OK to reset password, or enter new password into both fields to change it." Below this text are two input fields. The first field is labeled "New password:" and the second field is labeled "Verify:". Both fields are currently empty. A mouse cursor is positioned over the "Verify:" field. At the bottom of the dialog box, there are two buttons: "OK" and "Cancel".

- ❖ Now reboot the system, You will be logon without any password



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