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# Install media don't boot in UEFI mode on certain motherboards

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## Problem

Fedora 37, 38 and 39 install media don't boot on certain motherboards. You might see an error similar to the following (or none at all):

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Invalid image
Failed to read header: Unsupported
Failed to load image: Unsupported
start_image() returned Unsupported
```

## Cause

A problem was identified and fixed in *shim*, an initial UEFI bootloader. Unfortunately, due to a difficult certification process for this component, the fix isn't present on specified install media.

## Related Issues

Bugzilla report: [https://bugzilla.redhat.com/show\\_bug.cgi?id=2113005](https://bugzilla.redhat.com/show_bug.cgi?id=2113005)

## Workarounds

If you're affected, several workarounds exist:

- **Option A)** Install Fedora 36 and upgrade.
- **Option B)** Switch your motherboard to BIOS mode instead of UEFI and install an affected Fedora release this way.
- **Option C)** If you really insist on booting an affected Fedora release install media in UEFI mode and you're a *power user*, then you can do the following:
  1. Burn the affected Fedora release live media to a USB flash drive

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and partition from the flash drive, which is the [ESP](#) (10 MB size, FAT

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- Remove `EFI/BOOT/BOOTX64.EFI` from that partition. Also remove `EFI/BOOT/BOOTIA32.EFI` and `EFI/BOOT/grubia32.efi`, in order to make more space available (these files shouldn't be needed).

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- Download [shim-x64-15.4-5.x86\\_64](#), extract it, and find `boot/efi/EFI/BOOT/BOOTX64.EFI` in it.
- Copy the `BOOTX64.EFI` from the extracted RPM into the original location `EFI/BOOT/` on the mounted ESP.
- The flash drive should now boot in UEFI mode on your system. Skip the media verification process during boot, it's expected to fail (you've modified the install image).

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