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## Format a USB stick for Linux

This topic describes how to format a USB stick for Linux. This is necessary for a later update via boot menu or a factory reset.

## **Requirements:**

- An empty USB stick
- A software version .imgz file (download the latest software version at <u>www.malighting.com</u>)
- MA stickMAker (download the MA stickMAker at <u>www.malighting.com</u> under Utilities)

To format a USB stick for a later grandMA2 update:

- Install the MA stickMAker by double click at the StickMaker-x.x.x.exe. You will be guided through the installation process.
- 2. Insert an empty USB stick in your computer.
- 3. Open the MA stickMAker by a right mouse click, and then click at **Run as administrator**. The **MA stickMAker** opens.

🐝 StickMAker 1.0.0.7		_	- 🗆	×
Choose target disk			•	Update
O Write Image to Disk	Please enter or select console usb install file name			
Delete all data ! (prepare for windows)				
Size of image to copy: -	Bytes written to disk: -			
		Start		Cancel

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4. Select the USB drive in the green target field, then click at the three dots and select the gMA2Console\_v\*.imgz file. Click Start.

The stick will be formatted to a Linux stick and the image will be written to the stick. This process takes about three minutes. When the copy operation is succeeded, a pop-up opens.

- 5. Click Ok.
- 6. Remove the USB stick from the computer.

The USB stick is formatted into a Linux USB stick and ready for a grandMA2 update or a factory reset.