



Cannot resize Imported Boot Camp virtual disk

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Symptoms

- I am not able to change virtual disk size (shrink/expand) of the imported from Boot Camp virtual machine.
- I have a hard disk with GPT partition style.

Note: in order to find out whether your disk has GPT or MBR partition table, please right-click on Windows start menu and select **Disk Management**. Right-click on disk and select **Properties > Volumes >** check the **Partition style** tab: entry will show as either **Master Boot Record (MBR)** or **GUID Partition Table (GPT)**.

Cause

Virtual machine size is equivalent to the size of the whole Mac disk that contains both Boot Camp and Mac partitions:

However, the space that is not used by Boot Camp partition is given to Mac partition. Windows recognizes this partition as RAW partition:

Note: in imported Boot Camp virtual machine this partition contains no real data.

Resolution

1. Make a backup copy of the virtual machine (see [this article](#)).
2. In Windows **Disk Management** remove all the partitions of the Disk 0 except **BOOTCAMP C:** :
3. Right-click the partition > **Delete Volume...** The result should be like this:
4. Reboot virtual machine and check that it boots fine. After that shut down virtual machine and try to resize it again.
5. If everything is ok, you may delete the backup copy, but Parallels recommends you to always have a backup of your virtual machine to be on the safe side.