How to Uninstall Programs while in Windows Safe mode

By default, the Windows Installer service does not start while in Safe Mode. This service allows you to not only install, but to uninstall software. It also does not allow you to start the service in Safe Mode. Here is how to create and start the service in Safe Mode.

- 1. Open a Command Prompt as Administrator.
- 2. Type REG ADD "HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\SafeBoot\Minimal\MSIServer" /VE /T REG_SZ /F /D "Service" and press enter.
- 2a. If you are in Safe Mode with Networking, you would type REG ADD "HKLM\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\Control\SafeBoot\Network\MSIServer" /VE /T REG_SZ /F /D "Service" and press enter.
- 3. Type net start msiserver and press enter.

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