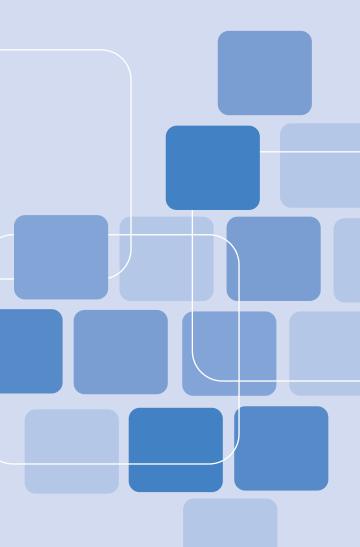


# Warranty Quick Reference Guide for Approved Servicers



## **Telephone directory**

Education	
Education Information	800 937-3737
Enrollment for Lecture/Lab	800 426-TEACh
xSeries server service and support education	800 426-7299
Electronic Support	
Eclaim Support Center (support@Eclaim.com)	949 450-9150
Support Center	
Technical Support (Approved Servicers)	800 426-7763
Technical Support (End Users)	800 426-7378
Marketing Support	
PartnerWorld	800 426-PCPC
Orders and Returns	800 426-9735
Miscellaneous (Lenovo/IBM)	
General Information	800 426-4YOU
Lenovo/IBM Service (On-site service calls)	800 426-SERV
International Warranty Service	800 IWS-7426
Parts	
National Parts Center (NPC) Parts Ordering Center/Retail Pricing	800 388-7080
Printer Systems	
Support Center	800 358-6661
Technical Support	888 426-5525
Publications Ordering	
Publications	800 879-2755
Service Management Support Center (SMSC)	
SMSC (Warranty and Service Issues-Lenovo) (smsc@us.lenovo.com) xSeries (Warranty and Service Issues-IBM)	800 426-3391 800 426-7299
Service Offerings	
ServicePac Registration	888 956-7227
Business Partner Maintenance Offerings (M/A, ESSA, MSM)	800 624-6875
End User Purchase of Service Offerings/ Maintenance Contracts	888 426-4343
Warranty Claim Center (WCC)	
Existing Claim Inquiry	800 388-7080
WCC Fax	800 426-1966

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#### Internet support Web sites

Description	Address
Lenovo Home Page	lenovo.com
Options by IBM	www.pc.ibm.com/us/ options
Lenovo e-Support (Parts lookup, HMM, hints and tips)	www.lenovo.com/ support
Lenovo SPM (Lenovo Service and Support Profile Management — Service Support Guide, ECA and servicer tips, technician profiles, Warranty lookup, etc.)	lenovo.com/spm
IBM Maintenance Parts (Parts purchasing)	ibm.com/shop/us/ maintenanceparts
ISOURCE (Announcement letters and special promotions)	ibm.com/isource
Lenovo Training Solutions (Education and training)	www.lenovo/training
IBM @server xSeries system service and support education	www-03.ibm.com/ servers/eserver/ education/cust/xseries/ custxseries.html
IBM ServicePac Registration	ibm.com/services/servicepac /ControllerServlet.wss
Eclaim (Warranty parts ordering technical support)	wca.eclaim.com
PartnerWorld <sup>®</sup> (Reseller site)	www.ibm.com/ partnerworld

#### Disclaimer

This Quick Reference Guide is not intended to be a comprehensive guide for Lenovo Approved Servicers and may not include the most current information. For more information about servicing Lenovo products, please visit the Service Support Guide at lenovo.com/spm or

contact the Service Management Support Center at 800 426-3391, e-mail at smsc@us.lenovo.com subject: warranty service issue.

# Lenovo warranty support structure Service Management Support Center (SMSC)

- Warranty service policies and procedures
- Assistance with service issues

## Warranty Claim Center (WCC)

- Additional warranty claim information
- Warranty part(s) escalation

## National Parts Center (NPC)

• Parts sales at discounted prices for Approved Servicers

## Support Center

• Technical assistance for hardware and software

## Lenovo Training Solutions

 Desktop, ThinkCentre<sup>™</sup> desktop and ThinkPad<sup>®</sup> notebook education and training certification assistance for warranty service

## Server Education Support

 IBM @server<sup>®</sup> xSeries<sup>®</sup> and IBM @server BladeCenter<sup>™</sup> systems education and training certification assistance for warranty service



#### Service Management Support Center (SMSC)

Lenovo Approved Servicers have an e-mail address (smsc@us.lenovo.com) and a toll-free number (800 426-3391) to assist with questions about service programs, policies and practices. The Service Management Support Center is available to all Lenovo Approved Servicers for assistance and resolution of warranty service issues. The SMSC provides immediate assistance in a wide range of areas, including:

- Warranty operations management
- Information about Lenovo policy and business practices
- Warranty/post-warranty issues (claim rejections, part rejections)
- Exception activity for warranted issues
- Information about warranty service training requirements
- Warranty startup
- Information about Eclaim.com

# FYI

SMSC is available 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST), Monday through Friday at 800 426-3391 or at smsc@us.lenovo.com, subject: warranty service issue.

## Warranty Claim Center

Warranty claim processing and support are provided by the Warranty Claim Center. The Warranty Claim Center is available 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday (MT) at 800 388-7080 for questions and assistance regarding:

- Warranty claim status and information
- Part tracking information
- Claim escalations
- Emergency warranty parts program
- Return shipping labels

## National Parts Center

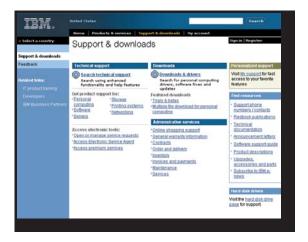
Approved Servicers may order service/ exchange parts at a discounted price from the National Parts Center (NPC). Parts purchased through the NPC may be new or serviceable-used parts and have a three-month limited warranty. The NPC is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 800 388-7080. Approved Servicers may also purchase service/exchange parts online at ibm.com/shop/us/maintenanceparts. Orders placed for customer pick-up at a Designated Part Sales Location (DPSL) should still be phoned into the National Parts Center at 800 388-7080. For information about ordering parts online, please visit the Service Support Guide at lenovo.com/spm.

#### Support Center

Technical assistance for hardware and software support is available for products supported by Lenovo/IBM Approved Servicers. Hours of operation for the Support Center are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday (EST). For assistance call 800 426-7763. Please have your authorization and pin number, machine type/model, serial number and a detailed problem description when calling for the following services:

- Problem determination and diagnostic assistance
- Solutions to hardware/software failures
- Assistance performing required engineering changes (ECAs)

Technical assistance is also available via the Web. Please visit www.lenovo.com/support.



# Desktop, ThinkCentre desktop and ThinkPad notebook training overview

Lenovo Training Solutions offers service training certification for Desktop, ThinkCentre and ThinkPad systems. To maintain warranty service status and receive reimbursements, required training must be completed. All technicians who service Lenovo equipment must be A+ certified prior to working on Lenovo systems. In addition, all administrators and technicians are required to successfully complete warranty basics RXW01 and RXW02 respectively. A complete list of required courses can be found by visiting the Lenovo Training Solutions site at: www.lenovo.com/training.

For additional assistance with Lenovo training and certifications please visit www.lenovo.com/ training.



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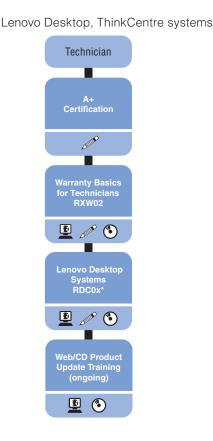


Internet testing



Lenovo certified technician

#### Service training roadmaps



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Internet testing

Instructor-led training

**CD-ROM** training

Required for warranty authorization

Required for service on high-end servers

## Service training roadmaps (cont.)



#### Lenovo ThinkPad notebooks



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#### Service training roadmaps (cont.)



## IBM @server xSeries product line



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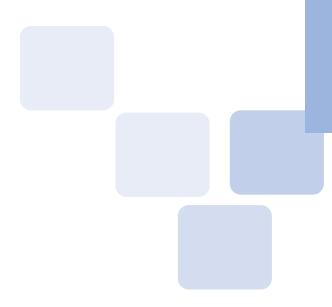
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## Server training overview

IBM Approved Servicers who maintain xSeries and BladeCenter servers can now take a course(s) under the heading XRM0x\*. The current course (XW2001) replaces XRM01. Students will learn:

- xSeries servers and BladeCenter products
- Core server technologies
- How to approach servicing xSeries servers and BladeCenter products
- Diagnostic and problem determination procedures

To obtain instructions on how to sign up and test on xSeries and BladeCenter servers, please visit the Server education Web site at www-03.ibm.com/servers/eserver/education/ cust/xseries/custxseries.html.



#### Lenovo warranty policies

Lenovo Business Partners and select customers may be approved to provide warranty service for Lenovo computers. For those locations that become approved for warranty service and complete the necessary training, Lenovo will provide replacement parts and labor reimbursements when applicable. To become a Lenovo Approved Servicer, the location must first purchase a warranty start-up kit and agree to:

- Validate that each end user is entitled to Lenovo warranty service
- Maintain Lenovo warranty service approval status and capability
- Ensure service is performed by personnel trained to Lenovo standards, consistent with our service terms
- Not assign, delegate or subcontract Lenovo warranty service responsibility unless approved by Lenovo in writing
- Submit valid warranty reimbursement claims
- Retain records for three years, by location, of each warranty claim submitted or utilize Eclaim.com failure description
- Maintain adequate tools, test equipment and access to current technical information to provide warranty service
- Use Lenovo parts when performing warranty service repairs unless otherwise agreed to by Lenovo in writing
- Comply with all terms of the Lenovo agreement

## Warranty entitlement and eligibility

Approved Servicers must verify warranty entitlement and eligibility prior to submitting a claim. Entitlement information, available through Eclaim.com, is derived from Lenovo ship dates, an approximation of shelf life and the appropriate warranty time period. If the customer's proof of purchase indicates a warranty expiration date different than Lenovo records indicate, the valid proof of purchase documentation is the final authority, and will need to be submitted with the warranty claim.

Valid warranty claims include replacing defective parts, reseating loose connectors and non-customer level adjustments. Labor-only claims must include an explanation of the warranted service performed.

Items **not eligible** for warranty placed or reimbursement include, but are not limited to:

- Physical damage as a result of abuse
- Normal wear and tear from usage
- BIOS updates, software diagnostics, operating system(s), applications
- Repairs associated with non-Lenovo options, adapters, and memory
- Installation, configuration, and setup
- Telephone support and customer training or consulting

Note: ThinkPad notebook batteries have a one-year limited warranty.

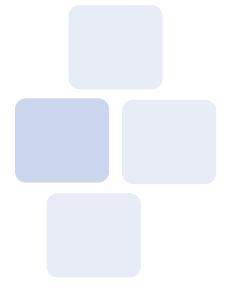
## Claim reviews

Lenovo reviews warranty claims to determine whether they are properly completed and meet claim requirements.

## Lenovo Agreement Compliance Team

A database analysis is performed for:

- Claims submitted with multiple parts for the same repair situation
- More than one claim submitted for the same repair situation
- Excessive claims for the same machine type and serial number
- Improper use of Warranty Transaction Codes
- Commodity entitlement Lenovo records serial numbers for all major components installed in systems at time of manufacture and audits for mismatches in filed warranty claims

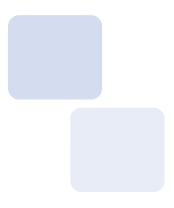


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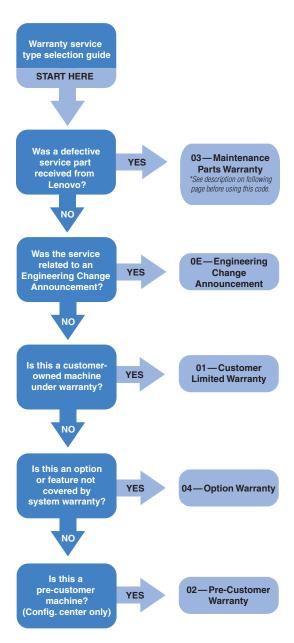
The Lenovo electronic warranty claim system, Eclaim, maintains warranty claim information for a minimum of three years. If a claim is properly documented in Eclaim, Lenovo does not require additional record retention. Warranty claims submitted through Eclaim must include:

- Date the warranty service was performed
- Name and address of the end-user (including company name)
- List of the warranted part(s) replaced
- Machine type/model and serial number of the repaired product
- Technician name who performed the work
- A problem description and if appropriate, comments (this description must support the claim including any parts used)

If a claim is not properly documented in Eclaim, a copy of the warranty claim and supporting documentation must be maintained at the submitting Lenovo Approved Servicer location for a period of three years from the warranty claim submission date. This documentation must be made available to Lenovo upon request.



#### Warranty service codes



**01 Customer Limited Warranty** is used to report defects during the product warranty on customer-owned products. This service type covers most warranty situations.

**02 Pre-Customer Limited Warranty** should be used by configuration centers for systems repaired prior to sale to an end user. Once the product has been delivered and ownership has passed to the customer, service type "01 Customer Limited Warranty" must be used.

**03 Maintenance Parts Warranty** is to report defective service parts received from Lenovo. It should be used only under one of the following conditions:

 To replace defective service parts purchased from Lenovo or an approved Lenovo Business Partner for post-warranty service. Service parts carry a 90-day warranty. Proof of purchase is required. Labor reimbursement does not apply.

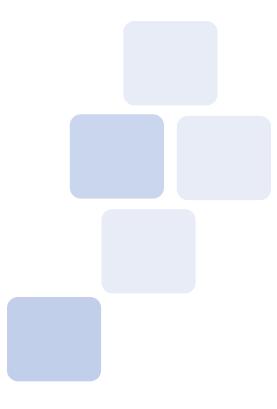
 Replacement of a warranty part that was received defective on arrival (DOA) from Lenovo.
You must submit a service type 03 claim within 10 days of the original warranty claim with machine type and serial number from the original claim to be eligible for labor reimbursement.

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**04 Option Warranty** should be used to submit warranty claims for Lenovo options and adapters not covered by the host system warranty. Machine type OBIWxxx must be selected in Eclaim, where xxx indicates the option warranty period, 100 (1YR), 200 (2YR), 300 (3YR), 500 (5YR) or 999 (Lifetime). Proof of purchase is always required, except on lifetime warranty products.

**OE Engineering Change Announcements** should

only be used for special warranty programs pertaining to ECAs. ECA information can be found on the Lenovo SPM site at: lenovo.com/spm.



## Warranty labor and travel reimbursements

Warranty labor reimbursement rates vary by product. These rates are available on the Eclaim Web site by selecting the "Machine Info" option. In addition, some products with warranty terms that include on-site service are eligible for technician travel if travel is required.

When submitting warranty claims, Eclaim should be coded as "C" for carry-in service (includes depot repair) or "O" for on-site service at a customer location. When submitting multiple claims for a single on-site service call with a technician at the same customer location (where the technician only traveled once), only one claim should be coded with an "O" for on-site service. The remainder of the claims should be coded with a "C" for carry-in service.

Multiple repairs within 30 days are considered a single incident and only one labor reimbursement will be paid. However, if a warranty part is received defective from Lenovo, both the original claim and replacement claim will be paid. The second claim must be submitted within 10 days as Service Type 03 (Parts Warranty).

## Customer Replaceable Units (CRU)

Product serviceability enhancements have led to increased use of Customer Replaceable Units (CRUs). These enhancements include onboard diagnostics, self-healing tools such as Config Safe, Rapid Restore and easy-to-replace, more accessible parts. All these improvements have resulted in products that are easier to diagnose and repair if a problem does occur.

Approved Servicers have direct access to CRUs via the normal warranty claims processes. For more details please visit our Service Support Guide at: lenovo.com/spm.

## Warranty claim highlights

- Lenovo pays for shipping (inbound/outbound) for warranted replacement parts
- Same day shipment of available parts for claims submitted by 4p.m. local time
- Warranty claims must be submitted within 15 days of the service date
- Defective parts must be received within 30 days of Lenovo's shipment of replacement parts
- Eclaim is provided at no charge to Lenovo Approved Servicers



# Eclaim

Eclaim simplifies the processing of warranty related activities between Lenovo and Lenovo Approved Servicers. With Eclaim, you can accurately process, submit and track warranty claim activities for faster claim submission and processing, resulting in less errors and a lower cost of doing business. Lenovo Eclaim.com services include:

- Electronic warranty claim submissions
- Warranty parts ordering
- Centralized claim processing
- Claim payment and labor reimbursement status and reports
- Machine and part information lookup
- Quarterly and monthly performance scorecards
- Verification of trained technicians
- Reports: multiple claim, usage and activity, warranty claim, monthly reimbursement

Eclaim provides key entry audits, entitlement lookup and initiates warranted parts orders and labor reimbursement through an Internet connection. For more information about Eclaim, please visit wca.eclaim.com. Please have your Eclaim serial number and user ID and password for access.

#### Defective warranty part return

Lenovo provides preprinted shipping labels at no charge for the return of defective warranty parts. The majority of warranty parts shipped from Lenovo will have a preprinted return shipping label inside the box. For shipments not accompanied by a return label, it is important to maintain a supply of labels. Contact the Warranty Claims Center at 800 388-7080 to order return shipping labels. To ensure tracking and receipt of the defective part, it is important to use the supplied labels and keep the tracking number for your records.

## When returning parts to Lenovo

Send parts showing a "Return" status within Eclaim to the Lenovo Warranty Claim Center.

- Defective parts must be returned within 30 days of the shipment from Lenovo.
- Ship the part with a copy of the Parts Return Tag from Eclaim.com and/or clearly print the warranty claim number on the shipping label.
- Attach a copy of the proof of purchase if the machine needing repair was not entitled using the Lenovo database.
- Apply the bar code label and Lenovo account number to each package shipped.
- Call the carrier for package pick-up when part is ready for shipping.
- Return one part per box. For tracking purposes, please do not return multiple parts in a single box.
- Print the claim number on the shipping label and/or include a copy of the return tag/claim form with each part.
- If the defective part is late or not returned, Lenovo will charge a fee for transportation and handling in addition to the current servicer price.

## ThinkPad notebooks sent to EasyServ

Lenovo EasyServ repair is an option available for ThinkPad notebooks. Approved Servicers may elect to send the system to the EasyServ repair depot on the customer's behalf. To initiate EasyServ service:

- Contact the Lenovo Support Center at 800 426-7378.
- After problem determination, you will be assigned a case number and a shipping box will be delivered the following business day if the EasyServ request is made by 9 p.m. (EST).
- Fill out the enclosed inventory sheet and follow the instructions for pick up.
- The normal repair cycle is 48 hours plus one day each way for shipping.
- Submit a labor-only claim via Eclaim, use "service performed 5" and enter the Lenovo case number in the "case number" field.

## Shipping adjustments (Handships)

Lenovo has a process in place to correct shipping errors caused by Lenovo or Lenovo selected carriers. In the event a Lenovo Approved Servicer or customer receives a replacement part that differs from the part ordered (with the exception of substitute parts), the Warranty Claim Center (WCC) will perform a handship to correct the error and reorder the correct replacement part. Call the Warranty Claim Center for assistance at 800 388-7080.



#### Emergency warranty parts program

Warranty parts orders for critical customer situations requiring Same Day availability may be placed for local pickup or courier delivery. Lenovo stocks parts at over 100 Parts Network Locations across the United States and Puerto Rico that can provide two-hour parts availability for most critical parts. **Emergency Warranty Parts Orders MUST be placed by calling the Warranty Claim Center at** 

# 800 388-7080. (Do not place the order via Eclaim).

The claim center will identify the nearest Network Location, hours of operation and confirm parts availability for local pickup within one hour. Allow one additional hour for order processing (two-hour total). Charges for use of same-day warranty parts support vary by the service required. Current services and fees are:

- Local pick-up: For use by Approved Servicers when parts pick-up is preferred. Cost for this service is \$12 per line item.
- Courier delivery: When the pick-up option is not feasible, delivery can be made to any location provided by the Approved Servicer within a 50-mile radius of the Network Location. Cost for this service is \$60 per line item.

We value your opinion. Send your feedback about this guide to smsc@us.lenovo.com, subject: quick reference guide feedback.

# Lenovo Service and Support Profile Management (SPM) Web site

The Lenovo Service and Support Profile Management (Lenovo SPM) site offers Business Partners and Approved Servicers access to Lenovo technical information, Service Support Guide, ECAs, hints and tips, and links to other Lenovo technical sites.

Approved Servicers can access information about their locations such as training records, and contact and company profile information.

To access the SPM please visit lenovo.com/spm.

