

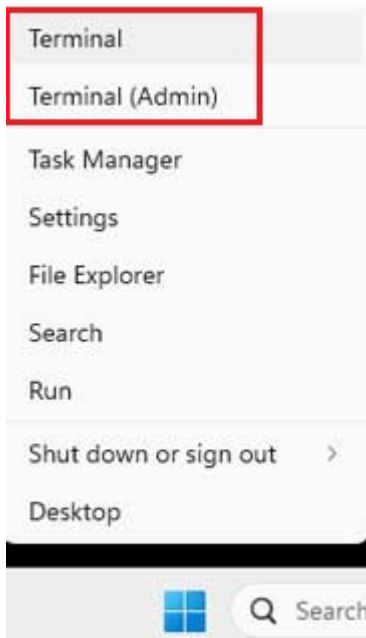
How to Refresh Windows Computer Policies

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Periodically as part of troubleshooting an issue, IT may ask you to refresh the group policies on your Windows computer. This article describes how to do that.

Windows 11

Right click on the **Start Menu Button** and another menu appears. Click on either **Terminal** or **Terminal (Admin)** to open the CMD window.



Step 2) Run gpupdate /force



Within the Command Line window, type **gpupdate /force** and then press **Enter** on your keyboard. The line "Updating Policy..." should appear in the Command Line window below where you just typed.

Step 3) Restart Your Computer

```
PS C:\Users\ITInstaller.D7YJW54> gpupdate /force
Updating policy...

Computer Policy update has completed successfully.
User Policy update has completed successfully.

PS C:\Users\ITInstaller.D7YJW54> |
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When the update has finished, you can tell that it is finished when you see the path to your username with a terminal cursor appear, it is best to restart the computer before testing again.