

**NAME**

grub-install – install GRUB to a device

**SYNOPSIS**

**grub-install [OPTION...] [OPTION] [INSTALL\_DEVICE]**

**DESCRIPTION**

Install GRUB on your drive.

**--compress=no|xz|gz|lzo**

compress GRUB files [optional]

**--dtb=FILE**

embed a specific DTB

**-d, --directory=DIR**

use images and modules under DIR [default=/usr/lib/grub/<platform>]

**--fonts=FONTS**

install FONTS [default=unicode]

**--install-modules=MODULES**

install only MODULES and their dependencies [default=all]

**-k, --pubkey=FILE**

embed FILE as public key for signature checking

**--locale-directory=DIR** use translations under DIR

[default=/usr/share/locale]

**--locales=LOCALES**

install only LOCALES [default=all]

**--modules=MODULES**

pre-load specified modules MODULES

**--themes=THEMES**

install THEMES [default=starfield]

**-v, --verbose**

print verbose messages.

**--allow-floppy**

make the drive also bootable as floppy (default for fdX devices). May break on some BIOSes.

**--boot-directory=DIR**

install GRUB images under the directory DIR/grub instead of the boot/grub directory

**--bootloader-id=ID**

the ID of bootloader. This option is only available on EFI and Macs.

**--core-compress=xz|none|auto**

choose the compression to use for core image

**--disk-module=MODULE**

disk module to use (biosdisk or native). This option is only available on BIOS target.

**--efi-directory=DIR**

use DIR as the EFI System Partition root.

**--force**

install even if problems are detected

**--force-file-id**

use identifier file even if UUID is available

**--label-bgcolor=COLOR**  
use COLOR for label background

**--label-color=COLOR**  
use COLOR for label

**--label-font=FILE**  
use FILE as font for label

**--macppc-directory=DIR** use DIR for PPC MAC install.

**--no-bootsector**  
do not install bootsector

**--no-extra-removable**  
Do not install bootloader code to the removable media path. This option is only available on EFI.

**--no-nvram**  
don't update the 'boot-device'/'Boot\*' NVRAM variables. This option is only available on EFI and IEEE1275 targets.

**--no-rs-codes**  
Do not apply any reed-solomon codes when embedding core.img. This option is only available on x86 BIOS targets.

**--no-uefi-secure-boot**  
do not install an image usable with UEFI Secure Boot, even if the system was currently started using it. This option is only available on EFI.

**--product-version=STRING**  
use STRING as product version

**--recheck**  
delete device map if it already exists

**--removable**  
the installation device is removable. This option is only available on EFI.

**-s, --skip-fs-probe**  
do not probe for filesystems in DEVICE

**--target=TARGET**  
install GRUB for TARGET platform [default=i386-pc]; available targets: arm-coreboot, arm-efi, arm-uboot, arm64-efi, i386-coreboot, i386-efi, i386-ieee1275, i386-multiboot, i386-pc, i386-qemu, i386-xen, i386-xen\_pv, ia64-efi, mips-arc, mips-qemu\_mips, mipsel-arc, mipsel-loongson, mipsel-qemu\_mips, powerpc-ieee1275, riscv32-efi, riscv64-efi, sparc64-ieee1275, x86\_64-efi, x86\_64-xen

**--uefi-secure-boot**  
install an image usable with UEFI Secure Boot. This option is only available on EFI and if the grub-efi-amd64-signed package is installed.

**-?, --help**  
give this help list

**--usage**  
give a short usage message

**-V, --version**  
print program version

Mandatory or optional arguments to long options are also mandatory or optional for any corresponding short options.

INSTALL\_DEVICE must be system device filename. grub-install copies GRUB images into boot/grub. On some platforms, it may also install GRUB into the boot sector.

**REPORTING BUGS**

Report bugs to <bug-grub@gnu.org>.

**SEE ALSO**

**grub-mkconfig(8), grub-mkimage(1), grub-mkrescue(1)**

The full documentation for **grub-install** is maintained as a Texinfo manual. If the **info** and **grub-install** programs are properly installed at your site, the command

**info grub-install**

should give you access to the complete manual.