

## Windows XP System Restore Feature

Creating a restore point in Windows XP can also be helpful as it creates an image of your system files at that point in time which can be useful, say, before installing software and upgrades etc. It is quick to do and completely reversible. It does not affect user data, just system and registry files, so a good backup is still required to ensure your data is recoverable.

Here are the instructions for creating a restore point in Windows XP and recovering the system to a specific point in time:

1. Click on Start, Programs, Accessories, System Tools, System Restore
2. Click the option to Create a restore point, click next and give it a meaningful name
3. Click Create, followed by Close.

If you need to go back to the system as it was a this time (or another time created automatically by the system):

1. Click on Start, Programs, Accessories, System Tools, System Restore
2. Click the option to Restore my computer to an earlier time
3. Click Next, then choose a bold date on the calendar and choose an appropriate restore point if there are more than one on that day.
4. Click Next, then Next again. The computer will reboot to the new settings.