



# HOW TO ROTATE THE SCREEN DISPLAY WHEN IT'S DISPLAYING THE WRONG WAY UP



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If you've ever discovered your monitor is displaying an image that's upside-down, or even sideways, it can be a little confusing. Apart from making it slightly harder to get your everyday work done, it's a bit of a puzzle as to how the screen ever got like that. The likelihood is that a setting has been accidentally changed, or some mischievous colleague has played a prank on you, rather than your screen being on the blink. Many computers have a built-in ability to rotate the display, which can be useful in a variety of circumstances. Here's how to stop everything being topsy-turvy.



It should take  
under 15 mins



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## WHAT YOU'LL NEED



Computer



A nice  
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## The Knowhow

### Computer Screen rotation

Use your computer's hotkey combination to turn your screen the right way. The most common key combination is pressing **Ctrl + Alt** and one of the **arrow keys** at the same time.

The hotkeys will either:

- **Rotate the screen** - You would need to rotate left (or right) twice to restore an upside down image
- **Have fixed positions** - You will have four hot keys, one for each orientation. For example, the right hotkey is always sideways.

### Monitor settings

Most monitors have an *Auto* button. Pressing this makes the monitor automatically detect the signal and calibrate it to work properly with your monitor.

## Reset your monitor

Your monitor will have an option to restore to **factory default settings**. This can be access through the on-screen display menu. You can usually access this using the menu button on the monitor. Navigate the menu and choose the **default settings** or **factory reset** option.

A couple of button presses and everything should be back to normal once more, letting you get on with what you need to do and, perhaps, giving you a nice little trick for next April fool's day.