

## What?

Codex is a durable, decentralised data storage protocol, created so the world community can preserve its most important knowledge without risk of censorship. The backbone of Codex is a Distributed Storage Network that is powered by a novel Data Durability Engine.

## Running a local node



Download links : [codex.storage/downloads](https://codex.storage/downloads)

### Requirements

- Git
- GitHub
- Docker

### ⚠️ Port Forwarding is REQUIRED.

Configure the ports required for data discovery and data exchange :

```
--disc-port <PORT> UDP data discovery (Example, 8090)
--listen-addrs <PORT> TCP data exchange (Example, 8070)
```

New to port forwarding? Check [Beginners Guide to Port Forwarding](#)

Step 1

Clone the 'codex-testnet-starter' repository

```
git clone https://github.com/codex-storage/codex-testnet-starter.git
```

For Linux/MacOS users

```
cd codex-testnet-starter/scripts
```

For Windows users

```
cd codex-testnet-starter/scripts/windows
```

Step 4

If you are using Unix, install libgomp1

```
sudo apt-get install libgomp1
```

Run the client

```
./run_client.sh
```

```
./run-client.bat
```

If you wish to manually pass the public IP address, set your IP address as an environment variable 'LOCALIP'

## Why?

\* Future milestone



Decentralised



Censorship resistant\*



Scalable



Durable



Accessible



Cost-effective

## Recommended hardware

### Key information

- At this stage, Codex doesn't have realistic circuit parameters for the proving system.
- The system is currently running on "toy" parameters to facilitate testing. Expect higher requirements in the future.

Altruistic Mode (File Sharing)	Persistence Mode (Storage Provider)
Processor: 4 cores @ 1.2GHz Memory: 1GB (minimum) Storage: Enough to support an operating system & Codex binaries to upload files locally to the P2P network.	Processor: 6 cores @ 3.6GHz Memory: 32GB RAM (minimum) Storage: Similar to altruistic mode but dependent on your provisioning and durability targets.

Step 2	Download the Codex binaries
	 <a href="#">./download_online.sh</a>  <a href="#">./download-online.bat</a>

Step 3	Generate a ETH keypair
	 <a href="#">./generate.sh</a>  <a href="#">./generate.bat</a>

Step 4	Mint some testnet tokens by going to the #bot channel in <a href="#">Codex Discord</a>
	<p>OR</p>  ETH Faucet  TST Faucet

## What's next?

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