



# Recovery Procedure for Cisco Video Portal 3.x and 4.x

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## Note

This document provides the procedure for recovering from a software failure of Cisco Video Portal 3.5, 4.0, and 4.1.

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## Recovery Procedure

This section describes in detail the procedure for performing a Video Portal recovery.

## Prerequisites

Before attempting your recovery, you must complete the following tasks:

- Contact Cisco TAC to obtain the recovery CD for your Cisco Video Portal release.
- Create a Backup of the digital media manager (DMM) server appliance on a USB hard drive.
- Note down the network configuration information appropriate for your site, either DHCP or Static (IP address, subnet mask, and gateway).



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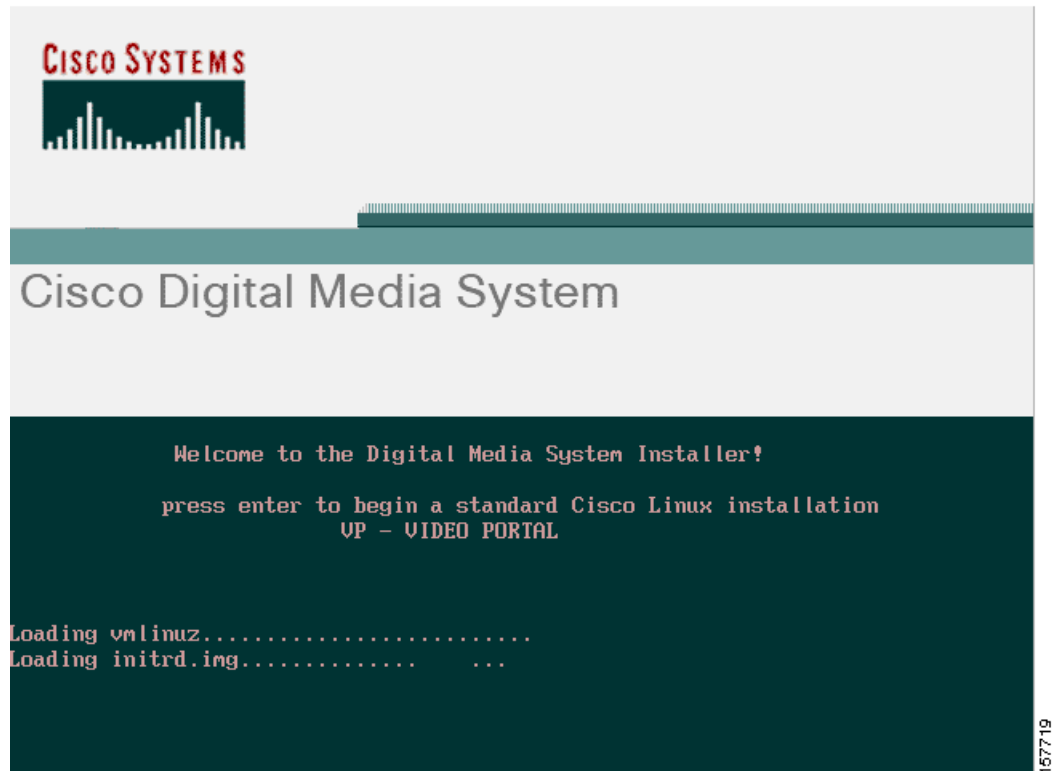
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## Steps

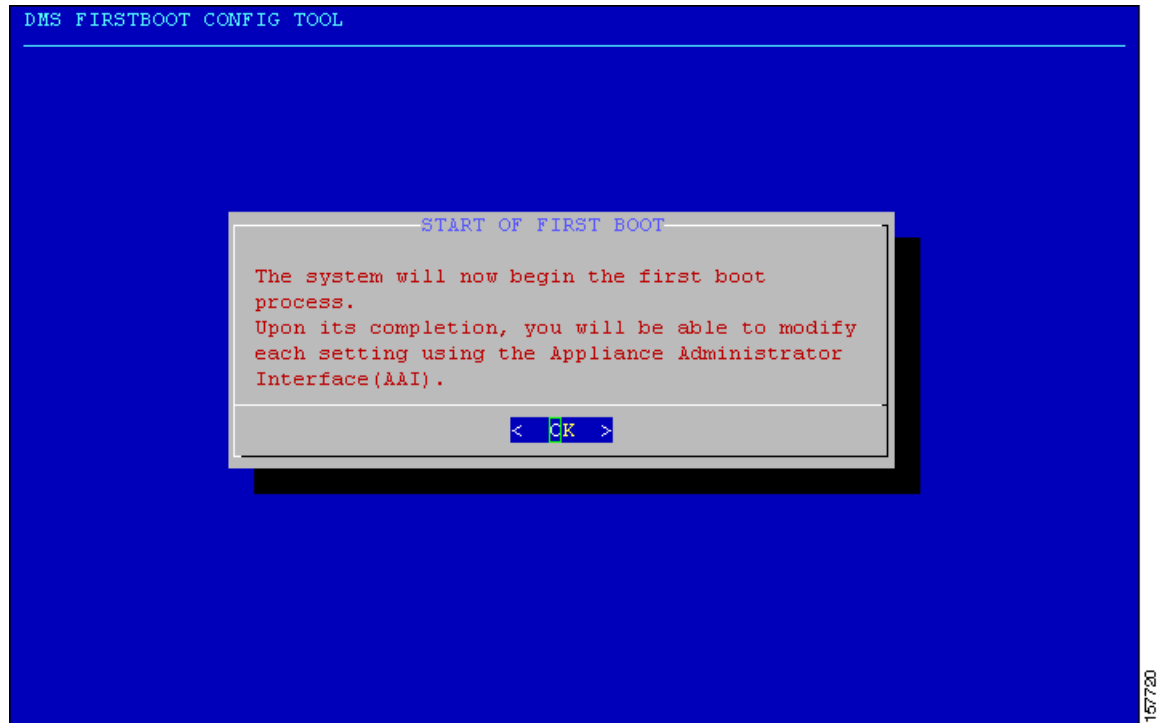
To recover the Cisco Video Portal version 3.5, follow these steps:

- Step 1** Turn the power on to the server Appliance.
- Step 2** Insert the recovery CD.
- Step 3** If you see the following screen briefly, the server appliance is booting from the recovery CD.

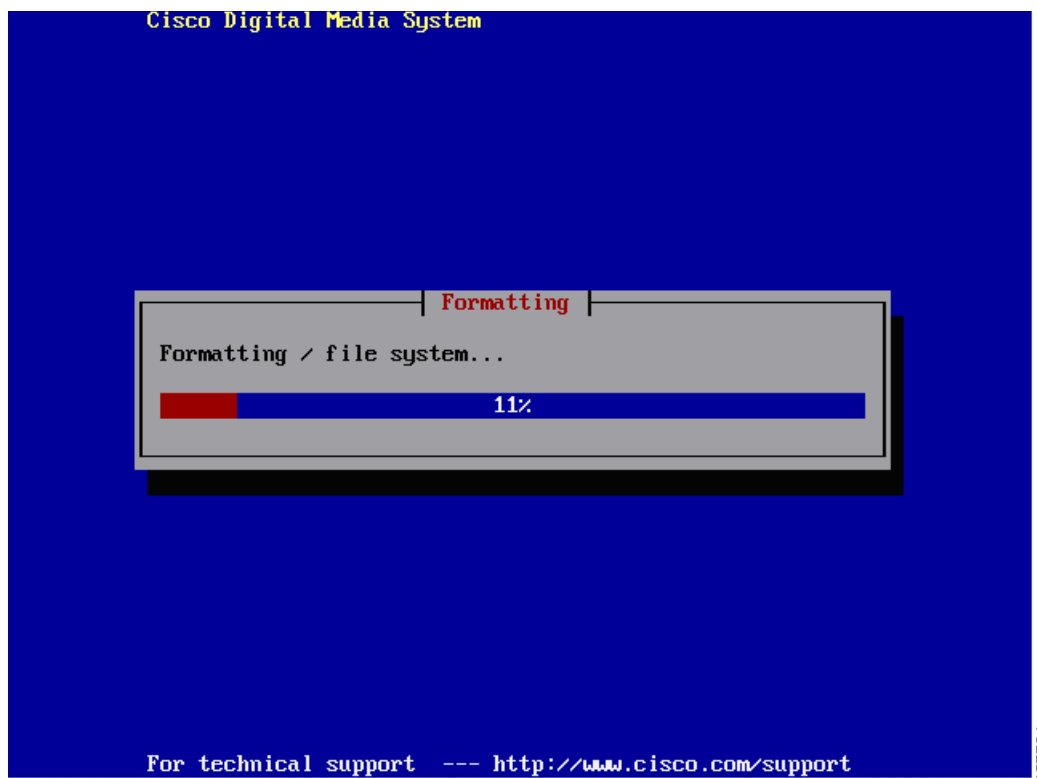


The driver now loads. After approximately two minutes, you are asked for confirmation to overwrite the existing system. This erases all existing data on the DMM server appliance. The Video Portal server appliance does not require backup. By default **No** is selected.

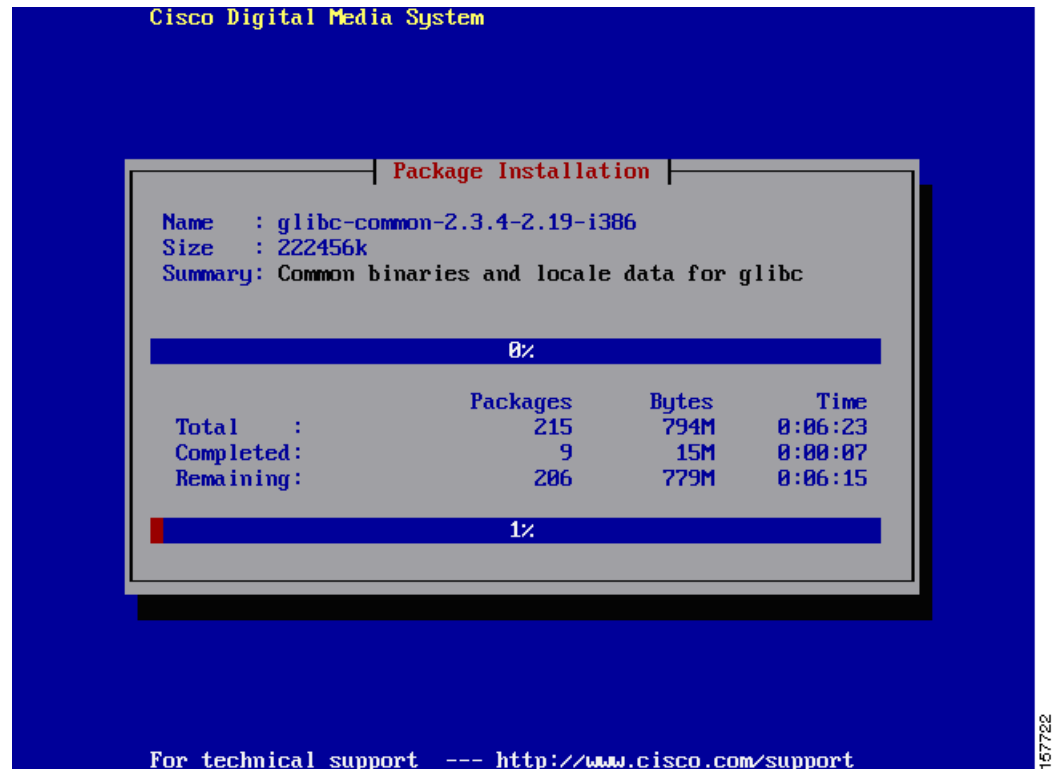
**Step 4** Use the **Tab** key to navigate to **Yes** and press **Enter** to proceed.



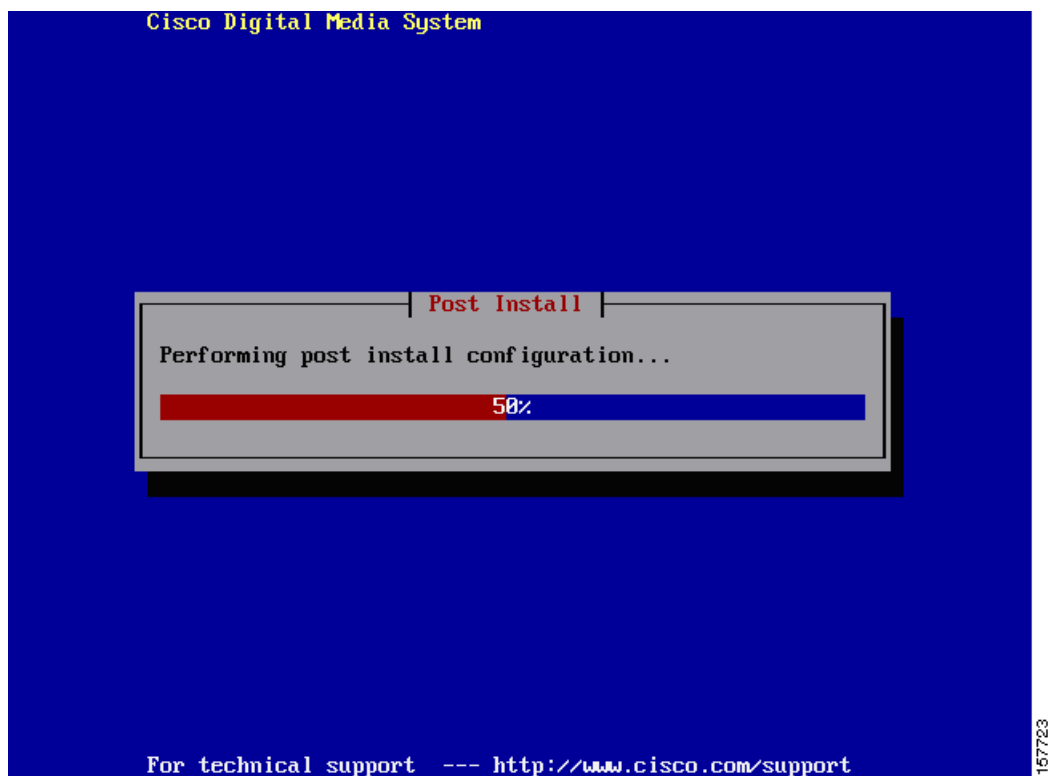
**Step 5** You see the following screen, indicating that the file system is formatting:



**Step 6** You see the following screen, indicating that the packages are being installed.



**Step 7** Next, the post-installation screen appears:



**Step 8** The server appliance now reboots with the following message after the installation is complete:

```
sending termination signals...done
sending kill signals...done
disabling swap...
  /tmp/cciss/c0d0p9
unmounting filesystems...
  /mnt/runtime done
  disabling /dev/loop0
  /proc/bus/usb done
  /proc done
  /dev/pts done
  /sys done
  /tmp/ramfs done
  /selinux done
  /mnt/sysimage/boot done
  /mnt/sysimage/dm2 done
  /mnt/sysimage/proc done
  /mnt/sysimage/sys done
  /mnt/sysimage/tmp done
  /mnt/sysimage/usr done
  /mnt/sysimage/var/log done
  /mnt/sysimage/var/spool done
  /mnt/sysimage/var done
  /mnt/sysimage/selinux done
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rebooting system
md: stopping all md devices.
md: md0 switched to read-only mode.
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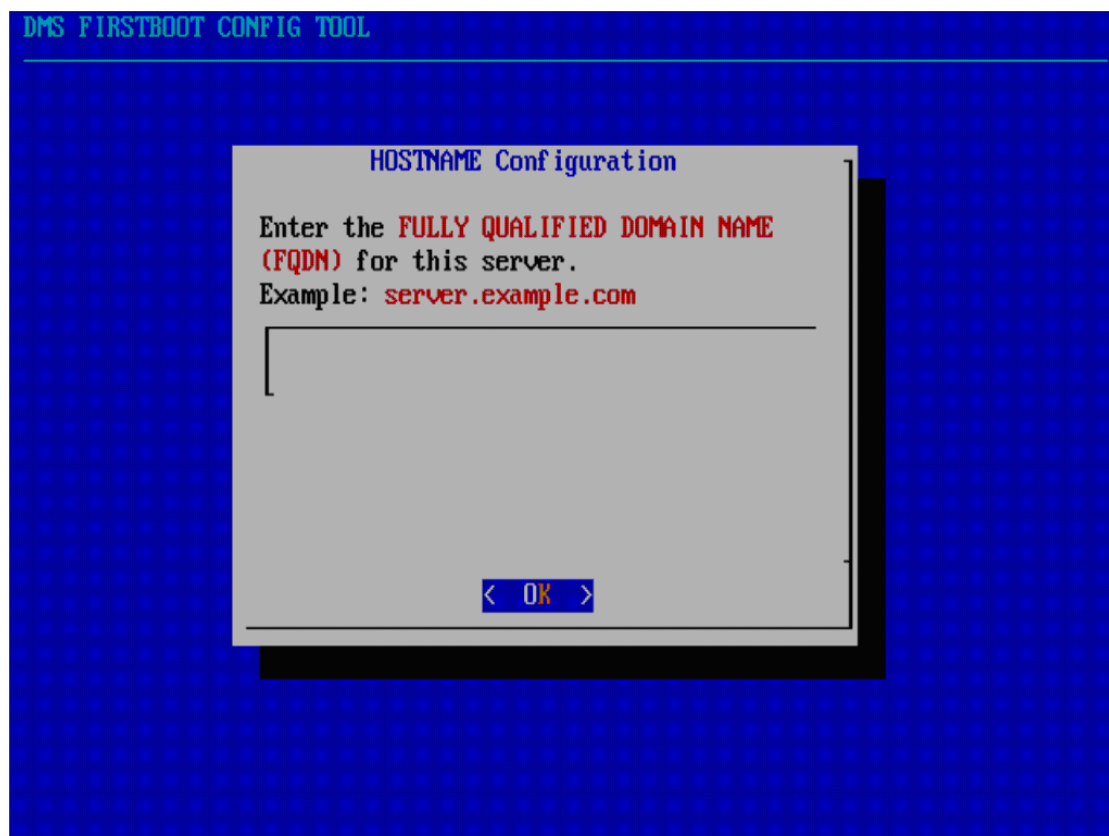
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- Step 9** The boot config tool starts automatically the first time you boot the Cisco Video Portal server appliance, taking you into the DMS appliance administration interface (AAI). When you see the following screen, press **Enter**.

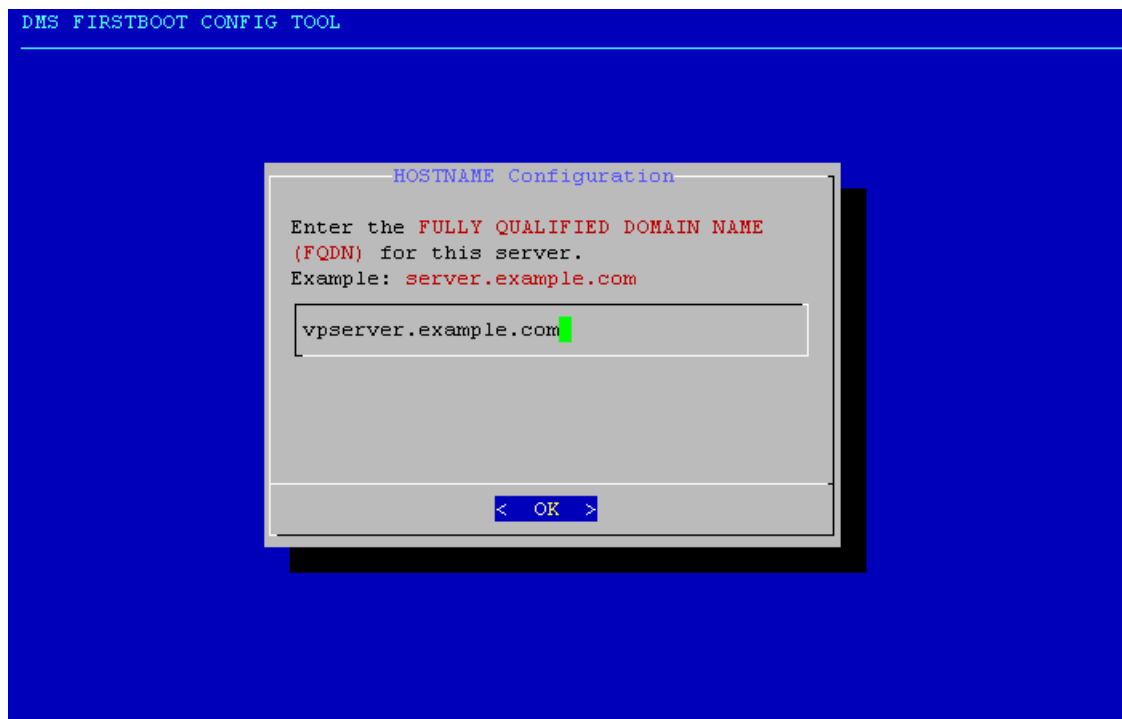




**Step 10** Enter the hostname of the appliance.



**Step 11** The following screen shows an example of the appliance hostname being entered.

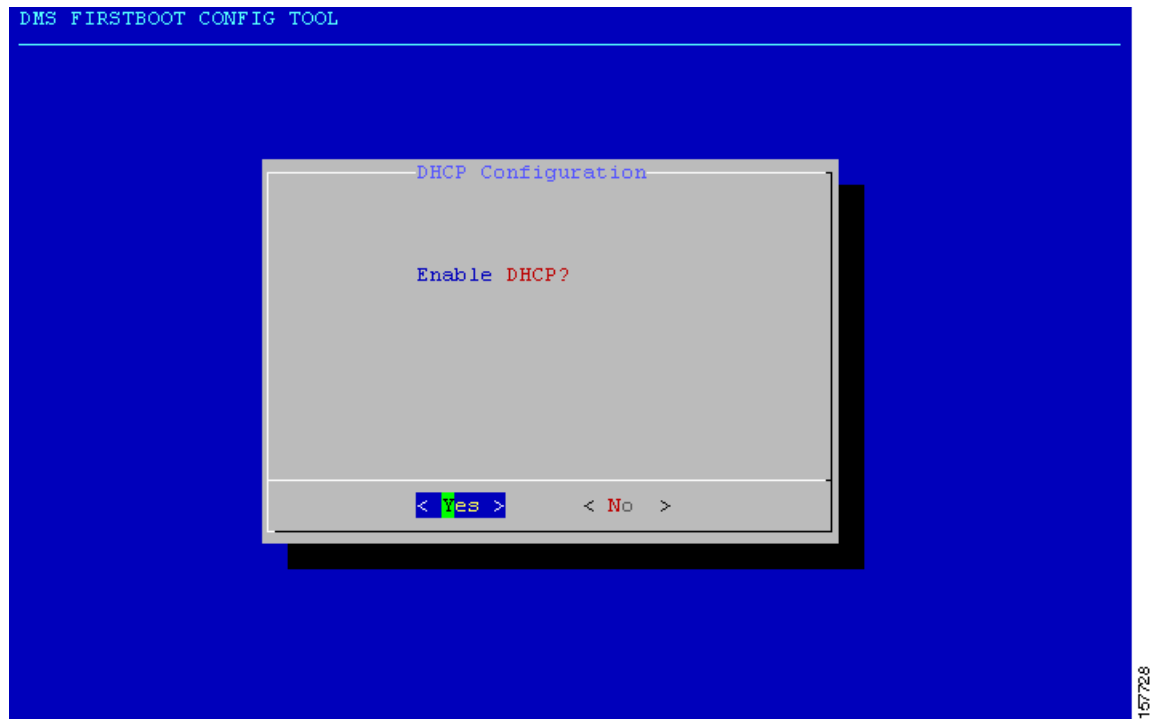


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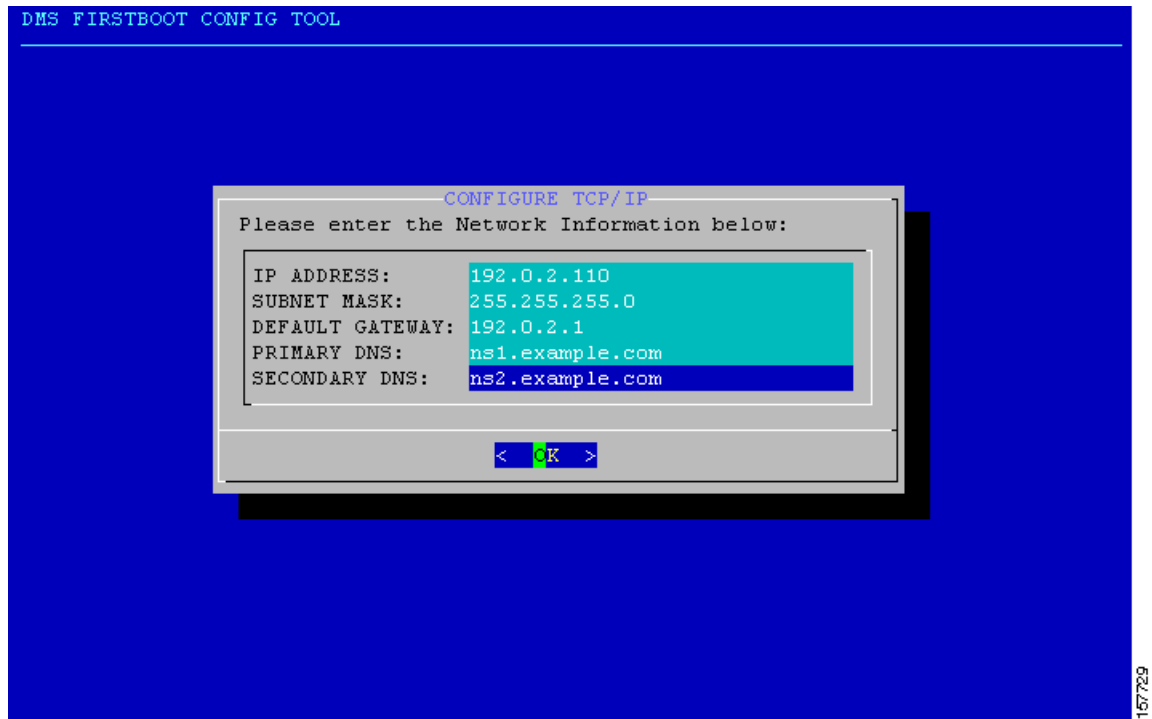
- Step 12** The DHCP configuration screen is displayed. If the server appliance gets the IP address automatically from the DHCP server, then select **Yes**.



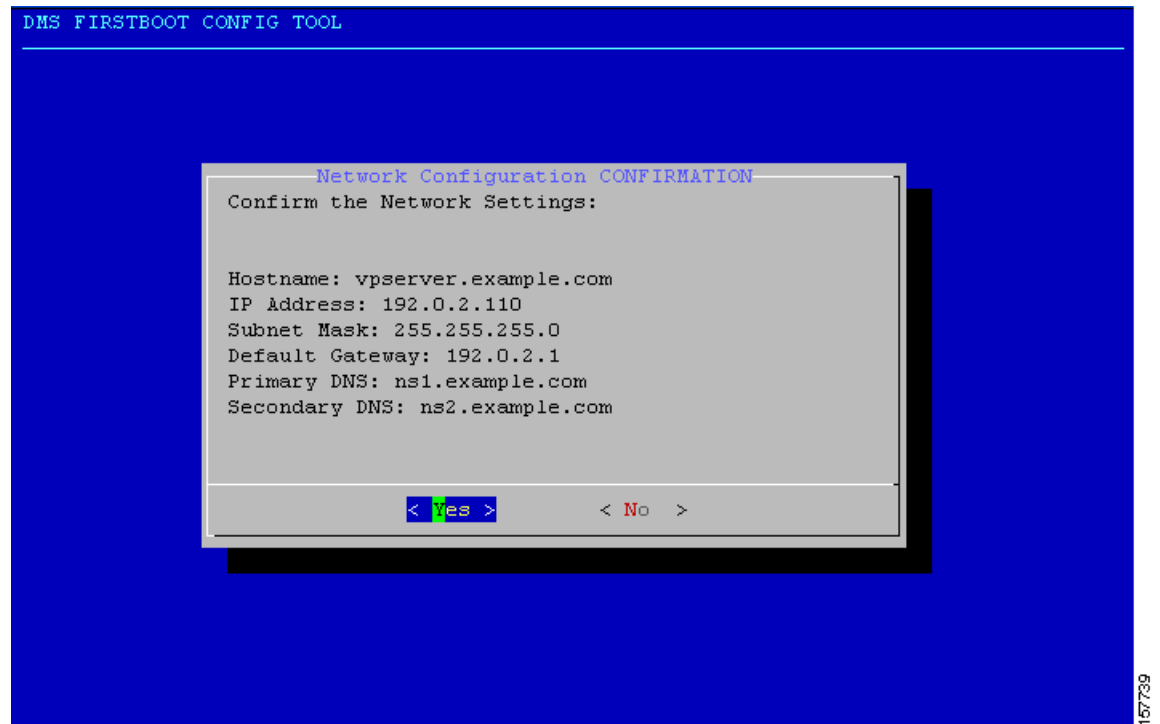
**Note** Cisco does not recommend using DHCP; if the IP address of the Video Portal server appliance expires, you must reconfigure the DMM application for successful deployments.



- Step 13** If DHCP is not enabled, enter the IP address, subnet mask, default gateway, primary dns and, if available, a secondary dns. in the following screen. If DHCP is enabled, skip the following section and go to the time zone configuration ([Step 19](#)).

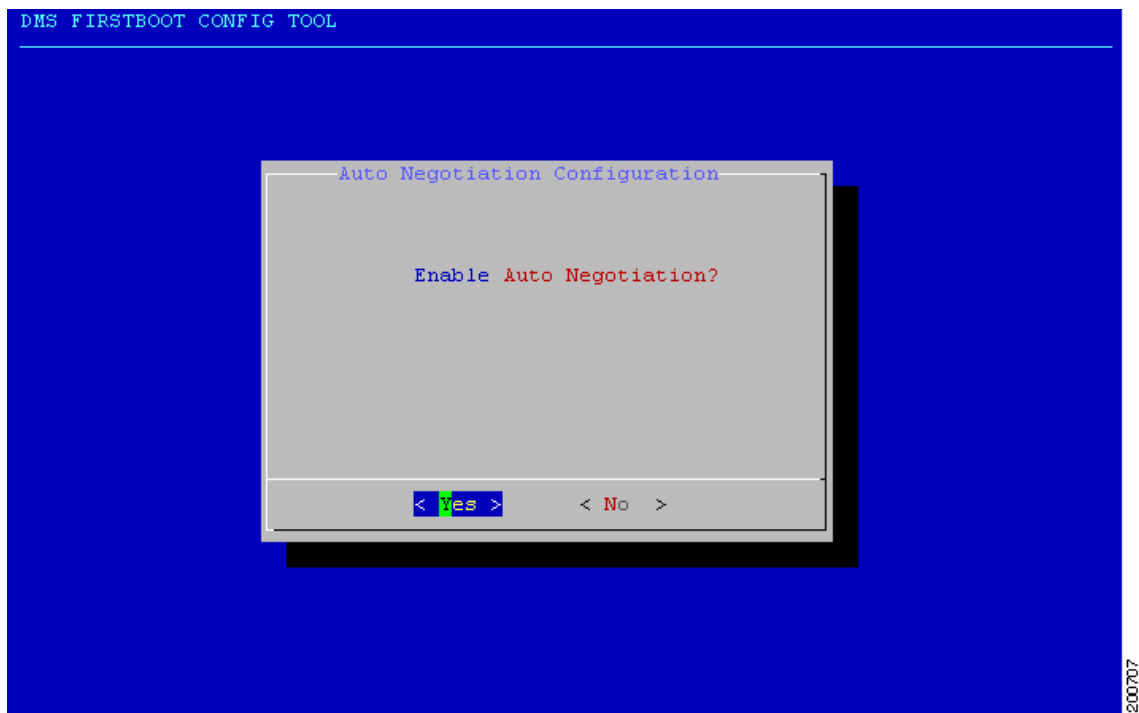


- Step 14** Confirm the network settings. The following example reflects the sample configurations specified above. Press **Enter** if all the information is correct. If the information is incorrect, use the arrow keys to navigate to **No** and press **Enter** to re-configure your settings.

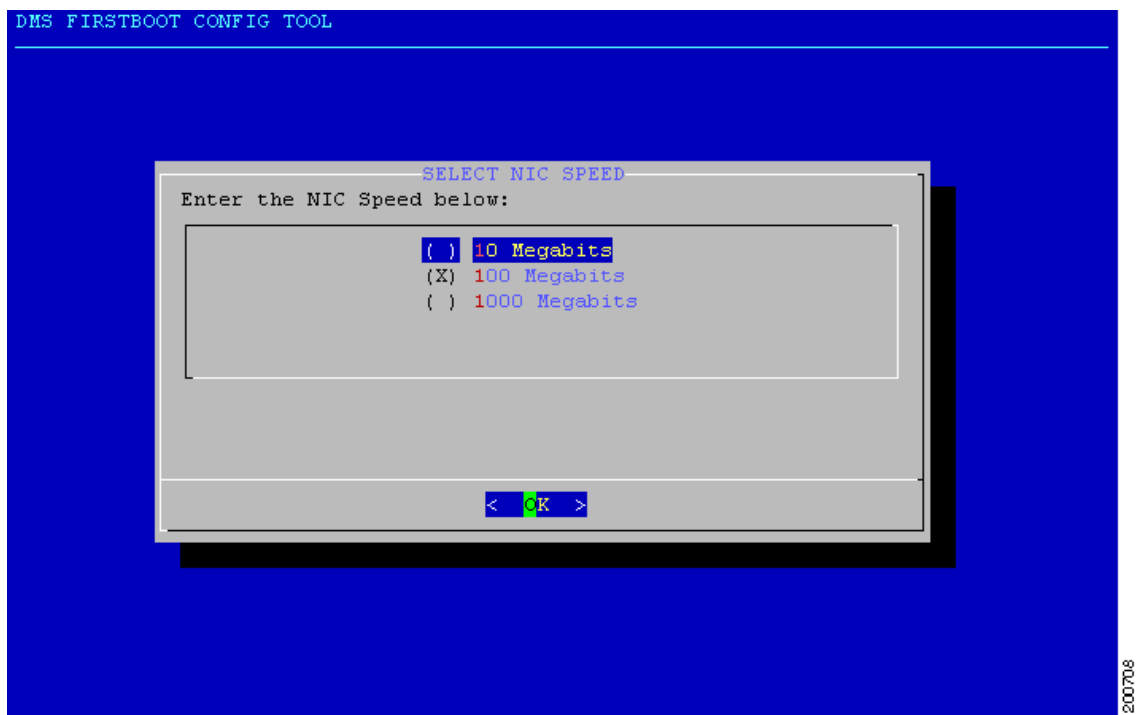


Please standby until the network settings are applied.

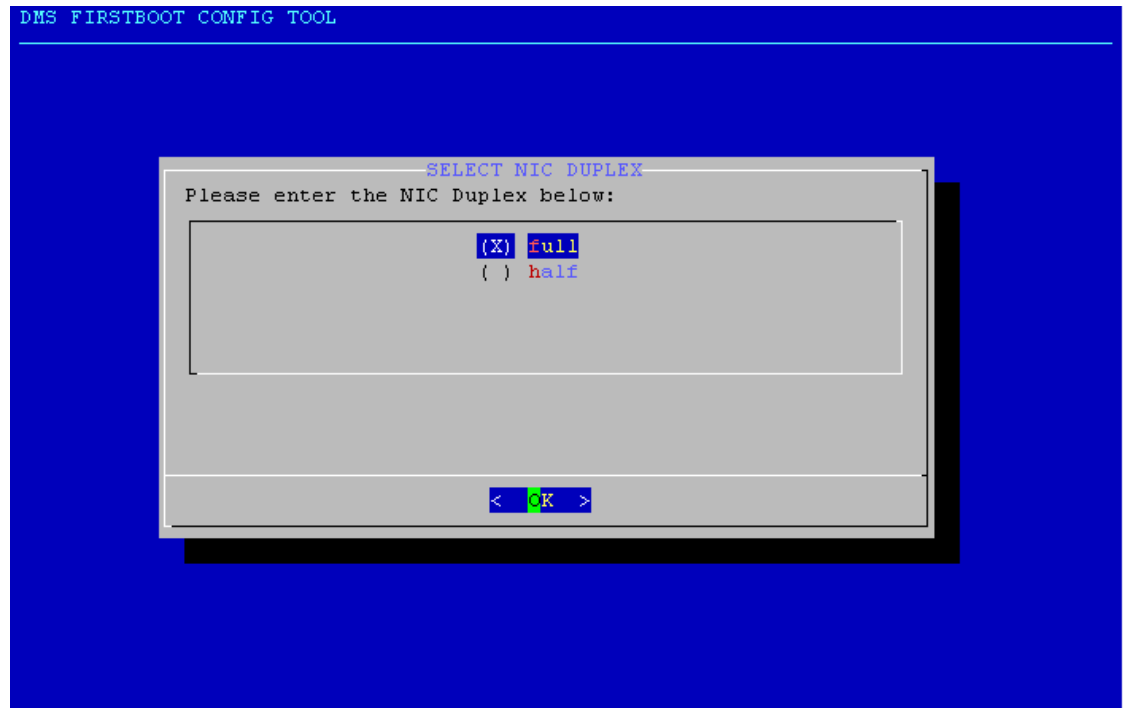
- Step 15** If your network infrastructure requires you to manually specify network negotiation settings, select “No”.



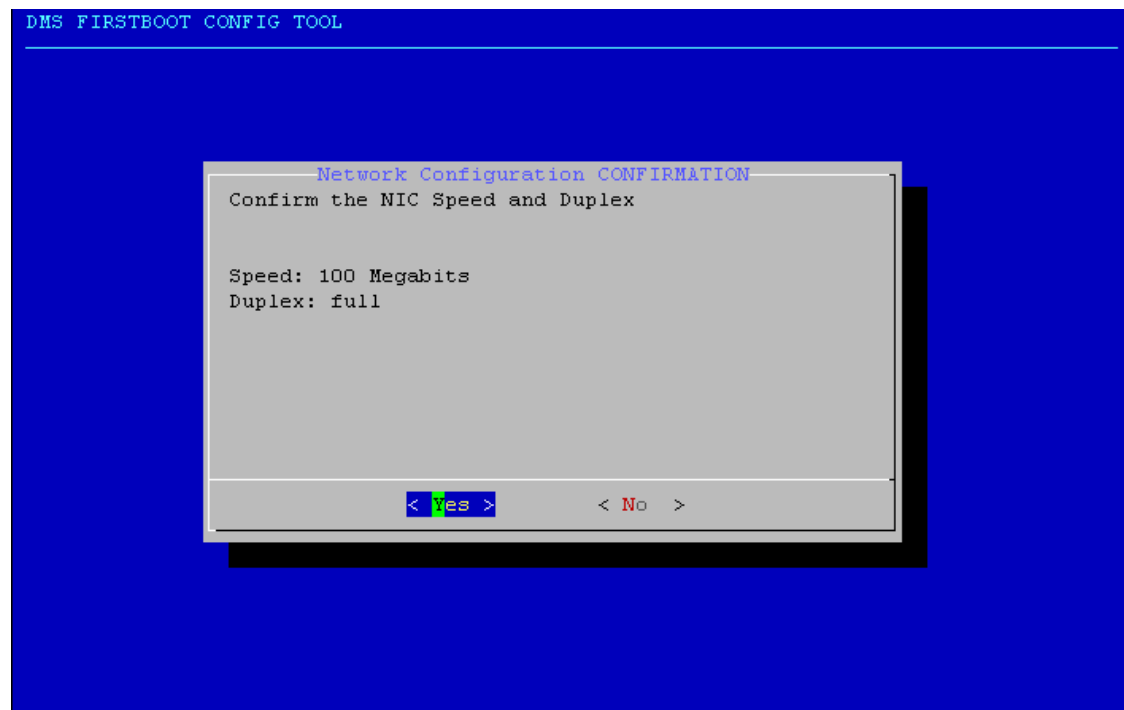
- Step 16** If you turned on Auto Negotiation, go to [Step 19](#). Set the NIC speed to 10, 100, or 1000Megabits.



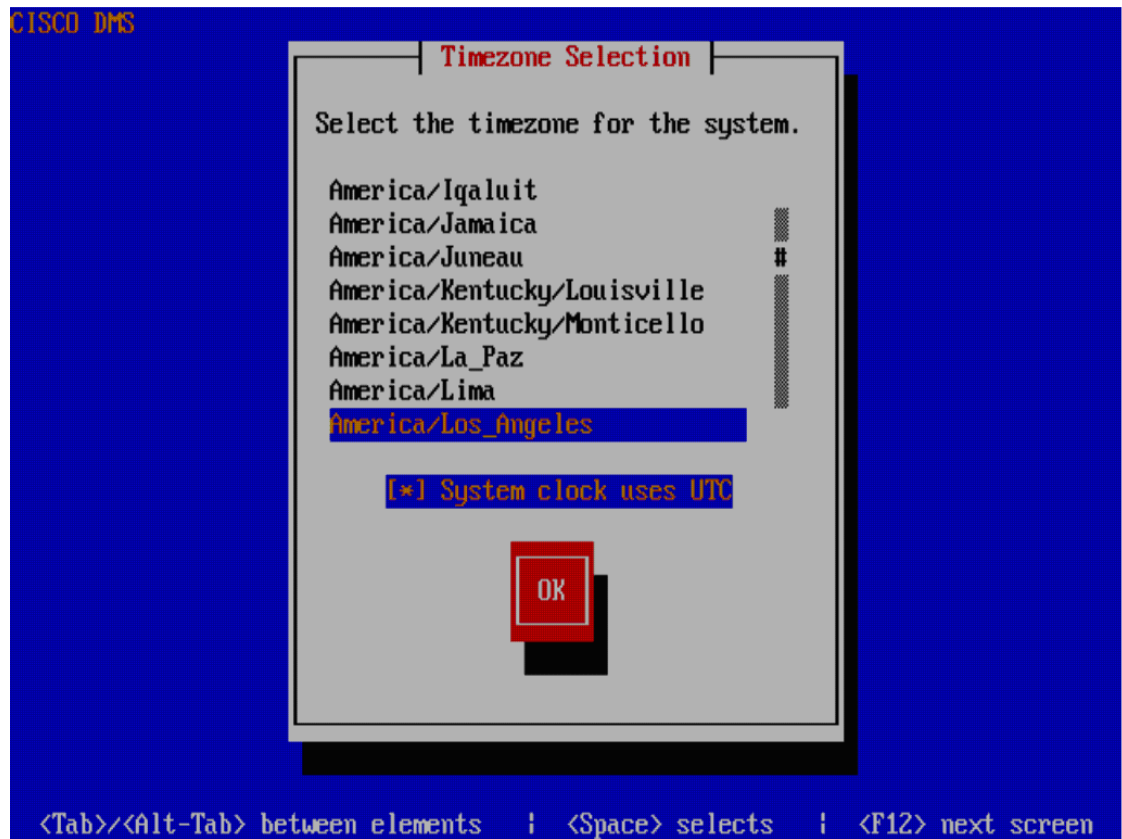
**Step 17** Set your NIC to either full or half duplex.



**Step 18** Confirm the NIC speed and duplex.

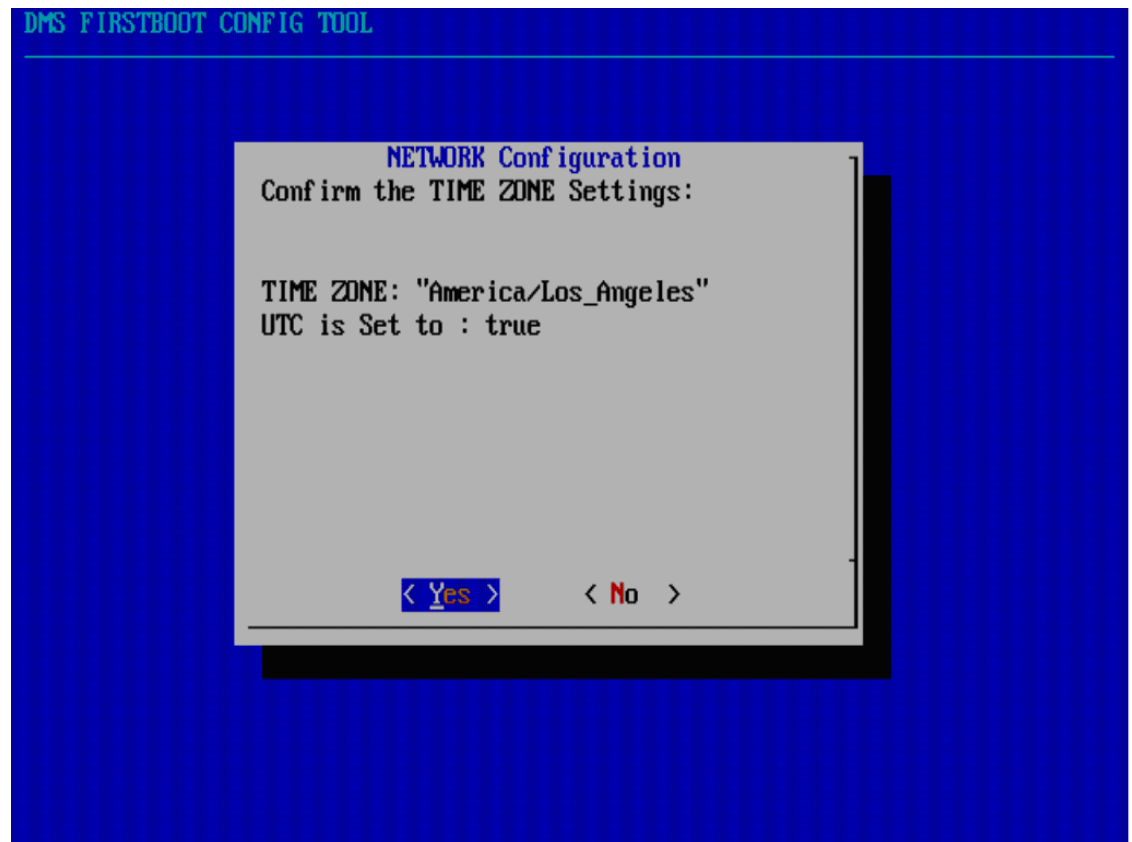


- Step 19** Configure the time zone. Select the timezone using the up and down arrow. Press **Tab** and then press **Space** to select and deselect **System clock uses UTC**. Press **Tab** again to navigate to the **OK** button and press **Enter**.

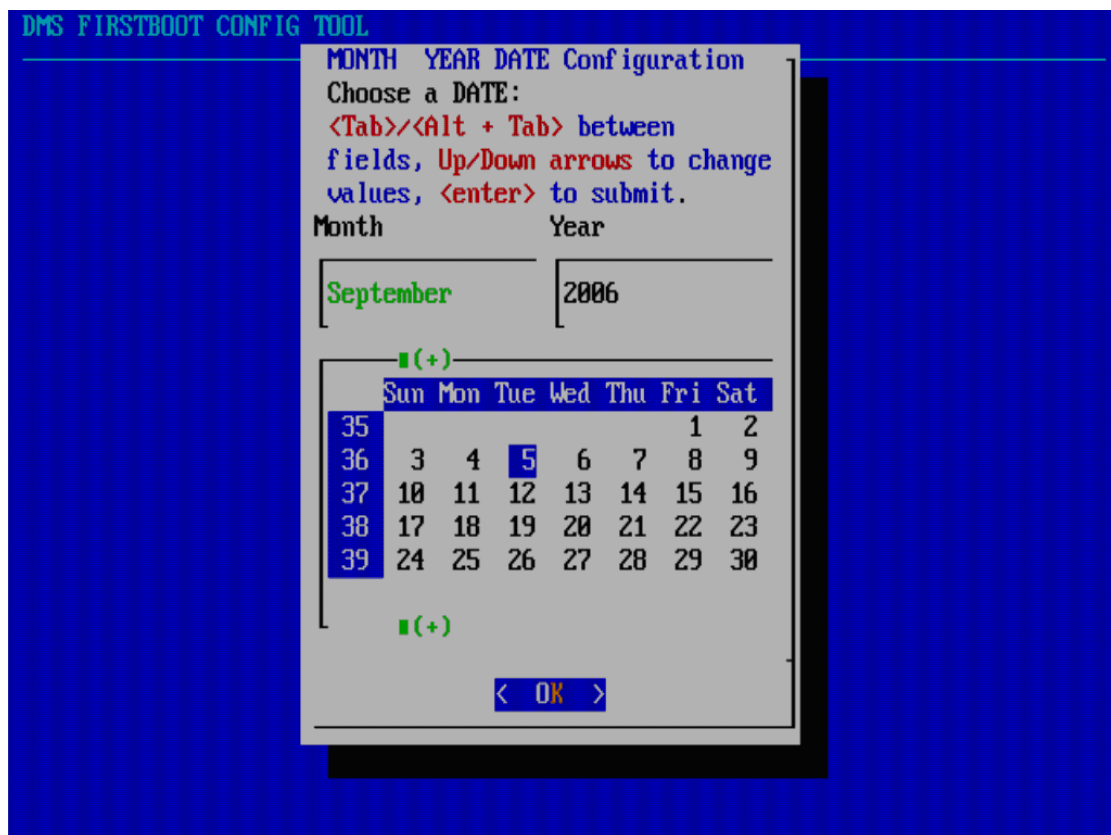




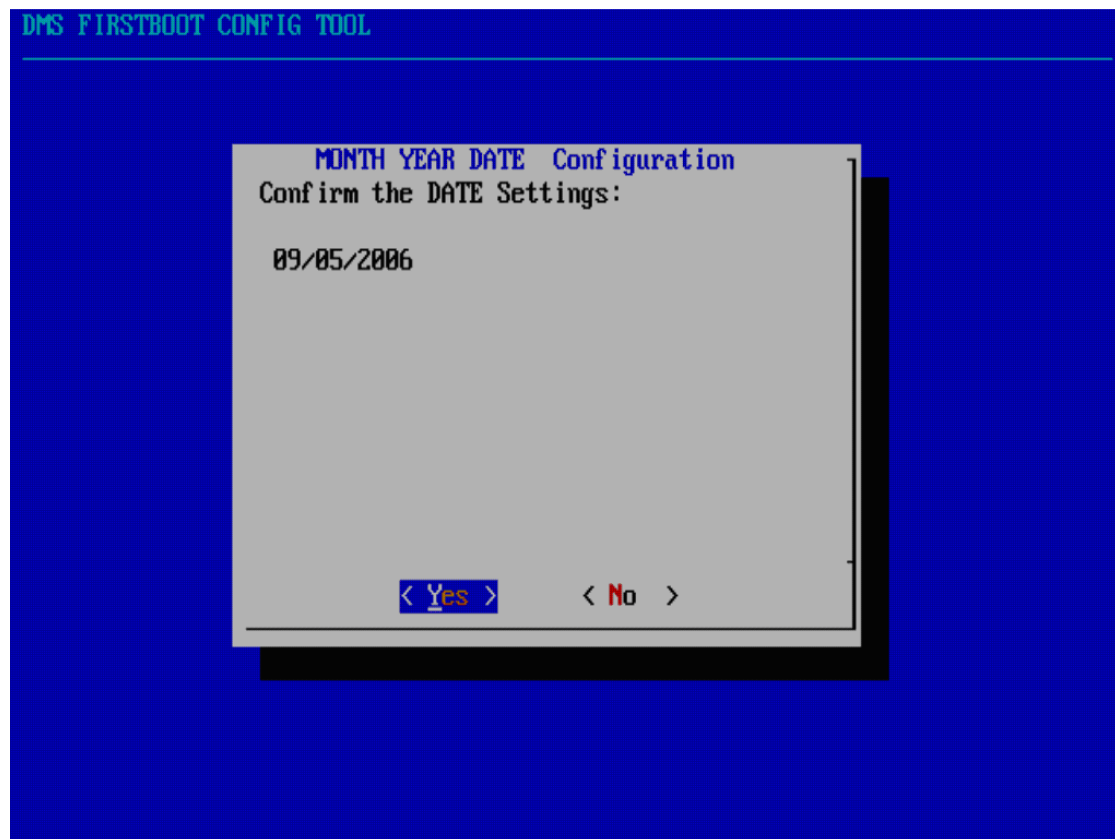
- Step 20** Confirm the time zone setting. Press **Enter** on if all the information is correct. If the information is incorrect, use the arrow keys to navigate to **No** and press **Enter** to re-configure your settings.



- Step 21** Select the date. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows to change the month. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows to change the year. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows and left and right arrows to select day, **Tab** to the **OK** button and press **Enter** to submit the information.



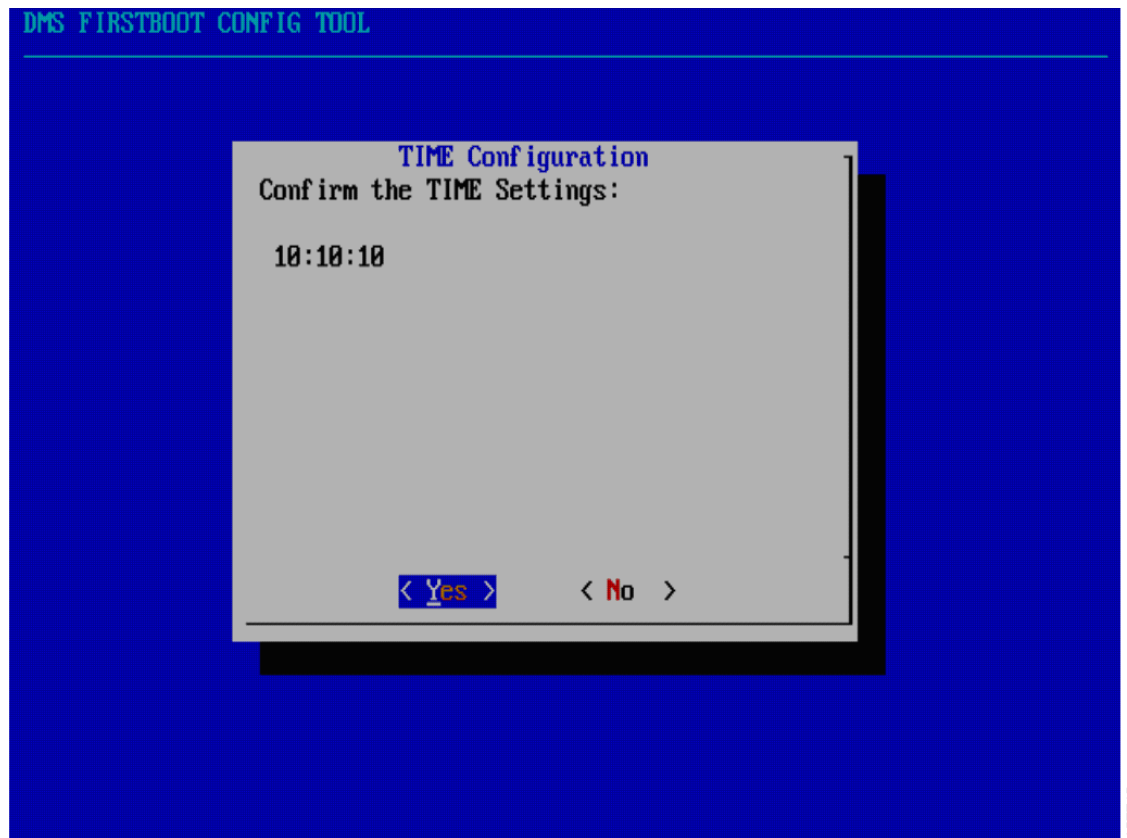
**Step 22** Confirm the date.



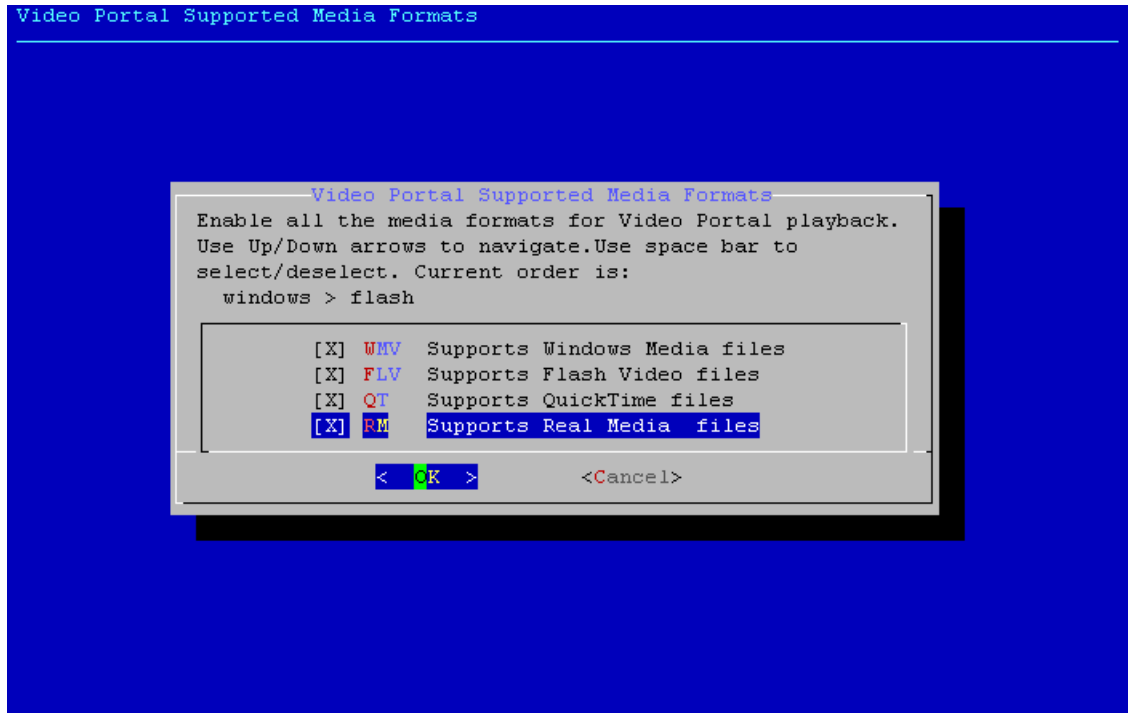
- Step 23** Select the time in 24 hour format. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows to set the hour. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows to set the minutes. Press **Tab** and use the up and down arrows to set the seconds. Press **Tab** and select the **OK** button and press **Enter** to submit the information.



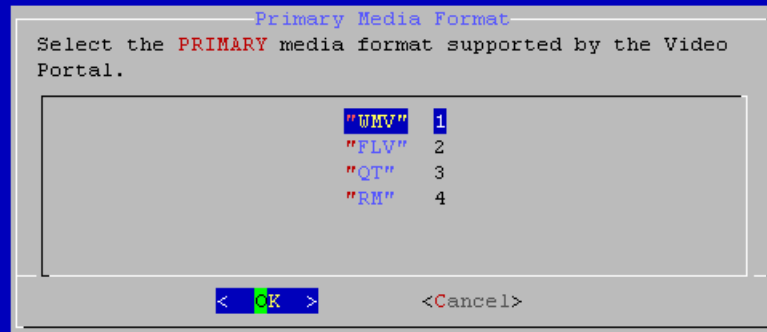
- Step 24** Confirm the time. Press **Enter** if all the information is correct. If the information is incorrect, use the arrows to navigate to **No** and press **Enter** to reconfigure your settings.



- Step 25** Select the video portal supported media formats. These are all the media formats your content will be encoded in, and therefore the Video Portal template you will be supporting. By default, no media format is selected. You must select at least one media format. Use the up and down arrows to highlight the media format. Press Space to select or deselect an item. Press **Enter** to submit.

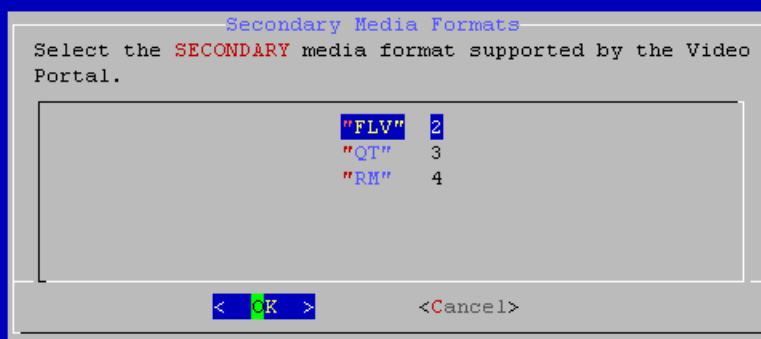


- Step 26** If you select two or more media formats to support, you are prompted with a similar screen to the one below. Select the primary media format supported by the Video Portal. If a client machine accessing the Video Portal meets the requirements of all of the media formats you chose to support, highlight the media type you would prefer them to receive by using the up and down arrows, then press **Enter**.



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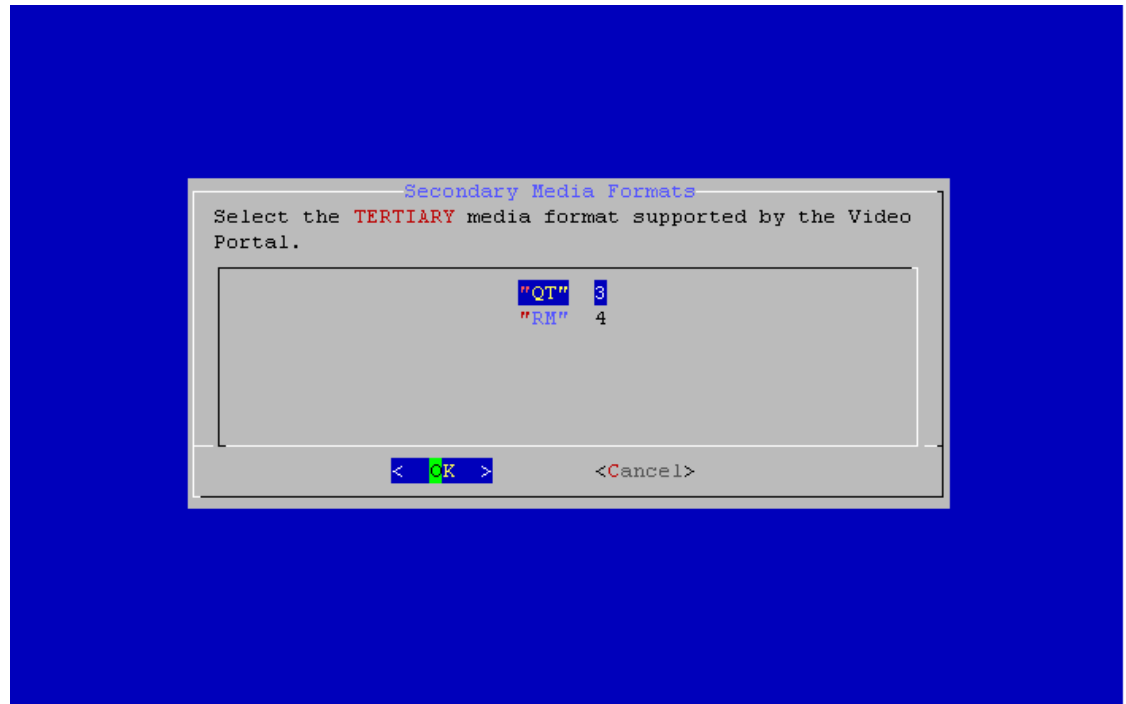
- Step 27** If you select three or more media types to support, you are prompted with the following screen. Select the secondary media format supported by the Video Portal. If a client machine accessing the Video Portal does not meet the requirements for the primary media type but meets the requirements for the two other types of supported media, highlight the media format you would prefer them to receive by using the up and down arrows, then press **Enter**.



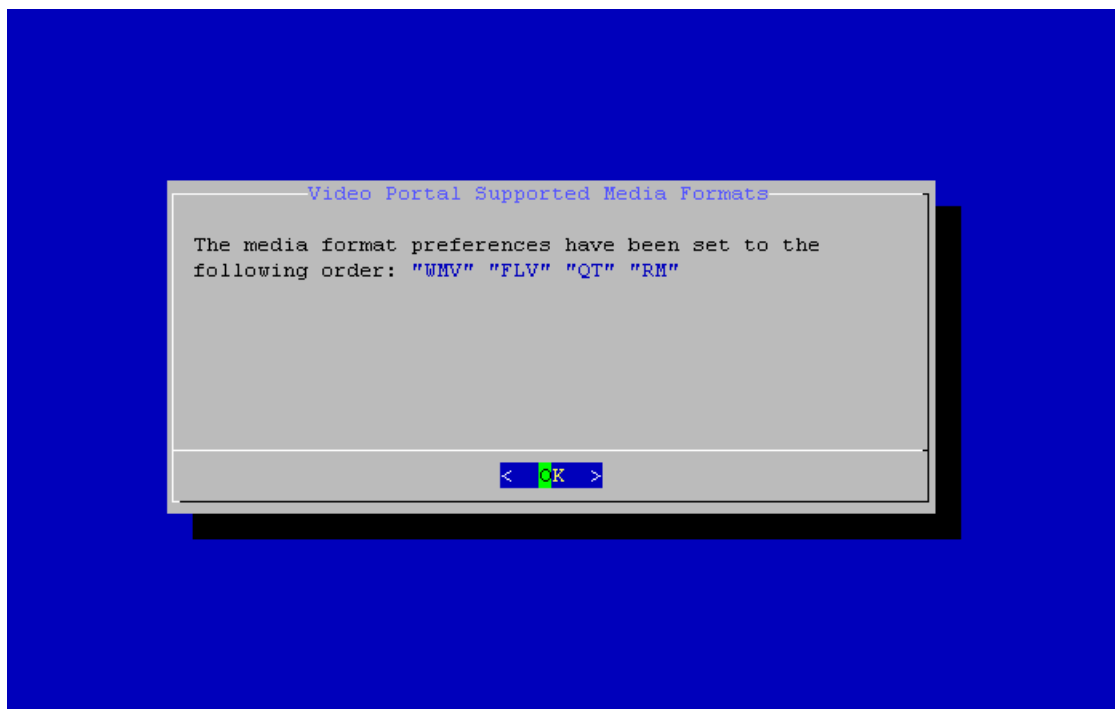
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- Step 28** If you select four or more media types to support, you are prompted with the following screen. Select the tertiary media format supported by the Video Portal. If a client machine accessing the Video Portal does not meet the requirements for the primary media type but meets the requirements for the two other types of supported media, highlight the media format you would prefer them to receive by using the up and down arrows, then press **Enter**.

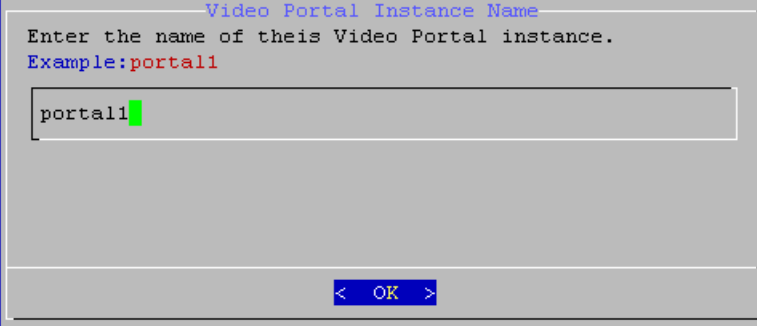


- Step 29** The preferred media format order is now displayed. Press **Enter** to confirm. If you made an error, you can go back into the appliance administrative interface (AAI) after the first boot process to modify these settings.



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- Step 30** Enter the Video Portal instance name and press **Enter**. This is used to generate a direct URL for to the Video Portal. In the following example, the video portal instance name is **portal1**.



Video Portal Instance Name

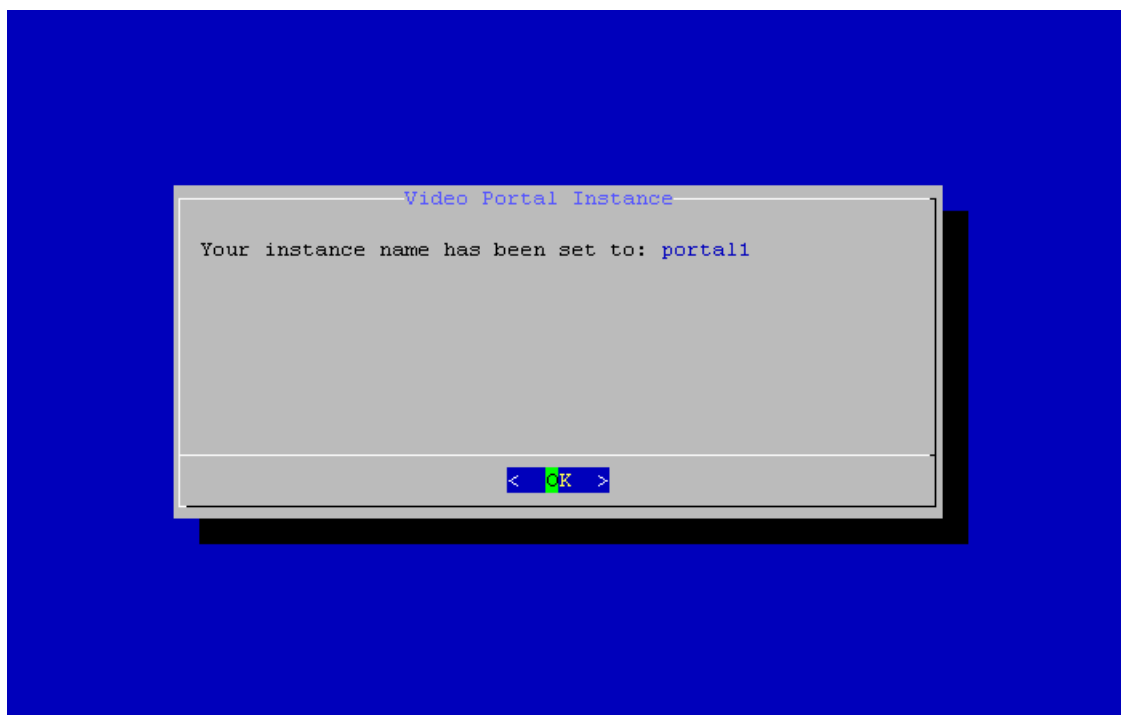
Enter the name of theis Video Portal instance.  
Example:portal1

portal1

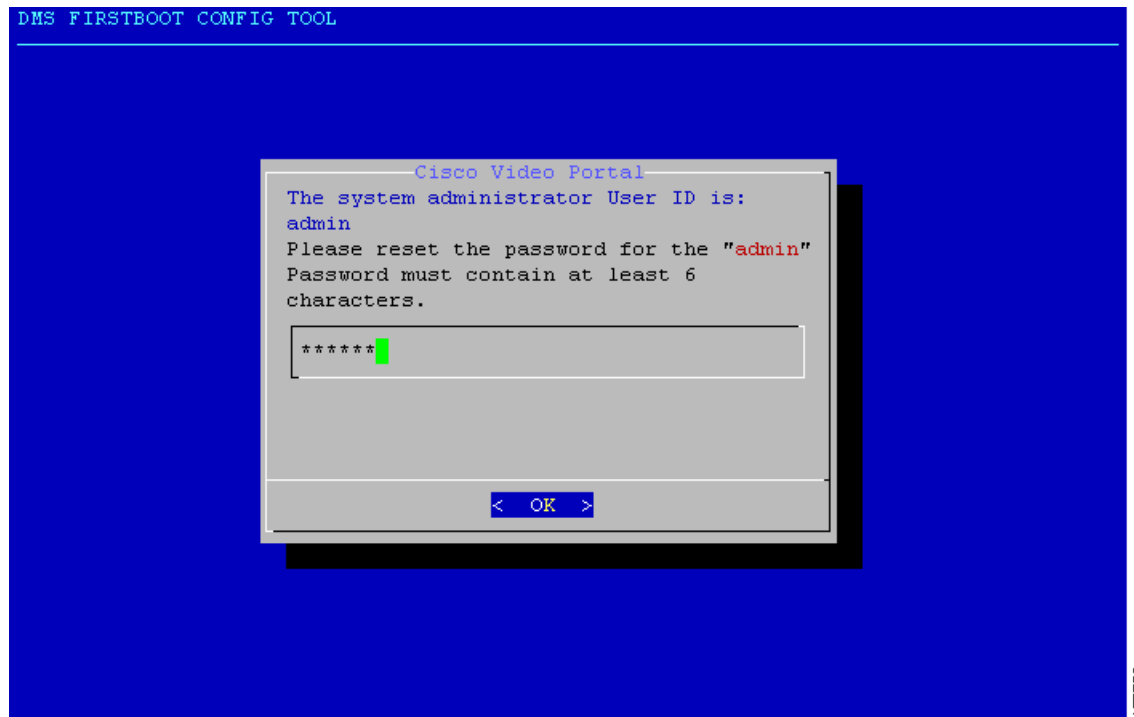
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- Step 31** The instance name is displayed for your confirmation. Press **Enter** to continue. If you made an error, you can go back into the appliance administrative interface (AAI) after the first boot process to modify these settings.

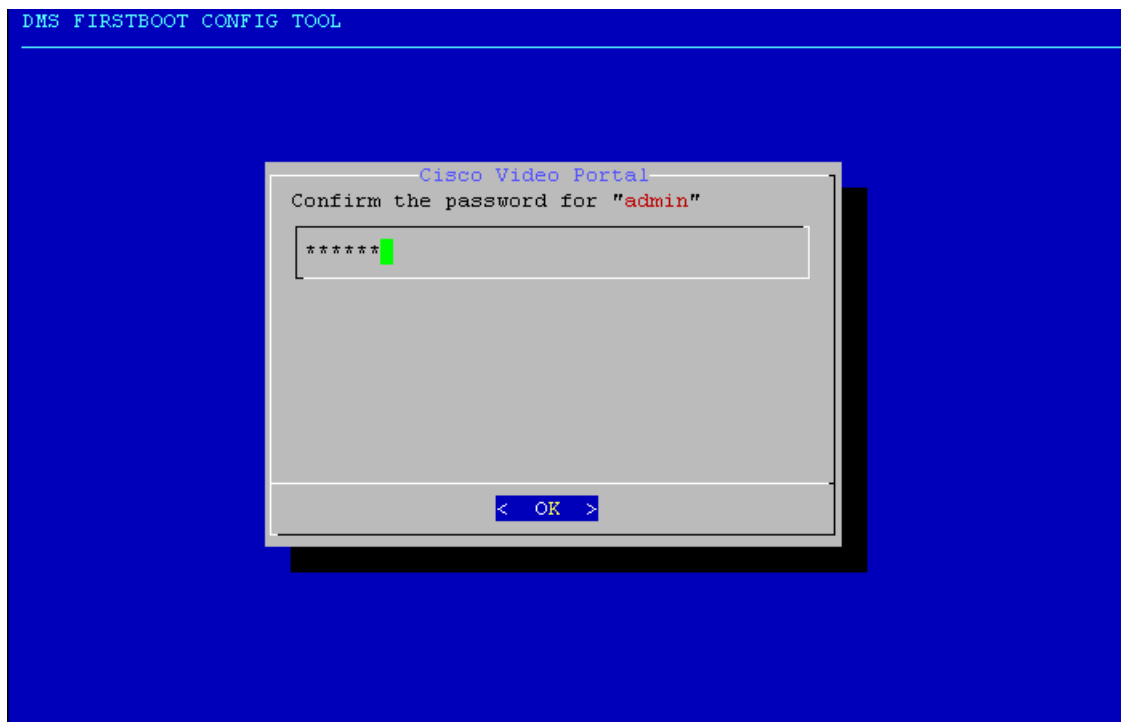


- Step 32** Set the password for **admin**. **admin** is the default administrator account for this server appliance. Your password cannot be null. The password should be at least six (6) characters long.



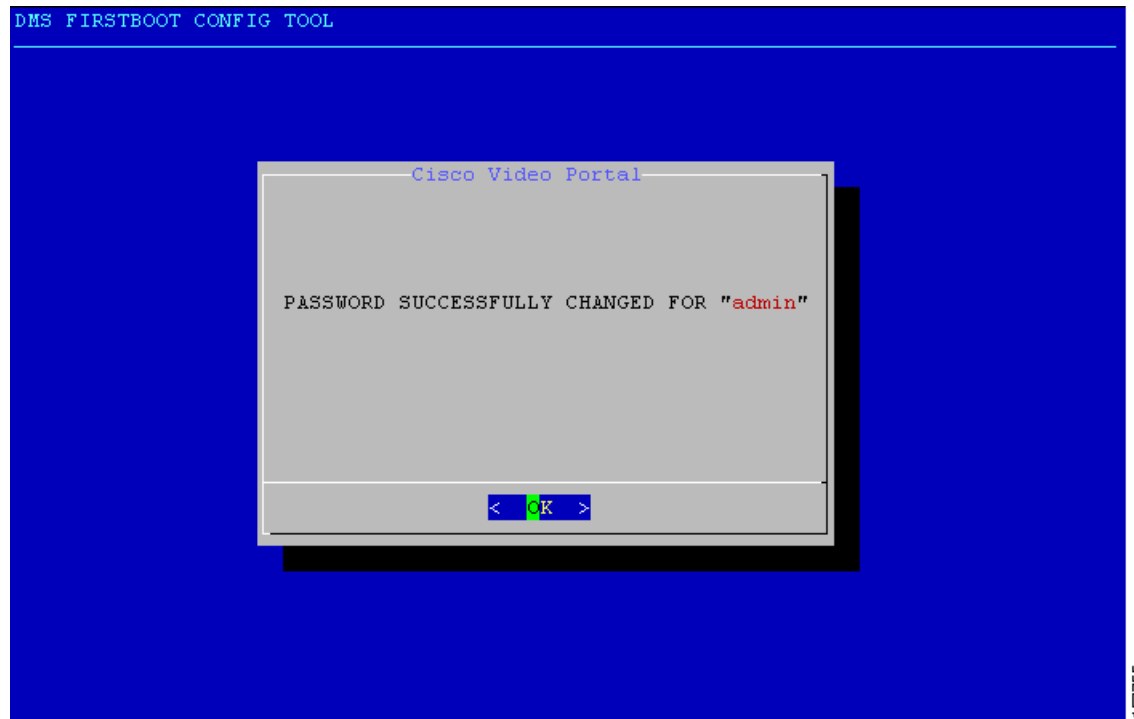
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**Step 33** Confirm the password for **admin** user.



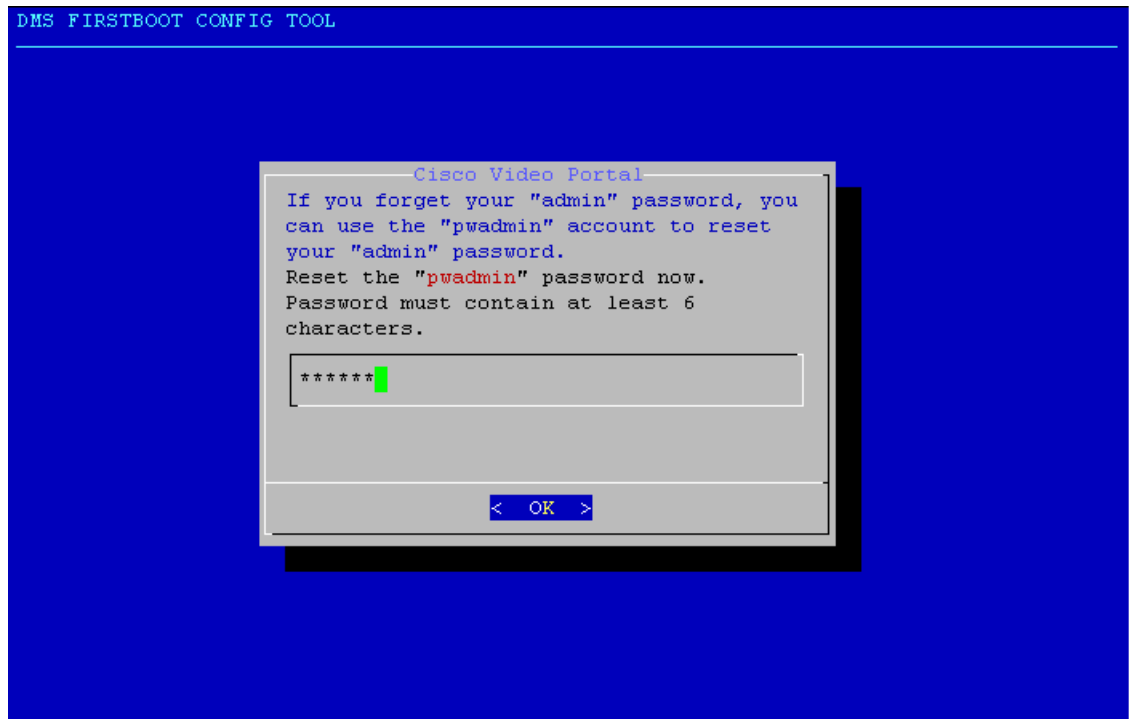
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**Step 34** You receive confirmation of your **admin** password change. Press **Enter** to continue.



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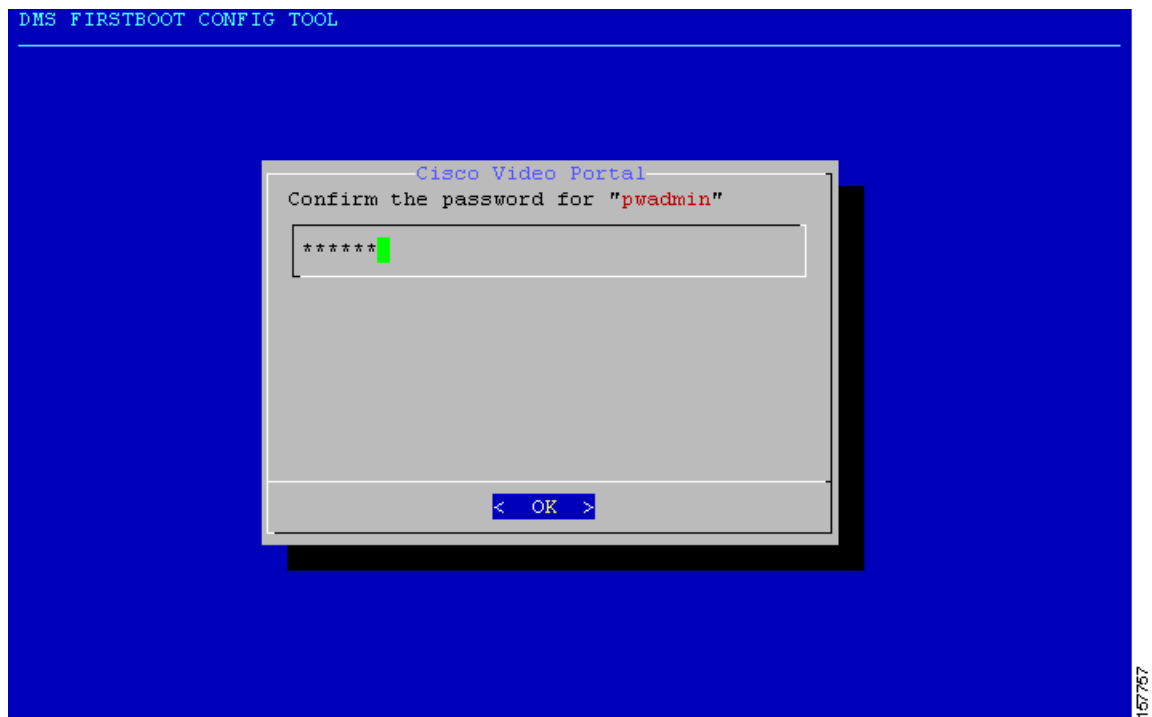
- Step 35** Set the password for **pwadmin** user. The **pwadmin** account allows you to reset your **admin** user password (for example, if you were to forget it). The password cannot be null. The password should be at least six (6) characters long.



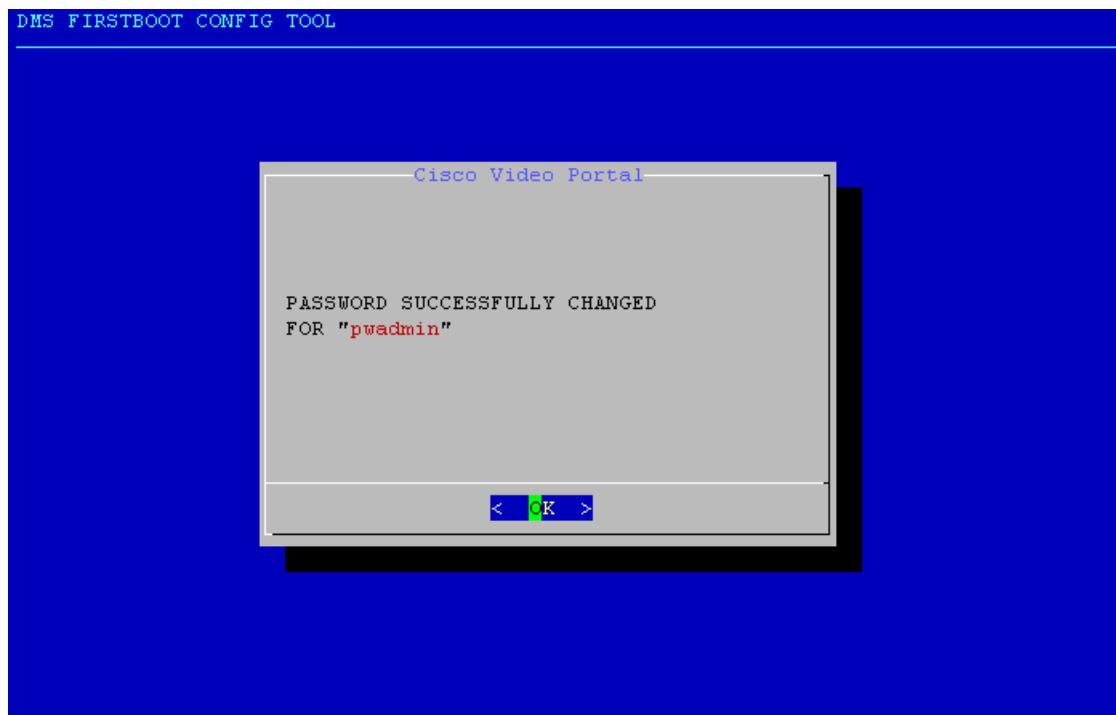
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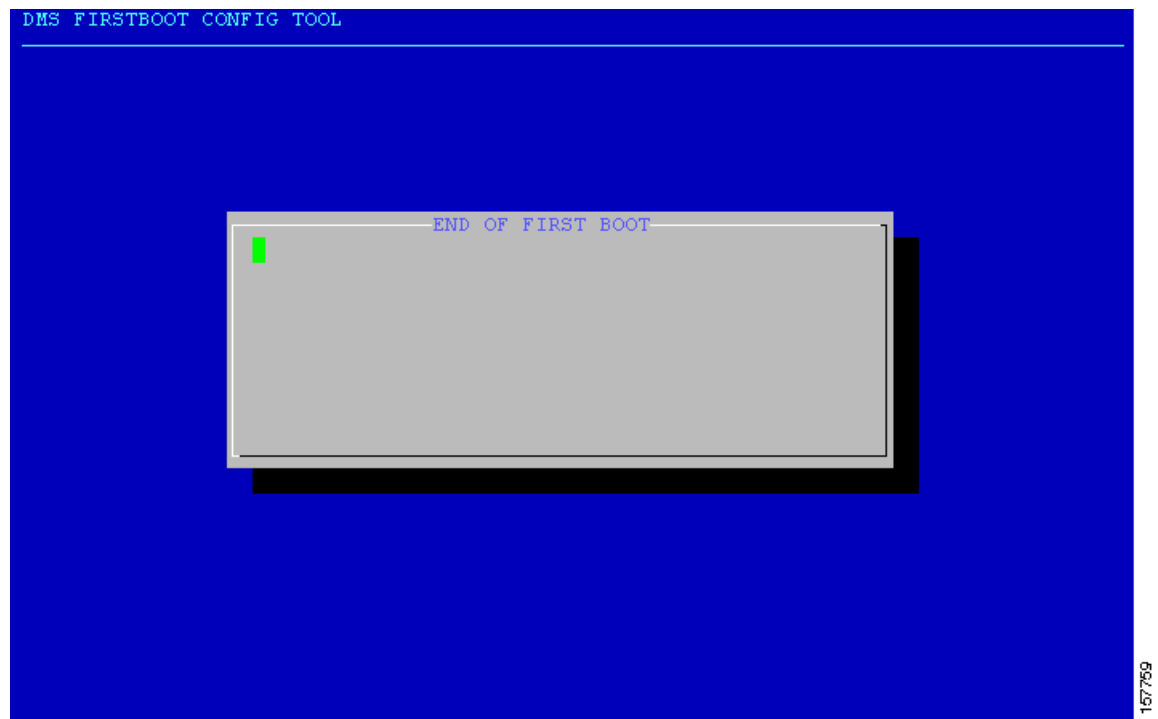
**Step 36** Confirm the password for **pwadmin** user.



**Step 37** You receive confirmation of your **pwadmin** password change. Press **Enter** to continue.



**Step 38** The following screen appears, confirming the end of the first boot.



- Step 39** You can now login using the AAI as **admin** using the new password, or as **pwadmin** using the new password.

```
*****
Cisco Digital Media System ---- Video Portal
*****
login:
```



The recovery is now complete.

## Related Documentation

Refer to the Cisco Digital Media System Documentation Roadmap for a list of related documentation:  
[http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6681/products\\_documentation\\_roadmap09186a0080720650.html](http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/ps6681/products_documentation_roadmap09186a0080720650.html)

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