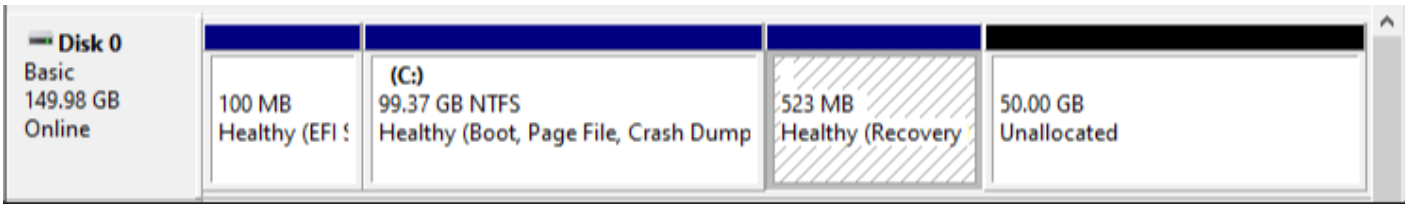
Windows - How to delete the Recovery Partition

Unfortunately when there is no room on the disk to convert the drive from basic to dynamic.

Microsoft documents the problem, and notes the solution is to delete the last partition on the disk:

> [Not Enough Space Available to Upgrade to a Dynamic Disk]
>
> RESOLUTION
>
> Start Disk Manager, right-click the last partition, and then click Delete Partition.



It's important to note that, the recovery partition was created when Windows Retail or OEM was cleanly installed.

Microsoft says you can use the **Create Recovery Drive** to delete a recovery partition

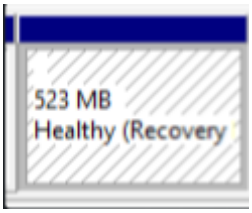
From [Create a USB recovery drive], which is used to create a USB recovery drive, there is supposed to be an option at the end of the wizard to delete the recovery partition on the hard drive:

> When the process is done, do one of the following:
>
> If you want to keep the recovery partition on your PC, tap or click **Finish**.

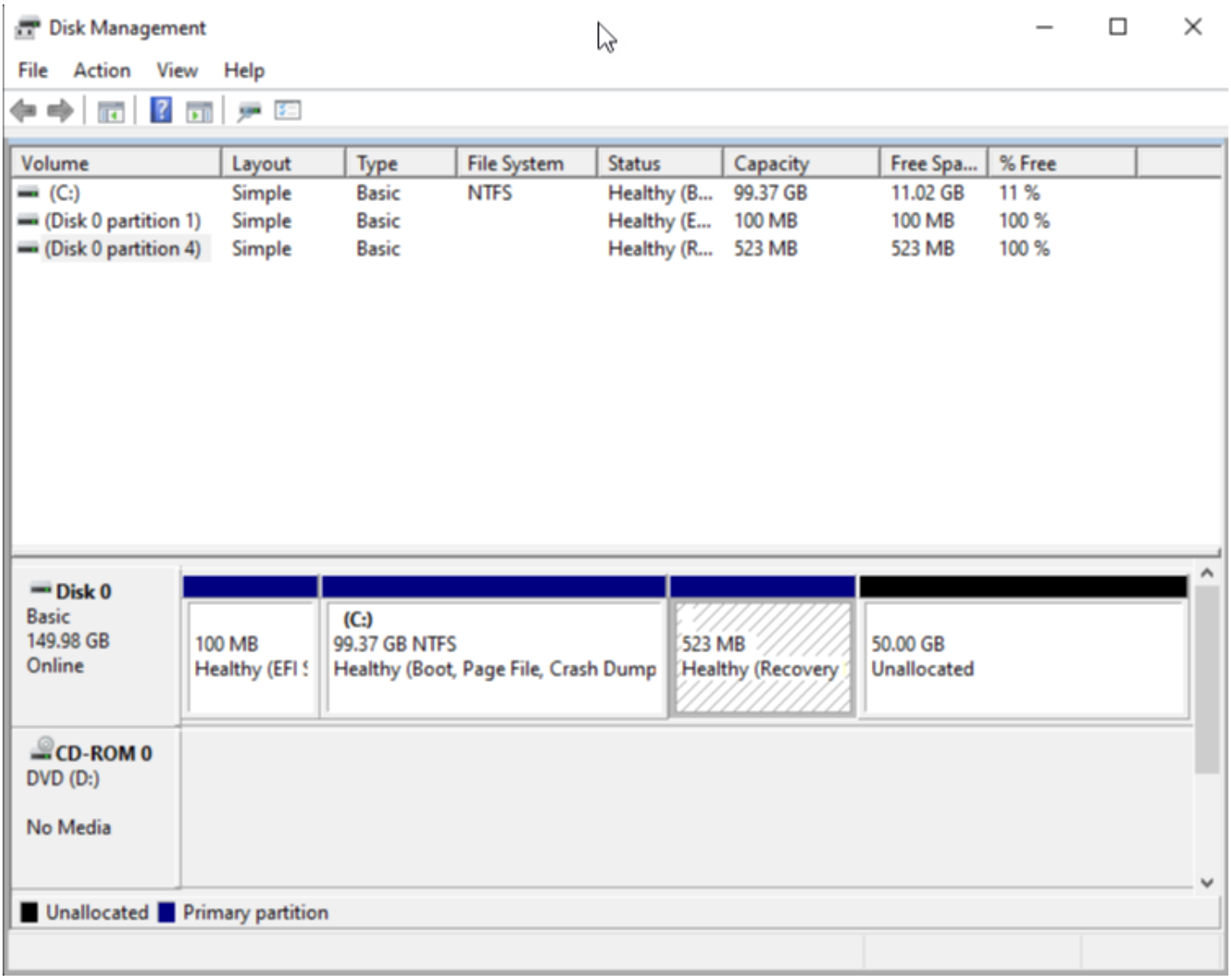
> If you want to remove the recovery partition from your PC and free up disk space, tap or click **Delete the recovery partition**. Then tap or click **Delete**. This will free up the disk space used to store your recovery image. When the removal is done, tap or click **Finish**.
>
> **Note**
>
> Some PCs don't offer the option to remove a recovery partition. If you experience this, there isn't a recovery partition on your PC that's using additional disc space.

When you complete the wizard, there isn't offered the option to remove a recovery partition:

Which apparently means that my machine doesn't have a **Recovery Partition**, yet i refer you to



Disk Management Tool



As you can see the partition number is 4 in this case, which is the one we want to remove to be able to expand the drive.

DiskPart

Using DiskPart from an elevated command prompt

```
diskpart
select disk 0
list partition
select partition 4
delete partition override
```

DiskPart successfully deleted the selected partition.

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