

Using older software in Windows 8 or Windows 10

The first thing to try is Compatibility Mode: right-click on the program file [programname].exe and click Properties. You will see a dialog with several tabs. Click the Compatibility tab. Click the check box that says: Run this program in compatibility mode for:

Then use the drop down to select a different operating system.

If this doesn't solve the problem, try:

The installation and running of some of our railroad programs (e.g., 3D Railroad Concept & Design) requires that a CD be in your CD/DVD drive. If you purchase a download of the program, unpack the files and burn them to a CD. Place the CD in your drive and proceed to install the program.

Windows 10 may require you to run the program as administrator; right-click on the exe file and select to run as administrator. If you wish to have the program run automatically as administrator, follow any of these links and make the suggested adjustments to set it to run automatically as administrator:

<http://www.cnet.com/how-to/always-run-a-program-in-administrator-mode-in-windows-10/>

<http://www.howtogeek.com/187086/ask-htg-how-can-i-set-an-application-to-always-run-in-administrator-mode/>

<http://www.tekrevue.com/tip/always-run-as-administrator/>

If this doesn't solve the problem, try:

Look through the information below, search the internet for such terms as "How to Enable Hyper-V in Windows 8 -Pro" and "running older programs in Windows 8."

The following information has been obtained from the Microsoft site here:

<http://support.microsoft.com/kb/2724115>

And from here: <http://www.lockergnome.com/news/2012/09/06/windows-8-xp-mode/>

We also suggest this site: <http://www.windows8update.com/2011/12/06/enabling-hyper-v-in-windows-8/>

<http://www.eightforums.com/tutorials/6832-compatibility-mode-use-windows-8-a.html>

We make no claims as to the suitability, safety or success of using these methods with our legacy products. The content below and on the above referenced websites is for information purposes only. Please consult with your administrators or other computer experts prior to attempting to enable Windows 8 to operate a virtual machine.

Windows 8 and 10 do not include XP "mode" but do include Compatibility Mode although Windows 10 Compatibility Mode goes back only to XP.