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Introduction

This document provides a summary of enhancements, support information, and installation instructions for FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1 build 0831.

- [Special notices on page 5](#)
- [What's new in FortiClient \(Windows\) 6.2.1 on page 6](#)
- [Installation information on page 7](#)
- [Product integration and support on page 10](#)
- [Resolved issues on page 13](#)
- [Known issues on page 16](#)

Review all sections prior to installing FortiClient.

Licensing

FortiClient 6.2.0+, FortiClient EMS 6.2.0+, and FortiOS 6.2.0+ introduce a new licensing structure for managing endpoints running FortiClient 6.2.0+. See [Upgrading from previous FortiClient versions on page 8](#) for more information on how the licensing changes upon upgrade to 6.2.0+. Fortinet no longer offers a free trial license for ten connected FortiClient endpoints on any FortiGate model running FortiOS 6.2.0+. EMS 6.2.1 supports a 30-day trial license with ten FortiClient seats.

FortiClient 6.2.1 offers a free VPN-only version that you can use for VPN-only connectivity to FortiGate devices running FortiOS 5.6 and later versions. You can download the VPN-only application from [FortiClient.com](https://forticlient.com). You cannot use the VPN-only client with the FortiClient Single Sign On Mobility Agent (SSOMA). To use VPN and SSOMA together, you must purchase an EMS license.

Special notices

Nested VPN tunnels

FortiClient (Windows) does not support parallel, independent VPN connections to different sites. However, FortiClient (Windows) may still establish VPN connection over existing third-party (for example, AT&T Client) VPN connection (nested tunnels).

SSL VPN connectivity issues

Latency or poor network connectivity can affect the FortiClient SSL VPN connection. To further help avoid timeouts, increase the login timeout on the FortiGate to 180 seconds using the following CLI command:

```
config vpn ssl settings
    set login-timeout 180
end
```

Microsoft Windows server support

FortiClient (Windows) supports the AV and vulnerability scan features for Microsoft Windows servers.

HP Velocity and Application Firewall

When using an HP computer, a conflict between the HP Velocity application and FortiClient Application Firewall can cause a blue screen of death or network issues. If not using HP Velocity, consider uninstalling it.

What's new in FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1

For information about what's new in FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1, see the [FortiClient & FortiClient EMS New Features Guide](#).

Installation information

Firmware images and tools

The following files are available from the [Fortinet support site](#):

| File | Description |
|--|---|
| FortiClientTools_6.2.1.xxxx.zip | Zip package containing miscellaneous tools, including VPN automation files. |
| FortiClientSSOSetup_6.2.1.xxxx.zip | FortiClient Single Sign On (FSSO)-only installer (32-bit). |
| FortiClientSSOSetup_6.2.1.xxxx_x64.zip | FSSO-only installer (64-bit). |

The FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1 standard installer and zip package containing FortiClient.msi and language transforms are included with FortiClient EMS 6.2.1.

The following tools and files are available in the FortiClientTools_6.2.xx.xxxx.zip file:

| File | Description |
|-------------------------|--|
| FortiClientVirusCleaner | Virus cleaner. |
| SSLVPNcmdline | Command line SSL VPN client. |
| SupportUtils | Includes diagnostic, uninstallation, and reinstallation tools. |
| VPNAutomation | VPN automation tool. |

The following file is available from [FortiClient.com](#):

| File | Description |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| FortiClientVPNOnlineInstaller_6.2.exe | Free VPN-only installer. This VPN-only client does not include Fortinet technical support. |



Review the following sections prior to installing FortiClient version 6.2.1: [Introduction on page 4](#), [Special notices on page 5](#), and [Product integration and support on page 10](#).

Installation options

When the administrator creates a FortiClient deployment package in EMS, they choose which setup type and modules to install:

- Secure Remote Access: VPN components (IPsec and SSL) are installed.
- Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) Components: FortiSandbox detection and quarantine features are installed.
- Additional Security Features: One or more of the following features are installed: AV, Web Filter, SSO, Application Firewall, and Cloud Based Malware Outbreak Protection.



It is recommended to not install VPN components on Windows Server systems if not required.



The FortiClient (Windows) installer is available on EMS. You can configure and select installed features and options on EMS.

Upgrading from previous FortiClient versions

FortiClient version 6.2.1 supports upgrade from FortiClient versions 6.0 and later.

Starting with FortiClient 6.2.0, FortiClient EMS 6.2.0, and FortiOS 6.2.0, the FortiClient Endpoint Telemetry license is deprecated. The FortiClient Compliance profile under *Security Profiles* and the *Enforce FortiClient Compliance Check* option on the interface configuration pages have been removed from the FortiOS GUI. Endpoints running FortiClient 6.2.0+ now register only with FortiClient EMS 6.2.0+ and compliance is accomplished through the use of compliance verification rules configured on FortiClient EMS 6.2.0+ and enforced through the use of firewall policies. As a result, there are two upgrade scenarios:

- Customers using only a FortiGate device in FortiOS 6.0 to enforce compliance must install FortiClient EMS 6.2.0+ and purchase a FortiClient Security Fabric Agent License for their FortiClient EMS installation to continue using compliance features.
- Customers using both a FortiGate device in FortiOS 6.0 and FortiClient EMS running 6.0 for compliance enforcement must upgrade the FortiGate device to FortiOS 6.2.0+, FortiClient to 6.2.0+, and FortiClient EMS to 6.2.0+.

FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1 features are only enabled when connected to EMS 6.2.0+. If FortiClient (Windows) 6.0 was previously running in standalone mode, ensure to install EMS 6.2.0+, apply the license as appropriate, then connect FortiClient (Windows) to EMS before upgrading to FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1. You should first upgrade any endpoint running a FortiClient (Windows) version older than 6.0.0 to 6.0.5 using existing 6.0 upgrade procedures.

See the [FortiClient and FortiClient EMS Upgrade Paths](#) for information on upgrade paths and the order in which to upgrade Fortinet products.

Downgrading to previous versions

Downgrading FortiClient version 6.2.1 to previous FortiClient versions is not supported.

Firmware image checksums

The MD5 checksums for all Fortinet software and firmware releases are available at the [Customer Service & Support portal](#). After logging in, click on *Download > Firmware Image Checksums*, enter the image file name, including the extension, and select *Get Checksum Code*.

Product integration and support

FortiClient 6.2.1 support

The following table lists version 6.2.1 product integration and support information:

| | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Desktop operating systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft Windows 7 (32-bit and 64-bit)• Microsoft Windows 8, 8.1 (32-bit and 64-bit)• Microsoft Windows 10 (32-bit and 64-bit) <p>FortiClient 6.2.1 does not support Microsoft Windows XP and Microsoft Windows Vista.</p> |
| Server operating systems | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 or newer <p>FortiClient 6.2.1 does not support Windows Server Core.</p> <p>For Microsoft Windows Server, FortiClient (Windows) supports the Vulnerability Scan and AV features, including obtaining a Sandbox signature package for AV scanning.</p> |
| Minimum system requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Microsoft Windows compatible computer with Intel processor or equivalent• Compatible operating system and minimum 512 MB RAM• 600 MB free hard disk space• Native Microsoft TCP/IP communication protocol• Native Microsoft PPP dialer for dialup connections• Ethernet network interface controller (NIC) for network connections• Wireless adapter for wireless network connections• Adobe Acrobat Reader for viewing FortiClient documentation• Windows Installer MSI installer version 3.0 or later |
| FortiAnalyzer | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6.2.0 and later |
| FortiAuthenticator | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4.3.1• 4.3.0• 4.2.1 <p>FortiToken Mobile push notification is not supported for the following versions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4.2.0• 4.1.0 and later• 3.3.0 and later• 3.2.0 and later• 3.1.0 and later• 3.0.0 and later |
| FortiClient EMS | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6.2.0 and later <p>EMS 6.2.2 does not provide backwards host tag compatibility for FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1. Upgrade FortiClient to 6.2.2 for host tag compatibility with EMS 6.2.2.</p> |

| | |
|---------------------|--|
| FortiManager | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6.2.0 and later |
| FortiOS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6.2.0 and later • 6.0.0 and later <p>Telemetry, IPsec VPN, and SSL VPN are supported. See important information in Upgrading from previous FortiClient versions on page 8.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5.6.0 and later <p>IPsec VPN and SSL VPN are supported. See important information in Upgrading from previous FortiClient versions on page 8.</p> |
| FortiSandbox | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.1.0 and later • 3.0.0 and later • 2.5.0 and later |

Language support

The following table lists FortiClient language support information.

| Language | Graphical user interface | XML configuration | Documentation |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| English | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Chinese (simplified) | Yes | | |
| Chinese (traditional) | Yes | | |
| French (France) | Yes | | |
| German | Yes | | |
| Japanese | Yes | | |
| Korean | Yes | | |
| Portuguese (Brazil) | Yes | | |
| Russian | Yes | | |
| Spanish (Spain) | Yes | | |

The FortiClient language setting defaults to the regional language setting configured on the client workstation, unless configured in the XML configuration file.



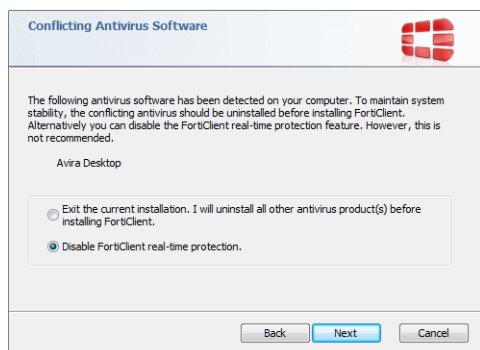
If the client workstation is configured to a regional language setting that FortiClient does not support, it defaults to English.

Conflicts with third party AV products

The AV feature in FortiClient is known to conflict with other similar products in the market.

- You should not use FortiClient's AV feature with other AV products.
- If not using FortiClient's AV feature, you should exclude the FortiClient installation folder from scanning for the third party AV product.

During a new installation of FortiClient, the installer searches for other registered third party software and, if any is found, warns users to uninstall them before proceeding with the installation. There is also an option to disable FortiClient Real Time Protection (RTP).



Resolved issues

The following issues have been fixed in version 6.2.1. For inquiries about a particular bug, contact [Customer Service & Support](#).

Endpoint control

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 553718 | FortiClient forces password change before FortiGate local user password expires. |
| 553977 | FortiClient always sends previous avatar image to EMS when configured to send the OS avatar. |
| 554236 | FortiClient still reports that it is connected to FortiGate when FortiGate changes the registration port. |
| 550158 | FortiClient (Windows) fails to unregister when EMS is not reachable. |
| 563396 | FortiClient shows all features when registered to on-premium EMS with Sandbox license only. |

Malware Protection

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 557098 | FortiClient online installer fails to trigger AV scan on clean system. |
| 563144 | FortiClient registers to Windows security center even if no AV is installed. |

Sandbox

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 563467 | Right-clicking a file to select Sandbox scan in the context menu resets the number of files submitted for Sandbox scan. |
| 563697 | fortimon3 service does not run when no Sandbox is installed. |
| 564177 | FortiClient blocks file access when it reaches the daily count limit. |
| 564363 | FortiClient Sandbox Cloud daily count resets when EMS profile switches between physical and cloud Sandbox. |

Web Filter

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 416909 | RTP should support blocking malicious webpages and known attack communication channels when only AV is installed. |
| 450181 | FortiClient makes connections to FortiGuard servers even when Web Filter and FortiProxy are disabled. |
| 529450 | FortiClient shows <i>Unrated</i> for HTTPS sites while HTTP shows correct category. |
| 551211 | <i>Client Web Filtering When On-Net</i> setting in EMS profile fails to work for Chrome plugin. |
| 561788 | FortiClient Web Filter plugin blocks any URL as unknown when FortiClient Web Filter is disabled. |

Remote Access

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 538722 | VPN-only free client shows always-up/auto-connect. |
| 538752 | EMS settings for <code><show_remember_password></code> , <code><show_alwaysup></code> , and <code><show_autoconnect></code> should override similar FortiOS settings. |
| 551538 | Onnet FortiClient triggers VPN autoconnect after system reboot even when autoconnect only when offnet is enabled. |
| 551919 | Fails to reconnect from FortiTray if username has "\" or domain user format. |
| 554014 | When using local machine certificate, SSL VPN resilience is stuck and does not try next available remote gateway. |
| 555676 | Dialup IPsec VPN with DHCP over IPsec VPN has no Internet access with split tunneling. |
| 558488 | SSL VPN <code>always_up</code> does not work when connecting from tray. |
| 559907 | IPsec VPN cannot connect if started from tray with GUI open. |
| 561826 | SSL VPN with FortiToken two-factor authentication (2FA) does not automatically reconnect when network connection reestablishes after network failure. |
| 563257 | FortiClient (Windows) cannot save phase 2 DH group properly. |
| 563263 | PFS DH group is 1 on GUI, but IPsec daemon sent 5 to FortiOS. |
| 565074 | VPN before logon does not work properly. |
| 566503 | With FortiClient registered to EMS, always up does not work properly with FortiToken 2FA. |
| 567911 | FortiToken 2FA fails to make VPN connection. |
| 568019 | Client certificate is empty on GUI when connecting from FortiTray when tunnel requires a certificate. |

Vulnerability Scan

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 394362 | FortiClient requests reboot even if automatic patching is disabled. |
| 538267 | FortiClient fails to create scheduled vcm scan when EMS enables maintenance setting. |

Install and upgrade

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 566360 | .exe installer fails to run except on US-English Windows. |

Other

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 534194 | fcdblog rewrites hosts file without any changes. |
| 545427 | FortiClient scheduled daily update from MFGD communicates with MFGD very frequently. |
| 548918 | FortiClient AV causes high CPU usage on endpoints. |
| 552481 | Standalone FSSO fails to work after installation with FortiClientSSOSetup_6.2.0.0780_x64.zip. |
| 565128 | FortiClient (Windows) should automatically update avatar page based on EMS settings. |
| 566703 | FortiTray crashes randomly. |

Common Vulnerabilities and Exposures

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 433685 | FortiClient (Windows) is no longer vulnerable to the following CVE reference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CVE-2019-5589 |
| 559607 | FortiClient (Windows) is no longer vulnerable to the following CVE reference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CVE-2019-6692 |

Known issues

The following issues have been identified in FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1. For inquiries about a particular bug or to report a bug, contact [Customer Service & Support](#).

Endpoint Control

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 550165 | EMS is missing Cloud Malware Protection feature state. |
| 551878 | FortiClient registration state stays in syncing state forever if EMS is not reachable. |
| 552101 | EMS reports endpoint notified state after EMS deploys FortiClient successfully. |
| 559308 | FortiClient does not register to new FortiGate when EMS changes or updates its gateway list. |
| 564681 | EMS sometimes fails to deploy to endpoints. |
| 565172 | FortiClient (Windows) fails to push updated avatar to EMS. |
| 568381 | FortiClient (Windows) fails to update vulnerabilities to EMS without starting new VCM scan. |

Malware Protection

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 535604 | AntiExploit causes application to crash without block message. |
| 541953 | FortiClient gives an error if restoring configuration when third party AV is installed. |
| 550154 | FortiClient fails to show <i>Malware Protection</i> tab when installer does not contain AV feature. |
| 553361 | Cloud-based threat detection event should display on <i>AntiVirus Events</i> tab. |
| 563663 | FortiClient AV cannot quarantine files on Remote Desktop Session host. 0 0 0 0 0 |
| 567993 | FortiClient AV scan for removable media stops prematurely. |

Sandbox

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 548919 | FortiSandbox does not scan attachments opened from inside Outlook 2016. |

Web Filter

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 547614 | Chrome plugin does not use customized warning page. |
| 550021 | Web Filter plugin blocks URL accessed in incognito mode when Web Filter is disabled. |
| 551227 | <i>Proceed</i> button on warning page does not work. |
| 567677 | FortiClient (Windows) blocks rated websites as unrated URLs. |

Application Firewall

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 564595 | Application Firewall does not block BitTorrent peer-to-peer traffic. |
| 579458 | Application Firewall decreases throughput on wireless adapters. |

Remote Access

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 537299 | FortiClient (Windows) does not use correct SSL VPN split DNS server. |
| 538024 | FortiClient (Windows) loses DNS settings after disconnecting IPsec VPN. |
| 546487 | IPsec VPN IKEv2 error after disconnecting from and reconnecting to network. |
| 547456 | FortiClient (Windows) GUI does not display bytes sent and received when connecting from FortiTray. |
| 549011 | After renewing the saved LDAP user password, GUI does not show correct tunnel if connected from FortiTray. |
| 549122 | IPv6 tunnel requiring certificate fails to make VPN connection with new PIN. |
| 550601 | Resiliency ping-based method does not work properly. |
| 551754 | FortiClient reports <i>VPN connection failed</i> error when switching between offnet and onnet networks. |
| 563083 | When registered to EMS, IPsec new PIN/next token mode does not work properly. |
| 565449 | SSL VPN resilience does not try the last remote gateway. |
| 566012 | When a proxy server is in the middle, an SSL VPN tunnel that requires a machine certificate can bypass it. |

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 566698 | For always-up with FortiToken 2FA, GUI does not auto-popup for token code when network is down then up. |
| 567908 | Username is empty on GUI after VPN is up. |

Install and upgrade

| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|--|
| 543034 | EMS-deployed FortiClient fails to show message on active logged-on user when multiple users are logged on. |

Other

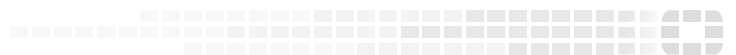
| Bug ID | Description |
|--------|---|
| 540455 | FortiClient System Tray Controller causes high memory and CPU usage |
| 547731 | FortiClient does not warn the user about third party RTP when enabling FortiClient (Windows) RTP via the GUI. |
| 549289 | User details reset after new FortiClient deployment. |
| 557410 | High memory usage for fcappdb on Windows Servers. |
| 568328 | FortiClient crashes and stops AV updates. |
| 568767 | FortiClient reports to FortiAnalyzer that endpoint quarantine and endpoint control states change every two minutes. |

Change log

| Date | Change Description |
|------------|--|
| 2019-07-18 | Initial release of FortiClient (Windows) 6.2.1. |
| 2019-08-06 | Updated Product integration and support on page 10 . |
| 2019-08-16 | Updated Product integration and support on page 10 . |
| 2019-08-22 | Added 559607 to Resolved issues on page 13 . |
| 2019-09-04 | Updated Installation information on page 7 . |
| 2019-11-12 | Added 579458 to Known issues on page 16 . |



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