

Bitdefender GravityZone Installation Guide

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Preface

This guide is intended for IT administrators in charge with deploying the GravityZone protection within their organization's premises. IT managers in search for information about GravityZone can find in this guide the GravityZone requirements and available protection modules.

This document aims to explain how to deploy Bitdefender security agents on all types of endpoints in your company, and how to configure the GravityZone solution.

1. Conventions Used in This Guide

Typographical Conventions

This guide uses several text styles for an improved readability. Learn about their aspect and meaning from the table below.

Appearance	Description
sample	Inline command names and syntaxes, paths and filenames, configuration file outputs, input text are printed with monospaced characters.
http://www.bitdefender.com	The URL link is pointing to some external location, on http or ftp servers.
gravityzone-docs@bitdefender.com	E-mail addresses are inserted in the text for contact information.
"Preface" (p. v)	This is an internal link, towards some location inside the document.
option	All the product options are printed using bold characters.
keyword	Interface options, keywords or shortcuts are highlighted using bold characters.

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Admonitions

The admonitions are in-text notes, graphically marked, bringing to your attention additional information related to the current paragraph.



Note

The note is just a short observation. Although you can omit it, the notes can provide valuable information, such as specific feature or a link to some related topic.



Important

This requires your attention and is not recommended to skip over it. Usually, it provides non-critical but significant information.



Warning

This is critical information you should treat with increased caution. Nothing bad will happen if you follow the indications. You should read and understand it, because it describes something extremely risky.

Preface vi

1. ABOUT GRAVITYZONE

GravityZone is a business security solution built from ground-up for virtualization and cloud to deliver security services to physical endpoints and virtual machines in private and public cloud.

GravityZone is one product with a unified management console available in the cloud, hosted by Bitdefender, or as one virtual appliance to be installed on company's premises, and it provides a single point for deploying, enforcing and managing security policies for any number of endpoints and of any type, in any location.

GravityZone delivers multiple layers of security for endpoints: antimalware with behavioral monitoring, zero day threat protection, application blacklisting and sandboxing, firewall, device control and content control.

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2. GRAVITYZONE PROTECTION LAYERS

GravityZone provides the following protection layers:

- Antimalware
- Advanced Threat Control
- Advanced Anti-Exploit
- Firewall
- Content Control
- Patch Management
- Device Control
- Full Disk Encryption
- Endpoint Risk Analytics (ERA)
- Email Security

2.1. Antimalware

The antimalware protection layer is based on signature scanning and heuristic analysis (B-HAVE, ATC) against: viruses, worms, Trojans, spyware, adware, keyloggers, rootkits and other types of malicious software.

Bitdefender's antimalware scanning technology relies on the following technologies:

- First, a traditional scanning method is employed where scanned content is matched against the signature database. The signature database contains byte patterns specific to known threats and is regularly updated by Bitdefender. This scanning method is effective against confirmed threats that have been researched and documented. However, no matter how promptly the signature database is updated, there is always a vulnerability window between the time when a new threat is discovered and when a fix is released.
- Against brand-new, undocumented threats, a second layer of protection is provided by B-HAVE, Bitdefender's heuristic engine. Heuristic algorithms detect malware based on behavioral characteristics. B-HAVE runs suspicious files in a virtual environment to test their impact on the system and ensure they pose no threat. If a threat is detected, the program is prevented from running.

Scanning Engines

Bitdefender GravityZone is able to automatically set the scanning engines when creating security agent packages, according to the endpoint's configuration.

The administrator can also customize the scan engines, being able to choose between several scanning technologies:

- 1. **Local Scan**, when the scanning is performed on the local endpoint. The local scanning mode is suited for powerful machines, having security content stored locally.
- Hybrid Scan with Light Engines (Public Cloud), with a medium footprint, using in-the-cloud scanning and, partially, the local security content. This scanning mode brings the benefit of better resources consumption, while involving off-premise scanning.
- Central Scan in Public or Private Cloud, with a small footprint requiring a Security Server for scanning. In this case, no security content set is stored locally, and the scanning is offloaded on the Security Server.



Note

There is a minimum set of engines stored locally, needed to unpack the compressed files.

- 4. Central Scan (Public or Private Cloud scanning with Security Server) with fallback* on Local Scan (Full Engines)
- 5. Central Scan (Public or Private Cloud scanning with Security Server) with fallback* on Hybrid Scan (Public Cloud with Light Engines)

2.2 Advanced Threat Control

For threats that elude even the heuristic engine, another layer of protection is present in the form of Advanced Threat Control (ATC).

Advanced Threat Control continuously monitors running processes and grades suspicious behaviors such as attempts to: disguise the type of process, execute code in another process's space (hijack process memory for privilege escalation), replicate, drop files, hide from process enumeration applications, etc. Each suspicious behavior raises the process rating. When a threshold is reached, an alarm is triggered.

2.3. Advanced Anti-Exploit

Powered by machine learning, Advanced Anti-Exploit is a proactive technology that stops zero-day attacks carried out through evasive exploits. Advanced anti-exploit

catches the latest exploits in real-time and mitigates memory corruption vulnerabilities that can evade other security solutions. It protects the most commonly used applications, such as browsers, Microsoft Office or Adobe Reader, as well as others that you may think of. It watches over system processes and

protects against security breaches and hijacking existing processes.

2.4. Firewall

The Firewall controls applications' access to the network and to the Internet. Access is automatically allowed for a comprehensive database of known, legitimate applications. Furthermore, the firewall can protect the system against port scans, restrict ICS and warn when new nodes join a Wi-Fi connection.

2.5. Content Control

The Content Control module helps enforce company policies for allowed traffic, web access, data protection and applications control. Administrators can define traffic scan options and exclusions, schedule web access while blocking or allowing certain web categories or URLs, configure data protection rules and define permissions for the use of specific applications.

2.6. Network Attack Defense

The Network Attack Defense module relies on a Bitdefender technology focused on detecting network attacks designed to gain access on endpoints through specific techniques, such as: brute-force attacks, network exploits, password stealers, drive-by-download infection vectors, bots, and Trojans.

2.7. Patch Management

Fully integrated in GravityZone, Patch Management keeps operating systems and software applications up to date and provides a comprehensive view on the patch status for your managed Windows endpoints.

The GravityZone Patch Management module includes several features, such as on-demand / scheduled patch scanning, automatic / manual patching or missing patch reporting.

You can learn more about GravityZone Patch Management supported vendors and products from this KB article.



Note

Patch Management is an add-on available with a separate license key for all available GravityZone packages.

2.8. Device Control

The Device Control module allows preventing the sensitive data leakage and malware infections via external devices attached to endpoints by applying blocking rules and exceptions via policy to a vast range of device types (such as USB flash drives, Bluetooth devices, CD/DVD players, storage devices, etc.).

2.9. Full Disk Encryption

This protection layer allows you to provide full disk encryption on endpoints, by managing BitLocker on Windows, and FileVault and diskutil on macOS. You can encrypt and decrypt boot and non-boot volumes, with just a few clicks, while GravityZone handles the entire process, with minimal intervention from the users. Additionally, GravityZone stores the recovery keys needed to unlock volumes when the users forget their passwords.



Note

Full Disk Encryption is an add-on available with a separate license key for all available GravityZone packages.

2.10. Endpoint Risk Analytics (ERA)

Endpoint Risk Analytics (ERA) identifies, assesses and remediates Windows endpoints weaknesses via security risk scans (on-demand or scheduled via policy), taking into account a vast number of indicators of risk. Once you have scanned your network with certain indicators of risk, you will obtain an overview of your network risk status via **Risk Management** dashboard, available from the main menu. You will be able to resolve certain security risks automatically from GravityZone Control Center, and view recommendations for endpoint exposure mitigation.

2.11. Email Security

Through Email Security you can control email delivery, filter messages, and apply company-wide policies, to stop targeted and sophisticated email threats, including Business Email Compromise (BEC) and CEO fraud. Email Security requires account

provisioning to access the console. For more information, refer to the Bitdefender Email Security User Guide.

2.12. GravityZone Protection Layers Availability

The GravityZone protection layers availability differs according to the endpoint's operating system. To learn more, refer to the GravityZone Protection Layers Availability KB article.

3. GRAVITYZONE ARCHITECTURE

The GravityZone solution includes the following components:

- Web Console (Control Center)
- Security Agents

3.1. Web Console (GravityZone Control Center)

Bitdefender security solutions are managed within GravityZone from a single point of management, Control Center web console, which provides easier management and access to overall security posture, global security threats, and control over all security modules protecting virtual or physical desktops and servers. Powered by a Gravity Architecture, Control Center is capable of addressing the needs of even the largest organizations.

Control Center, a web-based interface, integrates with the existing system management and monitoring systems to make it simple to apply protection to unmanaged workstations and servers.

3.2. Security Agents

To protect your network with Bitdefender, you must install the appropriate GravityZone security agents on network endpoints.

- Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools
- Endpoint Security for Mac

3.2.1. Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools

GravityZone ensures Windows and Linux physical and virtual machines protection with Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools, an intelligent environment-aware security agent which adapts to the endpoint type. Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools can be deployed on any machine, either virtual or physical, providing a flexible scanning system, being an ideal choice for mixed environments (physical, virtual and cloud).

Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools uses one single policy template for physical and virtual machines, and one installation kit source for any environment (physical or virtual) running Windows.

Protection Layers

The following protection layers are available with Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools:

- Antimalware
- Advanced Threat Control
- Firewall
- Content Control
- Network Attack Defense
- Patch Management
- Device Control
- Full Disk Encryption
- Endpoint Risk Analytics (ERA)

Endpoint Roles

- Power User
- Relay
- Patch Caching Server

Power User

Control Center administrators can grant Power User rights to endpoint users via policy settings. The Power User module enables administration rights at user level, allowing the endpoint user to access and modify security settings via a local console. Control Center is being notified when an endpoint is in Power User mode and the Control Center administrator can always overwrite local security settings.



Important

This module is available only for supported Windows desktop and server operating systems. For more information, refer to "Supported Operating Systems" (p. 13).

Relay

Endpoint agents with Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay role serve as communication proxy and update servers for other endpoints in the network. Endpoint agents with relay role are especially required in organizations with isolated networks, where all traffic is made through a single access point.

In companies with distributed networks, relay agents help lowering the bandwidth usage, by preventing protected endpoints to connect directly to GravityZone.

Once a Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay agent is installed in the network, other endpoints can be configured via policy to communicate with Control Center through the relay agent.

Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay agents serve for the following purposes:

- Discovering all unprotected endpoints in the network.
 - This functionality is essential for the security agent deployment in a cloud GravityZone environment.
- Deploying the endpoint agent inside the local network.
- Updating protected endpoints in the network.
- Ensuring the communication between Control Center and connected endpoints.
- Acting as proxy server for protected endpoints.
- Optimizing the network traffic during updates, deployments, scanning and other resource-consuming tasks.

Patch Caching Server

Endpoints with Relay role may also act as a Patch Caching Server. With this role enabled, Relays serve for storing software patches downloaded from vendor's websites, and distributing them to target endpoints in your network. Whenever a connected endpoint has software with missing patches, it takes them from the server and not from the vendor's website, thus optimizing the traffic generated and the network bandwidth load.



Important

This additional role is available with a registered Patch Management add-on.

3.2.2. Endpoint Security for Mac

Endpoint Security for Mac is a security agent designed to protect Intel-based Macintosh workstations and laptops. The scanning technology available is **Local Scan**, with security content stored locally.

Protection Layers

The following protection layers are available with Endpoint Security for Mac:

- Antimalware
- Advanced Threat Control
- Content Control
- Device Control

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• Full Disk Encryption

4. REQUIREMENTS

All of the GravityZone solutions are installed and managed via Control Center.

4.1. Control Center

To access the Control Center web console, the following are required:

- Internet Explorer 9+, Mozilla Firefox 14+, Google Chrome 15+, Safari 5+, Microsoft Edge 20+, Opera 16+
- Recommended screen resolution: 1280 x 800 or higher



Warning

Control Center will not work / display properly in Internet Explorer 9+ with the Compatibility View feature enabled, which is equivalent with using an unsupported browser version.

4.2. Endpoint Protection

To protect your network with Bitdefender, you must install the GravityZone security agents on network endpoints. For this purpose, you need a Control Center user with administrator privileges over the services you need to install and over the network endpoints under your management.

4.2.1. Hardware

Security Agent Without Roles

CPU

Target Systems	CPU Type	Supported Operating Systems (OSes)
Workstations	Intel® Pentium compatible processors, 2 GHz or faster	Microsoft Windows desktop OSes
	Intel® Core 2 Duo, 2 GHz or faster	macOS
Smart Devices	Intel® Pentium compatible processors, 800 MHZ or faster	Microsoft Windows embedded OSes
Servers	Minimum: Intel® Pentium compatible processors, 2.4 GHz	Microsoft Windows Server
	Recommended: Intel® Xeon multi-core CPU, 1.86 GHz or faster	OSes and Linux OSes

Free Disk Space

At Installation (MB)

Security Agent with Relay Role

The Relay role needs hardware resources additionally to the basic security agent's configuration. These requirements are to support the Update Server and installation packages hosted by the endpoint:

Number of connected endpoints	CPU to support Update Server	RAM	Free disk space for Update Server
1-300	minimum Intel® Core™ i3 or equivalent processor, 2 vCPU per core	1 GB	10 GB

Number of connected endpoints	CPU to support Update Server	RAM	Free disk space for Update Server
300-1000	minimum Intel® Core™ i5 or equivalent processor, 4 vCPU per core	1 GB	10 GB



Warning

- ARM processors are currently not supported.
- Relay agents require SSD disks, to support the high amount of read/write operations.



Important

- If you want to save the installation packages and updates to another partition than the one where the agent is installed, make sure both partitions have sufficient free disk space (10 GB), otherwise the agent aborts installation. This is required only at installation.
- On Windows endpoints, local to local symbolic links must be enabled.

4.2.2. Supported Operating Systems

Windows Desktop

- Windows 10 October 2020 Update (20H2)
- Windows 10 May 2020 Update (20H1)
- Windows 10 November 2019 Update (19H2)
- Windows 10 May 2019 Update (19H1)
- Windows 10 October 2018 Update (Redstone 5)
- Windows 10 April 2018 Update (Redstone 4)
- Windows 10 Fall Creators Update (Redstone 3)
- Windows 10 Creators Update (Redstone 2)
- Windows 10 Anniversary Update (Redstone 1)
- Windows 10 November Update (Threshold 2)

- Windows 10
- Windows 8.1
- Windows 8
- Windows 7

Windows Tablet and Embedded

- Windows 10 IoT Enterprise
- Windows Embedded 8.1 Industry
- Windows Embedded 8 Standard
- Windows Embedded Standard 7
- Windows Embedded Compact 7
- Windows Embedded POSReady 7
- Windows Embedded Enterprise 7

Windows Server

- Windows Server 2019
- Windows Server 2019 Core
- Windows Server 2016
- Windows Server 2016 Core
- Windows Server 2012 R2
- Windows Server 2012
- Windows Small Business Server (SBS) 2011
- Windows Server 2008 R2

Linux



Important

Linux endpoints use license seats from the pool of licenses for server operating systems.

• Ubuntu 14.04 LTS or higher

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux / CentOS 6.0 or higher⁽²⁾
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 11 SP4 or higher
- OpenSUSE Leap 42.x
- Fedora 25 or higher⁽¹⁾
- Debian 8.0 or higher
- Oracle Linux 6.3 or higher
- Amazon Linux AMI 2016.09 or higher
- Amazon Linux 2



Warning

(1) On Fedora 28 and higher, Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools requires manual installation of the libnsl package, by running the following command:

```
sudo dnf install libnsl -y
```

(2) For minimal installations of CentOS Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools requires manual installation of the libnsl package, by running the following command:

```
sudo yum install libnsl
```

Active Directory Prerequisites

When integrating Linux endpoints with an Active Directory domain via the System Security Services Daemon (SSSD), ensure that the **Idbsearch**, **krb5-user**, and **krb5-config** tools are installed and kerberos is configured properly.

```
ccache type = 4
        forwardable = true
        proxiable = true
        fcc-mit-ticketflags = true
        default keytab name = FILE:/etc/krb5.keytab
[realms]
        DOMAIN.NAME = {
                        kdc = dc1.domain.name
                        kdc = dc2.domain.name
                        admin server = dc.domain.com
                        default domain = domain.com
[domain realm]
domain.name = DOMAIN.NAME
 .domain.name = DOMAIN.NAME
[appdefaults]
pam = {
        debug = false
        ticket lifetime = 36000
        renew lifetime = 36000
        forwardable = true
        krb4 convert = false
```

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Note

All entries are case sensitive.

On-access Scanning Support

On-access scanning is available for all supported guest operating systems. On Linux systems, on-access scanning support is provided in the following situations:

Kernel Versions	Linux Distributions	On-access Requirements
2.6.38 or higher*	Red Hat Enterprise Linux / CentOS 6.0 or higher	Fanotify (kernel option) must be enabled.

Kernel Versions	Linux Distributions	On-access Requirements	
	Ubuntu 14.04 or higher		
	SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 11 SP4 or higher		
	OpenSUSE Leap 42.x		
	Fedora 25 or higher		
	Debian 9.0 or higher		
	Oracle Linux 6.3 or higher		
	Amazon Linux AMI 2016.09 or higher		
2.6.38 or higher	Debian 8	Fanotify must be enabled and set to enforcing mode and then the kernel package must be rebuilt.	
		For details, refer to this KB article.	
2.6.32 - 2.6.37	CentOS 6.x Red Hat Enterprise Linux 6.x	Bitdefender provides support via DazukoFS with prebuilt kernel modules.	
All other kernels	All other supported systems	The DazukoFS module must be manually compiled. For more details, refer to ???.	

^{*} With certain limitations described below.

On-access Scanning Limitations

Kernel Versions	Linux Distributions	Details
2.6.38 or higher	All supported systems	On-access scanning monitors mounted network shares only under these conditions:
		• Fanotify is enabled on both remote and local systems.



Kernel Versions	Linux Distributions	Details
		• The share is based on the CIFS and NFS file systems.
		Note On-access scanning does not scan network shares mounted using SSH or FTP.
All kernels	All supported systems	On-access scanning is not supported on systems with DazukoFS for network shares mounted on paths already protected by the On-access module.

mac0S

- macOS Big Sur (11.0)*
- macOS Catalina (10.15)
- macOS Mojave (10.14)
- macOS High Sierra (10.13)
- macOS Sierra (10.12)
- OS X El Capitan (10.11)

Content Control not supported in macOS Big Sur (11.0).

4.2.3. Supported File Systems

Bitdefender installs on and protects the following file systems:

AFS, BTRFS, ext2, ext3, ext4, FAT, FAT16, FAT32, VFAT, exFAT, NTFS, UFS, ISO 9660 / UDF, NFS, CIFS/SMB, VXFS, XFS.



Note

On-access scanning support is not provided for NFS and CIFS/SMB.

4.2.4. Supported Browsers

Endpoint browser security is verified to be working with the following browsers:

- Internet Explorer 8+
- Mozilla Firefox 30+
- Google Chrome 34+
- Safari 4+
- Microsoft Edge 20+
- Opera 21+

4.2.5. Traffic Usage

- · Product updates traffic between endpoint client and update server
 - On Windows OS: ~20 MB

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• Traffic between endpoint clients and Control Center web console

An average traffic of 618 KB / day is generated between endpoint clients and Control Center web console.

4.3. Full Disk Encryption

GravityZone Full Disk Encryption allows you to operate BitLocker on Windows endpoints and FileVault and the diskutil command-line utility on macOS endpoints via Control Center.

To ensure data protection, this module provides full disk encryption for boot and non-boot volumes, on fixed disks, and it stores the recovery keys in case the users forget their passwords.

The Encryption module uses the existing hardware resources in your GravityZone environment.

From the software perspective, the requirements are almost the same as for BitLocker, FileVault and the diskutil command-line utility and most of the limitations refer to these tools.

On Windows

GravityZone Encryption supports BitLocker, starting with version 1.2, on machines with and without a Trusted Platform Module (TPM) chip.

GravityZone supports BitLocker on the endpoints with the following operating systems:

- Windows 10 Education
- Windows 10 Enterprise
- Windows 10 Pro
- Windows 8.1 Enterprise
- Windows 8.1 Pro
- Windows 8 Enterprise
- Windows 8 Pro
- Windows 7 Ultimate (with TPM)
- Windows 7 Enterprise (with TPM)
- Windows Server 2019*
- Windows Server 2016*
- Windows Server 2012 B2*
- Windows Server 2012*
- Windows Server 2008 R2* (with TPM)

*BitLocker is not included on these operating systems and must be installed separately. For more information about deploying BitLocker on Windows Server, refer to these KB articles provided by Microsoft:

- https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/itpro/bitlocker-how-to-deploy-on-windows-server
- https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc732725(v=ws.10).aspx



Important

GravityZone does not support encryption on Windows 7 and Windows 2008 R2 without TPM.

For detailed BitLocker requirements, refer to this KB article provided by Microsoft: https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc766200(v=ws.10).aspx

On Mac

GravityZone supports FileVault and diskutil on macOS endpoints running the following operating systems:

- macOS Big Sur (11.0)
- macOS Catalina (10.15)
- macOS Mojave (10.14)
- macOS High Sierra (10.13)
- macOS Sierra (10.12)
- OS X El Capitan (10.11)

4.4. GravityZone Communication Ports

GravityZone is a distributed solution, meaning that its components communicate with each other through the use of the local network or the Internet. Each component uses a series of ports to communicate with the others. You need to make sure these ports are open for GravityZone.

For detailed information regarding GravityZone ports, refer to this KB article.

5. INSTALLING PROTECTION

To protect your network with Bitdefender, you must install the GravityZone security agents on endpoints. For this purpose, you need a GravityZone Control Center user with administrator privileges over the endpoints under your management.

5.1. License Management

GravityZone is licensed with a single key for all security services, except for Full Disk Encryption, which for yearly license comes with a separate key.

You can try GravityZone for free for a period of 30 days. During the trial period all features are fully available and you can use the service on any number of computers. Before the trial period ends, if you want to continue using the services, you must opt for a paid subscription plan and make the purchase.

To purchase a license, contact a Bitdefender reseller or contact us by email at enterprisesales@bitdefender.com.

Your subscription is managed by Bitdefender or by the Bitdefender partner who sells you the service. Some Bitdefender partners are security service providers. Depending on your subscription arrangements, GravityZone day-to-day operation may be handled either internally by your company or externally by the security service provider.

5.1.1. Finding a Reseller

Our resellers will assist you with all the information you need and help you choose the best licensing option for you.

To find a Bitdefender reseller in your country:

- 1. Go to the Partner Locator page on Bitdefender website.
- 2. Select the country you reside in to view contact information of available Bitdefender partners.
- 3. If you do not find a Bitdefender reseller in your country, feel free to contact us by email at enterprisesales@bitdefender.com.

5.1.2. Activating Your License

When you purchase a paid subscription plan for the first time, a license key is issued for you. The GravityZone subscription is enabled by activating this license key.



Warning

Activating a license does NOT append its features to the currently active license. Instead, the new license overrides the old one. For example, activating a 10 endpoints license on top of a 100 endpoints license will NOT result in a subscription for 110 endpoints. On the contrary, it will reduce the number of covered endpoints from 100 to 10.

The license key is sent to you via email when you purchase it. Depending on your service agreement, once your license key is issued, your service provider may activate it for you. Alternately, you can activate your license manually, by following these steps:

- 1. Log in to Control Center using your account.
- 2. Click your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choose **My Company**.
- 3. Check details about the current license in the **License** section.
- 4. In the License section, select the License type.
- 5. In the License Key field, enter your license key.
- 6. Click the **Check** button and wait until Control Center retrieves information about the entered license key.
- 7. In the **Add-on key** field, enter the key for a specific add-on, such as Encryption.
- 8. Click **Add**. The add-on details appear in a table: type, license key and the option to remove the key.
- 9. Click Save.
- 10. To be able to use the add-on, you must log out from the Control Center and then re-log in. This will make the add-on features visible in GravityZone.

5.1.3. Checking Current License Details

To view your license details:

- 1. Log in to Control Center using your email and password received by email.
- 2. Click your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choose **My Company**.
- 3. Check details about the current license in the **License** section. You can also click the **Check** button and wait until Control Center retrieves the latest information about the current license key.



To protect your physical and virtual endpoints, you must install a security agent on each of them. Besides managing protection on the local endpoint, the security agent also communicates with Control Center to receive the administrator's commands and to send the results of its actions.

You can install the security agents on physical and virtual endpoints by running installation packages locally or by running installation tasks remotely from Control Center.

It is very important to carefully read and follow the instructions to prepare for installation.

In normal mode, the security agents have a minimal user interface. It only allows users to check protection status and run basic security tasks (updates and scans), without providing access to settings.

By default, the display language of the user interface on protected Windows endpoints is set at installation time based on the language of your GravityZone account.

To install the user interface in another language on certain Windows endpoints, you can create an installation package and set the preferred language in its configuration options. This option is not available for Mac and Linux endpoints. For more information on creating installation packages, refer to "Creating Installation Packages" (p. 26).

5.2.1. Preparing for Installation

Before installation, follow these preparatory steps to make sure it goes smoothly:

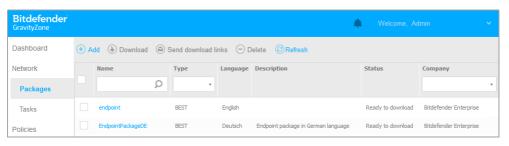
- Make sure the target endpoints meet the minimum system requirements. For some endpoints, you may need to install the latest operating system service pack available or free up disk space. Compile a list of endpoints that do not meet the necessary requirements so that you can exclude them from management.
- The installation requires administrative privileges and Internet access. If the target endpoints are in an Active Directory domain, you should use domain administrator credentials for remote installation. Otherwise, make sure you have the necessary credentials at hand for all endpoints.
- 3. Endpoints must have connectivity to Control Center.

4. It is recommended to use a static IP address for the Relay server. If you do not set a static IP, use the machine's hostname.

5.2.2. Local Installation

One way to install the security agent on an endpoint is to locally run an installation package.

You can create and manage installation packages in the **Network > Packages** page.



The Packages page



Warning

- The first machine on which you install protection must have Relay role, otherwise you will not be able to deploy the security agent on other endpoints in the network.
- The Relay machine must be powered-on and online in order for the clients to communicate with Control Center.

Once the first client has been installed, it will be used to detect other endpoints in the same network, based on the Network Discovery mechanism. For detailed information on network discovery, refer to "How Network Discovery Works" (p. 34).

To locally install the security agent on an endpoint, follow the next steps:

1. Create an installation package according to your needs.



Note

This step is not mandatory if an installation package has already been created for the network under your account.

2. Download the installation package on the target endpoint.

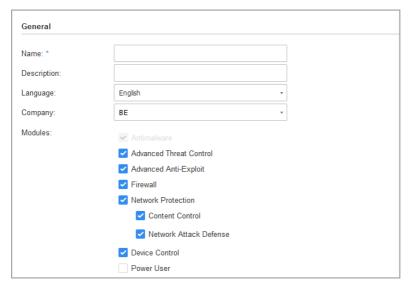
You can alternately send the installation package download links by email to several users in your network.

3. Run the installation package on the target endpoint.

Creating Installation Packages

To create an installation package:

- 1. Connect and log in to Control Center.
- 2. Go to the Network > Packages page.
- 3. Click the Add button at the upper side of the table. A configuration window will appear.



Create Packages - Options

- 4. Enter a suggestive name and description for the installation package you want to create.
- 5. From the **Language** field, select the desired language for the client's interface.
- 6. Select the target endpoint role:



Important

When using custom path, make sure you have the right installation package for each operating system.

- 8. If you want to, you can set a password to prevent users from removing protection. Select **Set uninstall password** and enter the desired password in the corresponding fields.
- 9. If the target endpoints are in Network Inventory under **Custom Groups**, you can choose to move them in a specified folder immediately after the security agent deployment finishes.

Select **Use custom folder** and choose a folder in the corresponding table.

- 10. Under **Deployer** section, choose the entity to which the target endpoints will connect for installing and updating the client:
 - Bitdefender Cloud, if you want to update the clients directly from the Internet.
 In this case, you can also define the proxy settings, if target endpoints connect to the Internet via proxy. Select Use proxy for communication and enter the required proxy settings in the fields below.
 - Endpoint Security Relay, if you want to connect the endpoints to a Relay client installed in your network. All machines with Relay role detected in your network will show-up in the table displayed below. Select the Relay machine that you want. Connected endpoints will communicate with Control Center only via the specified Relay.



Important

Port 7074 must be open for the deployment through Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay to work.

11. Click Save.

The newly created package will be added to the list of packages.



Note

The settings configured within an installation package will apply to endpoints immediately after installation. As soon as a policy is applied to the client, the settings configured within the policy will be enforced, replacing certain installation package settings (such as communication servers or proxy settings).



To download the installation packages of the security agents:

- 1. Log in to Control Center from the endpoint on which you want to install protection.
- 2. Go to the Network > Packages page.
- 3. Select the installation package you want to download.
- 4. Click the **Download** button at the upper side of the table and select the type of installer you want to use. Two types of installation files are available:
 - Downloader. The downloader first downloads the full installation kit from the Bitdefender cloud servers and then starts the installation. It is small in size and it can be run both on 32-bit and 64-bit systems (which makes it easy to distribute). On the downside, it requires an active Internet connection.
 - **Full Kit**. The full installation kits are bigger in size and they have to be run on the specific operating system type.

The full kit is to be used to install protection on endpoints with slow or no Internet connection. Download this file to an Internet-connected endpoint, then distribute it to other endpoints using external storage media or a network share.



Note

Available full kit versions:

- Windows OS: 32-bit and 64-bit systems
- 5. Save the file to the endpoint.



Warning

- The downloader executable must not be renamed, otherwise it will not be able to download the installation files from Bitdefender server.
- 6. Additionally, if you have chosen the Downloader, you can create an MSI package for Windows endpoints. For more information, refer to this KB article.



You may need to quickly inform other users that an installation package is available to download. In this case, follow the steps described hereinafter:

- 1. Go to the **Network > Packages** page.
- 2. Select the installation package that you want.
- 3. Click the Send download links button at the upper side of the table. A configuration window will appear.
- 4. Enter the email of each user you want to receive the installation package download link. Press Enter after each email.
 - Please make sure that each entered email address is valid.
- 5. If you want to view the download links before sending them by email, click the **Installation links** button.
- 6. Click **Send**. An email containing the installation link is sent to each specified email address.

Running Installation Packages

For the installation to work, the installation package must be run using administrator privileges.

The package installs differently on each operating system as follows:

- 1. On the target endpoint, download the installation file from Control Center or copy it from a network share.
 - 2. If you have downloaded the full kit, extract the files from the archive.
 - 3. Run the executable file.

Once the security agent has been installed, the endpoint will show up as managed in Control Center (**Network** page) within a few minutes.

5.2.3. Remote Installation

Control Center allows you to remotely install the security agent on endpoints detected in the network by using installation tasks.

Once you have locally installed the first client with Relay role, it may take a few minutes for the rest of the network endpoints to become visible in the Control

Center. From this point, you can remotely install the security agent on endpoints under your management by using installation tasks from Control Center.

Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools includes an automatic network discovery mechanism that allows detecting other endpoints in the same network. Detected endpoints are displayed as **unmanaged** in the **Network** page.

To enable network discovery, you must have Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools already installed on at least one endpoint in the network. This endpoint will be used to scan the network and install Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools on unprotected endpoints.

For detailed information on network discovery, refer to "How Network Discovery Works" (p. 34).

Remote Installation Requirements

For remote installation to work:

- Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay must be installed in your network.
- On Windows:
 - The admin\$ administrative share must be enabled. Configure each target workstation not to use advanced file sharing.
 - Configure User Account Control (UAC) depending on the operating system running on the target endpoints. If the endpoints are in an Active Directory domain, you can use a group policy to configure User Account Control. For details, refer to this KB article.



Note

Remote deployment works only on modern operating systems, starting with Windows 7 / Windows Server 2008 R2, for which Bitdefender provides full support. For more information, refer to "Supported Operating Systems" (p. 13).

Running Remote Installation Tasks

To run a remote installation task:

- 1. Connect and log in to Control Center.
- 2. Go to the Network page.

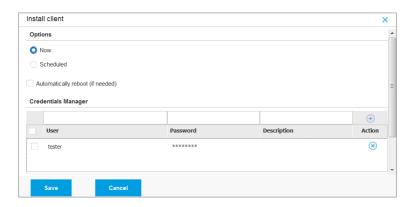
3. Select the desired group from the left-side pane. The entities contained in the selected group are displayed in the right-side pane table.



Note

Optionally, you can apply filters to display unmanaged endpoints only. Click the **Filters** menu and select the following options: **Unmanaged** from the **Security** tab and **All items recursively** from the **Depth** tab.

- 4. Select the entities (endpoints or groups of endpoints) on which you want to install protection.
- 5. Click the **® Tasks** button at the upper side of the table and choose **Install**. The **Install Client** wizard is displayed.



- 6. Under **Options** section, configure the installation time:
 - Now, to launch the deployment immediately.
 - Scheduled, to set up the deployment recurrence interval. In this case, select
 the time interval that you want (hourly, daily or weekly) and configure it
 according to your needs.



Note

For example, when certain operations are required on the target machine before installing the client (such as uninstalling other software and restarting the OS), you can schedule the deployment task to run every 2 hours. The task will start on each target machine every 2 hours until the deployment is successful.

- 7. If you want target endpoints to automatically restart for completing the installation, select **Automatically reboot** (if needed).
- 8. Under the **Credentials Manager** section, specify the administrative credentials required for remote authentication on target endpoints. You can add the credentials by entering the user and password for each target operating system.



Important

For Windows 8.1 stations, you need to provide the credentials of the built-in administrator account or a domain administrator account. To learn more, refer to this KB article.

To add the required OS credentials:

a. Enter the user name and password of an administrator account in the corresponding fields from the table header.

If computers are in a domain, it suffices to enter the credentials of the domain administrator.

Use Windows conventions when entering the name of a user account:

- machines For Active Directory use these svntaxes: username@domain.com and domain\username. To make sure that entered credentials will work. add them in both forms (username@domain.com and domain\username).
- For Workgroup machines, it suffices to enter only the user name, without the workgroup name.

Optionally, you can add a description that will help you identify each account more easily.

b. Click the 3 Add button. The account is added to the list of credentials.



Note

Specified credentials are automatically saved to your <u>Credentials Manager</u> so that you do not have to enter them the next time. To access the Credentials Manager, just point to your username in the upper-right corner of the console.



Important

If the provided credentials are invalid, the client deployment will fail on the corresponding endpoints. Make sure to update the entered OS credentials in the Credentials Manager when these are changed on the target endpoints.

9. Select the check boxes corresponding to the accounts you want to use.



Note

A warning message is displayed as long as you have not selected any credentials. This step is mandatory to remotely install the security agent on endpoints.

- 10. Under **Deployer** section, configure the Relay to which the target endpoints will connect for installing and updating the client:
 - All machines with Relay role detected in your network will show-up in the table available under the **Deployer** section. Each new client must be connected to at least one Relay client from the same network, that will serve as communication and update server. Select the Relay that you want to link with the target endpoints. Connected endpoints will communicate with Control Center only via the specified Relay.



Important

Port 7074 must be open, for the deployment through the Relay agent to work.



 If target endpoints communicate with the Relay agent via proxy, you also need to define the proxy settings. In this case, select **Use proxy for** communication and enter the required proxy settings in the fields below.

- 11. You need to select one installation package for the current deployment. Click the **Use package** list and select the installation package that you want. You can find here all the installation packages previously created for your account and also the default installation package available with Control Center.
- 12. If needed, you can modify some of the selected installation package's settings by clicking the button **Customize** next to the **Use package** field.

The installation package's settings will appear below and you can make the changes that you need. To find out more about editing installation packages, refer to "Creating Installation Packages" (p. 26).

If you want to save the modifications as a new package, select the **Save as package** option placed at the bottom of the package settings list, and enter a name for the new installation package.

13. Click Save. A confirmation message will appear.

You can view and manage the task in the Network > Tasks page.

5.2.4. How Network Discovery Works

Besides integration with Active Directory, GravityZone also includes an automatic network discovery mechanism intended to detect workgroup computers.

GravityZone relies on the **Microsoft Computer Browser** service and **NBTscan** tool to perform network discovery.

The Computer Browser service is a networking technology used by Windows-based computers to maintain updated lists of domains, workgroups, and the computers within them and to supply these lists to client computers upon request. Computers detected in the network by the Computer Browser service can be viewed by running the **net view** command in a command prompt window.



The Net view command

The NBTscan tool scans computer networks using NetBIOS. It queries each endpoint in the network and retrieves information such as IP address, NetBIOS computer name, and MAC address.

To enable automatic network discovery, you must have Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools Relay already installed on at least one computer in the network. This computer will be used to scan the network.



Important

Control Center does not use network information from Active Directory or from the network map feature. Network map relies on a different network discovery technology: the Link Layer Topology Discovery (LLTD) protocol.

Control Center is not actively involved in the Computer Browser service operation. Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools only queries the Computer Browser service for the list of workstations and servers currently visible in the network (known as the browse list) and then sends it to Control Center. Control Center processes the browse list, appending newly detected computers to its **Unmanaged Computers** list. Previously detected computers are not deleted after a new network discovery query, so you must manually exclude & delete computers that are no longer on the network.

The initial query for the browse list is carried out by the first Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools installed in the network.

- If the Relay is installed on a workgroup computer, only computers from that workgroup will be visible in Control Center.
- If the Relay is installed on a domain computer, only computers from that domain will be visible in Control Center. Computers from other domains can be detected if there is a trust relationship with the domain where the Relay is installed.

Subsequent network discovery queries are performed regularly every hour. For each new query, Control Center divides the managed computers space into visibility areas and then designates one Relay in each area to perform the task. A visibility area is a group of computers that detect each other. Usually, a visibility area is defined by a workgroup or domain, but this depends on the network topology and configuration. In some cases, a visibility area might consist of multiple domains and workgroups.

If a selected Relay fails to perform the query, Control Center waits for the next scheduled query, without choosing another Relay to try again.

For full network visibility, the Relay must be installed on at least one computer in each workgroup or domain in your network. Ideally, Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools should be installed on at least one computer in each subnetwork.

More about the Microsoft Computer Browser Service

Quick facts about the Computer Browser service:

- Works independent of Active Directory.
- Runs exclusively over IPv4 networks and operates independently within the boundaries of a LAN group (workgroup or domain). A browse list is compiled and maintained for each LAN group.
- Typically uses connectionless server broadcasts to communicate between nodes.
- Uses NetBIOS over TCP/IP (NetBT).
- Requires NetBIOS name resolution. It is recommended to have a Windows Internet Name Service (WINS) infrastructure up and running in the network.
- Is not enabled by default in Windows Server 2008 and 2008 R2.

For detailed information on the Computer Browser service, check the Computer Browser Service Technical Reference on Microsoft Technet.

Network Discovery Requirements

To successfully discover all the computers (servers and workstations) that will be managed from Control Center, the following are required:

- Computers must be joined in a workgroup or domain and connected via an IPv4 local network. Computer Browser service does not work over IPv6 networks.
- Several computers in each LAN group (workgroup or domain) must be running the Computer Browser service. Primary Domain Controllers must also run the service.
- NetBIOS over TCP/IP (NetBT) must be enabled on computers. Local firewall must allow NetBT traffic.
- If using a Linux Relay to discover other Linux or Mac endpoints, you must either install Samba on target endpoints, or join them in Active Directory and use DHCP. This way, NetBIOS will be automatically configured on them.

- File sharing must be enabled on computers. Local firewall must allow file sharing.
- A Windows Internet Name Service (WINS) infrastructure must be set up and working properly.
- Network discovery must be enabled (Control Panel > Network and Sharing Center > Change Advanced Sharing Settings).

To enable this feature, the following services must be started:

- DNS Client
- Function Discovery Resource Publication
- SSDP Discovery
- UPnP Device Host
- In environments with multiple domains, it is recommended to set up trust relationships between domains so that computers can access browse lists from other domains.

Computers from which Bitdefender Endpoint Security Tools queries the Computer Browser service must be able to resolve NetBIOS names.



Note

The network discovery mechanism works for all supported operating systems, including Windows Embedded versions, provided the requirements are met.

5.3. Installing Full Disk Encryption

Full Disk Encryption requires activation based on license key.

For detailed information about license keys, refer to "License Management" (p. 22).

The Bitdefender security agents support Full Disk Encryption starting with version 6.2.22.916 on Windows and 4.0.0173876 on Mac. To make sure that the agents are fully compatible with this module, you have two options:

- Install the security agents with the Encryption module included.
- Use the Reconfigure task.

For detailed information about using Full Disk Encryption within your network, refer to the **Security Policies > Encryption** chapter in the GravityZone Administrator's Guide.

5.4. Credentials Manager

The Credentials Manager helps you define the credentials required for remote authentication on different operating systems in your network.

To open the Credentials Manager, click your username in the upper-right corner of the page and choose **Credentials Manager**.

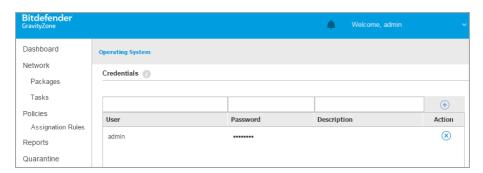


The Credentials Manager menu

5.4.1. Adding Credentials to the Credentials Manager

With the Credentials Manager you can manage the administrator credentials required for remote authentication during installation tasks sent to computers and virtual machines in your network.

To add a set of credentials:



Credentials Manager

1. Enter the user name and password of an administrator account for each target operating system in the corresponding fields at the upper side of the table

heading. Optionally, you can add a description that will help you identify each account more easily. If computers are in a domain, it suffices to enter the credentials of the domain administrator.

Use Windows conventions when entering the name of a user account:

- For Active Directory machines use these syntaxes: username@domain.com and domain\username. To make sure that entered credentials will work, add them in both forms (username@domain.com and domain\username).
- For Workgroup machines, it suffices to enter only the user name, without the workgroup name.
- 2. Click the Add button at the right side of the table. The new set of credentials is added to the table.



Note

If you have not specified the authentication credentials, you will be required to enter them when you run installation tasks. Specified credentials are automatically saved to your Credentials Manager so that you do not have to enter them the next time.

5.4.2. Deleting Credentials from Credentials Manager

To delete obsolete credentials from the Credentials Manager:

- 1. Point to the row in the table containing the credentials you want to delete.
- 2. Click the

 Delete button at the right side of the corresponding table row. The selected account will be deleted.

5.5. Bitdefender GravityZone and HIPAA

One of the Bitdefender's top priorities is to ensure that customers' personal data is safely processed and stored. In this regard, Bitdefender has in place specific privacy policies for home and business solutions. Bitdefender's privacy policies may be found here: https://www.bitdefender.com/site/view/legal-privacy.html.

As part of protecting customers' personal data, Bitdefender aims to help its customers, including health care professionals, comply with regulations of U.S. Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA).

5.5.1. GravityZone Cloud Solution

To ensure protection against threats, GravityZone collects and stores data from managed endpoints on Bitdefender servers. However, health data is neither being accessed nor stored or in any other way processed. All information obtained by GravityZone is anonymized or at least pseudonymized. This technical approach means that using our GravityZone Cloud solution does not warrant your compliance with HIPAA regulations.

5.5.2. GravityZone On-Premises Solution

GravityZone On-Premises solution has been designed to allow keeping your data inside your organization. However, for higher protection, certain GravityZone features require interaction with Bitdefender cloud servers to perform tasks. To be in line with HIPAA regulations, you need to disable these features in the GravityZone console (Control Center) as described below.

Security Policy Settings

Modify the security policy settings in Control Center as follows:

- 1. Go to **Policies** and click to edit an existing policy or create a new one.
- 2. Go to General > Settings.
- 3. Under the **Options** section, deselect the following check boxes:
 - Submit crash reports to Bitdefender.
 - Submit suspicious executable files for analysis.
 - Use Bitdefender Global Protective Network to enhance protection.
- 4. Go to Antimalware > Settings.
- 5. Under the Quarantine section, deselect Submit quarantined files to Bitdefender Labs every (hours).
- 6. Go to Sandbox Analyzer.

If using Sandbox Analyzer Cloud as detonation environment, you must filter out the submitted file types so that they do not contain medical data or any personally identifiable information (PII). To do this, under the **Content Prefiltering** section, specify in the **Exceptions** box the extensions of the files you do not want automatically submitted.

If you are not sure about what kind of data you may submit to Sandbox Analyzer, to be on the safe side from a HIPAA perspective, you may disable this feature altogether by deselecting the **Automatic sample submission from managed endpoints** check box.

7. Click Save to apply the changes.

Installation Packages

Modify the installation packages in Control Center as follows:

- Go to Network > Packages and click to edit an existing installation package or create a new one.
- 2. Under the Miscellaneous section, deselect these check boxes:
 - Submit crash dumps.
 - Submit quarantined files to Bitdefender Labs every (hours).
 - Submit suspicious executables to Bitdefender.
 - Use Bitdefender Global Protective Network to enhance protection.
- 3. Under the **Settings** section, deselect **Scan before installation**.
- 4. Click Save to apply the changes.

Sandbox Analyzer Manual Submission

While you can configure automatic submission to Sandbox Analyzer Cloud in the security policy settings, manual submission depends exclusively on the operations you make in the **Sandbox Analyzer > Manual Submission** section of the Control Center main menu. To be in line with HIPAA regulations, make sure you do not submit to Sandbox Analyzer Cloud files that may contain medical data or PII.

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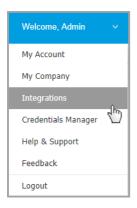
not represent legal guidance and you are encouraged to seek legal advice with respect to the above or any other legal related topic.

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6. INTEGRATIONS

GravityZone provides the possibility to integrate Control Center with third party solutions.

You can configure your third-party solutions integration in the **Integrations** page, which you can access by pointing to your username in the upper-right corner of the console and choosing **Integrations**.



From this page, you can add, edit or remove the integrations according to your needs.

6.1. Integrating with Amazon EC2

If your company has a Bitdefender Security for AWS service license, or you are running a trial Bitdefender Security for AWS subscription, you can configure the integration with this service from GravityZone Control Center and centrally deploy, manage and monitor Bitdefender security on their instance inventory. Proprietary scanning servers are hosted by Bitdefender in the AWS Cloud to ensure an optimal footprint on the protected instances and to eliminate the scanning overhead occurring with traditional security software.

For complete information about the Bitdefender Security for AWS architecture, prerequisites, subscription mode, creating and managing the integration with Amazon EC2, refer to the Amazon EC2 integration guide.

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7. UNINSTALLING ENDPOINT PROTECTION

You have two options to uninstall the security agents:

- Remotely in Control Center
- Manually on the target machine



Warning

The security agents and are essential for keeping the endpoints safe from any kind of threats, thus uninstalling them may put the entire network in danger.

Remote Uninstallation

To uninstall Bitdefender protection from any managed endpoint remotely:

- 1. Go to Network page.
- 2. Select the container you want from the left-side pane. All computers from the selected container are displayed in the right-side pane table.
- 3. Select the endpoints from which you want to uninstall the Bitdefender security agent.
- 4. Click **Tasks** at the upper-side of the table and choose **Uninstall client**. A configuration window is displayed.
- 5. In the **Uninstall agent** task window you can choose whether to keep the quarantined files on the endpoint or to delete them.
- 6. Click **Save** to create the task. A confirmation message appears.

You can view and manage the task in **Network > Tasks**.

If you want to reinstall security agents, refer to "Installing Security Agents" (p. 24).

Local Uninstallation

To manually uninstall the Bitdefender security agent from a Windows machine:

- 1. Depending on your operating system:
 - In Windows 7, go to Start > Control Panel > Uninstall a program under Programs category.
 - In Windows 8, go to **Settings > Control Panel > Uninstall a program** under **Program** category.



- In Windows 8.1, right-click on Start button, then choose Control Panel > Programs & features.
- In Windows 10, go to Start > Settings > System > Apps & features.
- 2. Select the Bitdefender agent from the programs list.
- Click Uninstall.
- 4. Enter the Bitdefender password, if enabled in the security policy. During uninstallation, you can view the progress of the task.

To manually uninstall the Bitdefender security agent from a Linux machine:

- 1. Open the terminal.
- 2. Gain root access using the su or sudo su commands.
- 3. Navigate using the cd **command** to the following path: /opt/BitDefender/bin
- 4. Run the script:
 - ./remove-sve-client
- 5. Enter the Bitdefender password to continue, if enabled in the security policy.

To manually uninstall the Bitdefender agent from a Mac:

- 1. Go to Finder > Applications.
- 2. Open the Bitdefender folder.
- 3. Double-click Bitdefender Mac Uninstall.
- 4. In the confirmation window, click both Check and Uninstall to continue.

If you want to reinstall security agents, refer to "Installing Security Agents" (p. 24).

8. GETTING HELP

Bitdefender strives to provide its customers with an unparalleled level of fast and accurate support. If you experience any issue with or if you have any question about your Bitdefender product, go to our online Support Center. It provides several resources that you can use to quickly find a solution or an answer. Or, if you prefer, you can contact the Bitdefender Customer Care team. Our support representatives will answer your questions in a timely manner and they will provide you with the assistance you need.



Note

You can find out information about the support services we provide and our support policy at the Support Center.

8.1. Bitdefender Support Center

Bitdefender Support Center is the place where you will find all the assistance you need with your Bitdefender product.

You can use several resources to quickly find a solution or an answer:

- Knowledge Base Articles
- Bitdefender Support Forum
- Product Documentation

You can also use your favorite search engine to find out more information about computer security, the Bitdefender products and the company.

Knowledge Base Articles

The Bitdefender Knowledge Base is an online repository of information about the Bitdefender products. It stores, in an easily accessible format, reports on the results of the ongoing technical support and bugfixing activities of the Bitdefender support and development teams, along with more general articles about virus prevention, the management of Bitdefender solutions with detailed explanations, and many other articles.

The Bitdefender Knowledge Base is open to the public and freely searchable. The extensive information it contains is yet another means of providing Bitdefender customers with the technical knowledge and insight they need. All valid requests for information or bug reports coming from Bitdefender clients eventually find their

way into the Bitdefender Knowledge Base, as bugfix reports, workaround cheatsheets or informational articles to supplement product helpfiles.

The Bitdefender Knowledge Base for business products is available any time at http://www.bitdefender.com/support/business.html.

Bitdefender Support Forum

The Bitdefender Support Forum provides Bitdefender users with an easy way to get help and to help others. You can post any problem or question related to your Bitdefender product.

Bitdefender support technicians monitor the forum for new posts in order to assist you. You may also get an answer or a solution from a more experienced Bitdefender user.

Before posting your problem or question, please search the forum for a similar or related topic.

The Bitdefender Support Forum is available at http://forum.bitdefender.com, in 5 different languages: English, German, French, Spanish and Romanian. Click the **Business Protection** link to access the section dedicated to business products.

Product Documentation

Product documentation is the most complete source of information about your product.

The easiest way to reach the documentation is from the **Help & Support** page of Control Center. Click your username in the upper-right corner of the console, choose **Help & Support** and then the link of the guide you are interested in. The guide will open in a new tab of your browser.

You can also check and download the documentation at Support Center, in the **Documentation** section available on each product support page.

8.2. Asking for Assistance

You can ask for assistance through our online Support Center. Fill in the contact form and submit it.

8.3. Using Support Tool

The GravityZone Support Tool is designed to help users and support technicians easily obtain the information needed for troubleshooting. Run the Support Tool on affected computers and send the resulting archive with the troubleshooting information to the Bitdefender support representative.

8.3.1. Using Support Tool on Windows Operating Systems

Running the Support Tool application

To generate the log on the affected computer, use one of these methods:

- Command-line
 For any issues with BEST, installed on the computer.
- Installation issues

For situations where BEST is not installed on the computer and the installation fails

Command-line method

Using command line you can collect logs directly from the affected computer. This method is useful in situations where you do not have access to GravityZone Control Center or the computer does not communicate with the console.

- 1. Open Command Prompt with administrative privileges.
- 2. Go to the product installation folder. The default path is:

C:\Program Files\Bitdefender\Endpoint Security

3. Collect and save the logs by running this command:

```
Product.Support.Tool.exe collect
```

The logs are saved by default to $C:\$ \Windows\Temp.

Optionally, if you want to save the Support Tool log in a custom location, use the option path:

```
Product.Support.Tool.exe collect [path="<path-to-file>"]
```

Example:

```
Product.Support.Tool.exe collect path="D:\Test"
```

While the command is executing, you can notice a progress bar on the screen. When the process is complete, the output displays the name of the archive containing the logs and its location.

To submit the logs to Bitdefender Enterprise Support access $C: \$ or the custom location and find the archive file named $ST_[computername]_[currentdate]$. Attach the archive to your support ticket for further troubleshooting.

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- 1. To download BEST Support Tool click here.
- 2. Run the executable file as administrator. A window will be prompted.
- 3. Choose a location to save the logs archive.

While the logs are collected, you will notice a progress bar on the screen. When the process is complete, the output displays the name of the archive and its location.

To submit the logs to Bitdefender Enterprise Support, access the selected location and find the archive file named $ST_[computername]_[currentdate]$. Attach the archive to your support ticket for further troubleshooting.

8.3.2. Using Support Tool on Linux Operating Systems

For Linux operating systems, the Support Tool is integrated with the Bitdefender security agent.

To gather Linux system information using Support Tool, run the following command:

/opt/BitDefender/bin/bdconfigure

using the following available options:

--help to list all Support Tool commands

- enablelogs to enable product and communication module logs (all services will be automatically restarted)
- disablelogs to disable product and communication module logs (all services will be automatically restarted)
- deliverall to create:
 - An archive containing the product and communication module logs, delivered to the /tmp folder in the following format: bitdefender machineName timeStamp.tar.gz.

After the archive is created:

- 1. You will be prompted if you want to disable logs. If needed, the services are automatically restarted.
- 2. You will be prompted if you want to delete logs.
- deliverall -default delivers the same information as with the previous option, but default actions will be taken on logs, without the user to be prompted (the logs are disabled and deleted).

You can also run the /bdconfigure command right from the BEST package (full or downloader) without having the product installed.

To report a GravityZone issue affecting your Linux systems, follow the next steps, using the options previously described:

- 1. Enable product and communication module logs.
- 2. Try to reproduce the issue.
- 3. Disable logs.
- 4. Create the logs archive.
- 5. Open an email support ticket using the form available on the **Help & Support** page of Control Center, with a description of the issue and having the logs archive attached.

The Support Tool for Linux delivers the following information:

- The etc, var/log, /var/crash (if available) and var/epag folders from /opt/BitDefender, containing the Bitdefender logs and settings
- The /var/log/BitDefender/bdinstall.log file, containing installation information

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- The network.txt file, containing network settings / machine connectivity information
- The product.txt file, including the content of all update.txt files from /opt/BitDefender/var/lib/scan and a recursive full listing of all files from /opt/BitDefender
- The system.txt file, containing general system information (distribution and kernel versions, available RAM and free hard-disk space)
- The users.txt file, containing user information
- Other information concerning the product related to the system, such as external connections of processes and CPU usage
- System logs

8.3.3. Using Support Tool on Mac Operating Systems

When sumbitting a request to the Bitdefender Technical Support Team, you need to provide the following:

- A detailed description of the issue you are encountering.
- A screenshot (if applicable) of the exact error message that appears.
- The Support Tool log.

To gather Mac system information using Support Tool:

- 1. Download the ZIP archive containing the Support Tool.
- 2. Extract the BDProfiler.tool file from the archive.
- 3. Open a Terminal window.
- ${\bf 4.} \ \ {\bf Navigate\ to\ the\ location\ of\ the\ {\bf BDProfiler.tool\ file}.}$

For example:

cd /Users/Bitdefender/Desktop;

5. Add execute permissions to the file:

chmod +x BDProfiler.tool;

6. Run the tool.

For example:

/Users/Bitdefender/Desktop/BDProfiler.tool;

7. Press Y and enter the password when asked to provide the administrator password.

Wait for a couple of minutes until the tool finishes generating the log. You will find the resulted archive file (**Bitdefenderprofile_output.zip**) on your Desktop.

8.4. Contact Information

Efficient communication is the key to a successful business. During the past 18 years Bitdefender has established an unquestionable reputation by constantly striving for better communication so as to exceed the expectations of our clients and partners. Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us.

8.4.1. Web Addresses

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8.4.2. Local Distributors

The Bitdefender local distributors are ready to respond to any inquiries regarding their areas of operation, both in commercial and in general matters.

To find a Bitdefender distributor in your country:

- 1. Go to http://www.bitdefender.com/partners.
- 2. Go to Partner Locator.

- 3. The contact information of the Bitdefender local distributors should be displayed automatically. If this does not happen, select the country you reside in to view the information.
- 4. If you do not find a Bitdefender distributor in your country, feel free to contact us by email at enterprisesales@bitdefender.com.

8.4.3. Bitdefender Offices

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A.1. Supported File Types

The antimalware scanning engines included in the Bitdefender security solutions can scan all types of files that may contain threats. The list below includes the most common types of files that are being analyzed.

{*; 386; 3q2; 3qq; 7z; a6p; ac; accda; accdb; accdc; accde; accdr; accdt; accdu; acl; acm; acr; action; ade; adp; ain; air; app; ar; arc; arj; as; asd; asf; asp; au; avi; awk; ax; bas; bat; bin; bmp; boo; bz; bz2; bzip2; cab; cal; cqi; chm; cla; class; cmd; cnv; com; cpio; cpl; cru; crush; csc; csh; dat; dcx; deb (with qzip, bzip2, xz); dek; dld; dll; dmq (with HFS); doc; docm; docx; dot; dotm; dotx; drv; drw; ds; ds4; dtd; ebm; emf; eml; eps; esh; exe; ezs; fky; frs; fxp; gadget; gif; grv; gx2; gz; gzip; hap; hlp; hms; hta; htm; html; htt; iaf; icd; ico; imq; inf; ini; inx; ipf; iso; isu; jar; jfif; jpe; jpeg; jpg; js; jse; jsx; kix; laccdb; lha; lzh; lnk; maf; mam; maq; mar; mat; mcr; mda; mdb; mde; mdt; mdw; mem; mhtml; mid; mmf; mov; mp3; mpd; mpeq; mpp; mpt; mpx; ms; msq; msi; mso; msp; mst; msu; nws; oab; obd; obi; obs; obt; odt; oft; ogg; ole; one; onepkg; osci; ost; ovl; pa; paf; pak; pat; pci; pcx; pdf; pex; pfd; pqm; php; pif; pip; pnq; potm; potx; ppa; ppam; pps; ppsm; ppsx; ppt; pptm; pptx; ppz; prc; prf; prg; ps1; psd; psp; pst; pub; puz; pvd; pwc; pwz; py; pyc; pyo; qpx; qt; qxd; ra; ram; rar; rbx; rgb; rgs; rm; rox; rpj; rpm (with cpio, gzip, bzip2, xz); rtf; scar; script; sct; sdr; sh3; shb; shs; shw; sit; sldm; sldx; snp; snt; spr; src; svd; swf; sym; sys; tar; tar.z; tb2; tbz2; td0; tgz; thmx; tif; tiff; tlb; tms; tsp; tt6; u3p; udf; ufa; url; vb; vbe; vbs; vbscript; vwp; vxd; wav; wbk; wbt; wcm; wdm; wiz; wks; wll; wmf; wml; wpc; wpf; wpq; wpk; wpl; ws; ws2; wsc; wsf; wsh; xar; xl; xla; xlam; xlb; xlc; xll; xlm;

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xls; xlsb; xlsm; xlsx; xlt; xltm; xltx; xlw; xml; xqt; xsf; xsn; xtp; xz; z; zip; zl?; zoo

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