2020 Fusion Software

Supported Operating Systems (2020 Fusion Version 6)

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Introduction

2020 Technologies Ltd maintains an operating system support policy with the goal of reflecting Microsoft's own lifecycle policies, wherever possible.

In the past, we have undertaken a series of development activities for 2020 Fusion which has enabled the software to be awarded successive Microsoft compatibility certifications, the latest of which is the 'Windows 10 Compatible' commendation achieved already against Version 5, but also intended for Version 6. This demonstrates our continued commitment to deliver quality software capable of functioning on the latest available Microsoft platforms.

Consistent with Microsoft's own lifecycle policies, customers may well therefore find it necessary to upgrade their operating system prior to the installation of the latest version of 2020 Fusion.

Furthermore, we also only provide limited Macintosh support under specific operating conditions.

Withdrawal of 32-Bit Edition

Effective from the release Version 6, we will no longer offer the 32-bit variant of 2020 Fusion. The system recommendations, below, have all been updated to reflect this.

Summary

For ease of reference, the following tables summarise the status of all contemporary Microsoft and Macintosh operating systems against the currently maintained version of 2020 Fusion. An explanation of the definitions used is also shown as follows:

"Actively Supported":

In line with Microsoft's own lifecycle policy, these operating systems are all currently used as the basis for our regular testing of the product and therefore can be considered for customer use when running 2020 Fusion.

"Extended Support":

Under certain circumstances, 2020 will provide extended support for a limited period against specific Microsoft operating systems that are proven to still have very high levels of industry usage, typically resulting from the lack of general adoption of later editions.

"Legacy Support":

2020 Fusion should still run on such an operating system, but they are no longer tested against (in line with Microsoft's own lifecycle policies).

Therefore, if an issue is identified that is directly attributable to such an OS, a solution will not be provided and users will be advised to upgrade to an OS that is actively supported.

"Not Supported":

In line with Microsoft's policy on operating system lifecycles, these operating systems should not be considered for use as a platform for running 2020 Fusion.

"Not Compatible":

2020 Fusion is incompatible with these operating systems (i.e. it will not run on the specified OS).

PC Support:

Operating System (All 64-Bit Only)	2020 Fusion v6
Windows 10	Actively Supported
(Excluding Windows 10 S)	
Windows 8.1, with Update 1	Actively Supported
(Excluding Windows 8.1 RT)	
Windows 8	Legacy Support
(Excluding Windows 8 RT)	
Windows 7, with Service Pack 1 (including all recommended updates)	Extended Support
(Excluding Windows 7 Starter)	
Windows Vista, with Service Pack 2	Not Supported
(Excluding Windows Vista Starter)	
Windows Server 2016, with Desktop Experience	Actively Supported
(Excluding 'Nano-Server')	
Windows Server 2012 R2, with Update 1	Actively Supported
(Excluding 'Foundation Edition')	
Windows Server 2012	Legacy Support
(Excluding 'Foundation Edition')	
Windows Server 2008 R2, with Service Pack 1	Legacy Support
(Excluding 'Foundation Edition')	
Windows Server 2008, with Service Pack 2	Not Supported
(Excluding 'Foundation Edition')	
Windows XP and earlier	Not Compatible
Windows Server 2003 and earlier	Not Compatible

Mac Support:

Intel based Macintosh, with the following **combined** Mac OS/Boot Camp prerequisites:

Operating System	2020 Fusion v6
Mac OS X 10.12 (Sierra) or newer WITH Boot Camp 6.1 or newer AND	Actively Supported
Windows 10 (Excluding Windows 10 S)	
Mac OS X 10.10 (Yosemite) or newer WITH Boot Camp 5.1 or newer	
AND Windows 7 (Excluding Windows 7 Starter) with Service Pack 1 or	Legacy Support
newer	
Mac OS X 10.9 (Mavericks) or older WITH Boot Camp 5 AND Windows	Not Supported
7 (Excluding Windows 7 Starter)	
Macintosh operating systems using 'virtualisation'	Not Compatible
(e.g. 'Parallels' and 'VMWare Fusion')	
All other 'native only' Macintosh operating systems	Not Compatible