

Disabling Windows Updates Instructions

In October of 2020, Windows 2020 Update (20H2) has made it so you cannot manually update Windows unless you are on a domain and have disabled them. This means Windows Updates can happen at any time. This will automatically download updates and restart your system. It can result in improper installs, improper reboots, and the locking up of services. Revcord has always recommended that Windows Update be scheduled and be done manually as it is imperative all logging services come back up properly.

If you are not on a domain, we recommend this work-around is to disable the Windows Update service. Below are the steps.

1. Fire up the Run command (Win + R). Type in "services.msc" and hit Enter.

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	Type the name of a program, folder, document, or Internet resource, and Windows will open it for you.				
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2. Select the Windows Update service from the Services list.

Services (Local)					
Windows Update	Name	Des	Status	Startup Type	Log Or
	Windows Perception S	Ena		Manual (Trigger Start)	Local S
Stop the service	Windows Push Notific	Thi	Running	Automatic	Local S
Restart the service	🤹 Windows Push Notific	Thi	Running	Automatic	Local S
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Description:	🤹 Windows Remote Man	Wi		Manual	Netwo
Enables the detection, download, and	🍓 Windows Search	Pro	Running	Automatic (Delayed Start)	Local S
and other programs. If this service is	🔍 Windows Time	Mai		Manual (Trigger Start)	Local S
disabled, users of this computer will	🚳 Windows Update	Ena	Running	Manual (Trigger Start)	Local S
not be able to use Windows Update	🥋 Windows Update Medi	Ena		Manual	Local S
or its automatic updating feature, and programs will not be able to use	🥋 WinHTTP Web Proxy	Wi	Running	Manual	Local S
the Windows Update Agent (WUA)	🌼 Wired AutoConfig	The		Manual	Local S
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3. Click on the "General" tab and change the "Startup Type" to "Disabled".



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4. You must restart your machine for the changes to take effect. When you want to re-enable automatic updates you just follow the same procedure except you select "Automatic" when choosing the "Startup Type".

Always keep in mind that disabling Windows updates comes with the risk that your computer will be vulnerable because you have not installed the latest security patch.

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