

# AdminStudio: The Ultimate Patch Catalog

### Now you can:

- Customize deployments and updates
- Simplify management of your third-party applications with powerful automation capabilities
- Publish software deployment packages directly to many leading endpoint management systems
- Gain immediate awareness of new releases from more than 3,500 third-party application installers
- Utilize validated installation (and uninstallation) commands to speed up the application preparation process

### What you get

Patch catalogs can save you time and speed your ability to delivery updates. But even the best patch catalog can account for only a fraction of the updates needed to cover your entire application portfolio. AdminStudio provides the best of both worlds, offering both an ability to produce more ready-to-use patches than any catalog on the market, as well as the ability to address the many applications that will never be a part of any available patch catalog.

Packaging, testing, troubleshooting and deploying applications across your organization can take considerable effort, which only compounds as your enterprise grows in size and complexity. While Configuration Manager, Intune, Workspace One and other systems do well performing application deployment tasks, the importance of (and time required for) preparing new and updated applications for a successful deployment can't be overstated.

To minimize the effort required to prepare applications for successful deployment, consider the benefits of a third-party patch catalog. Having a repository of third-party updates ready to go reduces the time it takes to get new and updated applications deployed, which is of even more value in light of security updates. Purchasing a patch catalog saves you work and there are quantifiable value and cost savings to be gained from the investment.

Apart from much broader application coverage, there are a number of additional reasons why AdminStudio's approach is superior to that of a simple bundle of ready-to-deploy software updates available from a standard patch catalog:

 Deployments and updates can be customized by creating transforms, specifying installation-specific command-line parameters and public properties, repackaging, or by using a template for wrapping vendor setups utilizing PowerShell or WiseScript.

- AdminStudio's powerful automation capabilities can greatly simplify third-party application management by taking desired actions on a configurable schedule as vendors release new versions of supported third-party applications.
- Software deployment packages can be published directly to many leading endpoint management systems; not only Microsoft (Endpoint Manager, ConfigMan, Intune) but also many others.
- You can examine and correct issues to reduce risk of a bad deployment, including those related to Windows 10 compatibility, Java dependencies, conflicts with other applications, etc. In many cases, issues detected can be automatically remediated.

A patch catalog may provide some level of coverage but for the typical enterprise, even the largest can address only a fraction of those applications that ultimately require updates. So packaging is still required. Such effort could be in the form of wrapping vendor setups in a script (such as the PowerShell App Deploy Toolkit), repackaging setups into more manageable formats, like MSI, MSIX or App-V, or simply identifying vendor command-line support and pushing it directly, without customization or conversion.

Only AdminStudio provides the power and flexibility to address any application and any requirements you may have.

## What should be updated?

Patching everything may sound great great, but it's not a realistic goal due to the huge number of applications being managed. It's not uncommon for a five- to ten-thousand employee enterprise to have a portfolio of as many applications. Simply being aware of updates is a significant

effort and struggle for many organizations. In addition to maintaining awareness, they must also work through creating, testing and publishing.

### **Prioritization is essential**

While recognizing the inability to keep up with every update, it's important to focus on the right ones. Flexera's Software Vulnerability Management solution can help you identify where vulnerable software exists and provide valuable details to prioritize your patching efforts, while offering patches and assistance in publishing updates for over a thousand third-party applications.

Once you've identified where vulnerabilities exist and how prevalent they may be, and you know which devices are at risk, then you can drive the most effective prioritization based on criticality, CVSS score and our powerful Threat Score which quantifies the likelihood of exploitation.

### **Supported products**

AdminStudio now offers the power to automatically download and process new versions of applications as they're released. This can include the options of testing, wrapping, repackaging (converting) and publishing of updates to your endpoint management system for deployment.

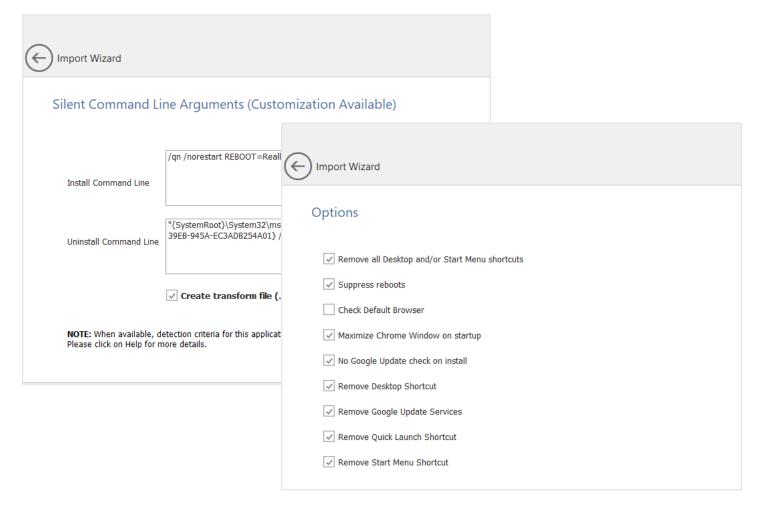
You'll find a full list of supported products here, but even better, you can match coverage against your own specific software inventory within our free trial of AdminStudio. For thousands of installers, AdminStudio provides the intelligence necessary to help with or automate the processing of new versions on the day of their release. AdminStudio offers this insight alongside a suite of industry-leading packaging tools.

### **Unsupported products**

In many cases when a product is missing from a patch catalog, it's because inclusion isn't possible. Many paid products are restricted behind a customer login so they can't be effectively monitored, downloaded and tested for inclusion in a patch catalog. Others don't provide native support for automated or customized installation and require repackaging or conversion to alternative deployment formats. AdminStudio, however, provides what it can instead of taking the all-or-nothing approach to a patch catalog. AdminStudio removes the need to identify the existence of a new version and obtaining it from the vendor.

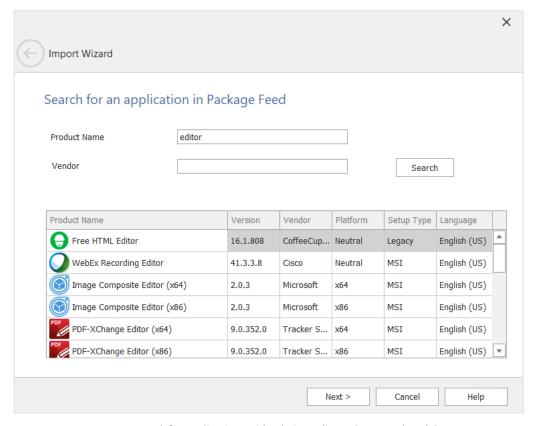
Many organizations also have in-house applications or highly specialized mission-critical applications that aren't broadly available. With AdminStudio, these fit right into your existing process.

Apart from providing helpful information and automation for more third-party installers than any other solution, AdminStudio is also uniquely capable of generating patches that can't be supported in the context of a catalog



### Address more patches with AdminStudio

Create your own patch catalog with AdminStudio and cover your entire application portfolio with the added benefits of wrapping, customizing and converting updates to the desired formats to meet the needs of your organization.



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