

Auto-update for ABR 8.6 for Windows

Overview

We are planning to enable Auto-update for Admin By Request 8.6 for Windows on **November 3rd 2025**.

That means the roll-out will happen steadily over the month of November, starting with some of our smaller customers and ending up with the largest ones, for customers that have Auto-update enabled.

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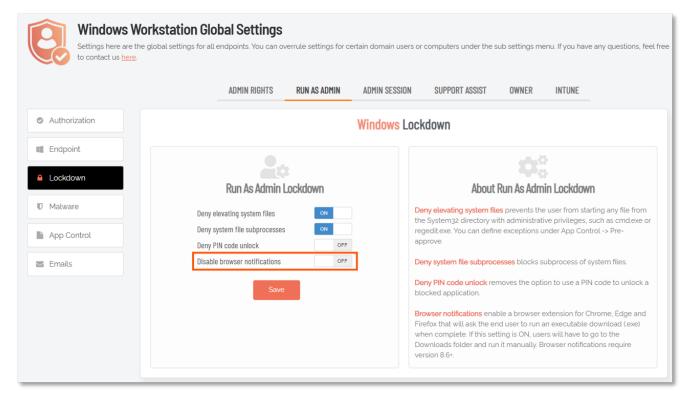
Browser Extension Setting

Admin By Request (ABR) for Windows Version 8.6 introduces a new Browser Extension designed to streamline the elevation process for downloaded installers. When a non-administrator downloads an executable from Chrome, Edge, or Firefox, the extension triggers a system tray toast notification, allowing the file to be elevated and run directly - without navigating to the Downloads folder.

This feature is enabled by default upon installing Version 8.6 and installs a lightweight browser extension that does not collect data or interfere with other extensions; it simply subscribes to browser file download events.

If you would prefer not to use this functionality, you can disable it in the portal:

Endpoint Privilege Management > Settings > Windows Settings > Lockdown > RUN AS ADMIN



IMPORTANT

If you don't want to use this feature, set *Disable browser notifications* to ON in the portal **before** installing any 8.6.2+ endpoints and before the auto-update process starts updating to version 8.6.

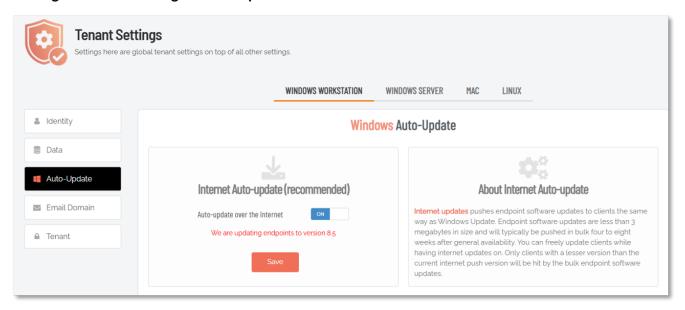
Keep in mind that auto-update will begin updating Windows endpoints to version 8.6 on **3 November 2025** and continue throughout the month of November. See the next section for details on disabling auto-update.

Auto-update Setting

The *Auto-update* setting controls whether or not ABR software updates are pushed to your clients over the Internet, in a similar way to Windows Update. Endpoint software updates are **less than 3 megabytes** in size and are typically pushed in bulk four to eight weeks after general availability.

If you would prefer not to use auto-update, you can turn it off in the portal:

Settings > Tenant Settings > Auto-Update > WINDOWS WORKSTATION



From **November 3rd**, this will advise updates are underway to **version 8.6**. However, no autoupdates will be done in your tenant if you have *Auto-update over the Internet* set to OFF.

Of course, if you turn the setting ON, auto-updates will start from that time.