

Fixes Windows Update stopping unexpectedly

Learn how to handle Windows Update stopping unexpectedly using the 4 methods in the article below. This can help you resolve faulty or unresponsive update files. Therefore, please follow the steps in the guide below.

While using Windows, you receive a notification that your operating system has a new Windows 10 or Windows 7 update. You proceed with the update, restart your device, and find that your Windows update failed. This is a very common problem that anyone can encounter. Another fairly common type of error is when Windows notifies you of an update, some people try to delay the update and then get stuck on the update notification screen. Here are some ways to handle failed Windows Updates.



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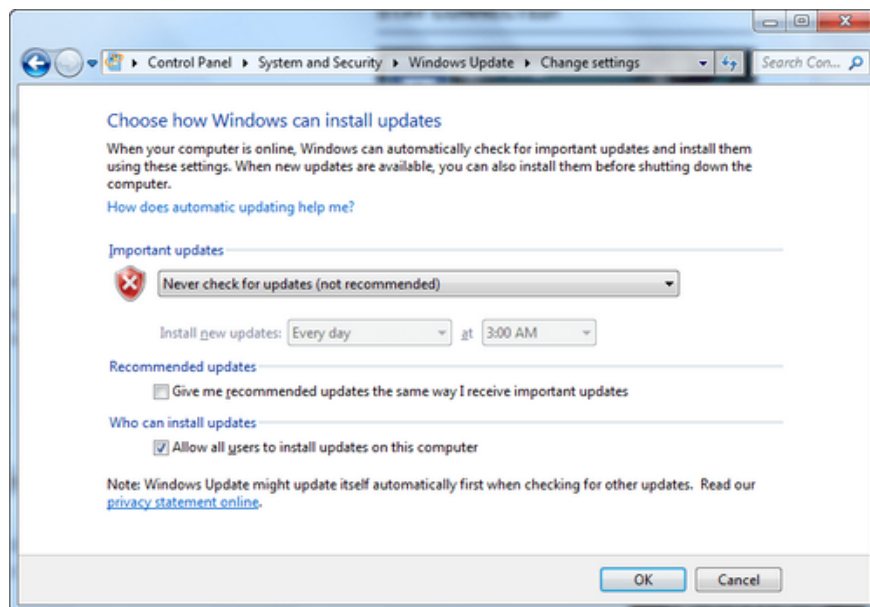
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Run the Windows Update troubleshooter program.

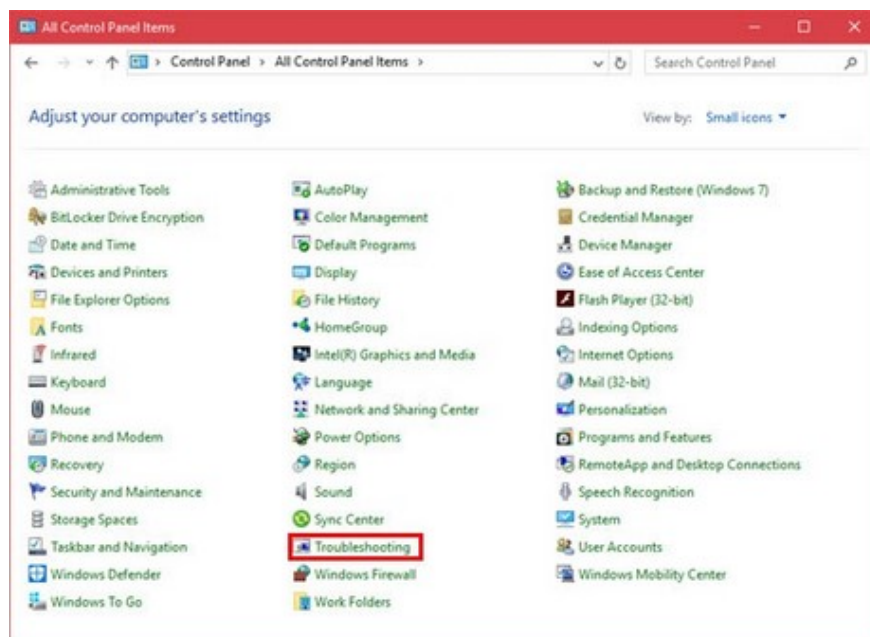
The Windows Update troubleshooter, a program built right into Windows, can help you resolve the issue.

Step 1 : Open the **Control Panel** on your computer. Instructions on how to open the Control Panel on various operating systems are provided below.

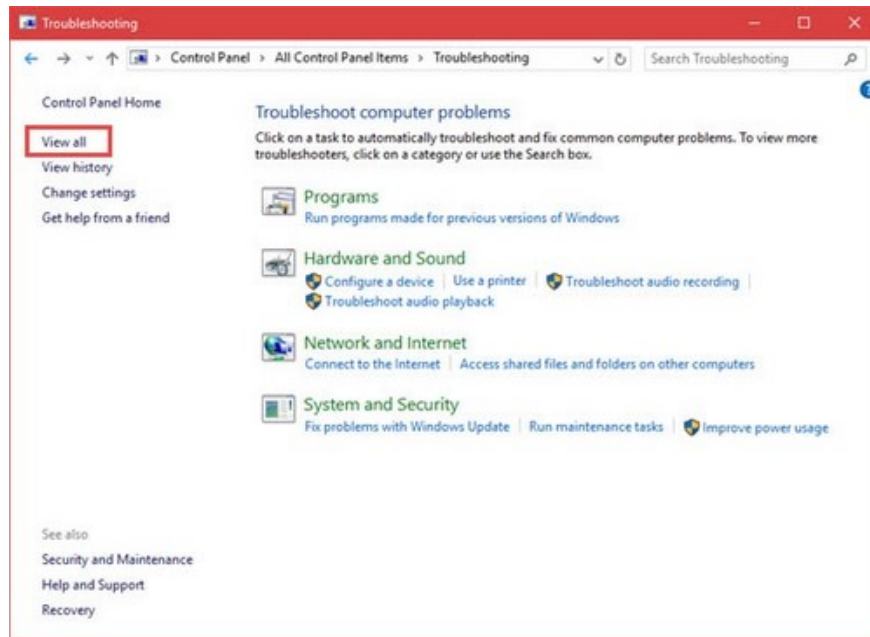
Step 2 : In the **Control Panel** , click on **Troubleshooting**.



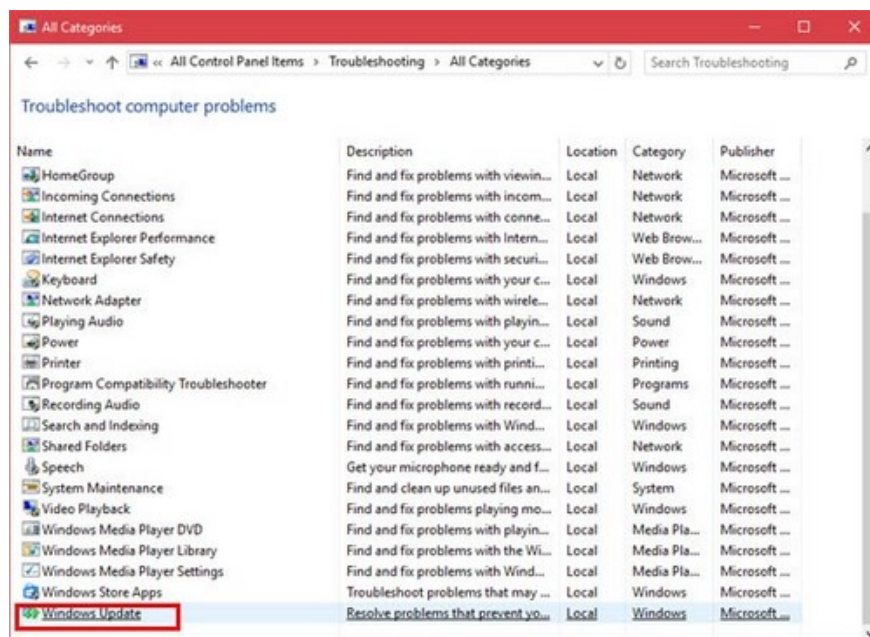
Step 3 : Select **View all**



Step 4: Click on **Windows Update**



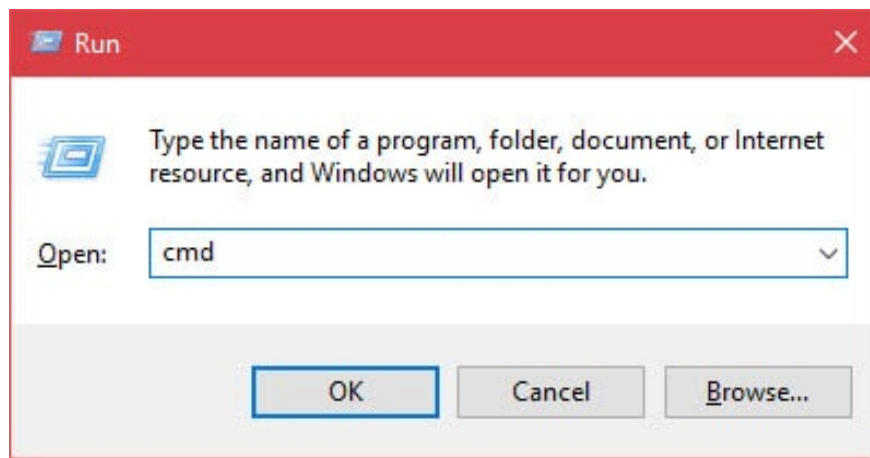
Step 5: Click **Next** to begin checking and troubleshooting.



Delete the Update cache file.

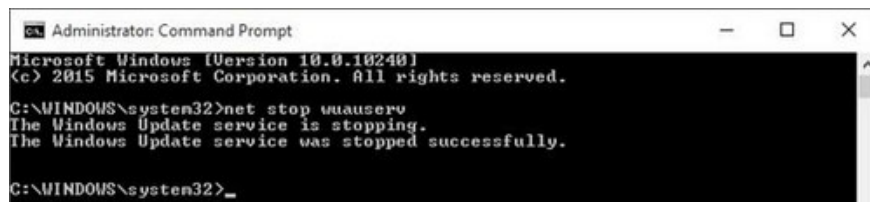
Step 1 : Start Windows in Safe Mode. You can find instructions on how to enter Safe Mode on your computer here.

Step 2: Press the **Windows + R** key combination, then type ' **CMD** ' to open the **CMD** window

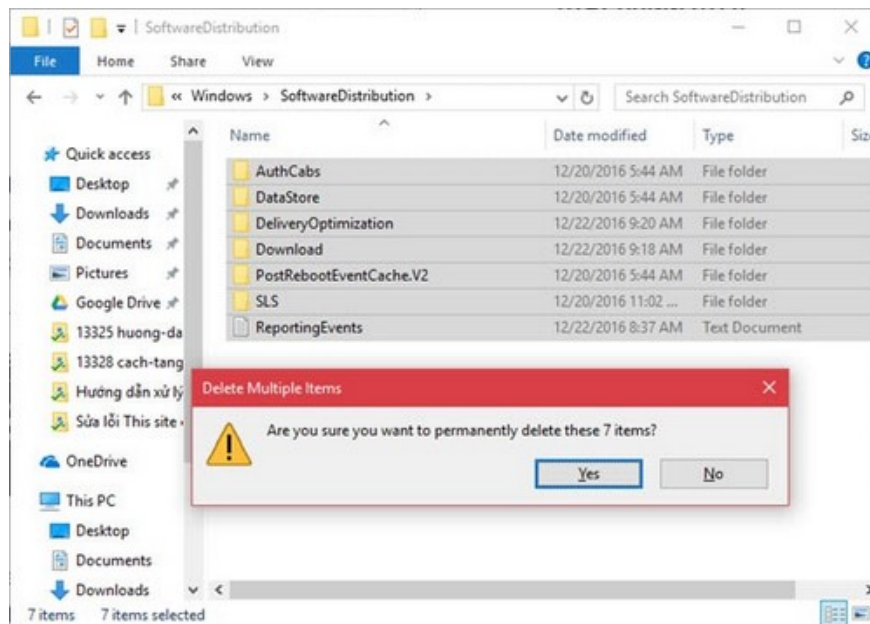


Step 3 : Type the command: **net stop wuauerv**

to stop the Windows Update service



Step 4: Access the *C:WindowsSoftwareDistribution* folder and delete all files within it.



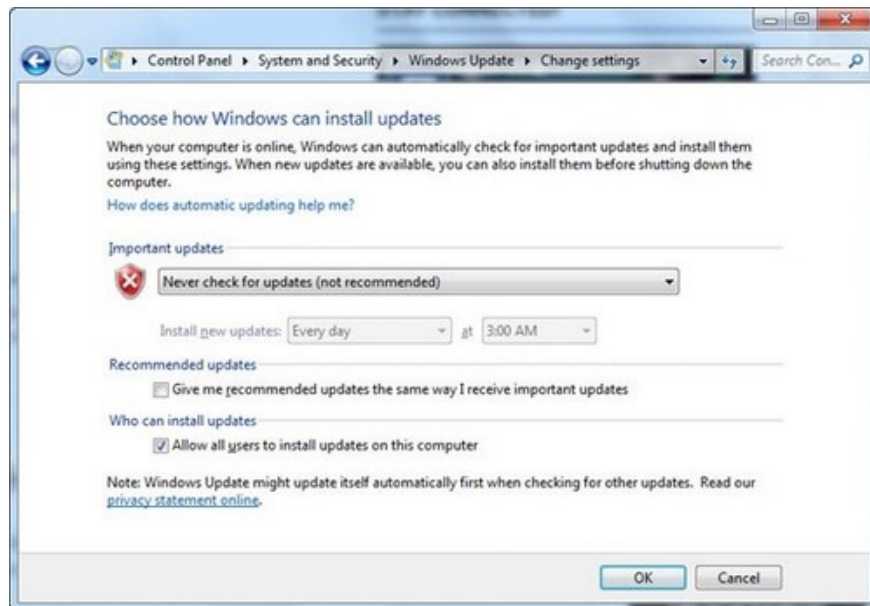
Step 5 : Restart your computer, reopen CMD, and type the command: **net start wuauerv**

The Windows Update service will be reactivated. You can now proceed with normal Windows updates.

Update Windows Update Service

Step 1: Go to **Control Panel => System and Security => Windows Update => Change Setting**

Change the status from **Important Update** to **Never check for update**

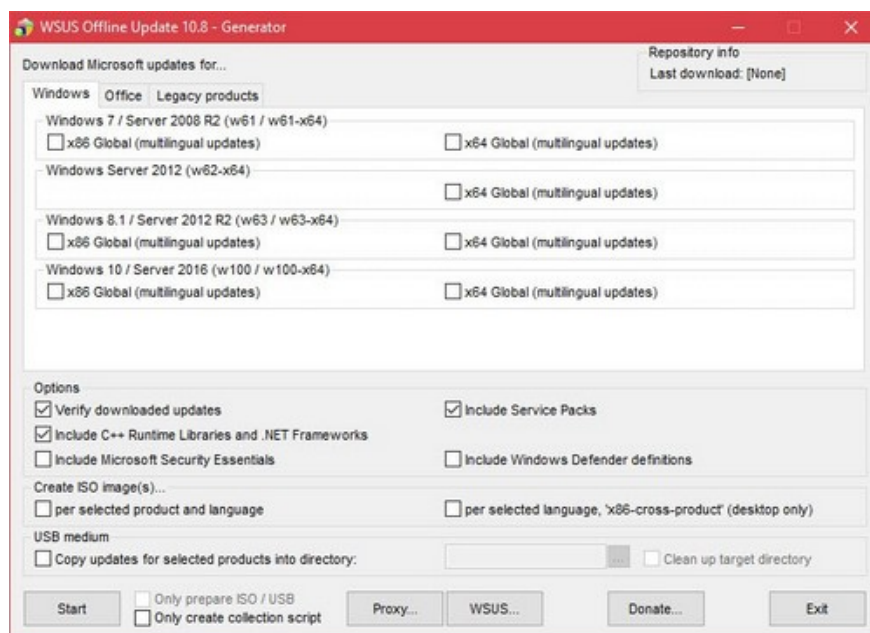


Step 2: Download and install the files below according to your computer's operating system.

- Download the update file for Windows 7 64-bit version KB3220369 [HERE](#) .
- Download the update file for Windows 7 64-bit version KB3172605 [HERE](#) .
- Download the update file for Windows 7 32-bit version KB3020369 [HERE](#) .
- Download the update file for Windows 7 32-bit version KB3172605 [HERE](#) .

Use WSUS to update offline.

For Windows 7, 8, and 10, you can use a third-party update support software called WSUS Offline Update. This software helps you install various update packages, overcoming the potential for interruptions and errors that can occur when updating directly over the internet.



Above is a guide on how to handle Windows Update whenever you encounter errors or problems during the update process. The steps are very simple, and a normal user can perform them without any problems. Please share your experiences as well. Of course, for those who don't like updating Windows or upgrading their operating system because of the inconvenience, they can also turn it off. See how to turn off Windows Update on Windows 10, 8.1, 8, and 7 here.

Besides the Windows Update stopping unexpectedly error, the Windows update process can encounter many other errors such as the Windows Update Fail To Install error. If you encounter this error, refer to the guide on how to **fix the Windows Update Fail To Install error** to learn how to resolve it and proceed with updating your Windows normally.

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