Instructions on how to activate the Sysmon tool on Windows 11

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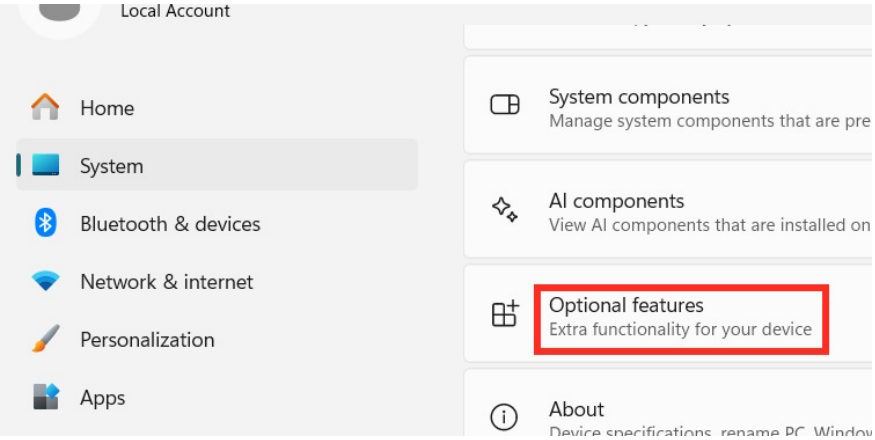
How to activate Sysmon via Windows 11 Settings

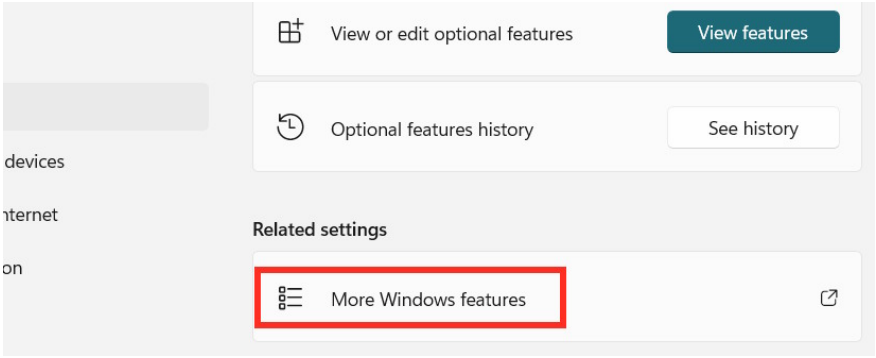
Step 1:

We open Settings, then **select System** , and then look to the side **and select Optional features** .

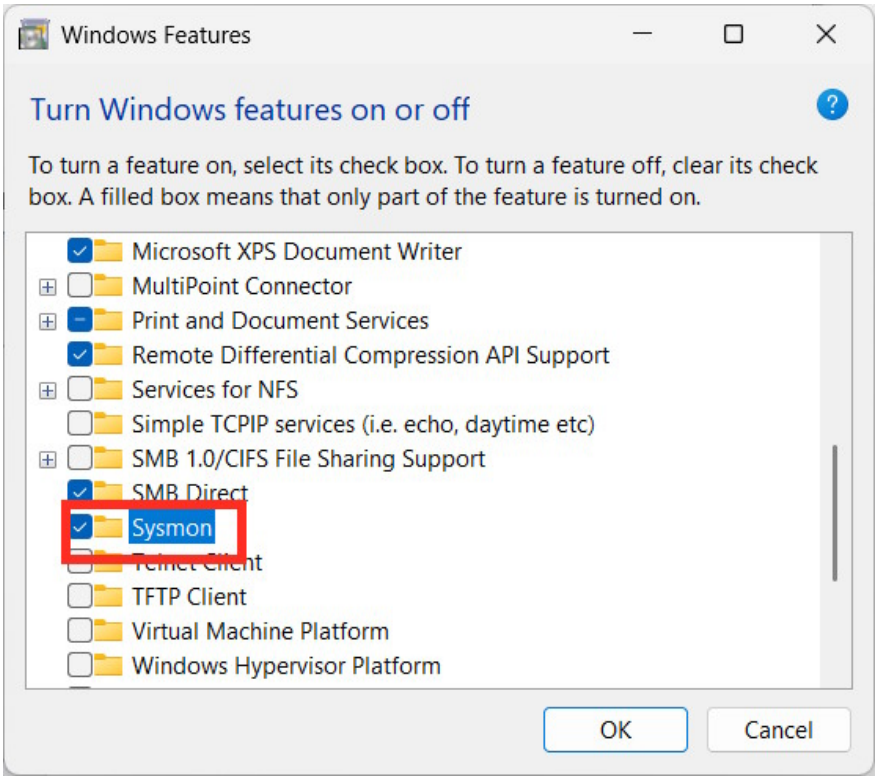


Step 2:

On the new interface, users **select "More Windows features"** to unlock more computer features.



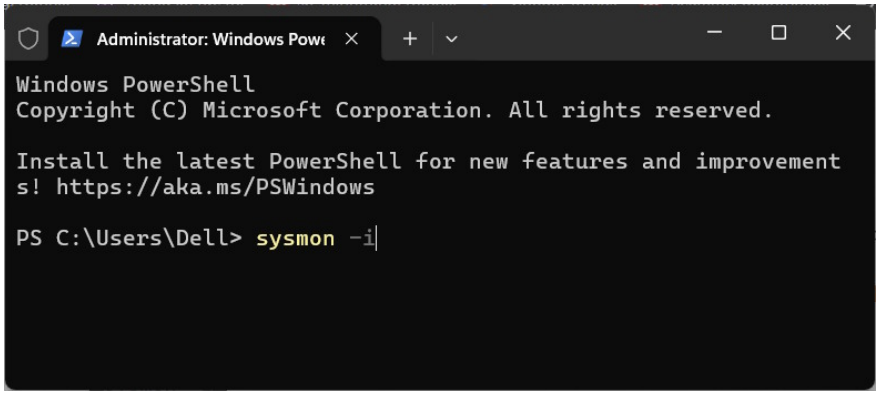
Then you will see new features for your computer; you need to **check the Sysmon box** to activate them.



Step 3:

After enabling the feature through Settings, you need to complete the installation process. **Open Terminal with administrator privileges** and then enter the command below.

```
sysmon -i
```



Activate Sysmon via Command Prompt

First, we'll **open Command Prompt with the "Run as administrator" option** . Then, to enable this feature, enter the command below.

```
Dism /Online /Enable-Feature /FeatureName:Sysmon
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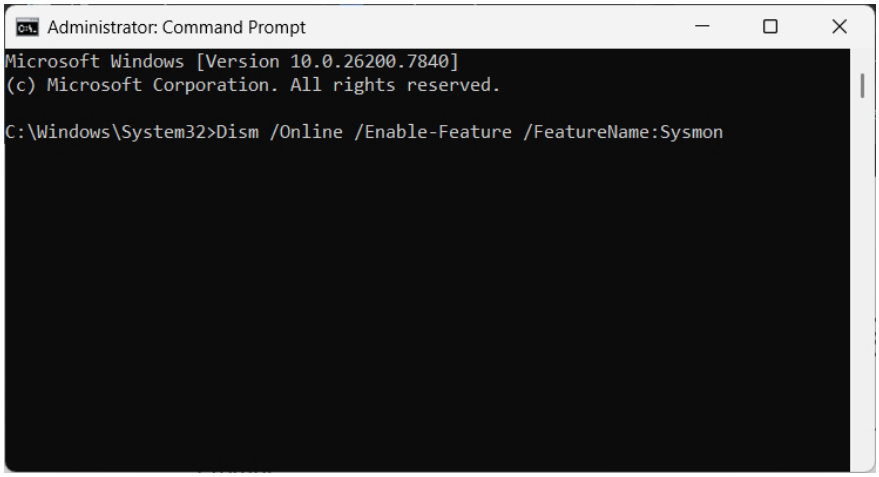


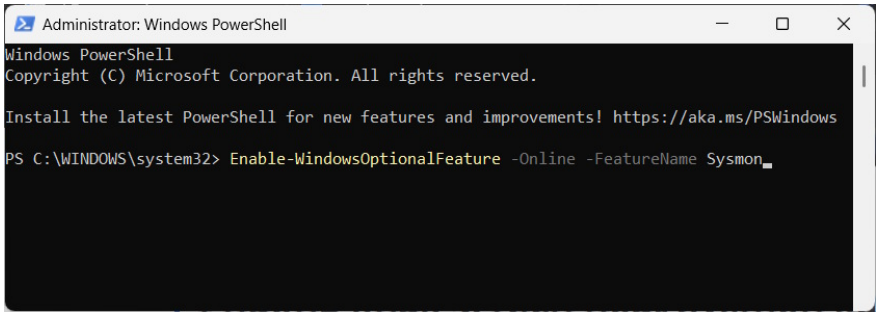
After you see the activation notification, enter **the following command** to install Sysmon on your computer.

```
sysmon -i
```

Activate Sysmon using PowerShell

We also **open Windows PowerShell with administrator privileges** and then enter the command below to activate it.

```
Enable-WindowsOptionalFeature -Online -FeatureName Sysmon
```



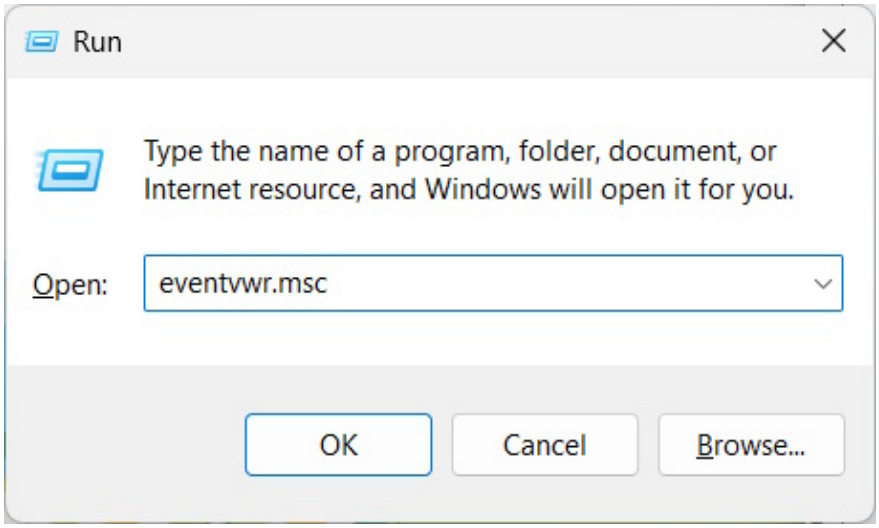
After successful activation, enter the command below to proceed with the installation.

```
sysmon -i
```

How to check if Sysmon is working.

After activating and configuring Sysmon, you can check if the tool is working correctly.

We **open the Run dialog box, then type eventvwr.msc** and press OK.



Then access the link below.

Applications and Services Logs > Microsoft > Windows > Sysmon > Operational

If you see the events displayed in this interface, it means the Sysmon tool has been successfully activated.

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