

# KACE Privilege Manager for Windows 4.4

## User Guide



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 **IMPORTANT, NOTE, TIP, MOBILE,** or **VIDEO:** An information icon indicates supporting information.

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# About this guide

Welcome to the KACE Privilege Manager for Windows User Guide. This guide provides you with instructions on using the Privilege Manager software that has been installed on your computer.

This document is structured as follows:

- [What is Privilege Manager?](#): An introduction to Privilege Manager for Windows software.
- [Displaying the Client icon](#): Instructions on how to display the Client icon.
- [Using Self-Service Elevation](#): Instructions on how to use a Self-Service Elevation Request Form or Prompt to request permission to launch applications.
- [Using Instant Elevation](#): Instructions on how to use Instant Elevation to automatically launch applications.
- [Viewing rules](#): Instructions on how to view rules that are deployed to your computer or user account.
- [Viewing the status of advanced features](#): Instructions on how to view the status of the advanced features that are deployed on your computer or user account.

System administrators can refer to these additional resources:

- **Privilege Manager Quick Start Guide**: Learn how to set up Privilege Manager.
- **Privilege Manager Administrator Guide**: Learn how to use Privilege Manager.

# What is Privilege Manager?

Privilege Manager is a software program that lets you update your own computer without calling your system administrator. Some applications require full administrative privileges to run or to be installed. In most cases, you do not have administrative privileges that allow you to update everything. However, you can use Privilege Manager to request elevated privileges for specific applications, using features of the program called Self-Service and Instant Elevation. For more information, see [Using Self-Service Elevation](#) and [Using Instant Elevation](#).

## Displaying the Client icon

If you see the icon below, in the notification area of the task bar at the bottom of your computer screen, your system administrator has installed Privilege Manager for Windows Client software on your computer.



***If you do not see the Client icon on your task bar even though Privilege Manager for Windows has been installed, follow these steps to display it:***

1. Click the small triangle (the **Show hidden icons** button) in the Windows system tray on the task bar to the left of your date/time display, and select the **Customize...** link. The **Notification Area Icons** dialog box appears.
2. Scroll down the list of programs and locate the Privilege Manager for Windows icon in the list. Select **Show icon and notifications** from the **Behaviors** drop-down list.

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# Using Self-Service Elevation

[Using the Self-Service Elevation Request Prompt](#)

[Using the Elevate! button and Self-Service Elevation Request Form](#)

If your system administrator has set up Self-Service Elevation features for your computer, you will be able to use a **Self-Service Elevation Request** prompt or form to request permission to launch applications.

A **Self-Service Elevation Request** prompt or form may display when you try to launch an application without entering the administrator **User Name** and **Password** when prompted.

For more information about your permissions, contact your system administrator.

## Using the Self-Service Elevation Request Prompt

**i** **NOTE:** Using the prompt is the only way to ask for permission to download an ActiveX control through Privilege Manager for Windows. An ActiveX control is a small program or add-on that you can download from your web browser.

**To request permission to launch an application that requires administrative rights:**

1. Visit the site from which you want to download the application and click the installation button. For example, to download the Adobe Shockwave Player, visit <http://get.adobe.com/shockwave/> and click the **Download now** button.
2. If prompted, enter the administrator **User name** and **Password**. If you do not know the administrator **User name** and **Password**, click **No**.
3. Request permission to launch the application in the **Self-Service Elevation Request** prompt that appears.
  - If the prompt does not display for an ActiveX installation, ensure that the **Self-Service Elevation Request (ActiveX installations)** feature is enabled in the [Viewing the status of advanced features](#) window.

- If the prompt does not display for an application that is not an ActiveX installation, ensure that the **Self-Service Elevation Request** feature is enabled in the [Viewing the status of advanced features](#) window.
  - Contact your administrator if neither features are enabled.
4. Enter the reason you need the application along with an email address (if this feature is enabled) where the system administrator can respond to your request.
  5. If it displays, check the **In the future, don't show me this when I try to run applications that need approval** check box if you do not want the **Self-Service Elevation Request** prompt to display automatically every time you do not have the administrator's credentials. To set the prompt to display again, follow the instructions for [Displaying the Self-Service Elevation Request Prompt](#).
  6. Click **Submit** to send your request to the system administrator.
    - a. The system administrator reviews your request and sends you the final decision.
    - b. If the system administrator confirms your request, a new privilege Elevation rule is created, allowing you to launch the application when you login into your computer. For more information, see [Viewing rules](#) on page 12.

## Displaying the Self-Service Elevation Request Prompt

A **Self-Service Elevation Request** prompt may display when you try to launch an application without entering the administrator **User Name** and **Password** when prompted.

If the prompt does not display, you may be able to reset it to display so that you can request permission to launch the application.


### *To reset the Self-Service Elevation Request Prompt to display:*

1. Right-click the Client icon in the notification area of the taskbar at the bottom of your computer screen.



2. Select **Display Self-Service Prompts** on the pop-up menu.

## Using the Elevate! button and Self-Service Elevation Request Form

If you do not have administrative rights to launch an application, you can use the  **Elevate!** button to open the **Self-Service Elevation Request Form** and request permission from your system administrator.

You can use the **Elevate!** button if the file name extension, the suffix after the dot '.' in the file name, for the application you need to install is `.bat`, `.cmd`, `.exe`, `.js`, `.lnk`, `.msc`, `.msi`, `.msp`, `.pl`, `.ps1` or `.vbs`.




**To request permission to launch an application that requires administrative rights:**

1. On your list of files in Windows Explorer, right-click the name of the application that you cannot start because you do not have sufficient privileges.
2. Select **Elevate!** on the pop-up menu that appears.
3. A **Self-Service Elevation Request Form** appears, allowing you to request permission to launch the application.  
If the form does not display, ensure that the **Self-Service Elevation Request (Elevate! context menu button)** feature is enabled in the [Viewing the status of advanced features](#) window.
4. Enter the reason you need the application along with an email address (if this feature is enabled) where the system administrator can respond to your request.
5. Click **Submit** to send your request to the system administrator.
  - a. The system administrator reviews your request and sends you the final decision.
  - b. If the system administrator confirms your request, a new privilege Elevation rule is created, allowing you to launch the application when you login into your computer. For more information, see [Viewing rules](#) on page 12.

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# Using Instant Elevation

You may be able to use the  **Elevate!** button to automatically launch programs, if your system administrator set up the Instant Elevation feature for your computer. For more information about your permissions, contact your system administrator.

You can use the **Elevate!** button if the file name extension, the suffix after the dot '.' in the file name, for the application you need to install is `.bat`, `.cmd`, `.exe`, `.js`, `.lnk`, `.msc`, `.msi`, `.msp`, `.pl`, `.ps1` or `.vbs`.

## ***To automatically launch a program using Instant Elevation:***

1. On your list of files in Windows Explorer, right-click the name of the application that you cannot start because you do not have sufficient privileges.
2. Select **Elevate!** on the pop-up menu that appears.

## ***If the Elevate! button does not appear when you try to launch a program:***

1. Ensure that the **Instant Elevation** feature is enabled in the [Viewing the status of advanced features](#) window.
2. Ensure that the file name extension for the application is `.bat`, `.cmd`, `.exe`, `.js`, `.lnk`, `.msc`, `.msi`, `.msp`, `.pl`, `.ps1` or `.vbs`.
3. Contact your system administrator to confirm that your account has sufficient permissions to elevate privileges on your computer.

# Using Temporary Session Elevation

If your system administrator has provided you with a TSE (Temporary Session Elevation) passcode for your computer, you can temporarily use the **Elevate!** button to automatically launch programs that require elevated privileges.

1. From the System Tray, right-click the Privilege Manager Server and select **Temporary session elevation**.

The **TSE Client Request** dialog box appears.

2. If your Administrator already supplied you with a passcode, **Load passcode from file** can be selected. If you do not have a passcode click **If you don't have a passcode you can request one...** The request for Elevation passcode dialog box appears.
3. Complete the request form and click **Submit**.
4. When the passcode is entered, a notification appears, showing how much time before the Elevation expires. A notification is displayed when the passcode expires. If the passcode is already used the maximum number of times you receive an alert.

Once a passcode is active, you can use the right-click **Elevate!** button if the file name extension, the suffix after the dot in the file name, for your application you need to install is .bat, .cmd, .exe, .js, .lnk, .msc, .msi, msp, .pl, .psl or .vbs.

## ***To automatically launch a program while a passcode is active:***

1. On your list of files in Windows Explorer, right-click the application that you cannot start because you do not have sufficient privileges.
2. Click **Elevate!** in the pop-up menu that appears.

## ***If the Elevate! button does not appear when you try to launch a program:***

1. Ensure that the Temporary Session Elevation feature is enabled.
2. Ensure that the file name extension for the application is one of the following: .bat, .cmd, .exe, .js, .lnk, .msc, .msi, msp, .pl, .psl or .vbs.
3. Contact your system administrator to confirm that your account has permission to elevate privileges on your computer.

## Viewing rules

When the Privilege Manager for Windows Client software is installed on your computer, the settings that your system administrator selects are applied to your account and/or computer. These settings are called rules. You may be able to view the list of rules that apply to you, if your system administrator sets up this feature. In addition, a notification from Privilege Manager for Windows may pop up on your desktop to inform you when a new rule is added to, or removed from, your computer or user account.

### ***To view the rules on your computer or user account:***

1. Right-click the Client icon in the notification area of the taskbar at the bottom of your computer screen.



2. Select **View current rules** on the pop-up menu.

The **Current Rules** window will display the titles of the rules that are deployed on your computer and user account.

For more information, contact your system administrator.

## Viewing the status of advanced features

You may be able to view the status of the advanced features that are deployed on your computer or user account, if your system administrator has set up this feature. Advanced features include client data collection, privileged application discovery, Self-Service Elevation requests (with and without ActiveX installations and/or the Elevate! button), and Instant Elevation.

### ***To view the status of advanced features:***

1. Right-click the Client icon in the notification area of the taskbar at the bottom of your computer screen.



2. Select **View status of advanced features** on the pop-up menu.  
The **View status of advanced features** window will display the status of the advanced features that are deployed on your computer and user account.
3. Click the **More Details** button to display a notepad with more information about the status of a feature.

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Technical support is available to Quest customers with a valid maintenance contract and customers who have trial versions. You can access the Quest Support Portal at <https://support.quest.com>.

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