

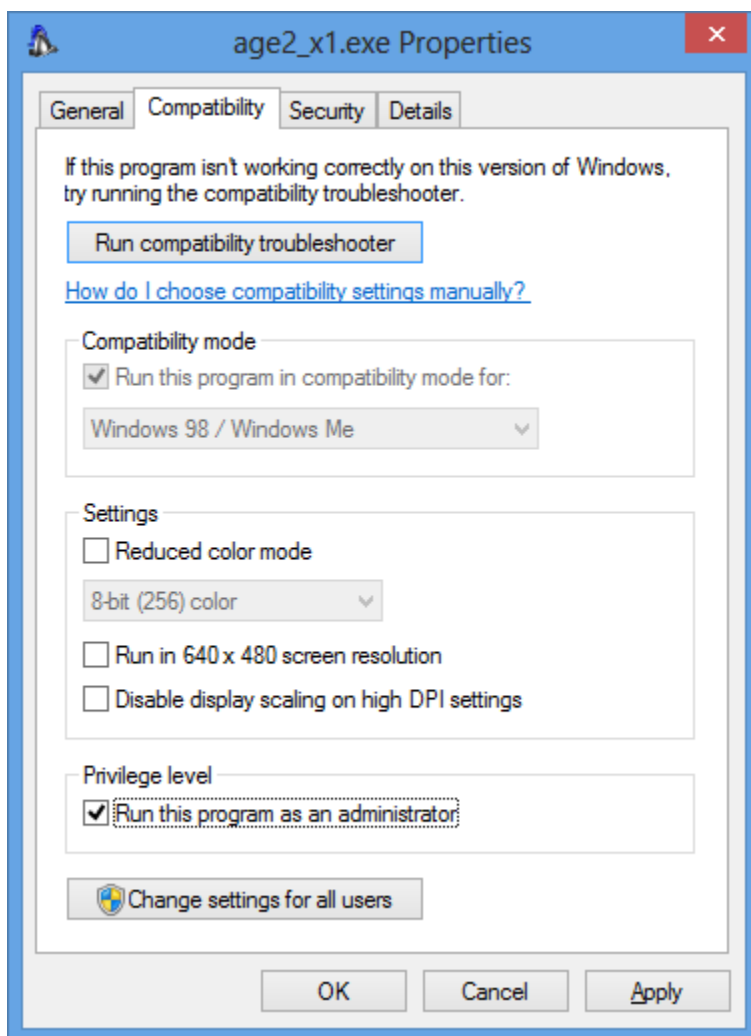
KB1039 Configuration of Data Execution Prevention



This article applies to Windows Vista and above. Data Execution Prevention is enabled for Windows programs and services only by default, which means that you do not have to change anything, unless you enabled DEP for all programs.

Step-by-step guide

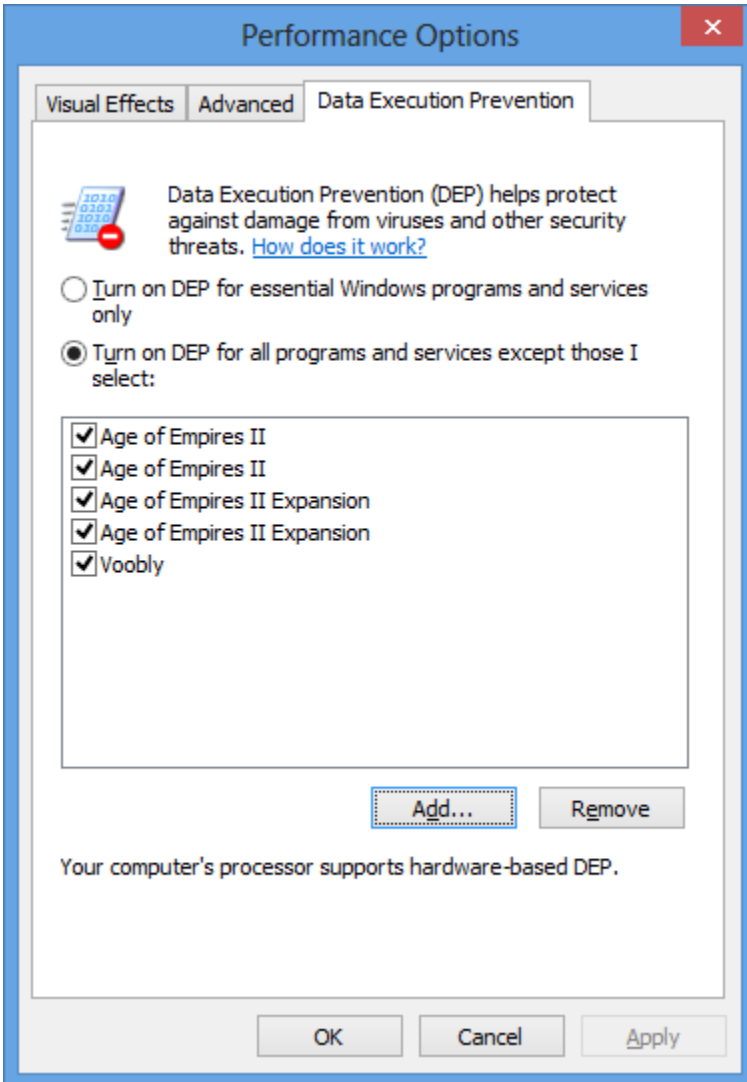
1. Navigate to C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\age2_x1\
2. Right click on **age2_x1.exe**, click **Properties** and switch to **Compatibility** Tab.
3. Click **Change settings for all users**
4. Check **Run this program in compatibility mode** and choose **Windows 98 / Windows Me** from list.
5. Confirm with **Apply** and **OK**.
6. Repeat this step for the following **exe** files below:
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\EMPIRES2.EXE
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\age2_x1\age2_x1.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\Empires2.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\age2_x1.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\userpatch\age2_x1.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\voobly.exe



1. Open **Advanced system settings** and open **Settings** below **Performance**.
2. Navigate to the **Data Execution Prevention** Tab and click on **Turn on DEP for all programs and services, except those I select**
3. Add the following **exe** files to the list, by clicking **Add...** and navigating to the file location.
4. Repeat this step for the following **exe** files below:
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\EMPIRES2.EXE
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\age2_x1\age2_x1.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\Empires2.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\age2_x1.exe
 - C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\gamedata\ao\userpatch\age2_x1.exe

- C:\Program Files (x86)\Voobly\voobly.exe

Confirm with **Apply** and **OK** and reboot your computer. You are done!



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