

# Filewave Firewall Scripts for Windows

## Summary

FileWave Installers by default leave Windows Firewall settings untouched. This article provides scripts that opens the Windows Firewall so the Windows processes can accept connections from the outside.

For FileWave 15.5 we have baked this in to the normal client upgrade process. We are posting the script here in the KB as an example of how to change firewall rules via script, but also in case you need to apply it if the upgrade Fileset was not successful in adding the rule.

Currently it is planned that FileWave 16.0 will remove the need for this rule entirely so we made this change very simple to add and remove for 15.5.

## Procedure

Use the attached .bat file for 15.4.2 or lower or Fileset for 15.5.0 or higher to open the firewall for the respective executable at their standard install locations. If you've installed a Filewave component to a nonstandard path, please adapt the path inside the scripts.

- Script for FileWave 15.4.2 or lower: [fwcld-ports-15.4.2.bat](#)
- Fileset for FileWave 15.5.0 or higher: [FileWave Firewall Settings 15.5.fileset.zip](#)

The Scripts allow both in- and outbound connections on all ports for the installed FileWave executables and follow the basic syntax :

Windows 10 and beyond running FileWave 15.5.0 or higher:

```
netsh advfirewall firewall add rule name="FileWave Client" \  
action=allow program="C:\Program Files\FileWave\client\fwcld.exe" \  
enable=yes dir=in description="Filewave Client Inbound Access, usually only port 20010 is needed for client  
monitor connections"
```

### Custom Fields

The following download contains two Custom Fields to report the firewall status of the FileWave Client, for example:

Property	Last Update Time	Status	Value
Windows Firewall FileWave Inbound	20/07/2023 12:25	Success	Any
Windows Firewall FileWave Outbound	20/07/2023 12:24	Success	Any



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