

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.

✅ FileWave 16.0.0 will remove the need for this rule entirely so we made this change very simple to add and remove for 15.5. As of FileWave 16.0.0 this article is merely for historical purposes or to serve as an example if you wanted to know how to make Firewall rules via a script.

Procedure

Use the attached .bat file for 15.4.2 or lower or Fileset for 15.5.s 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.x: [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.x:

```
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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