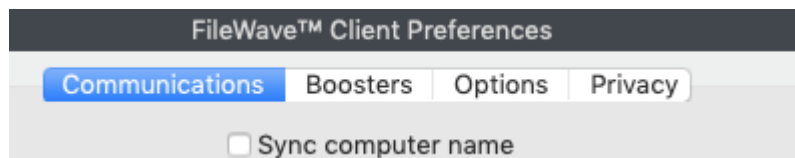


Rename a FileWave Desktop Client Safely

Renaming a desktop client in FileWave Central updates its Client Name inventory field and turns off Sync Computer Name in the client preferences. This keeps the operating system's computer name from immediately replacing the FileWave name. The Device Name inventory field is not changed.

After the rename, confirm that Sync Computer Name is disabled:



Why the setting changes

- The FileWave Client uses its name as part of its identity. See [How the FileWave Client Communicates](#) for the connection model.
- Sync Computer Name can be changed for one device in Client Monitor or across devices with a [Superprefs Fileset](#). The available preference is documented in [FileWave Client Configuration Settings](#).
- In FileWave Central, right-click the desktop client and select Rename. This article is scoped to desktop clients because rename behavior can differ for other device types.

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