Overview


You can use AdminStudio ZENworks Edition to do the following:

- Capture legacy software installations and repackage them as Windows Installer (.msi) packages.
- Customize Windows Installer packages. Edit packages to add, modify, or remove files, registry entries, shortcuts, and directories. Add custom actions to run VB scripts or search for prerequisites. Perform advanced configuration such as setting lock permissions and environment variables, editing XML files, and creating upgrades or patches.
- Create transforms to customize Windows Installer packages, including limiting the features installed, adding custom files to the package, and setting property values.
- Publish Windows Installer packages as Windows bundles to the ZENworks system. You can then use ZENworks Control Center to manage the bundles and distribute them to devices.

Refer to the remaining sections in this document to install, activate, and begin using AdminStudio ZENworks Edition.

Installing AdminStudio ZENworks Edition

1. Copy the `AdminStudio2016ZE.exe` file to a machine that meets the following requirements:

   - **OS:** Windows 7, 8, or 8.1
     
     Note: Windows Vista is no longer supported.
   - **Processor:** 32-bit or 64-bit (repackaging of 64-bit applications requires a 64-bit machine)
   - **Ram:** 4GB
   - **Hard Disk:** 4GB
   - **Display:** XGA at 1024x768 resolution or higher
   - **Browser:** Internet Explorer 7.0 or later
   - **Privileges:** Administrative

2. Launch the `AdminStudio2016ZE.exe` file to extract the installation files and display the Welcome screen.
Note: If you are updating from a previous version of AdminStudio ZENworks Edition, the Welcome screen indicates that a previous version is installed and will be updated.

3 Click Next and follow the prompts to install AdminStudio ZENworks Edition.

4 When installation is complete, click Finish to exit the installation program.

5 Continue with the next section, Activating AdminStudio ZENworks Edition.

Activating AdminStudio ZENworks Edition

1 Click the Start menu > All Programs > AdminStudio > AdminStudio 2016 to launch AdminStudio and display the AdminStudio dialog box.

2 Select Activate or Purchase AdminStudio, then click Next to display the AdminStudio Product Activation dialog box.

3 Enter your license key, then click Activate.
   Note: If you are updating from a previous version of AdminStudio, you must enter your new AdminStudio 2016 ZENworks Edition license key.

4 When activation is complete, click Finish to open AdminStudio ZENworks Edition and display the ZENworks Server Login dialog box.

5 Fill in the following information to connect to a ZENworks Primary Server, then click Login.
   Server URL: The server’s IP address or hostname, preceded by http://. For example:
   http://198.51.100.0
   or
   http://zenserver.novell.com
   User Name: The name of a ZENworks administrator defined in the ZENworks system.
   Password: The password of the ZENworks administrator identified in the User Name field.
   After AdminStudio authenticates to the ZENworks Primary Server, the Getting Started screen is displayed.

6 Continue with the next section, Getting Started with AdminStudio ZENworks Edition.
Getting Started with AdminStudio ZENworks Edition

AdminStudio ZENworks Edition activates only the AdminStudio features that are required to create and modify Windows Installer (.msi) packages for use in ZENworks. All other AdminStudio features, while still shown in the interface, are disabled.

1. To access the AdminStudio ZENworks Edition features, click the Tools tab to display the Tools page.

2. Click a tool (Repackager, Editor, Distribution Wizard, Application Isolation Wizard, or Tuner) to see an explanation of what the tool does.

3. If necessary, refer to the tool’s Help for information about how to use the tool.

Software Updates, Licensing, and Support

AdminStudio 2016 ZENworks Edition is a custom version of AdminStudio 2016 Standard Edition created specifically for Novell ZENworks customers. The product is neither registered nor activated through Flexera Software. This affects the following:

- **Software Updates**: AdminStudio ZENworks Edition updates are distributed by Novell. Neither the AdminStudio 2016 Software Manager nor the InstallShield 2016 Software Manager provided by Flexera Software is used to update the AdminStudio software.

- **Return License**: Do not use the software’s Return License feature (Help menu > About AdminStudio > Return License). The online return process fails and the offline return process makes the software inaccessible.

- **Support**: Support is provided by Novell Technical Services (http://www.novell.com/support).

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