

Viewfinity Release Notes

These release notes apply to Viewfinity v. 2.5 Release 2.0.6.177

New Features and Improvements:

Privilege Management	
Feature	Description
Apply Policy to AD users/groups	User-based policies for Elevate Privileges can now be applied to AD user and groups. In previous versions, Elevation Policies could only be applied to computers and group of computers
Application Lockdown improvements	Application Lockdown is now supported on Windows 7 32/64 bit. In the previous version Lockdown was supported only on XP, Vista
Elevate Privileges new features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Now also supports Windows 7 32/64. Previous version supported XP and Vista. • Allow users to install application from dedicated location (ex. network share) • Ability to configure child process for elevation. In the previous version, Child process was automatically elevated. • Privilege elevation for Windows Administrative Tasks (ex: change time zone, power options, etc.) • Ability to verify executable by various criteria, including: checksum, publisher, etc. • On-demand Elevation via context menu in Windows Explorer
Audit Reports	Added "Applied Elevate Privileges" Report to report on status of activated policies. Policies related Reports are moved into new group "Policy Auditing"

	Systems Management
Software Delivery improvements	<p>Software Delivery improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package upload/download handling for slow networks • Improved handling of installations that were causing “restarts” in Software Distributions • Changed Retries default option for package delivery from None to 3 • Package storage quota is now enforced if a package is stored on the Viewfinity Server • Additional Configuration parameters for package download (number of retries, interval between retries can be found under Advanced, Agent Configurations) <p>Improved reporting for MSI installation exit codes during package installation</p>
PC browsing list in Software Delivery	When selecting PC from the list, they are displayed in alphabetical order. In the previous version, the list was random.
Asset Management PC Serial number	Improved handling of serial numbers
Remote Desktop improvements	New version of VNC in Remote Desktop. Improved handling of Ctrl-Alt-Del in Remote Desktop for Windows 2007/2008. Improvement of Remote Desktop if remote session is initiated from Windows 7 machine
Central Event Viewer improvement	Full support for collection of Windows Event Log on 64-bit platforms (XP, Vista, Windows 7, Server 2003, (excludes Server 2003 64 bit))
	Common for all Suites
Product separated into two suites: Privilege Management and Systems Management	The product features were separated into two suites: Privilege Management (Application Policies, Elevate Privileges, Audit Reporting) and Systems Management (Software Delivery, Asset & License Management, Remote Desktop, Activity Recording)
Agent Deployment improvements	Improvements for deploying Agents (New GUI: Keep previous Discovery results).
Agent Upgrade improved. Uninstall Added.	Improvements for Upgrade Agents (new infrastructure, improved GUI, added option to uninstall multiple agents from the central console. In the previous version, this was not supported. Added the ability to update the agent on a single computer. In the previous version, the only available option was to update all computers.
Authentication Proxy support	In previous versions, if proxy authentication was used (user id//password to browse internet) the Agent was not able to register with SaaS server unless it was running under an authenticated user account. The current release supports agent registration when web browsing requires authenticated proxy. Please contact Viewfinity support for more details.
Display Time Zone in GUI	Time display: time zone is configured under Advanced, Server Configuration, and General Time Representation. In previous versions, the time display in the management console was tied to the VF SaaS platform time.
Viewfinity Icon in the Task tray	Starting from this version, display of the Viewfinity agent icon in the task tray on the client PC is optional. By default the icon is enabled. The icon can be hidden within Advanced, Agent Configuration, and Show Notification Area Icon by setting it to OFF. Note. If Viewfinity icon is not shown, users will not receive “Balloon Tips” such as Policy Notifications.

Report Improvements	Additional Application License information for Software Usage and License Report (Maintenance, Cost, Comments)
Windows 7 Assessment	Added "Windows 7 Compatibility" Reports including Hardware Readiness Assessment and Software Readiness Report based on the applications that are supported by the Viewfinity User Migration product.
Reports Notification	Added the ability to send periodic notification for reports. Notification can be enabled next to each report by click on the Auto-Send option.
Agent Deployment Introduction screen	Added introduction text (with various links) upon 1 st login (when there is no Agents deployed)
Help and Support link added	Documentation link was renamed to Help and Support and moved to the Main page (from Advanced).
Activity Recording improvements	Reduced Activity Recording DB file size
Improved client behavior with Browser Helper Objects (BHO)	The BHO objects is registered only when there is ActiveX Elevation Privilege Policy on the Computer
In-house installation	
Ability to Backup Viewfinity database from Manager	Ability to backup Viewfinity DB from manager which later can be restored to another SQL server
Search Account Management Console	Search option added to Account management GUI

This matrix represents currently supported desktop and server operating systems for 32 and 64 bit platforms by specific Viewfinity features.

	XP 32	Vista 32	Vista 64	2003 32	2003 64	2008 32	2008 64	W7 32	W7 64
Activity Recording	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Screen Capturing	V	V	V	X	X	X	X	V	V
Asset Inventory	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Deploy Agent	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Remote Terminal	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Software Distribution	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Windows System Restore	V	V	X	X	X	X	X	V	X
User Personality	V	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Block	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V
Lockdown	V	V	V	X	X	X	X	V	V
Elevate Privileges	V	V	V	X	X	X	X	V	V
Windows Event Log	V	V	V	V	X	V	V	V	V

Known Limitations

If you try to remotely install agent under Local Administrative Account but not Built-in Administrator (this account is disabled by default), remote deployment will fail. Workaround: to switch off UAC remote restrictions on the target machine. This article <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/951016> explains what the remote UAC is and how to disable its restrictions. Note: For computers in domain, Domain Users belonging to Local Administrators group (i.e., Domain Administrators) do not have this limitation.