How to disable driver signature enforcement - Windows 8 & 8.1

Step 1: Enter PC settings.

You can enter PC settings according to the following two procedures.

1. Open Charms Menu by simultaneously pressing WIN key (also referred to Windows logo key) and C key, and select Settings in it.

2. Click Change PC settings on the bottom.
Step 2: In PC settings, choose General on the left and click Restart now under Advanced startup, as shown in the following screenshot.

Step 3: Click Troubleshoot in the next interface.
Step 4: After entering Troubleshoot interface, tap **Advanced options** to enter it.

Step 5: Select **Startup Settings**. Please refer to the picture below.
Step 6: Click **Restart** button in Startup Settings interface.

**Startup Settings**

Restart to change Windows options such as:

- Enable low-resolution video mode
- Enable debugging mode
- Enable boot logging
- Enable Safe Mode
- Disable driver signature enforcement
- Disable early-launch anti-malware protection
- Disable automatic restart on system failure

Step 7: Press **7** or **F7** to choose Disable driver signature enforcement.

**Startup Settings**

Press a number to choose from the options below:

Use number keys or functions keys F1-F9.

1) Enable debugging
2) Enable boot logging
3) Enable low-resolution video
4) Enable Safe Mode
5) Enable Safe Mode with Networking
6) Enable Safe Mode with Command Prompt
7) Disable driver signature enforcement
8) Disable early launch anti-malware protection
9) Disable automatic restart after failure

Press F10 for more options
Press Enter to return to your operating system

**Note:** This solution is easy, but it can only be set when the computer is booted. In addition, the setting will return to its original state after restarting.
How to Disable Driver Signature Verification on 64-Bit Windows 8.1 or 10

To disable driver signature verification, we’re going to need to get into the Troubleshooting options from the boot manager. The easiest way to bring this screen up is using a secret trick. Simply select Restart from the power options menu (on Windows 8 that’s under Charms or on the login screen, and in Windows 10 it’s on the Start Menu).

Hold down the SHIFT key while you click Restart.

(Again, you can use this trick on any of the power menus in Windows 8 or 10, whether on the login screen, Charms bar, Start Menu, or Start Screen)

Once your computer has rebooted you will be able to choose the Troubleshoot option.

Choose an option

Continue
Exit and continue to Windows 8

Troubleshoot
Refresh or reset your PC, or use advanced tools
Then head into **Advanced** options.

- **Reset your PC**
  
  If you want to remove all of your files, you can reset your PC completely.

Then **Startup Settings**.

**Advanced options**

- **System Restore**
  
  Use a restore point recorded on your PC to restore Windows.

- **Startup Repair**
  
  Fix problems that keep Windows from loading.

- **Startup Settings**
  
  Change Windows startup behavior.
Since we are modifying boot time configuration settings, you will need to **restart** your Computer one last time.

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- Disable automatic restart on system failure

Finally, you will be given a list of startup settings that you can change. The one we are looking for is “**Disable driver signature enforcement**”. To choose the setting, you will need to press the F7 key.

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That’s all there is to it. Your PC will then reboot and you will be able to install unsigned drivers without any error message.

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