

Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by Archivist - 23 Jun 2016 03:11

Just tried to install Warlords 4 on Windows 10. It gets to a message about installing fonts and freezes. No compatibility setting seems to help- any ideas?

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by vmxa - 27 Sep 2016 00:12

Thanks for the response. I tried to find the regedit entry to change the resolution, but it does not have one. It only shows the exe location. At least where I looked. I guess I could scan for all entries.

I tried to find where I could set it to run in a window, under properties, no luck. I do recall setting it in win8 to use 1600xnnnn.

I am sure you are correct about the display as this is 25 in screen with the desktop at 1900 or something like that. Maybe I will set the desktop down to see, if that works, but it is not a real viable option for daily use.

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by KGB - 27 Sep 2016 00:50

Where were you looking in the registry? This describes where everything should be found.

www.warlords.com/warlords4/technical-support/war4-install-d2d

Maybe the problem in Win 10 is this path doesn't exist and you may have to create it.

As far as resolution goes, it's not total size but rather wide screen vs 4x3. The game requires one of these 4x3's where the largest is 1600x1200.

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Display_resolution

KGB

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by vmxa - 27 Sep 2016 13:53

KGB, thanks again for all your input and for ongoing support of this site and game.

I deleted the install. Installed and this time let it go to the x86 location. Applied 105 and then copied 105b. It came up in 1024, yahoo. I was able to select 12xx and it runs fine.

Not sure, if it was the failure to apply 105 or what, but it seems ok now, thanks.

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by KGB - 27 Sep 2016 22:51

VMXA,

Glad you got it working.

You can get 1600x1200 if your monitor supports it. It can only be done by adjusting the registry value because for some reason that option never seems to be available in the game itself.

KGB

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by brentwoodnights - 28 Sep 2016 00:19

it was easy for me 1 week ago, and I'm about as good with a computer as a hedgehog

it did ask me to download directplayer? something like that, and I didn't even install it, it seems to play out of the folder through a shortcut on my desktop

I just opened the zip from the dl off this site and it created a dlr folder that I dragged to my desktop, then made a shortcut to the dlr.exe file in the folder

when i used the short cut windows 10 said i needed to install direct player? i agreed and then it worked without installing the game

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by vmxa - 28 Sep 2016 03:20

Yeah, I did that in the past and it was fine on 1600.

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by vmxa - 28 Sep 2016 03:23

Probably asked to install directx 9, not required as you have 11 most likely.

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by Tyrtaan - 12 Jul 2017 16:05

Hi all,

New to the forums, but I've been lurking for a short while. Trying to get Warlords 4 to run and not having success...

I can install it just fine, but when I go to run it, nothing happens. Not sure what I'm doing wrong. I haven't patched it yet, not sure if that's necessary to get it to run?

Note, I installed it running as admin with compatibility set to WinXP.

Thanks!

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by KGB - 13 Jul 2017 23:00

Tyrlaan,

Not sure you need to run it in XP Compatibility mode.

When you say nothing happens what do you mean? Do you get an error from Windows about not being able to run it? If you do a CTRL-Alt-Del and run the task manager is the game running?

Without knowing your computer setup (ie are you an admin user, screen resolution) I would suggest 3 things:

- 1) Was this a CD install or a Direct2Drive install? The original CD should work fine but the Direct2Drive needs the 1.05 patch to get past copy protection. Also original CD installs tell the game to expect the CD to be in D drive so if it's not there the game may not run. Again patching to 1.05 will fix this since all copy protection is removed.
- 2) Make sure the game isn't installed in C:\Program Files... which is the default install place. Win 10 doesn't like stuff installed there that writes data to it's local directories which War 4 does. Better to install the game someplace like C:\Warlords 4 or in your User folder
- 3) The game may need to run with admin privileges. So if you are not an admin user you might want to right click and run the game as admin.
- 4) If the game is running in the task manager but is not on the screen it means it can't find a screen resolution. War 4 was written for 4x3 screens and many people now have 16x9 monitors. You may have to manually set a screen resolution in the registry if this is the case.

KGB

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Re: Warlords 4 on windows 10

Posted by Tyrleen - 15 Jul 2017 02:42

When I run it, the first attempt brings up the Windows Compatibility Error/prompt to try compatibility settings. Any attempts after that just do nothing, nothing in task manager, etc.

Attempts to go through compatibility settings seem to yield nothing but the same results.

I'm an admin on my screen. I do run at 1680x1050 though.

To question 1 - CD install. However, my CD drive is my E drive, if that's an issue. Sounds like patching will eliminate this problem if it is one?

To question 2 - I had installed it on my D drive, with the rest of my games, then uninstalled and reinstalled to C:Program Filesx86. I can easily put it back where I had it.

To question 3 - I have run as admin checked off for sure, even though I am admin on the machine anyway.

To question 4 - Probably a problem I will eventually get to 🙄

Thanks for all your help!

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