Installation on Windows

This chapter explains how to install Magic Collaboration Studio on Windows in one of the following ways:

- **Using the installer file (recommended)**. The installer file installs Magic Collaboration Studio and creates a Windows service. You will be asked to provide the required configuration values during the installation process.
- **Using the no-installer file**. If you choose this method, you will need to extract the file, configure the required parameters, and run Magic Collaboration Studio services on Windows.

> ⚠️ **Prerequisites**
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> Before installing Magic Collaboration Studio, do the following:
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> - Make sure that your hardware and software meet the recommended system requirements.
> - Download installation files.
> - Magic Collaboration Studio uses a floating license, therefore, you need to have the FlexNet license server.

To install and configure Magic Collaboration Studio perform the following steps:

1. Install Apache Cassandra. (For the Cassandra version, see System requirements).

    > 🛇 The Apache Cassandra installation file is not included in the Magic Collaboration Studio downloads. In addition, we do not provide support for Cassandra installations on Windows because such installations are not natively supported by Apache. We strongly recommend using Linux deployments instead.

2. Install Magic Collaboration Studio in one of the following ways:
    - Use the installer file (recommended).
    - Use the no-installer file.

Once the installation is complete, apply the Magic Collaboration Studio license so you could start working with the product.