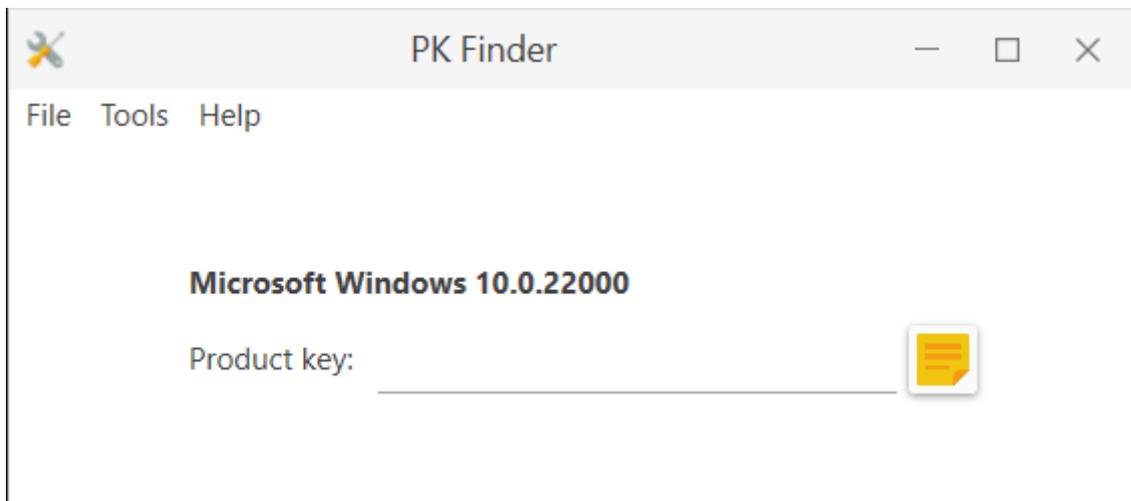


PK Finder 2.0

User manual



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1. Introduction

PK Finder was created by DeadLine. This software can be used to recover the Windows Product Key on a legitimately activated device.

The theme suite used by PK Finder was created by Syncfusion. You can find more information about Syncfusion here:

<https://www.syncfusion.com/>

The images used by PK Finder were created by paomedia. You can find more information about paomedia here:

<http://www.paomedia.com/>

2. System requirements

Operating System	Windows 7 SP1 (x64), Windows 8.1 (x64), Windows 10 (x64), Windows 11 (x64)
Disk space	At least 250 MB
RAM	At least 100 MB
Internet	Required in order to check for updates. Can be disabled.

3. License

PK Finder uses the GPLv3 license:

<https://codeload.com/Software/PK%20Finder/gpl.pdf>

4. Support

If you need support, feel free to contact us:

<https://codeload.com/contact>

You can also create issues on our GitHub page:

<https://github.com/CodeDead/PK-Finder/issues>

5. Website

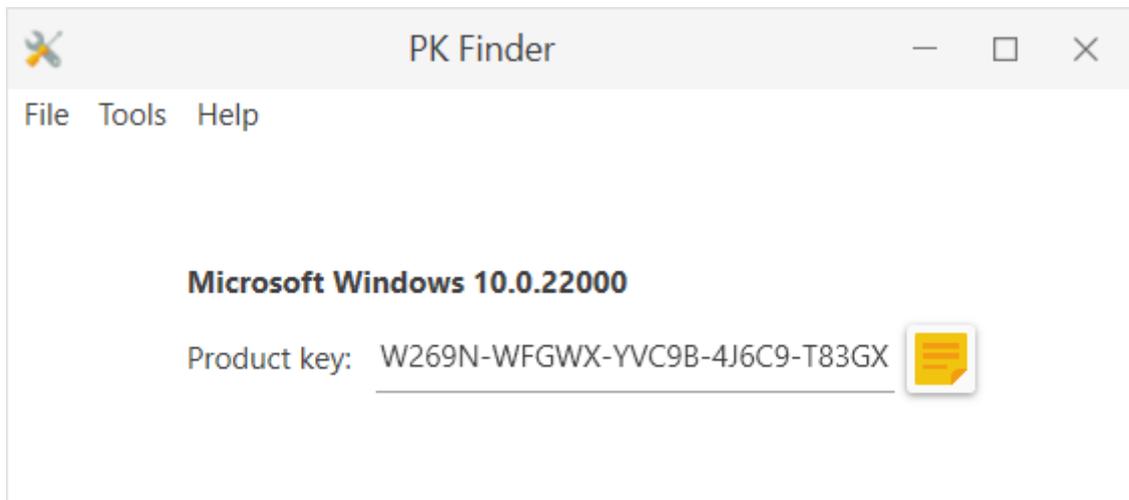
You can find us on the web using the following URL:

<https://codeload.com/>

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7. Functionality

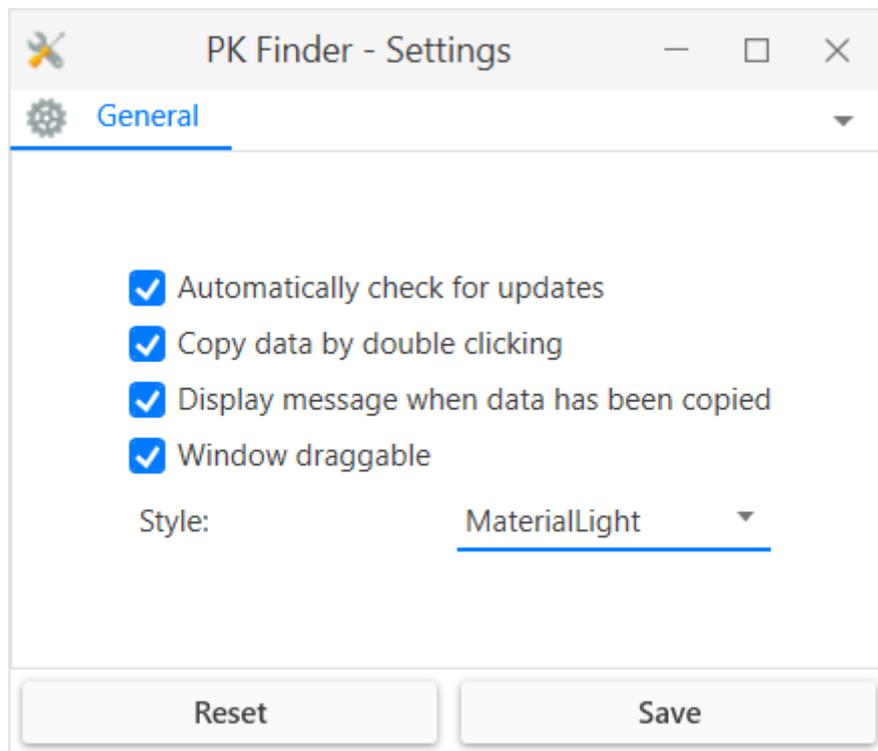


PK Finder can be used to recover the Windows Product Key on legitimately activated Windows devices. You can copy the product key to your clipboard, export the product key and view the product for which the product key is valid. If required, you can also refresh this information in the main window.

PK Finder can export your product key and product information to any of the following formats:

- Plain text
- CSV
- CSV (Excel)
- Excel
- HTML
- JSON

Settings



PK Finder can be customized by editing the settings. The settings window can be found by opening PK Finder and selecting 'Tools' followed by 'Settings'.

In the settings window, you can perform any of the following actions:

- Disable or enable automatic updates
- Disable or enable copying of product keys by double clicking
- Disable or enable the confirmation message when copying data
- Change the theme settings
- Reset all settings to their default values

8. Frequently asked questions

I am unable to open the application. What could be wrong?

Please make sure that your system is capable of running PK Finder by looking at the system requirements section of this document. If any issues persist, please contact us:

<https://codedead.com/contact>

You can also open an issue on our GitHub page:

<https://github.com/CodeDead/PK-Finder/issues>

PK Finder displays a message about being unable to retrieve the product key?

In certain cases, it's possible that PK Finder will display a message about your registry being corrupt or that your Windows version has not been activated. It's best to look at the root cause of the problem. PK Finder cannot retrieve the product key of a Windows version that hasn't been activated and it cannot recover the product key if there's something wrong with your Windows Registry, since that's where PK Finder will try to recover the Windows product key from.

The application crashed, what can I do?

It is certainly not intended to crash! If it does happen, please contact us with details about the crash such as:

- What action makes it crash
- A screenshot or video if possible
- Your system specifications

Feel free to open an issue on our GitHub page:

<https://github.com/CodeDead/PK-Finder/issues>

How much does PK Finder cost?

Nothing! It's absolutely free. If you paid for it, you should ask for your money back. The official site for PK Finder is:

<https://codedead.com/>

Where can I download PK Finder?

You can download it on the official website:

<https://codedead.com/>

Can I take a look at the source code behind PK Finder?

Absolutely. PK Finder is an open-source tool. You can find the source code on GitHub: <https://github.com/CodeDead/PK-Finder>

Why does my antivirus warn me about PK Finder?

It's possible that your antivirus falsely identifies our software as malware. This is known as a false positive. If this happens, please contact your antivirus support service in order to unblock PK Finder. Alternatively, you could also add an exception to your antivirus filter for PK Finder if this is supported by your antivirus solution.

Why doesn't PK Finder show my product key?

PK Finder has been tested on Windows 8, Windows 8.1, Windows 10 and Windows 11. If you're using any Windows version outside of the ones listed in the system requirements, it might not work for you. In that case, we'd be happy to expand PK Finder to be able to find the product key for your Windows version. Feel free to contact us!

Why is so much disk space needed for PK Finder?

PK Finder is packaged and published as a self-contained .NET 6 application. A relatively small runtime of .NET is included in this package, which makes it so that the end-user does not need to have .NET 6 installed on their system. This ensures that PK Finder can be executed, regardless of the presence of .NET 6 on the host machine.

The disadvantage of distributing applications like this, is that they require more disk space than what would be needed if the host system has the prerequisites installed beforehand.