



Unable to convert VMware virtual machine to Parallels Desktop

- Parallels Desktop
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition 17 and older
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition
- Parallels Desktop for Mac Standard Edition 10

Symptoms

I cannot convert VMware virtual machine to Parallels Desktop, error message : **The process was not stopped, still want to continue the installation process.**

Resolution

In order to resolve the issue, please do the following:

- start the **Terminal** (Finder/Applications/Utilities)
- execute the following command and hit Return:

```
/Applications/Parallels\ Desktop.app/Contents/MacOS/prl_convert /<way .vhd> --no-src-check
```

NOTE: instead of "**way .vhd**" you need to write down the actual way to the file of the virtual machine

Example:

```
/Applications/Parallels\ Desktop.app/Contents/MacOS/prl_convert /Volumes/500gb\ 1/WIN-8.VHD
```

You can drag&drop you virtual machine file to the **Terminal** instead of typing the way to the file.

Type the command:

```
/Applications/Parallels\ Desktop.app/Contents/MacOS/prl_convert
```

Open the file that you would like to convert and drag&drop it to the **Terminal** window, hit return/Enter

The converted file will be located next to your VMware virtual machine, but it should have **.pvm** extension.

To start the converted virtual machine with Parallels Desktop just **double-click** on WindowsXX.pvm file.