

How to change a virtual machine's Hardware UUID

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Question

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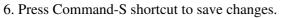
Information

Please note that it is currently not possible to set a specific Hardware UUID to a virtual machine, but you can make Parallels Desktop generate a random new one by performing the following steps:

- 1. Make sure that the virtual machine is shut down. If it is in a suspended state, please run it and then shut down (Actions > Shut Down).
- 2. Locate the virtual machine file: click on **Parallels icon** || > **Control Center** > right-click on the virtual machine > **Show in Finder**.
- 3. Right-click the pvm file > Show package contents.
- 4. Right-click on the config.pvs > Open with > TextEdit > locate a string that looks like:

<SourceVmUuid>{1234abcd-12ab-34cd-56ef-54321abcdef7890}/SourceVmUuid>

5. Change any digit or letter inside the curly braces.



7. Start the virtual machine.

Once you start the virtual machine, the UUID will be changed.

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