

OpenVPN for Windows 7

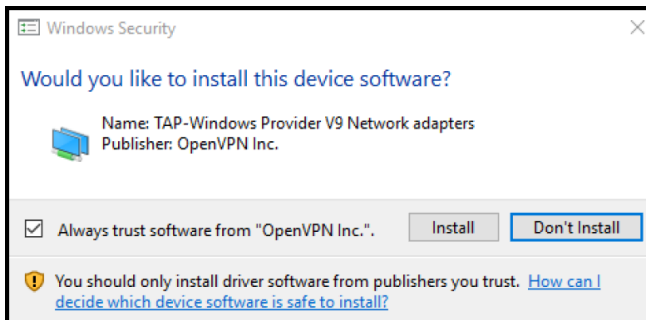
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Unattended installation

If you want to install OpenVPN on Windows 7 silently, there are some extra steps you have to take.

Prerequisites

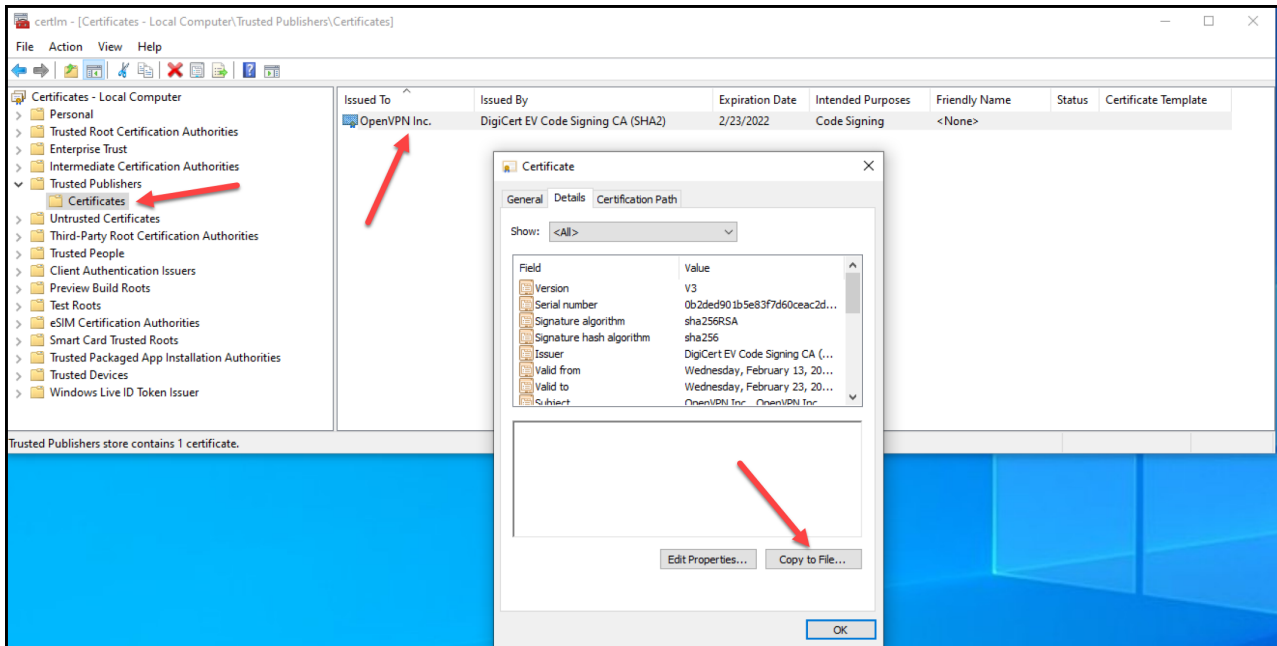
- TAP-Windows Provider Network Adapters – Normally, when you install OpenVPN, you get an extra popup to allow the installation of this software. If you don't install it, the unattended installation will fail.



- TAP-Windows Provider Network Adapters Certificate – You must install or inject this certificate. You can obtain this certificate on a Windows 7 machine where OpenVPN is installed.

Exporting the TAP-Windows Provider Network Adapters Certificate:

1. Install OpenVPN on a test machine or VM.
2. Start `certmgr.msc`.
3. Locate the OpenVPN certificate in the **Trusted Publishers > Certificates** section.
4. Double-click the 'OpenVPN' certificate.
5. Click the **Details** tab.
6. Click **Copy to file**.
7. Accept the Wizard defaults and choose a location and filename for the certificate.
8. Copy the .cer file to a save place outside the test machine.



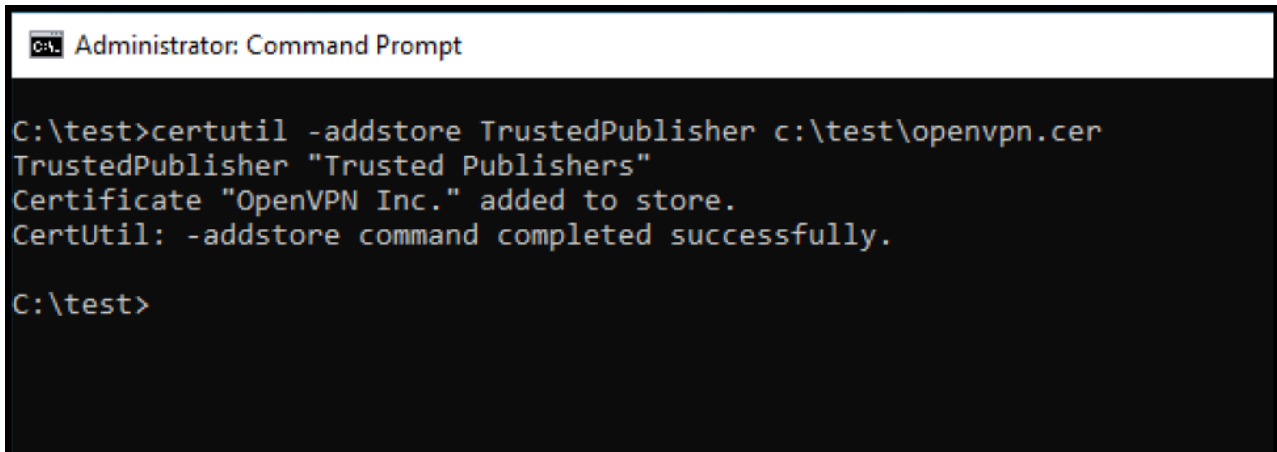
Importing the TAP-Windows Provider Network Adapters Certificate:

On the machine or image where you want the certificate installed, open an elevated command prompt and type:

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certutil -addstore TrustedPublisher [drive][path][certificate]
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Example: certutil -addstore TrustedPublisher c:\test\openvpn.cer

When the certificate is successfully installed the following message will be displayed:



You can now do a silent install of OpenVPN.

Further reading

[OpenVPN Resource Center](#)