The new Update Now feature for Office 2013 Click-to-Run for Office 365 and its associated command-line and switches



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Background:

The SP1 release of Microsoft Office 2013 Click-to-Run for Office365 offers a new Update Now feature on the File | Accounts (backstage) page of each Office application:



More Information:

This new feature allows users to check for and install updates for Office on demand. Under the hood, there is a new OfficeC2RClient.exe file that makes this possible.

Outside of this user interface, the OfficeC2RClient.exe can be run from an administrative command-prompt by constructing an appropriate command-line in the following format:

%Program Files%\Microsoft Office 15\ClientX86 | ClientX64\OfficeC2RClient.exe /update user variable1=value variable2=value ... variableN=value Where the variables are optional settings and based on the following table:

Variable	Possible Values	Description
updatepromptuser	True False (Default:	This specifies whether or not the user will see this dialog before automatically applying the updates:
		Office - ×
		Office updates are available Updates are available for Office. Would you like to apply the update for build 15.0.4569.1507 now?
		<u>Y</u> es <u>N</u> o
forceappshutdown	True False (Default: False)	This specifies whether the user will be given the option to cancel out of the update. However, if this variable is set to True, then the applications will be shut down immediately and the update will proceed.
displaylevel	True False (Default: True)	This specifies whether the user will see a user interface during the update. Setting this to false will hide all update UI (including error UI that is encountered during the update scenario).
updatetoversion	15.0.xxxx.xxxx (Default: Install the latest released	This specifies the version to which Office needs to be updated to. This can used to install a newer or an older version than what is presently installed.

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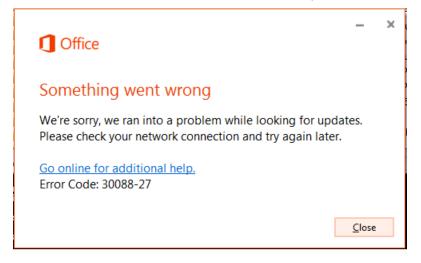
For example, if you want to down date to the November build of Office, you would use the following command:

C:\Program Files\Microsoft Office 15\Clientx64\OfficeC2RClient.exe /update user updatetoversion=15.0.4667.1002

If you are managing updates via network share and if you want to revert to the November build of Office, you would need to download the build using the Office Deployment Tool and place it on the share. Then run the following command:

C:\Program Files\Microsoft Office 15\Clientx64\OfficeC2RClient.exe /update user updatetoversion=15.0.4667.1002

If version 15.0.4667.1002 did not exist on the network share, you would receive the following error when running the command:



Additional Information:

Office Deployment Tool for Click-to-Run

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/jj219422(v=office.15).aspx

Reference for Click-to-Run configuration.xml file

http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/jj219426(v=office.15).aspx

Managing Updates for Office 365 ProPlus

 $http://blogs.technet.com/b/office_resource_kit/archive/2014/01/28/managing-updates-for-office-365-proplus-part-2.aspx$

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