

Windows 10 x64 - Fatal Python error: Py_Initialize: unable to load the file system codec #10053

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☒ I've **verified** and **I assure** that I'm running youtube-dl **2016.07.09.2**

Before submitting an *issue* make sure you have:

- ☒ At least skimmed through [README](#) and **most notably** [FAQ](#) and [BUGS](#) sections
- ☒ [Searched](#) the bugtracker for similar issues including closed ones

What is the purpose of your *issue*?

- ☒ Bug report (encountered problems with youtube-dl)
- ☐ Site support request (request for adding support for a new site)
- ☐ Feature request (request for a new functionality)
- ☐ Question
- ☐ Other

If the purpose of this *issue* is a bug report, site support request or you are not completely sure provide the full verbose output as follows:

Add `-v` flag to **your command line** you run youtube-dl with, copy the **whole** output and insert it here. It should look similar to one below (replace it with **your** log inserted between triple ``)`):

Assignees

No one assigned

Labels

None yet

Projects

None yet

Milestone

No milestone

3 participants



ImportError: No module named 'encodings'

Current thread 0x000019a0 (most recent call first):

...

<end of log>

Regards & respect



dstftw commented on 10 Jul, 2016 • edited ▼

Collaborator

<https://github.com/rg3/youtube-dl/blob/master/README.md#installation>

place it in any location on their [PATH](#) except for %SYSTEMROOT%\System32 (e.g. **do not** put in C:\Windows\System32).



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