

How to Install SimpleRisk Appliance (VMWare)

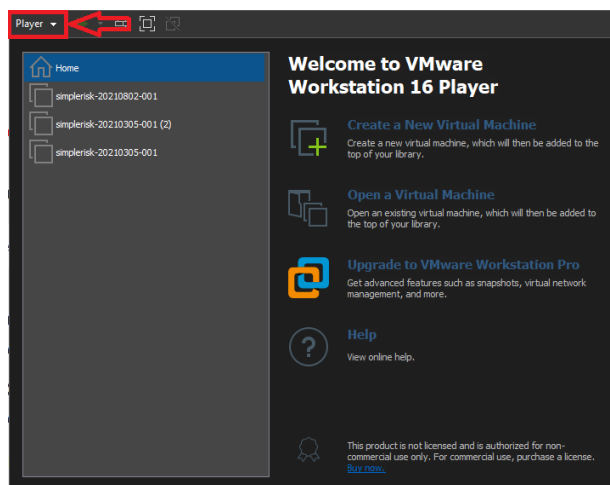
Introduction

This guide will cover the steps to import the SimpleRisk VMWare appliance. This guide assumes you already have VM Workstation Player installed. This guide was created using VM Workstation Player 16. The instructions should stay relatively the same between versions however if you run into any issues please contact us at support@simplerisk.com.

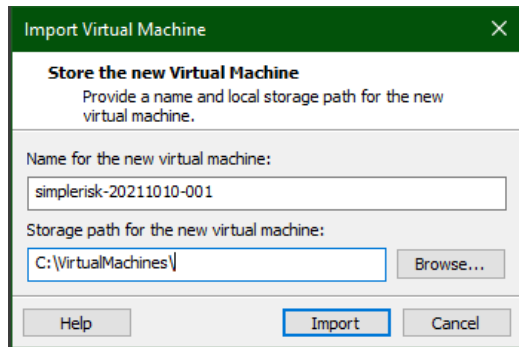
Instruction

Step 1: After downloading the SimpleRisk VMWare appliance from <https://www.simplerisk.com/download> extract the contents of the downloaded zip where you would like to store the VM.

Step 2: Open VMWare Work Station Player and click “Player” at the top left. Under “File” click “Open”. Navigate to the OVF file for SimpleRisk and open it. In my example I’m using “simplerisk-20211010-001.ovf”.



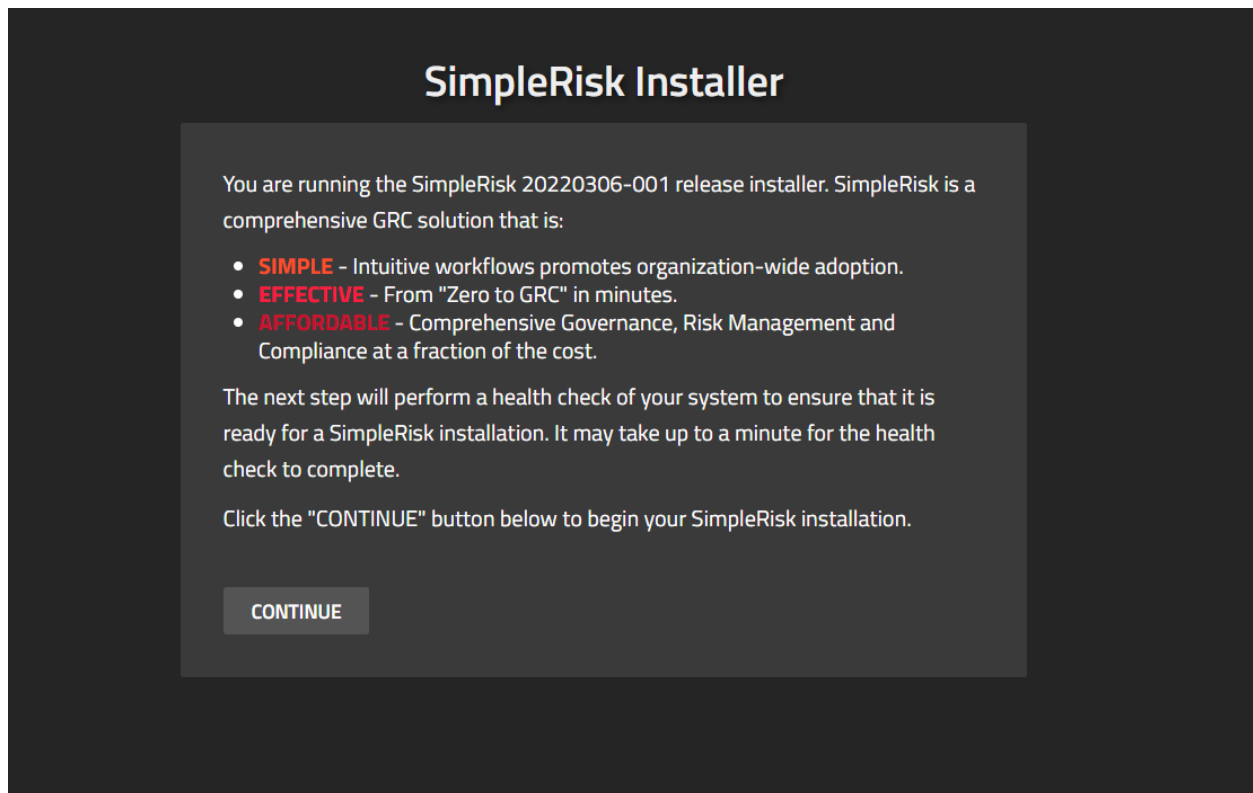
Step 3: You will now be able to name the Virtual Machine and select where it will be stored. Once you have made any changes necessary click “Import”.



Step 4: Double click the new Virtual Machine we just created for SimpleRisk in the left hand side of the Workstation Player window. Once booted we can begin installation of the database and admin user.

Installing the Database

As of SimpleRisk release 20220401-001 the database installer is now included with the core download and no separate download is required. To access the installer to complete the installation navigate to <http://localhost> in your browser or the IP of the virtualmachine if it is not local to you. If you have followed all steps up to this point correctly you should see the following.



Click "continue" to and you will be met with a healthcheck page. Please note we should see all green all the way down the list in Ubuntu installations. As long as everything is green you may proceed and click



continue.

You should now see the database configuration page. You will be required to enter the credentials for the MySQL root user which was configured in an earlier step. An example of this page is shown below.

A screenshot of a web-based configuration interface titled "Database Credentials". The interface has a dark gray background. At the top, the title "Database Credentials" is displayed in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below the title, a light gray rectangular box contains the following elements: a prompt "Enter your database information to proceed with SimpleRisk install:" in white text; a sub-header "Database Connection Information" in bold white text; four input fields with labels to their left: "Database IP/Hostname:" with the value "localhost", "Database Port:" with the value "3306", "Database Username:" with the value "root", and "Database Password:" with masked characters "*****". Each input field has a small icon on its right side (a document for IP/Hostname, a port icon for Port, and a key for Password). At the bottom left of the light gray box is a dark gray button with the word "CONTINUE" in white, uppercase letters.

Please note before continuing if you are setting up with an MySQL instance that is not local to the web server you will need to configure the Database IP/Hostname and port. In basic installations this step is not required and these values can be left as their defaults. Click “continue” once the credentials to access the MySQL server have been configured. You will now be able to configure the details of the SimpleRisk database. In a general installation all of these can be left default.

Admin Account Creation

Admin Account Information

Username:

Full Name:

Email Address:

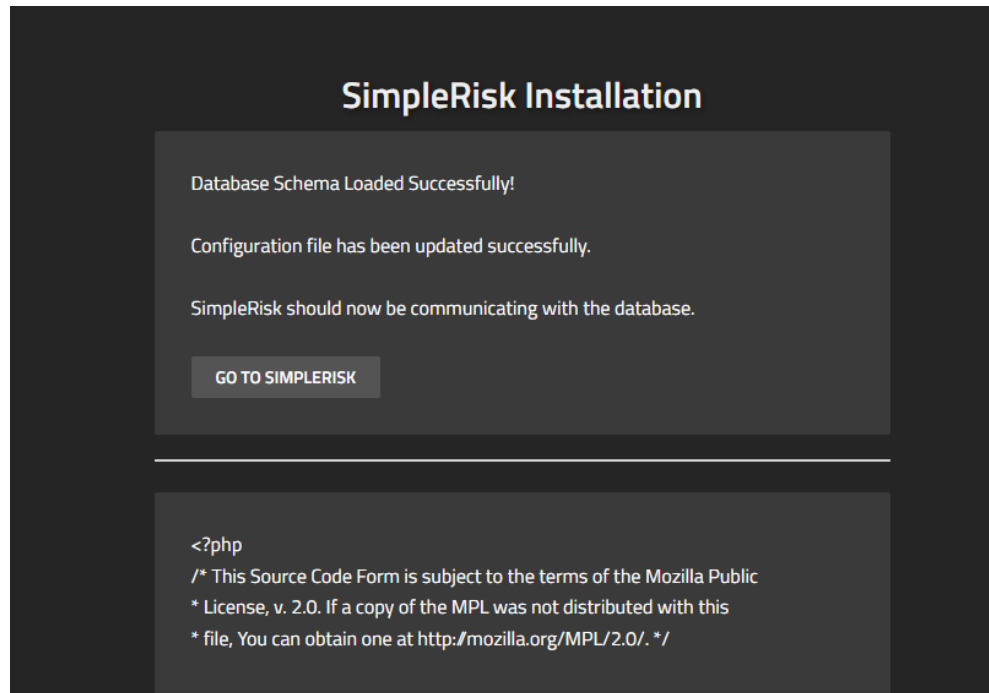
Password:

Confirm Password:

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INSTALL

We have now arrived at the final setup screen as seen above. Here you will configure your admin account and assign the details you will use to login to SimpleRisk with for that admin account. Please note that the use of a valid email address is highly recommended as this will be where password recovery emails will be sent. You are also given the opportunity to opt into our mailing list by checking the box at the bottom. In this you will receive product release updates and educational content related to the SimpleRisk platform. Once you see the image below in your browser you are finished and may click the “Go to SimpleRisk” button to login and begin using the application.



After clicking “Go to SimpleRisk” you should now be at the login screen of your new SimpleRisk installation. The login credentials are the ones set previously during database installation.

Summary

These instructions should have allowed you to install and begin to use SimpleRisk. If you have run into any issue or have questions please contact us at support@simplerisk.com.