

OpenText™ Output Transformation Server

Installation guide

This document provides information about how to install or upgrade an instance of Output Transformation Server.

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Chapter 1

OpenText Output Transformation Server Installations

1.1 Installation Overview

There are two types of installation for OpenText Output Transformation Server:

1. Installation of Output Transformation Server on your local machine
2. For production systems, installing Output Transformation Server within your application server. This type of installation is not covered in this guide, but instructions can be found in *OpenText Output Transformation Server User Guide*.

1.2 License Keys

License key files (or licenses) are sent out by Customer Support upon the availability of a new installation, the renewal of a yearly contract, or an update of a product. You can send your licensing inquiries to:

support@opentext.com (<mailto:support@opentext.com>)

To deploy a new license to Output Transformation Designer during installation, you must manually copy the license to the installation directory. For more information about deploying a license, refer to step 4 under “[Installing Output Transformation Server](#)” on page 8.

For more information about deploying an updated or renewed license, see *OpenText Output Transformation Designer - User Guide (VDTOTS-H-UTD)*.

1.2.1 Storing License Key Files

The license key files Licensing sends you when you purchase an OpenText product are used to:

- Install the product.
- Deploy the product's license key files for future validation purposes.

You can store license key files anywhere on your computer system when you first receive them. During the installation, you must copy your license file into the `settings` folder in your installation directory.

1.3 Requirements

Output Transformation Server is written 100% in Java. It has been tested and is supported on various platforms running the specified Java Virtual Machine (JVM).

The system requirements for running Output Transformation Server are listed in the subsequent topics.

For the most up-to-date listing of supported operating systems, JVM/JDKs, application servers, ECM systems, databases, web browsers and their compatible versions, refer to the Release Notes.

1.3.1 Minimum Server Machine Requirements

The minimum system requirements for each product are listed below. Keep in mind that all memory and free disk space requirements pertain to the applications only; you will need access to additional memory and/or disk space for storage and processing of your projects, documents, and data.

1.3.1.1 Output Transformation Server

- Processor:
 - Windows: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz or higher
 - AIX: Power
 - Linux: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz
 - Solaris: UltraSPARC T1 or T2
- RAM (memory): 1024 MB
- Free disk space: 2 GB

1.3.1.2 Archive Navigator

- Processor:
 - Windows: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz or higher
 - Linux: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz
- RAM (memory): 1024 MB
- Resolution: 1024x768, 256 colors

1.3.1.3 Data Transformation Engine

- Processor: Same as Output Transformation Server
- RAM (memory): 1024 MB
- Free disk space: 500 MB (each)

1.3.1.4 Output Transformation Engine

- Processor:
 - Windows: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz or higher
 - AIX: Power
 - Linux: x86 compatible, Pentium 1 GHz
 - Solaris: UltraSPARC T1 or T2
- RAM (memory): 1024 MB
- Free disk space: 1 GB

1.3.2 Linux Kernel Requirements

In order to run Output Transformation Server or Output Transformation Engine on either AIX, Sun, or Linux platforms, you must have a Linux kernel of 2.4.18 or higher.

1.3.3 Output Transformation Server Installation Files

Output Transformation Server is distributed as a ZIP file (also known as an installation module) named `OTS_OutputTransformationServer_<version>.zip` in an installation package via FTP. In addition to this ZIP file, to install the product you must also have the base and the core installation modules. The base installer file is named `OTS_Base.zip` and is stored in the `base` folder of your installation package.

The core installation module is named `OTS_Core_<version>.zip` and contains Output Transformation Designer as well as some core and third party JAR files. The core installation module along with all optional installation modules are stored in the `modules` directory of your install package.

Also included with your installation package is a `subproducts` folder, which includes some additional integration JAR files, an PDF API toolkit for developers, and the Embedded Output Transformation Engine ZIP file.

1.3.4 Optional Installation Modules

There are also several plug-ins available with the installer. These modules contain separate products and components that you can install in conjunction with Output Transformation Server and are the same for all platforms. Your customized shipment will contain only the plug-ins that you have been licensed for:

- OTS_ArchiveNavigator_<version>.zip – Archive Navigator plug-in
- OTS_DataTransformation_<version>.zip – Data Transformation engine plug-in
- OTS_DocumentAccessibility_<version>.zip – Document Accessibility components plug-in
- OTS_ml-dl4j_<version>.zip – Document Accessibility AutoDetect Model Editor plug-in
- OTS_ebXMLMessaging_<version>.zip – ebXML Messaging plug-in
- OTS_OutputTransformation_<version>.zip – Output Transformation Engine plug-in
- OTS_OutputTransformationServer_<version>.zip – Output Transformation Server plug-in

1.4 Installing Output Transformation Server

1.4.1 Prerequisites

Before starting the installation process, make sure you have the following software components and files ready:

- Java JDK 1.8 installed on your target machine. You can confirm whether it is installed by opening a command prompt window and running the following command:

```
java -version
```

A similar response should be returned:

```
java version "1.8.0_25"  
Java(TM) SE Runtime Environment (build 1.8.0_25-b17)  
Java HotSpot(TM) 64-Bit Server VM (build 23.25-b01, mixed mode)
```

- The following files downloaded from My Support or otherwise sent to you:
 - OTS_Base.zip module
 - License file (license.txt)
- The following required software modules:
 - OTS_Core_<build_label>.zip
 - OTS_OutputTransformationServer_<build_label>.zip
 - Any of the optional software modules you have for installation.

- If you are using z/OS, before installing the application you must enable automatic file conversions between EBCDIC and ASCII code sets so that data and property files can be translated by the system when necessary. The environment variable to run is:

```
export _BPXK_AUTOCVT=ON
```

You can enable this setting for one time use by simply running the command on your z/OS server, or you can add the environment variable to a user's `.profile` file, which will enable the setting every time the particular user logs on.

1.4.2 Installation Procedure

Before attempting an installation, users should be aware that depending on the location of the installation directory, administrator rights may be required. For example, if you are using Windows and copying and extracting the files to a folder under `Program Files` or `Program Files (x86)`, then you will need administrator rights to copy or write files.



Note: The installation procedure is the same for Windows, z/OS, AIX, Sun, or Linux-based machines, however, all commands and file paths are written using a backslash, which Unix users must substitute with a forward slash.

To install Output Transformation Server:

1. On your local machine, create a new folder to store your installation and put `OTS_Base.zip` from your installation package in this folder. This directory is your base installation folder and subsequent references to it will be represented by the `<OTS_home>` variable.
2. Open a command prompt window and navigate to your `<OTS_home>` directory, then run the following command to extract the contents of the installation file. At the command prompt, type:

```
jar -xf OTS_Base.zip
```



Note: If the `jar` command is not recognized, you may have a Java JRE installed instead of the full JDK. If this is the case, you can extract the files to the `<OTS_home>` directory using your preferred ZIP utility.

Several folders are extracted from the zip and added to your installation directory. This may take up to several minutes.

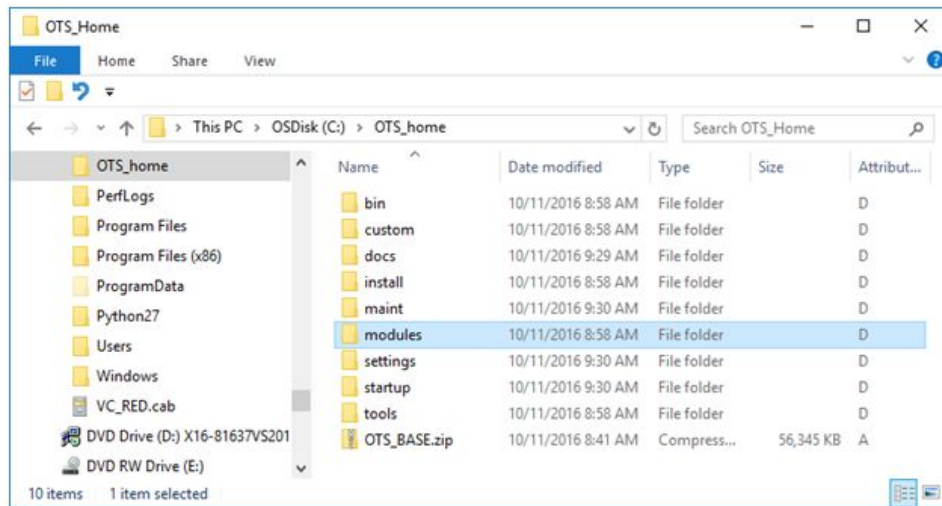


Figure 1-1: Folder structure following extraction of the OTS_Base.zip file

- From your installation package, copy the zipped installation modules to the <OTS_home>\modules folder.



Note: As each module is kept in a separate file, if you have any other modules then you can add them to the <OTS_home>\modules folder to install them in conjunction with Output Transformation Server. At a minimum, you must include OTS_Core_<version>.zip and OTS_OutputTransformationServer_<version>.zip in the folder.

- Before you can run Output Transformation Server, you must be in possession of a valid license. Copy and paste your license file into the <OTS_home>\settings folder. If necessary, you must rename your license file to license.txt for it to be recognized by the system.
- You are now ready to install the product and any other modules you have. Navigate to the <OTS_home> directory and at the command prompt, type:


```
java -jar bin\OT-Bootstrap.jar
```
- In the command prompt window that appears, you are asked to open and review the End User License Agreement (EULA) before continuing. The EULA can be located at <OTS_home>\docs\licensing\OT_Clickthrough_EULA.txt. After reviewing the EULA, if you accept its terms then type **Y** at the command prompt and press **Enter** to continue. (If you do not accept the terms, the installation process will be cancelled.)

A script is executed to extract the contents of your installation modules in the <OTS_home>\modules directory and a command prompt window is displayed to show the progress. The extracted contents from the installation modules are put into the <OTS_home>\install\<version> directory.

7. By default, this installation procedure uses <OTS_home> as the working directory for all users, which will require users to have write permissions to your <OTS_home> directory. If you want to maintain separate work and installation directories, see *OpenText Output Transformation Server - User Guide (VDTOTS-UGD)* for more information and perform those necessary steps before proceeding to the next step.
8. You are now ready to launch the product for the first time. First, navigate to the <OTS_home>\startup directory. Then you can launch Output Transformation Server for the first time by using `startDesigner.bat` for Windows users or `startDesigner.sh` for Unix and Linux users.

For more information about the locations and details of the files installed, see [“Installed Files and Directory Structure” on page 12](#).



Note: For Windows users, the installation process does not create any shortcuts on your desktop or Start menu, however, you can manually create a shortcut to the `startDesigner.exe` file.

1.5 Special Considerations

1.5.1 Manual Deployments

If you also have Output Transformation Engine installed in conjunction with Output Transformation Server, a pre-packaged engine file known as the Embedded Output Transformation Engine ZIP file is available to assist with manual deployments to another machine. Deployment instructions are available in *OpenText Output Transformation Server User Guide* to assist with deployments to various application server types. If any of the following conditions are true, you might want to use the packaged engine file rather than installing Output Transformation Engine directly to your target server:

- You are installing to a production server where there is no display, such as Linux, IBM z/OS USS, or another type of mainframe.
- Your server has limited memory or processing capacity and a smaller install footprint to conserve system resources is required.
- You do not need to set up projects.
- You want to use only the engine to submit jobs through the API so the GUI is not required.

In these cases, you can use the `EOTE-<version>.zip` engine file that is shipped in the `subproducts` directory along with your installation files.

1.6 Installed Files and Directory Structure

It is strongly recommended that you use the directory structure that is created by the installer for Output Transformation Server and not modify it in any way. This consistent structure, which is reflected in all installations of Output Transformation Server, ensures that file paths are correctly represented in all components, thereby minimizing file-locating errors. Furthermore, all files and folders are relative to the top level installation folder so changing them will cause issues.



Tip: We recommend that you do not make changes to the default directory structure unless there are pressing operational reasons to do so.

1.6.1 Output Transformation Server Root Directory Structure

The directory structure for Output Transformation Server beneath your chosen installation folder is shown in the table below.


Table 1-1: Output Transformation Server Root Directory Structure

Directory	Description
\BaseRepositories	Common storage area for solutions and resources used by both the engine and Output Transformation Designer. You may change the location your base repository folder by modifying the settings/BaseRepositoryLocation.properties file.
\bin	JAR files for maintenance and general running of the product
\custom	Contains subfolders for custom function definitions, Data Transformation pre-parsers, third party JAR files, and Output Transformation Designer plug-ins
\custom\jars	Holds any custom components, third party JAR files required for the custom components, plus Data Transformation Engine pre-parsers and external functions
\custom\plugins	Holds any custom Output Transformation Designer plug-ins
\docs	Help system files for OpenText Output Transformation Suite
\install	Contains subfolders with version(s) of the product. All files below this folder should never be modified.
\install\ <version>\config< td=""> <td>Resources required to do the enterprise EAR packaging</td> </version>\config<>	Resources required to do the enterprise EAR packaging

Directory	Description
\install\<>version>\dev-studio	Files pertaining to Output Transformation Designer
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common	Folder used to create any base repositories for the first time
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_classes	Location where all compiled classes from Output Transformation Designer are stored
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_configs	System configuration files
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_deployments	Project deployments
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_logProfiles	Location where logging profiles are stored
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_logs	Default location for logs
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_resources	Contains all resources for event listeners and other components
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_sample	Samples for each of the plug-ins
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common_stats	Output Transformation Designer statistics
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common\com	Holds the user's custom code
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common\input	Contains input files
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\common\output	Contains a variety of outputs: logs, statistics, output files, etc.
\install\<>version>\initialFiles\system\	Contains component definitions, sample component for developers, and some default configurations
\install\<>version>\lib	System libraries
\maint	Contains scripts for installation and patches
\modules	Installation modules for OpenText Output Transformation Suite plug-ins
\settings	Contains the license file plus various property files
\startup	Contains startup scripts for launching the product
\tools	Location of build-in tools

1.7 Upgrading to a Newer Version of Output Transformation Server

If you already have Output Transformation Server installed on your machine and want to upgrade to a new version, you can apply a patch to upgrade the application while reusing your projects, configurations, and resources from the previous version.

 **Note:** The patch method of upgrading Output Transformation Server is only applicable to version 16.0 or higher.

The patch is contained within a zip file that must always abide by a particular naming convention for them to be recognized by the installer scripts. Consequently, after downloading the patch file onto your machine the file name should never be modified. The patch file name must retain the `OTS_Patch_16.x`. `xx_<Build>_(PatchOf)_16.x.xx_<BaseBuild>.zip` pattern, with `<Build>` representing the new version you are upgrading to and `<BaseBuild>` indicating the required base version to upgrade from.

Patches can be deployed through two different approaches, either through “[Basic Patch Upgrade Options](#)” on page 17 or “[Advanced Patch Upgrade Options](#)” on page 17. **Basic** upgrades are recommended for users who can download the patch files directly onto their system and only need to perform the upgrade on the same machine. The **Advanced** upgrade method allows for some additional patch settings to be configured, such as automatically retrieving the patch from a network location and the ability to distribute a patch to your deployed servers. Refer to the section on your preferred upgrade method for more details.



In order to run the patches, you must ensure that the embedded patch scripts contain the correct `<OTS_home>` location. If you have moved the patch script, you must update the correct value for the `OTS_HOME=` parameter within the `CheckForPatches.bat/.sh` file.

1.7.1 Considerations before upgrading to a newer version

If you already have Output Transformation Server installed and want to upgrade to a newer version, you can reuse your projects, configurations, and resources from the previous version.

To upgrade to a newer version of Output Transformation Server:

1. Make a list of all required files and folders that need to be moved over to the new system. The list may vary from user to user depending on their implementation, but should include:
 - `<install_home>\initialFiles\common_classes` (custom component classes)
 - `<install_home>\initialFiles\common_configs` (system configurations)

- <install_home>\initialFiles\common_logProfiles (if your logging profiles have been modified)
 - <install_home>\initialFiles\common\com (if you have created custom components within our file system)
 - Any other directories under <install_home>\initialFiles\common that have been modified
 - Customer component definitions under <install_home>\initialFiles\system
 - Third party customized JAR files under <install_home>\lib\ext
 - auth.conf file (should be copied over to <install_home>\lib for the P8Loader)
 - <install_home>\dev-studio\DeveloperStudio.bootstrap (if additional JVM arguments have been added)
 - sample.d2esys file (if it has been used and modified)
 - Output Transformation Server authentication files
 - Any files under <install_home>\sampleApplication that have been used and modified
 - Any process flows or project files that you have stored within your Output Transformation Server installation folder.
2. Back up:
- The initialFiles folder, in case it is overwritten or deleted during migration.
 - The baseRepository folder, if you are upgrading Output Transformation Server from an application server.
-  **Note:** Mounted folders do not need to be backed up.
3. Install the new version of Output Transformation Server. Be sure to install to a different folder than the one containing the current installation.
-  **Note:** During the installation process you are prompted to uninstall any previous versions if they are detected by the installer. It is recommended that you do not uninstall them until the upgrade process is complete and you can confirm that everything is working properly in the newer version since your files from the previous version may be deleted or overwritten during the uninstall.
4. Reconfigure the new installation. This includes:
- Copying the files and folders from the checklist in Step 1 to the new system.
 - Starting Output Transformation Designer and remounting any folders that were mounted in the previous installation.

5. Redirect any component parameter values or external tools (such as Repository Service components) that utilize resources stored under your old Output Transformation Server installation folder to the file path location under the new installed version.
6. Perform standard testing to ensure that your projects function as expected. This might include:
 - Confirming that Output Transformation Designer starts without any errors.
 - Mounting project folders that were mounted in the previous installation, while ensuring that the mount point is correct.
 - Checking that autostarted services have started properly.
 - Checking the `application.log` file and the Output Transformation Server engine log for any errors.
 - Running projects, events and other operations to confirm that the functionalities work as in the previous installation.
 - Packaging and deploying an EAR file to the application server. You should then verify that Output Transformation Server and all autostarted services can be started from the application server without errors, and that projects are running properly on the server side.
7. Address any errors that occur from your testing. Some common errors you may encounter include:
 - **Not able to load components.** Classes may have been copied over incorrectly, or JAR files might be missing.
 - **Components in process flows have disappeared.** Component definitions may not have been copied over to the new file system, or were mounted at the wrong mount point.
 - **Service fails to start.** Customer properties may not have been migrated properly.
 - **Warnings that parameters are not recognized when loading components.** The newer version you are installing may have new parameters or older parameters removed.
8. Once you have confirmed that the new installation of Output Transformation Server is working properly, you can uninstall the older version. For more information about uninstalls, see [“Uninstalling Output Transformation Server” on page 22](#).

1.7.2 Basic Patch Upgrade Options

To upgrade to a newer version of Output Transformation Server:

1. Download the patch zip file onto your machine and save it in your existing version's `<OTS_home>\modules` directory.
2. Navigate to the `<OTS_home>\maint` directory and run the `CheckForPatches.bat` `.sh` file.



Note: If you encounter any read/write errors when running the executable file in Windows, try using the **Run as administrator** option to execute the file.

A script is executed to extract the contents of the installation modules in the patch directory and a command prompt window is displayed to show the script's progress. The files and folders extracted from the patch installation modules are put into the `<OTS_home>\install\<NewVersion>` directory. When it is finished, you are prompted to press any key to close the window.

Also, a `CheckForPatches.log` file is created in the `<OTS_home>\maint` folder, which contains all information presented on the screen as well as more detailed information not presented on the screen.


Once the patch has been successfully applied, you are now ready to launch the product as normal. For more information on switching to the new version of the software as this may not be automatic, see [“Managing Different Versions During Startup” on page 19](#).

The `<OTS_home>\install\` directory contains separate installation folders for the original and upgraded versions. If you do not intend on rolling back to the previous version, then you can safely delete the directory containing the original version's installation files since it will not be used unless you explicitly set the properties to use the older version upon starting the application.

1.7.3 Advanced Patch Upgrade Options

Some custom patching options can be configured by modifying the `CheckForPatches.properties` file. In addition to expanding patches, the patches may be retrieved from a network location and/or distributed to other network locations (other servers with Output Transformation Server installed).


To set the options, you must open the property file for editing and add your parameter values in the code where indicated. After saving your edits to the property file, you can run the `CheckForPatches.bat/.sh` file as normal and your configured options are used accordingly. (If you encounter any read/write errors when running the executable file in Windows, try using the **Run as administrator** option to execute the file.)

 **Note:** When setting file paths for Windows, you must use the backslash (\) escape character to escape the colon (:) and backslash (\) characters. For example, C:\:\patches is used to represent the C:\patches file path.

You can set the following options in the `CheckForPatches.properties` file:

Table 1-2: Advanced Patch Upgrade Options

Property	Description	Accepted Values
<code>retrieve.location=</code>	Specifies a network location from which to obtain the patch files. The network location must include the patch folder name matching the defined pattern.	The network location is a folder containing one or more patch folders matching the defined pattern. During retrieval, patches are copied to the <code><OTS_home>\modules</code> folder. If no location is provided, the application looks for patches in the <code>\modules</code> folder.
<code>retrieve.mode=</code>	Determines the patch versions to retrieve from the specified retrieval location.	LATEST to retrieve the most recent patch files or ALL to retrieve all patch files available.
<code>expand.mode=</code>	Indicates which patch versions are extracted for use from the <code><OTS_home>\modules</code> folder to the <code><OTS_home>\install</code> folder.	LATEST to extract the most recent patch version or ALL to extract all patch versions available. This setting can also be used for Basic-style upgrades.
<code>distribute.mode=</code>	Determines which patches are dispersed to your deployed servers.	LATEST to distribute the most recent patch version or ALL to distribute all patch versions available.

Property	Description	Accepted Values
distribute.location.x=	<p>Indicates the network location for where patches are copied. This must be another <OTS_home> install location, and the patches are copied to the other <OTS_home>\modules directory. Any number of locations can be set by changing the x variable to represent an individual location; for example, distribute.location.1=, distribute.location.2=, etc.</p> <p> Note: Even though this distribution is an easy way to push patches to many of your servers, you must run the CheckForPatches.bat/.sh file on each of the servers in order to expand the patches and make them ready for use on the servers.</p>	Set a number for the distribution location and the full network path.

1.7.4 Managing Different Versions During Startup

As multiple versions of the product can be installed at any given time, you can use the <OTS_home>\settings\startup.properties file to control which version is used upon starting the application.

If you are using startDesigner.bat/.sh to launch Output Transformation Designer, open the startup.properties file for editing and locate the designer.version property; this property specifies the version to use when launching the application and you can enter an asterisk (*) as the value if you wish to always use the newest installed version.

If you are using startEngine.bat/.sh to launch a standalone instance of the engine, open the startup.properties file for editing and locate the engine.version property; this property specifies the version to use when launching the engine and you can enter an asterisk (*) as the value if you wish to always use the newest installed version.

For users with an application server, you must repackage your EAR or WAR files using the **Package and Deploy Wizard** in Output Transformation Designer and then redeploy the new EAR/WAR file to your application servers. Tomcat and JBoss Web Server users must make an additional change. In the `setenv.bat` or `.sh` file, locate the line stating `set "OTS_VERSION=16.x.xx_<BuildNumber>"` and as the value, indicate the version you want to run. Tomcat users can locate this file in the `<OTS_home>\TomcatBase\<instancename>\bin` folder while JBoss Web Server users can locate this file in the `<OTS_home>\JBossWebServerBase\<instancename>\bin` folder.

1.7.5 Automated Rebuilds of Application Server Deployment Packages

When upgrading your version of Output Transformation Server with the patch method, if an existing EAR file or deployment package (dependent upon your application server type) is detected within the current installation directory, then it will be automatically rebuilt for use with the updated version according to your previous settings. Subsequently, there will be minimal downtime since you do not need to rearrange any configuration settings or generate a new deployment package before resuming your work.

Following a successful patch upgrade, WebSphere Liberty users must manually redeploy the updated EAR file to their application servers (for more information on deployments, see *OpenText Output Transformation Server User Guide*). Tomcat and JBoss Web Server users, in lieu of a manual deployment, only have to perform some minor adjustments including redirecting the version of Output Transformation Server used to the latest one and clearing some temporary files (for more information about using a rebuilt Tomcat deployment package, see [“Preparing to use a Rebuilt JBoss Web Server or Tomcat Deployment Package”](#) on page 21).

If your application server settings have changed following the creation of a deployment package and you want the deployment package to be rebuilt with different settings when upgrading the product version with a patch, you can open the `<OTS_home>\settings\server-config.xml` file in a text editor and manually edit the values before you initialize the patch upgrade process.



Note: In the `server-config.xml` file, if any parameters are missing values then their default values are used instead.

1.7.5.1 Preparing to use a Rebuilt JBoss Web Server or Tomcat Deployment Package

To reconfigure the Output Transformation Server environment to work with the rebuilt JBoss Web Server or Tomcat deployment package:



Note: You must stop any JBoss Web Server or Tomcat servers running on the instance before applying your changes. Upon restarting the server, the new settings will take effect.

1. For JBoss Web Server users, navigate to the `<OTS_home>\JBossWebServerBase\<instance_name>\bin` directory. For Tomcat users, navigate to the `<OTS_home>\TomcatBase\<instance_name>\bin` directory.
2. You must open one of the **setenv** files in your preferred text editor for editing. Which file to open depends on the type of operating system you are running. Users running Windows should open `setenv.bat`, while users running Linux should open the `setenv.sh` file.
3. Within this file, locate the `OTS_VERSION` variable and edit the value to match the version and build number you upgraded to. (You can locate the version and build number from the file name of the installation modules; it is the string following the product name.) When you are finished, **save** your changes.
4. Next, you must perform some clean up of the deployment packages by deleting the contents of some directories.

For JBoss, delete the files in the following folders:

- `<OTS_home>\JBossWebServerBase\<instance_name>\webapps`
- `<OTS_home>\JBossWebServerBase\<instance_name>\temp`


For Tomcat, delete the files in the following folders:

- `<OTS_home>\TomcatBase\<instance_name>\webapps`
- `<OTS_home>\TomcatBase\<instance_name>\temp`

5. Upon launching the respective `start-<instance_name>.bat/.sh` file, you can reconnect to your JBoss Web Server or Tomcat application server.

1.7.6 Identifying Installed Modules and Build Versions

Following a successful installation or update of Output Transformation Server, you can quickly discover which products and respective versions are installed on your machine by inspecting the build property files that are added to the `<OTS_home>\install\<version>` directory. In this folder, you can verify whether a specific product was installed by the presence of an `OTS_<ProductName>_build.properties` file that is added for each installed product, while opening the file also identifies its version on the `OTS_<ProductName>_buildLabel=<Version>` comment line. For instance, having the `OTS_ArchiveNavigator_build.properties` file in the directory and upon opening the file, seeing the `OTS_ArchiveNavigator_buildLabel=16.0.01_1234` comment reveals that build version 16.0.01_1234 of the Archive Navigator plug-in was successfully installed on your machine during the installation or update process.

 **Note:** As with all other files stored beneath the `\install` folder, it is important to never modify any of the property files as it may have adverse effects on your installation.

1.8 Uninstalling Output Transformation Server

During the installation, nothing is written to the registry on Windows or the system configuration files on Linux/Unix-based machines so if you wish to remove Output Transformation Server, the installation directory can simply be deleted.

1.9 Troubleshooting

1.9.1 Java Virtual Machine Conflicts in Windows


After the successful installation of Output Transformation Server, if you are having difficulty starting the application in either designer or server mode on your system, it may be caused by a conflict with your Java versions due to having multiple versions installed on your machine. You must ensure that the JVM used between Output Transformation Server and Windows is consistent.

To check which version of Java Windows is using:

1. Open a command prompt window.
2. On the command line, type `java -version` and press **Enter**.

If you are using the 64-bit version Java, this will be explicitly stated. If you are using the 32-bit version of Java, the version is not stated at all.

If Windows is using one version of JVM and you are trying to start Output Transformation Server with another version of JVM, you must modify your Java settings in Windows so that they are consistent.

 **Note:** The instructions below do not explicitly explain how to access the Environment Variables dialog as it varies between different versions of

Windows, but it often resides with other advanced system properties. Consult the Microsoft Windows documentation for your respective version for more information.

The following changes to Windows' Java settings need to be made on the **Environment Variables** dialog:

- In the **User variable for <user>** section, select the **Path** variable. Click **Edit** and ensure that your preferred JVM version appears in the list first, followed by any other versions.
- In the **System variables** section, select the **Path** variable. Click **Edit** and ensure that your preferred JVM version appears in the list first, followed by any other versions.

After making the changes, click **OK** to save your changes. You must log out of the user account and then log back in with the same user to ensure that your changes take affect and then you can start Output Transformation Server as usual.

1.9.2 Extracting the Installation Files Using WinZip

When using WinZip to extract the files from the base installation file (OTS_Base.zip) on Windows machines, you may encounter errors regarding file path names being too long or skipped files, which will cause the extraction process, and subsequently the installation process, to fail due to the missing files. To bypass these errors, you can try using a different extraction utility. Or if the error states your file path is too long, you can try shortening the file path location for your home installation directory before running WinZip again.

Chapter 2

Installing the Private Help Server

2.1 Providing the online help on a local help server (Private Help Server)

The online help for this module is delivered using the OpenText Global Help Server (GHS) system, which provides your users with live access to the latest version of the help. If you cannot use the GHS system, for example, if your site does not have Internet access, you can install the OpenText Private Help Server (PHS), a local version of the help system that can host your OpenText online help on your organization's network. After the PHS is installed, you can then configure your OpenText module(s) to forward all online help requests to your PHS. For detailed information about installing the PHS, see *OpenText Help System - Private Help Server Administration Guide (OTHS-AGD)*.



Notes

- The Private Help Server can support multiple OpenText modules. If the Private Help Server has already been installed within your organization to support another OpenText module, you can add additional OpenText module online helps to that installation.
- If you are replacing a previous PHS installation, see *OpenText Help System - Private Help Server Administration Guide (OTHS-AGD)*.
- If the server you want to use for the PHS installation cannot connect to the Internet, see *OpenText Help System - Private Help Server Administration Guide (OTHS-AGD)*.

Once the PHS is installed or upgraded, you can use its Online Help Deployer to download online helps from the GHS system by entering the help deployment codes listed in ["Help deployment codes" on page 25](#). For more information about using the codes, see *OpenText Help System - Private Help Server Administration Guide (OTHS-AGD)*.

Table 2-1: Help deployment codes

Code	Product
VDTOTS240200-IGD	OpenText™ Output Transformation Server CE 24.2

2.1.1 Configuring Output Transformation Server to use the Private Help Server

Once you have the Private Help Server fully configured, you can redirect help requests from the Global Help Server to the Private Help Server in Output Transformation Designer.

To redirect the help requests:

1. On the **File Systems** tab in Output Transformation Designer, open your system configuration file for editing. (By default, `default.xSystemConfig` is the active system configuration file unless you have changed it.)
2. In your system configuration file, locate the **HelpSystem > UrlRoot** parameter.
3. The **UrlRoot** parameter indicates the URL root for the help system. If no value is specified, then help calls are directed to the Global Help Server. To redirect calls to the Private Help Server, enter the URL root to your instance of the Private Help Server using the following convention:
`http://<host_name>:<port_name>/OTHelpServer/mapperpi`
4. **Save** the configuration settings.