

Free Programs to use on Windows

1. Malwarebytes -

Malwarebytes is primarily a scanner that scans and removes malicious software, including rogue security software, adware, and spyware. It runs alongside Windows Defender and does not interfere with its operation. Malwarebytes is available in both a free and a paid version. The free version can be run manually by the user when desired, whereas the paid version can perform scheduled scans, automatically scan files when opened, block IP addresses of malicious web sites, and scan only those services, programs and device drivers that are currently in use.

Download Link: <https://www.malwarebytes.com>

2. LibreOffice: Office suite fully compatible with Microsoft Office.

Download Link: <https://www.libreoffice.org>

3. Adobe PDF Reader:

Download Link <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>

NOTE. Before you click on Download Acrobat Reader make sure you UN-TIC “Install McAfee Security Scan Plus and Install McAfee Safe Connect”

4. VLC Media Player:

VLC is a free and open source cross-platform multimedia player and framework that plays most multimedia files as well as DVDs, Audio CDs, VCDs, and various streaming protocols.

Download Link: <https://www.videolan.org/vlc/>

5. IrfanView:

An image viewer, editor, organiser and converter program for Microsoft Windows. It can also play video and audio files, and has some image creation and painting capabilities. LINK: <https://www.irfanview.com/>

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6. 7-Zip:

A free and open-source file archive, a utility used to place groups of files within compressed containers known as "archives". Will also UN-Zip files you download.

Download Link: <https://www.7-zip.org/>

7. 4K Video Downloader: Download You Tube Videos.

Download Link: <https://4k-video-downloader.en.softonic.com/>

8. Calibre: E-Book reader. Link: <https://calibre-ebook.com/download>

9. Everything: very fast search program for finding lost files on your hard drive. Link: <https://www.voidtools.com/>

10. Print Friendly and PDF. This is an add-on to your Web Browser. It will convert and save the article you are reading to a PDF.

11. Make MKV: This program will BURN (copy) a DVD to your computer. Link: <https://makemkv.com/>

12. GIMP: Photo Editing Program. Link: <https://www.gimp.org/>

13. REVO Uninstaller: Safely and completely uninstall programs from your PC: Link: <https://www.revouninstaller.com/>

14. Rufus ISO to USB: Burns ISO to USB and makes bootable.
Link: <https://rufus.en.softonic.com/>

15. Recuva - Recovers deleted files on your Hard Drive and USB.
LINK: <https://www.ccleaner.com/recuva>

Programs to NEVER install on your computer:

1. Norton Anti Virus
2. Any form of Internet Security Suites.
3. Free VPN's
4. Any Third Party Anti Virus programs (Malwarebytes is an exception)

Windows 10 and 11 has it's own Anti Virus Program called Windows Security.

5. Programs that offer to update your drivers.