

Ahsay Online Backup Manager v9 Windows Server Core Installation Guide

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1 Summary

This guide is focused on the steps of how to download, install, start, and uninstall AhsayOBM on Windows Server Core.

The examples used in the guide are AhsayOBM installation on Windows Server 2016 Core, for a complete list of supported operating systems please refer to:

[FAQ: Ahsay Software Compatibility List \(SCL\) for version 9.1 or above.](#)

NOTE


All the process, i.e. Download, Install, Check Services and Uninstall, must be done within PowerShell.

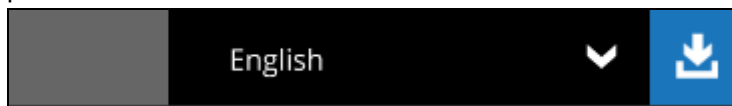
2 Download and Install AhsayOBM

2.1 Find Download Link of AhsayOBM Installer

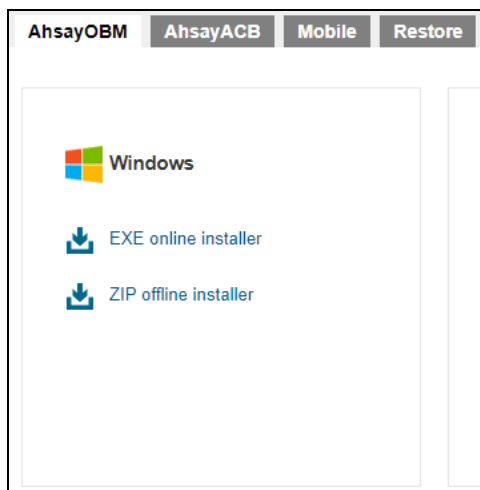
If the Windows Server Core machine does not have a web browser installed, use the following steps on another machine with a web browser to obtain the latest download link so it can be used on the Windows Server Core machine.

Otherwise, use the web browser on the Windows Server Core Machine to download the AhsayOBM installer and follow the steps in [Chapter 2.2.2 Installing AhsayOBM Online](#) or [Chapter 2.3.2 Installing AhsayOBM Offline](#).

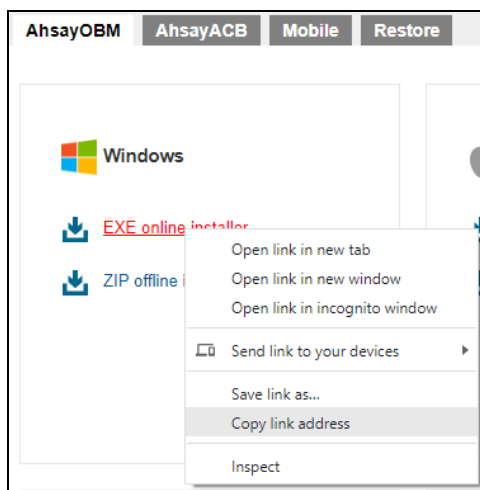
1. In a web browser, click the download  icon on the top right corner to open the download page for the AhsayOBM installation package file from your backup service provider's website.



2. In the AhsayOBM tab of the download page, choose the AhsayOBM installer for Windows.



3. Right-click on the **EXE online installer** or **ZIP offline installer** link and select **Copy link address** to save the download link.



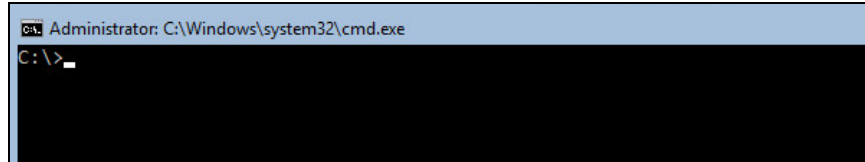
4. Use this download link in the Windows Server Core machine to download the latest AhsayOBM package installer.

```
https://10.3.1.8/cbs/download/obm-win-443-10.3.1.8-https-00.exe
```

2.2 Online Installation

2.2.1 Download Online AhsayOBM Installer

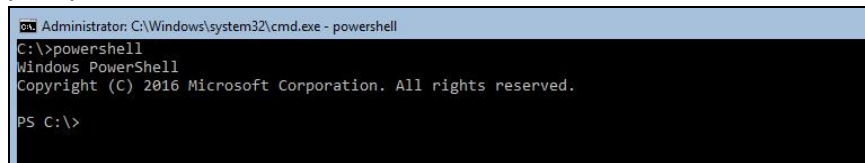
1. Login to the Windows server core, and start the command prompt



2. Type in the following command to enter PowerShell.

```
C:\> powershell
```

After successfully entering PowerShell the prompt will change to PowerShell prompt:



3. Use the following command to download the online AhsayOBM installer to Windows Server Core C:\temp folder

```
PS C:\>Invoke-WebRequest  
http://YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER/cbs/download/obm-win-80-  
YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-http-<OwnerID>O.exe -OutFile  
'c:\temp\obm-win-80-YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-http-  
<OwnerID>O.exe'
```

Example: *Invoke-WebRequest http://10.3.1.8/cbs/download/obm-win-80-10.3.1.8-http-25212O.exe -OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win-80-10.3.1.8-http-25212O.exe' (The Owner ID is 25212)*

OR

```
PS C:\> Invoke-WebRequest  
https://YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER/cbs/download/obm-win-443-  
YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-https-<OwnerID>O.exe -OutFile  
'c:\temp\obm-win-443-YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-https-  
<OwnerID>O.exe'
```

Example: *Invoke-WebRequest https://10.3.1.8/cbs/download/obm-win-443-10.3.1.8-https-25212O.exe -OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win-443-10.3.1.8-https-25212O.exe' (The Owner ID is 25212)*

NOTE

- You can download using both “http” or “https”, but https will not work with default Ahsay self-signed dummy certificate, so it is recommended to use http in this case.
- The above command will download the AhsayOBM installer to the path of “C:\temp”.
- You can change the download path of the file, which is “C:\temp\” to other path, but **DO NOT** change the file name of the AhsayOBM installer downloaded, i.e. “obm-win-80-YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-http-<OwnerID>O.exe”.
- You can obtain the “<OwnerID>” value from the download page of AhsayCBS. It will be in the Synology installer part.



Synology

Please copy and paste the following URL information into the “URL” text field during installation
`https://10.90.10.14:443?ownerid=0`

- Aside from the IP address, “YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER” can also be the FQDN (hostname.domain.com) of either the primary AhsayCBS site or the sub-admin site.
- Another way to get the address to be used in downloading the installer is by opening another machine’s web browser to copy the link.
- Ports “80” and “443” are default HTTP and HTTPS ports, if custom connector ports are used then it should be replaced with the custom connector port.

4. During downloading of AhsayOBM installer the following message will be displayed:

```
Writing web request
Writing request stream... (Number of bytes written: 3223857)
```

After completing the download of the AhsayOBM online installer the screen above would disappear. Press **Enter** button to continue.

2.2.2 Installing AhsayOBM

1. Use the following command to execute the installer:

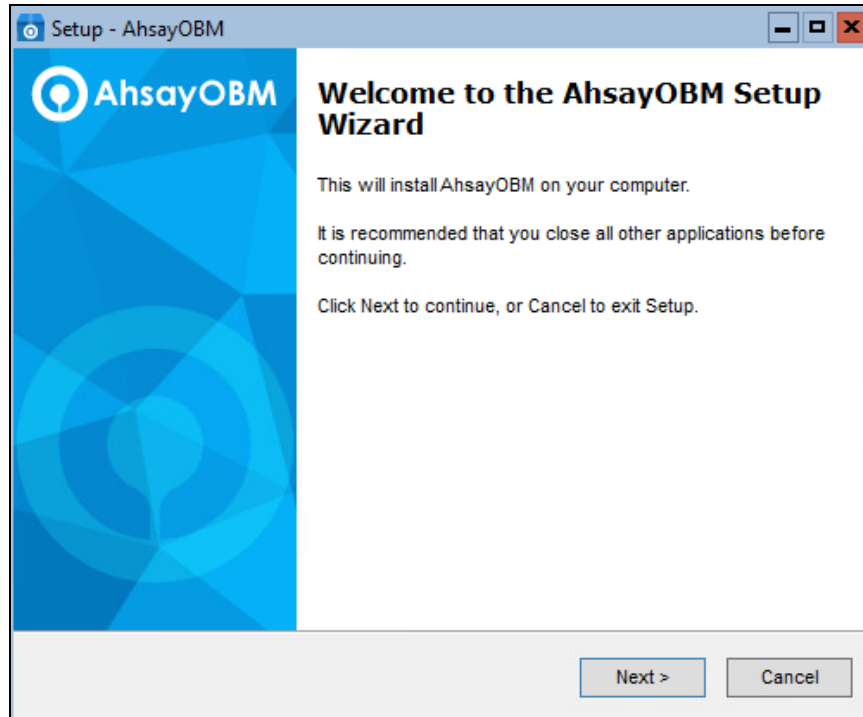
```
>C:\temp\obm-win-80-YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-http-
<OwnerID>O.exe

Or

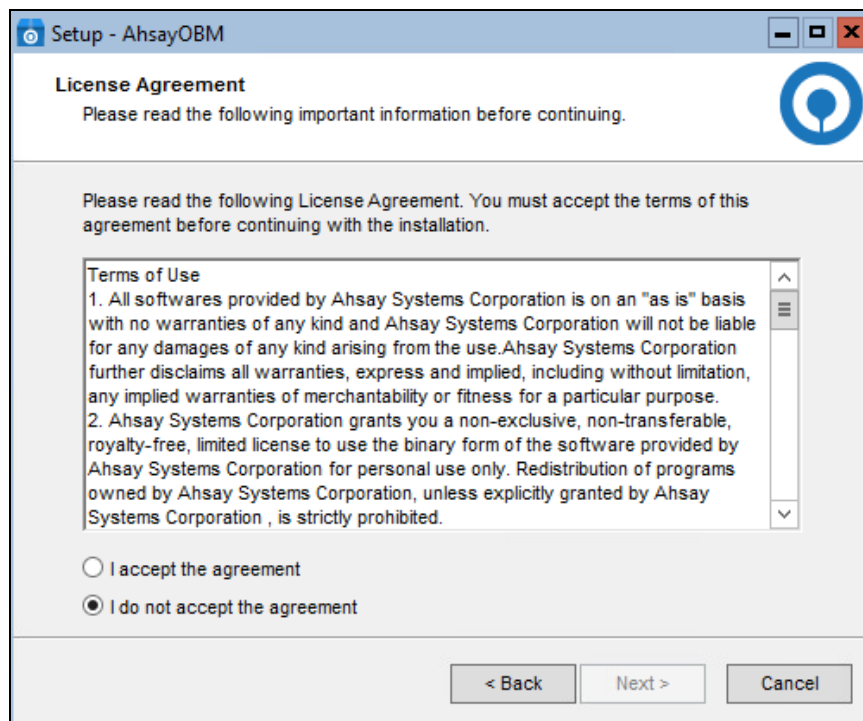
>C:\temp\obm-win-443-YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER-https-
<OwnerID>O.exe
```

Example: *obm-win-443-10.3.1.8-https-252120.exe* or *obm-win-80-10.3.1.8-http-252120.exe*

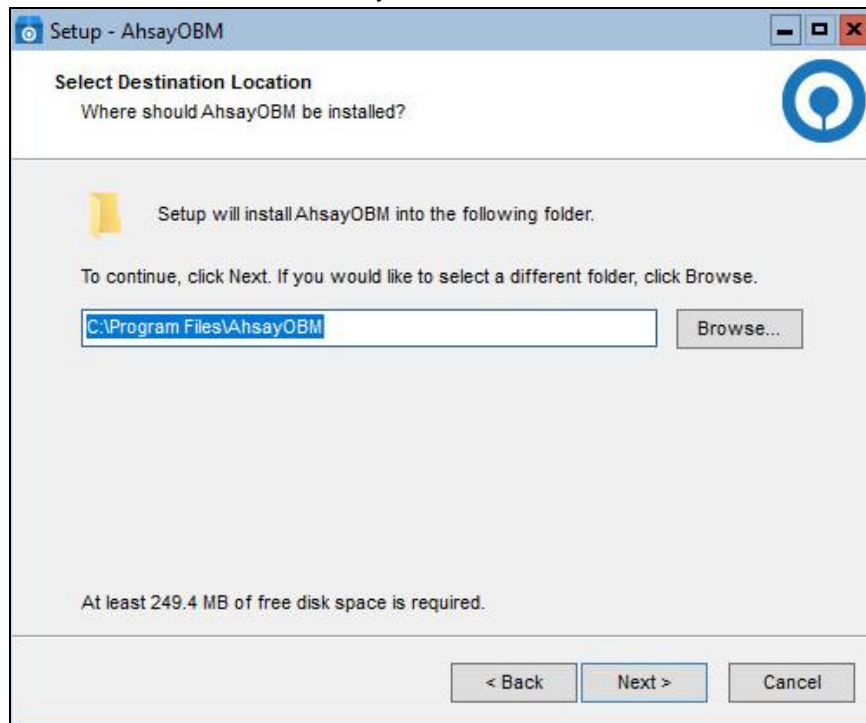
2. When the AhsayOBM Setup Wizard is shown. Click **Next** to continue.



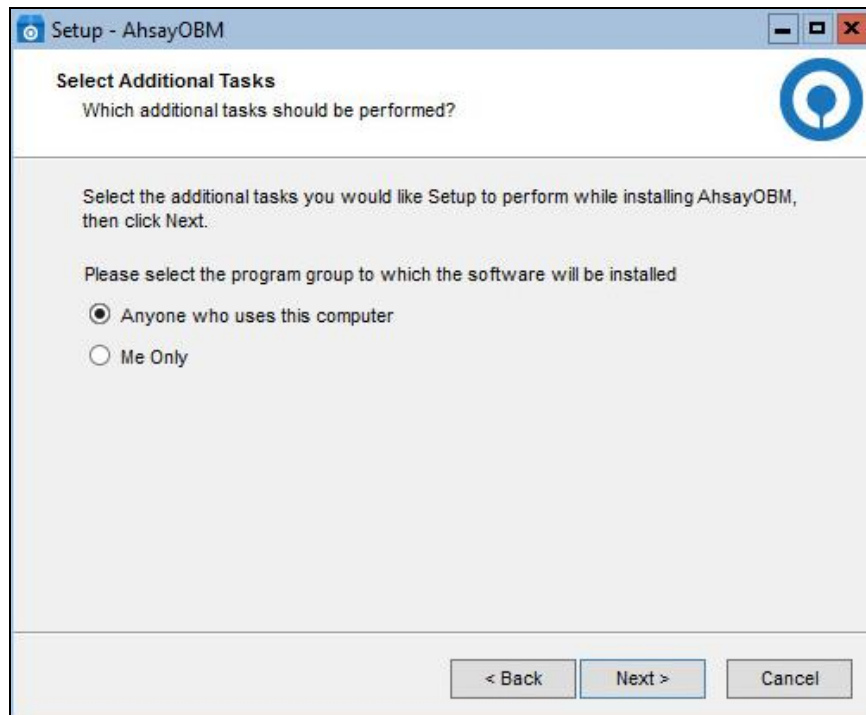
3. Select **"I accept the agreement"** after reading the license agreement. Then click **Next** to continue.



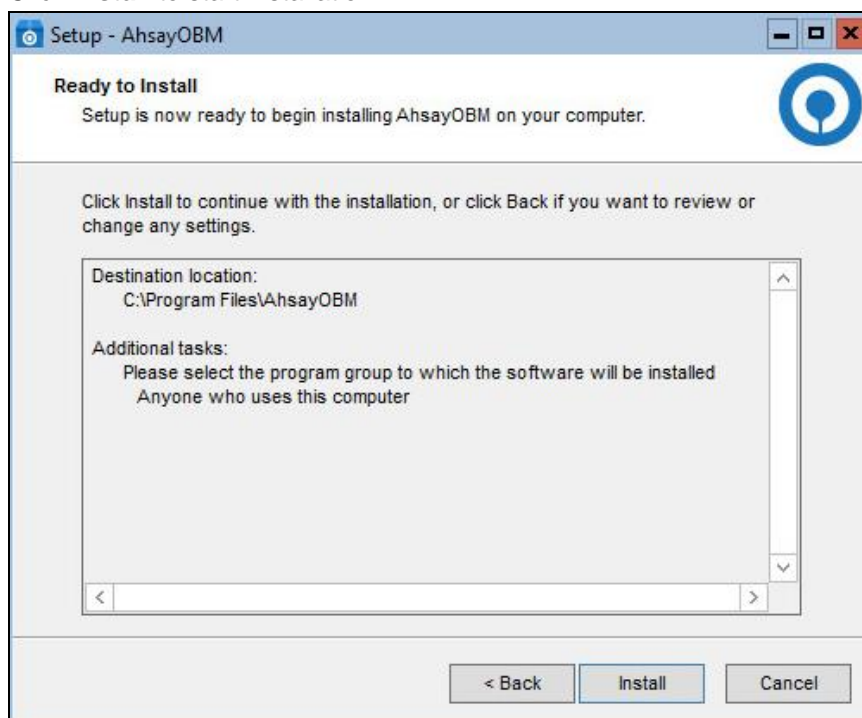
4. Choose the installation directory. Then click **Next** to continue.



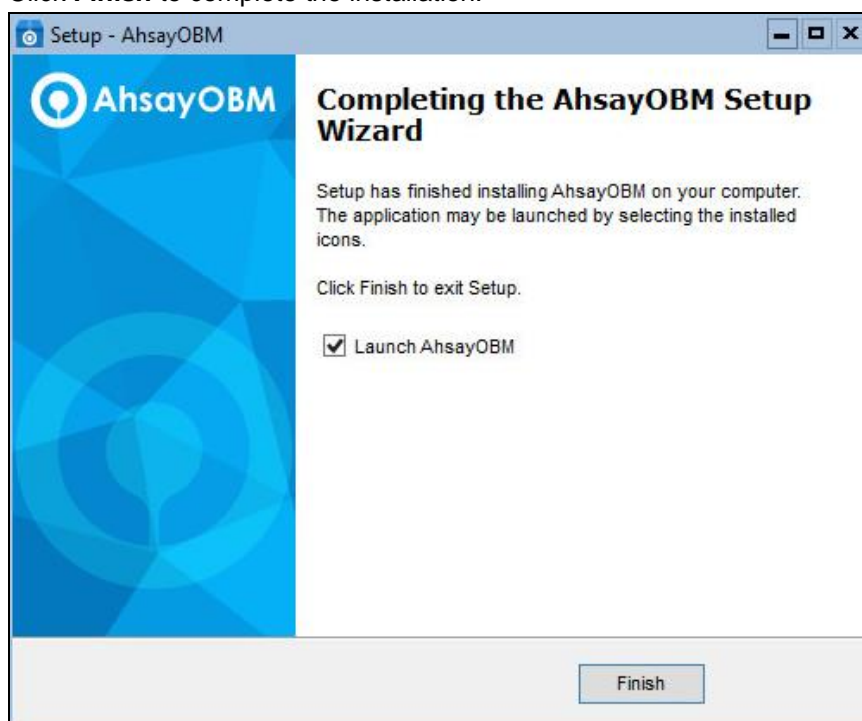
5. Select the program group to which the software will be installed. Then click **Next** to continue.



6. Click **Install** to start installation.



7. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



NOTE

If the installation process is smooth, clicking **Finish** with ticking “**Launch AhsayOBM**” would complete the installation and start AhsayOBM user interface directly.

2.3 Offline Installation

2.3.1 Download Offline AhsayOBM Installer

1. Login to the Windows server core, and start the command prompt

```
C:\> Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
C:\>_
```

2. Type in the following command to enter PowerShell.

```
C:\> powershell
```

After successfully entering PowerShell the prompt will change to PowerShell prompt:

```
C:\> Administrator: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - powershell
C:\>powershell
Windows PowerShell
Copyright (c) 2016 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
PS C:\>
```

3. Use the following command to download the offline AhsayOBM installer to Windows Server Core C:\temp folder

```
PS C:\> Invoke-WebRequest
http://YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER/cbs/download/obm-win.zip
-OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win.zip'
```

Example: *Invoke-WebRequest http://10.3.1.8/cbs/download/obm-win.zip -OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win.zip'*

```
PS C:\> Invoke-WebRequest
https://YOUR_BACKUP_SERVER/cbs/download/obm-win.zip
-OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win.zip'
```

Example: *Invoke-WebRequest https://10.3.1.8/cbs/download/obm-win.zip -OutFile 'c:\temp\obm-win.zip'*

NOTE

- You can download using both “*http*” or “*https*”, but *https* will not work with default Ahsay self-signed dummy certificate, so it is recommended to use *http* in this case.
- The above command will download the AhsayOBM installer to the path of “*C:\temp*”.

4. During downloading of AhsayOBM installer the following message will be displayed:

```
Writing web request
Writing request stream... (Number of bytes written: 3223857)
```

After completing the download of the AhsayOBM offline installer, the screen above would disappear. Press **Enter** button to continue.

2.3.2 Installing AhsayOBM

After the obm-win.zip installation file has been downloaded.

1. Use the following PowerShell command to unzip the installation files to directory C:\temp\

```
PS C:\> Expand-Archive C:\temp\obm-win.zip C:\temp\
```

2. Check the installation files are extracted.

```
PS C:\> dir C:\temp

Directory: C:\temp

Mode                LastWriteTime         Length      Name
----                -
d-----          7/10/2019   3:24 PM                app.pkg
-a-----          7/10/2019  11:36 AM         473888    obm-win.exe
-a-----          7/10/2019  11:36 AM       70643765    obm-win.zip
```

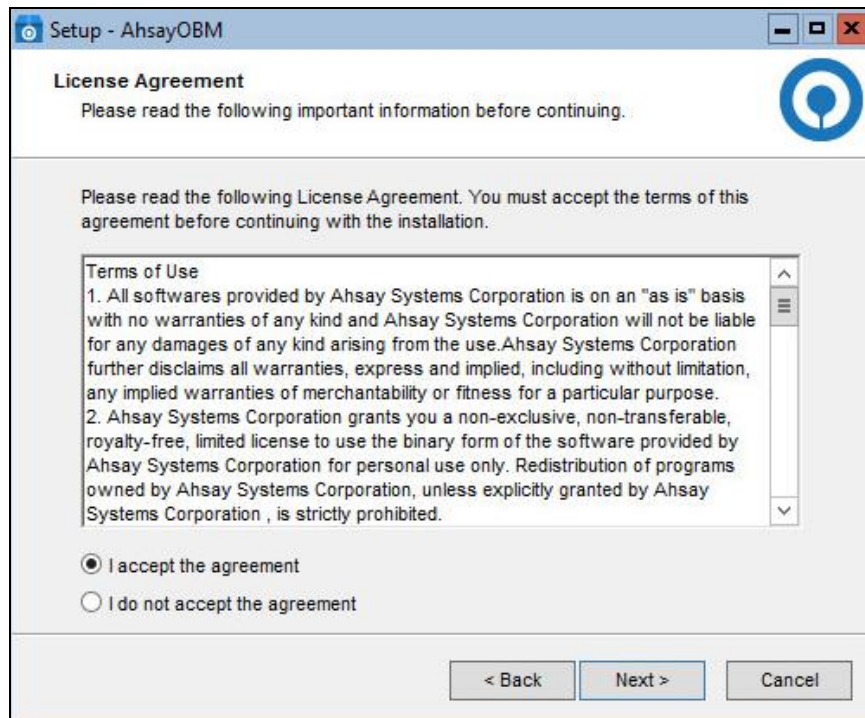
3. Use the following commands to execute the installer:

```
PS C:\> cd \temp
PS C:\temp> .\obm-win.exe
```

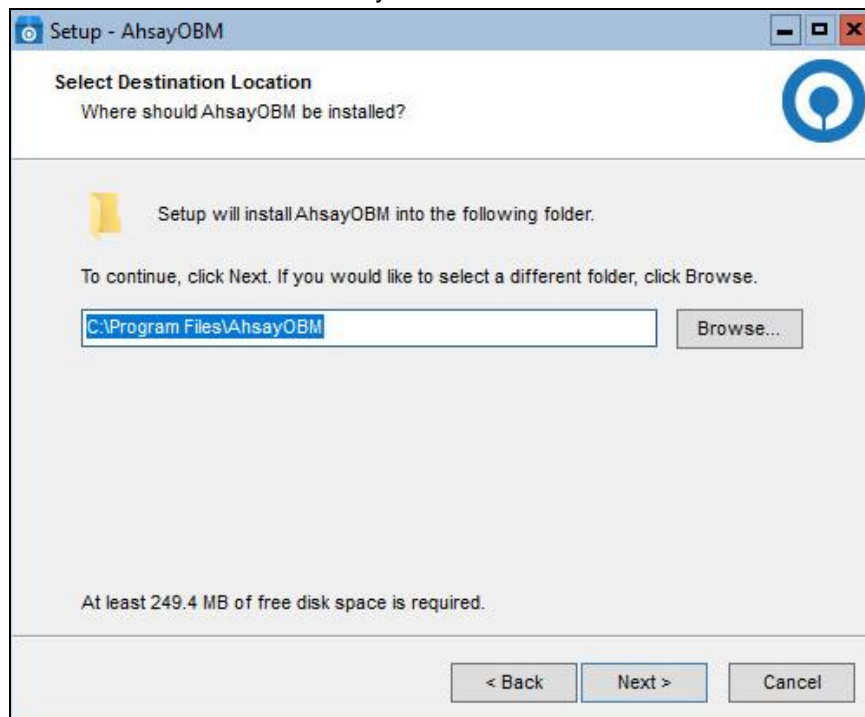
4. When the AhsayOBM Setup Wizard is shown. Click **Next** to continue.



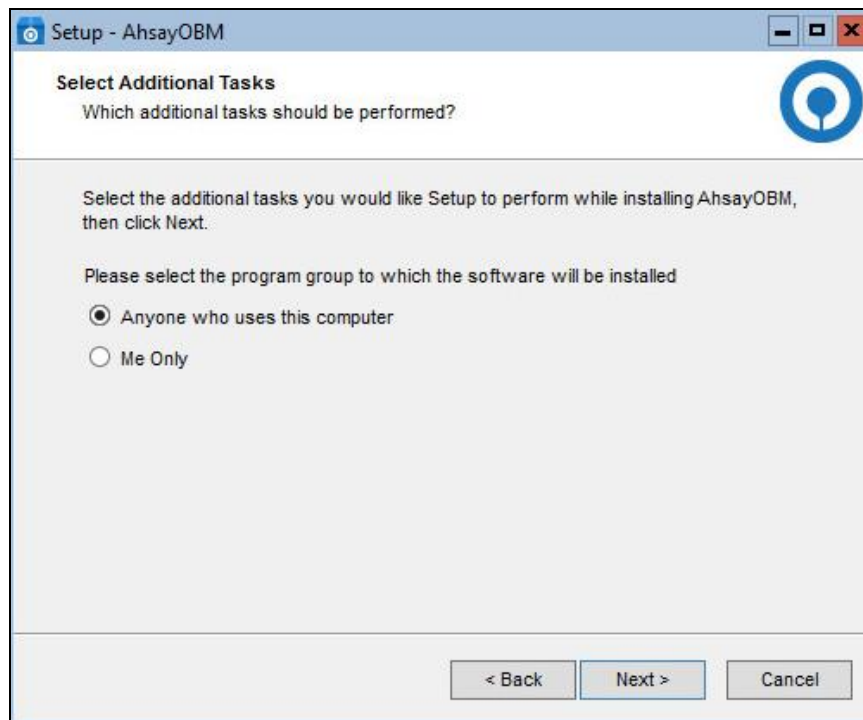
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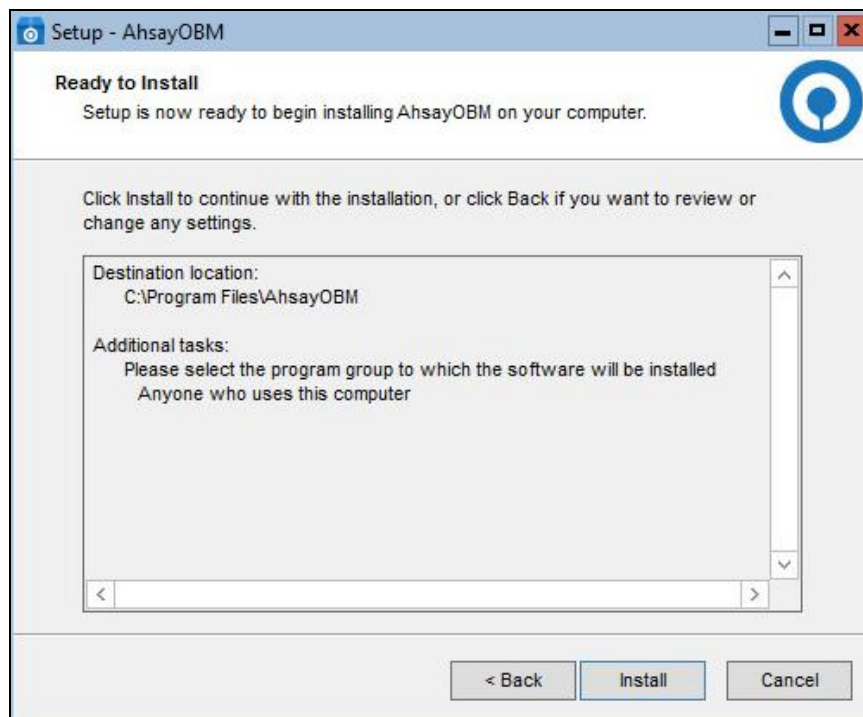
6. Choose the installation directory. Then click **Next** to continue.



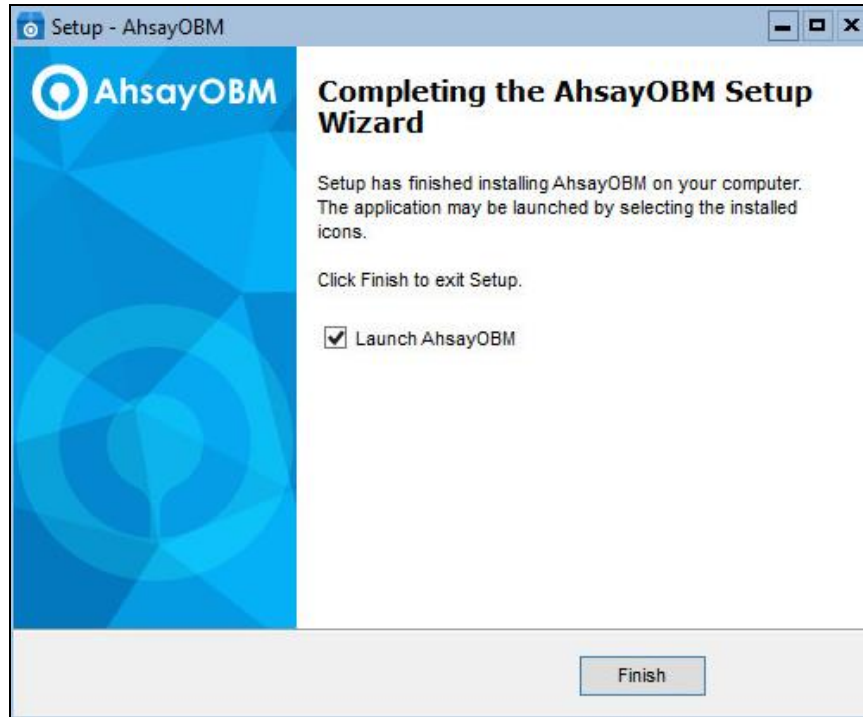
7. Select the program group to which the software will be installed. Then click **Next** to continue.



8. Click **Install** to start installation.



9. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



NOTE

If the installation process is smooth, clicking **Finish** with ticking "**Launch AhsayOBM**" would complete the installation and start AhsayOBM user interface directly.

3 AhsayOBM Services Check

After installation, check whether “Ahsay Online Backup Manager Services” and “NFS Services (Ahsay Systems Corporation)” are running.

NOTE

- “OBScheduler” is used to kick automated or scheduled backup jobs, and “OBNfsServer” is used for Run Direct function.
- Please start both of the services if you find them not running, to ensure both backup jobs and Run Direct function work.

There are two methods to check the services status:

3.1 Method 1: Use PowerShell command prompt

```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name 'OBScheduler'
```

```
PS C:\temp> Get-Service -Name 'OBScheduler'

Status  Name             DisplayName
-----
Running OBScheduler      Ahsay Online Backup Manager Services
```

```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name 'OBNfsServer'
```

```
PS C:\> Get-Service -Name 'OBNfsServer'

Status  Name             DisplayName
-----
Running OBNfsServer      NFS Service (Ahsay Systems Corporat...
```

If the services are not running, use the command to start the service.

```
PS C:\> Start-Service -Name 'OBScheduler'
```

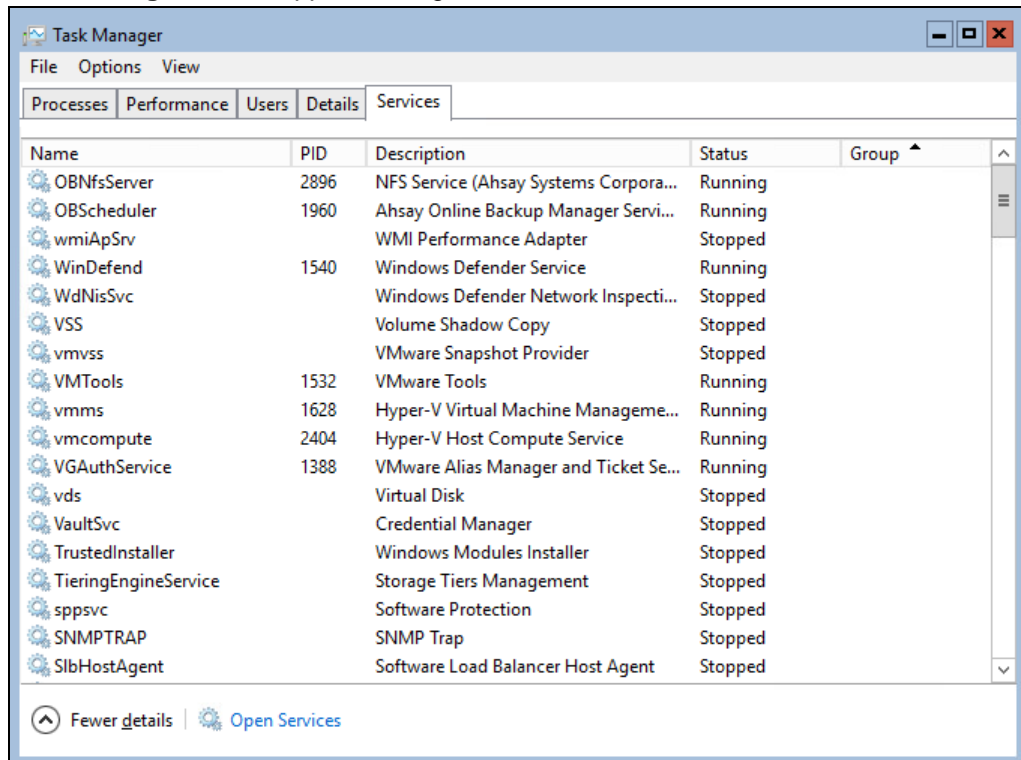
```
PS C:\> Start-Service -Name 'OBNfsServer'
```

3.2 Method 2: Use GUI

1. Use the following command to open task manager.

```
PS C:\> taskmgr
```

2. **Task Manager** should appear. Navigate to **Services**.



3. Ensure the following services exist and are running.

Name	PID	Description	Status
OBNfsServer	2896	NFS Service (Ahsay Systems Corpora...	Running
OBScheduler	1960	Ahsay Online Backup Manager Servi...	Running

If the services are not running, right click to start.

4 Starting AhsayOBM

Then there are three methods to start AhsayOBM on Windows server core using PowerShell.

4.1 Method 1: Start AhsayOBM from link file in the desktop of the user

```
PS C:\> .\Users\Public\Desktop\AhsayOBM.lnk
```

4.2 Method 2: Start AhsayOBM from exe file in the bin of installation directory

1. Change the directory to the bin folder of installation directory.

```
PS C:\> cd '..\Program Files\AhsayOBM\bin\'
```

2. Run the `systemTray.exe` (for 32-bit OS) or `systemTray64.exe` (for 64-bit OS) with argument `-UI`.

```
PS C:\> .\systemTray.exe -UI
```

OR

```
PS C:\> .\systemTray64.exe -UI
```

4.3 Method 3: Start AhsayOBM from RunCB.bat in installation directory

1. Change the directory to the bin folder of installation directory.

```
PS C:\> cd '..\Program Files\AhsayOBM\bin\'
```

2. Run `RunCB.bat` to startup AhsayOBM.

```
PS C:\> start .\RunCB.bat
```


NOTE

- ❶ Please keep running the prompt for RunCB.bat while running the whole process of AhsayOBM. Any time when you close the new prompt, AhsayOBM user interface will be shut down.
- ❷ Once done using AhsayOBM, you can close the prompt for RunCB.bat to quit AhsayOBM user interface, or you can close AhsayOBM user interface and then press any key in the RunCB.bat prompt to shut it down.
- ❸ During new prompt for RunCB.bat running, you can still make use of the original one to perform other operations.

5 Technical Assistance

To contact Ahsay support representatives for technical assistance, visit the Ahsay Partner Portal:
<https://www.ahsay.com/partners/>

Also use the Ahsay Wikipedia for resource such as Hardware Compatibility List, Software Compatibility List, and other product information:
<https://wiki.ahsay.com>

APPENDIX

Uninstall AhsayOBM

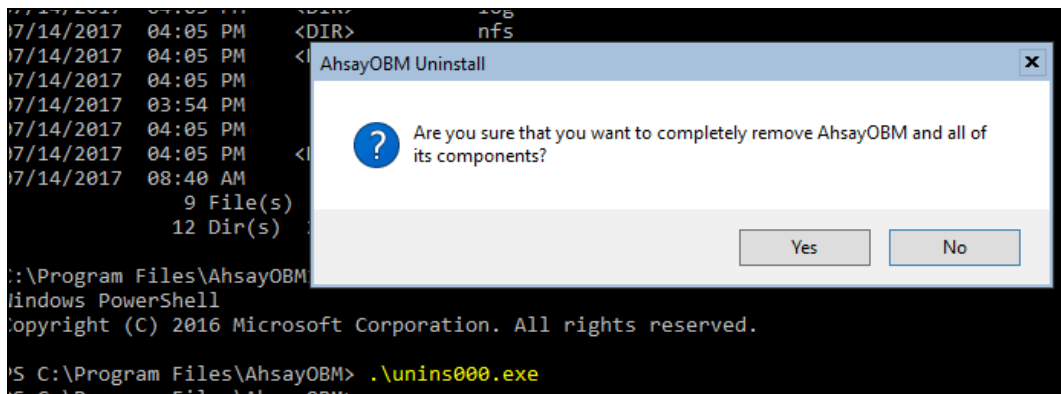
1. Change the directory to the installation directory.

```
> cd '..\Program Files\AhsayOBM\'
```

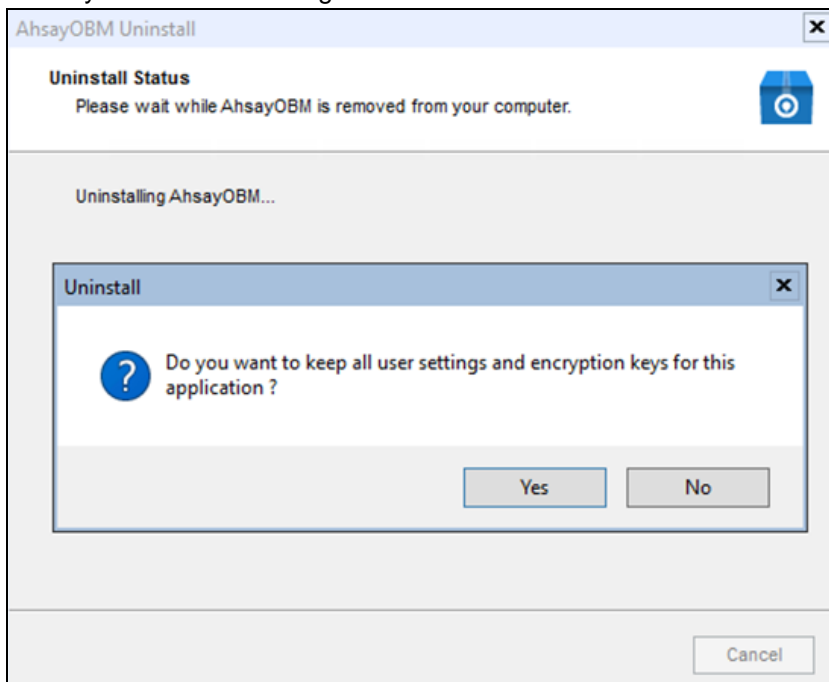
```
PS C:\> cd '..\Program Files\AhsayOBM\'
```

2. Execute **unins000.exe** and click **Yes**.

```
> .\unins000.exe
```



3. When you see the following screen:



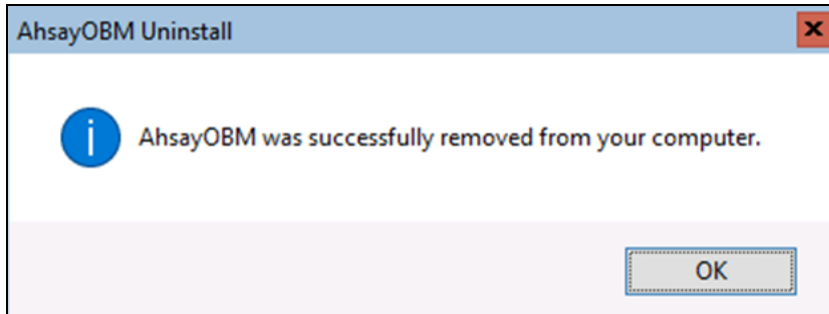
- Choose **Yes** to keep all user settings and the encryption keys associated with the users. If you are likely to install AhsayOBM on the same machine in the future again, the user settings, e.g. login details, backup sets and so forth will remain in "C:\Users\[username]\.obm" by default.

- Choose **No** to delete all user settings and encryption keys with this uninstallation.

NOTE

Please keep a separate written record for the encryption key before deleting it.

4. The following screen prompts when the uninstallation is completed.



5. (Optional) If you choose “Yes” to “keep all user settings and encryption keys” when you remove AhsayOBM, for a later complete removal of all the AhsayOBM-related files in your machine, run the following command in the **Program Files** directory and choose **Y**.

```
> cd C:\Program Files
```

```
PS C:\Program Files\AhsayOBM> cd C:\Program Files
```

```
> rm .\AhsayOBM\
```

```
PS C:\Program Files> rm .\AhsayOBM\  
Confirm  
The item at C:\Program Files\AhsayOBM\ has children and the Recurse parameter was not specified. If you continue, all children will be removed with the item. Are you sure you want to continue?  
[Y] Yes [A] Yes to All [N] No [L] No to All [S] Suspend [?] Help (default is "Y"): Y
```