

Java File Association

Issue

How can I configure Java to recognize the types of files I want it to open?

FAQ

Features of a website that require Java to run may return an error message or fail to load if your computer is not configured to use Java with that type of content such as Java(TM) Webstart.

You can configure your computer to use Java for content that requires it by following the instructions below for the operating system that you are using. See the steps below:

Detailed Instructions

Windows 10

1. Click Start (window icon) > All Apps > Windows Systems > Control Panel >Default Programs.
2. Click Associate a file type or protocol with a program.
3. Scroll to .jnlp and note the program in the Current Default column.

Note: If .jnlp is not listed, install Java and repeat these instructions.

If the Current Default program for .jnlp is not Java(TM) Web Start Launcher, follow these steps to change it:

1. Double-click the file type you want to change (.jnlp).
2. Highlight the file then click on Change Program. Click More Options, then Look for another app on this PC.

3. Navigate to the Java folder in one of the following locations: Please note if there are multiple installations of Java on the PC, there will be multiple directories in Java. Choose the latest version.
 - Windows (C:)\Program Files\Java\jre8\bin\ (or similar - sometimes jre8 folder is named similarly to jdk1.8.0_131)
 - Windows (C:)\Program Files(x86)\Java\jre8\bin\ (or similar - sometimes jre8 folder is named similarly to jdk1.8.0_131)
4. Double-click javaws.exe.

The Current Default for .jnlp files will now be Java(TM) Web Start Launcher.

Windows 8

First, check the current association:

1. Click **Start** (window icon) > Control Panel > Programs > Default Programs
2. Click Associate a file type or protocol with a program.
3. Scroll to .jnlp and note the program in the Current Default column.

Note: if .jnlp is not listed, install Java and repeat these instructions.

If the Current Default program for .jnlp is not Java(TM) Web Start Launcher, follow these steps to change it:

1. Double-click the file type you want to change (.ed or .jnlp)
2. Click **More Options**, then Look for another app on this PC
3. Navigate to the Java folder in one of the following locations:
 - Windows (C:)\Program Files\Java\jre8\bin\
 - Windows (C:)\Program Files(x86)\Java\jre8\bin\ (or similar - sometimes jre8 folder is named similarly to jdk1.8.0_131)
4. Double-click javaws.exe.

The Current Default for .jnlp files will now be Java(TM) Web Start Launcher.

Windows 7 or Vista

First, check the current association:

1. Click **Start** > Control Panel > **Default Programs**.
2. Click Associate a file type or protocol with a program.
3. Scroll to .jnlp and note the program in the Current Default column.

Note: If .jnlp is not listed, install Java and repeat these instructions.

If the Current Default program for .jnlp is not Java(TM) Web Start Launcher, follow these steps to change it:

1. Double-click the file type you want to change .jnlp
2. Click **Browse**.
3. Navigate to: Local Disc (C:)\Program Files or Program Files(x86)\Java\jre8\bin\ (or similar - sometimes jre8 folder is named similarly to jdk1.8.0_131).
4. Double-click javaws.exe.
5. Click **OK**.

The Current Default for .jnlp files will now be Java(TM) Web Start Launcher.