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## Remove VMware Workstation or Player when Hyper-V is installed

### Challenge

Time to go all in with Windows 8 and migrate development environments to Hyper-V.

When you're migrating from VMware to Hyper-V, and you happen to install Hyper-V before uninstalling VMware Workstation or Player, you will get warning that VMware uninstall cannot proceed while Hyper-V role is installed on the server or workstation.

### Solution

Modify file `C:\ProgramData\VMware\VMware Player\Uninstaller\bootstrap.lua`, or `C:\ProgramData\VMware\VMware Workstation\Uninstaller\bootstrap.lua` using text editor and comment out line

```
CheckForMSHyperV()
```

with two dashes, so it will become

```
--CheckForMSHyperV()
```

Then save file and rerun the uninstall and it will succeed.

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Posted by Jussi Palo at 10:38 

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**causius** October 19, 2012 at 12:45 AM

excellent instructions!

kudos

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**Anonymous** November 19, 2012 at 8:06 PM

Thanks for your helpful blog post. :D

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**Anonymous** January 9, 2013 at 12:10 PM

Thank you very much - worked like a charm

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**Anonymous** February 2, 2013 at 5:36 PM

Thank you!

Worked as intended.

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**Terje With Lunndal** March 26, 2013 at 4:43 PM

Thank you!

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**Lyubomir Grigorov** April 28, 2013 at 8:58 AM

Thanks, saved me a lot of time.

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**Anonymous** May 20, 2013 at 3:23 PM

Thank you. I knew there had to be a better way than disabling/rebooting/reenabling/rebooting for Hyper V...

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**Anonymous** September 10, 2013 at 5:17 PM

Worked great! Thank you!

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**Laurence Wells** October 17, 2013 at 8:12 PM

Thanks

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**Joe Hanson** October 23, 2013 at 7:50 AM

Thanks, worked like a charm!

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**b7ffa35e-5354-11e3-85c7-000f20980440** November 22, 2013 at 11:02 AM

IT worked !thanks

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**Anonymous** December 27, 2013 at 8:27 PM

Thanks a lot for this tip

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**Anonymous** February 3, 2014 at 8:07 AM

Good find.

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**Anonymous** March 5, 2014 at 8:00 AM

Excellent, Thank You ! :))

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**Anonymous** March 15, 2014 at 2:46 PM

thank you :)

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**MSc. Leonardo Paneque** March 23, 2014 at 3:16 AM

thanks, just now tried and it fixed the issue for me. thanks!

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**Anonymous** May 10, 2014 at 7:25 AM

Thanks

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**Jon Breen** July 10, 2014 at 4:09 PM

Perfect, thank you!

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**Anonymous** August 31, 2014 at 4:51 PM

Dude, you rock. MUCH better than the suggestions by VMWare and MS.

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**Anonymous** October 25, 2014 at 11:08 PM

Thanks, many many thanks :-)

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