

THE ANNIVERSARY EDITION TAKES THE WAIT OUT OF FUTURE UPDATES

No more sitting through the 'We're just getting things ready' screens.

Microsoft added a new tool to Windows 10 to make it easier to get up and running after a major update. If you recently installed the Anniversary Update then you've already experienced the problem this tool tries to solve. You log in after the update, excited to get going with your refreshed PC, but the update isn't finished. Instead, you have to wait through a bunch of single-color screens that tell you things like, "We're just getting things ready" and "Your files are right where you left them."

The new feature does away with all that by allowing your PC to sign in and automatically complete the update. That way, after a major update you don't have to log in and wait for the final stages to complete.

How it works, according to Microsoft, is that Windows creates a special token based on your sign-in info. This token can then be used to "automatically sign in after a restart, finish setting up your PC, and then lock your PC to help keep your account and personal info safe."

Here's how to enable the post-update auto-login feature. First, you'll need to be updated to version 1607, also known as the Anniversary Update.

Once you've upgraded to the Anniversary Update, open Settings (Windows + I) > Update & Security > Windows Update. In the main screen of that page, under the subheading Update settings, click Advanced options.

Now, check the box labeled *Use my sign in info to automatically finish setting up my device after an update.*

That's all there is to it. Your next major update should be able to finish without any assistance from you.