

# **Emulex® Drivers for Windows for LightPulse® Adapters Release Notes**

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# **Purpose and Contact Information**

These release notes describe new features, resolved known issues, current known issues, and technical tips associated with this release of  $\operatorname{Emulex}^{\mathbb{B}}$  drivers for Windows for LightPulse adapters.

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# **New Features**

- The Windows Server 2008 and Windows Server 2008 R2 operating systems are no longer supported.
- The Window Server 2016 Nano Server operating system is no longer supported.
- This release supports setting LUN priorities for ExpressLane<sup>TM</sup> LUNs.
- This release supports buffer-to-buffer (BB) credit recovery.
- Although Cisco MDS diagnostics are documented in the *Emulex Drivers for Windows for LightPulse Adapters User Guide*, they are not supported at this time.

# Resolved Issues

There are no resolved issues in this release.

## Known Issues

1. Beginning with software release 11.2, LightPulse adapters and OneConnect® adapters have independent software kits.

Before updating earlier drivers and applications to the software in release 11.4, refer to the *Emulex Software Kit Migration User Guide* for special instructions and considerations for using the 11.2 and later software kits for LightPulse and OneConnect adapters.

2. Certain inbox drivers do not support LPe31000-series and LPe32000-series adapters, as described in the following table.

Table 1 Operating System and Support for LPe31000-Series and LPe32000-Series Adapters

Operating System	Support for LPe31000-Series and LPe32000-Series Adapters
Windows Server 2012	No; use the out-of-box driver



Table 1 Operating System and Support for LPe31000-Series and LPe32000-Series Adapters (Continued)

Operating System	Support for LPe31000-Series and LPe32000-Series Adapters
Windows Server 2012 R2	No; use the out-of-box driver
Windows Server 2016	Yes

## Workaround

Follow the guidelines in the table.

3. While Emulex drivers for Windows 8 and Windows 8.1 are supported, they are signed by Emulex only. You must accept the Emulex certificate to install the client kits.

Support is provided by Broadcom but not by Microsoft.

#### Workaround

None.

4. On LPe12000-series adapters, if you configure the link speed in a basic input/output system (BIOS) utility, the link speed might be overridden by the Emulex driver for Windows for LightPulse adapters according to its Link Speed setting.

## Workaround

Configure the link speed in both the Emulex driver for Windows and the x86 BootBIOS or Unified Extensible Firmware Interface (UEFI) utility.

5. A possibility exists of multiple Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) retransmissions when Emulex adapters are part of a software bridge.

#### Workaround

Disable Receive Segment Coalescing (RSC). From the adapter's Advanced Property page, go to Protocol Offloads and set Recv Segment Coalescing (IPv4) and Recv Segment Coalescing (IPv6) to disabled.

6. Port names might differ for adapter ports, although they are running the same driver binary.

This is a display issue that does not affect functionality.

#### Workaround

Run the AutoPilot Installer to correct this issue.

For example, run: elxdrvr-fc-11.x.xxx.xx.exe and reinstall the driver kit. A reboot might be required after the installation to see the correct names in the **Device Manager**.



# **Technical Tips**

1. It is a best practice to update the firmware and driver to the latest supported version for your server and storage platform.

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