visionapp Remote Desktop 2011

Release Notes

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1 Quick Info

Quick Info	
File Name	vRD2011.exe vRD2011_withSQLExpr.exe
File Size	23.151 KB (vRD2011.exe) 78.982 KB (vRD2011_withSQLExpr.exe)
Release Date	18.10.2010
Version	vRD 2011
Build No.	7.0.3215.1
Responsible	visionapp AG

Table 1: vRD 2011 Quick Info

2 Overview

visionapp Remote Desktop 2011 (called vRD 2011 hereafter) is the successor of visionapp Remote Desktop 2010 R2 and enhances its functionalities.
This document contains a short description of the new functions of vRD 2011.

2.1 Documentation

vRD 2011 is delivered with an updated set of documentation.

2.2 Licensing

vRD 2011 is running 30 days for free with the delivered evaluation license. After that you either have to request a freeware license or to purchase a license for the full version.

2.3 Updating of Earlier Versions

Backed up data (*.vrb) of vRD 1.5 may be restored into vRD 2011. When migrating vRD 2010 or 2010 R2 to vRD 2011 the backed up data (*.vrb) from the older versions may be used with the actual version. **Actual settings in vRD 2011 will be overwritten!** A database created with vRD 2010/2010 R2 may be updated to vRD 2011 as well. If a local vRD 2010/2010 R2 installation already exists, the local settings will be migrated automatically when installing vRD 2011. Such migrated data cannot be used anymore with the older version.
***.vrb or *.vrsb files created with vRD 2011 cannot be used with previous versions.**

2.4 Release Notice

vRD 2011 is authorized for use with:

- Microsoft Windows XP Professional with Service Pack 3 or higher, x86- or x64-platform
- Microsoft Windows Server 2003 and 2003 R2, all editions with Service Pack 1 or higher, x86- or x64-platform
- Microsoft Windows Vista SP1, x86- or x64-platform
- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 and 2008 R2 or higher, x86- or x64-platform
- Microsoft Windows 7, x86- or x64-platform

Additional Requirements:

- Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0 (can be downloaded via Microsoft Website (www.microsoft.com))

Optional Components:

- Microsoft Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) Client Version 6.x
- Citrix ICA Client Version 11.x or newer
- Microsoft SQL or Microsoft SQL Express, version 2000, 2005, 2008
- DirectShow
- Windows Media Player 9

The authorization applies exclusively to the installation in environments that exactly meet the installation requirements above. It also covers the files and the database imported into the environment using `vRD2011.exe` or `vRD2011_withSQLExpr.exe`.

3 New Functions

The following tables provide information on important changes implemented with the new vRD 2011 release. This information is also available directly in vRD 2011 under **?|What's new?** If you have any questions about this information, do not hesitate to contact our Sales representatives for sales-related issues and our PreSales and Product Management staff for technical issues.

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
General		
1	vRD usable as **portable version**.	**File|Portable Version...**
2	New **help** format (HTML)	**F1**
3	**Performance improvement** (see also 17 → Caching) – both when working locally and in database mode.	
4	Checking, when launching vRD if **news** are available on News + Updates Page.	**Tools|Options|Application|Check for news on startup**
5	New, **well-arranged dialog** for connection properties, sorted by categories.	**Connection properties**
6	General individual settings will be stored in a **profile file** (e.g. license information, icon size, place and size of vRD when closing the app)	**profile.xml**
7	Using a certain profile file automatically via **command line parameters**.	**vRD70.exe /profilefile:<Profilefile> Open the specified ‚profile file'**
8	Connect a database via **command line** parameters using the **encrypted connection string**.	**vRD70.exe /dcs:<connection string>**
9	Preventing users to launch the **environment wizard** by a **command line** switch.	**vRD70.exe /noenv**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Usability		
10	**Searching** for information of the **description** field of connection properties.	**Administration|Search** or **Ctrl+F**
11	**Administration** of connections found through **Search** using the context menu.	**Administration|Search** or **Ctrl+F** → Context menu of one or more connections → **Connect / Connect with options... / Connect with protocols... / Connect as...**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Usability		
12	**Configuring** objects found through **Search**.	Context menu of an object ➔ **Properties**
13	Starting **External Applications** with **enhanced** options.	Context menu of an external app. ➔ **Start/ Start without arguments/ Start as…**
14	Starting **External Applications** directly from **Search** results.	**Administration|Search** or **Ctrl+F** ➔ Context menu ➔ **Start/ Start without arguments/ Start as…**
15	Starting **External Applications** using **certain credentials**.	Context menu menu of an external app. -> **Start as…**
16	Starting **external applications** in a certain **working directory.**	Properties of an external application ➔ **Working directory**
17	Working with **cached data** and thus improved performance.	**Tools|Options|Application| Caching** (activating this option disables caching)
18	Connections established by **Quick Connect** may be added **permanently** in tree view.	Symbol in optional tool bar or via context menu of the tab title ➔ **Add to connections**
19	Working with objects of a **database** even when it is **not available**	Symbol bar ➔ **Offline…** or **File|Offline**
20	**Configuring all objects** of a folder in a row.	Object properties → double arrows at the bottom left corner
21	Inserting **MAC address** via numeric keypad or Copy & Paste.	**Connection properties|General| MAC Address**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Display		
22	Configuring **display mode** when using **Quick Connect** (tab view, separate window, full screen).	**Administration|Quick Connect** or **Ctrl+Q** ➔ **Display**
23	Customizing **color style** of the user interface.	**Tools|Options|Layout|Color style**
24	If needed the **layout settings** (e.g. menu bars) may be reset.	**View|Reset Layout Settings**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Connection settings		
25	Using the **name of an external app**. (e.g. `C:\Windows\System32\cmd.exe`) as tab title.	**Tools|Options|Layout|Show ext. app. Title a stab title**
26	Showing the **URL** when using HTTP/S.	Optional tool bar or context menu of tab title
27	Configuring **advanced settings** when using **Quick Connect**.	**Administration|Quick Connect** or **Ctrl+Q → Advanced**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Configuration Settings		
28	Using **smart card** as login method for **Remote Desktop Gateway**.	**Connection properties|RDP Connection|RD Gateway|Use these RD Gateway Server settings:|Logon method:|Smart card**
29	Customizing settings for **video capturing**.	**Tools|Options|Media|Video-Recording**
30	Customizing the location for **saving screenshots**.	**Tools|Options|Media|Screenshots**
31	Chose **Wake On LAN** method.	**Tools|Options|Network| Wake On LAN Method**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Security		
32	New **protection mode** for **locally** stored credentials: - Encryption with password **(passwords will be stored encrypted and may be decrypted and used only when using the correct password)** - Standard encryption **(passwords will be stored encrypted, but may be used by everybody accessing the file)**	**File|Environment wizard|Add| File...|Protection mode** after that the environment may be accessed accordingly
33	New **authentication method** for accessing a **database**: - User name and password	vRD logon dialog (when as environment a database has been selected) → **Login type|User name/Password**
34	**Dialog when activating database permissions** notifying the admin, that only granted users may from now on work with the database.	**Tools|Options|Permissions|Activate user permissions**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Security		
35	**Administration of users** logged in to a vRD database by username and password (grant access to objects or reset password).	**Tools|User Accounts...** and **Tools|Options|Permissions|Add...| Add single user name**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Reporting		
36	**Optionally hide messages boxes** like notifications or error dialogs. Messages will still be shown in status message window instead.	**Tools|Options|Layout|Hiding status messages and display in status message window instead.**
37	Showing **message window**.	**Administration|Messages** or **Ctrl+M**
38	Showing the **theme and DPI settings** of the local PC.	**Administration|Components Check| Display Setup**
39	**Filtering in connection history** for used credentials or the client.	**Administration|Connection History** or **Ctrl+H|Filter → Used Credentials** or **Client**

No	Feature plus Description	Menu in vRD
Environment Wizard		
40	When trying to use an **environment**, for which an according file does not exist anymore, the user has the possibility to create the file again or to use another one.	**File|Environment Wizard|Available environments|File**

Table 2: New vRD 2011 Features

4 Known Issues

You will find the Known Issues in visionapp Knowledge Base

5 Disclaimer

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