

Knowledge Base

Running Windows on a Mac (Parallels or VMware Fusion)

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In general, you cannot use our devices in a virtual Windows installation using a solution like Parallels or VMware Fusion. ESI does not offer any technical support for this. If you want to use Windows on a Mac, please setup a Boot Camp installation . While PCI/PCIe and FireWire devices are generally not supported under Parallels or VMware Fusion, you might have some limited success using a USB based product like a Controller Keyboard or a smaller audio interface. Both Parallels or VMware Fusion support USB devices on virtual Windows installations, however the performance is far from what you could expect on a native installation. Never expect that you can have an acceptable solution for any serious recording application inside a virtual machine. Still there might be some special applications where a virtual machine might benefit from having an ESI USB device connected to it. Yet, as mentioned, even though this might work in some rare and special situations, ESI does not offer any technical support for such a setup.

