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**Subject:** Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
**Posted by** [zeratul](#) **on** Sun, 10 Oct 2010 21:00:57 GMT  
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Is there any safe (and if possible simple) program to run Red Alert or the C&C Dawn on for windows 7.

edit: no program is even required refer to the final reply in this post to find the answer

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**Subject:** Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
**Posted by** [Caveman](#) **on** Mon, 11 Oct 2010 09:56:50 GMT  
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I'm not sure I understand? Can't you just run it as admin and have xp/2000 compatibility?

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**Subject:** Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
**Posted by** [Omar007](#) **on** Mon, 11 Oct 2010 11:07:59 GMT  
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What also works in some older games if compatibility isn't enough is the following:

1. Open taskmanager
2. Close 'explorer.exe' process
3. Run game
4. ...
5. Profit!

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**Subject:** Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
**Posted by** [zeratul](#) **on** Mon, 11 Oct 2010 14:09:59 GMT  
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Caveman wrote on Mon, 11 October 2010 03:56I'm not sure I understand? Can't you just run it as admin and have xp/2000 compatibility?

No

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**Subject:** Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
**Posted by** [Caveman](#) **on** Wed, 13 Oct 2010 11:04:36 GMT  
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Z3RATUL99 wrote on Mon, 11 October 2010 15:09Caveman wrote on Mon, 11 October 2010 03:56I'm not sure I understand? Can't you just run it as admin and have xp/2000 compatibility?

No

What do you mean No?

Can you explain a little better please.

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Wed, 13 Oct 2010 11:42:11 GMT

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Caveman wrote on Wed, 13 October 2010 13:04Z3RATUL99 wrote on Mon, 11 October 2010 15:09Caveman wrote on Mon, 11 October 2010 03:56Im not sure I understand? Can't you just run it as admin and have xp/2000 compatibility?

No

What do you mean No?

Can you explain a little better please.

IMO it's pretty clear;

Running in compatibility mode and as admin does not work.

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Caveman](#) on Wed, 13 Oct 2010 12:14:21 GMT

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I gathered that much... Why not, what happens? Error Code? etc...

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Wed, 13 Oct 2010 12:17:59 GMT

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Caveman wrote on Wed, 13 October 2010 14:14I gathered that much... Why not, what happens?  
Error Code? etc...

Probably the same as without compatibility mode. Same happened to me with WWP. (which I solved using my steps above)

EDIT: You can put those steps in a batch-file to automate the process

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [zeratul](#) on Thu, 14 Oct 2010 13:01:59 GMT

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Caveman wrote on Wed, 13 October 2010 06:14I gathered that much... Why not, what happens?  
Error Code? etc...  
first it says

then it says "cannot locate SETUP.EXE" in a second error message  
im trying the close explorer thing now

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Unsupported 16-Bit Application



The program or feature "\?\?\E:\setup95\SETUP.EXE" cannot start or run due to incompatibility with 64-bit versions of Windows. Please contact the software vendor to ask if a 64-bit Windows compatible version is available.

OK

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Omar007](#) on Thu, 14 Oct 2010 13:12:34 GMT

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Ah you have 64-bit.

Then it's obvious it won't work. 64-bit windows versions do no longer support 16-bit applications, which Tiberian Dawn & Red Alert 1 are

That also means my solution won't work as this doesn't change anything about that.

The only way to play it now is to run it in a virtualized (or dual-boot) 32-bit environment. (or 16-bit ofcourse )

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Tupolev TU-95 Bear](#) on Thu, 14 Oct 2010 16:44:36 GMT  
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Wait, i have a x64 and it works for me . Then again im on windows7

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [Caveman](#) on Fri, 15 Oct 2010 10:01:22 GMT  
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As stated before, If you're using any 64bit OS you will not be able to run a 16bit program.

See Omar007,

It wasn't just it no doesn't work so, I think I had a right to say What you mean no.

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn

Posted by [Goztow](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2010 11:31:37 GMT

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What version of dawn and RA1 are you running? EA released free versions of these games compatible with newer computers. Are you using those?

If that doesn't help you, you'll need to either run an older windows 32 bit version as virtual machine, or use dosbox. D fend reloaded (<http://dfendreloaded.sourceforge.net/>) works great, but it's not very easy to master, IMO. I run D fend with win 3.11 and play my 16-bit games on there .

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn

Posted by [reborn](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2010 12:34:46 GMT

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Here is a helpful guide:

<http://www.apathbeyond.com/forum/index.php?showtopic=21787>

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn

Posted by [Ethenal](#) on Fri, 22 Oct 2010 21:13:30 GMT

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What I don't think anybody else noticed is that only the setup files are 16-bit. I've had that problem with many old programs. The actual games, however, are - you guessed it - 32-bit (excepting the one that is actually specified as DOS of course). If you can get the game installed, then you'll be able to run it. But you'll have to figure that one out on your own, because I never could get around that.

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn

Posted by [zeratul](#) on Sun, 24 Oct 2010 19:32:13 GMT

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I figured a way to install it but the issue now is.

RA95.EXE - Entry Point Not Found

"the procedure entry point SMapLS\_IP\_EBP\_12 could not be located in the dynamic link library KERNEL32.dll."

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Subject: Re: Safe Program to run red alert and Dawn  
Posted by [zeratul](#) on Sun, 24 Oct 2010 23:12:01 GMT

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Problem solved with red alert:

to get this to work simply use these instructions  
and use the Red Alert Setup Manager v0.98 tool.

also your going to need to use C&C gold XP patch  
run the game in compatibility mode for 98/me and it should work fine

the freeware version is required

edit:

Tiberian Dawn solved as well:  
this is even more simple

just download and use this  
Then use the C&C gold XP patch

and lastly if you are using windows 7 64 bit you MUST have these EXACT settings in compatibility mode or the game will keep kicking back to the desktop.

edit 2: if your having inverted color problems just have the screen resolution page in control panel open in the background

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