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Configuration Manual

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1 System Requirements

Minimum System Requirements:

| CPU | Intel(R) Core(TM) i3 | |
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| RAM | 8.0 GB | |
| Clock Speed | 2.50 GHz | |
| Operating System | Windows 10 | |
| Architecture | x64 | |
| Hard Disk | 256 GB | |

Recommended System Requirements:

| CPU | Intel(R) Core(TM) i7 |
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| RAM | 16.0 GB |
| Clock Speed | 2.50 GHz |
| Operating System | Windows 11 Pro |
| Architecture | x64 |
| Hard Disk (SSD) | 1 TB |

2 Acquisition tools required

| Tool Name | Version | Link |
|---------------|---------|---------------------------------------------------|
| DumpIt | 3.1.0.0 | https://www.magnetforensics.com/resources/magnet- |
| | | dumpit-for-windows/ |
| Magnet RAM | 1.2.0.0 | https://www.magnetforensics.com/resources/magnet- |
| Capturer | | ram-capture/ |
| Belkasoft RAM | 1.0 | https://belkasoft.com/ram-capturer |
| Capturer | | |
| FTK Imager | 4.7.1.2 | https://www.exterro.com/ftk-imager |
| Redline | 2.0.1 | https://fireeye.market/apps/211364 |

3 Analysis tools required

| Tool Name | Version | Download Link |
|------------|---------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Volatility | 2.6 | https://www.volatilityfoundation.org/releases |
| Redline | 2.0.1 | https://fireeye.market/apps/211364 |

4 Other tools and resources required

Windows tools:

- Task Manager
- Resource Monitor

Other files required:

• Trusted crash dump sample files for memory analysis

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