

# Establishing Data Execution Prevention (DEP) settings

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The Data Execution Prevention options allow you to apply security settings as required. There are 2 options:

- Turn on DEP for essential Windows programs and services only
- Turn on DEP for all programs and services except those I select.

The first option, **Turn on DEP for essential Windows programs and services only** is switched on by default for Windows Server 2008, but not for Windows 7. We recommend ensuring this setting is applied prior to installing MYOB software.

## To apply Data Execution Protection (DEP) settings

1. From the desktop, right-click on the Windows Start (  ) icon and choose **Control Panel** from the menu.
2. From the **Control Panel**, click **System**.
3. Click **Advanced System Settings**.
4. Click the **Advanced** tab, then under the **Performance** heading click **Settings**. The **Performance Options** window appears.
5. Click the **Data Execution Prevention** tab.
6. Select the **Turn on DEP for essential Windows programs and services only** option and click **OK**.

After performing the steps above, restart the workstation to ensure these settings are applied.