

Change the default server for Cisco AnyConnect

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Windows:

1. Log in to the VPN normally per the instructions at [How do I connect to VPN with Enhanced CWL](#).
2. Open a **Windows Explorer** window.
3. Copy this file path: `C:\Users\%username%\AppData\Local\Cisco\Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client`
or `%USERPROFILE%\AppData\Local\Cisco\Cisco AnyConnect Secure Mobility Client` if not installed on a C: drive.
4. Paste the copied path into the **Address Bar** in Windows Explorer.
5. Press **Enter**.
6. Right-click the `preferences.xml` file and select **Edit**.
7. Edit the Default Host Name line (by default, this line reads `<DefaultHostName></DefaultHostName>`) to the following: `<DefaultHostName>myvpn.ok.ubc.ca</DefaultHostName>`
8. Click **File > Save**.
9. Quit the VPN client by right-clicking the Cisco AnyConnect icon in the system tray (left of the clock) and select **Quit**.
10. Re-open the Cisco AnyConnect client by selecting it from the **Start Menu**.
11. `myvpn.ok.ubc.ca` should automatically populate in the text box.

Mac:

1. Quit AnyConnect.
2. In Finder use Go -> Go to Folder... to open this directory: `/opt/cisco/anyconnect/profile` where you will find one or more files that end in `.xml`.
3. Copy the xml files to the Desktop or another folder, leaving no `.xml` files in this directory.
4. Start AnyConnect, type `myvpn.ok.ubc.ca` and connect. This will download an updated copy of the `.xml` file for the profile you are using.
5. Quit AnyConnect and relaunch - you should now see `myvpn.ok.ubc.ca` either pre-filled in, or in the pulldown menu of choices.
6. You can now delete the files you moved to your desktop.

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