

Troubleshooting for Digital Exams – Instructors

Wiseflow Lockdown Browser

A quiz can be provided using **WISEflow** (a digital assessment platform) and **WISEflow Lockdown Browser**, a customized Browser running on the Student's computer for a more effective job of restricting their actions.

The lockdown browser is a piece of software used to run in-person digital examinations in a secure online environment. During a lockdown browser Exam, **Students will not normally be able to access the broader internet or files on their computer unless this has been permitted under the conditions of the Exam**.

To avoid common problems using Wiseflow, it's recommended to advise Students to do their exam using **Google Chrome** or **Firefox**. **Ipads or tablets are not recommended**, **as they interfere with the platform's file format**.

IMPORTANT: To prevent common computer issues during the Exam, it's important that the Instructor does a **Mock Exam** for students to check for any problems that may arise (updates, message errors, system updates, among others).

Wiseflow Updates

The most common problem we see from **Students is that they have not updated Wiseflow beforehand**. If Wiseflow initially fails to launch or gives error messages, it's best to go back and update it. To solve this, on the Student's computer, follow these steps:

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Guide to lockdown browser



On the main page of the Exam that is taking place, follow these steps:

- Click on Guide to Lockdown Browser.
- Download the latest version.
- Download, run the downloaded file, install and re-enter the Exam.
- Try clicking **Launch** again.

Internet Connection

If Internet Connection is unstable, or keeps failing before or during the exam. Here's how to make sure it keeps connecting to **Eduroam WiFi**. Here are the steps to follow on Students' computers.

Before the exam:

- Go to **WiFi settings** on the bottom right part of your screen.
- Make sure **WiFi is turned on**.
- Make sure **Eduroam** internet connection is set to **Connect automatically** as the image shown below.



During the Exam:

Windows

- Make sure you first download the Students' progress using the option
 Download paper using the Administrator settings option (as shown in the image below).
- If this option is not showing on the screen right away, you need to click on the **Settings** option, as shown below.



- Then, the Invigilator password must be entered and they need to **Confirm** access to Invigilator options.
- Then, the following screen should come up. Click **Activate Download**.
- Click **Ctrl + Alt + Del** at the same time.
- Check on the bottom right part of the screen if **WiFi connection is turned on**.
- Set Eduroam WiFi to Connect automatically.
- If necessary, at the bottom of the Exam page, select **Upload local copy**.
- Re-establish connection and re-enter the Exam.

MacOS

- Make sure you first download the Students' progress using the option **Download paper** using the **Administrator settings option** (as shown in the image below).
- If this option is not showing on the screen right away, you need to click on the **Settings** option, as shown below.
- Then, the Invigilator password must be entered and they need to **Confirm** access to Invigilator options.
- Then, the following screen should come up. Click **Activate Download**.
- Update by clicking **Refresh**.
- If the first step does not work, **log out**, check the internet connection (and do the steps mentioned above).
- Log back in and, if necessary, at the bottom of the Exam page, select Upload local copy.





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Unable to write in a text box

Sometimes, during an exam, writing in a text box could get blocked. When this happens:

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- If necessary, at the bottom of the Exam page, select **Upload local copy**.
- Re-enter the Exam.

Problems with Credentials

When doing a **Mock Exam**, Students can check if their Wiseflow works and if there are any problems with their **credentials (these might not be the same as the Office 365 ones)**.

If Students encounter any problems accessing their **Wiseflow account (needed to log in before the Exam)**, it's important to send an email to: <u>digital.exams@novasbe.pt</u> ahead of time.

System Updates

Some error messages on Wiseflow could be because the operating system on Students' devices is outdated. To check if their computer needs updates, Students should:

Windows Update

- Go to **Settings**.
- Find Windows Update.
- Click Check for updates.
- **Install** them, if there are any.
- When installation is completed, try launching again.

Note: Depending on their Windows version, Windows Update may be in another section in Settings.





MacOS Update

- On the Apple menu, in the corner of the screen, click System Settings.
- Click General.
- Click Software Update.
- When **Software Update** opens, it automatically checks for new software.
- If new software is available, click the **Update** or **Upgrade** button to install.
- When installation is completed, try **launching** again.





Final tips

If Students continue to face issues with Wiseflow, they should try the following steps:

- **Restart their device**, as this simple step may resolve many issues.
- **Contact support**. If problems persist, reach out to the Digital Exam's support team for further assistance.