

CFS Now Offering Windows 11

CFS understands that the transition to Windows 11 is a significant concern, particularly regarding compatibility with Computerway and Wolf systems. The following information outlines compatibility and requirements for CFS applications and hardware.

Why Upgrade?

- Windows 10 support ends on October 14, 2025.
- Microsoft will not release security updates after October 2025, increasing security risks.
- Future Computerway updates may not be compatible with older Windows versions.
- Some CFS applications will require updates, or an upgraded version to support Win11. Having a mix of outdated and new devices will create version and maintenance issues.
- CFS supplied B15 and P8 devices require a motherboard upgrade. Planning ahead will help ensure the hardware updates are accounted for and comply with company policies.

CFS Windows 11 Compatibility

Computerway System Compatibility

CFS has tested and approved all current SQL based, and legacy Progress based, Computerway applications for seamless operation on Windows 11, including Q6, R8/S9, PT, SLC, SSS, and Rack Track.

Systems	Win 11 Compatibility	Action Required
SQL-Based Versions	Fully Compatible	No updates needed.
Progress-Based Versions (OE11.3 & OE11.7)	Needs Updates	Contact CFS for required updates.
SLC Application	Needs Updates	Request updated SLC installer from CFS.
SLC on B15 Devices	Needs Hardware and Software Updates	See required updates below .
SLC on P8 Devices	Needs Windows 11 IoT	See required updates below .
SLC on 3rd Party Hardware	Compatibility Varies	Customer must determine hardware compatibility; CFS can provide a compatible SLC installer upon request

Computerway B15 and P8 Device Upgrade Options

As of 03/01/2025, all new CFS in-plant B15 and P8 devices purchased will include the updated hardware and Windows 11 IoT LTSC pre-installed.

CFS B15 and P8 devices use an embedded version of Windows called Windows 11 IoT LTSC (Long Term Service Contract) to ensure the best stability and reliability for in-plant device longevity.

Benefits of the Windows IoT version include:

- Smaller OS size
- Increased Reliability
- Lower Long-Term Costs
- Easier System Management
- Optimized Performance

B15 Upgrades:

CFS supplied B15's from 2016 to 3/01/2025 are eligible to receive the hardware upgrade for Windows 11 compatibility. The upgrade will include both a motherboard replacement and a new Windows 11 IoT license, along with the updated version of Computerway software.



Upgrade Option	Description
Ship B15 to CFS	CFS replaces the motherboard, installs Windows 11 IoT, and updates the Computerway application. Units are tested and approved before return shipment.
Self-Install with CFS Upgrade Kit	CFS provides a pre-configured motherboard with Windows 11 IoT and the Computerway application. A step-by-step tutorial is included for field installation.

P8 Upgrades:

CFS supplied P8 devices will not require hardware updates, but will require an upgraded Windows 11 IoT license. Windows IoT licenses are available to certified OEMs only, requiring P8's to be shipped to CFS to complete the Win IoT install. The updated Computerway application will also be installed, and units will be tested and approved prior to return shipment.



Wolf Windows 11 Compatibility

Wolf System - New v5 Release



To ensure full compatibility with Windows 11, Wolf systems must be upgraded to the newly released **Wolf v5** and require the upgraded IC3 PC to support Windows 11 IoT LTSC.

- The IC3 Wolf PC is optimized for Windows 11 IoT LTSC, ensuring faster, more stable performance.
- The new IC3 will replace obsolete IC2 hardware previously announced End-of-Life.
- Wolf systems must be upgraded to Wolf v5 when implementing the IC3 hardware.
- Wolf v5 no longer requires Administrator access, helping customers comply with facility security policies.

Upgrade to the New LC4 Controller:

The Wolf LC3 controller is being phased out, with the Last Purchase Date set for December 31, 2025. As a result, CFS is transitioning to a new replacement option.

While the LC4 controller offers a more compact design and excellent performance, it is only compatible with Wolf v5 software. This means that customers upgrading from an LC2 or LC3 will need to also update to Wolf v5.

For customers currently using Digital Scale Controllers (DSCs), the LC4 will serve as a direct replacement once they upgrade to Wolf v5. If you're still using Analog Bridge Sensors, you'll need to upgrade to DSCs for full compatibility with the LC4.

Controller	Compatible w/ Wolf v5?	Future Support	Upgrade Notes
LC2	Yes (for now)	No longer supported by manufacture	Upgrade to LC4 is encouraged to avoid future disruptions
LC3	Yes	No (after 12/31/2025)	Upgrade to LC4 if replacing LC3
LC4	Yes (v5.1 or newer)	Yes	the DSC conversion from Analog I/O for any customer not already using the DSC.

Get ahead of the transition and plan your upgrade today. Contact us for details on ensuring a smooth switch to the LC4.

Contact your CFS Project Manager for questions or more information!