

PCoIP® Host Software for Windows User Guide

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Definitions

EDID	Extended Display Identification Data
FPS	Frames per Second
GPO	Group Policy Object – Microsoft Windows feature used to configure registry settings
GUI	Graphical User Interface available from the zero client On Screen Display (OSD) when not operating in a PC-over-IP session
IT	Information Technology
LAN	Local Area Network
NIC	Network Interface Card
OS	Operating System
OSD	On Screen Display
PC-over-IP [®]	Personal Computer over Internet Protocol
PCoIP [®]	Personal Computer over Internet Protocol (PC-over-IP)
PCoIP Host	Host side of PC-over-IP system
PCoIP Zero Client	Desktop or client side of PC-over-IP system
Soft Client	VMware Horizon View or Teradici software application that can establish a PCoIP session with a PCoIP host
UAC	User Account Control – security feature in Vista, Windows 7 and Windows 8.1
UI	User Interface
WOL	Wake-on-LAN

1 Introduction

The PCoIP host software for Windows is a collection of drivers and applications that let Windows operating systems (OS) interact with Teradici Tera1x00 and Tera2xxx PCoIP host processors installed in the host PC/workstation and a PCoIP client connected to the host. This lets users enable features such as:

- using local cursor and keyboard
- locking the host PC when a session is terminated
- using a host PC NIC for Wake-on-LAN (WOL)
- disconnecting a session
- viewing host statistics and connection information

This document provides guidelines for installing or uninstalling, using, and troubleshooting the PCoIP host software for Windows.

Note: PCoIP host software release 3.3.20 for Windows added support for View 4.6 Windows soft clients connecting to PCoIP host cards. Section 2.2 lists some restrictions soft client users should note.

1.1 Audience

The document is written for:

- Network administrators that will be installing and configuring the host software.
- PC users who want to configure the host software.

2 PCoIP Host Software

PCoIP host cards loaded with firmware releases 2.0 or later support an optional feature, the PCoIP Host Driver Function. This feature lets administrators use a PCoIP software package on the host PC or workstation. This software package works with the exposed PCoIP Host Driver Function PCI device function. If you, the administrator, install the PCoIP host software package on the PC or workstation, users can manage and use the features of the PCoIP Host Driver Function.

The user application, called the host software user interface (UI) or UI, is installed when the host software is installed. The UI communicates with the PCoIP firmware via the device drivers installed by the PCoIP host software. You can configure the features of the PCoIP host software through the UI.

The compatibility matrix in Table 2-1 lists the firmware releases and the compatible PCoIP host software releases. We recommend that you load the PCoIP host software release that corresponds to the firmware loaded on their PCoIP host card and zero client.

Table 2-1: Firmware Compatibility Matrix

Firmware Release	PCoIP Host Software Release for Windows
4.2.x	4.2.2
4.0.x, 4.1.x	4.0.10
4.0.0, 4.0.1, 4.0.2	4.0.8
4.0.0, 4.0.1	4.0.7
3.5.0, 3.5.1	3.5.20
3.3.0, 3.3.1, 3.4.0, 3.4.1	3.3.20
3.2.0, 3.2.1, 3.2.2	3.2.20
3.1.0, 3.1.1, 3.1.2	3.1.11

Some features added to new releases of the host software require changes to the firmware running on the PCoIP host and/or zero client. Table 2-2 lists the features that require firmware changes. Each feature is available if the host card is running a firmware release that is equal to or later than the release listed in the table.

Table 2-2: New Feature Software/Firmware Requirements

New Feature Description	Host SW Release	Firmware Release
Support Tera2xxx PCoIP host card	4.0.7	4.0.1
Configure PCoIP session image quality setting (see section 5.5)	3.5.20	3.5.0

New Feature Description	Host SW Release	Firmware Release
Support IT auditing feature that gathers workstation and PCoIP host card network settings (see section 5).	3.5.20	3.5.0
Support of soft clients connecting to PCoIP host cards (see sections 2.2 and 5.4)	3.3.20	3.3.0
Support for processing multimedia keys (USB HID usage page 12). Example keys include: volume up, mute, and browser. Previous versions of the host software did not process these keys when the local cursor feature was enabled.	3.3.20	3.3.0
Support brokering sessions between PCoIP hosts and zero clients or soft clients using VMware View Manager	3.3.20	3.3.0
Client keyboard repeat detection (see section 5.1)	3.2.20	3.2.0
Client display topology (see section 5.4)	3.2.20	3.2.0
Display rotation (see section 5.1)	3.2.20	3.2.0
Transparent local cursor shape (see section 5.1)	3.2.20	3.2.0

Note: Support for soft clients operating with PCoIP host cards was introduced in firmware release 3.3.0, PCoIP host software release 3.3.20, and VMware View release 4.6.

Note: PCoIP host software 3.1.11 for Windows supports using VMware View 4 to broker sessions on host machines running 32-bit versions of Windows. See TER0911004 *Using PCoIP Host Cards with VMware View 4* for more information on configuring a system to operate in this mode.

Note: PCoIP host software 3.2.20 for Windows supports using VMware View 4.5 or later to broker sessions on host machines running 32-bit or 64-bit versions of Windows. See TER0911004 *Using PCoIP Host Cards with VMware View 4* for more information on configuring a system to operate in this mode.

2.1 System Requirements

Before you install the PCoIP host software, ensure the PC or workstation meets the following requirements:

- PCoIP host and zero client are loaded with recommended firmware release (see Table 2-1)
- Host Driver Function is enabled on the host card (see section 3.1)
- Supported Operating Systems:
 - Windows XP with Service Pack 2 or later, 32- and 64-bit
 - Windows Vista, 32- and 64-bit
 - Windows 7, 32- and 64-bit

- Windows 8.1 64-bit

2.2 Soft Client Restrictions

PCoIP sessions between soft clients and PC/workstations with a PCoIP host card are now supported.

High-level requirements for these connections:

- PCoIP host card running firmware release 3.3.0 or later
- PCoIP host software for Windows release 3.3.20 or later must be installed on the PC/workstation
- VMware View soft client release 4.6 or later
- Teradici soft client release 1.0 or later
- The local cursor and keyboard feature must be enabled. If the local cursor and keyboard feature is not enabled, mouse and keyboard input from the soft client is not sent to the PC/workstation.

The PCoIP host software imposes some limitations that prevent users from getting their system into a state where the keyboard and mouse do not work.

The restrictions are described in this document and summarized as:

- Users should not try to install the host software while connected to the PC/workstation from a soft client. See section 3.2 for details.
- Users cannot disable the local cursor feature on the **Login** screen. This restriction affects both zero client and soft client connections. This prevents zero client users from disabling the local cursor at the **Login** screen, which would later prevent a soft client user from logging into the machine.
- Users cannot disable the local cursor feature while connected to the PC/workstation from a soft client.

Note: Host software release 3.5.20 adds support for sending host cursor changes to the client (see section 5.1). This feature does not work with VMware View soft clients running releases 5.0 and earlier. This feature is supported in later soft client releases.

2.3 Release Notes

PCoIP host software releases are accompanied by release notes. See TER111109 *PCoIP Host Software for Windows Release Notes* for the latest information on PCoIP host software features and known issues.

3 Installing PCoIP Host Software

This section describes how to install or upgrade the PCoIP host software. It is highly recommended that you install the version of the software that is released with the version of the firmware loaded on the PCoIP host and zero client. See Table 2-1 for more details. Before you install the software, you must also enable the Host Driver Function on the host card as described next.

Note: The PCoIP host software is not designed to work in systems with more than one PCoIP host card. Do not attempt to install and use this software in systems with more than one host card.

3.1 Enabling the Host Driver Function

To enable the Host Driver Function on the PCoIP host:

1. Open a web browser on a PC or workstation connected to the same network as the PCoIP host. Browse to the PCoIP host's webpage, and then log in.
2. From the **Configuration** menu, select **Host Driver Function**.

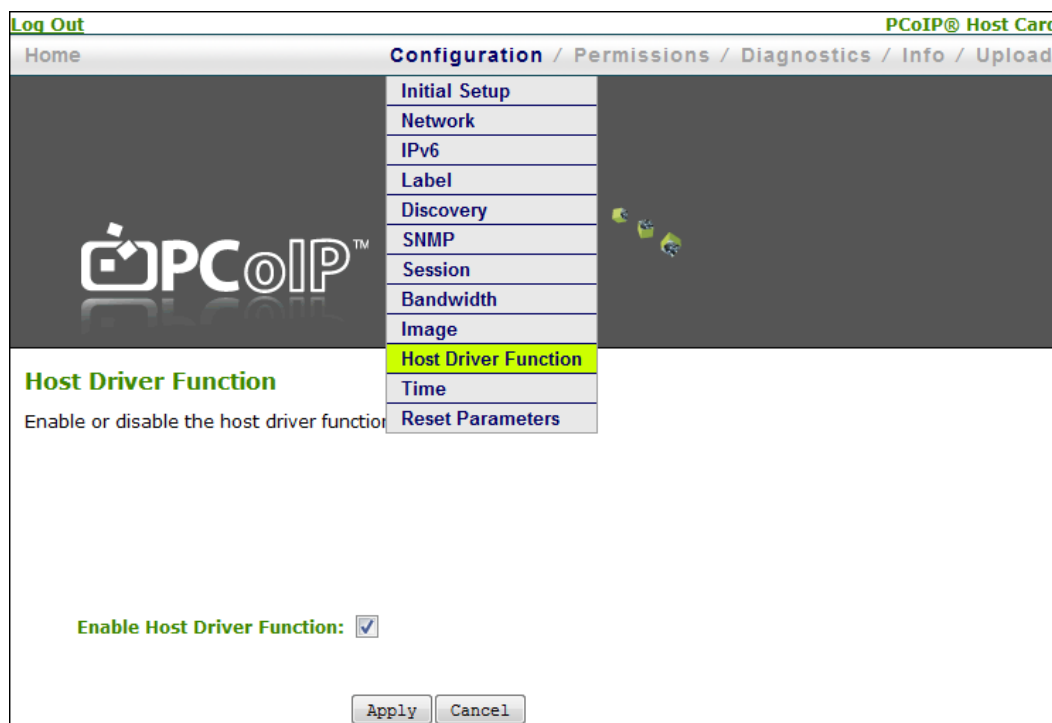


Figure 3-1: Host Driver Function Webpage

3. Check the **Enable Host Driver Function** box, and then click **Apply**. A prompt appears to indicate the host PCoIP processor must be reset.
4. Click **Reset**, and then click **OK** to schedule a deferred reset.
5. Restart the PCoIP host by restarting the PC or workstation.

6. After Windows boots, log into the PC or workstation as usual.
7. If a **Found Hardware** dialog box appears after logging into Windows, click **Cancel**.

3.2 Installing PCoIP Host Software

The PCoIP host software for Windows is provided as a Windows installation package. There are two versions of the installation package where the package filename has:

- x86: For example, PcoipHostSoftware_x86-v4.2.2.msi. This package is for 32-bit operating systems
- x64: For example, PcoipHostSoftware_x64-v4.2.2.msi. This package is for 64-bit operating systems.

You must use the installation package that corresponds to your applicable operating system and have administrative rights to install the software.

Note: As an administrator, you cannot run the host software installer while connected to a host system using a soft client. The local cursor feature is disabled during the installation process. This disables the user's keyboard and mouse, and prevents the user from completing the installation process.

Note: The version number shown on the screen shots in this section may be different from the current released version of the host software.

You should run the installer by:

- Connecting to the host using RDP or VNC
- Connecting to the host using a zero client in a non-VMware View brokered environment
- Connecting a monitor, keyboard and mouse directly to the host system

To install the software:

1. Activate the installer by double-clicking on the file. A screen appears (similar to the example shown in Figure 3-3).
2. Click **Next** to continue.

Note: If an existing version of the software is already installed, a confirmation dialog appears similar to the example shown in Figure 3-2.

3. Click **Yes** to continue.

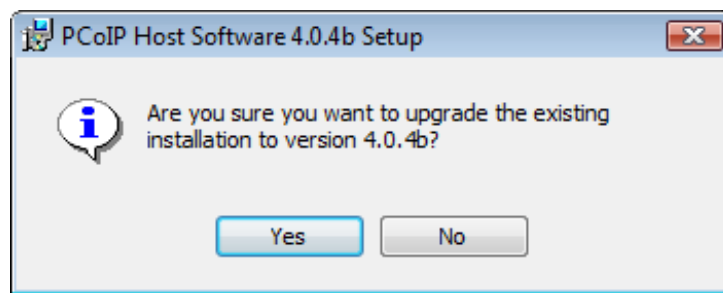


Figure 3-2: PCoIP Host Software Package Setup Upgrade Confirmation Dialog

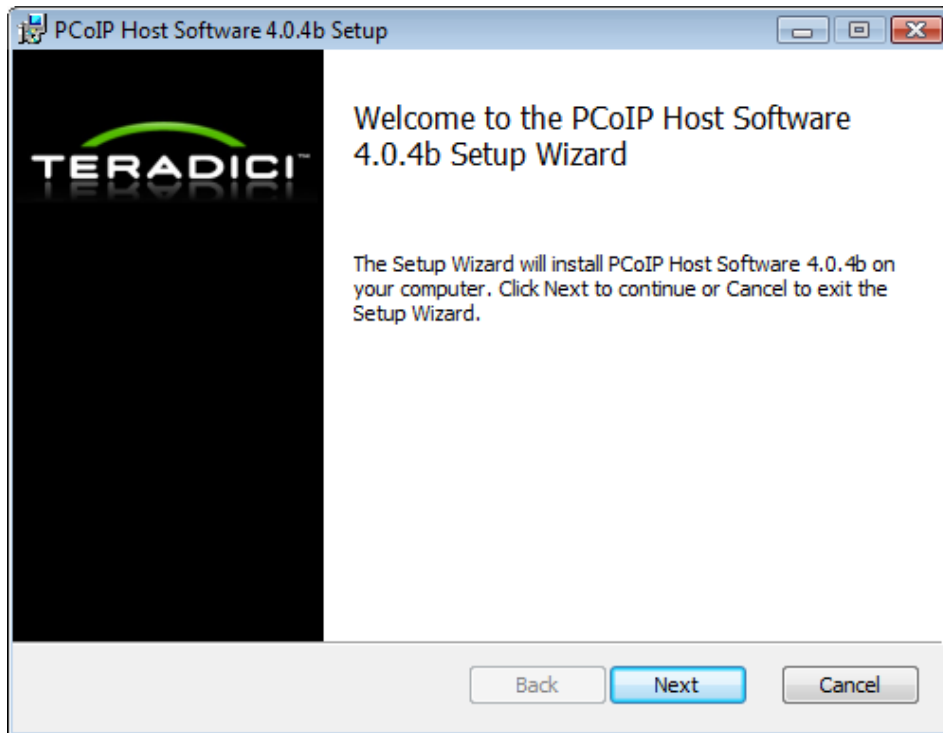


Figure 3-3: PCoIP Host Software Package Setup Welcome

4. Review the End-User License Agreement. If you accept the terms, click the **I accept the terms in the License Agreement** checkbox, and then click **Next**.

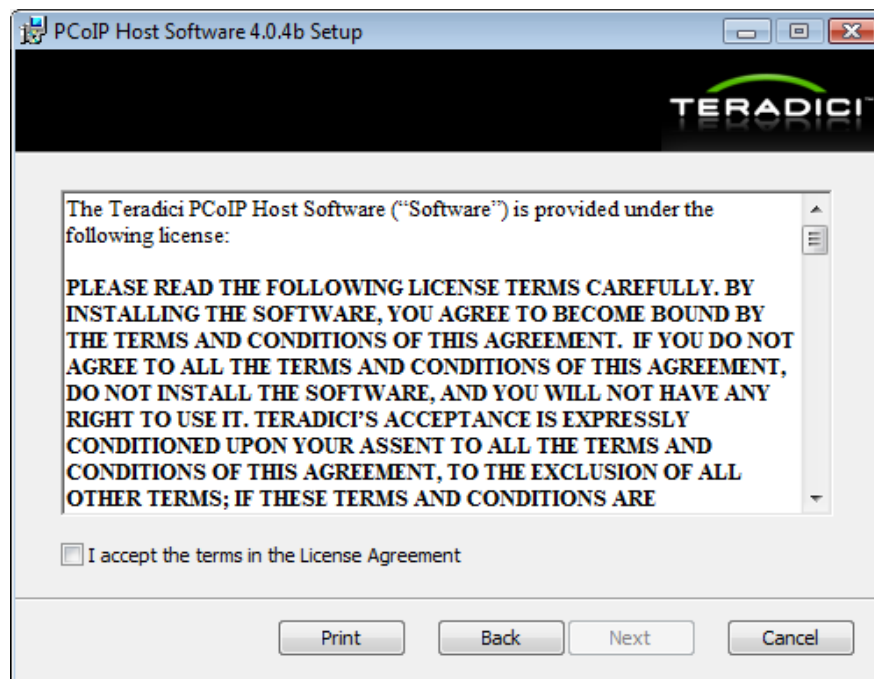


Figure 3-4: PCoIP Host Software Package Setup License

5. To choose a different directory to install the software, specify the path in the text box, or click **Change...**

6. Click **Next** to continue.

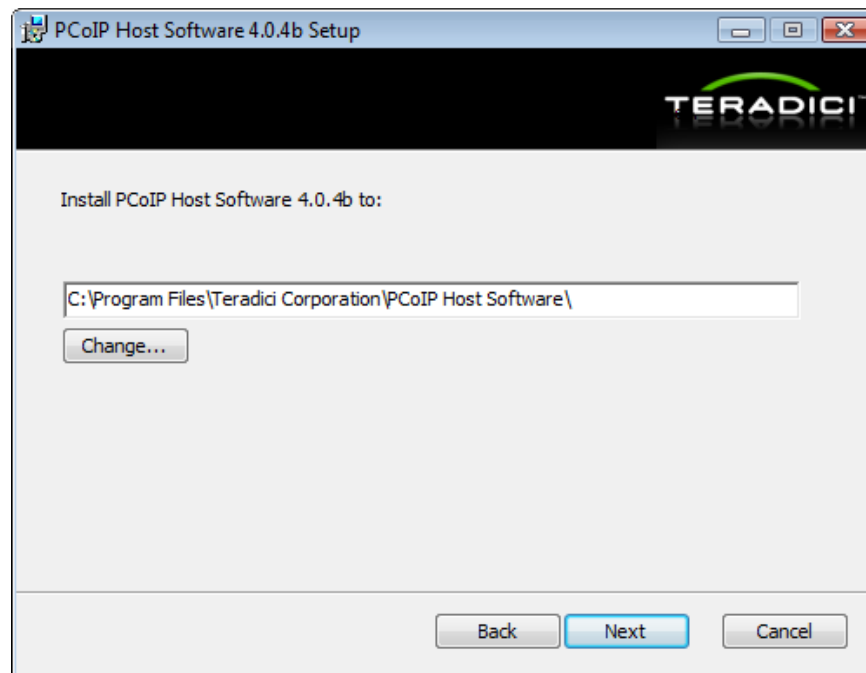


Figure 3-5: PCoIP Host Software Package Setup Path

7. Click **Install**, to start the installation process.

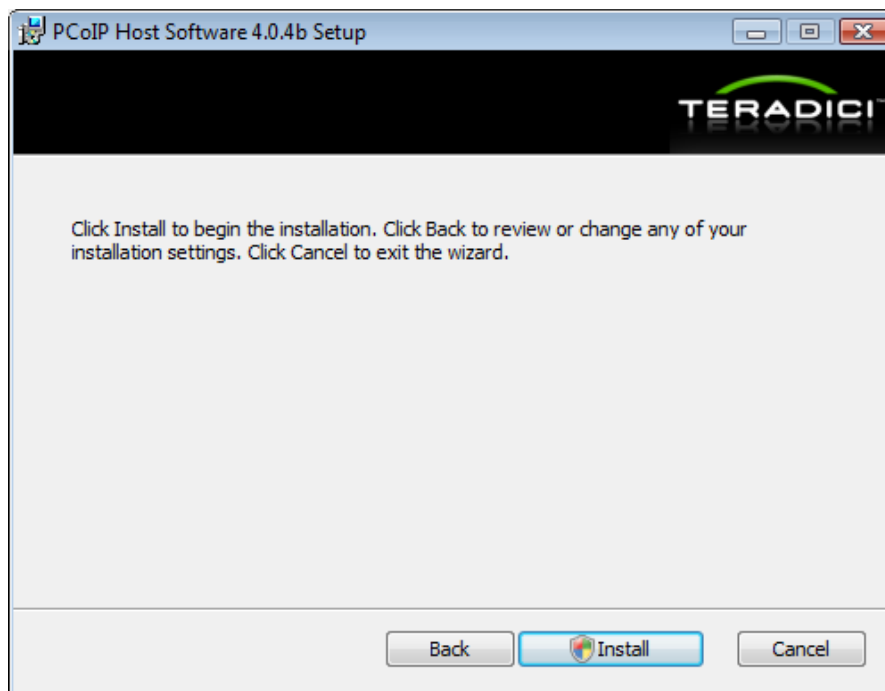


Figure 3-6: PCoIP Host Software Setup Begin Install

8. Wait for the installation process to finish.

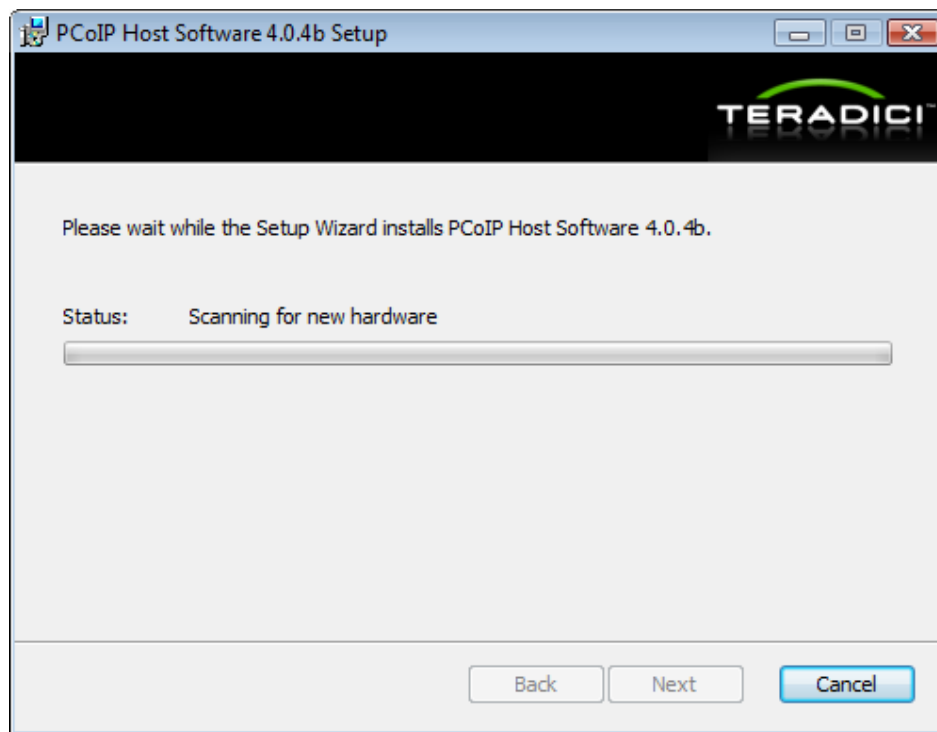


Figure 3-7: PCoIP Host Software Package Progress

Note: A dialog similar to the following may appear while upgrading the host software. This occurs when the installer tries to update files that are currently in use. Click **OK** to continue with the installation. If a reboot is required the installer will display another dialog telling the user to reboot workstation.

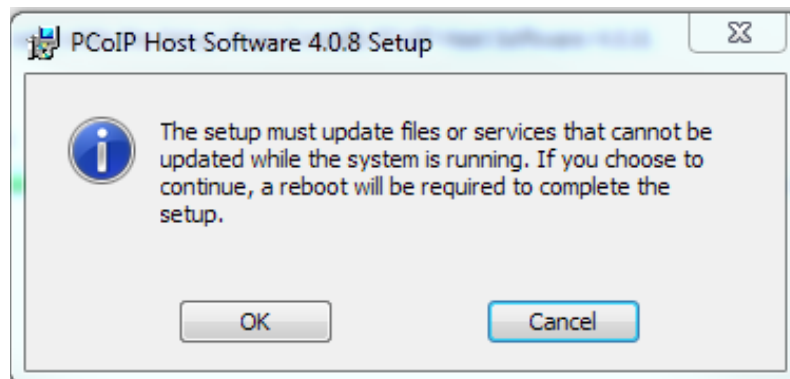


Figure 3-8: PCoIP Host Software Package Reboot

9. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.

Note: If a message appears indicating Windows must reboot, click **Yes** to reboot the PC or workstation. After Windows reboots, the installer automatically runs to finish the installation.

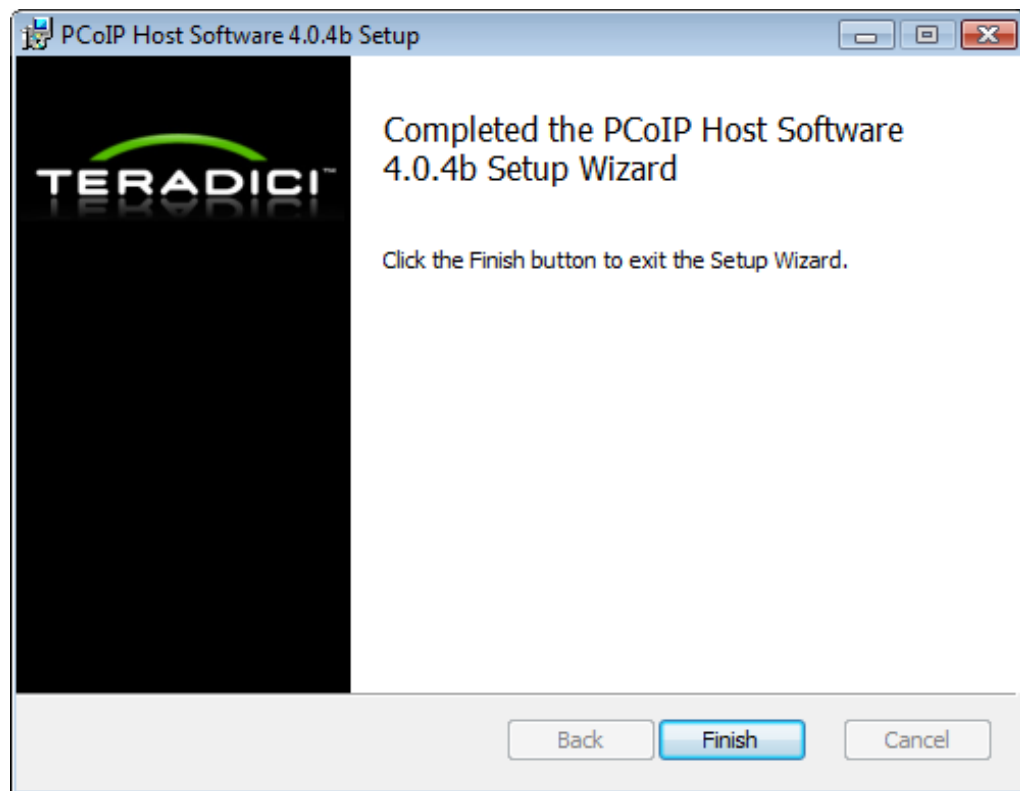


Figure 3-9: PCoIP Host Software Completed

Note: If an error occurs while installing the host software, reboot the workstation and try to re-install the host software again.

4 Uninstalling PCoIP Host Software

You can easily remove the PCoIP host software from the PC or workstation at any time using the following steps. If you no longer need the software, you should also disable the Host Driver Function in firmware. See section 4.2 for details.

4.1 Uninstalling the PCoIP Host Software for Windows

To uninstall the PCoIP host software for Windows:

1. On the PC or workstation, go to the Control Panel
2. Depending on your operating system:
 - On Windows XP, go to **Add/Remove Programs**.
 - On Windows Vista and later, go to **Programs and Features**.
3. Select the **PCoIP Host Software** entry, and then click **Uninstall**.
4. Follow the onscreen instructions.

Note: When you install an older version of the PCoIP host software, you must uninstall the newer version, reboot the PC, and then install the older version. Sometimes the older version fails to install. If this happens, reboot the PC and then retry the installation.

Note: The wake-on-LAN (WOL) settings are discarded during an uninstallation or upgrade. You must reconfigure the WOL settings after installing a new version of the software.

4.2 Disabling Host Driver Function

Disabling the PCoIP Host Driver Function on the PCoIP host prevents Windows from seeing an unknown PCI device under **Device Manager** and the **Found New Hardware Wizard** dialog associated with the unknown device.

To disable the Host Driver Function on the PCoIP host:

1. Open a web browser on a PC or workstation connected to the same network as the PCoIP host.
2. Browse to the PCoIP host webpage, and then log in.
3. From the **Configuration** menu, select **Host Driver Function**. The webpage is shown in Figure 3-1
4. Uncheck the **Enable Host Driver Function** check box, and then click **Apply**. This generates a prompt that indicates you must reset the host PCoIP processor. Click **Reset**, and then click **OK** to schedule a deferred reset.
5. Restart the PCoIP host by restarting the PC or workstation.

5 Using the PCoIP UI

After you install the PCoIP Host Software Package, the UI is available. To access the UI, double-click the icon located in the Windows system tray.

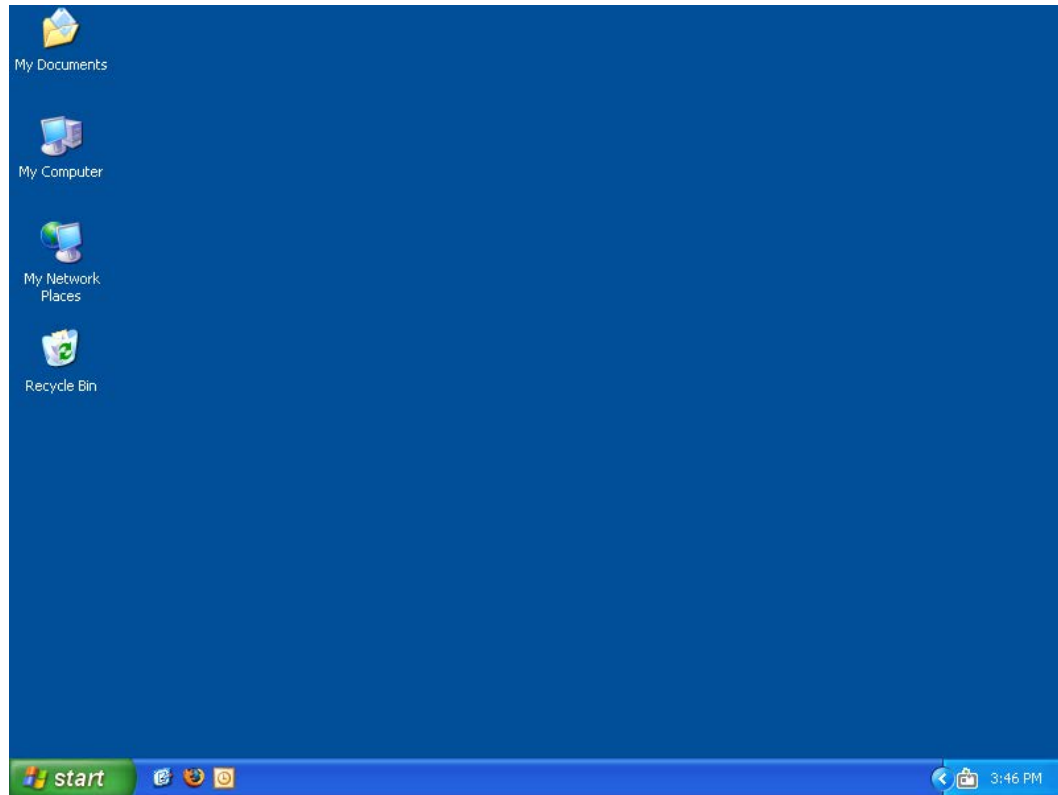


Figure 5-1: Example Desktop with PCoIP UI Icon in System Tray

The UI provides multiple tabs that let you access different features. These features are described in sections 5.1 through 5.6.

The UI supports an additional feature that lets you disconnect the PCoIP session, if one is active. To initiate this feature:

- Right-click the UI icon in the Windows system tray. Figure 5-2 shows the right-click menu.
- Call the pcoip_agent.exe executable with the “-disconnect” command-line argument. This method is useful for making a disconnect-session shortcut, or mapping to a **Favorite** key on some keyboards.

Note: The executable is located in the installed directory. The default install directory is “C:\Program Files\Teradici Corporation\PCoIP Host Software”.

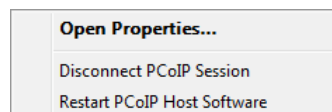


Figure 5-2: PCoIP UI Right-Click System Tray Menu

The UI also supports an IT auditing feature that writes information about the workstation and PCoIP host card to a file. To invoke this feature, call the pcoip_agent.exe executable with the “-info <filename>” command line option. The following is an example of the contents of an output file:

```
Host Name: desktop1
Host IP: 192.168.0.13
Host MAC: 00-2b-68-33-11-28
PCoIP Host SW Version: 3.5.10b
PCoIP Host SW Build Date: Jan 24 2012 17:04:42
PCoIP Host card MAC: 00-30-04-0D-61-26
PCoIP Host card IP: 192.168.99.21
```

The PCoIP Service automatically starts the PCoIP UI when Windows is started. The UI is the only configurable software in the software package.

5.1 Features

The following figure shows the **Features** tab of the UI.

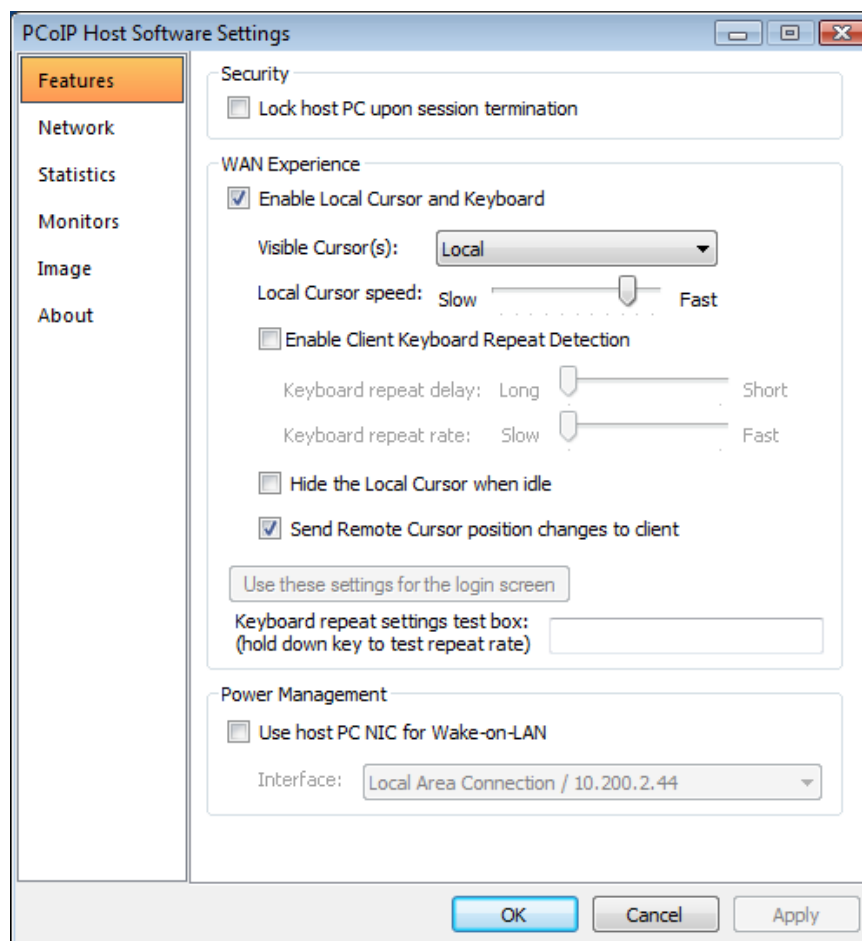


Figure 5-3: PCoIP Host Software Settings – Features

The following options are configurable in PCoIP UI:

Security

The Security feature lets you lock the PC or workstation to ensure other users do not log into another user's Windows session when the user disconnects from a PCoIP session.

Lock host PC upon session termination: Select this option to lock the host PC when a PCoIP session is disconnected.

WAN Experience

The WAN Experience local cursor and keyboard features may be useful in WAN deployments where network latency exceeds 40-60 ms. In these environments, users may notice a visible lag between the movement of the mouse and the movement of the cursor. Key presses may be dropped, or falsely repeated key presses may occur under very high network latency scenarios. Both of these side effects of high network latency hinder user experience. The local cursor and keyboard features help lessen latency effects.

Latency effects are noticed differently by users. With network latency less than 40 ms, most users notice the local cursor overlay and Windows cursor moving in tandem. With higher network latencies, the local cursor overlay moves according to the user's movements, and the Windows cursor follows with visible lag. Because the overlay provides instantaneous feedback, the user can move the mouse freely without having to wait for the Windows cursor to catch up.

- **Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard:** The local cursor is enabled when this option is selected and the mouse device's movements are recorded at the client and the movement is reflected via the local cursor overlay in real time. The movements and mouse clicks are then sent to the PCoIP host and then to Windows via the exposed PCoIP Host Function PCI device and device drivers. When Windows receives the movement information, the cursor on the PC or workstation is updated.

The local keyboard feature works on a similar concept. The client captures and records keyboard key presses, and then sends them to the PCoIP host. This feature prevents key presses from being dropped. The local keyboard feature does not display an overlay for the typed text, and the text displayed on the screen is affected by the network latency.

Note: The **Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard** option may be grayed out if not supported. When this happens, a **Why is this unavailable?** link appears on the UI **Features** tab. Move the mouse over the link to see a tooltip explaining how to fix the problem.

Note: PCoIP host software release 3.2.20 and firmware release 3.2.0 add support for rotated displays. Users wishing to use the **Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard** feature on systems with rotated displays may encounter problems. See section 7.5 for details.

Note: When a soft client session is active, you cannot disable the **Local Cursor and Keyboard** feature. See section 2.2 for details.

- **Visible Cursor(s):** The available options are:
 - Local
 - Remote

- Local and Remote

Note: When the local cursor feature is enabled and the **Visible Cursor** option is set to **Local**, the remote, host drawn, cursor is hidden. Applications that override the Windows standard cursor (such as Windows Paint) may display both the local and remote cursors. See Table 7-1 for details on when this will happen and potential workarounds.

Note: The **Remote** visible cursor option should only be used with PCoIP systems running firmware release 3.2.0 or later. The local cursor may become visible if the PCoIP host and client are running a firmware release prior to 3.2.0.

Note: When the **Remote** visible cursor is selected, the user is prevented from selecting the **Hide local cursor when idle** option.

Note: When the local cursor is visible, the host software imposes limits on the size of the cursor bitmap displayed by the client. When the size of the cursor bitmap exceeds these limits, the host software crops the bitmap resulting in the client displaying a portion of the host drawn cursor. If the host software fails to crop the bitmap, an arrow with an 'L' character inside it is displayed.

- **Cursor speed:** Sets the speed of the local cursor overlay. The local cursor speed setting is separate from the mouse speed in Windows.

Note: You can also configure the zero client cursor speed through the PCoIP On Screen Display (OSD). See the TER1206003 *PCoIP Zero Client and Host Administrator Guide*.

Note: The Cursor speed slider only works with zero clients. You cannot adjust the soft client cursor speed.

- **Enable Client Keyboard Repeat Detection:** Check this box to have the client perform keyboard repeat detection. Uncheck this box to have drivers on the host perform keyboard repeat detection.

Note: This feature should be enabled if the latency of the connection exceeds ~150 ms. When this feature is disabled, the host OS performs keyboard repeat detection. The host OS may incorrectly report repeated keys for high-latency connections. To avoid this problem, enable client keyboard repeat detection.

Note: This feature is supported on PCoIP systems running firmware release 3.2.0 or later.

- **Keyboard repeat delay:** Set the amount of time that elapses before a character begins to repeat when you hold down a key. This setting is only used when the client performs keyboard repeat detection.
- **Keyboard repeat rate:** Set the speed at which a character repeats when you hold down a key. This setting is only used when the client performs keyboard repeat detection.

Note: You can also configure the zero client **Keyboard repeat delay** and **Keyboard repeat rate** through the OSD. See the TER1206003 *PCoIP Zero Client and Host Administrator Guide*.

- **Hide the Local Cursor when idle:** Check this box to have the local cursor overlay disappear after one second of idle mouse movement. Uncheck this box to always have the local cursor overlay shown.
- **Send Remote Cursor position changes to client:** Check this box to enable forwarding host PC or workstation cursor location updates to the client. Client HID devices only control the client cursor when this feature is disabled.

Note: Some applications update the cursor position while the user enters data. This feature should be enabled to let these updates be reflected on the client.

- **Use these settings for the login screen button:** Click this button to use the current settings on the screen for the Windows login screen.

Note: On Windows XP 32-bit, the Windows standard arrow cursor may not be hidden at the login screen even if the option is set. This is seen on PCoIP sessions with 125 or more ms of network latency.

Note: The host software installer included with releases 3.1.11 through 4.0.9 configures default settings for the local cursor login settings and the settings are overwritten each time the host software is installed. The installer configures the settings to enable the local cursor, sets the **visible cursor** equal to **Local**, disables hiding the local cursor when idle and enables sending remote cursor position changes to the client. You can modify these settings using the UI after you install the host software but they are overwritten if the host software is reinstalled or upgraded/downgraded. You cannot disable the local cursor on the login screen. This is done to prevent problems when establishing a PCoIP session from a soft client, which requires the local cursor feature to always be enabled. Starting with release 4.0.10 the host software installer no longer overwrites the login settings if they already exist. This allows users to customize the login settings once.

- **Keyboard repeat settings test box:** Position the cursor in this test box and hold down a key to test the keyboard repeat settings.

Note: You can configure the host software configuration settings for each user account on the PC or workstation.

Power Management

The Power Management section lets you choose the PC or workstation NIC as an alternative to the PCoIP Host NIC for Wake-on-LAN (WOL) power management.

If there is an update to the PC or workstation NIC IP address, the UI picks up the new IP and automatically sends it to the zero client. The UI handles the following cases autonomously:

- **The IP address on the selected NIC changes:** The IP address is sent to the zero client.
- **The selected NIC is no longer available:** The UI starts a timer for 20 seconds. If the selected interface becomes valid again (that is, gets an IP address) the UI sends the new IP address to the zero client. If the timer times out, a balloon tooltip appears to advise users that the WOL configuration is invalid. UI automatically disables WOL.
- UI detects no valid NICs, and automatically disables the WOL feature on the zero client. This case is mutually exclusive with the second case.

Note: The PCoIP host software for Windows for View brokered connections does not support the **Power Management** feature because the PCoIP host device cannot be placed in a low power state.

PCoIP power management lets a PC or workstation that is in a sleep or shutdown state be wakened or powered up by a WOL Magic Packet.

- **Use host PC NIC for Wake-on-LAN:** Select this option to use a NIC on the PC or workstation, instead of the NIC on the PCoIP Host, for waking up the Host PC. The UI lists all PC or workstation NICs that have a valid IP address.
- **Interface:** Select the NIC on the PC or workstation to use from the drop-down list.

Note: Make sure the WOL feature is configured properly on the selected PC or workstation NIC when using this option.

Note: The WOL settings are discarded when uninstalling or upgrading the PCoIP host software. You must reconfigure WOL after you install a new version of the software.

5.2 Network

The following figure shows the **Network** tab of the UI. This table lets you view the network settings of the PCoIP host.

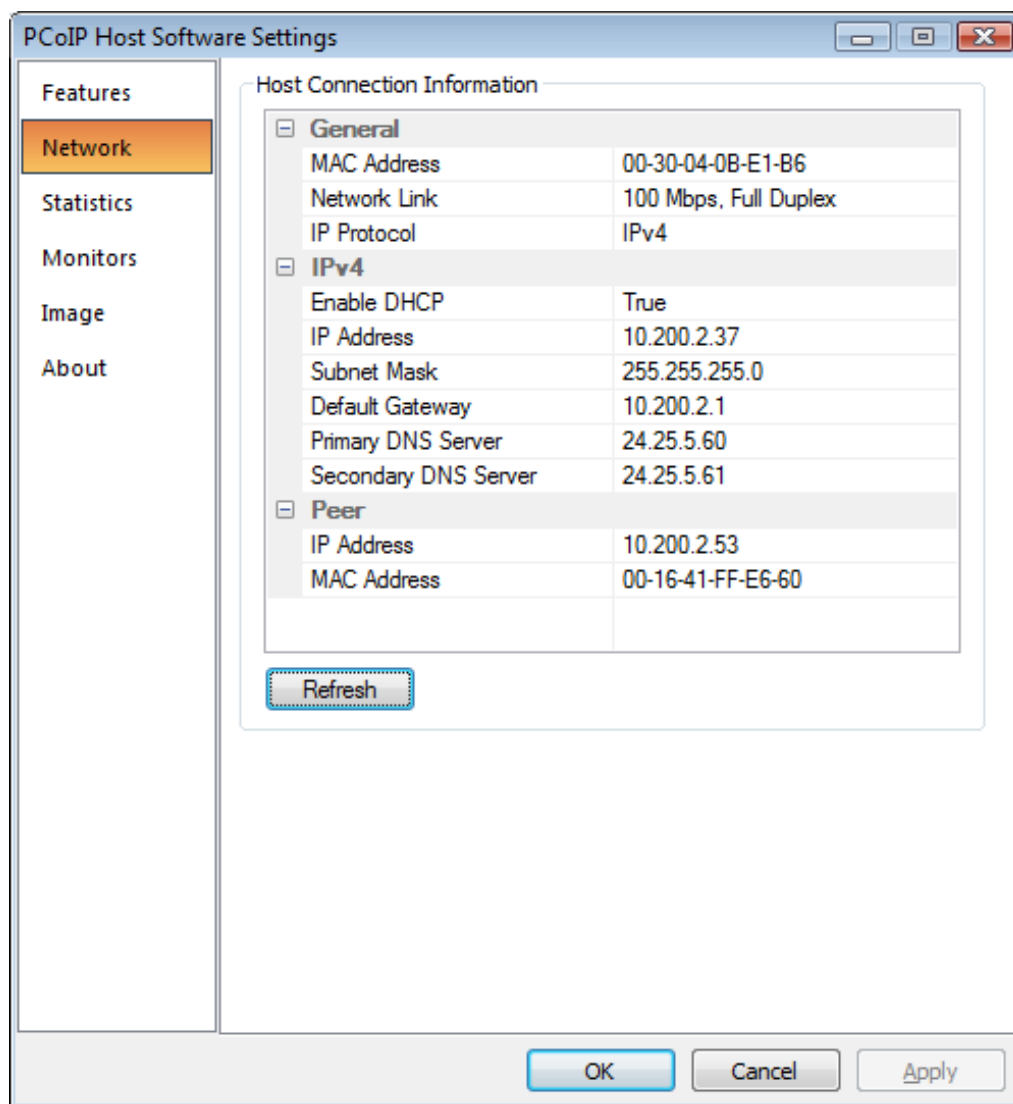


Figure 5-4: PCoIP Host Software Settings – Network

The **Network** tab shows the current network information for the host. This tab also reports status information on the NIC of the PCoIP host (speed, duplex setting and link state up/down). It also displays the IP and MAC addresses of the zero client connected to the host under the **Peer** settings.

- **Refresh:** Click this button to get the most up-to-date network settings of the host.

Note: The UI does not support changing the network settings. You can configure the network settings through the PCoIP Management Console (see the TER0812002 *PCoIP Management Console User Manual*), the PCoIP Administrative Interface (see the TER1206003 *PCoIP Zero Client and Host Administrator Guide*), or a connection broker.

5.3 Statistics

The following figure shows the **Statistics** tab of the UI. This lets you view the PCoIP host session statistics.

The statistics are reset when a PCoIP session starts, or when you click the **Reset** button.

Note: You can also access the PCoIP host card statistics through the PCoIP Administrative Interface (see the TER1206003 *PCoIP Zero Client and Host Administrator Guide*).

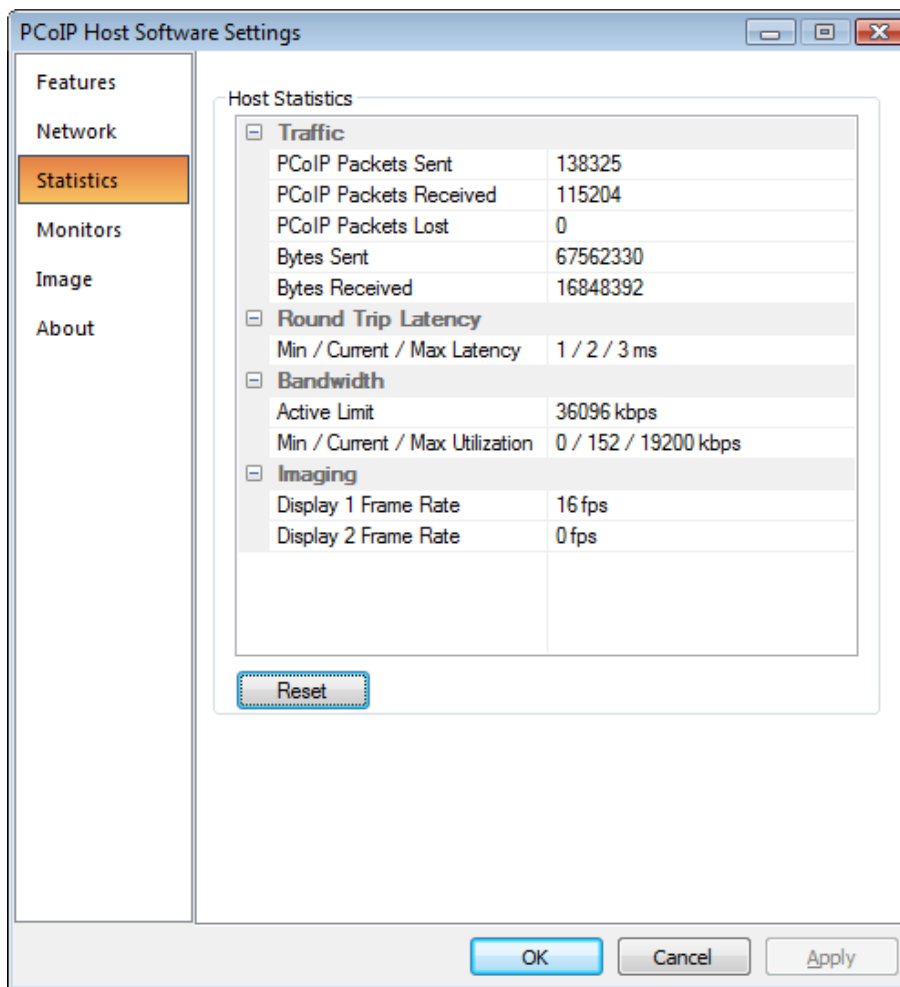


Figure 5-5: PCoIP Host Software Information – Statistics

You can view the following PCoIP host statistics:

Traffic

The **Traffic** statistics show the number of packets sent and received by the PCoIP host.

- **PCoIP Packets Sent:** Total number of PCoIP packets sent by the host.
- **PCoIP Packets Received:** Total number of PCoIP packets received by the host.
- **PCoIP Packets Lost:** Total number of PCoIP packets that were not received by the host.
- **Bytes Sent:** Total number of bytes sent by the host.

- **Bytes Received:** Total number of bytes received by the host.

Round Trip Latency

The Round Trip Latency statistics reports the total round trip PCoIP system (for example, host to zero client, and back to host) and network latency in milliseconds (+/- 1 ms). The UI reports the minimum, current and maximum values.

Bandwidth

The Bandwidth statistics show the host's active bandwidth settings.

- **Active Limit:** The maximum amount of network traffic the PCoIP host may currently generate. The value is derived from the host's configured bandwidth settings (see the TER1206003 *PCoIP Zero Client and Host Administrator Guide*) and the current network congestion levels.
- **Min / Current / Max Utilization:** The minimum, current and maximum amount of traffic generated by the PCoIP host at a particular moment in time.

Imaging

The Imaging statistics show frame rate information for the displays connected to the client.

- **Display X Frame Rate:** The frame rate of Display X. The statistic is reported in frames per second (fps).

5.4 Monitors

The following figure shows the **Monitors** tab of the UI. This page lets you view the client and host display topology settings.

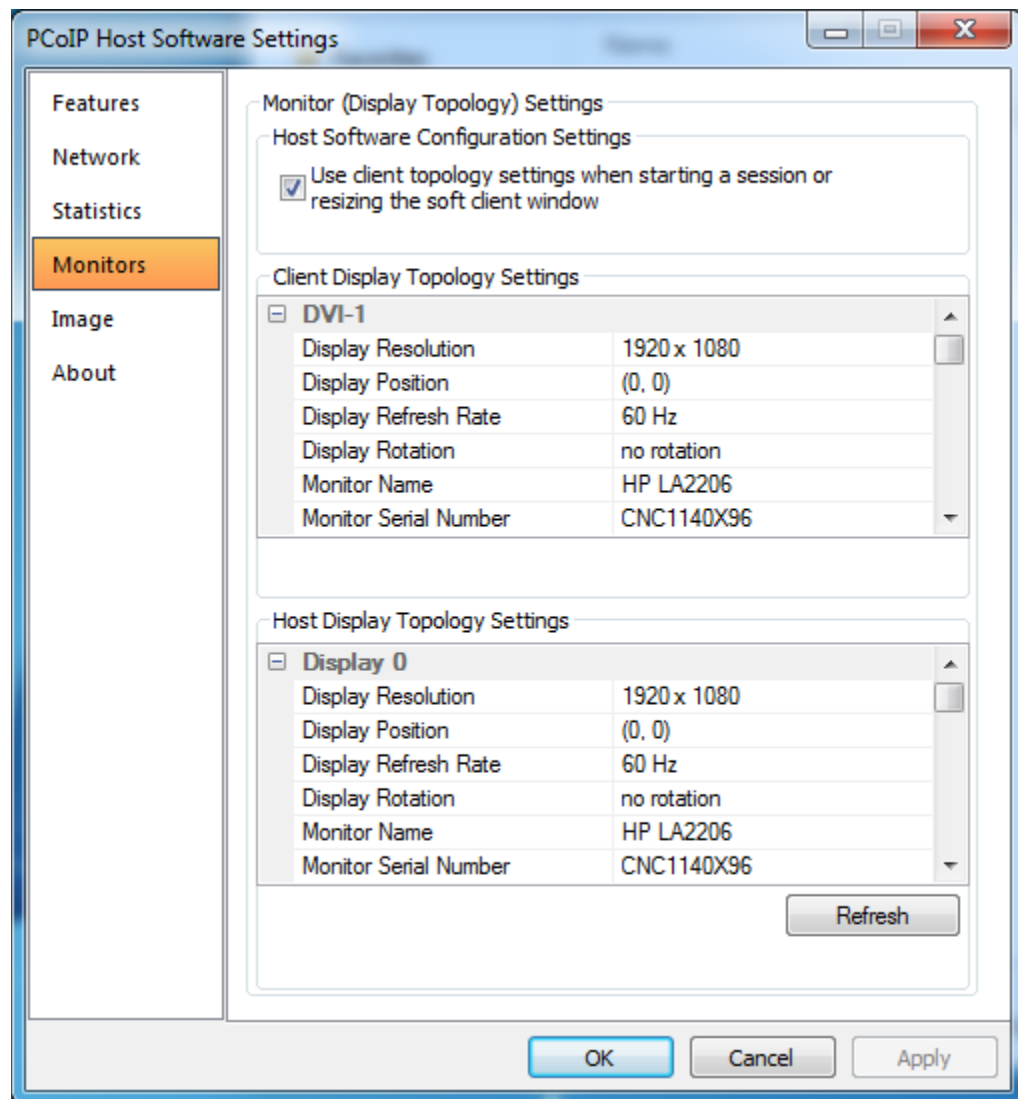


Figure 5-6: PCoIP Host Software Settings – Monitors

You can configure the following options and/or view the following settings:

Host Software Configuration Settings

The Host Software Configuration Settings section lets you choose to activate the client display topology settings. When this feature is enabled, the host topology settings are updated at the start of a session for both soft and zero clients. The topology settings are also updated when the size of the soft client window is adjusted.

- **Use client topology settings when starting a session or resizing the soft client window:**
The client display topology settings are activated at the start of a session and when the soft client window is resized when the following conditions are true:
 - this box is checked
 - the **Enable Configuration** check box on the zero client **OSD Options->User Settings->Display Topology** page is checked (only applies to zero clients)
 - the PCoIP host and zero client are running firmware release 3.2.0 or later

- the VMware View soft client version is release 4.6 or later

Note: This feature only works with clients in PCoIP sessions. The client topology settings are not written to the host OS when in an RDP session.

Note: If a problem occurs while trying to write the client display topology settings to the host OS, a **Why are the client topology settings not in use?** link appears on the UI **Monitors** tab. Move the mouse over the link to see a tooltip explaining how to fix the problem.

Note: Sometimes the host software fails to activate the client topology settings. When this happens try changing the topology settings using another utility on the host such as the **Control Panel->All Control Panel Items->Display->Screen Resolution** utility found on Windows 7.

Client Display Topology Settings

The Client Display Topology Settings section displays the client display topology settings.

- **Display Resolution:** The number of pixels in each dimension that can appear
- **Display Position:** The X and Y coordinates of the display's upper left-hand corner
- **Display Refresh Rate:** The display's refresh rate in Hz
- **Display Rotation:** Specifies the rotation of the display relative to the normal landscape display orientation (no rotation, 90° clockwise, 180° rotation, or 90° counter-clockwise)

Note: This parameter specifies the rotation of the physical display, not the image.

- **Monitor Name, Serial Number, Vendor ID and Product ID:** The client extracts this information from the attached monitor's EDID (Extended Display Identification Data)

Host Display Topology Settings

The Host Display Topology Settings section shows the active topology settings read by the UI from the host OS that match the displays connected to the client. This section does not show information about monitors that are not connected to the client.

- **Display Resolution, Display Position, Display Refresh Rate and Display Rotation:** See the description of these terms listed in the previous section.
- **Monitor Name, Serial Number, Vendor ID and Product ID:** The UI extracts this information from the EDID reported by the host OS.
- **Refresh:** Click this button to get the most up to date client and host display topology settings.

5.5 Image

The following figure shows the **Image** tab of the UI. This lets you view and adjust the PCoIP session image quality preference setting.

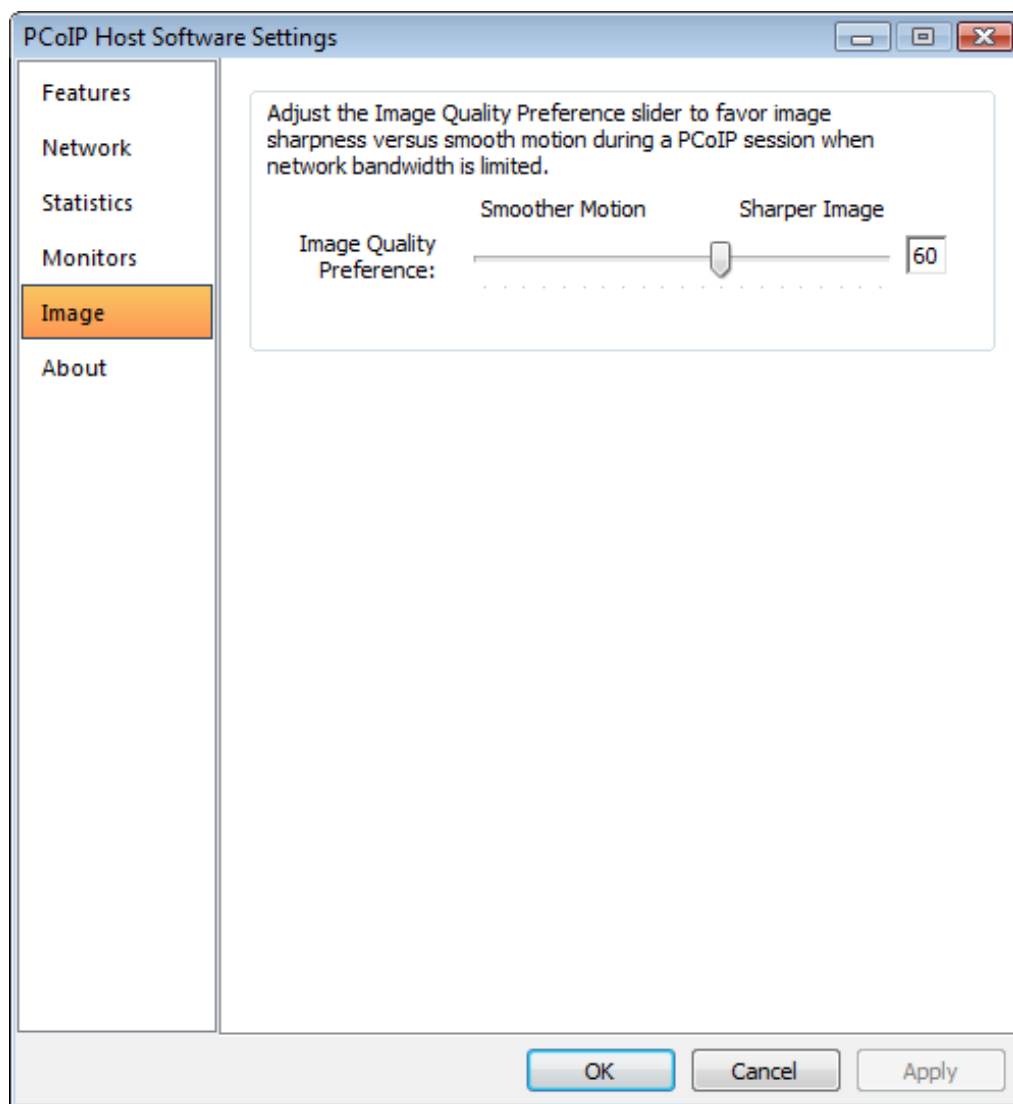


Figure 5-7: PCoIP Host Software Settings – Image

The PCoIP protocol adjusts image quality settings when the network connection between a PCoIP host and client is constrained and unable to provide enough bandwidth to support full frame rate video. The **Image Quality Preference** setting lets you configure a preference for smoother motion (higher frame rate) versus sharper image (higher image quality).

Note: Firmware release 3.5.0 is the first release that supports the image quality preference setting.

5.6 About

The **About** tab lets you view the version information of the PCoIP host software.

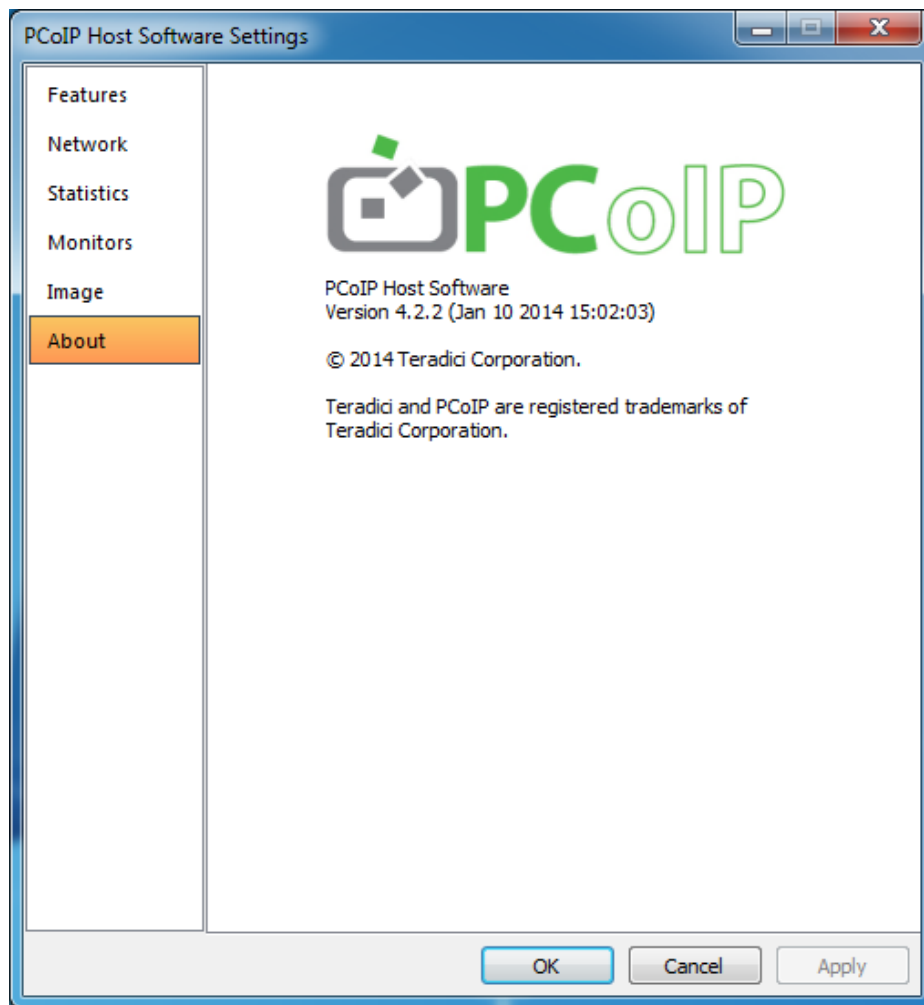


Figure 5-8: PCoIP Host Software Information – About

6 Customizing Host Software

The host software stores configuration settings in the Windows registry. Most settings are updated using the UI. Some settings are updated using the following Group Policy Object (GPO) administrative template file, found in the host software installation directory:

- C:\Program Files\Teradici Corporation\PCoIP Host Software\extras\GroupPolicyFiles\pcoip_host_sw.adm

6.1 Using the GPO Administrative Template File

Follow the steps below to configure settings supported by the host software administrative template file.

1. Copy **pcoip_host_sw.adm** from the location described above to **c:\windows\inf** on the workstation. Save the old **pcoip_host_sw.adm** to a different name if present.
2. Click **Start -> Run**, and then enter **gpedit.msc**.
3. Navigate to: **Local Computer Policy\Computer Configuration\Administrative Templates**.
4. Right click **Administrative Templates** and select **Add/Remove Templates**.
5. Click **Add** in the dialog box that appears.
6. In the right pane of the new window, select the **pcoip_host_sw.adm** file and click **Open**.
7. Copy the file in the manner desired (if presented with this option).
8. Ensure the **pcoip_host_sw** template is visible in the **Add/Remove Templates** window (Remove any previous pcoip_host_sw templates) and select **Close**.
9. Navigate to **Local Computer Policy\Computer Configuration\Administrative Templates\PCoIP Host Software Variables\Not Overrideable Administrator Settings**.
Note: On Windows 7 the path is: **Local Computer Policy\Computer Configuration\Administrative Templates\Classic Administrative Templates (ADM)\PCoIP Host Software Variables\Not Overrideable Administrator Settings**.
10. Ensure that **Enabled** is selected for the desired host software setting.
11. Configure the desired host software setting and click **Apply**.

6.2 Supported Settings

This section describes each of the settings supported by the GPO Administrative Template.

6.2.1 Session Disconnect Script

Host software releases 4.2.2 and later support running a user defined script when a PCoIP session is disconnected. This feature can be used to close an application running on a workstation when a PCoIP session ends. To use this feature the setting must be configured

with the path and filename of a script the host software runs when a session is disconnected while a user is logged in.

7 Troubleshooting

7.1 Issues and Workarounds

Table 7-1 outlines some common issues and suggested solutions that affect the latest and potentially older host software releases. For more troubleshooting details, see the Knowledge Base available from the Teradici Support web site at <http://techsupport.teradici.com>.

Table 7-1: Troubleshooting the Latest Release

Item	Description	Solution
1	The Local Cursor and Keyboard feature is enabled but the cursor response is sluggish when moving the mouse.	<p>This occurs if the mouse is not controlled by the client mouse driver. To check if this is the cause of the problem, log into the zero client web interface while a session is active and open the Diagnostics->Attached Devices web page. The mouse Status field equals Locally Connected when the mouse is properly connected. If the Status field is not Locally Connected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the mouse is connected directly to one of the zero client USB ports. • If the mouse is connected to the client through a USB hub, ensure the zero client is running firmware release 4.1.0 or later and also ensure only HID devices are connected to the hub.
2	The local cursor does not move when the Local Cursor and Keyboard feature is enabled and the Send remote cursor position changes to the client feature is disabled.	<p>This will happen if the mouse is not controlled by the client mouse driver. See the solution for the previous entry in this table.</p>

Item	Description	Solution
3	Key presses on the keyboard are dropped when the Local Cursor and Keyboard feature is enabled and the latency of the PCoIP session exceeds 60 ms.	<p>This can occur if the keyboard is not controlled by the client keyboard driver. To check if this is the cause of the problem, log into the zero client web interface while a session is active and open the Diagnostics->Attached Devices web page. The keyboard Status field equals Locally Connected when the keyboard is properly connected. If the Status field is not Locally Connected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure the keyboard is connected directly to one of the zero client USB ports. If the keyboard is connected to the client through a USB hub, ensure the zero client is running firmware release 4.1.0 or later and also ensure only HID devices are connected to the hub. <p>This can also happen when the latency of the connection exceeds 150 ms. To fix this check the Enable Client Keyboard Repeat Detection box on the UI Features tab.</p>
4	The Send Remote Cursor position changes to client feature does not work with a VMware View soft client.	Host software release 3.5.20 includes support for sending host cursor changes to the client (see section 5.1). This feature does not work with VMware View soft clients running releases prior to and including 5.0. This feature is supported in VMware View soft client releases 5.1 and later.
5	Animated cursors do not appear properly when the visible cursor is Local or Local and Remote .	<p>When the local cursor is visible and an animated cursor is active, the host software displays only the first frame rather than all of the cursor frames. This results in a static cursor shape instead of an animated cursor.</p> <p>Workaround: Set the visible cursor feature equal to Remote or disable the Local Cursor and Keyboard feature.</p>
6	The Use these settings for the login screen button is grayed out.	<p>You must have Administrator rights to set the settings for the login screen. Under Windows Vista and Windows 7, User Account Control (UAC) prevents the PCoIP UI from accessing the registry.</p> <p>Workarounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disable UAC on Windows Vista systems Set the UAC slider bar equal to Never Notify on Windows 7 systems. <p>Host software release 3.1.11 and later prevents users from disabling the local cursor feature on the login screen because soft client HID devices require this feature to be enabled.</p>

Item	Description	Solution
7	When multiple displays are connected to the zero client and the graphics software driver enables Clone mode (the same image appears on two screens), the local cursor feature is disabled.	The current PCoIP host software does not support Clone mode. Workaround: Disable clone mode.
8	Only the left, middle, right, forwards, and backwards buttons work on the mouse when local cursor and keyboard is enabled.	The current PCoIP host software supports the left, middle, right, forwards, and backwards mouse buttons in local cursor mode.
9	The local cursor and keyboard feature is not automatically enabled at the login screen after the host PC finishes booting, even though it is enabled via the PCoIP UI.	The local cursor and keyboard feature requires the PCoIP UI to be running. On some Windows systems, it may take up to 30 seconds before the PCoIP UI starts while in the login screen.
10	The local cursor speed is different than the Windows host cursor speed.	The zero client local cursor does not use Windows' host pointer speed nor acceleration settings. The local cursor speed is configured using the Local cursor speed slider on the UI Features tab or the zero client OSD. The Cursor speed slider only works with zero clients. You cannot adjust the soft client cursor speed.
11	Some features in the UI are grayed out and the help tooltip says <i>No link to the PCoIP device or Feature not supported.</i>	Ensure the installed version of the PCoIP host software is the same version released with the firmware on the PCoIP host and zero client (see Table 2-1). 1. Ensure the PCoIP session is active. 2. Ensure the Host Driver Function is enabled (see section 3.1). 3. Disconnect and reconnect the PCoIP session. 4. Restart the PC or workstation. 5. Uninstall and reinstall the PCoIP host software.
12	The Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard checkbox is grayed out.	Hover the mouse over the Why is this unavailable? text. The tooltip that appears lists possible causes and solutions. Review the local cursor and keyboard requirements in section 0 of this document.

Item	Description	Solution
13	On Windows XP 32-bit, the Windows standard arrow cursor is still shown on the login screen, even though the option to hide it is set.	The current software exhibits this behavior on PCoIP sessions with 125 or more ms of network latency. Try disconnecting and reconnecting the PCoIP session.
14	Keyboard and mice connected to the client do not work immediately after disabling the local cursor and keyboard feature.	When the state of the local cursor feature changes to disabled, the zero client keyboard and mice must be enumerated by Windows. This process can take more than 30 seconds to complete.
15	The system is configured to use the client display topology settings but the settings are not activated when the PCoIP session starts.	<p>Open the Monitor tab of the UI and position the mouse over the Why are the client topology settings not in use? The tooltip that appears lists possible causes and solutions.</p> <p>Review the requirements for using the client display topology settings in section 7.4 of this document.</p> <p>See section 7.5 for additional details.</p> <p>The problem might be caused by the graphics driver. Graphics driver problems observed while testing this feature included the graphics driver not responding to monitor hot plug events, rotating the display without properly informing the host OS and not providing accurate EDID information to the host OS. Upgrade the graphics driver to the latest supported version.</p> <p>The graphics driver may not support the client display resolution setting. Try setting the client setting to Native. If this works, test other resolutions until an acceptable resolution is found.</p> <p>The problem may occur if the zero client has a monitor connected to one of its DVI ports and the monitor is turned off. Either disconnect the monitor or turn on the monitor.</p> <p>The problem may occur when switching between clients with different sized monitors. If this happens, reconfigure the topology settings using a utility on the host such as the Windows 7 Control Panel -> All Control Panel Items -> Display -> Screen Resolution.</p> <p>Try disconnecting and then restarting the PCoIP session.</p> <p>This problem can occur if the workstation is locked when the session starts. Windows imposes a security restriction that prevents applications from changing the display topology settings on locked workstations. In this scenario the host software will attempt to activate the client topology settings after the workstation is unlocked.</p>

Item	Description	Solution
16	Host software does not work after modifying the audio permissions on the PCoIP host card.	<p>The PCoIP host card has a configuration setting that lets you enable/disable HD audio. This setting is configured on the host card's Permissions->Audio web page. If this setting is modified after the host software is installed, the host software does not work when the PC/workstation is rebooted.</p> <p>Resolution:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Uninstall the host software 2. Modify the audio setting 3. Reboot the PC/workstation 4. Install the host software
17	<p>Two cursors are displayed when the following conditions are true.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local cursor and keyboard feature is enabled • visible cursor feature equals Local • An application is active that displays application specific cursors. Microsoft Paint is an application that displays application specific cursors. 	<p>This problem occurs under the following conditions.</p> <p>Applications activated by clicking “Run as administrator” that create application specific cursors display two cursors when UAC is enabled.</p> <p>Workarounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not run the application as the administrator • Disable UAC on the workstation • Set the visible cursor feature equal to Remote <p>32-bit applications that create application specific cursors will display two cursors on 64-bit workstations.</p> <p>Workarounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run a 64-bit version of the application • Set the visible cursor feature equal to Remote
18	The zero client topology settings are not activated after connecting or disconnecting a monitor from the zero client while a PCoIP session is active.	<p>The host software only activates zero client topology settings at the start of a session. If a monitor is plugged in OR unplugged while a session is active the host software does not attempt to activate the zero client topology settings.</p> <p>Workaround: Disconnect and re-establish the PCoIP session to activate the zero client topology settings.</p>

Table 7-2 describes problems that affect older host software releases or systems not running the recommended versions of firmware. See Table 2-1 for the recommended firmware release.

Table 7-2: Troubleshooting Older Releases

Item	Description	Solution
1	The Image Quality Preference slider is grayed out.	This occurs when the host card is not running a FW release that supports the image quality preference setting. Install FW release 3.5.0 or later.

Item	Description	Solution
2	The multimedia keys on the keyboard do not work when local cursor and keyboard is enabled.	<p>PCoIP host software releases prior to release 3.3.20 support only the standard keyboard keys.</p> <p>Multimedia keys (USB HID usage page 12) are supported on systems running host software release 3.3.20 or higher and firmware release 3.3.0 or higher.</p> <p>Power keys (USB HID usage page 1) are supported on systems running host software release 3.5.20 or later and firmware release 3.4.0 or later.</p>
3	On a dual monitor setup with the local cursor enabled the Windows cursor is active on one display while the local cursor is active on the second display.	<p>This may occur while using host software release 3.1.11 with firmware releases 3.0 and 3.1.x. These releases impose a restriction where the zero client's lowest numbered DVI connector must be the left monitor in a horizontal display arrangement or the top monitor in a vertical display arrangement.</p> <p>Solutions to the problem:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install host software release 3.2.20 or later and firmware release 3.2.0 or later, which no longer restrict the monitor arrangement. If using host software release 3.1.11 and firmware releases 3.0 or 3.1.x connect the zero client monitors according to the following rules. Horizontal display arrangements must connect the left monitor to the lowest numbered DVI port. Vertical display arrangements must connect the top monitor to the lowest numbered DVI port.
4	Zero client resets while connecting to a PCoIP host.	<p>This occurs under the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> host is running firmware release 3.2.x zero client is running firmware release 3.1.x host software release 3.2.20 or higher is loaded on the PC/workstation <p>Resolution: Download firmware release 3.2.x or later to the zero client.</p>

7.2 Debug Logs

The host software for Windows writes debug information to log files that can assist in debugging problems. The files are stored in the following directories.

- Windows XP - <Drive Letter>:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data\Teradici Corporation\PCoIP Host Software\Logs
- Windows Vista, Windows 7 and Windows 8.1 - <Drive Letter>:\ProgramData\Teradici Corporation\PCoIP Host Software\Logs

7.3 Requirements for Local Cursor and Keyboard Feature

The local cursor and keyboard feature depends on a number of requirements. If the **Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard** checkbox is grayed out, ensure the following requirements are met:

- PCoIP host and zero client both use the same firmware that supports local cursor and keyboard.
- The **Host Driver Function** option is enabled on the PCoIP host and the PC or workstation is restarted after the option was changed from disabled to enabled.
- A PCoIP session is established between the PCoIP host and zero client or soft client.
- The graphics card is not configured to scale the image (that is, not using technologies such as horizontal/vertical span mode from NVIDIA).
- The graphics card is configured to use the monitor's built in scaling when a non-native resolution is selected.
- The display or displays are not rotated.

Note: This requirement is true for systems running firmware releases prior to 3.2.0 and host software releases prior to 3.2.20. Systems using firmware release 3.2.0 or later and host software release 3.2.20 or later can enable the local cursor with rotated displays on some systems. Section 7.5 describes some problems observed while using rotated displays.

- If the zero client and host card are loaded with a firmware release equal to or later than 4.1.0, the mouse and keyboard devices are connected to zero client USB root ports or USB hubs with only HID devices.
- If the zero client and host card are loaded with a firmware release prior to 4.1.0 the mouse and keyboard devices are connected to USB root ports on the zero client (that is the devices are not connected to a USB hub).
- The mouse and keyboard devices function correctly with the zero clients' OSD.
- Multi-monitor systems that arrange the monitors horizontally must connect the left display to the zero clients' lowest numbered DVI connector and systems that arrange the monitors vertically must connect the top display to the zero clients' lowest numbered DVI connector.

Note: This requirement is true for systems running firmware release 3.0 and 3.1.x with host software release 3.1.11. This requirement does not apply to systems running firmware release 3.2.0 or higher and host software release 3.2.20 or later.

- The local cursor feature might not work with some non-native display resolutions. This only affects connections from zero client devices. We recommend you use the display's native resolution or choose a resolution on which the feature works.

7.4 Requirements for Using the Client Display Topology

Using the client display topology settings on the host depends on a number of requirements. If the **Why are the client topology settings not in use?** text appears on the **Monitors** tab, ensure the following requirements are met:

- PCoIP host and zero client are running firmware that supports using the client display topology settings (firmware release 3.2.0 or later).
- The version of the VMware View soft client is release 4.6 or later.
- The version of the Teradici soft client is release 1.0 or later.
- The **Use client topology settings when starting a session or resizing the soft client window** tab is checked.
- When using a zero client, the **Enable Configuration** check box on the zero client OSD **Options->User Settings->Display Topology** page is checked.
- The **Host Driver Function** option is enabled on the PCoIP host and the PC or workstation is restarted after the option was changed from disabled to enabled.
- A PCoIP session is established between the PCoIP host and client.
- The graphics card is configured to use the monitor's built in scaling when a non-native resolution is selected.

7.5 Problems with Rotated Displays

PCoIP host software release 3.2.20 and firmware release 3.2 0 added support for rotated displays and using the client display topology settings. Depending on the workstation configuration, you may encounter problems if you use the **Enable Local Cursor and Keyboard** or **Use client topology settings when starting a session or resizing the soft client window** features. This section summarizes the issues and limitations.

- Soft clients running on Windows XP systems do not support rotation. On these systems, Windows does not report valid rotation information. To rotate the soft client window, run the client from a workstation running Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows 8.1.
- Workstations running Windows XP with Nvidia graphics cards do not support rotation. The host software cannot activate client topology settings if any of the client monitors are rotated and the local cursor feature will not work. To rotate a monitor, install Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows 8.1 on the workstation.
- Workstations running Windows XP with AMD graphics cards do not support activating client topology settings if any of the client monitors are rotated.
- The local cursor and keyboard feature might work on workstations running Windows XP with AMD graphics cards. Our testing showed the feature worked with the AMD FirePro RG220 and failed with the AMD Radeon HD 3650.