

## Puli 32/64 bit

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**roadster3043**  
Joined: 19 Oct 2005  
Posts: 7

D Posted: Thu 31 Mar 2016, 23:14 Post subject: Puli Smartload

Hi,

I've been testing Puli 6.0.4, but can't seem to load anything that I've placed in the smartload file and the packages directory.

Sometimes at boot it says omit even though I pressed a key to load it.

What could I be doing wrong?

Thanks.

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Take care.

Juan

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D Posted: Fri 03 Apr 2016, 09:07 Post subject: Re: Puli Smartload

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Dear roadster3043,

Please check whether you hit the key in time and this key correctly identifies the package(s) you want to smartload.

- Proper timing** - To select a package set to be smartloaded, you need to hit a key within a specific timeslot in the boot process. It begins as soon as the purple "copying to ram" text appears and ends 5 seconds after Puli asks you for the selection.
- Unique reference** - For example, if you hit key "a", it is expected to have a smartload file named "smartloada" in the /profiles/Common folder of your boot pendrive. If you hit "x" while you don't have "smartloadx" there or if you hit the spacebar, then nothing will be smartloaded. If you don't hit any key or if you hit Enter, Puli seeks the default "smartload" file there.

In the case you use a laptop without a separate numeric keypad, some character keys can be interpreted as numbers at boot time. Also, if you have non-US keyboard, some keys are placed differently. (The default numlock and language settings can be controlled by the syslinux.cfg and the puli.cfg files).

The selected smartload file should list the requested packages, referencing them by the first few characters of their filename. Of course, if this type of reference is ambivalent, i.e., points to multiple packages, then only one of them will be smartloaded.

- Existing packages** - The packages, with file extensions .pet and/or .fs and/or one (chrome) .deb, should be placed in the /packages folder of the boot pendrive. For smartload, I recommend to use the packages tested in Puli. Note that none of the smartloaded packages appear among the installed ones in the Puppy Package Manager.

FYI: You may include references to all your favorite packages in all your smartload files (for example, I do this) but in this case those need to be skipped in a particular smartload file should begin with "-" minus sign.

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Location: West Lothian, Scotland, UK

D Posted: Mon 18 Apr 2016, 04:44 Post subject:

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D Posted: Mon 18 Apr 2016, 18:33 Post subject: Ransomware vs Puli

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Dear Sylvander,

Ransomware can encrypt your files even in Linux environment. It can be activated if you open an attachment of an email. However, Puli can block ransomware if you are careful enough and avoid common traps:

- First of all, do not use the Puli pendrive for other purposes, e.g., do not plug it into an infected machine - don't use it as temporary storage of Windows files.
- Second, after you booted Puli, unplug the pendrive as soon as Puli recommends this (i.e., before the network connection is established). It is an advantage if you boot Puli from a USB device with write protection switch - a simple SD card is good for this purpose.
- Third, use the safest (Lazy) security profile of Puli. While you are browsing using Chrome in the Lazy mode, the /bin folder is hidden thus the malicious code, such as ransomware, gets no resources to auto-install then infect. Note that this defense is active only while you are browsing in Lazy mode - so using a web based mail service is strongly recommended. (Actually, the above is true for Chrome browser only. I write this post in the next Puli version that allows Lazy mode also for Slimjet and Iron - I am thinking on Firefox yet.)

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D Posted: Mon 18 Apr 2016, 21:26 Post subject:

Hello gluhasz,

Thanks for your reply.

- I...
- Never use my Puli pendrive for other purposes.
- Never knowingly plug it into any computer unless I believe that computer to be uninfected.
- Never store Windows files on it.
- Always remove the Puli pendrive when prompted.
- So far I've not installed Puli to an SD memory card.
- Just now switched my Puli to loading "force\_lazy" in "/mnt/sdb1/profiles/Common/smartload".
- I never fetch email in Puli.
- When fetching my POP3 email in other Puppies, I first view the emails using "SaveMyModem" [smm], and delete any that I suspect may not be genuine/safe, and I seldom if ever open attachments.
- So far I only use the natively included Chrome web-browser.

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