

# Announcing end of life for Appium versions 1.6.2 and below on Emulators and Simulators

In our continuing efforts to provide the best performing, most up-to-date platform for our users, Sauce Labs will discontinue support for Appium versions 1.6.2 and below on emulators and simulators on December 5th. We made this decision due to reduced market share of these versions, along with diminished usage by our customers. After December 5th, we will continue to support Appium versions 1.6.3 and above.

We strongly recommend you to test your automation scripts with the highest compatible Appium version on Sauce as soon as possible so that you are not impacted by this change on December 5th. Note that newer Appium versions are backward compatible and are required to test on the latest iOS and Android versions.

OS	Highest Compatible Appium Version
iOS 9.3	1.7.1
iOS 10.0 - 10.2	1.8.0
iOS 10.3 and above	1.9.1
Android all versions	1.9.1

After you have validated that your Appium test scripts work as expected we recommend you to discontinue using *appiumVersion* capability in your test scripts. This allows Sauce to pick the most stable, recent version for your test configuration and allows you to stay up to date with newer Appium versions.

Please refer to [Platform Configurator](#) for the most up-to-date list of supported Appium versions and mobile platforms on emulators and simulators.

Please contact [support@saucelabs.com](mailto:support@saucelabs.com) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Happy Testing,  
Sauce Emulators and Simulators Team

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