

How to install Stand-alone installation, installing on a single computer, Install on one computer

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- Prepare your machine for the update. Update your Windows machine. Sage relies on the newest technology from Windows. If it is a brand-new machine, continue to restart the machine and check for updates until you have taken all the updates and it is ready for use.

Download the program

Install the program

Note: It is recommended to install the program path at **C:\Program Files (x86)\Sage\Peachtree**

1. Run the downloaded installation file.
2. Select to install the requirements needed for Sage 50 Accounting if you receive the prompt.
3. Turn off anti-virus, and then click **Next**.
4. Agree to the license agreement, and then click **Next**.
5. Select **Auto configure the Windows Firewall to allow install and run Sage 50 (Recommended)** box, and then click **Next**.

Note: If the Windows Firewall is disabled, then the box will be grayed out.

6. Verify or enter your **Serial number**, and then click **Next**.
7. At the prompt "Will this be the only computer running Sage 50?" select **Yes**, and then click **Next**.
8. On the Install Options, select location of program files and company data files, and then click **Install**.
9. Complete the installation (there is a link to Read the Release notes).

How to install Sage 50 on a Network

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When ready to install:

- If you have Sage 50 on your computer, Back up all companies.
- Have all users exit Sage 50 before starting the install on the server.
- Before starting the install, close all other programs on the computer.
- Turn off your anti-virus during the install.

- Leave your firewall on and enable notifications.
- Make sure the User Account Control (UAC) is set to minimum, not maximum. This may require Admin access. Consult with IT personnel if necessary.

1.) **Once you have prepared your machine and checked with your Add-on vendors, go to your Server machine.** This is the only machine you will run an actual download unless you are putting the software on a laptop machine that will be used outside the office. In that case, you will need to download the software there also and choose SET UP for the installation.

You may find the latest link here, in our accounting Knowledge Center, to make sure you get the correct version. We have tabs for multiple years.

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Once downloaded, start running the program. This should be installed on the C drive of the computer.

When prompted verify or enter your **Serial number**, then click **Next**

NOTE: You must install the software on the server first. You may install over your existing application or you may choose a new location. From my experience, if you have other programs attached to your software it is easier to write over the existing application and update all links at one time. We use Act! If we install new, we must repoint the addon to the new data location. This can be painful and time consuming.

- 2.) Will this be the ONLY computer running Sage 50? select **No**, and then click **Next**.
- 3.) On the Sage 50 Company Data Files Storage screen, select **This computer is the server**, and then click **Next**.
- 4.) On the Install Options, select location of program files and company data files. Sage 50 MUST be installed on the C:// drive. We recommend taking the default location and then click **Install**.
- 5.) On Sharing Company Data screen, select **Share the Folder**, and then click **Next**. Follow the instructions listed below to share the correct folder with the correct permissions.

1. Right-click on the folder, then select **Properties**
2. Go to **Sharing** Tab
3. Click **Advanced Sharing**
4. Check the box for **Share this folder**, then click **Permissions**.
5. Click **Add**
6. In **Enter the object names to select** enter in the desired Windows usernames or groups, click **Check Names**, then click **OK**.
7. Repeat Step 5 and 6 to add **System**.
8. For each user, select the **Allow** check box for **Full Control**.
9. Click **OK** on the Permissions window.
10. Click **OK** on the Advanced Sharing window.
11. Switch to the **Security** tab.
12. Click the **Edit** button.
13. If the **Administrators** user is not in the Group or user names, click the **Add** button.
14. In **Enter the object names to select** enter in **Administrators**, click **Check Names**, then click **OK**.
15. With the **Administrators** user highlighted, select the **Allow** check box for **Full Control**, then click **OK**.
16. Click the **Close** button.

6.) Complete the installation (there is a link to Read the Release notes).

- 7.) Open Sage 50 and update the company files if any.
- 8.) Turn on anti-virus
- 9.) Restart your machine.
- 10.) Activate Sage 50 online when prompted.

How to install on your workstation:

- Before starting the install, close all other programs on the computer.
- Turn off your anti-virus during the install.
- Leave your firewall on and enable notifications.
- Make sure the User Account Control (UAC) is set to minimum, not maximum. This may require Admin access. Consult with IT personnel if necessary.

If you are installing to a workstation or client machine, browse to the server computer, find the Peachtreeinstaller folder. The file is located at:
 \\ServerName\\PeachtreeInstaller20XX\\ClientInstall.bat.

If Installing Sage 50 on a mobile device that will be used outside of the office such as a Laptop and it will be a standalone machine where you would like to access Sage 50, Click on “Setup”, not “clientinstall.bat”

You can install on client machines simultaneously! Once installed, restart the computers and activate on line.

Quick Tips for Network Install

- Always install on the server first.
- The program must be installed on each computer that will use Sage unless you are in a Terminal Services environment.
- You can use the Network Installation Manager to install on multiple PCs simultaneously: start the installation at the first workstation, and then move on to the next.
- The Network Installation Manager will not work over wireless networks.
- When installing using the downloaded Sage 50 installer, the Destination folder is where the install files will be extracted; this is not the program location.
- If operating in a domain environment it may be necessary to set correct Windows permissions on the PeachtreeInstaller20xx folder in order to run the network installation manager. Follow Article ID 10211: Verify my data file permissions are correctly set.
- Sage 50 Pro Accounting is not multi-user compatible; however, Sage 50 Premium and Sage 50 Quantum Accounting are multi-user compatible.
- Installing through a remote desktop connection or virtual machine will require the following steps to start the install:

- 1) Press **Windows+R** keys.
- 2) Type **%temp%**, and then click **OK**.
- 3) Double-click **RarSFX0** folder.
- 4) Double-click **Peachw** folder.
- 5) Double-click **Install** folder.
- 6) Right-click **_setup.exe**, and then select **Run as administrator**.

Quick Tips for Upgrading

- If you choose not to replace the older release, but convert your data into the newer version, you will not be able to use the data with the older release.
- When installing using the downloaded Sage 50 installer, the Destination folder is where the install files will be extracted. This is not the location of the prior release. The prior install location is automatically detected during the installation wizard.
- Installing/uninstalling Sage does not remove or change your company data.
- The first time you open a company it will be converted to be compatible with the new version.
- The Sage Intelligence Reporting module is installed separately.
- If Sage 50 2016.2 or higher is currently installed, it will automatically download the Sage 50 2019 installer and prompt to install when closing the program. As usual, this update needs to be installed on the server or host computer first.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I place my company data on an external drive connected to the server?

A: No. At the server, data files must be installed to a local drive.

Q: After installing Sage on the server can I copy the files to a different location and edit the .INI file?

A: No. Sage will not function correctly if this is done.

Q: Is Sage 50 2022 compatible with Microsoft Windows 10?

A: Yes, as of the 2016.1 update, Sage 50 2016.1 and above are fully compatible with Microsoft Windows 10.

Q: Why can't Sage 50 2022 be installed on Windows XP, Windows Server 2003 or Windows Vista or Windows 7?

A: The Windows components necessary for Sage 50 2022 to run are incompatible with older versions of Windows.

Now that you have the program installed.

If you did write over an existing Sage 50 installation, simply open Sage 50 and open the company. It will ask you to run a backup, then the update process will begin. It will start with the earliest year and work forward adding updates for one year at a time. It will do this for the last 6 years of data.

If you have installed the software on a NEW computer and you want to bring in data from an old computer, you can do this one of 2 ways.

1. Open the old computer and back up Sage 50 to a flash drive.
 - a. Now move the .ptb file from the flash drive to the desktop.
 - b. Open the new sage 50 software.
 - c. Go to “File” tab > Restore > browse for the .ptb backup from the old computer you placed on the desktop.
 - d. Hit next and when asked, bring in data and custom forms. (If you are bringing in multiple companies, only bring custom forms in one time.) When you hit finish, your company will open in Sage 50.

2. If you don’t have a good backup but you have the company file folder from the old computer, I usually open a new company in the new Sage 50 program and copy the data from the old file into the new file. When you open the company file in Sage 50, it will update to the current version.
 - a. To open the new company, go to File > Open New Company
 - b. Write in the company name – Don’t worry about other information. It will paste in from the real company later.
 - c. Start with last year (1 year back) . So, if you are installing this in 2022, open the company in 2021. Don’t worry about cash and accrual or periods the will copy over.
 - d. When you go to open your company, it will update to the new program.

If the program data is more than 6 years old, the program will not update the data in this manner. You will need Sage or a Sage Certified consultant to intervene and help you. We offer this service. Here is a link to our website. <https://www.bestbusinessstrategies.com/Sage50dataupgrade>