

PEAXACT Installation & License Activation

1 Installation

Step 1: Before You Install

- Make sure your computer fulfills the [system requirements](#).
- When upgrading an existing installation, visit <http://www.s-pact.de/peaxact/whatsnew> and read the upgrade notes and compatibility considerations.
- Make sure you have administrator privileges to perform the installation.
- Make sure your license is valid for the major version you want to install. If you do not have a license yet, you can get a free trial license or purchase a license after installation.

Note: The PEAXACT version is a concatenation of three numbers

`<major version>.<minor version>.<maintenance version>`, e.g. 3.6.0.

Step 2: Install PEAXACT

- Download the latest PEAXACT Installer from <http://www.s-pact.de/downloads>

Note: The installer's filename is `peaxactInstaller_<version>_<arch>.exe`

`<version>` is the version number; `<arch>` is the software architecture (`win32` or `win64`). PEAXACT is available for 32 bit and 64 bit Windows platforms. The 32 bit version also runs on 64 bit platforms, but not vice versa.

Note: Only one installation of PEAXACT can exist at a time. Installing a newer version will update the existing installation automatically. Installing a different architecture or older version requires uninstallation of the existing version first.

Online Installation (Web Installation)

- If you are going to install PEAXACT on a computer which is connected to the internet, you do not need to download any additional files.
- Run the PEAXACT Installer and follow the setup instructions. Additional runtime packages are downloaded and installed automatically if detected missing.

Offline Installation

- If you are planning to install PEAXACT on a computer without internet access, you have to download additional runtime packages in advance from <http://www.s-pact.de/peaxact/runtime>
- Make sure to download runtime packages for the same architecture as the PEAXACT installer (32 bit or 64 bit)
- Save all installer files without renaming them to one folder on your hard drive / flash drive.
- Run the PEAXACT Installer file from this folder and follow the setup instructions. Runtime packages are installed automatically if detected missing.

Step 3: After Installation

- After a new product installation, continue with [License Activation](#).
- After upgrading an existing installation, check the upgrade notes at <http://www.s-pact.de/peaxact/whatsnew> for further upgrade steps.

2 License Activation

License activation involves loading a valid license file. If you already have one, go ahead to [step 3](#).

Step 1: Find out the computer's Host ID

Note: This step is required for purchased licenses only! For free licenses, proceed with [step 2](#).

For purchased licenses, activation associates the use of PEAXACT with designated computers by means of a Host ID. The Host ID is a MAC address (format xx-xx-xx-xx-xx-xx) or the serial number of volume c (format xxxx-xxxx) of the computer on which PEAXACT is installed.

- Click the Windows start menu and select **Programs > PEAXACT > Activate PEAXACT**
- Wait until the License Activation Dialog is displayed
- Take the Host ID from the dialog window, then click Cancel.
- If you purchased a license for multiple computers, get one Host ID for each computer.

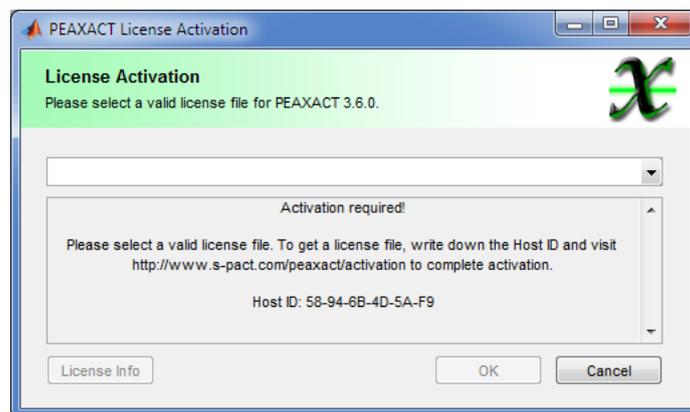
Note: You can also type `getmac` at the command prompt and use the first MAC address as Host ID.

Step 2: Request license file

- Visit <http://www.s-pact.de/peaxact/activation> and use the web form to request a license file.

Step 3: Activate license

- Click the Windows start menu and select **Programs > PEAXACT > Activate PEAXACT** or **Activate PEAXACT Application Server** depending on whether you wish to activate PEAXACT or the PEAXACT Application Server.
- Wait until the License Activation Dialog is displayed



- Choose **Import License...** from the dropdown list to browse for a file, then click OK.

Per-machine license vs. per-user license

If you perform the activation with administrator privileges, licenses will be activated **per-machine**, i.e. for all Windows users. Otherwise, licenses will be activated **per-user**, i.e. for the logged on user. Per-machine licenses take precedence over per-user licenses. Once a per-machine license is activated the License Activation Dialog gets locked for regular users.

3 System Requirements

- Microsoft Windows XP SP2 or later (32 bit or 64 bit)
- Intel or AMD x86 or x64 CPU with SSE2 support (2 GHz recommended)
- 1 GB of disk space (2 GB recommended)
- 1 GB RAM (2 GB recommended)