

How to Install Qt for Windows

If you intend building the SQL drivers, please update the environment variable %LIB% to include the path to your SQL libraries before starting the installation.

Run the `qt-win-commercial-3.0.0.exe` program and go through all the steps of the installation wizard:

1. Enter in your license key as it appears on the CD cover.
2. Read the license. You are only able to continue the installation if you accept the license.
3. Select where you want to install Qt and which parts of Qt you want to install. You must also choose which development tool you want to use with Qt. The wizard will only allow you to choose one, but you can set the system up to use any other development tools later.
4. Choose which program menu folder Qt should install its icons into. The checkbox for setting `QTDIR` is to choose whether or not the environment variable `QTDIR` should be set or modified. If checked, `QTDIR` will be set to point to the directory where you installed Qt. If `QTDIR` is already set, (if Qt is already installed, which may be another version) this checkbox will be cleared by default, to avoid accidental modifications to your setup. If you have chosen to use Microsoft Visual Studio then you must also specify the path to the installation of Microsoft Visual Studio. This allows Qt to integrate itself into the development environment.
5. Configure the library. You can choose several options and configurations for building the Qt library. The default options should be sufficient for most cases. The library can also be reconfigured later with the `configure.exe` program. After this, the wizard unpacks the files into the installation directory and compiles the toolkit. Logs of both the installation and building are saved to the installation directory. If you selected Microsoft Visual Studio as your development environment, the wizard also integrates the Qt tools into Visual Studio.

Note: When installing the toolkit on a Windows 9x system, the compilation step is skipped, due to technical limitations in the operating system. The installation program writes the steps needed to build the toolkit into a batch file and puts a shortcut to this in the start menu. To build it, just click on this shortcut.

Some Windows versions may require a reboot before all environment variables are activated.

If you wish to customize how you install Qt or if you encounter problems with installing Qt then refer to the `INSTALL` file in `%QTDIR%` for more information.

That's all! Qt and Qt's tools are now installed.