



Installing KennelSuite IX

Before installing, decide whether this is a **new** installation or an **upgrade** from a previous version. Then follow the appropriate instructions below.

New Installation of the Evaluation Level

1. Insert the CD. The installation will start automatically in a few seconds.
If the installation does not start, open My Computer from your desktop, locate your CD drive, and double-click **setup.exe**
2. When the installer asks for the installation type, select **Standalone**.
3. When the installation is complete, you may be required to restart your computer to finalize the process.
4. Launch the program and login as 'Administrator' with no password.

New Installation of the Basic and Professional Levels

1. Insert the CD. The installation will start automatically in a few seconds
If the installation does not start, open My Computer from your desktop, locate your CD drive, and double-click **setup.exe**
2. When the installer asks for the installation type, select **Standalone**. If you are using Windows Vista, do not install into the Program Files folder.
3. When the installation is complete, you may be required to restart your computer to finalize the process.

New Installation of the Enterprise Level

Many details of this process are beyond the scope of these instructions. KennelSuite is only one small component of your larger system. We are not in a position to advise you regarding changes to your network or Windows security configurations.

If you are not experienced with networks and Windows security, you may wish to have a technician install your network and KennelSuite.

1. Identify the **server** computer. This is the computer that will store the database, your license, and a copy of the KennelSuite program. Every other computer is supported by the server and is called a **client**.
2. Verify that your network is working, that all computers can communicate with each other, and Windows security is configured.

Install the Server

3. Insert the CD on the server computer. The installation will start automatically in a few seconds.
4. When the installer asks for the installation type, select **Enterprise Server**.
5. Start KennelSuite to verify that it is working on the server.
6. Share the database folder and assign permissions. The default location is \\Plane Software\KennelSuite IX\data.

Install the Clients

7. Insert the CD on a client computer. The installation will start automatically in a few seconds.
8. When the installer asks for the installation type, select **Enterprise Client**. A dialog will ask you to browse your network to locate the share on the server that you created earlier.
9. Start KennelSuite and verify that it has connected to the database on the server.
10. Repeat steps 7-9 on each client computer.

Upgrading from an Earlier Version

1. Backup the previous version's database as usual.
2. If you have KennelSuite 2006 (version 8) you must uninstall it from Control Panel > Add/Remove Programs before installing IX. KennelSuite IX can coexist with KennelSuite 7 for testing purposes but you must uninstall v7 after your migration to IX is complete.
3. Install KennelSuite by following the steps under the appropriate new installation section above.
4. Start KennelSuite. If you have the Enterprise level, you must close KennelSuite on all client computers.
5. Restore the KennelSuite database from your backup disk by clicking **File -> Restore** from the main window.
6. If you have the Enterprise level, install KennelSuite on each client computer and verify that each can access the database on the server.
7. Some configuration information is stored locally on each computer so you should also go through the tabs on the **Options** dialog on each computer to configure your preferences.
8. Delete the old version from Control Panel Add/Remove programs.

Getting Help

Press the **F1** key, click the Help menu, or click the Help button on most dialogs to start the help system. If you don't find what you need, please contact us or check the **FAQ** on our web.

There is a printable User's Guide that was installed into the KennelSuite folder. There's also a copy on your CD. It is designed for double-sided printing. If you are unable to print this way, you can take the file to your local reprographics shop.

Recommended Minimum Hardware

- Pentium 4 processor, 256 MB memory, 7,200 rpm hard disk.
- Backup device (USB flash/jump, Zip, CD-RW, tape, etc.) Everyone should backup their data every day. If you are not a geek, we recommend USB for backup.
- Uninterruptible power supply (UPS) on each computer and network hub/router. This will protect your system and data from damage which may result from fluctuations or outages in your electric supply.

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