



Installation & Activation Guide

A quick start guide on how to install our Engineering Software.

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Mech-Q



Important: Please read these instructions before installing

Thank You!

Thank you for supporting our Engineering Software. Please read through these installation instructions before installing our software. If you have any questions please email us at sales@cadavenue.com.

What you will need:

- 1) AutoCAD, AutoCAD LT or IntelliCAD installed on your system.
- 2) The download saved to your Desktop or My Documents Folder.

Getting started:

- 1) Close your CAD application and all active programs and windows.
- 2) Double-click on **My Computer** Icon located on your Desktop
- 3) Optionally you click Start (lower left) then **My Computer**
- 4) Browse to the location where you saved the **Setup** file.
- 5) Double-click on **Setup** file (ending in .exe).

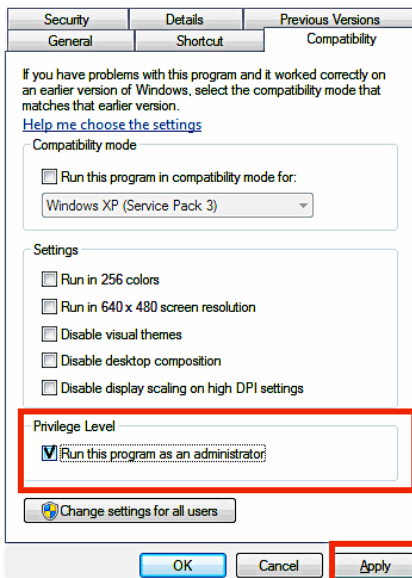
The installation:

- 1) Follow the instructions in the splash screens.
- 2) You can choose either to install the Full Suite or individual modules.
- 3) Do not load any applications until install completes.

Permission settings:

For Windows 7 and Vista

- 1) Right-click on shortcut to your CAD application.
Note: if running AutoCAD LT right-click on Mech-Q shortcut on desktop.
- 2) Choose **Properties** then **Compatibility**.
- 3) Make sure **Compatibility Mode** is unchecked and **Run Program As Administrator** is checked.

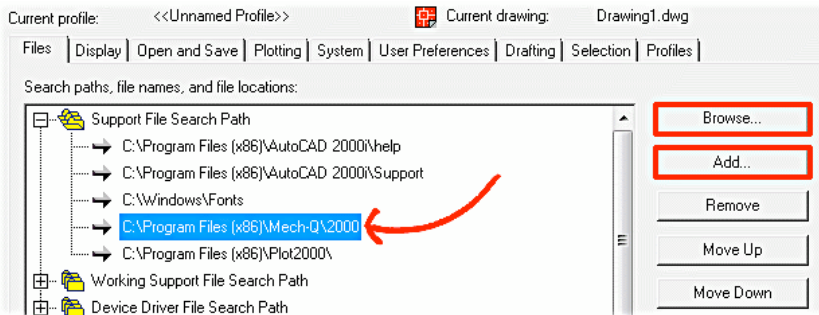


File Properties
Dialog In Windows 7/ Vista

Troubleshooting:

Checking Paths

- 1) Choose "Tools" menu select "Options"
- 2) Select the "Files" tab
- 3) Select "Support Files Search Path"
- 4) If **no** Mech-Q or ZWmech is listed Choose "Add" button, then **browse to:**
 - **For AutoCAD:** C:\Program Files\Mech-Q\A20XY
 - **For AutoCAD LT:** C:\Program Files\ASVIC\Mech-Q\20XY
 - **For IntelliCAD:** C:\Program Files\ *Your IntelliCAD App* \Mech-Q
- 5) Click Apply and Close window.
- 6) Restart your CAD application



Support File Search Path Dialog Box

Loading Menus (AutoCAD and LT)

- 1) Choose Tools menu select Customize then Customize Interface
- 2) Make sure that you are in the "Customize" page and from the "All Customization Files" list select "Open"
- 3) Locate the Mech-Q customized user interface file: Mech-Q.CUI
- 4) Default Install location:
- 5) AutoCAD 20XY: C:\Program Files\Mech-Q\A20XY
- 6) AutoCAD LT 20XY: C:\Program Files\ASVIC\Mech-Q\20XY\Menu
- 7) Use the "Open" tab to load the Mech-Q menu.

! AutoCAD LT Users:

If running AutoCAD LT please read the below for important instructions on how to activate CADTSTA.

Activating your temp code for Mech-Q LT

How to authorize - step by step instructions

AutoCAD LT requires a 3rd party LISP extender called CADTSA in order to run LT add-ons like Mech-Q. After downloading our trial, a temporary 30 day code will be emailed that you will contain important code to activate our software. Please do the following:

- 1) Download the trial at: <http://www.cadavenue.com>
- 2) Install Mech-Q (see all steps above)
- 3) Load Mech-Q using the shortcut located on your desktop
- 4) Verify **Permission Settings** if using Vista or Windows 7 (see steps above)
- 6) Always dbl-click on Mech-Q shortcut to load AutoCAD LT
- 7) Choose **Authorize** from the start-up dialog box
- 8) Check your email and copy both the serial and activation code into the dialog box
- 9) AutoCAD LT will now load and Mech-Q trial will begin.
- 10) Next time you load Mech-Q you do not need to enter code, instead select **Skip**.

Note:

If Menus and Toolbars are not visible or if Mech-Q fails to load please see Troubleshooting (above).

At the end of 30 days you will need to purchase the Mech-Q LT bundle which includes both Mech-Q and CADSTA. At the time of purchase an additional 30 days will be added while a new permanent key is generated.

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