Minitab Workspace® Deployment Guide

This guide provides instructions for installing and licensing Minitab Workspace.

By installing Minitab Workspace, you agree to the terms of the Software Subscription Agreement and Privacy Notice. If you do not agree to these terms, uninstall the software package. If you are deploying software to end users, you are accepting these terms on their behalf.

Deploying Minitab Workspace

You can use the command line to install Minitab Workspace on the client computer. To do so, you must specify the license information for each installation using the appropriate command line syntax. The following tables outline properties and switches that can be used for command line or mass deployment to your end-users.

EXE Switch Table

Command Line Switch	Accepted Values	Description
/exelang	1031 1033 1034 1036 1041 1042 1046 2052	Specify the default language of the installation and application. If language is not specified, the installer will use your system regional settings for the default language, or default to English if a match is not found. 1031=German 1033=English 1034=Spanish 1036=French 1041=Japanese 1042=Korean 1046=Portuguese 2052=Simplified Chinese
/exenoui		Required for a silent install. Use with appropriate MSI switch for modified end-user experience (e.g., /qn, /qb, /passive).

MSI Switch Table (Common)

Command Line Switch	Description
/passive	Basic user interface, progress bar only
/qn	Quiet, no user interface
/qb	Basic user interface, the **Cancel** button will be active during installation
/qr	Reduced user interface, the **Cancel** button will be active during installation

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Property Table

Property	Accepted Values	Description
APPDIR		Specify a custom installation folder.
ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT	1	Required property. By specifying a value for this property, you accept the terms of the software subscription agreement and privacy notice.
LICENSE_SERVER	Server name or IP address	For use with a multi-user desktop license to specify the server that hosts Minitab License Manager. • Not compatible with PRODUCT_KEY, LICENSE_PORTAL, or FILE_LOC
LICENSE_SERVER_PORT	27000 to 27009	For use with a multi-user desktop license to *optionally* specify the listening port for the Minitab License Manager server.
PRODUCT_KEY	18-digit Product Key	Single-user desktop licenses can be activated by specifying a Product Key. • Not compatible with LICENSE_SERVER, LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, LICENSE_PORTAL, or FILE_LOC
FILE_LOC	Fully qualified path to license file, including filename	An alternative license mechanism using a file. Not intended for use with a standalone license configuration utilizing the Minitab License Manager. • Not compatible with LICENSE_SERVER, LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, LICENSE_PORTAL, or PRODUCT_KEY • Corresponds to the location of your minitab.lic file
LICENSE_PORTAL	1	For use only with online accounts that require sign-in. • Not compatible with LICENSE_SERVER, LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, PRODUCT_KEY, or FILE_LOC

Property	Accepted Values	Description
DISABLE_ANALYTICS	0 or 1	With consent, Minitab collects analytics to understand customer needs. **Examples** • Product information (imported file types, tools, commands, and frequency of use) • Project characteristics (amount of data, number of worksheets, and frequency and duration of use) • Performance information (any issues encountered while using Minitab products and/or services) Minitab does not collect user-entered data or statistical results. **Settings** Enter a value now or when you launch the software. • Enter 0 to enable analytics • Enter 1 to disable analytics If you deploy software for end users, the following settings apply. • 0 allows end users to enable or disable analytics on their computers • 1 disables analytics for all end users These settings do not prevent Minitab from collecting other types of data from its websites and products, such as the data required to manage licenses or access online Help. For more information, view our privacy policy.
PERSONAL_FOLDER	A path to a location on the user's computer	The location where personal templates are stored. By default, the Personal folder is located in the user's Application Data folder.
WORKGROUP_FOLDER	A path to a commonly accessible location, such as a network folder	The location where shared templates are stored. The Workgroup folder does not have a default value.

Property	Accepted Values	Description
ProductLanguage	1031 1033 1034 1036 1041 1042 1046 2052	Specify the default language of the installation and application. This property can only be set within the Minitab Group Policy file. Refer to EXE Switch Table for additional language options. 1031=German 1033=English 1034=Spanish 1036=French 1041=Japanese 1042=Korean 1046=Portuguese 2052=Simplified Chinese
DISABLE_UPDATES	1	When you specify a value for this property, you turn off the ability to check for software updates. Disabling this option prevents automatic and manual checks from occurring. We recommend that you enable this option on at least one computer. • Set LICENSE_PORTAL=1 to manage updates through the License Portal.

Command Line Details

1. You must use the /exenoui switch when you use /qn, /qb, or /passive.

2. Verify that command line switches are in correct order.

   • EXE switches must precede MSI switches.

   • MSI switches must precede MSI properties.

3. If you do not specify licensing properties (LICENSE_PORTAL, PRODUCT_KEY, LICENSE_SERVER, or FILE_LOC), the free trial will be installed.

4. If you have a previous version of Minitab Workspace installed, the existing values will be used for APPDIR, LICENSE_PORTAL, LICENSE_SERVER, LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, and PRODUCT_KEY, if they are not specified during the upgrade.

Required Syntax

Use the following syntax: **productV.v.v.vsetup.exe**, where

• Lowercase **product** is the name of the software,

• Uppercase **V** indicates the major release number of the software; and

• Lowercase **v** (up to 3) indicates an update to the major release of the software.

For example: minitabworkspace1.4.2setup.exe [EXE Switch Table] [MSI Switch Table] [Property Table]

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Examples

Install silently, English default language, account sign-in:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_PORTAL=1

Install silently, German default language:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1031 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1

Install silently, English default language, multi-user desktop license:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_SERVER=MyServerName

Install silently, English default language, multi-user desktop license setting server and port, setting workgroup and personal templates folder, and checking for updates disabled:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_SERVER=MyServerName LICENSE_SERVER_PORT=27000 WORKGROUP_FOLDER=\\server1\workgroup PERSONAL_FOLDER=C:\templates DISABLE_UPDATES=1

Install silently, English default language, license file:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 FILE_LOC="C:\minitab.lic"

Install silently, English default language, single-user desktop license with product key, and custom installation folder:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 PRODUCT_KEY=123456789012345678 APPDIR="C:\New Custom Installation Folder"

Upgrade Minitab Workspace silently:

> productV.v.v.vsetup.exe /exenoui /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1

Uninstall silently using the Minitab Workspace product code:

> msiexec /x {Product Code} /qn

> Product Code Registry Location: [HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\WOW6432Node\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Uninstall\Minitab Workspace V.v.v.v]

> String: UninstallPath

Group policy usage

The MSIs in the GroupPolicy folder of the Mass Deployment Package should be used only for Group Policy deployment methods. Use the Group Policy MSIs in conjunction with repackaging tools to ensure that Properties are set correctly for the required configuration.

- To install Minitab Workspace with English as the default language, use productV.v.v.vsetupGroupPolicy.English.msi.
- To install Minitab Workspace with a non-English default language, use productV.v.v.vsetupGroupPolicy.MultiLanguage.msi.

The ProductLanguage property must be set to a supported language value. For a list of supported language values, refer to the Property Table.