Installing Dragon NaturallySpeaking

Note: These instructions are intended for computer users with basic computer knowledge. Should you have a question regarding any of these instructions, please give us a call.

Dragon NaturallySpeaking is provided on 1 CD for the Standard, Preferred, and Professional versions, 2 CDs for the Legal version, and 3 CDs for the Medical Version. There will be a license number on the back of the CD cover**. Keep a safe record of this number as it will be required should you ever need to reinstall or upgrade your software.**

The installation is generally a quick and easy process taking only a few minutes.

1. Before installing the hard drive should be defragmented and antivirus software should be turned off. If you are not sure how to do this, contact your normal computer support. If you do not have a computer support resource, please contact us for additional pre-installation instructions.

2. Insert the NaturallySpeaking CD into your CD drive (use disk 1 for Legal or Medical.)

3. The Installation Wizard should launch automatically.

    If Installation Wizard does does not start after a minute or so, use Windows Explorer to browse to your CD-ROM Drive. Locate the **Application file** named **Setup** or **Setup.exe**. Double click on this file. If you see two files named Setup, the other one is an archive file named Setup.cab. Make sure to double click on the Application (exe) file, not the Archive (cab) file.

4. Once the Installation Wizard has started, continue with a **Normal** installation. The process generally takes less than 1 or 2 minutes. Most people will not need to change any of the default values. During the Installation you will be required to enter the License Number located on the back of the CD cover. When the Installation Wizard has completed you may be required to reboot your computer to complete the installation.

5. When the Installation is completed you should have a NaturallySpeaking Icon on your desktop and a NaturallySpeaking folder in you menu system.

6. Start NaturallySpeaking by Double Clicking the Desktop Icon, or clicking on the menu option.

7. NaturallySpeaking requires activation and a notice will appear when you start the program. If you are connected to the internet, select "Activate Now", then "Automatic Activation on the Web". The Activation process needs to be completed only once and generally takes 10 to 15 seconds. If you do not have Internet access, follow the instructions for telephone activation.

    If you choose "Activate Later", you will be asked to activate each time you

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start NaturallySpeaking. NaturallySpeaking can only be used a few times without activation.

8. When you start NaturallySpeaking the first time, the **New User Wizard** is started automatically. Most people will need only to enter their name and click **Next** to start creating their voice profile. You will be asked to read for about 6 minutes. This step can be skipped but much higher accuracy rates will be achieved if the reading is completed.

9. After the reading is completed you will have the option of allowing NaturallySpeaking to review existing documents to develop a better statistical model for the dictation you are likely to generate. This process usually takes about 1 minute but can take much longer if you have a large number of word processing documents in you My Documents folder.

10. At the conclusion of the Voice Profile creation you will be given the option of running the tutorial. The Tutorial is composed of 14 basic lesson topics, each taking 3-6 minutes. The tutorial can be restarted any time from the Help menu on the DragonBar and individual lesson topics can be used for review any time you need to.

Enjoy your Dragon!

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