Minitab Simul8® Deployment Guide

This guide provides instructions for installing and licensing Minitab Simul8® on Windows.

By installing Minitab Simul8, 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 Simul8

You can use the command line to install Minitab Simul8 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

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 , 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.
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, or LICENSE_PORTAL • Corresponds to the location of your minitab.lic file
LICENSE_PORTAL (*Minitab Simuil8 desktop app version 33 or later*)	1	For use only with Minitab Simul8 version 33 or later with online accounts that require sign-in. • Not compatible with LICENSE_SERVER, LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, or FILE_LOC

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. • This property is not applicable if LICENSE_PORTAL=1 because deployment preferences are managed through the Minitab License Portal subscription.

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, LICENSE_SERVER, or FILE_LOC), the free trial will be installed.

4. If you have a previous version of Minitab Simul8 installed, the existing values will be used for APPDIR, LICENSE_PORTAL, LICENSE_SERVER, and LICENSE_SERVER_PORT, if they are not specified during the upgrade.

Required Syntax

Use the following syntax: **productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe**, where
- Lowercase **product** is the name of the software,
- Uppercase **V** indicates the major release number of the software;
- Lowercase **v** (up to 3) indicates an update to the major release of the software; and
- **OS** indicates the operating system.

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For example: minitabsimul8VV.v.vsetup.x64.exe [EXE Switch Table] [MSI Switch Table] [Property Table]

Examples

Note   The following examples do not contain line breaks.

Install silently, English default language, and account sign-in:
> productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_PORTAL=1

Install silently, English default language, and multi-user desktop license:
> productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_SERVER=MyServerName

Install silently, English default language, and license file:
> productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe /exenoui /exelang 1033 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 FILE_LOC="C:\minitab.lic"

Install silently, Simplified Chinese default language, multi-user desktop license setting server and port, and checking for updates disabled:
> productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe /exenoui /exelang 2052 /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1 LICENSE_SERVER=MyServerName LICENSE_SERVER_PORT=27000 DISABLE_UPDATES=1

Upgrade Minitab Simul8 silently:
> productV.v.v.vsetup.xOS.exe /exenoui /qn ACCEPT_SOFTWARESUBSCRIPTIONAGREEMENT=1

Uninstall silently using the Minitab Simul8 product code:
> msiexec /x {Product Code} /qn

> 64-bit Product Code registry location:
> [HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Uninstall\Minitab Simul8 V 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 Simul8 with English as the default language, use productV.v.v.vsetupGroupPolicyxOS.English.msi.
- To install Minitab Simul8 with a non-English default language, use productV.v.v.vsetupGroupPolicyxOS.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.