

Pipeline For Windows

How to Subscribe

Follow the rest of the instructions. Then, when you're on line, choose the main Services menu and Subscribe/Renew.

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Easy Installation

Run **SETUP.EXE**. If you know what that means and how to do it, you're done.

More detailed installation instructions

The files you need to set up Pipeline are either on a disk that you have inserted into drive **A:** (or perhaps **B:**), or in a directory on your hard drive. There should be about 50 files.

Step 1 Your goal is to run a program called **SETUP.EXE**. Here's one way: Use the Program Manager. Click on the **File** menu item. When the list of commands appears, click on **Run**. An input box will now pop up. If our files are in your **A** drive, type **A:SETUP**. (If they are in your **B** drive, type **B:SETUP**. If they are in a directory called **C:\PIPETEMP**, then type **C:\PIPETEMP\SETUP**.) Now press Enter or click on **OK**.

Step 2 The program you have just started will groan, click, beep, and whistle, and finally display a box asking you where (i.e, in which directory) you want to install the Pipeline software. We suggest **C:\PIPELINE**. However, you may use any valid MSDOS directory name.

Step 3 Now, unless some errors are detected, the software will return (in a while) and tell you that the installation is complete. At this point, you will see that we have added a group to your desktop Program Manager. This is the Pipeline group. Installation is complete.

First Time?

You will find the Pipeline icon in the Pipeline group, on your Desktop. Double click on the icon to get started.

Pipeline will ask you whether you want a demo, or whether you have been assigned a valid username and password (assigned by our staff at the Pipeline).

Once you answer, Pipeline will setup a new userid for you, using either your userid or the Demo userid.

Now, all you need to do is setup the phone (**Phone Setup**) and **Dial**.

Phone Setup is easier than you think. Make sure that your modem is attached to the computer. Make sure that the modem is plugged into the telephone system. From the Pipeline Main window, click on **Options**. From the proffered list, click on **Dialing and modem setup**.

Usually you'll just accept the option that says "Dial directly." But if New York is a long-distance call for you, you'll be able to save money by choosing "Dial SprintNet data network" instead. There's a surcharge for this service of \$5/hour during peak time and \$2.50 nights and holidays, but it's still a lot cheaper than long-distance.

Click on the appropriate buttons for **Modem Speed** and **Comm Port**. If you do not know what values to use, click on **Don't Know**.

Dialing the Pipeline is even easier. From the main Pipeline window, click on **Dial**. If you have been assigned a userid you can create it now, by clicking on the **New** button. Otherwise, you can select your userid (or select Demo). Click on Dial.

After more clicks, hums and whirrs, you will find yourself connected to The Pipeline.

More Help

Can be obtained once you have started the software. Just click on any of the Pipeline forms, and press the F1 key (or click on Help).

Oh-Oh

If you are having trouble getting started, call us! The Pipeline can be reached at 212-267-3636. If you like, you can send email to staff@pipeline.com, instead.

Some problems you may run into, and solutions.:

1. Message "Out-of-date copy of xxx" when attempting to start the Pipeline. This probably means that another application has created a copy of xxx in the c:\windows directory. The safest thing to do is call us. If you prefer, you can rename the offending file (to get it out of the way) and try again.

2. Modem won't dial. Play with the following settings: Modem Speed, Modem Port. Click **Don't know** for either, if you like. The software will attempt to guess what port your modem is on. Try the **Modem Setup String** string that you normally use with your modem. Call us.

3. Modem dials but hangs up after the connection is made. We've seen this with a few modems. This is usually a problem with the **speed** or with the **Modem Setup String**. Make sure that you have a modem rated for the speed you are trying to use. Lower the speed and try again. Refer to your modem manual for the correct setup string. Call us.