

# InstallShield5 Professional At A Glance

## InstallShield5 Professional

- Visual installation development environment
- Drag-and-drop file layout editor
- MediaBuild Wizard
- Single installation targets Windows 3.1, 95 and NT 4.0 (Intel, Alpha) platforms

## System Requirements

- Development environment requires Windows 95 or Windows NT 4.0 (Intel)
- Pentium-class PC
- Super VGA Monitor
- 50 MB disk space
- 32 MB RAM

## Documentation

- Getting Started Guide
- Online User's Guide
- Online Knowledge Base
- Online Help files

## Availability

InstallShield5 Professional Edition is available directly from InstallShield Software Corporation and software tools resellers and distributors worldwide.

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## Licensing

Royalty-free unlimited distribution allows for distribution of any number of applications per developer.

## Overview

InstallShield®5 Professional Edition will forever change the way commercial developers create world-class bulletproof installation systems for Windows applications. InstallShield5 features an installation development environment (IDE) with integrated visual file layout and media-building tools.

A Microsoft Visual C++-like IDE offers developers unprecedented levels of productivity for application installation design, development and deployment. The new multiple-document interface eliminates multiple steps in the installation development process. A color syntax highlighted editor allows you to build and manage large-scale scripts.

The sophisticated visual file layout editor allows you to drag and drop your application files and logically group them into file groups and application components. The MediaBuild Wizard lets you create any size media from the same installation project. With just a few steps of the MediaBuild Wizard you can create installations for floppy disks, CD-ROM, or Internet distribution.

InstallShield5 International Editions are globally enabled with complete support for bi-directional and multi-byte character sets. An integrated string table editor allows you to develop resource-independent scripts and manage multi-lingual string tables within the IDE. You can build localized versions on the fly in InstallShield5 Professional.

InstallShield5 run-time provides extensive support for multimedia capabilities. Add creative elements such as audio, video, music, and 256-color graphics to your installations, to entertain, educate, and advertise while your software is being installed.

## Exclusive in InstallShield5 Professional

### Author, Lay Out, Build, and Test in One Place

- Visual installation development environment contains everything needed to create installations
- Project Wizard gets you up and running and establishes a framework for your installation project
- Project Workspace Panes store and manage properties of installation project elements
- Color Script Editor visually organizes the elements of installation scripts by color-coding syntax
- Function Wizard guides function use and auto-inserts syntactically correct function statements
- Built-in support for creating cross-platform and multi-lingual global installations on a single CD-ROM
- Automatic handling of core components for Windows 95/NT logo compliance
- Visual C++-like interface provides standard tools, menus, and environment

### Visual File Organization

- Multi-tiered file layout system gives maximum flexibility for grouping and using files
- Drag-and-drop file layout to easily modify and update file organization

### Build Technologies and On-the-Fly Platform Support

- Quick builds for testing; full builds for final releases
- MediaBuild Wizard handles everything needed to create builds for various media on the fly
- Choose target platforms at build-time—one installation targets Windows 3.1, Windows 95, and Windows NT
- InstallShield5 Professional DEC Alpha version available to create installations targeting Windows NT (Alpha) systems

### Multimedia Support

- End-user installation interface supports multimedia files to entertain, advertise to end-users
- Supported multimedia files include AVI video, WAVE/MIDI sound, 256-color BMP images