

Product Activation - 2016

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ABSTRACT:	Transfer and activation of a standalone license of SOLIDWORKS.

This guide is written for version 2016. If you are using an earlier version of SOLIDWORKS, please download our earlier activation documents to correctly manage the activation of your version of SOLIDWORKS.



A standalone SOLIDWORKS license can be used to activate one machine. If you wish to use your activation on another system, you must first deactivate the PC that is currently active. Please see the [SOLIDWORKS End User License Agreement](#) if you have any questions regarding this policy.

Simulation Professional, Simulation Premium, Flow Simulation and Workgroup PDM contributor licenses must also be activated. The process for activating all these products is the same; you can do it over the internet or via e-mail. Both styles of activation are covered in this document.

The activation ID's are based on the computer hard drive and motherboard. When upgrading your hardware, changing your SOLIDWORKS software, reformatting your hard drive or moving to a new computer, you will need to transfer your license back. After you have done the upgrade or reformatting, reactivate the software license on the new hardware configuration. Failing to transfer the license before making these changes will result in your software being unable to be reactivated, and therefore will be unusable. It is in your best interest to transfer your license so you do not run into issues with activation after any changes. If your activation is lost due to hardware issues, contact [Hawk Ridge Systems](#) immediately to rectify the problem.

This is not a troubleshooting guide. If you have any technical issues with SOLIDWORKS please contact [Hawk Ridge Systems Technical Support](#). This document is only to be distributed and used by Hawk Ridge Systems customers. Any other use is prohibited.

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Internet Activation

If you do not have internet access, see the [e-mail activation](#) section of this document.

1. Go to Start > All Programs > SOLIDWORKS 2016 > SOLIDWORKS 2016 x64.
2. When SOLIDWORKS starts, the activation page will appear. Choose the **'I want to activate my SOLIDWORKS product now'** radio button. If the activation page does not appear when SOLIDWORKS start, go to Help > Activate License to start activation.

SOLIDWORKS Product Activation

Thank you for installing SOLIDWORKS. You must activate your installation to fully enable all of the features. This wizard will guide you through the activation process.

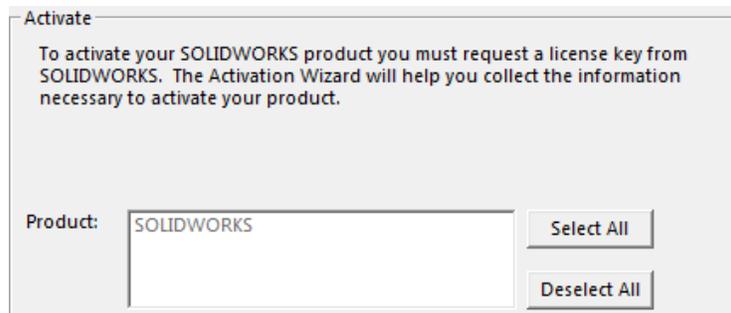
What would you like to do ?

- I want to activate my SOLIDWORKS product now
You can use this computer or another computer connected to the internet.

3. Click the **Next** button to continue.



4. SOLIDWORKS will be listed as the product that needs activation.



5. If you have internet access at this computer, choose to activate **Automatically over the internet**. If you are offline, see the next section on [e-mail activation](#).

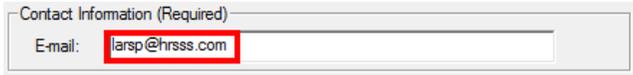


How would you like to activate?

Automatically over the Internet (recommended)

Manually via e-mail

6. Fill out your e-mail address at the bottom of this page.



Contact Information (Required)

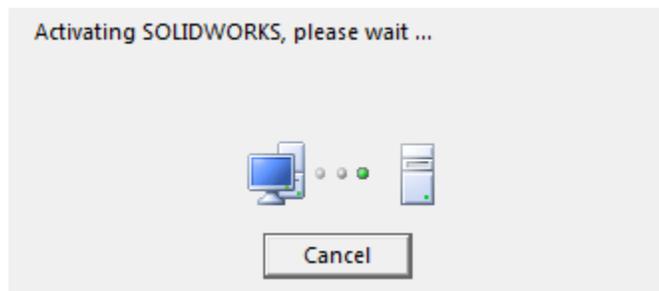
E-mail:

7. Click the **Next** button to continue.

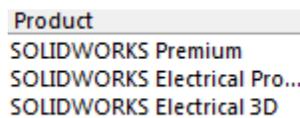


< Back **Next >** Cancel Help

8. You will now connect to SOLIDWORKS over the internet and the product will be activated.



9. Your SOLIDWORKS is now activated.



Product

SOLIDWORKS Premium

SOLIDWORKS Electrical Pro...

SOLIDWORKS Electrical 3D

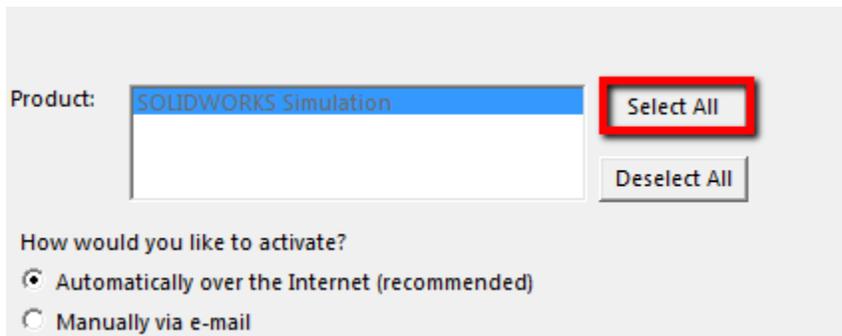
10. Press the **Finish** button to complete.



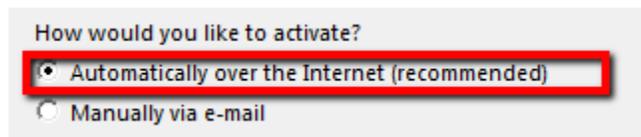
< Back **Finish**

SOLIDWORKS is now properly registered and activated.

11. If you have simulation products that need to be activated, turn them on thru Tools > Add-ins and you will be asked to activate them.



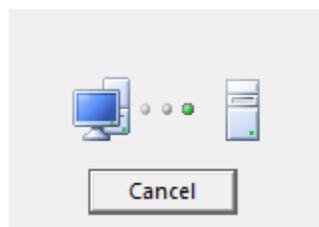
12. If you have internet access at this computer, choose to activate **Automatically over the Internet**.



13. Click the **Next** button to continue.



14. You will now connect to SOLIDWORKS over the internet and the product will be activated.



15. Your SOLIDWORKS is now activated.

Currently activated products:

Product	Activation Expires
SOLIDWORKS Premium	09-25-2015
CATIA V5-SOLIDWORKS Tra...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Workgroup ...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS MBD Standard	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Plastics Profe...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Plastics Premi...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Electrical 3D	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Electrical Pro...	09-25-2015

16. Press the **Finish** button to complete.



E-mail Activation

1. Go to Start > All Programs > SOLIDWORKS 2016 > SOLIDWORKS 2016 x64.
2. When SOLIDWORKS starts, the activation page will appear. Choose **I want to activate my SOLIDWORKS product now** radio button. If the activation page does not appear when SOLIDWORKS starts, go to Help > Activate License... to start activation.

SolidWorks Product Activation

Thank you for installing SolidWorks. You must activate your installation to fully enable all of the features. This wizard will guide you through the activation process.

What would you like to do ?

- I want to activate my SolidWorks product now
You can use this computer or another computer connected to the internet.

3. Click the **Next** button to continue.



4. You will have a list of products that can be activated from this machine according to your installation. If you would like to activate all items at once, you can press the **Select All** button.

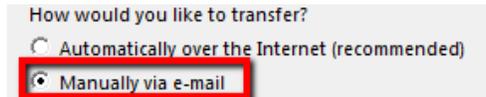


Product: SOLIDWORKS Simulation

Select All

Deselect All

5. If you do not have internet access at this computer, choose to activate **Manually via e-mail**.

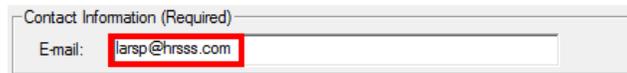


How would you like to transfer?

Automatically over the Internet (recommended)

Manually via e-mail

6. Enter your e-mail address at the bottom of this page.



Contact Information (Required)

E-mail: larsp@hrsss.com

7. Click the **Next** button to continue.



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Next >

Cancel

Help

8. On the next page, press the **Save** button to create an activation request file.

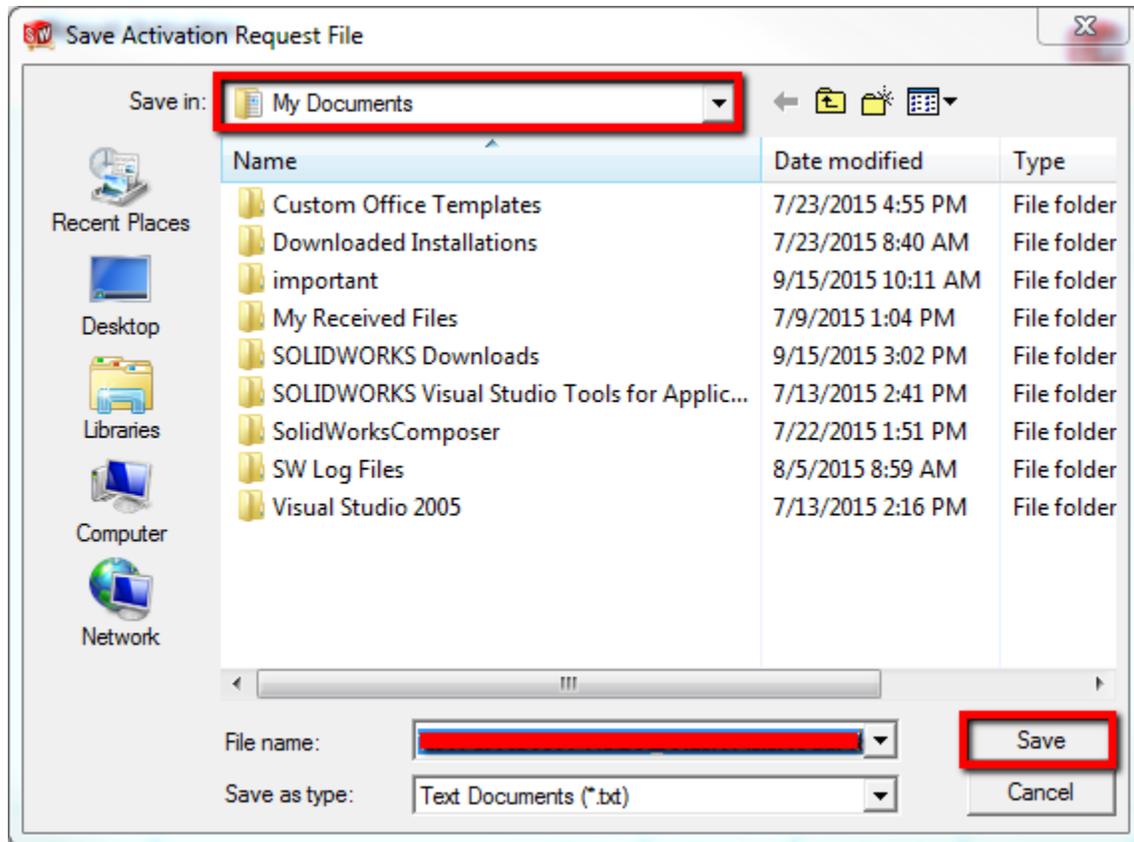


1) Press Save to create a request file:

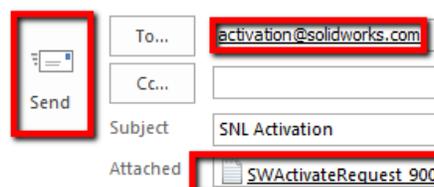
Save...



9. Browse to a location on your computer to store this .txt file and press the **Save** button. Copy this text file onto a disk or removable storage device and move it to a machine with internet access.



10. Send this file as an attachment to an e-mail and send it to activation@SOLIDWORKS.com.



- SOLIDWORKS will send a return e-mail with a different text file attached. Save this text file to a disk or removable storage device and move it to the machine awaiting activation.

Attached SWActivateResponse_001100052171413228K3FK33F2_K3BG7CJ27DCB7HCE.txt. Please save the file to your PC and then import it using the SolidWorks Activation Wizard.

*This email and any attachments are intended solely for the use of the individual or entity to whom it is addressed and may be confidential and/or privileged. If you are not one of the named recipients or have received this email in error,
 (i) you should not read, disclose or copy it,
 (ii) please notify sender of your receipt by reply e-mail and delete this email and all attachments,
 (iii) Dassault Systemes does not accept or assume any liability, responsibility for any use of or reliance on this e-mail.*



- In the activation wizard, press the **Open** button on the e-mail activation page. This will bring up a browser to read in the .txt file you have been sent.



- Now you will be shown what products are activated.

Currently activated products:

Product	Activation Expires
SOLIDWORKS Premium	09-25-2015
CATIA V5-SOLIDWORKS Tra...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Workgroup ...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS MBD Standard	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Plastics Profe...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Plastics Premi...	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Electrical 3D	09-25-2015
SOLIDWORKS Electrical Pro...	09-25-2015

- Press the **Finish** button to complete.

SOLIDWORKS is now properly registered and activated.

License Transfer by Internet

If you do not have internet access, see the [e-mail transfer](#) section of this document.

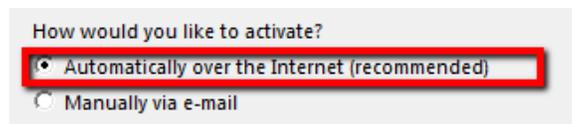
1. Go to Start > All Programs > SOLIDWORKS 2016 > SOLIDWORKS 2016 x64.
2. After SOLIDWORKS starts go to the **Help** pull down menu and choose **Transfer License**.



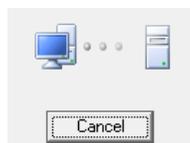
3. If you have more products than SOLIDWORKS activated (Simulation), you will need to choose the product to deactivate.

Note: If you have Simulation Professional or Premium or Flow Simulation you will need to deactivate these first then deactivate SOLIDWORKS.

4. If you have internet access at this computer, choose to activate **Automatically over the Internet**.



5. Press the **Next** button. You will now connect to the SOLIDWORKS Activation site to return the license.



6. You will be informed that the license has been transferred back to SOLIDWORKS.



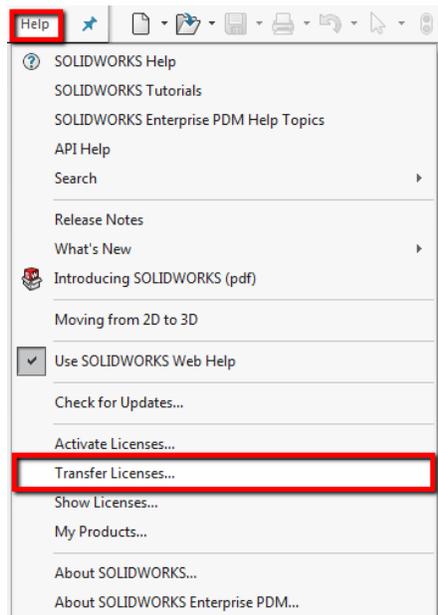
Transfer succeeded.

7. Press the **Finish** button to complete.

SOLIDWORKS will not run on this machine until it is re-activated.

License Transfer by E-mail

1. Go to Start > All Programs > SOLIDWORKS 2016 > SOLIDWORKS 2016 x64.
2. After SOLIDWORKS starts, go to the **Help** pull-down menu and choose **Transfer License**.

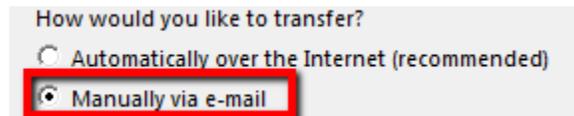


3. If you have more products than SOLIDWORKS activated (Simulation), you will need to choose the product to deactivate.

Note: If you have Simulation Professional or Premium or Flow Simulation you will need to deactivate these first then deactivate SOLIDWORKS.



- If you do not have internet access at this computer, choose to activate **Manually via e-mail**.

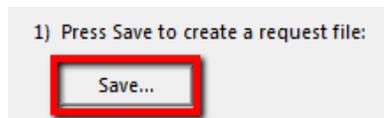


- Click the **Next** button to continue.

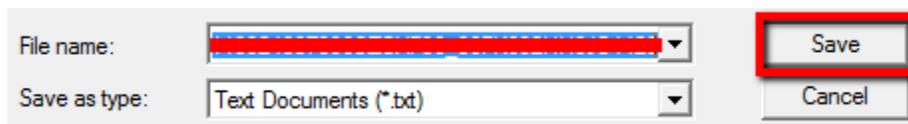


- On the next page, press the **Save** button to create an activation request file.

Warning! Once you've saved this file, your activation is no longer valid. Do not exit out of the activation window until you have completed the process and read in the response e-mail from SOLIDWORKS or you will not be able to run SOLIDWORKS.



- Browse to a location on your computer to store this .txt file and press the **Save** button. Copy this text file on to a disk or removable storage device and move it to a machine with internet access.



- Send this file as an attachment to an e-mail and send it to activation@SOLIDWORKS.com.

2) Email the request file to the following address to get a activation@solidworks.com

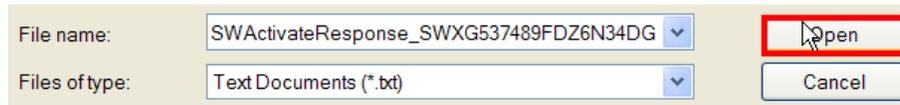
- SOLIDWORKS will send a return e-mail with a different text file attached. Save this text file to a disk or removable storage space and move it to the machine awaiting activation.



10. In the activation wizard, press the **Open** button on the e-mail activation page.



11. Browse for the response file and press the **Open** button.



12. The next page will show you that your transfer is complete.



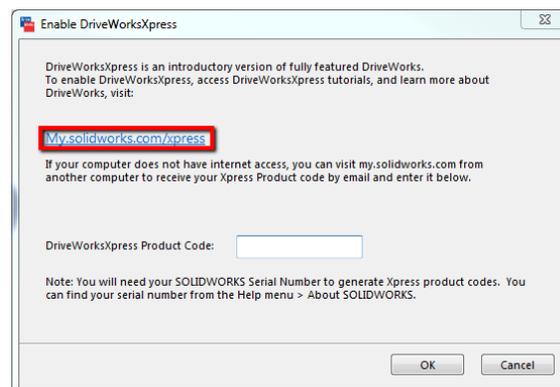
13. Press the **Finish** button to complete.



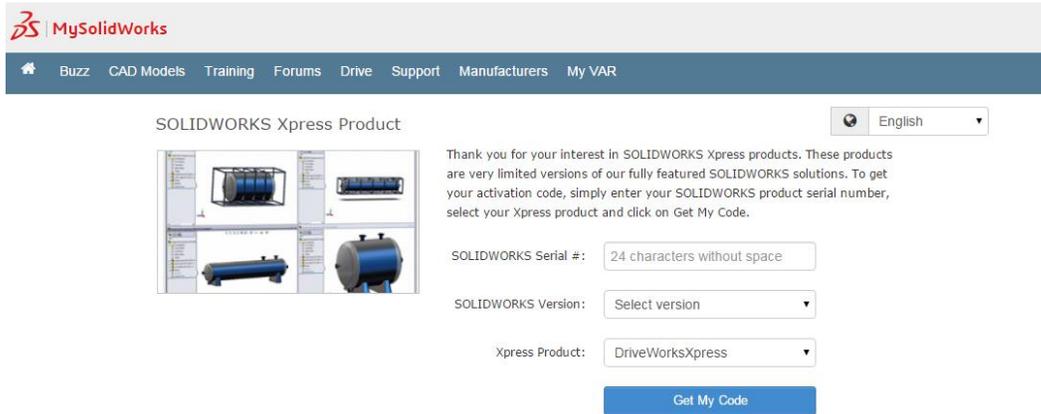
SOLIDWORKS will not run on this machine until it is re-activated.

Xpress Product Codes

1. Go to Start > All Programs > SOLIDWORKS 2016 > SOLIDWORKS 2016 x64.
2. At the top of the SOLIDWORKS interface, go to Tools > Xpress Products. There will be specific product codes for SimulationXpress, FloXpress, DFMXpress, SustainabilityXpress and DriveWorksXpress as is expressed in the image below.



3. Click the "My.solidworks.com/xpress" link shown in the image above.



The screenshot shows the MySolidWorks website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Buzz, CAD Models, Training, Forums, Drive, Support, Manufacturers, and My VAR. Below this, the page title is "SOLIDWORKS Xpress Product" and there is a language dropdown menu set to "English".

On the left side, there are four small images of different SOLIDWORKS Xpress product models. To the right of these images is a text block that reads: "Thank you for your interest in SOLIDWORKS Xpress products. These products are very limited versions of our fully featured SOLIDWORKS solutions. To get your activation code, simply enter your SOLIDWORKS product serial number, select your Xpress product and click on Get My Code."

Below the text, there are three input fields:

- SOLIDWORKS Serial #: A text input field with a placeholder "24 characters without space".
- SOLIDWORKS Version: A dropdown menu with "Select version" as the selected option.
- Xpress Product: A dropdown menu with "DriveWorksXpress" as the selected option.

At the bottom of the form is a blue button labeled "Get My Code".

4. Input your SOLIDWORKS Serial # and select "Get my code" as noted in the image above then input the product code that you just received into the screen in step 2 under "Product Code".