Local Installation Layout of Automation Client & Server

Following are the install instructions for Automation Premium Version 3.0 plus some notes on the new operational environment and structure so you have a better understanding of how the new software operates.

Structure:

To accommodate the new SQL database Automation Premium Version 3.0 introduces a new application structure. The software now has two components, server and client, the installed components interact via a network or "stand alone" machine if no network is present.

If your site has a network it is important you nominate which machine you want to classify as the server, if you are not using a dedicated server usually this machine would be the one with the highest processing power. It is also important that you know the identification for the server as you will need to select the server machine to link to the client software from (Individual Machine) your terminals.

Important Notice - Terminal Servers:

For those locations that have been running earlier versions of Automation Premium in a terminal server environment due to data access speed issues, be aware the new software does not need a terminal server, in fact during beta testing we discovered terminal server decreases performance and causes operational issues. Due to these findings and the developer's recommendations we will **not offer support** for the new product when installed on and run from a terminal server environment.

Database Conversion:

Automation Premium Version 3.0 engineering introduces a more robust database, the database format is now stored as SQL in an Oracle developed application.

The final process when installing Automation Version 3.0 is to convert your current data to the new format, the server application has an import facility that streamlines this function, although we do suggest you backup your previous version of Automation prior to conversion.

Extras:

If you do in house mail marketing letters and save images to jobs then please transfer mail merge template letters and all images in their folders to the new version 3.0.0. Location to save letters and images: Letters = C/Automation Client/Letters - Images = C:/Automation Server/Autopics.

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Installation:

The release notes for this version are extremely comprehensive, explaining step by step what is required for an easy trouble free installation, to summarise the two installations types - Individual (one machine/local network) and (dedicated server network) these are the process you will follow:

Single Machine/Local Network

1: Backup your current Automation Data.
2: Install the client application on all machines.
3: Install the server application on nominated machine.
4: Select server - import your current Automation data (adb file).
5: Setup your backup settings on the server.
6: Register with your business name.
7: Open your client application, select the machine identification when requested.
8: Delete the old Automation Premium start-up icon from the desktop.

Dedicated Server Network

1: Backup your current Automation Data.
2: Install server application on dedicated server machine.
3: Install client application on all other machines.
4: Select server - import your current Automation database.
5: Setup your backup settings on the server.
6: Register with your business name.
7: Open your client appliacation, select the machine identification when requested.
8: Delete the old Automation Premium start-up icon from the desktop.

Notes:
When importing your data into the server please make sure it is the correct and the latest database.

Do not un-install your previous version of Automation, delete the icon from the desktop by pointing and right-hand mouse clicking then selecting delete.

Machine Identification:

Windows Vista / 7:
Click on the Start button, right mouse click on Computer, click on Properties and write down Computer name.

Windows 8 / 8.1 / 10:
At Metro tile screen bring up right hand side bar and click on Search, type Computer, right mouse click on Computer tile and click on Properties, write down Computer name.

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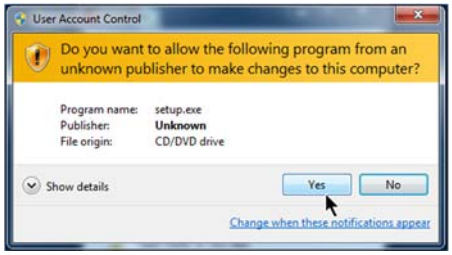
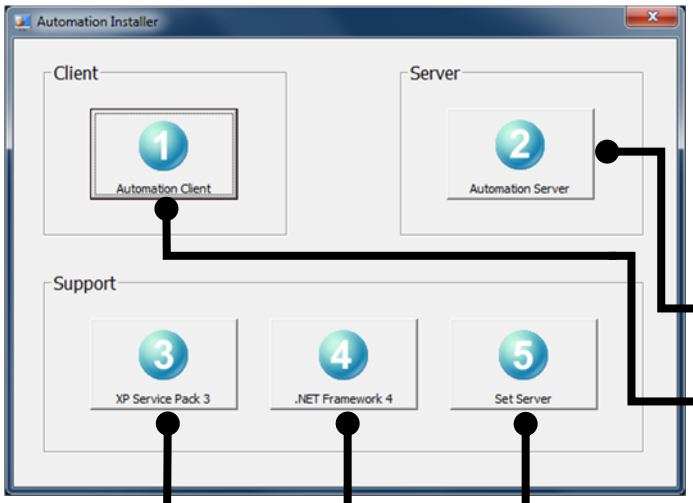
Insert Automation Premium v3.0.0 CD in to your drive, depending on your operating system setup you will see either one or all of the images below:

1.	At the AutoPlay screen click on "Run Setup.exe".



2.	At the User Account Control screen click on the "Yes" button.



3.	At the Automation Installer screen click on the respective buttons to install all programs. **Page** numbers refer to the AP install document located on the CD.

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