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Installing FineReader

Important!

To install FineReader 5.0 a special installation program is used. It is included in the content of the distribution package. You should always install the program only from a diskette or/and CD-ROM of the distributive you've bought. In other cases the installation program will work incorrectly.

Installation

Note: If you want to use your previous version user dictionaries and user patterns, don't uninstall it prior to the new version installation. After you install the new version, **your previous version patterns and dictionaries** will be available in the new version. We recommend that you close all applications (e.g. Microsoft Outlook, Microsoft Word etc.) before running FineReader installation.

Installing ABBYY FineReader

If there are both a CD-ROM and a diskette in the distribution package, do the following:

1. Insert the "start-up" diskette in the floppy disk drive.
2. Insert the CD-ROM into the CD-drive.
3. Click the Start button on the Taskbar and select the Settings/Control Panel item.
4. Double-click the Add/Remove Programs icon.
5. Select the Install/Uninstall tab and click the Install button.
6. Follow the installation instructions.

Note: Steps 3-5 have the same effect as running the install.exe program from the "start-up" distribution diskette.

If there is only a CD-ROM in the distribution package, do the following:

1. Insert the CD-ROM into the CD-drive.
2. Click the Start button on the Taskbar and select the Settings/Control Panel item.
3. Double-click the Add/Remove Programs icon.
4. Select the Install/Uninstall tab and click the Install button.
5. Follow the installation instructions.

Note: Steps 2-4 have the same effect as running the install.exe program from the CD-ROM.

Testing the distributive quality

The easiest way to test the distributive quality is to copy the diskette's or CD-ROM's contents on the hard disk.

If an error message appears during the copy it can be either because of the distributive or because of the disk-drive.

To check it, you have to copy all files one by one to another computer.

If the problem appears again on the other computer and the guarantee time is not expired (for details see License agreement), you can order the distributive similar to the one you've bought.

If the error message doesn't appear, you can install the program (and uninstall it after it) on the other computer to check the distributive.

If the problem with installation (files copy) persists, address to [Technical support group](#) of ABBYY Software House (BIT Software, Inc.).

When the serial number is input a message is displayed: "Incorrect serial number.. "

Answer: There can be the following reasons:

- 1) Incorrect input. Serial number is a combination of 16 characters. The users sometimes input "S/N" as a part of the serial number. The prefix of a serial number is a combination of Latin characters, and there are no ambiguous characters (all possible ambiguities are resolved in favor of digits)
- 2) The distributive was copied to another CD-ROM or diskettes or to the hard drive; and from there the program is being installed.
- 3) The anti-virus system (like McAfee) is installed on the computer. It controls the access to devices, and as a result, the diskette was not considered as a distributive diskette.
- 4) Distributive error. We haven't run across the case, but it is theoretically possible. Address to [Technical Support group](#).

Installation on a network server

(for system administrators only)

Installation of ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office on a network server can be made by system administrator only. To do it:

- If there are both a CD-ROM and a diskette in the distribution package, run Install.exe from the \Server folder on the start-up diskette.
- If there is only a CD-ROM in the distribution package, run Install.exe from the \Server folder on the CD-ROM.

Additional licenses

If FineReader is used by more than one user, at the end of installation on a network server you need to add serial numbers for a correct network processing. To do it:

1. Run LicSetup.exe from the folder where ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office was installed. The Add license dialog will be displayed.
2. Input a new serial number and click the Add button.

Note:

1. You cannot use logical drives created by the SUBST command.
2. If you install ABBYY FineReader on a server from the Windows 95 workstation, input the full path to the server and do not use mapped network drives.
3. Such components as MS Windows NT 4.0 Service Pack 3.0 or MS Internet Explorer 5.01 are not installed if you choose installation on a network server. To avoid difficulties related to the absence of these components, system administrator should update a network workstation according to system requirements before the installation.
4. Check before installation, that all users have read-write permissions for the network folder where ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office is being installed.

Installation on a network workstation

If ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office was installed on a network server, you can run the setup program from that server - you don't have to use the CD-ROM or/and diskette. But if you would like to install FineReader on the server in the workstation installation mode, the installation diskette is necessary.

To install ABBYY FineReader5.0 Office on a workstation:

- Run NetSetup.exe from the network folder where ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office has been installed. Follow the installation instructions.

Note:

1. You cannot use logical drives created by the SUBST command.
2. If you install ABBYY FineReader on a Windows 95 workstation, input the full path to the server and do not use mapped network drives.
3. You should have administrative rights for the workstation where ABBYY FineReader is being installed.
4. If the message "Can't load FineReader. There is no free license." is displayed; check the number of additional licenses you have added in the Add license dialog and the number of users that are working with FineReader at this moment.

Using previous FineReader version user dictionaries and patterns

Using user dictionaries of ABBYY FineReader 3.0 in ABBYY FineReader 5.0

Attention! If you have user dictionaries which were created during the work with FineReader 3.0 DO NOT UNINSTALL ABBYY FineReader 3.0, until you convert user dictionaries. Description of the conversion is given below.

1. Install ABBYY FineReader 5.0 in the folder different from the one where ABBYY FineReader 3.0 is installed (the folder is different by default).
2. Run ABBYY FineReader 5.0 from the **Start** button menu.
3. Click the **View dictionaries** button on the **Check Spelling** tab (**Tools>Options**).
4. In the **Select dictionary** dialog select the necessary dictionary and click the **View** button. In the opened dialog click the Import button and enter the path to the folder where ABBYY FineReader 3.0 is installed (the default folder is C:\Program Files\FineReader). The dictionaries you can add have .ext extension. Select the necessary dictionary and click the Open button.
5. When the words from old user dictionaries of ABBYY FineReader 3.0 are added, you can uninstall the old version.

Using user dictionaries of ABBYY FineReader 4.0 in ABBYY FineReader 5.0

To convert user dictionaries from ABBYY FineReader 4.0, do the following:

1. Install ABBYY FineReader 5.0 in the folder differ from the one where FineReader 4.0 was installed (the folder is different by default).
2. Run ABBYY FineReader 5.0 from the Start button menu.
3. Click the **View dictionaries** button on the **Check Spelling** tab (**Tools>Options**).
4. In the **Select dictionary** dialog select the necessary dictionary and click the **View** button. In the opened dialog click the Import button and enter the path to the folder where ABBYY FineReader 4.0 was installed (the default folder is C:\Program Files\FineReader\).
5. If you haven't uninstalled FineReader yet, the dictionaries you can add have the .ext extension. Select the necessary dictionary and click the Open button.
6. If you uninstalled the program, the dictionaries you can import are in the /Language folder and have the .pmd extension. Select the necessary dictionary and click the Open button.

To convert the user pattern from FineReader 3.0 and ABBYY FineReader 4.0 to ABBYY FineReader 5.0

If user's patterns were created in the FineReader 3.0 or ABBYY FineReader 4.0 you may use them in ABBYY FineReader 5.0. To do it, copy the .ptn files to the batch folder, which will be used in ABBYY FineReader 5.0.

Try&Buy version

This is a Try&Buy version. During first 30 launches it works like a full version of FineReader Pro or Office (depends on the type of demo version you have). Then it becomes a demo-version - you can view many program functions but you will not be able to save the result. There are no network installation and control of simultaneously run licenses in ABBYY FineReader 5.0 Office Try&Buy.

Support of Armenian language

To see all dialogs in the proper way in FineReader you need fonts supporting all Armenian characters to be installed on your computer.

- If the Sylfaen font is installed on your computer (this font is supplied with Windows 2000), then you need to run Sylfaen.reg program.
- If you have any other fonts supporting all Armenian characters (for example, Arial Unicode MS, Arial AMU) you need to attach this font. To do it, Run regedit.exe from the folder where the operation system was installed. In HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\ABBYY\FineReader\5.00\ create new key Fonts, add a new string value ControlFontName and as a value of this string set the font name (the Value data field).

How to embed FineReader icon into MS Word toolbar manually:

If FineReader Setup failed to embed FineReader icon into MS Word toolbar, you can do the following:

1. Open the FineReader5.dot file located in the folder where you've installed FineReader. MS Word will be started.
2. Select the **Macro\Macros** item in the Tools menu or press Alt-F8. The **Macros** dialog will open.
3. Click the **Organizer...** button in the dialog and then select the Toolbars Tab.
4. Copy **FineReader Bar** from the list of FineReader5.dot toolbars into the Normal.dot toolbars list.
5. Save changes, close the dialog, and restart MS Word. FineReader icon should now appear on the toolbar.

Technical support

If you have any questions about how to use FineReader, please consult all the documentation you have (The User's Guide and the Help File) before contacting our technical support service. You may also browse the technical support section on our website www.abbyy.com/support/index.htm. You may find the answer to your question there. If you didn't manage to find the answer, e-mail us at support@abbyy.com. Our technical support service experts will need the following information to answer your question competently:

- The serial number of your FineReader distributive (except the users of FineReader Try&Buy version)
- The model of your scanner
- General description of your problem and the full error message text (if there was one)
- The version of your Windows operating system
- You may supply us with any other information you consider important.

You can get some information automatically by starting the [AInfo.exe](#) from the \Support folder on the ABBYY FineReader CD-ROM.

ABBYY FineReader 5.0 and Windows2000

(for system administrators only)

To run ABBYY Finereader 5.0 with Windows 2000 correctly set the "Modify" permissions on the following folders and registry branches for each user:

1. folder where ABBYY FineReader 5.0 was installed.
2. folder(s) where the batches the users work with are located.
3. registry branch: HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\ABBYY\

