

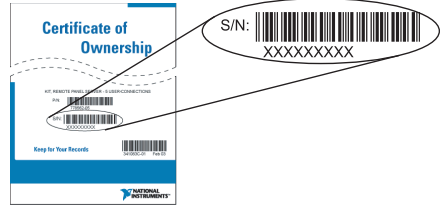
NOTE TO USERS

Activation Instructions for National Instruments Software

Your National Instruments software requires activation in order to access all features. Activation is simple and available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

1 Locate your serial number.

Your serial number uniquely identifies your purchase of NI software. You can find your serial number on the *Certificate of Ownership* included in your software kit. If your software kit does not include a *Certificate of Ownership*, you can find your serial number on the product packing slip or on the shipping label.



If you have installed a previous version using your serial number, you can find the serial number by selecting the **Help»About** menu item within the application or by selecting your product within NI License Manager (**Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI License Manager**). You can also contact your local National Instruments branch. Refer to ni.com/niglobal for branch office contact information.

2 Install your activatable software, if necessary.

If you already installed software that uses activation, you may not have to reinstall. Refer to the [Installing and Activating Software Upgrades](#) section in this document for more information.

3 Launch the NI Activation Wizard.

If you installed your NI software for the first time, the installer may launch the NI Activation Wizard for you. Otherwise, launch your software and choose to activate when prompted.

OR

Perform the following steps if you do not receive a prompt:

- a. Launch NI License Manager by selecting **Start»Programs»National Instruments»NI License Manager**.
- b. Click the **Activate** button on the toolbar. The NI Activation Wizard guides you through the activation process.

4 Save your activation code for future use (optional).

You can reactivate your software at any time. The activation wizard provides you with the option to receive an email confirmation of your activation code. To apply this activation code in the future, launch the NI Activation Wizard and choose to apply a 20-character activation code. If you reinstall your software on the same computer, the same activation code will work.

For more information on activation, refer to your product documentation, or visit ni.com/activate.

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Terms

Serial Number	An alphanumeric string that uniquely identifies your purchase of a single copy of software, included in your software kit on your <i>Certificate of Ownership</i> , on the product packing slip, or on the shipping label.
Computer ID	A 16-character ID that uniquely identifies your computer, generated during the activation process. To find your Computer ID, launch NI License Manager and click the Display Computer Information button.
Activation Code	A 20-character code that enables NI software to run on your computer, based on your serial number and computer ID. You receive and apply an activation code by completing the activation process.

Installing and Activating Software Upgrades

If you are upgrading or moving between software packages, in most cases you do not have to install additional software, as follows.



Note If you decide to activate a different LabWindows™/CVI™ package, you may need to uninstall the existing software and install the other package. Refer to the LabWindows/CVI documentation for more information.

Upgrading from an Evaluation Version to a Paid Version

If you are upgrading from an evaluation version to a paid version, you do not need to reinstall your software. Follow the prompts that appear when you launch your application or use NI License Manager to activate the software.

Moving between Paid Versions

If at a later time you decide to move to a different product package, such as upgrading from LabVIEW Base Package to LabVIEW Professional Development System, you can activate the new package without installing additional software. Use NI License Manager to activate your software.

Activating Additional Software Packages

If you purchase add-on software, such as LabVIEW Application Builder or Remote Panels, in many cases you do not have to install additional software to activate the additional software. Use NI License Manager to activate the software. If you do not see the software listed in NI License Manager, you need to install it.

For information on how to use NI License Manager to activate software, refer to the *NI License Manager Help*, which you can access from the **Help»Contents** menu item in NI License Manager.

Moving Software After Activation

To transfer your software to another computer, install and activate it on the second computer. You are not prohibited from transferring your software from one computer to another and you do not need to contact or inform NI of the transfer. Because activation codes are unique to each computer, you will need a new activation code. Follow the steps on the previous page to acquire a new activation code and reactivate your software.

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Activation Methods

You can choose among a number of activation methods using the NI Activation Wizard, including automatic activation, online at ni.com/activate, email, fax, and on the telephone using an automated response system. Activation is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Home Computer Use

National Instruments permits you to use this software at home. To use the software, install it on your home computer and activate it using your original serial number and your home computer ID. Refer to the NI License Manager help file or the software end-user license agreement in the installer or online at ni.com/legal/license for more information.

Privacy Policy

Normally, activation is a one-time process that enables you to use your product. The only time you need to reactivate is if you move to another computer, if your computer ID changes, or if you upgrade your NI software. National Instruments respects your privacy. For more information about the National Instruments activation information privacy policy, go to ni.com/activate/privacy.

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