Solidworks Installation Protocol

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Summary
The installation of Solidworks is not particularly challenging, but there is a special step that must be taken care of in order to ensure all features of the program are enabled. A particular Microsoft update must either not be installed, or uninstalled prior to installation. This update is Microsoft Update **KB3072630**. If this update is present during the installation of Solidworks, certain features of Solidworks will not function, or otherwise be inaccessible.

Instructions

**Removal of Microsoft Update**
Features of Solidworks will not work properly if this update is present on your machine. You need to confirm whether or not the update is present on your machine, and eradicate it if it is. The following instructions will show you how to do that on a Windows Seven machine.

1. Go to your start menu, and open up your control panel
2. Once in the control panel, switch to either a large or small icon view in the top right of the window, and select “Programs and Features”
3. Once you have selected programs and features, on the left hand side of the screen you need to select the menu option “View installed updates”. See the following image for clarification:
4. Once you have completed the previous step, you will be brought to a window that has a very long list of updates. You must find Security Update for Microsoft Windows KB3072630, right click it, and uninstall it. This will likely take a few moments, since the organizational system in this window is nonexistent.

5. Once this particular update is uninstalled, you may continue with the installation of Solidworks. Please proceed to the next section.
Installation of Solidworks

1. Initialize the installation of Solidworks using the media given to you by your supplier, vendor, or administrator.

2. After double clicking the setup executable file, click run on the security warning screen, and enable any security warnings that pop up before installation.

3. On the first window of the Solidworks installer, be sure to have the “Individual” radio button selected. Once this is selected, hit “next”.

![Solidworks Installation Interface]

Welcome to the SOLIDWORKS Installation Manager
SOLIDWORKS 2015 SP2.1
Specify the type of installation:
- Individual (on this computer)
- Administrative image
- Server products
4. On the next screen will be a list of Solidworks components that are available from the installer. Check off each component and put the same serial number in the corresponding blank field that accompanies each component. It should be noted that you do not have to type each number individually: Although not present when you right click on the serial number field, you can copy and paste the serial number using the (Ctrl+C) and (Ctrl+V) hotkeys. When your fields look like the following figure, you may hit “next”. Please note your serial number will not consist of all “x’s”.

5. Solidworks will proceed to warn you about the conflict with the aforementioned Microsoft update. If you have not yet uninstalled this update, or if you are unsure if this update is present on your machine, please cancel this installation of Solidworks and refer to the beginning of this document for proper removal. Solidworks will not work properly if this update is present on your device.
6. The next screen will prompt you to install a newer version of Solidworks. You can choose to accept the install of the newer version, or disregard this prompt and continue installing Solidworks 2015 SP2.1 X64 Edition. Please note that the download will increase the length of time needed for installation. Once your choice has been confirmed, hit “next”.

![Screenshot of Solidworks installation interface showing a prompt for a newer version.]

Would you like to use the newer version?

- No, continue installing SOLIDWORKS 2015 SP2.1 X64 Edition from this DVD. You can update afterwards.
- Yes, download and install SOLIDWORKS 2015 SP5.0 X64 Edition

Note: This option will download the smallest possible file set. If a small update is available, the DVD will be installed before the update is applied.

Check to see what this upgrade includes.
7. The current window you should be on is the summary window for the installer. On this window, please confirm all of your options are correct, and specify an alternative install destination if you require it. If you are unsure how to do this, please contact your administrator. Once you have confirmed that you are satisfied with your specified settings for your Solidworks installation, check off that you accept the agreement, and begin your installation.

8. Once the installation is complete, you will be prompted to take a survey. This is entirely up to you, and not necessary. Exit out of the window, and restart your computer.

Congratulations, you have finished installing Solidworks! Feel free to run Microsoft update from the control panel to reinstate that security update you have removed.

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