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Overview

- Periodically, updates to the *DiCentra 4* application are made available free of charge.
- This document gives instructions for installing them.
- Your licence details and any competitions are preserved during updating of the application.
- The *DiCentra 4* **User Guide** and a set of **Tutorials** are installed with the software. They can be accessed from *DiCentra 4's* Help menu.

System Requirements

- *DiCentra 4* has no specific memory or processor requirements.
- However, *y*ou should ensure that your machine has a display adaptor that will drive your projector in the format you require e.g. 1400 x 1050 pixels, 1920 x 1080 pixels etc.
- *DiCentra 4* will run on a PC with:
    - Windows 10
    - Windows 8/8.1
    - Windows 7
    - Windows Vista SP1 or later (no support from Microsoft after April 2017)
    - Windows XP SP3 or later (no support from Microsoft).

    (However, I encourage you to consider moving to Windows 7 or later if you are still running Windows XP or Vista.)
- It will also run on these versions of Windows on a Mac over *Bootcamp*, *Parallels* or *VMWare*.
- *DiCentra 4* uses something called 'The .NET Framework 4 Client Profile' from Microsoft. If it is not already on your machine it can be installed at the same time as DiCentra (see below).
- You will need Adobe Reader to be installed on your machine in order to read the documentation.

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Updating from *DiCentra 3*

DiCentra 3 and *DiCentra 4* can co-exist on your machine. I suggest you leave *DiCentra 3* installed until you are satisfied that upgrading to *DiCentra 4* has been successful. You can then uninstall it manually (see below).

Updating from *DiCentra 4*

- Installing the latest update will normally uninstall the old version of *DiCentra 4* during installation.
- If there is a problem with uninstalling the old version, you will be informed during installation and you will need to uninstall the old version manually (see below).

Getting *DiCentra 4* from the Web

- Two *DiCentra 4* installation packages can be downloaded from:
    www.wilburimaging.com/dicentra
- Use the *Web Package* if you are installing on a network-connected machine. (About 26 MB download.)

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- Use the *Standalone/Full Package* if you want to install it on a machine without network connections. The .NET package will also be installed. (About 68 MB download.)
- Updates are posted there from time to time and recent versions of *DiCentra 4* will inform you when you launch *DiCentra 4* if there is a new version available.

Downloading

1. Click the *Download* button on the web page next to the package you need.
2. Save the .zip file to a convenient place, e.g. the desktop or your *Downloads\DiCentra* folder.
3. Right-click on the .zip file and select *Extract All*.
4. I suggest that you save the .zip file or the extracted folder in *Downloads\DiCentra*. Don't delete after installation. This can then be useful if there is a bug in the latest version that affects you and you need to revert to an earlier version.

Security

You need Administrator privileges to install or uninstall applications, including *DiCentra 4,* on Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7, 8, 8.1 and 10. Your normal login account will probably have such privileges, but if not, log in to a suitable account before trying to install or uninstall *DiCentra 4*.

Versions of Windows, other than Windows XP, try to prevent you from installing software that might harm your computer by displaying a dialogue containing

Unidentified Program Wants to Access Your Computer

or something similar. When this happens, click on the *Details* button and if you see comforting words like Microsoft, Wilbur Imaging or *DiCentra 4* in the details you can safely click *Allow*

In addition, Windows 8 may display a screen-wide banner saying

Windows has protected your PC

or something similar. When this happens, click on *More info …* and then click on *Run Anyway*

Installing

1. *Double-click* the *Setup.exe* file in the folder you extracted and installation will begin.
2. If you are installing the *Full Package* you may see screens that indicate .NET 4 is being installed. This is normal for machines which do not already have .NET 4 installed.
   a. (Automatic) downloading of .NET 4 and installation can take between 10 and 20 minutes depending on your machine and network performance.
   b. To complete .NET 4 installation you may be asked to restart your computer. Do this.
   c. When the restart completes, the rest of the DiCentra installation process will continue automatically.
3. You should then get a dialogue saying "Welcome to the *DiCentra 4* Setup Wizard".
4. Read the licence agreement and if you agree, select 'I Agree' and then click *Next*.
5. Click *Next* to start the installation and once it has completed click *Close*.

DiCentra 4 is now installed on your machine and you will see a shortcut on your desktop and, for Windows 7 and earlier, in your Start menu.

Manually Uninstalling *DiCentra*

- Basically, you need to go to *Add or Remove Programs* in the Windows *Control Panel.* (Typing in *Uninstall* to the search box on Windows 8 or 10 can get you there quickly.)

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- Then locate *DiCentra 3 or 4* in the list of programs. It can take a few seconds for the list to be fully populated.
- *Right-click* on it or select it and click on *Uninstall*.
- Follow any on-screen instructions.

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Documentation and Samples

- If you are upgrading from a previously licensed version of *DiCentra 3* or *DiCentra 4* the licence(s) will be carried forward at no extra cost.
- Otherwise, *DiCentra 4* will run in **trial mode** until you buy and install a licence. In trial mode you are limited to building and running competitions with at most 3 entrants and at most 3 images per entrant. You will not be able to run the projector setup functions either. You should be able to use all other features.
- Once you have installed *DiCentra 4*, the Windows Start menu contains a folder called *DiCentra 4* (not Windows 8 or later*)*. In it you will find a link to the **User Guide, Tutorials** and **Release Notes**. You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to read these files, and if you do not have it already there is a link on the *DiCentra 4* download page in order to obtain it.
- These can also be accessed from DiCentra's Help menu. Use:
  - *Help > DiCentra User Guide*
  - *Help > DiCentra Tutorials*
  - *Help > Release Notes*
- When you first start *DiCentra 4* it installs sample rules for:
  - a club competition
  - an inter-club competition, and
  - open competitions with and without club names.
  - portfolio competitions
- A folder called '*DiCentra*' is also installed in your 'My Pictures' folder and you will find six folders inside. These are sample images as follows:
  - Folders CD 1 and CD 2 are for the club competition
  - Folders CD 3 and CD 4 are for the inter-club competition
  - Folders CD 5 and CD 6 are for the open competition (with club)
  - Folder CD 7 contains samples for the portfolio competition, and
  - Folder CD 8 contains examples of surname-first entries.
- Hopefully, you will find these useful in familiarising yourself with the rules, assembling and running a competition.

Problems

We are keen to get your feedback on *DiCentra 4*, and if you have things you would like to see in future versions please e-mail us at the address below.

If you encounter any problems, please e-mail us at:

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giving details of your operating system and the symptoms, as well as your name and phone number.

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