# Scaffold Pre-Release Installation

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Until it reaches a version suitable for use by the larger public, Scaffold will only be released as pre-release versions.

If you are a member of the alpha testing community, follow these steps to successfully install and run a Scaffold pre-release on your PC.

* Verify you have a supported operating system. The pre-release version of Scaffold is only distributed as a 64-bit Windows application. The following specific operating systems are supported.
  + Windows 10 Home / Professional.
  + Windows 8 Home / Professional (64-bit only).
  + Windows 7 Home / Professional (64-bit only).
* If there is already a previous version of Scaffold on your PC, remove it.
  + Press [Windows][S] to activate Windows Search.
  + Type **remove** and press [Enter] if the **Add or remove programs** option is highlighted.
  + In the **Apps & features** area, click in the **Search this list** textbox and type **scaffold**
  + Click **Scaffold**.
  + Click **Uninstall**.
  + Close the **Settings** dialog.
* Download the current pre-release version.
  + Navigate to <https://www.github.com/ascendantdesign/Scaffold>
  + In the right column of the page, click **Releases**. The newest release will be at the top. Review any bugs fixed, features added, etc.
  + At the bottom of the current release, open the **Assets** group.
  + Click the **ScaffoldSetup-***(Date}***.zip** link.
  + Save the file to your downloads folder, but do not open it.
  + Open your downloads folder and find the **ScaffoldSetup-***{Date}***.zip** file.
  + Right-click the file and from the context menu, select **Properties**.
  + Check **Unblock**.
  + Click **OK**.
* Install the pre-release version.
  + Double-click the .zip file to open it.
  + Double-click **Scaffold-Setup.msi**.
* Test the new version.
  + Minimize all windows and find the **Scaffold** icon on your desktop. Double-click the icon to run the application.