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The Igor installer puts files in the special folders. Igor searches them when looking for help files, extensions and procedure files. *With very rare exceptions, you should not make any changes to the Igor Pro Folder.*

Igor Pro User Files

At launch time, Igor creates a special folder called the Igor Pro User Files folder. By default, this folder has the Igor Pro major version number in its name, for example, "Igor Pro 9 User Files", but it is generically called the "Igor Pro User Files" folder.

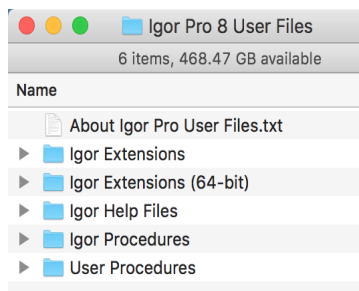On Macintosh, the Igor Pro User Files folder is created by default in:

`/Users/<user>/Documents/WaveMetrics`

On Windows it is created by default in:

`C:\Users\<user>\Documents\WaveMetrics`

You can change the location of your Igor Pro User Files folder using Misc→Miscellaneous Settings but this should rarely be necessary.

The Igor Pro User Files folder looks like this:

You can activate additional help files, extensions and procedure files that are part of the Igor Pro installation, that you create, or that you receive from third parties. To do this, add files, or aliases/shortcuts pointing to files, to the special subfolders within the Igor Pro User Files folder. See **Activating WaveMetrics Procedure Files** on page II-33 **Activating WaveMetrics XOPs** on page II-33 for details on activating additional WaveMetrics files.

You can display the Igor Pro User Files folder on the desktop by choosing Help→Show Igor Pro User Files. To display both the Igor Pro Folder and the Igor Pro User Files folder, which you typically want to do to activate a WaveMerics XOP or procedure file, press the shift key and choose Help→Show Igor Pro Folder and User Files.

Igor Help Files Folder

When Igor starts up, it opens any Igor help files in "Igor Pro Folder/Igor Help Files" and in "Igor Pro User Files/Igor Help Files". It treats any aliases, shortcuts and subfolders in "Igor Help Files" in the same way.

Standard WaveMetrics help files are pre-installed in "Igor Pro Folder/Igor Help Files".

If there is an additional help file that you want Igor to automatically open at launch time, put it or an alias/shortcut for it in "Igor Pro User Files/Igor Help Files".