

#### 4. Follow the instructions displayed by the Setup program.

When the Setup program is finished, the software is ready to use.



WARNING

Copying the Setup program to a network share spares you the annoyance of carrying the installation discs to each computer you want to install the software on. It doesn't spare you the annoyance of purchasing a valid license for each computer, though! It's illegal to install the software on more computers than the license you acquired from the vendor allows.

## Installing silently

Copying the contents of a program's installation media to a network share does spare you the annoyance of carrying the installation discs from computer to computer, but you still have to run the Setup program and answer all its annoying questions on every computer. Wouldn't it be great if there were a way to automate the Setup program so that after you run it, it runs without any further interaction from you? With many programs, you can.

In some cases, the Setup program itself has a command-line switch that causes it to run silently. You can usually find out what command-line switches are available by entering the following at a command prompt:

```
setup /?
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With luck, you'll find that the Setup program itself has a switch, such as `/quiet` or `/silent`, that installs the program with no interaction, using the program's default settings.



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If the Setup program doesn't offer any command-line switches, don't despair. The following procedure describes a technique that often lets you silently install the software:

1. **Open an Explorer window and navigate to** `C:\Users\name\AppData\Local\Temp`

Then, delete the entire contents of this folder.

This is the Temp folder where various programs deposit temporary files.

Windows may not allow you to delete every file in this folder, but it's a good idea to begin this procedure by emptying the Temp folder as much as possible.