



# I-deas Work at Home Licensing Procedure

## Links & Instructions

This page is an overview guide to help you install and license a home-use copy of your company's I-deas software on your home or laptop machine. Remember that it is your company (via paying its maintenance bills to EDS) that is paying for these licenses, therefore, the licenses can only be used for company business and learning about I-deas (and upcoming NX releases) for the benefit of your skill set and your company.

Also remember that high performance software packages like I-deas expect a fairly recent level of computer hardware and graphics performance, and also require generous amounts of RAM and disk space to operate satisfactorily. Check: [http://support.ugs.com/docs/i-deas/hw\\_req/9-wnt.shtml](http://support.ugs.com/docs/i-deas/hw_req/9-wnt.shtml) to determine if your hardware meets the minimum requirements for acceptable compatibility and performance.

In order to obtain I-deas home use licenses your company's maintenance must be current, and you'll need to run I-deas version 9m1 or later.

Finally, installation support for these licenses is not available from the EDS GTAC Hotline. Acuity will make paid installation service available for those who desire it, and whose hardware falls within the compatibility guidelines. Please email [support@acuityinc.com](mailto:support@acuityinc.com), or call 1.877.268.1263 with additional questions. Also, see <http://www.acuityinc.com/SiteTools/SoftwareApps.htm> for additional, web-based resources regarding I-deas in general.

## What Do I Need, and How Do I Get It?

First you (or your I-deas System Administrator) need to order take home licensing. It is EDS part number A200, and can be ordered by calling Jason at Acuity (503-221-6995 ext. 102), or who ever your I-deas licenses are purchased through, if not Acuity. Jason (or your reseller/sales rep) will explain the steps that need to be taken, and help provide the paperwork required, which will include a 0\$ company PO.

You'll also need the host name and lmhostid number from your home machine. You can obtain the lmhost id by opening a command prompt ("DOS window"; Start | Run | cmd) on your machine and typing: `ipconfig /all | find "Physical"`. To find your hostname type `hostname`. Take the results and use them when running the Take Home License Utility on your license server at work to generate the license string you'll need to license your home machine.

## Installing Software at Home

Run the I-deas installation on your home machine and use the license string generated above to license your machine. You can now work at home at will, learn new features of the software on your own time, and transfer work between home and work (subject to your company's policies, of course!) as desired. You can use package files and CD-RW's or ZIP drives to move data back and forth. However, do not connect to your company's TDM data manager from home! Data corruption will occur.

**Have Fun!**

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