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ZoomText USB Setup Guide

The ZoomText USB Setup Guide provides instructions for installing and using ZoomText USB. The following information is provided in this setup guide:

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For complete information on installing and using *ZoomText Magnifier* and *ZoomText Magnifier/Reader*, refer to the *ZoomText 10 User's Guide*.

About ZoomText USB

Computers have become ever-present in our lives, and so has our need to access and use computers everywhere we go... at home, at school, at work, even in libraries and other public facilities. To make ZoomText readily available to individuals that need it, Ai Squared has introduced “ZoomText USB” – ZoomText on a USB flash drive that users can conveniently carry with them and use at any time.

With ZoomText USB, you can install and run ZoomText whenever and wherever you need to (with administrative privileges), without having to purchase additional licensing or activate each installation of the software. This makes ZoomText both convenient and inexpensive for both individuals and organizations, and faster to deploy in network environments. Once ZoomText has been installed on a system, ZoomText will automatically start up each time you plug in the USB drive – activated and ready to use.

ZoomText USB is available for both ZoomText Magnifier and ZoomText Magnifier/Reader. ZoomText Magnifier is delivered on a green USB drive, while ZoomText Magnifier/Reader is delivered on a blue USB drive. The information in this setup guide applies to both versions.

Key Benefits of ZoomText USB

ZoomText USB provides these important key benefits:

- **Access on any computer**
With ZoomText USB you can plug in and run ZoomText on any system without having to purchase additional licensing.
- **Portable and always within reach**
The ZoomText USB drive fits in your pocket or around your neck (on the included lanyard), so it's always with you when you need it.
- **Easy to use**
Just plug in the ZoomText USB drive and ZoomText automatically starts up. If ZoomText is not installed, the friendly setup program is launched and you'll be up and running in minutes.
- **Plug-and-Play license management**
Since the serial number is tied to the ZoomText USB drive, there are no serial numbers or license activations to worry about.
- **Includes three machine activations**
Single-user versions of ZoomText USB include three machine licenses, so you don't need to plug in your USB drive on the computers you use the most.
- **Take your settings with you**
Your personalized ZoomText configuration settings are saved to your USB drive and are automatically loaded each time you plug in and start ZoomText.

System Requirements

The system requirements for using ZoomText USB are the same as the requirements for using CD-ROM versions of ZoomText.

- Windows 7, Windows Vista, or Windows XP (SP2 or later)
- 1.5 GHz for Windows 7 and Windows Vista
1 GHz Pentium® 4 or equivalent for Windows XP
- 1 GB RAM for Windows 7 and Windows Vista
(2GB recommended)
512 MB RAM for Windows XP (1 GB recommended)
- 50 MB free hard disk space (additional 60 MB required for each NeoSpeech synthesizer)
- USB Port
USB 2.0 is required for ZoomText Camera feature
- Sound card (for Magnifier/Reader version only)

Unplugging the ZoomText USB Drive

As with all USB flash drives, it is important that the ZoomText USB drive is not unplugged while the system is reading or writing information on the drive, which could corrupt important files needed to install and run ZoomText. To eliminate this risk, always shut down ZoomText before unplugging the ZoomText USB drive.

Installing ZoomText USB

ZoomText USB is easy to install on your system. The ZoomText USB drive includes a talking setup program with large-print dialog boxes that guide you through the installation.

Note: The ZoomText setup program will install system-level components, which requires administrator privileges. If you do not have these privileges, contact your network administrator before proceeding with the installation.

► **To install ZoomText USB**

1. Disable virus-protection software and close all other programs.
2. Plug the USB drive into an available USB port.
The ZoomText Setup program will start automatically.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.

► **If ZoomText Setup does not start automatically**

1. In the Windows **Start** menu, select **R**un...
2. Browse to the ZoomText USB drive.
3. Select the **ZoomTextUSBAutoStart** program and click **O**pen.
4. Click **OK** in the Run dialog box.

For complete information on the setup options, refer to the ZoomText 10 User's Guide.

Starting ZoomText USB

Once ZoomText is installed on your system, the program will start automatically each time you plug in your ZoomText USB drive. If your ZoomText USB drive is already plugged into your computer, you can also start ZoomText using one of the following procedures:

- On the Windows desktop, select the **ZoomText 10** program icon.
- In the Windows **Start** menu, choose **Programs** ► **ZoomText 10** ► **ZoomText 10**.

Activating ZoomText

Single-user versions of ZoomText USB include three machine activations, allowing you to fully activate ZoomText on the computers you use the most. This eliminates the need to plug in your ZoomText USB drive in order to run ZoomText. For complete information on the ZoomText activation process, refer to the ZoomText 10 User's Guide.

Note: While the software may be activated on up to three computers, use of the collective installations is restricted to one user at any given time. Simultaneous use by more than one user violates this license agreement.

Saving and Loading Configurations

When ZoomText is started using the ZoomText USB drive the ZoomText configuration settings are (by default) loaded from and saved to configuration files stored on the USB drive. This convenient feature insures that your saved ZoomText settings are always with you as you move from one computer to another. For complete information on saving and restoring ZoomText configuration settings, refer to the ZoomText 10 User's Guide.

Uninstalling ZoomText

If you no longer need ZoomText on your system, you can uninstall it at any time. Uninstalling ZoomText erases all its program files and returns your system to the state it was in before installing.

► **To uninstall ZoomText**

1. In the Windows **Start** menu, choose **P**rograms ► **Z**oomText ► **U**ninstall ZoomText 10.

The ZoomText Uninstall program starts.

2. Follow the on-screen instructions.

For complete information on the uninstall process, refer to the ZoomText 10 User's Guide.

Backing Up Your ZoomText USB Drive

ZoomText USB is a standard flash memory drive and is subject to accidental deletion or damage to its contents. Therefore, Ai Squared strongly advises that you backup your ZoomText USB drive to your computer's hard drive before you begin using it. Should the contents of your ZoomText USB drive become deleted or damaged, this precautionary step will allow you to restore the backup to the original ZoomText USB drive.

► **To backup your ZoomText USB drive**

1. In the Windows **Start** menu, select **R**un...
2. Browse to the ZoomText USB drive.
3. Select **BackupUSB.bat** and click **O**pen.
4. Click **OK** in the Run dialog box.

The ZoomText USB backup utility starts up.

5. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the USB backup process.

► **To restore your ZoomText USB drive**

1. In the Windows **Start** menu, select **R**un...
2. Browse to your ZoomText USB backup folder.
3. Select **RestoreUSB.bat** and click **O**pen.
4. Click **OK** in the Run dialog box.

The ZoomText USB restore utility starts up.

5. Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the USB restore process.

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Does ZoomText USB have all of the same features as the CD-ROM version (aka “desktop version”) of ZoomText?**

Yes. ZoomText USB includes all of the same features and capabilities (including speech synthesizers) as the CD-ROM version of ZoomText, with the added convenience of a portable activation that you can use whenever and wherever you need it.

- **Do I have to install ZoomText to use ZoomText USB?**

Yes. As with all professional quality screen magnifiers and screen readers some components must reside on the system, so an installation process is required before you can run ZoomText USB.

Note: Administrative privileges are required to perform the ZoomText installation.

- **What happens if ZoomText 10 is already installed on the system?**

If ZoomText 10.0 (or later 10.xx version) is already installed on the system, ZoomText will automatically start when you plug in the ZoomText USB drive.

- **What happens if an older or newer ZoomText product release is already installed on the system, for example 9.1 or 10.1 (future release)?**

ZoomText 10 is designed to co-exist with older and newer ZoomText product releases. Therefore, your ZoomText 10 product will install and run normally, even if an older or newer ZoomText product is already on the system.

- **Where can I find my ZoomText USB product serial number?**

After installing ZoomText, your product serial number will appear in ZoomText's Program Info dialog box. To view this dialog box, in ZoomText's menu bar, choose **Help ► About ZoomText** and then select the **Program Info** tab. The serial number can also be found in the SerialNumber.txt file, located in the root directory of the ZoomText USB drive.

- **Do I have to plug in the ZoomText USB drive whenever I want to use ZoomText?**

That depends. If you own a single-user version of ZoomText USB, you can activate ZoomText on up to three systems, eliminating the need to plug in the USB drive on the computers you use the most.

Note: While the Software may be activated on up to three systems, use of the collective installations is restricted to one user at any given time. Simultaneous use by more than one user violates this license agreement.

- **How many machine activations come with ZoomText USB?**

In addition to the portable activation contained on the ZoomText USB drive, single-user versions of the ZoomText USB include three machine activations. Machine activations are not provided with multi-user versions of ZoomText USB.

- **Can I use my ZoomText USB flash drive as a storage device for my personal files?**

Yes. Your ZoomText USB drive contains approximately 400MB of free space that can be used to store your personal files. However, we urge you to use extreme caution when doing so as you run the risk of overwriting, deleting or damaging files required to install and run ZoomText. If you wish to use the available space for personal storage, we recommend creating a special folder in which to store your files.

- **Are the files on my ZoomText USB drive protected?**

No. As with all writable storage devices, the files contained on the ZoomText USB drive may be overwritten – accidentally or intentionally. Therefore, we recommend that you backup your ZoomText USB drive before you begin using it as described in the “Backing Up Your ZoomText USB Drive” section of this guide.

- **Can the ZoomText USB drive be write protected?**

No. While files and folders on the ZoomText USB drive can be flagged as read-only, this does not provide complete protection against accidental or intentional overwriting or deleting of files.

- **Should I make a backup of my ZoomText USB flash drive?**

Yes. Ai Squared strongly advises that you backup your ZoomText USB drive. See “Backing Up Your ZoomText USB Drive” in this setup guide.

- **Can I make a usable copy of ZoomText USB on another USB flash drive?**

No. While you could copy the contents of the ZoomText USB drive to another USB drive, it would not contain a usable license.

- **What should I do if I lose or break my ZoomText USB drive?**

Contact Ai Squared or your ZoomText dealer to purchase a replacement or to request a replacement provided with your ZoomText USB Insurance Plan.

Note: ZoomText USB Insurance Plans are only available when purchased with ZoomText USB.

- **Can I run ZoomText USB without administrative privileges?**

Administrative privileges are required to install ZoomText onto the system. Once ZoomText is installed, administrative privileges are not required to run ZoomText.

- **What are “administrative privileges”?**

Administrative privileges are the highest level of permission that can be granted to a computer user and are generally required to perform software installations and modify system level settings. In general, when you log into a computer that you own, you have administrative privileges. When logging into a computer that you do not own, such as your computer at work or school, you do not have administrative privileges.



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