

Installing .sis Files

I am distributing my software for EPOC systems in .sis file form. These are easy to install on your computer and convenient to download.

What are .sis Files?

.sis files are the standard way to distribute software for EPOC. They make it easy to combine all the files you need into one package for downloading. They contain all of the files to install and information to ensure all the right parts are easy to add to your machine and then remove them later.

Usually you download them, and then open the file. This starts the installation process. If you need to know more, read on.

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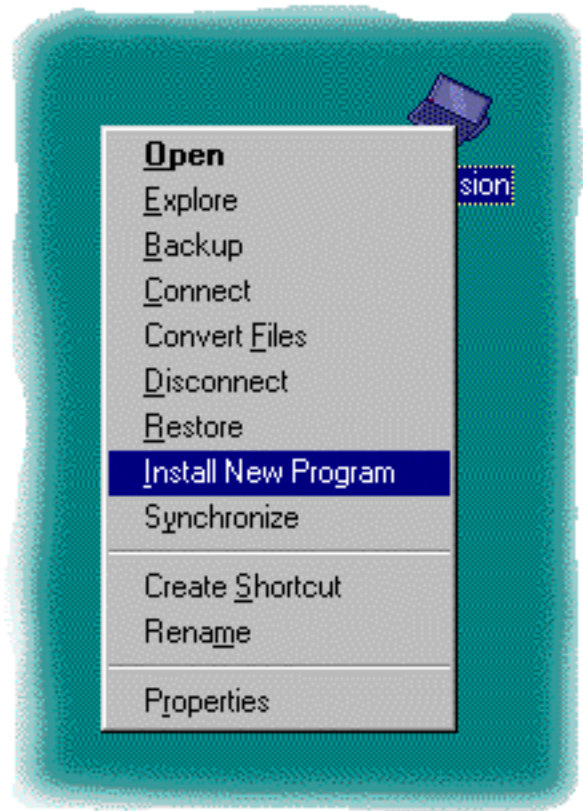
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Installing .sis Files via a Windows PC

If you run Windows 95, Windows 98, Windows NT 4 or a compatible later release, the easiest way to install .sis files is via EPOC Connect (PsiWin 2, when sold with Psion machines).

If your "My Psion" or "EPOC Machine" icon has an "Install new Program" option when you right click on it, you are ready to go. Download the .sis file you want to your PC, select "Install New Program" and follow the prompts.

Otherwise you should download [setup.exe](#) and run it on your PC to add the "Install New Program" option to your "My Psion" icon. Then you can download .sis files and install them.



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Installing sis files via a Macintosh

Macintosh owners have two choices: either buy and use 'MacConnect' available from Psion or follow the '[Installing via other computers](#)' advice.

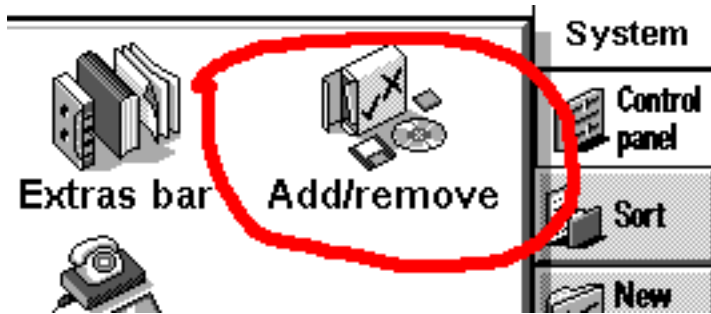
If you use MacConnect, select the 'PsiTools' option from the Psion menu. You can then use the 'Install' option to browse to the folder you have the sis file in, and install it to your palmtop.

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Installing sis Files Direct to my EPOC Device



You can download the .sis file direct to your palmtop via the web browser. If you already have the Add/Remove control panel you simply launch it, and use the "Add New" option to install the .sis file. (Or just double tap the .sis file!) If you don't have the control panel,

download [instexe.exe](#), and copy it to the machine. Open instexe.exe - it will install the control panel and then delete itself.

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Installing sis Files via Other Computers

Other computers have various options open to them - you may have access to a machine with the older PsiWin 1.0 or RCom software. This can be used to copy the file to your device - don't worry if you have to rename it to make it fit the DOS 8.3 filename limits, you can rename it back later.

Alternatively, download the .sis file via Comms (refer to an expert on your system for help with this) and then follow the '[Installing direct to my EPOC device](#)' instructions. Of course, once you have worked it out once you can use the same technique for all .sis files!

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Uninstalling .sis Files

Once you have installed software from a .sis file, you can always use the "Remove" option in the Add/remove control panel to delete the software. This will remove all the files from your system, except any documents you have created. These will remain behind, with a ? icon now that the system can no longer find an application to launch them with. The other exception is files shared by another application - these are not deleted so that the other program continues to work.

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