

Frequently Asked Questions

VTScadaLIGHT[™]

Q - What is VTScadaLIGHT?

A - VTScadaLIGHT is the same software as VTScada, just limited in options to correspond with its great price!

It is a free 50 I/O development/runtime license with a mobile connection that is perfect for small industrial and personal applications. It includes all standard VTScada industrial communication drivers, Historian, alarm management, high-availability redundancy and a Thin Client view. We provide up to ten VTScadaLIGHT Licenses to individuals or businesses.

Q - What are the limitations of VTScadaLIGHT?

A - While VTScadaLIGHT has the same unlimited capabilities as VTScada, it is limited to 50 I/O tags and excludes the Alarm Notification (email, text and voice) option.

Q - Is VTScadaLIGHT a time limited trial that will stop working after 1/3/6/12 months?

A - We did say it was free, so no bait and switch. This is a perpetual software license that will never expire.

Q - Does VTScadaLIGHT limit application runtime like the three-month trial does?

A - No time limit is imposed - so you can rely on it to run small real-world industrial applications.

Q - How is VTScadaLIGHT different from VTScada?

A - VTScadaLIGHT is the same code base and therefore has all the same capabilities of VTScada except that it limits you to 50 I/O tags and does not have the Alarm Notification service.

Q - I have VTScada installed. Can I also install VTScadaLIGHT on the same computer for a second project?

A - Yes, if you install VTScadaLIGHT in a separate directory from VTScada.

Q - I was planning to run VTScadaLIGHT and VTScada simultaneously for two projects but only one of them will start at a time. Can you help?

A - Only VTScada or VTScadaLIGHT can be running on a workstation at any one time.

Q - Can I use VTScadaLIGHT as a backup to my system?

A - VTScadaLIGHT can be installed on multiple workstations, in which case it can easily act as a backup server for each workstation. But VTScadaLIGHT is not licensed to serve as a backup to larger VTScada applications unless an OEM or cloud version is licensed.

Q - I'm happy with the limits of VTScadaLIGHT except that I need more active Thin Clients. Is this something I can pay to add to VTScadaLIGHT or do I have to upgrade to VTScada?

A - VTScadaLIGHT only supports one Thin Client license. To get more, you will have to upgrade to VTScada which includes new OEM tag versions and bundles.

Q - Are there paid OEM Versions?

A - Yes! We offer low tag count bundles with expanded feature sets and support. Contact us for details!

Q - What support is available for VTScadaLIGHT?

A - VTScadaLIGHT support is limited to online resources unless custom arrangements are made.

Trihedral offers materials to help get you started in no time.

- A 5-minute video shows you how to create applications, connect to devices, and draw values to your screen.
- Context-sensitive help files are always just an F1 key away.
- Simple demo applications give you working examples to build on.
- The VTScada User's Forum (<http://forum.trihedral.com>) provides a place to share your challenges and triumphs with VTScada's international community of developers and users.



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- Q - How do I activate my non-internet-connected VTScadaLIGHT?
- A - We make it simple – the installation program will provide you with a URL that you paste into a browser on any internet enabled device (i.e., cell phone, tablet) which will issue you a short activation code to manually type into the isolated computer.
- Q - If I re-install or upgrade VTScadaLIGHT, do I have to re-activate?
- A - As long as you install on the same computer, no, you won't have to re-activate.
- Q - Do I need to uninstall VTScadaLIGHT before installing VTScada?
- A - No.
- Q - If a VTScadaLIGHT installation is upgraded to a full VTScada license, will I lose my application and data?
- A - Upgrading will have no effect on your application or its data. It will just give you access to more capabilities.
- Q - If I run multiple copies of VTScadaLIGHT and add all the servers to the internet client server list, do the Thin Client licenses increase or is it still restricted to one concurrent user?
- A - The Thin Client licenses do not combine as a distributed total. They are limited to one connection per workstation.
- Q - If I create multiple applications in VTScadaLIGHT, is it limited to 50 tags in total or per application?
- A - It is limited to 50 tags in total across all applications running at the same time on the same PC.
- Q - How does the new activation affect my SI developer key? I currently have a few different versions of VTScada installed on my computer for use in development with different customers. I assume this won't affect versions before 11.2.25, but what about going forward? Will I be able to install multiple versions of VTScada after 11.2.25? I like to work on their applications in the version they have installed, so I don't accidentally rely on a new feature in my programming that isn't available in their installed version.
- A - The activation applies to the computer, so once a computer has received the activation code, it will not ever need to be activated again no matter which VTScada versions you run on that machine.

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