

# How to Get Your Windows 7 Upgrade Software Online

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## Two Ways to Get Your Windows 7 Upgrade Online

Organizations can download the Windows 7 upgrade software or order discs online at Microsoft's Volume Licensing Service Center.

This could be done either as the result of a new donation requested through TechSoup or as a benefit of Software Assurance received through an earlier donation of an operating system. If Software Assurance was in effect when Windows 7 was released on October 22, 2009, the organization can get a Windows 7 upgrade at any time in the future, as long as Microsoft still makes Windows 7 available to users.

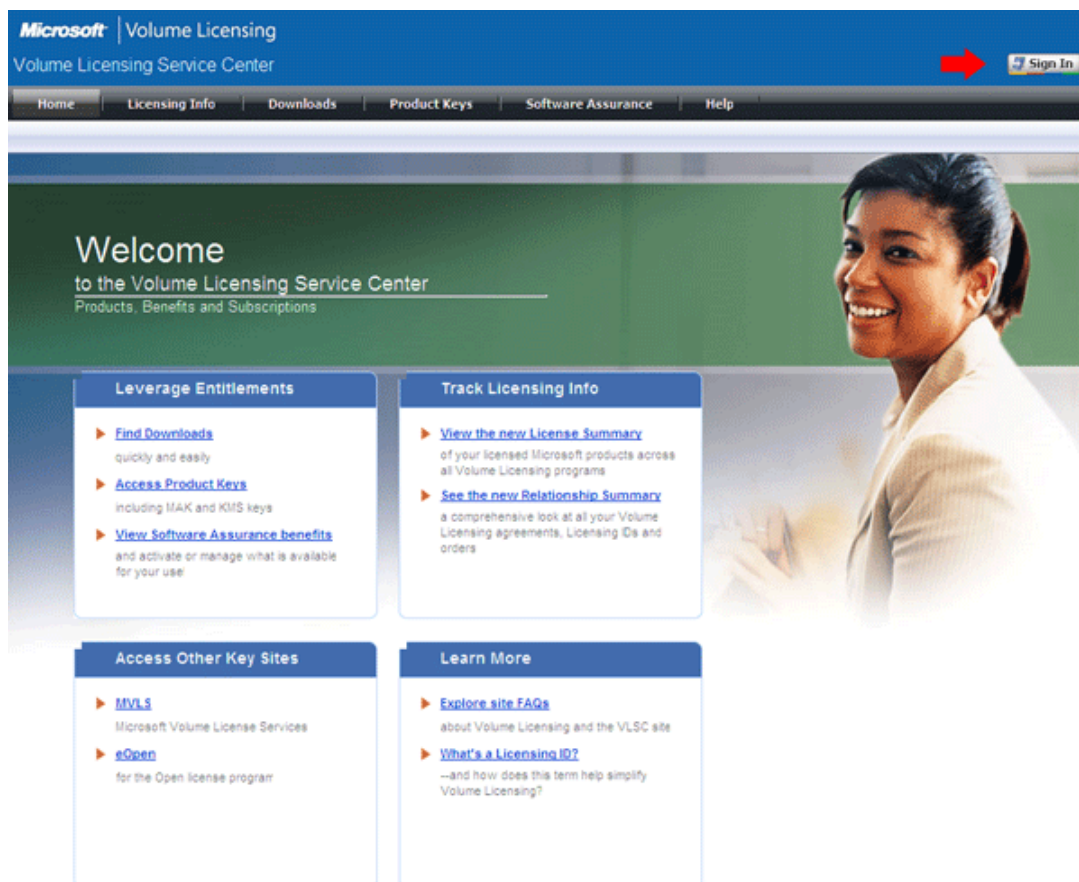
Follow these steps to get the upgrade.

### ***Downloading Your Windows 7 Upgrade***

#### **Step 1: Display the Volume Licensing Service Center Start Page**

To begin, open a web browser and go to the start page of the Volume Licensing Service Center: <https://www.microsoft.com/licensing/servicecenter/home.aspx>

The page might look slightly different from the one shown here.



## Step 2: Sign In

Click **Sign In** in the upper right corner. Sign in with the Windows Live ID you used when you added your agreement and license to your eOpen account. See [TechSoup Donation Recipients' Guide to the Microsoft eOpen Web Site](#) for more information.

**Microsoft**

**Your information in one place**

Sign in with your Windows Live™ ID to manage your personal information, interests, e-newsletter subscriptions, and marketing contact preferences in one place.

Use Profile Center to tell us more about yourself to customize your experience on Microsoft.com with information and special offers that interest you.

To get started, sign up for a Windows Live™ ID

[Sign up now](#)

Have an **MSN Hotmail, MSN Messenger, or Passport account?** It's your **Windows Live ID.**

**Sign in to Microsoft**

**E-mail address:**

**Password:**  [Forgot your password?](#)

[Sign in](#)

Save my e-mail address and password

Save my e-mail address

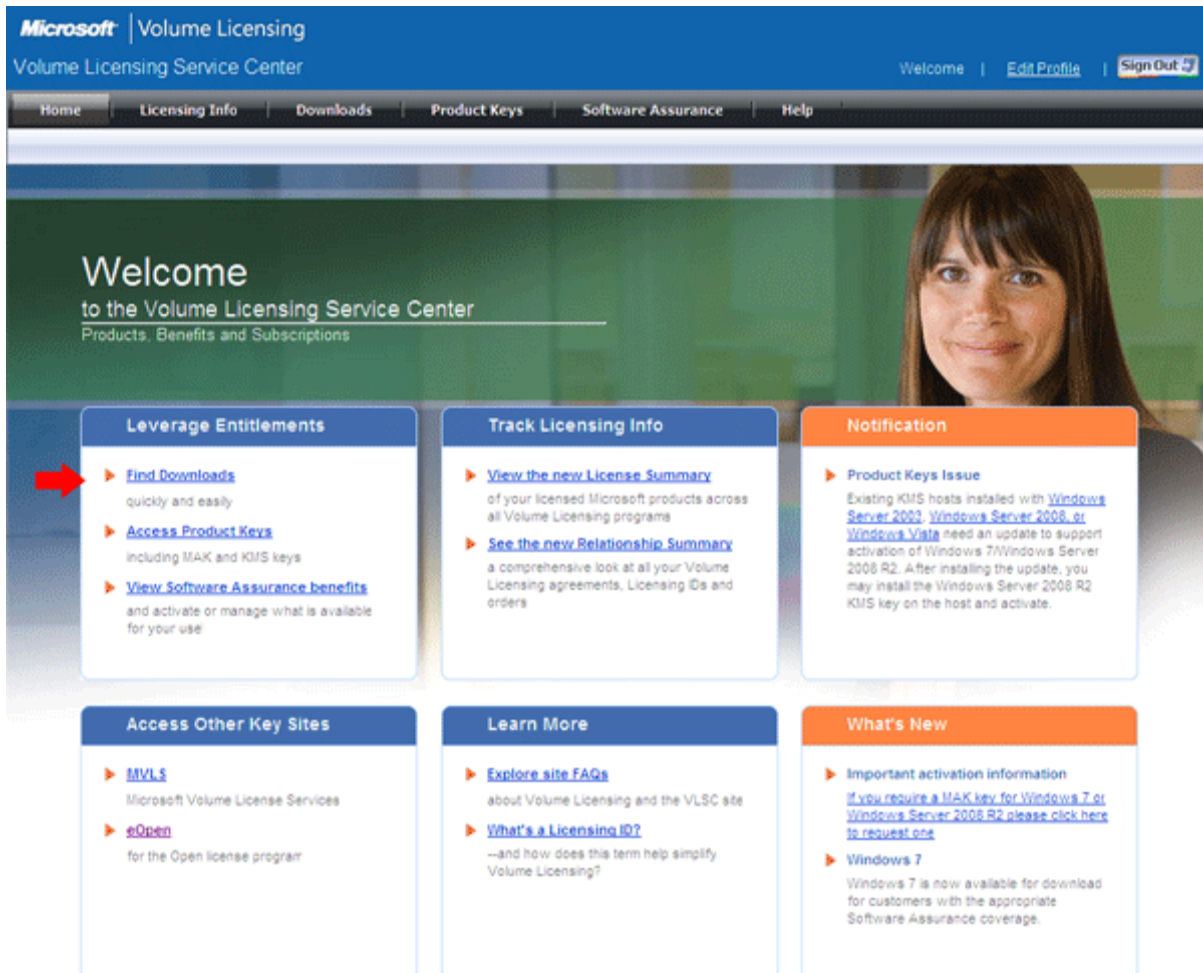
Always ask for my e-mail address and password

[Sign in using enhanced security](#)

**Windows Live ID**  
Works with Windows Live, MSN, and Microsoft Passport sites  
[Privacy Statement](#)

### Step 3: Click Find Downloads

In the Leverage Entitlements box, click **Find Downloads**.



## Step 4: Click Windows 7 Upgrade

The window that appears groups product downloads by families.

- Windows 7 Professional Upgrade is in the Windows product family.
- Windows 7 Enterprise Upgrade is in the Software Assurance product family.

Microsoft | Volume Licensing  
Volume Licensing Service Center

Welcome | [Edit Profile](#) | [Sign Out](#)

Home | **Licensing Info** | Downloads | Product Keys | Software Assurance | Help

Licensed Downloads | Products Not Available | Document Kits

### Software Downloads

Home > Licensed Downloads

#### Licensed Downloads

Find software products to download based on your Volume Licensing entitlements.

**Digital by Choice** Simplify your media experience and support the environment. [End media subscription kit shipments now!](#)

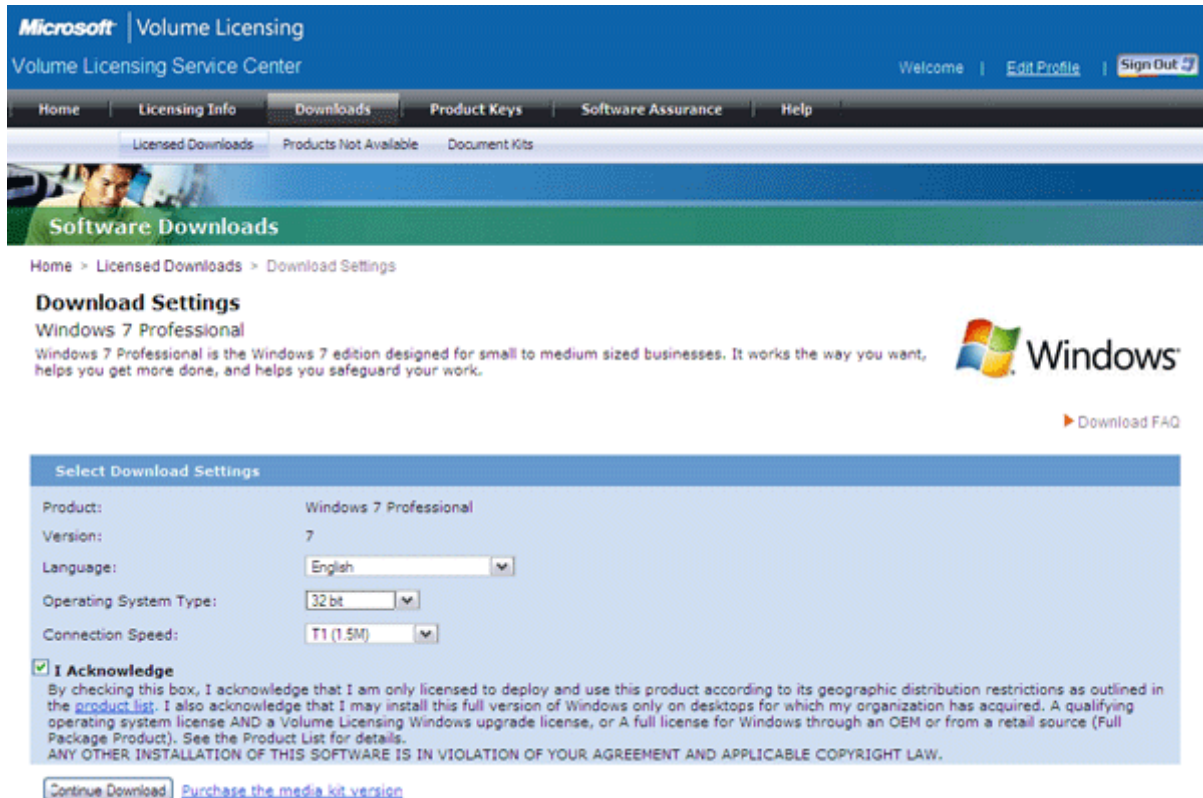
[Download FAQ](#)

Product Family	Licensed Downloads	Release Date
Office	<b>Office</b> (6 of 15 Shown)	
	<a href="#">Office Professional Plus 2007</a>	2006-11-01
	<a href="#">Office Communicator 2007 R2</a>	2008-12-29
	<a href="#">Office Professional 2003</a>	2003-10-01
	<a href="#">Entourage 2008 for MAC with SP2</a>	2009-07-15
	<a href="#">Entourage 2008 for Mac</a>	2008-01-04
	<a href="#">Office 2008 for MAC with Service Pack 2</a>	2009-07-15
Windows	<b>Windows</b> (5 of 51 Shown)	
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Professional</a>	2009-08-06
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Professional Upgrade</a>	2009-08-06
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Professional Language Pack</a>	2009-07-29
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Professional K</a>	2009-08-07
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Professional K Upgrade</a>	2009-08-07
Software Assurance for Volume Licensing	<b>Software Assurance</b> (5 of 21 Shown)	
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Enterprise</a>	2009-08-06
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Enterprise Upgrade</a>	2009-08-06
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Enterprise Language Packs</a>	2009-08-06
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Enterprise K</a>	2009-08-07
	<a href="#">Windows 7 Enterprise K Upgrade</a>	2009-08-07

If the link to your product is not visible, click the + box next to the family heading to expand the list.

## Step 5: Select Your Download Settings

Select the language, operating system type (32-bit or 64-bit), and connection speed. Check the **I Acknowledge** box to affirm that you are licensed to download this product. Then click **Continue Download**.



The screenshot shows the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center interface. The page title is "Download Settings" for "Windows 7 Professional". The user is logged in as "Welcome" and can click "Edit Profile" or "Sign Out". The navigation menu includes "Home", "Licensing Info", "Downloads", "Product Keys", "Software Assurance", and "Help". The "Downloads" menu is expanded, showing "Licensed Downloads", "Products Not Available", and "Document Kits".

**Download Settings**  
Windows 7 Professional  
Windows 7 Professional is the Windows 7 edition designed for small to medium sized businesses. It works the way you want, helps you get more done, and helps you safeguard your work.

[Download FAQ](#)

**Select Download Settings**

Product: Windows 7 Professional  
Version: 7  
Language: English  
Operating System Type: 32 bit  
Connection Speed: T1 (1.5M)

**I Acknowledge**  
By checking this box, I acknowledge that I am only licensed to deploy and use this product according to its geographic distribution restrictions as outlined in the [product list](#). I also acknowledge that I may install this full version of Windows only on desktops for which my organization has acquired. A qualifying operating system license AND a Volume Licensing Windows upgrade license, or A full license for Windows through an OEM or from a retail source (Full Package Product). See the Product List for details.  
**ANY OTHER INSTALLATION OF THIS SOFTWARE IS IN VIOLATION OF YOUR AGREEMENT AND APPLICABLE COPYRIGHT LAW.**

[Continue Download](#) [Purchase the media kit version](#)

## Step 6: Confirm Your Settings and Begin Downloading

The confirmation page shows the settings you selected along with the size of the download and the estimated time. You have the option to download using Microsoft's recommended download manager or using your web browser. The download manager lets you pause, resume, and stop the download process. To begin downloading, click **Download** under the option you select.

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center interface. The page title is "Confirm Settings and Download". It displays the following information:

- Select Download Settings:**
  - Product:
  - Version:
  - Part Number: FQC-00109
  - Language: English
  - Operating System Type: 32 bit
  - Total Download Size: 2289 MB
  - Estimated Download Time: @ T1 (1.5M) - 3 hours 28 minutes
- Select Download Method:** Select a download method for a **download** component and click Download. Use the Download Manager for easy installation, time-saving features, and automatic restarting if the download process is interrupted. Add to favorites to download later.

Download Part Name	Part Number	File Size	Download Format	(Recommended) Download Manager	Web Browser
SW DVDS Win Pro 7 32BIT English Full MLF	X15-71033	2289 MB	ISO	<input type="button" value="Download"/>	<input type="button" value="Download"/>

About Download Manager: Microsoft recommends the Download Manager for ease and convenience. To use the Download Manager you may be prompted to accept a signed ActiveX control or Java applet in your browser. To learn more, go to [How to Download](#)

## Ordering Your Windows 7 Upgrade on Disc

To order Windows 7 on disc instead of downloading it, follow the first four steps in the downloading procedure. Then continue by following the steps in this section. For each disc kit you order, Microsoft charges \$25 for shipping and handling.

### Step 5: Select Your Language and System Type and Choose to Order Discs

Select the language and operating system type (32-bit or 64-bit). Check the **I Acknowledge** box to affirm that you are licensed to download this product. Then click **Purchase the media kit version**.

The screenshot shows the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Licensing Info', 'Downloads', 'Product Keys', 'Software Assurance', and 'Help'. Below this is a sub-navigation bar with 'Licensed Downloads', 'Products Not Available', and 'Document Kits'. The main content area is titled 'Software Downloads' and shows the breadcrumb 'Home > Licensed Downloads > Download Settings'. The page title is 'Download Settings' for 'Windows 7 Enterprise Upgrade'. A description states: 'Windows 7 Enterprise will help make users productive anywhere, enhance security and control, and streamline PC management. Designed specifically to meet the needs of enterprise customers, Windows 7 Enterprise is available through Microsoft Software Assurance licensing.' There is a 'Download FAQ' link. The 'Select Download Settings' section includes the following fields: Product: Windows 7 Enterprise Upgrade; Version: 7; Language: English; Operating System Type: 64 bit; Connection Speed: T1 (1.5M). Below these fields is a checked 'I Acknowledge' checkbox with the text: 'By checking this box, I acknowledge that I am only licensed to deploy and use this product according to its geographic distribution restrictions as outlined in the product list.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: 'Continue' and 'Purchase the media kit version'. A red arrow points to the 'Purchase the media kit version' button.

## Step 6: Confirm Your Order

Verify that the product and quantity are correct and click **Proceed to Checkout**.

Microsoft | Volume Licensing Home | Worldwide

[Help with your order](#) | [Sign Out](#)

### Confirm the Quantity

If this is not your selected product/language, please click [here](#) to re-select.

The Volume Licensing Service Centre site is designed to deliver Volume Licensing products via digital distribution to our customers. There are number of products currently not available for digital distribution please click on link to the [Microsoft Customer Support Centre](#) to see list of product not available for download and contact details to obtain physical media.

Product Description	Quantity	Price	Total	Remove
SAWinEnt 7 64bit ENG DiskKit MVL DVD Upgrd Part # FYC-00353	Mix: 1 Max: 10 <input type="text" value="5"/>	\$25.00	\$125.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Subtotal	\$125.00	<input type="button" value="Update Cart"/>

Taxes displayed are estimates. Applicable taxes will be calculated and finalized upon shipment and may differ from the estimates shown on this site. Final tax rates are determined by the jurisdiction of your 'ship-to' address.

## Step 7: Enter Contact, Shipping, and Billing Information

On the following pages, enter the required contact, shipping, and billing information.

The review page shows the total including tax.

Check the box to agree to the terms and click **Submit** to place the order.

## Obtaining Your Activation Keys

Windows 7 requires activation if it is to be used, to verify that the software has been received through legitimate means and is not installed on more computers than permitted. To activate the product, you need a 25-character volume license key. Windows 7 allows you to choose between two Volume Activation models that each has its own type of key: Key Management Service (KMS) or Multiple Activation Key (MAK).

KMS is the default model, and when you go to the Volume Licensing Service Center, you will see only KMS keys there. However, to use KMS keys, you must activate Windows 7 on at least 25 computers, and you must be able to set up one computer in the network to act as a KMS host. If you need MAK keys or prefer to use them, you can request them on the Volume Licensing Service Center.

For instructions on how to request MAK keys, and to get more information on activation, see TechSoup's [Guide to Microsoft Volume Licensing Activation Methods](#).