



Creating a "Testing Environment" to Test DrugPak 6

These steps will allow you to install a DrugPak upgrade without affecting your "production" DrugPak installation. You will be able to switch back-and-forth between your "production installation," and your "testing environment".

1. First, make sure you are running DrugPak version 5.5 or later. If you have not yet upgraded to DrugPak v.5.5, please visit <http://drugpak.com/dp55> to download and install the latest DP55 program updates.
2. Make a copy of your "production" DrugPak installation, including all programs, data, and other files in the DP50 directory.
 - a. First create a destination folder where the copy will be saved.
 - i. We recommend that you call this folder **\DP6**
 - ii. This destination folder can be located anywhere you wish: on your network, or on a local computer.
 - b. Exit all DrugPak applications on all workstations. Don't forget to turn off background applications such as:
 - i. DP Informer Transmission Center (DPXMIT.EXE)
 - ii. Facts-on-Demand (DPFACTS.EXE)
 - iii. Automation Server (DPAUTO.EXE)
 - iv. DP Live (DPLIVE.DLL)
 1. If you are running Falcon Web Server, simply go to the web server and shut down the Falcon Web Server.
 2. If you are running IIS, go to the web server, click Start, Run, and type **IISRESET /stop**
 - c. Copy your "Production" DrugPak 5.5 programs and data. There are at least three good ways to do this:
 - i. If you make nightly backups, simply restore the latest backup of your DP50 directory into your DP6 directory.
 - ii. If you are familiar with WINZIP, create a ZIP file of your current DP50 programs and data (be sure to choose the option "Save full path info"). Then open the zip file, and extract the files into the new location (be sure to choose the option ("Use folder names").
 - iii. Browse to your SCANLON directory, right-click on the DP50 folder, and choose COPY. Then browse to the DP6 directory, right-click on it and choose PASTE.
3. You have now made a copy of your DrugPak programs and data. You may now resume using your "production" DrugPak installation. (To restart IIS, click Start, Run, and type **IISRESET /start**)

TIP: To save time, or if you are low on disk-space, you may wish to omit the folders DP50\XMIT and/or DP50\OUTBOX from your copy process.

Switching between your "Production" DrugPak and your Testing Environment

1. Shut down all DrugPak programs on your local computer.
2. Browse to the DrugPak program directory that you wish to use (either your "production" installation or test environment)
3. Run **WKINST.EXE**. Choose the option "Create Shortcuts" and "Also put program icons on the desktop"
4. When workstation setup is complete, use the icons on your desktop to run DrugPak.
5. After logging into DrugPak, check **Help > About** to confirm that you are running the DrugPak from the correct location.

Tip: You may wish to create shortcuts to the Workstation Setup Programs in the "Production" DrugPak and your DrugPak 6 test directories, and put them on your desktop. Be certain to label the shortcuts clearly.



Installing DrugPak 6

1. Follow the steps in "**Switching between your Production DrugPak and your Testing Environment**" to configure your workstation to run DrugPak 5.5 from within the Testing Environment.
2. Run DrugPak from your desktop shortcut and log in. Check the program location from within **Help>About**, to ensure that you are indeed running DrugPak in your Testing Installation. Exit DrugPak.
3. Install DrugPak 6.
 - a. Visit <http://drugpak.com/dp60> to download the installation programs.
 - b. First install the DrugPak 6 main module Full Install (**DPSETUP.EXE**)
 - c. Then install the Full Install each additional module you use (or plan to use).
4. Now run DrugPak 6 for the first time. Log in, and follow the on-screen instructions to upgrade your database. This process may take several hours, and you should not switch back to using your Production Installation while the DP6 update is running.
5. Periodically visit the DrugPak 6 update page to install fixes and updates.

Tip: We need your feedback to locate bugs and design flaws within the software. Please keep us fully informed of any problems you have. Please do not assume that someone else will report the bugs you find!

Testing DrugPak 6

Following are some tips for Testing DrugPak 6

❖ **Divide and conquer**

Testing the entire software suite is too big a job for any one person. Take turns within your office. Have each user spend a little bit of time running through the processes they rely on most.

❖ **Keep good records.**

If you get an error message, you can press CTRL-C to copy the entire error message to the clipboard. Then you can press CTRL-P to paste the error message into a NOTEPAD window, or into an e-mail message.

If you are using NOTEPAD to keep your notes, press F5 to stamp the date-and-time into the document. This is a quick and easy way to make a note of when things happened.

❖ **Use the PROFILER.**

If you can reproduce an error message, please enable the Profiler via the DrugPak main menu "Tools > Advanced > Enable Profiler." Profiler logs are stored in the \LOGS subdirectory of your testing environment.

❖ **Attend Webinars**

Keep your ears peeled for word of our DrugPak 6 Webinars!

❖ **Keep us Informed**

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