

Windows Vista Important Installation Information

Installation:

GT-SUITE V6.2 has been tested on the released Windows VISTA Operating System and runs without problems. Please take note that we are only supporting 32-bit at this time and are working on supporting 64-bit in the future. Please contact us if you plan to use Vista 64-bit in the near future.

The Java developers at Sun report some compatibility issues, especially with the 3D libraries. However, our tests do not show these compatibility issues. If you run GT-SUITE on Vista and experience any problems, please let us know.

FLEXlm/FLEXnet:

The version of FLEXlm on the GT-SUITE V6.2 installation CD for Build 8 and lower is FLEXlm V9.5. This version of FLEXlm does NOT allow Vista to be a local license server, which means a Vista machine must check out a license from another supported network license server machine. The version of FLEXlm on the GT-SUITE V6.2 installation CD for Build 9 (estimated release May 1, 2008) and higher is called FLEXnet V11.4. This version of FLEXnet allows Vista to be used as both a local and network license server, which means that a Vista machine can be its own license server (laptops, stand-alone workstations).

Note that the FLEXlm/FLEXnet version is independent of the GT-SUITE build number; therefore FLEXnet V11.4 is compatible with builds lower than Build 9. FLEXnet V11.4 is available for download through our website at the Download Updates webpage. To download enter your password or request a password via the link on the download page. Passwords are approved for those users in our database that are allowed to download updates, typically IT administrators and main contacts.

Distributed Computing:

The distributed computing services must be installed as an administrator and not a user in the administrator's group. Once the services are installed, they must be set to run as a user. This can be done by opening the control panel and selecting System and Maintenance, Administrative Tools, and finally Services. Services can also be found by performing a search in the control panel. Here you will see the installed distributed services; GTISOFT Distribution Service, GTISOFT Solver Service, or both. Double click on the service that you are going to be using. Select the Log on tab. Change "Log on as" to "This account" and enter the username and password of the user that will be using the distributed service.