

In late 1997 Microsoft asked the WinINSTALL development team to build the first re-packager for the new Windows 2000 operating system.

Windows 2000 provided a Windows Installer and a new file format known as MSI. MSI is a complicated SQL driven file format that provides the instruction set for how an application is installed on a networked desktop. Microsoft had no way to package any application in their file format and knew of WinINSTALL's leading Discover technology that already could build application packages automatically.

The WinINSTALL development team worked for two years with Microsoft on what became known as WinINSTALL LE 2003 and ships today on the Windows 2000 Server and Advanced Server CD.

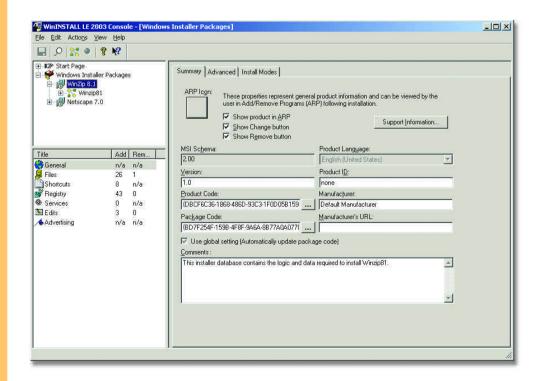
Based on feedback from both Microsoft and the hundreds of thousands of network administrators that have used WinINSTALL LE 2003 over the years this was a tremendous success and was considered a fantastic effort to provide a FREE MSI Standard re-packager for Windows 2000.



THE FREE MSI REPACKAGER FOR WINDOWS

THE NEED FOR AN MSI RE-PACKAGER

- The Windows Installer needs a re-packager to not only build .MSI files but to also allow editing of .MSI. Support for other MSI formats such as .MSP, MSM and MST is also necessary. While some ISV's provide .MSI files for the installation of their applications, IT administrators are experiencing many problems with these canned MSI packages. An editor is required to manipulate, fix and patch application packages during the entire lifecycle of applications on the networked desktop.
- There are many ISV's that are slow to deliver .MSI packages with their applications therefore a packager is needed to build packages to be installed on the networked desktop. There are also many in-house applications that require an easy yet thorough packager to prepare applications to be installed on the networked desktop.
- Continuing to provide additional functionality that supports the Windows Installer and Active Directory Group Policy will help the user community continue to adopt the functionality that .MSI leverages from the operating system. Any move that makes that more difficult to adopt is only a deterrent and opportunity to upset the IT administrator. Continuing to support these features and making them easier points to faster adoption, acceptance and essentially faster migration to the .NET Server platform.



	Wise Package Studio STD. Edtion	WinINSTALL LE 2003
Project Management Application request portal (Application Gateway) Application Management Database (Wise Software Repository) Project Management Tools Built-in processes	NO NO NO LTD.	NO NO NO YES
Capture/Convert Virtual Capture SetupCapture Application Watch Conversion of legacy installs	NO LTD. LTD. LTD.	NO YES YES YES
Package Customization Editing of script based packages Editing of Windows Installer packages	NO YES	NO YES
Validation/Conflict Management Acceptance testing tool (Test Expert) Advanced validation Conflict Manager	NO NO NO	NO NO NO
Distribution Packages deployed by all leading distribution systems SMS support Upgrade path to WinINSTALL Free technical support	YES YES YES No, \$599.00	YES YES YES FREE!
Price	\$999.00+ Tech Support	FREE!

	Installshield AdminStudio STD. Edition	WinINSTALL LE 2003
Technology to quickly repackage SMS, Zenworks, Wise and Installshield Windows Installer Packages	YES	YES
MSI authoring	YES	YES
Workflow process management	NO	NO
Build packages for deployment via Microsoft SMS and Marimba	YES	YES
Manage Windows Installer projects in Source Code Control	YES	NO
Upgrade path to WinINSTALL	YES	YES
Import Visual basic and Visual C+ projects	YES	NO
Capture and import system (OS) snapshot for conflict checking	YES	WinINSTALL V. 8.0
Group applications and limit conflict checking to a specific group of Applications	YES	WinINSTALL V. 8.0
Free technical support	No, \$599.00	FREE!
Price	\$1,399.00+ Tech. Support	FREE!

WHAT IS COMING WITH THE NEW WINDOWS SERVER 2003 PRODUCT?

OnDemand Software has had several conversations with Microsoft regarding the new operating system and as a result has decided to release the second version of the *Win*INSTALL LE 2003 product for Windows Server 2003.

This represents the first FREE product written specifically for the new Microsoft operating system. It supports the latest MSI schema and provides the consistency that administrators always want to see. Without *WinINSTALL* LE 2003 being retouched again all administrators would have to purchase third party re-packagers for the first time. While OnDemand does market both a complete software distribution product and a MSI packager professional edition we feel that it is important to have the standard set of features found in the original *WinINSTALL* LE 2003 continued to be offered for FREE.

*Win*INSTALL LE 2003 can be downloaded for FREE at www.ondemandsoftware.com as can our full line of software distribution products. Additional information can also be provided by calling 239-495-0541.



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