

MCL-Collection Version 3 Electronic Product Activation

Applicable for Version 2 (2.5 and above) and all Version 3 Environments

Activation Summary for MCL PC based Software

General Information

Prior to Activating your MCL software you will need;

- 1.1. to download and install the MCL Software on your computer. The most recent software versions can be downloaded from www.MCL-Collection.com.

Note: the MCL Software will run in demo mode until it is Activated.

- 1.2. an MCL-License Certificate, which is sent via email after you've purchased the software. It contains your MCL License Number and Password. (Please retain a copy of the certificate for future reference.)

Note: if you cannot locate your MCL-License Certificate please contact the Reseller, Distributor or Hardware manufacturer that you purchased the MCL software from. MCL Technologies does not distribute the MCL-License Certificates.

- 1.3. if using the Hardware Key method, install the Hardware Key on the appropriate port (parallel or USB)

Note: once the MCL Software is activated via Hardware or Software method it cannot be changed, e.g. if you've used the Hardware Key method it cannot be changed to the Software Key method at any time.

- 1.4. if you are trying to activate a Client with an MCL Client license, then this document is not fully applicable and you should start at step 8.1

Activation Procedure

1. Launch the MCL Software
2. MCL Link and MCL Net will both prompt you immediately to choose 'Demo Mode' or 'Activate'. MCL Designer will prompt you when you click on "New Project" or try to open an existing "Project" – select 'Activation'
3. Enter your MCL License Number, which is found in your MCL-License Certificate that was emailed to you.
4. Read the license terms and check the appropriate check box.
 - i. Note: The check boxes are available once you have scrolled down and reviewed the License terms.*
5. Complete at least the two marked fields and click on the 'Next' button.
 - i. Note: Information collected on this screen is kept confidential and used for licensing purposes. User information is subject to MCL Technologies "Privacy Policy", which can be found on our web site, www.mcl-collection.com.*
6. Select the MCL Licensing Method you prefer.

Software Key Serial Number Activation: *This method is recommended only if the user has no current or future plans to retire/replace their computer or does not wish to be able to move the software to another PC. This method bases the Serial Number for the Activation on the hardware on which it is being installed. Activating via the Software Key Serial Number method ties the software to **that** hardware, and prevents it from being transferred to another computer. In addition, once the software is activated, one cannot change over to the Hardware Key Serial Number method.*

Hardware Key Serial Number Activation (Recommended): *The Hardware Key (sold separately) installed on your computer provides a serial number to the MCL software for use during Activation. The Hardware Key is available for either the computer's parallel or USB port, and works in conjunction with the Electronic Product Activation process. This method allows the MCL Software to be reinstalled on a different computer and activated using the same activation codes as long as the given Hardware Key is installed on the new computer. The Hardware Key works with:*

Version 3 environments - MCL-Designer, MCL-Link and MCL-Net (All Vendors) e.g. V3.Xx

Version 2 environments - MCL-Designer, MCL-Link and MCL-NetS24 (Symbol only) e.g. V2.5 and greater

If the Hardware Key is removed from the computer after activation, the software will revert to running in demo mode.

7. Confirm you've selected the correct MCL Licensing method by clicking the 'Next' button or change your selection by clicking on the 'Back' button.
8. Select the 'On-Line' button if the computer you want to activate the MCL Software on has an Internet connection. This is automatic activation. Select the 'Off-Line' button if the computer you want to activate the MCL Software on is not connected to the internet.

Off-Line Activation (also called manual)

The Off-Line Activation is required if the computer the MCL software is being installed on is not connected to the Internet. You will need to provide your license number and password, to a person connected to the Internet who then follows the standard Activation process. This process does not require any special tools, but requires a person to connect to the Internet and enter all the pertinent information on the MCL license web site, www.mcl-license.com. This means that a Reseller, IS Department or someone else can connect to the Internet and provide you with the necessary information to complete the Electronic Product Activation process.

On-Line Activation (also called automatic)

This method requires that the computer the MCL software is being licensed on has an active Internet connection.

- 8.1 **NB** If you are trying to activate your MCL-Client, most of the above will not be applicable. Instead you should install the relevant MCL-Client software on your Handheld Device, choose Activation from the system menu, and enter your License number and Password. Take this information and Follow the off-line activation procedure; "Alternative Step 9" below.

Choose software Key method when prompted since hardware key method is only applicable to PC based software.

Step 9



Alternative Step 9



<p>If you choose the On-Line option in Step 9 you should follow the guidelines below:</p> <p>Enter the password related to the MCL Software you want to activate. This is found on the MCL-license e-mail certificate.</p> <p><i>Note: The License Number is displayed from the previous time it was entered.</i></p> <p><i>Note: The password is case sensitive and must therefore be entered in capital letters.</i></p>	<p>If you choose Off-Line option in step 9, you should follow the guidelines below:</p> <p>A summary of your details are automatically displayed. Press Next</p> <p>A Serial Number is automatically computed by the MCL Software and displayed.</p> <p>Take the displayed information, go to http://www.mcl-license.com on a PC on which you have access to the Internet, choose "License Activation", then follow the instructions on the screen, as prompted.</p> <p><i>Note: You will need to enter many of the same details as entered in the initial phase of the activation procedure on the PC on which the software is installed.</i></p> <p>Once the Serial Number is entered, an "Activation Key" will be computed. You may now return to the original PC, and complete your activation by entering the Activation Key as indicated.</p>
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10. Confirm the Information provided up to this point.

Your Activation is successful and we recommend you print and file this 'Successful Activation' page.

The information displayed on this web page can be used to re-activate the MCL Software, if necessary, on the same computer.

We recommend that you back-up the MCL.KEY file to a floppy. The MCL Software recognizes its Activation status by referring to this file located on your PC's hard drive. If, for instance, you do have computer problems but the hard drive was not formatted prior to reinstalling, then reactivation is not required. However, if the hard drive was formatted then the MCL Software can still be reinstalled and reactivated by using the information from this web page.

You are now ready to start using your MCL Software/Device in full feature mode