

## SAS® 9.1 Windows

### Please Read Before Beginning Installation

Alert Notes list problems that you need to be aware of before installing or using this software. Fixes and/or workarounds may be provided for the problems. While Alert Notes may be written about any aspect of your software, Alert Notes about Installation and General System Issues are the only ones included in this document.

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[http://support.sas.com/techsup/search/alert\\_search.html](http://support.sas.com/techsup/search/alert_search.html)

This Web page gives you the following search options:

- Operating System
- Release
- Sorted by
- Product
- Component

SAS recommends that you perform three searches, using these selections for *Component*:

- General System Issues
- Installation Issues
- Installation Instructions (OS)

In addition, you may want to perform a fourth search in which *Component* is “All Components” and select a product to view product-specific Alert Notes.

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Should you need assistance with the software beyond the information provided by the Alert Notes or TSNEWS-L, we ask that only the SAS Installation Representative or SAS Support Consultant call our Technical Support Division. Sites in the U.S. and Canada may call (919) 677-8008. Other sites should contact their SAS Installation Representative or SAS Support Consultant for the nearest SAS office.

## **Server Tier**

### **Browse Dialog is Difficult to Use on WIN XP**

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SAS Note SN-10906 documents this problem.

### **SAS Java installations using the Japanese Input Mode replace the underscore character with the pipe symbol**

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The workaround is to switch to a Japanese input mode and to select the underscore key. It should show the double-byte representation of the underscore. Then press the space bar to toggle the IME to allow the selection of the half-width ASCII underscore character.

This problem will be corrected in future Java installations.

SAS Note SN-010205 documents this problem.

### **Under Windows XP, Autorun Window may Appear when Inserting CDs**

When you insert CD media on Windows XP, an Autorun window and an Autorun prompt may appear. This could occur during the SAS 9.1 Foundation installation process when CDs are swapped. The prompt is intermittent and may not happen when each CD is inserted.

If the Autorun window appears (this looks like a fancy Explorer window), you can close the window and continue with the installation.

If the Autorun prompt appears, it includes the following options:

Windows can perform the same action each time you insert a disk or connect a device with this kind of file:

Pictures

What do you want windows to do?

- Copy pictures to a folder on my computer using Microsoft Scanner and Camera Wizard
- View a slideshow of the images using Windows Picture and Fax Viewer
- Print the pictures using Photo Printing Wizard
- Open folder to view files
- Take no action
- Ok
- Cancel

Choose Take No Action, OK, and then continue with the installation.

To circumvent these dialogs permanently, you can try the following steps:

1. Open the My Computer icon.
2. Under Devices with Removable Storage, right-click the CD-ROM drive that you are using, and select Properties.
3. On the Autoplay tab, select the Mixed Content type.
4. Write down its original action in case you want to change it back later.
5. Select the Action to Perform button.
6. Select Take No Action.

Please note that this procedure might not work in all cases.

This issue is caused by a file type association that is set by the Windows XP operating system. SAS cannot control file types that are initiated by Windows XP.

SAS Note SN-006260 documents this problem.

### **SAS Java-based Products May Experience Problems When Run on a PC Using the ATI Rage XL Video Driver**

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occur between the JRE version 1.4.1 and the ATI Rage XL driver, affecting the SAS products.

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SAS Note SN-012187 documents this issue.

## ***Mid-Tier***

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### **JAR Files and Their Parent Directory Have Write Permission**

In SAS 9.1, several of the mid-tier installation directories and their associated JAR files have write permission.

This may pose a security risk, because the JAR files in these directories could be removed or changed by any user.

SAS Note SN-012101 documents this issue.

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