



# WAE Design GUI Installation

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This chapter provides instructions for installing the WAE Design GUI. You additionally need to install the WAE Design license and if applicable, install the floating license server.

- [License Installation](#)—Information on how to install dedicated and floating licenses.
- [WAE Design Floating License Server](#)—Procedure for installing and setting up the FlexNet Publisher license server. This is needed only if administering floating licenses.

The installation process does not install any drivers or require any changes to the operating system. You can download and install the files to any folder or directory.

## Prerequisites

- It is important to review to the “Known Limitations” section in the [Cisco WAE Release Notes](#). This section lists any WAE Design limitations you should be aware of before installation.
- A license is required for all features except for the example plan files. If you have questions about obtaining a license, contact your support representative or system administrator.
- Meet the necessary system requirements and package dependencies. For a list of these, see the “Installation Requirements” chapter in the [Cisco WAE 7.0.1 Installation Guide](#).

## Linux, Windows, and Mac Installation

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- Step 1** Download the Cisco WAE Planning software package from the [Cisco download site](#).
  - Step 2** Extract the files in a location of your choice.
  - Step 3** Install and verify the license. See [License Installation](#).
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## Linux Installation Details

An *installer* is an executable that runs a script to install the software in the proper locations. Although multiple packages are installed, they are used only if you have a license for them.

The installer performs the following tasks:

- Verifies:
  - Whether the device has the appropriate system requirements, including proper operating system, disk space, total memory, and required software packages.
 

If the installer sees that you do not have the appropriate system requirements, it either exits, gives a warning, or prompts you whether to continue. Since the installer might be checking for more than what your specific requirements are, you can press “y” to attempt to continue.
  - Whether there are existing package installations; if there are, they are preserved.
- Provided you use the defaults, installs WAE Design software under `/opt/cariden/software/mate`. If you did not use the default directory, the path is `<installation_directory>software/mate`. It also creates the `/opt/cariden/software/mate/current` symbolic link to the most recently installed package. Throughout the documentation, this is referenced as `$CARIDEN_HOME`.
- Upon logging out and back in, the WAE username and associated permissions are set, and the environment variables are set.
  - For executables, the WAE user has read, write, and execute permissions. Users listed in `/etc/group` have read and execute permissions. All others have read-only permissions.
  - For non-executables, only the WAE user has read and write permissions. All other users have read-only permissions.

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**Step 1** Log in to the server as a user with sudo privileges.

**Step 2** Go to the directory where you downloaded the software, extract the .zip file, and execute the installer as root using a bash command. The software package is the installer that automates the installation process.

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sudo bash <package>.bin
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Installer Options	Description
<code>sudo bash WAE-Design-k9-&lt;version&gt;.bin</code>	Be prompted through the installation process.
<code>sudo bash WAE-Design-k9-&lt;version&gt;.bin -d &lt;installation_directory&gt;</code>	Specify a different installation directory. You are prompted through the remainder of the installation process.
<code>sudo bash WAE-Design-k9-&lt;version&gt;.bin -h</code>	Shows a usage statement for the installer.
<code>sudo bash WAE-Design-k9-&lt;version&gt;.bin -y</code>	Automatically respond “yes” to all questions without being prompted.

The process verifies the integrity of the installation using checksums. If a checksum fails, error messages appear and the installation process ends.

**Step 3** When prompted, enter the following information.

Command Prompt	User Entry/Notes
Choose installation directory	By default, the installation directory is set to <code>/opt/cariden</code> . If this is an upgrade, we recommend that you maintain the same installation directory as in the previous release. If this is a new installation, the recommendation is to keep this default. If the directory you entered does not exist, you are prompted as to whether to create it. If you answer “yes,” an installation directory with root privileges is created.
Enter the WAE username	The default is “cariden” only if that username exists; its existing password remains intact. Otherwise, the default WAE username is “wae” and the password is “ciscowae.” The WAE user is created automatically during installation. We recommend that you keep the default you receive.

**Step 4** Install and verify the license. See [License Installation](#).

## Starting WAE Design

To start WAE Design from the directory in which the WAE Design software is installed, do one of the following:

- On Windows or Linux, double-click the **wae\_design** executable.
- On a Mac, navigate to the directory where you unpacked the distribution and double-click the **WAE\_Design** application. Alternately, from the **Terminal**, enter:

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cd <directory-where-you-unpacked-the-distribution>
open ./WAE_Design.app
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- From the CLI, enter **./wae\_design**.

(Optional) On Windows, you can associate the plan file using the `.pln` format with the `wae_design` executable. Double-clicking a `.pln` file opens the plan in a new instance of the GUI.

