

INSTALLATION GUIDE

Traditional NI-DAQ™ (Legacy)

This document explains how to install Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy). It also tells you where to find help for installing and configuring devices, cables, and accessories.

Installing Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy)

Install your driver software *before* installing new hardware devices so Windows can detect your device.

1. Install your NI application software.
2. Insert the Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) CD. The Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) installer should open automatically. If not, select **Start»Run**. Enter `x:\autorun.exe`, where *x* is the letter of the CD drive. For troubleshooting instructions, refer to the Hardware Installation/Configuration Troubleshooter at ni.com/support/install.
3. Install the software.
 - **Install** copies the software and/or documentation files onto your hard drive. Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) software documentation is installed when you install the driver software.
 - **View** opens the device documentation so that you can find, view, and print documents without installing them.



Caution Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) 7.x or later cannot exist on the same system with versions of NI-DAQ previous to version 7.0.

4. Install the support files. The Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) installer detects the NI software installed on the system and automatically selects the latest versions of the driver, application software, and language support files from the CD. Verify that the installer detected and selected the correct support files and version number.

If you install Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) before installing NI application software version 7.x or later, you must run the Traditional

NI-DAQ (Legacy) installer again to install the correct application software support.

5. Click **Next** at the prompts.
6. Click **Finish**.
7. When the Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) installer completes, a message opens asking if you want to exit, shut down, or restart.
 - **Exit** to install more NI software or documentation.
 - Install online documentation for supported devices and accessories, including PDF and help files describing device terminals, specifications, features, and operation. Reinsert the Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) CD to reopen the installer screen. Select **Install Device Documentation**.
 - If you are using a MXI-3 link from a PC to control a PXI chassis, exit and install the MXI-3 software, available at ni.com/downloads, before using the DAQ device.
 - **Shut Down** if you are ready to install your device.
 - **Restart** if you are using a system running the LabVIEW Real-Time Module. Download Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy) to the target using Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX). Refer to the *Measurement & Automation Explorer Remote Systems Help* by selecting **Help»Help Topics»Remote Systems**.

Installing and Configuring Devices, Cables, and Accessories

For help installing devices, cables, and accessories, refer to the *DAQ Getting Started Guide*, which is available from **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI-DAQ»DAQ Getting Started Guide**.

To configure devices, use Measurement & Automation Explorer (MAX), which is installed with Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy). For instructions on configuring devices, refer to the *NI-DAQ Readme* at **Start»All Programs»National Instruments»NI-DAQ»NI-DAQ Readme**. The Readme also lists devices supported in Traditional NI-DAQ (Legacy).

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