

Asterisk Business Edition

QuickStart Guide

Thank you for purchasing Asterisk Business Edition.

Before you begin

There are two options for installation regarding a Linux distribution:

1. Asterisk Business Edition now comes packaged with a custom Linux distribution called rPath Linux for Asterisk. If you do not have a preferred distribution of Linux currently installed on your PC system, you may choose to use rPath. rPath Linux has been carefully customized and tested with Asterisk, and installs all the RPM packages needed for its use. It is recommended and fully supported by Digium, and includes free updates for as long as you are covered under a maintenance agreement (initially, one year).
2. Other supported distributions of Linux include RedHat Enterprise 3, 4, Fedora Core 4, or Fedora Core 3. Prior to use, you must install the correct RPM packages.

Asterisk Business Edition works with many other Linux distributions; however, their installation is beyond the scope of this Guide. Running Asterisk Business Edition on any distribution not listed in this document is not officially supported by Digium.

Observe all normal precautions when preparing and installing a new distribution. Any previous versions of Asterisk should be uninstalled. The install script will give the option of saving any previous configuration files. However, their format may not always be compatible with newer editions of Asterisk, so they may need to be modified.

Note: Your PC system must contain at least one Ethernet network interface. An Internet connection is required to activate the product.

Installation Procedure with rPath Linux

1. Insert the Asterisk Business Edition CD for the appropriate architecture into the CD-ROM drive of the PC.
 - Disc 1 for x86 (32bit processors such as Intel P4 and AMD Athlon XP)
 - Disc 2 for x86_64 (64bit processors such as Intel Xeon, AMD Opteron)

2. Boot from the CD and follow the on-screen prompts to guide you through the install process.
3. Please read the License Agreement. You will be required to agree to its terms to activate and use the product.
4. When the installation script is completed, you will be prompted to register and activate your product.

You are now ready to configure and run Asterisk Business Edition.

Installation Procedure without rPath Linux

1. Install a supported Linux distribution (ex. RHELv4, FC4, FC3).
2. Mount disc1 for a normal install of Asterisk Business Edition.
3. Navigate to <mounted_dir>/BE and consult README.txt for further instructions on installing Asterisk Business Edition with an existing Linux distribution.

Registration

Asterisk Business Edition requires registration and activation using the code supplied on the included certificate. If you wish to run the registration application later, it is located on the CD.

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# ./register
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Note: Once you activate and register your copy of Asterisk Business Edition, it will not be eligible for return or refund. Carefully read the End User License Agreement before activation.

To run the registration application, your PC system must have Internet access to contact the Digium license server. Port 443 is used and must be open through any firewalls to complete the automated activation process.

The registration application will ask you for specific information. Supplying the correct e-mail address is important, since Digium will use this to send you product update notices and support information. If your PC system is unable to connect to the Internet, you may activate the product manually by contacting Digium Technical Support (1.256.428.6161).