

# Snagit® 12

# **Installing Snagit on Remote Desktop Services**

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# Introduction

This guide is intended for system administrators or Information Technology (IT) professionals who are deploying Snagit to multiple users. It includes two examples of custom configurations to help you deploy Snagit version 12.2.2 within your organization using Microsoft Remote Desktop Services.

TechSmith offers additional deployment options other than the scenarios outlined in this guide. For more information on other options for deploying Snagit within your organization's environment, please consult the following resources:

- Snagit Deployment Guide (PDF)
- Snagit MSI Installation Guide (PDF)
- Snagit COM Server Guide (PDF) and Code Samples

## **System Requirements**

- Microsoft Server 2012 R2
- .NET 4.0 Full or later
- 2.4 GHz single core processor (2.4 GHz dual core required for video capture)
- 1 GB of RAM (2 GB required for video capture)
- 300 MB of hard disk space for program installation

## **Process Overview**

These instructions will cover a simple installation of Snagit into a Hosted Shared Desktop environment.

- 1. Setup and Considerations.
- 2. Create a Transform File (MST) using the TechSmith Deployment Tool.
- 3. Distribute Snagit or use your preferred deployment system.
- 4. Verify the Installation Settings.
- 5. Verify the Initial Launch Settings.

To help get you started, there are two example configurations used throughout this guide.

### **Example 1**

This example sets the Autosave location to store image and video captures.

The average DataStore size for each user is 4 GB.

In this example:

- The Autosave library images are located on the UNC path (HKCU registry key: DataStoreLocation).
- The system is connected to a Windows Server 2012 R2 desktop.
- Roaming Profiles are used.
- A file server is used to store the autosave data and registry.
- The GPO settings are configured to "Delete cached copies of roaming profiles" which removes the local user folders when logged off.

### **Example 2**

This example requires the user to immediately save images to a remote location after taking the capture.

In this example:

- The Autosave library images are located at %localappdata% (DataStoreLocation).
- The system is connected to a Windows Server 2012 R2 desktop.
- Roaming Profiles are used.
- A file server or cloud storage may be used when manually saving files after capture.
- The GPO settings are configured to "Delete cached copies of roaming profiles" which removes the local user folders when logged off.

# **1. Setup and Considerations**

#### **Deployment Tool**

The examples listed in this guide apply to Snagit version 12.2.2 or later and the TechSmith Deployment Tool version 1.3.089 or later. Make sure to use these versions in order to create the correct registry values in HKLM.

#### See Download the Deployment Tool

For Example 1

The average data store size is 4 GB per user. If you are deploying a file server to accommodate the Snagit DataStore folders, make sure to account for the file size recommended for each user:

4 GB x Number of users = Data space required on network file server

For example, if you have 1000 users:

4 GB x 1000 users = 4 TB data space required on network file server

# 2. Create a Transform File (MST)

The TechSmith Deployment Tool is designed for Information Technology (IT) professionals or system administrators responsible for installing Snagit throughout an organization. The tool enables the administrator to customize the settings and generate a Windows Installer Transform file (MST) and a BAT file.

## **Download the Deployment Tool**

- 1. Download the Snagit MSI file and the TechSmith Deployment Tool from www.techsmith.com/enterprise-resources.html.
- 2. Double-click TechSmith\_Deployment\_Tool.exe to launch the program.

By default, the Deployment Tool generates the MST and BAT files into the same directory where the executable is launched.

- 3. The Welcome screen appears. Click the Open MSI Packagebutton.
- 4. Select the Snagit.msi file. If you have not previously downloaded the MSI file, download the file here.
- 5. Click Open.

The MSI file opens in the Deployment Tool and displays the available options for creating a custom transform (MST) file.

### **Customize the Settings**

Select the following settings in the Deployment Tool based on one of the example configurations:

- Example 1: Centrally store users' autosaved capture files. Capture files are retained when the user logs off.
- **Example 2:** Create a fresh (empty) autosave folder and library when the user logs on.

The Deployment Tool allows you to customize other configuration options for Snagit in addition to the examples below. For more information on the settings within the TechSmith Deployment Tool, see the **Snagit Deployment Tool Guide (PDF)**.

#### Example 1

This example sets the Autosave location to store image and video captures. Set the following options for each screen within the Deployment Tool:

Option	Description
General Options	
Set Virtual Machine Optimization to <b>Yes</b> .	Snagit performs optimizations when it detects it is running in a virtualized environment.
	To learn more about the optimizations, see the <b>Snagit</b> Deployment Tool Guide.
	Set to <b>Yes</b> to always apply these optimizations.
Disable Snagit Settings	
Check the <b>Disable Automatic</b> <b>Updates</b> option.	Select <b>Disable Automatic Updates</b> to allow the system administrator to control software updates and which version users are running across an organization.
Check the <b>Disable online Snagit</b> registration dialog option.	The online Snagit registration dialog appears after installing Snagit.
	Select <b>Disable online Snagit registration dialog</b> to hide the software registration dialog from users.
Check the <b>Disable Printer Capture</b> option.	The Printer Capture Option scans the document in a program and opens the capture in Snagit Editor.
	Select <b>Disable the Printer Capture</b> when deploying in a server environment (e.g. Remote Desktop Services).
	Note: If you disable printer capture, make sure to also disable the Snagit Printer option on the Install Features screen of the Deployment Tool.
Install Features	
Uncheck the Snagit Printer option.	The Snagit Printer installs as a printer destination for programs with printing capability.
	Disable <b>Printer Capture</b> when deploying in a server environment (e.g. Remote Desktop Services).
Uncheck the Snagit Accessories that will not be used.	The Snagit Output Accessories help users quickly send captures to third-party websites and applications for easy sharing of images and videos in Snagit. The outputs appear on the Share tab in Snagit Editor.
	You can select which output accessories are available to users. If you disable any of the outputs, the output will not appear on the Share tab in Snagit.
	For example, if YouTube is blocked in your organization, you may want to remove the Share to YouTube in Snagit.
User Data Paths	

Option	Description
For the Automatically stored files option, select <b>Custom Path</b> : %appd- ata%\TechSmith\Snagit\DataStore.	Snagit automatically saves all captures into the DataStore folder. The default location for this folder is: %LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit\DataStore.
	from changing the path, it is recommended you disable the option in the Deployment Tool to Allow users to change the automatically stored files location.
For the Installed accessories option, select <b>Custom Path</b> : C:\Program Files (x86) \TechSmith\Snagit 12\Accessories.	The Snagit Accessories appear on the Share tab in Snagit Editor and allow users to share their captures to popular destinations. The default location to store the installed accessories is:
	%LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit\Accessories.
	If you select a custom folder to store the installed accessories, consider the following items:
	<ul> <li>For roaming profiles, you should use a location that is common and available to all users.</li> <li>If a user does not have write access to the folder, Snagit disables the ability for user to update or remove Accessories from the Accessories Manager in Snagit Editor.</li> <li>For 64-bit environment, it is recommended to use %ProgramFiles (x86)%\TechSmith\Snagit12\Accessories.</li> </ul>
For the Other user settings, select <b>Custom Path</b> :	User settings such as Quick Styles, cached thumbnails, additions to the spelling dictionary, TUDI files, etc. are stored by default in:
%appdata%\TechSmith\Snagit.	%LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit.

#### Example 2

This example requires the user to immediately save images to a remote location after taking the capture. Set the following options for each screen within the Deployment Tool:

Option	Description	
General Options		
Set Virtual Machine Optimization to <b>Yes</b> .	Snagit performs optimizations when it detects it is running in a virtualized environment.	
	To learn more about the optimizations, see the <b>Snagit</b> <b>Deployment Tool Guide</b> .	
	Set to <b>Yes</b> to always apply these optimizations.	
Disable Snagit Settings		
Check the <b>Disable Automatic</b> <b>Updates</b> option.	Select <b>Disable Automatic Updates</b> to allow the system administrator to control software updates and which version users are running across an organization.	
Check the <b>Disable online Snagit</b> registration dialog option.	The online Snagit registration dialog appears after installing Snagit.	
	Select <b>Disable online Snagit registration dialog</b> to hide the software registration dialog from users.	
Check the <b>Disable Printer Capture</b> option.	The Printer Capture Option scans the document in a program and opens the capture in Snagit Editor.	
	Select <b>Disable the Printer Capture</b> when deploying in a server environment (e.g. Remote Desktop Services).	
	Note: If you disable printer capture, make sure to also disable the Snagit Printer option on the Install Features screen of the Deployment Tool.	
Install Features		
Lincheste the Orgenit Drivten ention	The Snagit Printer installs as a printer destination for programs with printing capability.	
Uncheck the Snagit Printer option.	Disable <b>Printer Capture</b> when deploying in a server environment (e.g. Remote Desktop Services).	
Uncheck the Snagit Accessories that will not be used.	The Snagit Output Accessories help users quickly send captures to third-party websites and applications for easy sharing of images and videos in Snagit. The outputs appear on the Share tab in Snagit Editor.	
	You can select which output accessories are available to users. If you disable any of the outputs, the output will not appear on the Share tab in Snagit.	
	For example, if YouTube is blocked in your organization, you may want to remove the Share to YouTube in Snagit.	
User Data Paths		

Option	Description
For the Automatically stored files option, select <b>User Default Location</b> .	Snagit automatically saves all captures into the DataStore folder. The default location for this folder is: %LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit\DataStore.
For the Installed accessories option, select <b>Custom Path</b> : C:\Program Files (x86) \TechSmith\Snagit 12\Accessories.	<ul> <li>The Snagit Accessories appear on the Share tab in Snagit Editor and allow users to share their captures to popular destinations. The default location to store the installed accessories is:</li> <li>%LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit\Accessories.</li> <li>If you select a custom folder to store the installed accessories, consider the following items:</li> <li>For roaming profiles, you should use a location that is common and available to all users.</li> <li>If a user does not have write access to the folder, Snagit disables the ability for user to update or remove Accessories from the Accessories Manager in Snagit Editor.</li> <li>For 64-bit environment, it is recommended to use %ProgramFile (x86)%\TechSmith\Snagit12\Accessories.</li> </ul>
For the Other user settings, select <b>Custom Path</b> : %appdata%\TechSmith\Snagit.	User settings such as Quick Styles, cached thumbnails, additions to the spelling dictionary, TUDI files, etc. are stored by default in: %LOCALAPPDATA%\TechSmith\Snagit.

## **Create the Transform File (MST)**

On the Create Transform File screen, click the **Create Transform** button to generate the Transform file (MST) and the Batch Processing file (BAT) based on the options selected within the Deployment Tool.

## 3. Distribute Snagit

This section describes how to install Snagit using the command line.

You can also distribute the MST transform file with your preferred deployment system.

- 1. Copy the MSI file and the MST transform file to a location accessible from the server.
- 2. To install Snagit without any user dialogs, applying a transform named "Setup\_Snagit.mst," run the following commands:

```
change user /install
msiexec /i \\machine\share\Snagit\Setup_Snagit.msi
TRANSFORMS="Setup_Snagit.mst" /qn
change user /execute
```

Any MST transform files are applied by specifying the transform file names in the property TRANSFORMS on the msiexec command line. Multiple transform files are separated by semicolons.

# 4. Verify the Installation Settings

- 1. Open the Registry Editor and browse to: HKEY\_LOCAL\_MACHINE\SOF-TWARE\Wow6432Node\TechSmith\SnagIt\12\
- 2. Verify the following settings:

## Example 1

This example sets the Autosave location to store image and video captures.

Name	Data
DataStoreLocation	The DataStoreLocation sets the location where the autosaved files are stored.
	Verify that the registry key is configured and set to a variable or to an environment variable (e.g. %appdata%\TechSmith\Snagit\Datastore).
AppDataPath	Verify that the registry key is configured and set to a variable or to an environment variable.
AccessoryInstallPath	The AccessoryInstallPath allows administrators to maintain control of the installed Output Accessories. It is not recommended to allow standard users write-access to this path. This prevents users from installing or upgrading the accessories.
	When using Remote Desktop Services set the path to: C:\Program Files (x86)\TechSmith\Snagit 12\Accessories\
VMOverride	Verify that the registry key is set to "OtherVM."
	Note: This registry key is set by selecting "Yes" for the Virtual Machine Optimization option within the TechSmith Deployment Tool.

## Example 2

This example requires the user to immediately save images to a remote location after taking the capture.

Name	Data
DataStoreLocation	The DataStoreLocation sets the location where the autosaved files are stored.
	Verify that the registry key is configured with the %localappdata% variable.
AppDataPath	Verify that the registry key is configured and set to a variable or to an environment variable.
AccessoryInstallPath	The AccessoryInstallPath allows administrators to maintain control of the installed Output Accessories. It is not recommended to allow standard users write-access to this path. This prevents users from installing or upgrading the accessories.
	When using Remote Desktop Services set the path to: C:\Program Files (x86)\TechSmith\Snagit 12\Accessories\
VMOverride	Verify that the registry key is set to "OtherVM."
	Note: This registry key is set by selecting "Yes" for the Virtual Machine Optimization option within the TechSmith Deployment Tool.

# **5. Verify the Initial Launch Settings**

- 1. Open the Registry Editor and browse to: HKEY\_CURRENT\_USER\Software\TechSmith\SnagIt\12.
- 2. Verify the following settings:

#### Example 1:

Name	Data
AppDataPath	\\SERVERNAME\SHARE\USERNAME\AppData\Roaming\TechSmith\Snagit
DataStoreDriveType	4
DataStoreLocation	C:\Users\USERNAME\AppData\Local\TechSmith\Datastore

### Example 2:

Name	Data
AppDataPath	\\SERVERNAME\SHARE\USERNAME\AppData\Roaming\TechSmith\Snagit
DataStoreDriveType	4
DataStoreLocation	\\SERVERNAME\SHARE\USERNAME\AppData\Roaming\TechSmith\Snagit\Datastore