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CardStudio™ 2.0
License Manager
Introduction
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Introduction

CardStudio™ 2.0 is a full-feature card design and printing software application with complete capabilities for card design, data management and card production. CardStudio is provided in four Editions: Classic, Standard, Enterprise and Professional. All four editions integrate the required features for ID Card design and production.

**Classic:** A single combination application, that brings simplicity to basic card design and printing

**Standard:** Offers two easy to use specialty applications: DesignStudio for card design and PrintStudio for data management and card production. Offers basic encoding (MSR) and data integration (import data from an Excel or CSV file)

**Enterprise:** A complete edition similar to the Standard edition, that can connect to multiple external databases. The highly intuitive user interface makes it easy for virtually anyone with any level of experience to create the most complex cards.

**Professional:** Includes all the features of CardStudio Enterprise, the perfect edition for card design, card production & smart card encoding. With a SmartCard Editor and MIFARE/DESFire contactless smartcard encoding support.

The Zebra CardStudio™ 2.0 Software uses license activation technology. A License key is needed to activate the different CardStudio 2.0 editions. The required License Keys are available and generated using a the CardStudio 2.0 License Manager: [https://cardstudio.zebra.com](https://cardstudio.zebra.com)

Zebra Distributors and Resellers offer activation links connected to the specific CardStudio Edition you need. Use the activation link and login to the License manager with your Zebra ID credentials and receive the License Key.

The License Manager also offers the change for you to login to the License Manager with your Zebra ID, check the available products and order/request the needed license key using the License Manager.

The CardStudio™ 2.0 License Manager User Guide helps you to navigate the License Manager and explains how to order, activate and manage License keys.
CardStudio™ 2.0
License Manager
Activate License Keys

Register, login and activate license keys using an activation link
CardStudio™ 2.0 License Manager
Activate License Key with Activation Link

How to activate a CardStudio™ 2.0 license key

Type in the Software Activation Link in your browser provided by your Zebra Reseller. The activation link will look like this example: staging.cardstudio.zebra.com/activate/ZEBRAXXXXXX

Login using the Activation Link

This unique Software Activation Link will take you to the CardStudio 2.0 License Manager.

If prompted, please log into the License Manager with your Zebra Username and Password or first register for a Zebra Account.

If you do not have a Zebra ID yet, you can use the registration button to create your Zebra ID credentials. After registration you will need to use the key activation link to retrieve your CardStudio™ 2.0 STANDARD license key.

Receiving your Software License Key

After using the Activation Link to log into the License Manager your Software License Key will appear in a pop-up, ready for you to copy and paste.

Note

If the pop-up is clicked away, you can always find your key by selecting the “Key” Icon in your License Manager Account.
Registration of the Software Edition

When DesignStudio or PrintStudio starts for the first time, a registration window will pop-up, this is where the license key can be entered, and the CardStudio Software activated.

Registration of the Software

The first question will be about online or offline registration. Select the online registration.

The license keys will be for online registration. No access to the internet to activate your license keys? Contact your local reseller for more information on offline license keys.

Example of the CardStudio registration window.

Online Registration

You will be requested to enter a license key. The license key will be provided by our License Manager. The license key must be entered (copy-paste), when the key is valid, the software will start. The next time the software will not require the license key to be entered.

Test keys can have a time restriction and may expire on a given date. (View the License Manager User Guide for more information on License Keys).

A. Check the “Use Proxy” box and enter the information needed to connect through a Proxy server in your network.

Example of the CardStudio online registration license key window with License Key entered.

Successful Registration

When you copy-paste the correct key you will see that the registration is successful. In this case it is a test key that shows the evaluation time. Click the “Ok” button to start working with CardStudio.

Example of a successful online registration of CardStudio.
CardStudio™ 2.0 License Manager Customer Account

Your License Manager Account
CardStudio™ 2.0 License Manager  
Customer Account

Home
The License Manager home page gives a complete overview and shows the recent requested, available, canceled or activated License Keys. With the home page, you have direct access to the list of recent keys, making management of the keys purchased fast and easy.

A. Main menu
   - Home
   - Products
   - My account

B. Support information & logout

C. Account information for the person logged in

D. Change Language, available languages are:
   - English
   - Dutch (Nederlands)

E. Homepage general product information

F. Overview of all the recent license keys requested, approved, available, activated or canceled.
Products
It is possible to see all the different editions available for CardStudio 2.0. Learn more about the editions or request a License Key using the “order now” buttons.

A. Overview of all the available CardStudio 2.0 products:
- The Classic Edition
- The Standard Edition
- The Enterprise Edition
- The Professional Edition

B. If you would like to order another specific edition click on the “Order Now” button. This shows a pop-up window that leads you through the request/order process in a couple of simple steps. It is also possible to request a CardStudio 2.0 activation link for the needed edition with your local Zebra Dealer.

C. To learn more about the product click on the “Learn more” button.
Order a product license key

To order/request a new license key click on the order now button of one of the edition you would like to work with. A pop-up window appears:

**Step 1. Select the number of machines and license keys**

A. Select the number of Machines. These are the number of computers one license key works on. You will pay for each Machine.

B. Tell us the number of license keys you need.

C. Enter a Reference code and a Note. For example, a PO number.

D. Click on the “Next” to finalize the order.

E. To Cancel the order, click on the “Cancel” button.

**Step 2. Confirm your order request**

F. To make any changes to the number of machines and License Keys click on the “Back” button.

G. To confirm your order for CardStudio 2.0 License Keys click on the “Confirm” button.
My account
All your details, your company details, the license keys and your order history can be found on the My account page.

My details
Go to “My details” if you would like to review or edit your personal information.

A. Overview of your details.
B. Click on the “Edit” icon to adjust or add more information. After clicking the edit icon, a form appears that lets you edit your personal information.

1. Edit your user information, for example to change your username or adjust the language. To adjust your password, check the box and put in a new password.
2. Edit your address information.
3. The “Reset form” button will clear all the address information.
4. After making changes do not forget to click on the “Save account” button.
Company details
Go to “Company details” if you would like to review or edit the company details.

A. Overview of the company details.
B. Click on the “Edit” icon to adjust or add more information. After clicking the edit icon, a form appears that lets you edit the company information.

1. Adjust the Company name or add the VAT Number.
2. Edit your address information.
3. The “Reset form” button will clear all the address information.
4. After making changes do not forget to click on the “Save account” button.
License keys

Go to "License Keys" to review all License keys you ordered. You can filter and search for a specific key or revisit a license key when you would like to use the key again after disconnecting the key from a PC.

A. The overview of License Keys can be filtered by Order Id, Date, Product, License type, Reference and Status. It is possible to export the License key data to a CSV file by clicking on the Excel icon.

B. The License Keys can have different types of status. Below the different type of statuses and what they mean:
   - **Requested**, when your key is requested and waiting for approval by the License Manager Administrator.
   - **Available**, when your key is approved and available to be activated. Activate the key by clicking on the "C" key icon. Giving the key a reference and copy and pasting it in the CardStudio 2.0 Software.
   - **Cancelled**, when your key request is cancelled by you or the License Manager administrator.
   - **Activated**, you activated your CardStudio 2.0 software with your key.
   - **Upgraded**, your license key has been upgraded to another key and is not in use anymore.
   - **Revoked**, your license key has been revoked and cannot be used anymore.

C. To find the License Key code that you can copy and paste in the CardStudio 2.0 Software. Click on the key icon:

D. To upgrade your license key to a higher edition of CardStudio 2.0, click on the plus icon.
Order history

Visit the Order history and review all your orders.

A. Click on the information icon to get more information on the specific order.
B. To cancel the order, you requested click on the cancel icon.