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System Hardware Recommendations for Dragon Medical Practice Edition and Dragon NaturallySpeaking Version 11.x (all editions)

The following provides “**Minimum**” and “**Minimum Recommended**” hardware requirements for using Dragon NaturallySpeaking version 11 or Dragon Medical Practice Edition. The **Minimum Recommended** hardware will generally allow Dragon products to provide full accuracy and performance. **Minimum** Hardware is specified by the manufacturer and will allow Dragon products to install and operate, however the performance and accuracy may range from slightly too substantially lower than optimal. **Minimum Recommended** system requirements are noted below the minimum specifications. While it is not possible to predict how NaturallySpeaking will work on every system, here is a good operational test:

“If you are not impressed with the dictation results, it is not working correctly.”

Supported Operating Systems

- Microsoft Windows 7, SP1, 32-bit and 64-bit
- Microsoft Windows Vista SP1 and SP2, 32-bit and 64-bit
- Microsoft Windows XP SP2 and SP3, 32-bit only
- Windows Server 2003 and 2008, SP1, SP2 and R2 SP1, 32-bit and 64-bit

Important Notes:

1. Dragon must be installed on the users (Client) computer or a Citrix or RDP Server. **Successful Citrix and RDP installations require a clear understanding of the network and operational limitations prior to purchase.**
2. It may be possible to run Dragon on a Mac OS using a Windows emulator (Boot Camp, Parallels, etc.)

Minimum System Requirements

These are the manufactures minimum system requirements. Meeting these specifications will allow the software to be installed and to run, however performance, accuracy and features may be reduced.

- Processor: Intel® Pentium or AMD processor, 1.0 GHz or faster, 1.66 GHz Atom processor.
Note: [SSE2 instruction set required.](#)
see http://www.exaq.com/Documents/DNS10_SSE2_error-3005.pdf
- 1GB RAM XP and Vista, 2 GB RAM for Windows 7 & Windows Server
- L2 Cache: 512 KB
- 2.5 GB Free Hard Disk Space
- DVD-ROM (required for installation)
- SoundBlaster® 16 Compatible Sound Card (USB port can be used with USB microphones)
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 6 or higher
- Internet Connection (for activation)
- Speakers (required for playback of recorded speech and text to speech features)

Minimum Recommended System Requirements

The above **Minimum System** Requirements with the following recommended upgrades to:

- Processor: 1.8 GHz or faster Intel Dual Core or equivalent AMD processor (Intel Atom and Celeron processors are NOT recommended for best performance)
- RAM: 2 GB RAM (4 GB RAM for Windows 7 and/or Dragon Professional, Medical, or Legal) *
- L2 Cache: 2 MB
- 3 GB Free Hard Disk Space for Home and Premium, 5 GB for Pro, Medical and Legal

* 2 additional GB RAM recommended if possible when many applications or graphics intensive programs are being used at the same time.

Note: 4GB of RAM is the maximum on 32 bit processors.