

Where are my files?

The default location for installing the program has always been *c:\program files\legal math*. Prior to this Version 2007, client data files were saved to that same location.

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Prior to Windows Vista, the default location for saving data files was *c:\program files\legalmath*. Data files were saved along with the files needed to run the program itself. Windows Vista will no longer allow programs (like this) to save and change files located anywhere on *c:\program files*. As a result, this program had to change the default location for saving files to some place that meets the approval of Windows Vista. The new default file storage location is ***My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files***. (drop the word "My" for Vista)

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Updating Legal Math on same computer:

When this Version 2007 is first installed, it creates *My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files*. Next, it looks for *c:\program files\legal math* to see if there are any older (pre Version 2007) client data files stored there. If any are found, they are copied over to ***My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files***.

When files are copied over to *My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files*, the original files are left behind in the *program files\legal math* folder. The files that are left behind are not needed and you can delete them if you want. The only files you should be deleting from *program files\legal math* are files with the file name extension ".int"

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New computer:

If you are starting fresh on a new computer (one where *Legal Math* has not been previously in use) you may be wanting to move client data files from your old computer to your new computer.

Assuming your old computer is still functioning, and that you can run *Legal Math* on the old computer, you may find a "Backup Data Files" entry on the File menu in the Interest Calculating feature of the old program program. (I say "may find" because this feature has not always been there.) You can use this back up feature to copy your data files to a USB memory device, and then bring them over to your new computer. At the new computer, you will need to use Explore (not Internet Explorer) to copy the files from the USB memory device and paste them into the right location for the *Legal Math* program. The right location is **"My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files"** (drop the word "My" for Vista).

If the program on your old computer does not have the "backup data files" feature described in the prior paragraph, you will need to use Explore on the old computer to copy the data files to the USB memory device. Then paste them from the USB device to the right location on the new computer. The right location is "**My Documents\Legal Math\Data Files**" (drop the word "My" for Vista).

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Legal Math data files all have the extension ".int".

If you can't find your old files in the locations mentioned above, try doing a file search. Look for files with the extension ".int" If you find a bunch of such files in one location, chances are that you have found the *Legal Math* files. Copy them and paste them into the right location on the new computer.

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You can use the Settings menu to change the default storage location. But unless you have a really good reason for doing so, it would be best if you don't.

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