

# Install Guide - FabFilter

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## Manual installation

*(Using Pro-R as an example: Where "Pro-R is used simply substitute the name of your chosen Fab Filter product in its place)*

To register and download your FabFilter product, please go to the following link:

<http://www.fabfilter.com/activate/>

When installing FabFilter Pro-R, the installation program will try to copy the plug-in into the appropriate plugins folders, and in most cases your host will recognize FabFilter Pro-R automatically. Otherwise, please follow these instructions:

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### Windows

On Windows, most hosts have their own VST plug-ins folder. So if you are using Windows and your host does not recognize FabFilter Pro-R, you need to locate the proper plug-ins folder for your host first (it is usually shown in the Preferences or similar dialog).

Then, copy the file FabFilter Pro-R.dll from C:\ProgramFiles\FabFilter\Pro-R (or C:\Program Files (x86)\FabFilter\Pro-R if you are using a 32-bit host on 64-bit Windows) to the plug-ins folder that you have found and restart the host so it can reload all its plug-ins.

For the AAX version of Pro-R, copy the FabFilter Pro-R.aax plugin folder to the common Pro Tools AAX plug-in folder on your computer; for the RTAS version of Pro-R, copy the FabFilter Pro-R.dpm and FabFilter Pro-R.dpm.rsr files to the Pro Tools RTAS plug-in folder on your computer. You can simply uninstall plug-ins or bundles via the Control Panel.

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### Mac OS X

On Mac OS X, plug-ins are installed in the standard plug-in folders in the system Library folder. These are the only possible correct locations:

- Audio Units: /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/Components/VST/VST3: /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/VST and /Library/Audio/Plug-Ins/

- VST3RTAS: /Library/Application Support/Digidesign/Plug-Ins
- AAX: /Library/Application Support/Avid/Audio/Plug-Ins

*Note: AU and VST/VST3 plug-ins may be placed in the user's Library folders under "`~/Library/Audio/Plug-Ins`" as well.*

To uninstall the plug-ins from your Mac, you can just delete the specific FabFilter plug-in files at the above locations. Finally, if you really want to delete all data written by our plug-ins, you can remove the following folders/files from your user `~/Library` as well:

- `~/Library/Audio/Presets/FabFilter/FabFilter Pro-R`
- `~/Library/Application Support/FabFilter/Pro-R`
- `~/Library/Preferences/com.fabfilter.Pro-R.1.plist`

*Note: Since OS X 10.7 (Lion), the system and user Library folders are marked as hidden by default. To make them visible again in Finder, open Terminal (found in `/Applications/Utilities`) and enter the following commands:*

- `chflags nohidden /Library`
- `chflags nohidden ~/Library`

If you still have problems, contact FabFilter Support.

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