



AKO Home Computer CAC Reader Installation Procedure

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Introduction: There are three parts to installing the CAC reader. The first is installing ActivClient 6.x software and the second is installing the CAC reader driver. The final part is installing the actual CAC reader itself. The order of each is important for a smooth installation. ***The CAC reader should not initially be plugged into the computer's USB port until all software is installed and the computer is powered off.***

Disclosure: Home use of ActivClient 6.x software in conjunction with a CAC reader enables users on personal PCs at home to access military and government Web sites requiring CAC identification. **No technical support is provided for home users.** These instructions focus on a reader commonly purchased and issued by the Army – [SCMSCR331 USB](#). Other readers may be substituted. Note step 4 below.

Download [ActivClient 6_0](#) (zip file), [AKO Home Computer CAC Reader Installation](#) (PDF document), [FIXS0701008](#) (zip file), and [Description of FIXS0701008](#) (PDF document). If you have Windows XP, you should not need to download [SCMSCR 331 USB](#) (zip file).

TIP: *If you download the files to your Desktop, it will ease locating them later.*

CAC Middleware Installation

ActivClient 6.0

1. Download the ActivClient 6.0 file. Extract it to a folder on your desktop. Open the folder you've created, then double click on the Start.exe file.
2. From the ActivClient window, click Quick Install.
3. When this program is finished, reboot the computer.
4. **If you have purchased your own CAC reader, use the software drivers that came with it, and follow the instructions that came with your purchase.**
5. **For an SCMSCR 331 USB reader on a non-Windows XP PC, install the CAC reader driver:** Download the SCMSCR 331 USB.zip file. Extract it. Go back to the location you chose to extract the zip file. Double-click on the **SCMSCR 331 USB** folder, then the **Installer** folder and run **Setup.exe** . Accept all the defaults, and accept the license agreement. When it prompts you for Customer Information, you can put anything you like. **When setup is completed, allow the computer to shut down.** For Windows XP PCs, skip to step 6.
6. **Install the CAC reader:** After the computer shuts off, plug the CAC reader into an available USB port on the computer and power up the computer. Once Windows is reloaded, it will recognize the CAC reader and "plug and play" the driver installed in the previous step. At this point, the CAC reader is fully functional. Refer to document [CAC Registration & Troubleshooting Guide for Internet Explorer](#) or [CAC Registration Guide for Firefox](#) for instructions on registering the CAC with the browser and with AKO.