

Important

Read the [Release Notes](#) for details of the 13.1 release. Read the **Install Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate** chapter of the *User's Guide* before you install the software. The latest versions of these and other documents are available from the **Product Documents** web page:

<http://cdn.na.sage.com/SageMail/zCREDocs/CREDocs.html>



NOTE: If you use third-party products that integrate with Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate, check with your software vendor prior to upgrading to ensure their product is fully compatible with this release. We **do not** support rolling Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate back to a previous version and **do not** recommend it.

Internet access requirement

Your server and workstations must have Internet access to install and use Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate version 13.1 because it includes installation of Pervasive 11, which contains a new licensing mechanism that uses the Internet.

Windows 8 and Windows Server 2012

Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate is now supported on computers with Windows 8 and Windows Server 2012 operating system with two exceptions:

- Residential Management
- Estimating Explorer

If you use Residential Management or Estimating Explorer, we recommend that you install them on workstations with Windows 7 (or earlier).

Lien waivers, secondary vendors, and custom reports

If you have been using Sage Timberline Office version 9.8 or earlier to generate lien waivers, the upgrade to Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate version 12.1 or 13.1 will copy the lien waiver data to a new database table. Also, data for secondary vendors will be moved to a different database table. When you upgrade, the existing AP Lien Waiver.rpt and AP Lien Waiver with Detail.rpt reports are removed, but new Crystal and Report Designer reports for lien waivers are installed. Any **custom lien waiver reports will need to be modified** to work with the new data. Any custom reports that use the secondary vendor data will also need to be modified. For more information, see the "Database changes" sections for Accounts Payable and Job Cost in the [Release Notes for Version 12.1](#).

Also, if you moved closed jobs to an archive data folder but still have lien waivers for these jobs in your current data folder, move the associated lien waivers to the same archive data folder as the closed jobs **before** you upgrade to version 12.1 or 13.1.

Purchasing-Job Cost integration

In Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate version 12.1, Purchasing used the "Direct Write" method of sending purchase order information to Job Cost. In version 13.1, when you select **Tasks > Send Orders to Job Cost**, the software uses the import method instead.

Upgrading from version 9.7

If you are upgrading from Sage Timberline Office 9.7, **do not** install the upgrade until you have sufficient hard disk space available. The file sizes may increase up to 200% of their current size. Increased disk space is also necessary on the server for your data at the following locations:

- 2003/XP - C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Application Data\Sage\Timberline Office
- 2008/Vista/Windows7 - C:\ProgramData\Sage\Timberline Office

Also, your server should have at least 2 GB of available hard disk space in addition to the space required for the expanded data files. If you need assistance in determining space requirements, contact your IT professional or your Sage Business Partner.

Before upgrading, back up the Timberline Office data. Test your backups by restoring them to test folders. Periodic testing of your backup system is important because backup media has a limited life, backup devices may malfunction, and the backup software settings may have changed.

If you have custom application shortcuts, use the shortcuts found on the **Start** menu the first time you start version 13.1. This starts Sage System Verifier, which updates your customized shortcuts.