

Installing Igpets on a Windows computer

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Increasing security measures make software installation difficult. I am still learning the problems caused by higher security, so contact with me if setup fails.

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Assuming you have already downloaded IgpetsDocs.zip and Igpets2021XoJo.zip, there are three remaining steps to the installation.

1: Unzip the **IgpetsDocs** folder and put the resulting folder (IgpetsDocs) in your **Documents** Folder. IgpetsDocs contains all the text files that tell Igpets what to do. Igpets will not run without them and will only look for IgpetsDocs in the Documents folder. Be aware that some unzipping tools result in a doubling of IgpetsDocs in the path. This is fatal to Igpets.

This is fatal: Documents/IgpetsDocs/IgPetDocs/

This is correct: Documents/IgpetsDocs/IgPetDocs/

If you have this double folder problem, do this.

First move the outermost IgpetsDocs folder to the Desktop, so everything is out of Documents.

Second, open the outermost Igpets Docs folder and then move just the inner folder to Documents.

2: Put the programs and libraries etc. in C: Program Files.

First, unzip Igpets2021XoJo.zip and put the resulting folder (Igpets2021XoJo) in C: Program Files. As with IgpetsDocs, make sure the unzipped folder (Igpets2021XoJo) is not doubled in the path. Open the folder, sort the files by name and make shortcuts for Igpets2021XoJo.exe, Mixing.exe and CIPW.exe. Put the shortcuts on the Desktop or other favorite place.

Starting in 2020, the Igpets files were code signed and installation improved. Run the three exe files. You should get a security warning asking if you want to run this program. There is a checkbox on the warning that can be unchecked to stop the warning from appearing in the future.

3: Because of virus checking, you **may** have to give the Igpets programs permission to save files. Windows Security (Defender), Norton Security and other antivirus programs may prevent files from being saved to Documents or Desktop.

4: Run Igpets, CIPW and Mixing and save files (txt, pdf or jpg) to the Desktop and to the Documents folder. If you can save files, you are done. If not, continue to **5**.

5: Give the Igpets programs permission by managing “Controlled Folder Access.” Follow the logic below rather than the exact steps because antivirus programs vary. Your goal is to get to “Manage Controlled folder access” and give protected status to Igpets2021XoJo.exe, Mixing.exe and CIPW.exe.

Open Windows Security (formerly Windows Defender) by clicking on its icon, a shield.

Click: Virus & threat protection settings

Click: Manage settings (under Virus & threat protection settings)

Scroll down to find Controlled folder access.

Click: Manage Controlled folder access

Click: Allow an app through Controlled folder access

Click: Add an allowed app

This opens up a file dialog. Navigate to C: Program Files > Igp2021XoJo.

Click on the Igp2020Xojo.exe and answer yes when asked to approve.

Do the same with Mixing.exe and Cipw.exe.

Finally, you **may** have to restart your PC so the changes can take effect.

For **Norton Security** the process is similar but all the details differ.

Open Norton Security

click settings (upper right)

click Antivirus

click Data Protector

click Process Exclusions Configure [+]

Finally, you get to a window where you can add programs to the list of processes not being blocked by Data Protector.

Click Add and follow instructions.

Restarting the computer is not necessary.

Other security programs almost surely have ways to free programs from restrictions on where they can save files.