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Q: Why is the SolidWorks Installation Manager blank when I run setup.exe?

Answer

Windows can block files that it thinks may be malicious. This same security feature can cause the SolidWorks installation manager to not work properly.

To fix the issue, you will need to unblock the .zip file before the installation files are extracted.

1. Navigate to the SOLIDWORKS Download .zip file. It will be named something similar to

   `MIT-SolidWorks-201?-SP?-Network-x64.zip`

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2. Right click on the .zip file and select **Properties**.
3. On the **General** tab select the **Unblock** option.
4. Then unzip the file to extract your installer and associated files.
   Result: The installer should run properly and no longer appear blank.

For more information, see https://www.isumsoft.com/windows-10/3-ways-to-unblock-app-or-file.html