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Download the installation archive for your platform and license key from the [IS&T software grid](#).

Please find install process on this PyMOL site: <https://pymol.org/2/support.html#faq>

This PyMOL Wiki page also has links to install instructions as well as helpful resources for PyMOL usage:  
<https://pymolwiki.org/index.php/TOPTOC>

All platforms: On first launch **PyMOL** will request a license file. Navigate to the location where you downloaded it and select it to enter the information. The license file expires annually and will need to be updated to ensure full functionality. **The current expiration date is 2/11/22.**

The default license installation is per-user. The license can be installed for all users by placing the license file in the following directory: **\$PREFIX/share/pymol** where **\$PREFIX** is:

- The installation directory (Lnx)
- **C:\PyMOL** (Win)
- **/Applications/PyMol.app/Contents** (Mac)