



# Acorn License Installation Instructions

## Install the Acorn License File

1. Download and Save the *license.dat* file to the CNC PC desktop using a Windows PC.

**NOTE:** A Mac (or any Apple computer) will corrupt the .dat file and render it useless. Do not use an Apple product to download the Acorn License file.

If you purchased an Acorn controller from Sherline, the .dat file will be in the “Software License” folder on the USB drive that came with your controller (see Figure 1). The .dat file will look something like the picture shown in Figure 2.

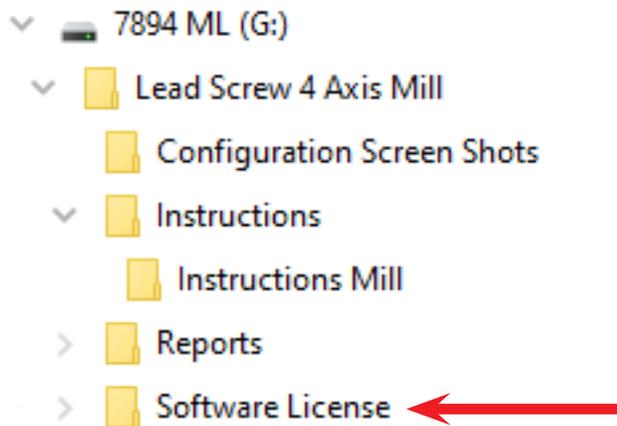


FIGURE 1—The .dat file(s) are in the Software License folder.

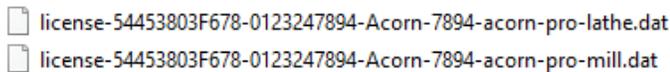


FIGURE 2—Example license names.

2. With Acorn powered up and running, Start the CNC12 software.
3. Press “F7” Utility menu.
4. Choose the “F8” Option menu.
5. Choose the “F2” Import License function.

This will open a file dialog box.

Navigate to the desktop (or the location where the license file attachment was saved) and select the *license.dat* file.

Click “Open.”

CNC12 will then respond with a message stating that the license was successfully imported.

## Acorn Installation Help Links

[How to install an Acorn License Video](#)

[Acorn “Start Here” installation video series](#) (scroll down the page to see the videos)

[All Acorn documentation here](#)

[Oak and Allin1DC installation videos and tech support](#)

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