

# Detailed download and installation instruction for RALE DESIGN SOFTWARE – original written by Pamela Darrah (we amended it slightly)

The installation files are available at Rale's website ([www.rale.ch](http://www.rale.ch)) in the **USER AREA**.

There you will find **Install RDS 20, Service Pack for RDS 20, Licenses**.

**Install RDS 20** contains a link to the ZIP file for the program (version 2.0). The file is named CDInstall20.ZIP. Download it.

Since web browsers and anti-virus programs tend to be concerned about downloading programs, you may need to go through a few extra steps to download the file depending on the systems on your computer.

Once the file has downloaded, use File Explorer to go to the location where you saved the file (ie "Downloads" folder)

The ZIP file is a compressed folder that contains everything needed to install the software. The file needs to be "unzipped" which just means it needs to be un-compressed so you can use the files. If you double-click on the ZIP file in File Explorer, it should open a new window (that looks like a normal explorer window, just with some different menu options at the top) and display the contents of the ZIP file.

To unzip the file, click on the "Extract All" command at the top of the window. It will prompt you with a box asking where you want to extract the files. It is usually something like C:\Users\

You can now start the software install by double-clicking on CD\_INSTALL.EXE

You should then see the main setup screen:



Start at the top of the list with "CodeMeter" and work your way down and install either "C++ Run Time Components" and then "MATLAB". **Then REBOOT the computer.** It is very important to reboot after the MATLAB installation.

The final step is to install the Rale Design System (run the CD\_Install.EXE again and it is the last item in the list).

A couple of "tricky" spots that you'll want to watch for: You will be prompted to select the **language** you want to use with the Rale Design Software.

Check also whether you want Metric Units or Imperial Units. It is possible to use both (in separate subdirectories).

You will also be prompted for the **password** – you will get it from Rale.

You should also download and install the **"Service Pack for RDS20"** to be certain that you have the latest updates.

Once the setup is complete, you should be able to run any of the design programs as long as the dongle is attached to a USB port on the computer where you are running the program.