

# Evaluations

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### Beginning Evaluations

In most configurations, an evaluation starts automatically when Posit professional software is run for the first time by a given user account on a given computer.

Computer Type	Internet?	Evaluation
Physical	Yes	Automatic
Physical	No	Automatic
Virtual	Yes	Automatic
Virtual	No	Manual (requires license file-based trial)

For the final case, a virtual machine without internet access, contact Posit to obtain a license file to enable a trial period.

### Extending Evaluations

If you are unable to evaluate Posit professional software during the initial evaluation period, you can request an extension from Posit Support ([support@posit.co](mailto:support@posit.co)), and it will be provided via a short term license file which is installed in the same fashion as a regular license file.