

# Network Installs

## Tips for network installations of Curio

### The Network Folder

Curio finds its support files on the network via the network path settings in your Curio preferences.

The default network support folder for Curio is:

/Network/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX

(Where Version XX is replaced with the current major version number like Version 11 or Version 12.)

To begin, copy your /Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX folder on the administrator's hard disk to that network location. It will contain the license registration information necessary for the clients to validate their installation.

You should configure all client Macs to automatically mount that folder as a network share point. macOS Server includes helpers such as autofs to make automatically mounting share points for clients easier. The details are specific to your network and macOS version so check with your network administrator and Apple's documentation to set this up.

To specify a different network install folder (note that Version XX is automatically appended to any specified path):

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "Network Application Support Folder" -string "/Network/Library/Application Support/Curio/"
```

### Advanced Customizations

Curio supports several advanced settings which you can customize via Terminal (found in Applications > Utilities) using the defaults command line tool then relaunching Curio. These customizations will be stored in the ~/Library/Preferences/com.zengobi.curio.plist file under your home folder.

#### To disable automatic Curio update checks:

By default Curio checks Zengobi's servers every day to see if an update is available. This can be disabled with the following:

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "SUEnableAutomaticChecks" -bool no
```

#### To disable local replication of license key information:

By default if the license key is found on the network then it will automatically replicate that information to the local hard disk so Curio can work even if the network is unavailable at launch time. You can turn that off with the following.

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "License Skip Network To Local" -bool yes
```

#### To modify the days left warning for expiring license keys:

If you enter an expiring license key such as an annual site license then at launch Curio will warn you when the license will be expiring soon, and thus when Curio will stop working. The default is when there are 60 days left before expiring. You can change that value if you feel you need more or less time to get purchase approval and acquire an updated license key.

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "License Days Left Warning" -int 60
```

#### To enable KidSafe Sleuth:

As described earlier, Sleuth can be restricted specifically for school and home environments:

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "Sleuth Is KidSafe" -bool yes
```

After enabling Sleuth will:

- Only show KidSafe sites in its search sites popup, such as Google Images with SafeSearch instead the normal Google Image search.
- Disallow Sleuth site customization.
- Block any query phrase which contain profanity.
- Block any query results which contain profanity.

### Setting up the Curio for the Site Administrator

1. Download and install Curio from [www.zengobi.com](http://www.zengobi.com) into your /Applications folder.
2. Launch Curio.
3. Enter your license key information via the Curio > License menu item.
4. Quit Curio.
5. If your users all have access to a /Network folder from their machines then you can use this to instantly register Curio on all of those machines.
  - a. Curio automatically looks for a /Network/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX/ folder (where Version XX is replaced with the applicable major version like Version 11). If found it can load the installed license registration file.
  - b. The easiest way to set this up is to copy your ~/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX/ folder to the network's /Network/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX/ directory. That's it!

### Setting up Curio on Client Machines

1. Using the Apple Remote Desktop application is a great way to install Curio on all machines.
2. Use Apple Remote Desktop to copy the Curio application to everyone's /Applications folder.
3. Next, use Apple Remote Desktop's "Send Unix Command" to set the following preferences (and any others you wish) on all machines simultaneously:

```
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "SUEnableAutomaticChecks" -bool no
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "License Skip Network To Local" -bool yes
defaults write com.zengobi.curio "License Days Left Warning" -int 0
```
4. If the default network folder (/Network/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX) is valid then Curio should instantly find and recognize the valid installation, as described above. Note you can use the "Network Application Support Folder" defaults option to set the appropriate base path, "Version XX" is automatically appended to whatever path you specify.
  - a. Remember for this to work seamlessly all clients must auto-mount the network folder as a share point as described above.
  - b. Alternatively, if there is no /Network folder, you can simply use Apple Remote Desktop to copy the admin's ~/Library/Application Support/Curio/Version XX/ folder to the same location on every user's machine so they all of their own copy of the installed license registration file.