

TWO NETWORK VERSIONS

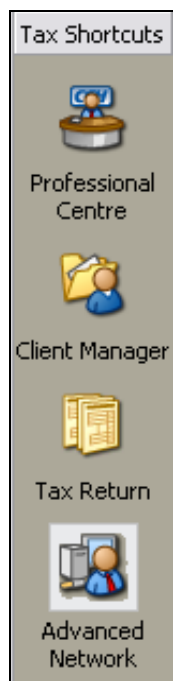
Taxprep includes two different network versions: **Regular** and **Advanced**. The network version that will be installed is based on the activation key entered at the time that the program is installed to the network server.

Regular Network Version

With the **Regular** network version, the administrator can create a default configuration that will be loaded by all users. The administrator can also lock screens within the Options and Settings so that they cannot be modified by the users.

Individual users will access the program directly via a shortcut on their desktop - no login name is required.

Advanced Network Version



With the **Advanced** network version, the administrator can also create a default configuration and can lock access to screens within the Options and Settings. However, in the **Advanced** network version, all users do not have the same level of access: the administrator can create groups of users and select what level of access is provided to each group.

In addition to being able to control the settings within the program, the **Advanced** network features allows the administrator to also control access to certain functions within the program such as electronic transmissions, printing and the ability to modify or create templates or preparer profiles.

In order to determine what group a user belongs to, the individual user will be prompted for a login name and password when he or she launches the program. The administrator creates an account for each user and assigns them to a user group using the **Advanced** network view.

New this year! The *Taxprep* network version can now be used on a computer that is disconnected from the network. The user benefits from the performance of the standalone version with the advanced user rights and global product update features.

Note: You must be logged on to *Taxprep* as an administrator in order to access the **Advanced Network** view.

To help illustrate the differences between the **Regular** and **Advanced** network versions, the table below provides a comparison between the two versions:

Features	Regular Network version	Advanced Network version
Select the Options and Settings for all users (see notes)	Yes	Yes
Lock-out user changes to the Options and Settings	Yes	Yes
Control the installation of updates on server	Yes	Yes
Control the use of the following functions		
Printing	No	Yes
EFILE	No	Yes
SEND	No	Yes
Taxprep Print Service	No	Yes
Control the editing of all templates	No	Yes
Control the use of print formats and client filters	No	Yes
Create and manage user groups	No	Yes
Configure account lock-out policies	No	Yes
User identification required at logon	No	Yes
New this year! Use the <i>Taxprep</i> network version on a computer that is disconnected from the network (local installation)	No	Yes

Notes:

- In the **Advanced** network version, the features listed above apply to one or more user groups. For example, the administrator can deny EFILE use by the user group "Preparer team #1."
- In the **Regular** network version, the default configuration established by the administrator will apply to all users, but each of them can still customize their environment within the limits permitted by the administrator.

Here are some advantages of the local installation of the network version:

1. The local installation allows the user to work from a remote location without being connected to the program's server.
2. Traffic reduction on the server results in an increased performance.
3. The administrator has the same control on rights of use of the program by the users. The users' rights are automatically updated with the administrator's changes as soon as they launch *Taxprep* and a connection to the server is detected.
4. The right to install the program locally is generated per group of users. Thus, some groups will have the right and others won't.
5. The right to install the program locally can be removed for a group of users even if they have already installed the program.
6. Users don't need to intervene in the installation process.
7. The administrator only continues to update the program installed on the server. Users' workstations will automatically be updated as soon as they launch *Taxprep* and a connection to the server is detected.
8. The administrator only has to install the program once for all users. It's a real gain of time and productivity!
9. The administrator can allow a group of users to locally install the program, but can prevent its use when the user is not connected to the server where *Taxprep* is installed.
10. The administrator can assign different rights to users depending on whether or not they are connected to the server where *Taxprep* is installed.