



GstarCAD 2017

Activation and License Return

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Part one: Software-encryption (Flexnet) Version

1. Software-encryption(Flexnet) Traditional Version

1.1 Stand-alone (Flexnet)

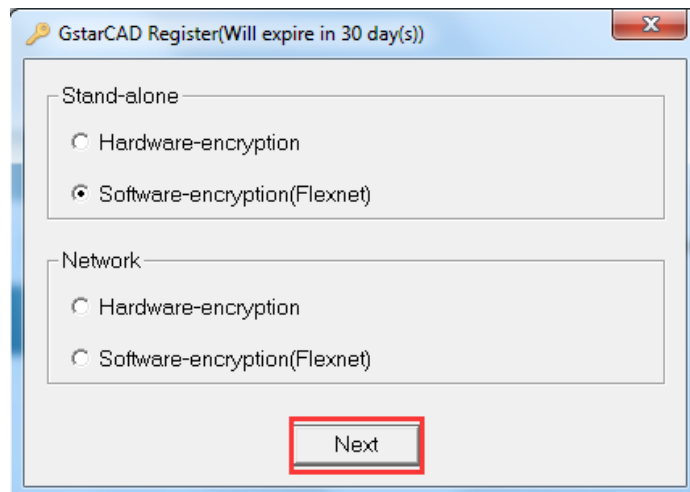
1.1.1 Stand-alone(Flexnet) Activation

1. Double click the icon of GstarCAD 2017  you will see the interface as below:

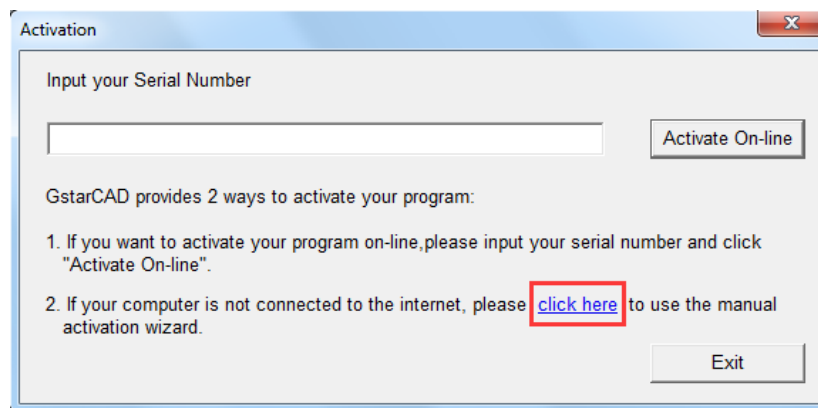


2. We provide 30 days to trial, also you can select a [GstarCAD Version](#) according to your need then click [Activate](#) to get a permanent license.

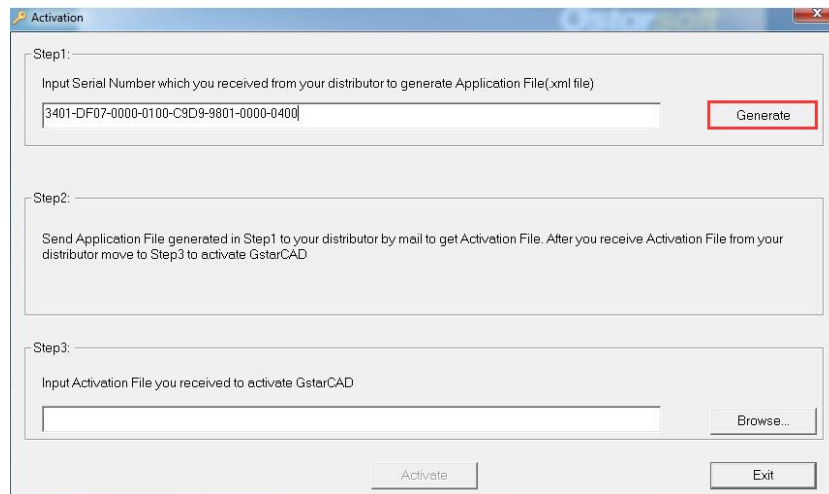
3. Select [Stand-alone Software-encryption \(Flexnet\)](#) and click [Next](#) to open **Activation** window.



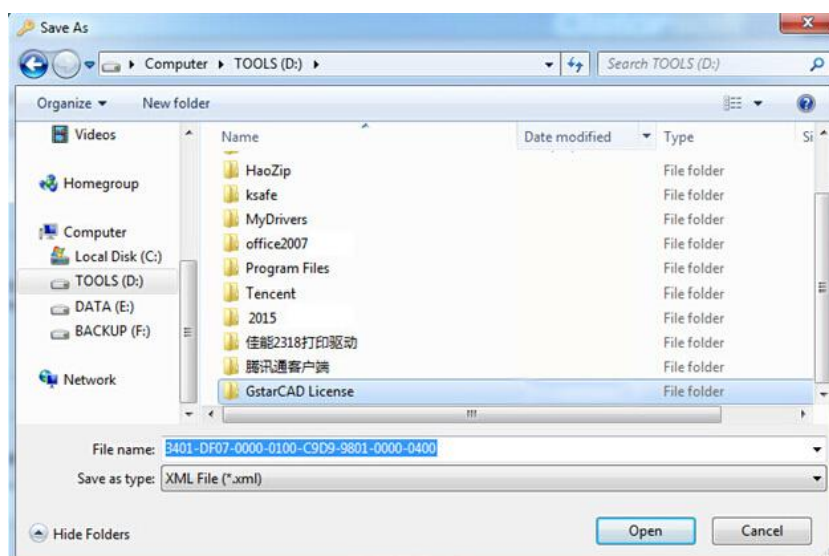
4. If your computer is not connected to the internet, Click [click here](#) to continue.



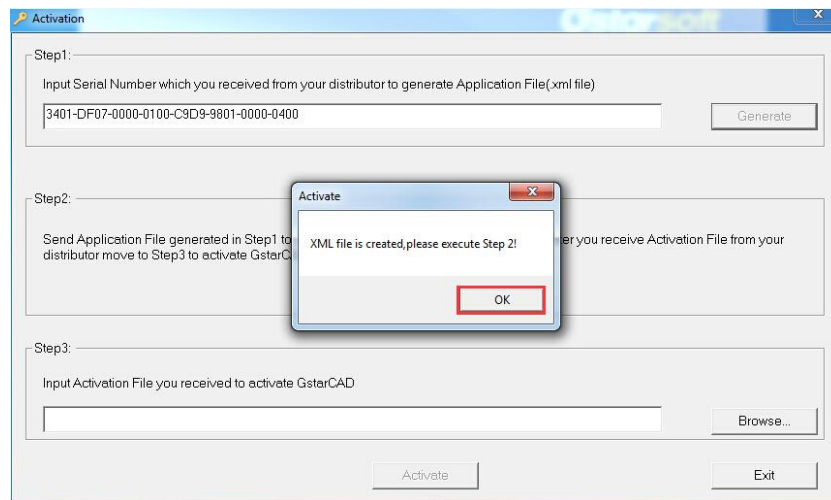
5. At **Step1 of Activation** window, enter **Serial Number** which is provided to you when you purchase GstarCAD 2017 then click **Generate** to generate **Application File**.



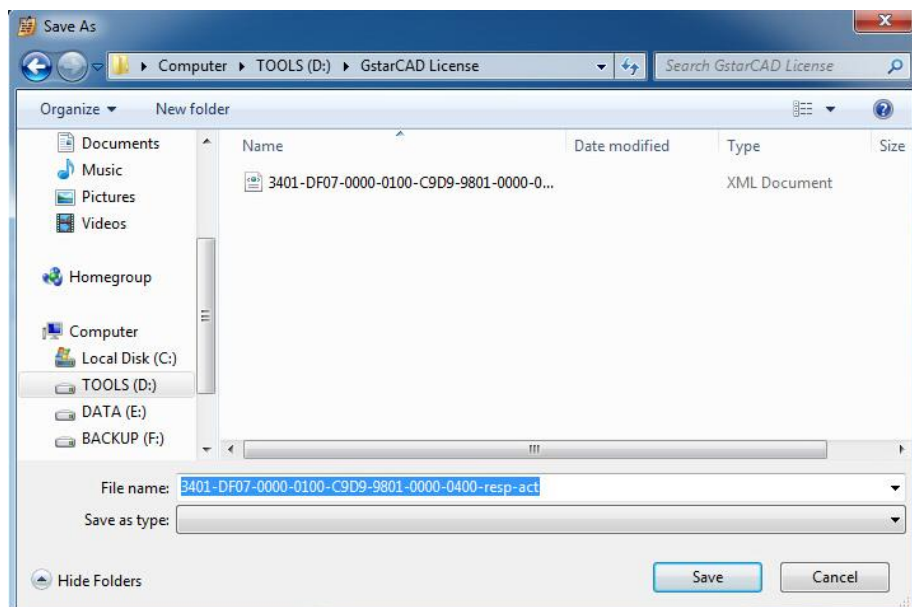
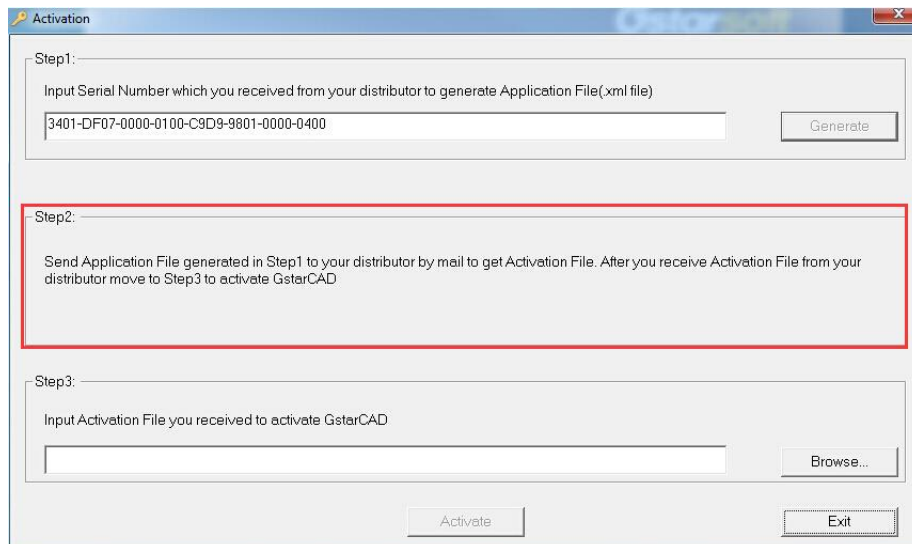
6. Save it with a file name consisting of the **Serial Number** with “.xml” extension,
e.g: **3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400.xml**



7. Click **OK** to finish the Step1.



8. Send the generated **Application File 3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400.xml** to your local distributor from whom you purchase GstarCAD and you will receive an **Activation File** correspondingly.



9. After you receive the **Activation File**, reopen the **Activation** window and click **Browse** to select the **Activation File**. The file name of **Activation File** consists of **Serial Number** with “-resp-act.xml” extension, e.g: **3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400-resp-act.xml**

The image shows the 'Activation' window with three steps. Step 1 is highlighted with a red box. It contains a text input field with the serial number '3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400' and a 'Generate' button. Step 2 is a text box with instructions: 'Send Application File generated in Step1 to your distributor by mail to get Activation File. After you receive Activation File from your distributor move to Step3 to activate GstarCAD'. Step 3 is also highlighted with a red box and contains a text input field and a 'Browse...' button. At the bottom are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons.

Step1:

Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)

3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400

Generate

Step2:

Send Application File generated in Step1 to your distributor by mail to get Activation File. After you receive Activation File from your distributor move to Step3 to activate GstarCAD

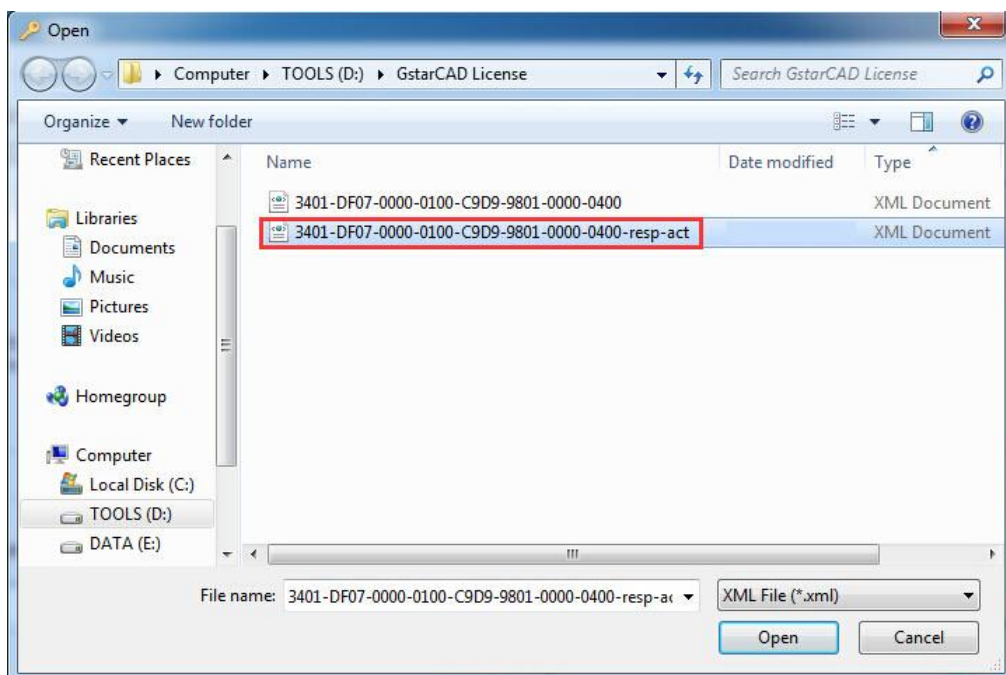
Step3:

Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD

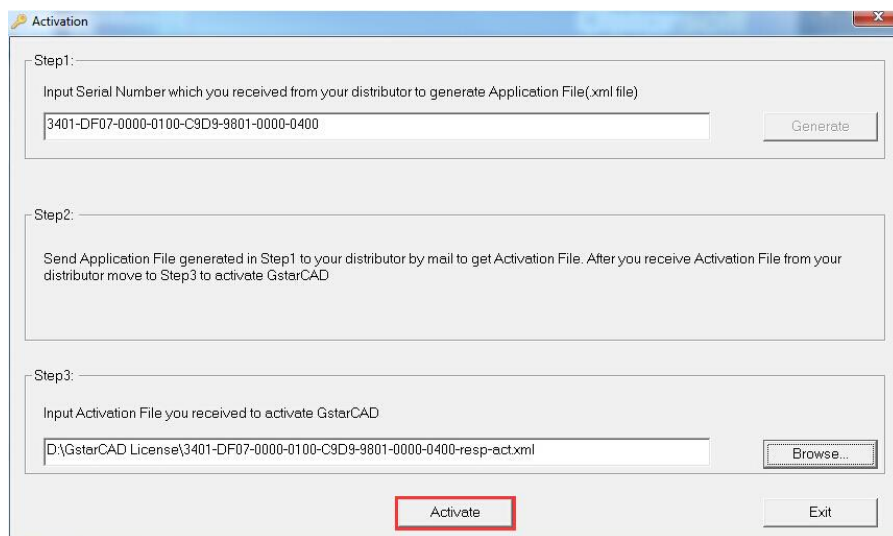
Browse...

Activate

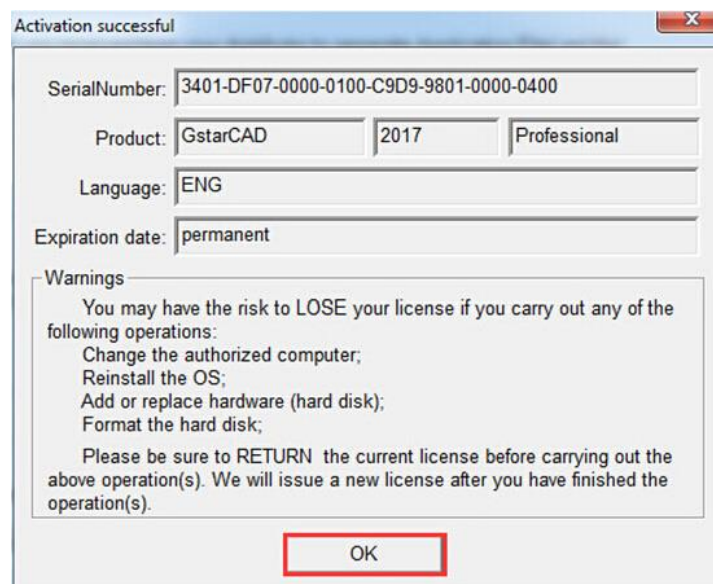
Exit



10. Click **Activate** to apply **Activation File** and click **OK** to finish activating GstarCAD.



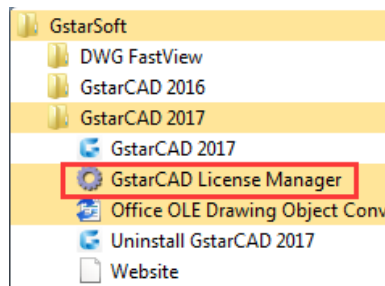
The 'Activation' dialog box is divided into three steps. Step 1: 'Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)'. A text box contains '3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400' and a 'Generate' button is to its right. Step 2: 'Send Application File generated in Step1 to your distributor by mail to get Activation File. After you receive Activation File from your distributor move to Step3 to activate GstarCAD'. Step 3: 'Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD'. A text box contains 'D:\GstarCAD License\3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400-resp-act.xml' and a 'Browse...' button is to its right. At the bottom, there is an 'Activate' button (highlighted with a red box) and an 'Exit' button.



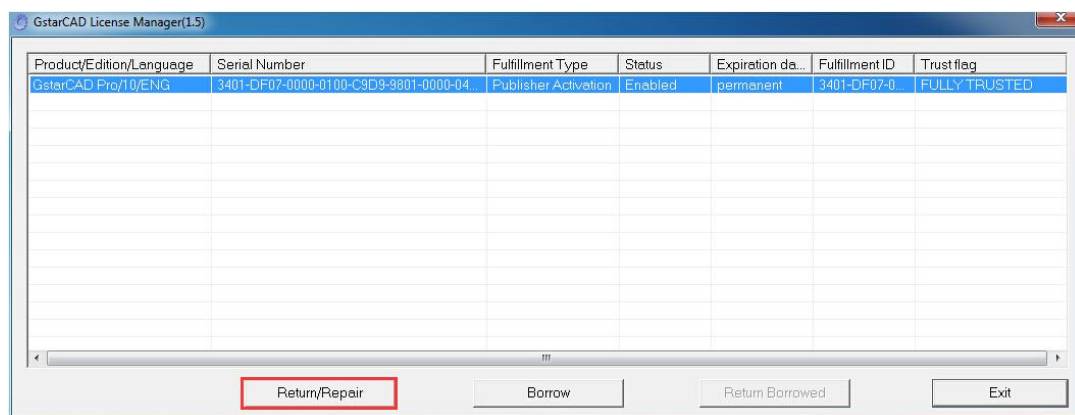
The 'Activation successful' dialog box displays the following information: 'SerialNumber: 3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400', 'Product: GstarCAD 2017 Professional', 'Language: ENG', and 'Expiration date: permanent'. Below this is a 'Warnings' section with the text: 'You may have the risk to LOSE your license if you carry out any of the following operations: Change the authorized computer; Reinstall the OS; Add or replace hardware (hard disk); Format the hard disk; Please be sure to RETURN the current license before carrying out the above operation(s). We will issue a new license after you have finished the operation(s)'. At the bottom, there is an 'OK' button (highlighted with a red box).

1.1.2 Stand-alone(Flexnet) Return the license

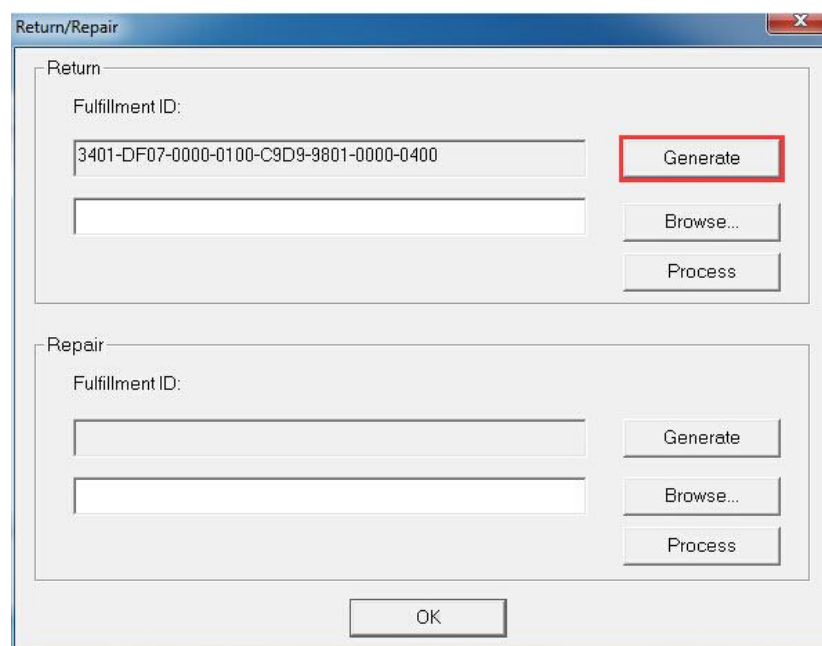
1. You can find the menu in start-all program and click [GstarCAD License Manager](#).



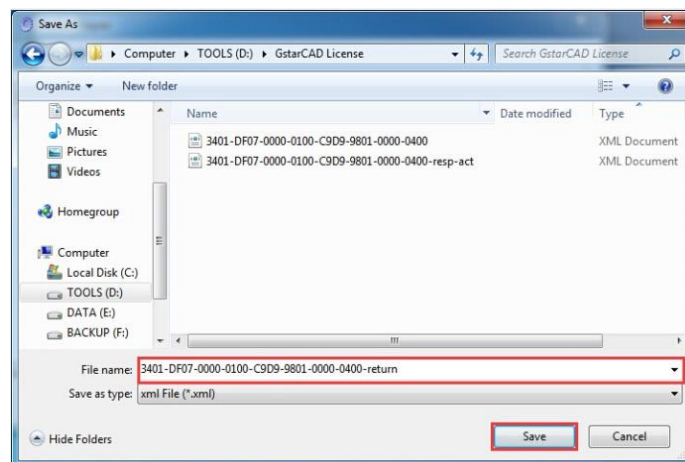
2. [GstarCAD License Manager](#) dialog box will pop up then select the [Serial Number](#) which you want to return and click [Return/Repair](#).



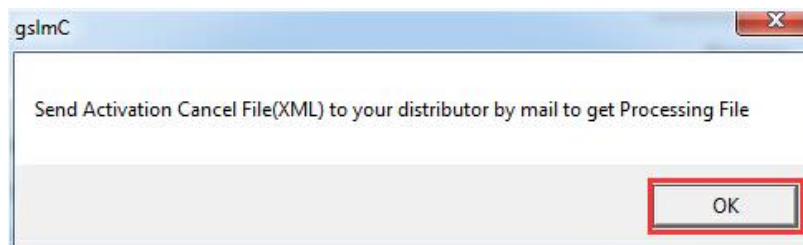
3. Click [Generate](#) to get the [Activation Cancel File](#).



4. **Save** the xml file consisting of the same Serial Number with '-return.xml' extension.

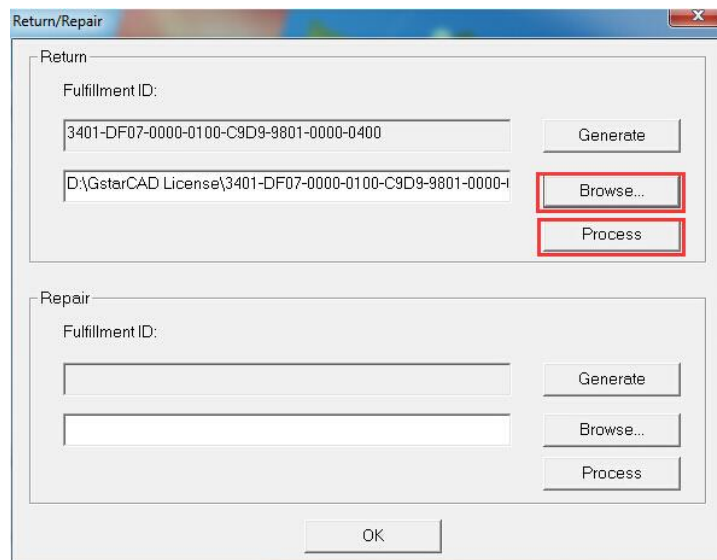


5. Send **Activation cancel file** to your local distributor to get **processing file**.



6. You will get a **processing file** from your local distributor in a short time,
e.g: **3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400-resp-return.xml**

7. Reopen the return window, click **Browse** to select the **Processing File** and click **Process** to clean the data.



8. Please note that **processing file "-resp-return.xml"** is for clearing the registration information in the workstation which you returned the license. If you want to transfer your license right to another workstation, please generate a new **Application File ".xml"** and send to us. You will see in the license manager the status is disabled.

1.2 Network (Flexnet)

1.2.1 Network (Flexnet) Activation

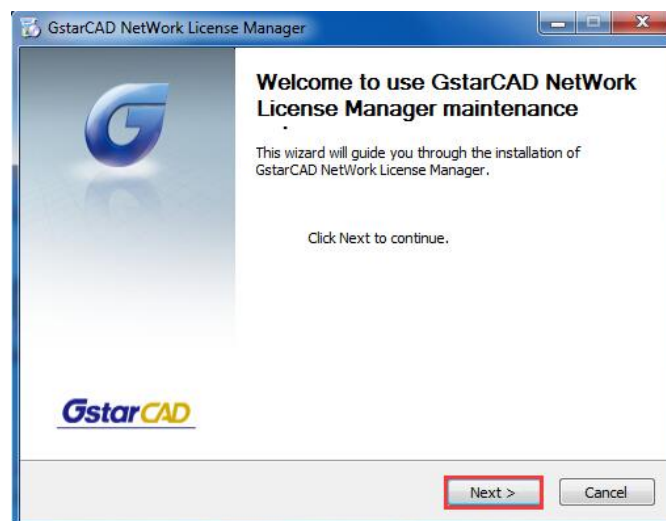
Network Encryption System enables you to share a number of GstarCAD licenses on your office LAN. It gives flexibility of license floating among a working group. Before the network installation, the following confirmation is required:

1. Information of product you want to purchase, including version language, version type (standard or professional) and the quantity of licenses.
2. Specify server computer to install and execute GStarLMS.exe.

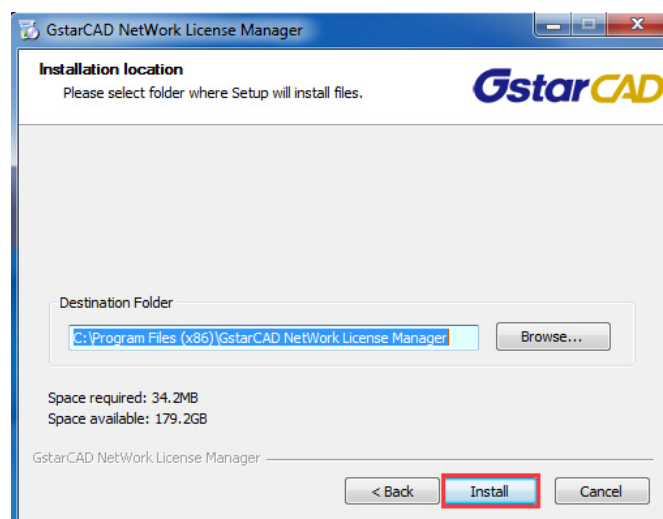
Activation:

1. If it is your first time to install GstarCAD NetWork License Manager, please follow the steps below:

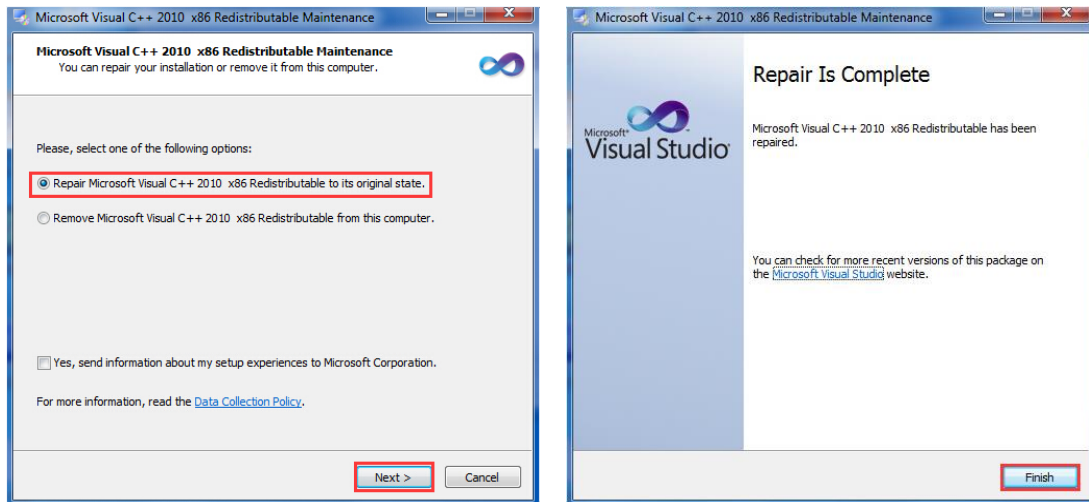
(1) Double click [GstarCAD_LMS-Online](#) on the specified server computer, the following window opens, Click [Next](#) to specify the installation directory of [GstarCAD NetWork License Manager](#).



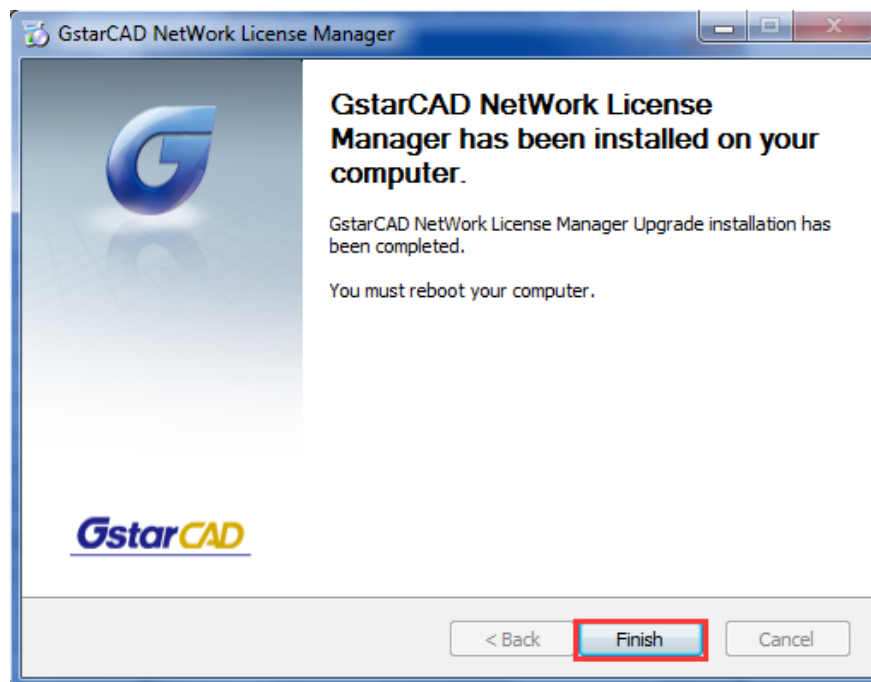
- (2) Click [Install](#) after specifying the directory.



(3) Check the first option in the window below, click **Next** and **Finish** to complete programming language maintenance.

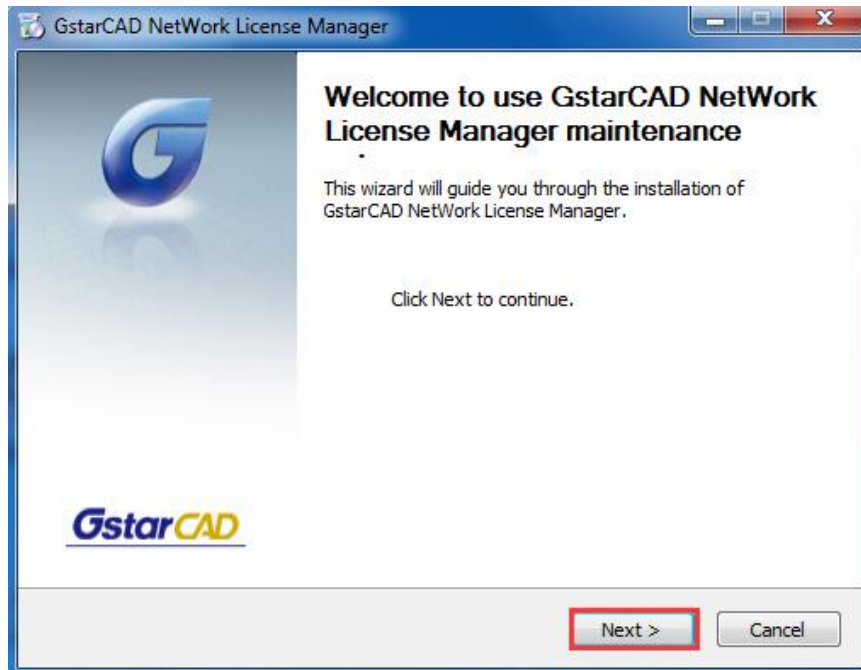


(4) Click "Finish" to complete the GstarCAD NetWork License Manager installation.



2. If you installed GstarCAD NetWork License Manager before, please follow the steps below:

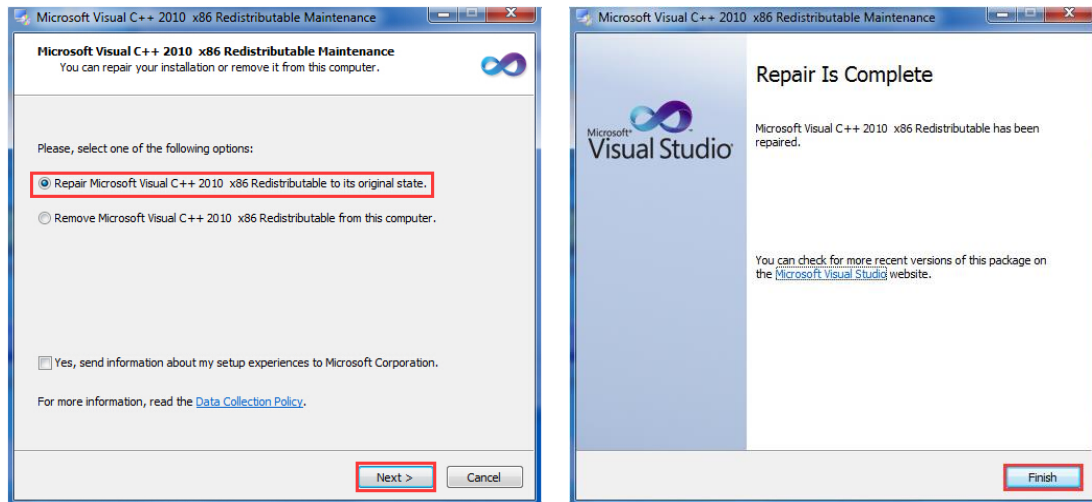
(1) Double click [GstarCAD_LMS-Online](#) on the specified server computer, the following window opens, Click [Next](#) to continue.



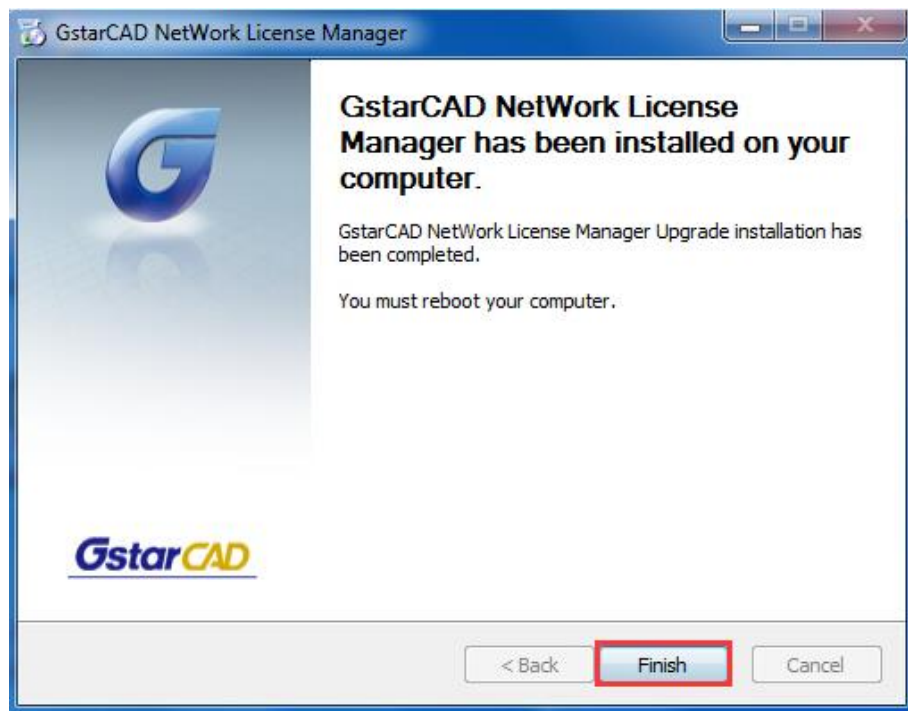
(2) Click [upgrade](#) and click [Next](#) to continue [GstarCAD NetWork License Manager](#) upgrading.



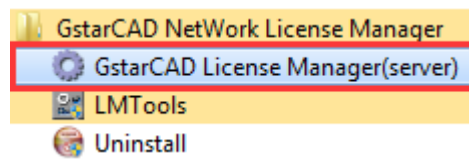
(3) Check the first option in the window below, click **Next** and **Finish** to finish programming language maintenance.



(4) Click "Finish" to complete the GstarCAD NetWork License Manager installation.



3. After the installation is finished, a utility program group called “GstarCAD Network License Manager)” is added to Windows Programs in which you will find:



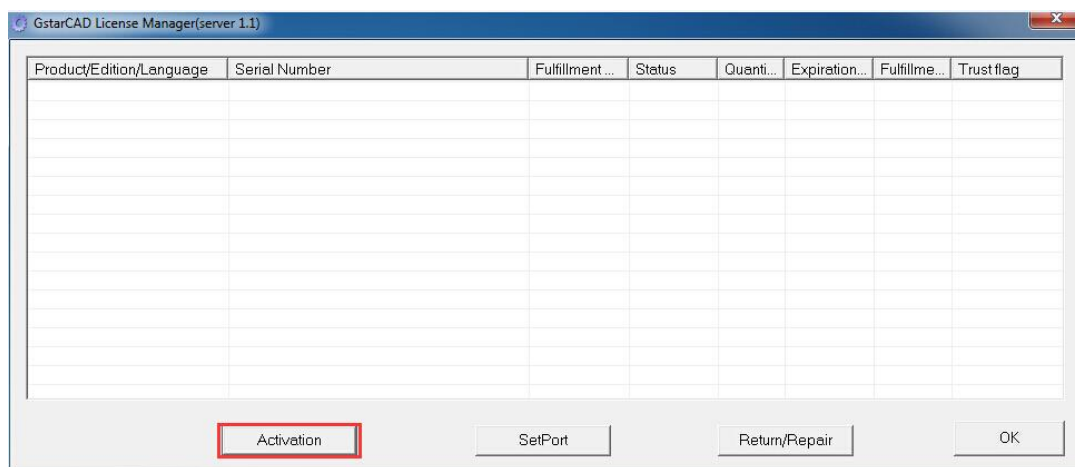
GstarCAD License Manager (server): Managing the list of licenses on the server computer.

LMTools: A tool which is used to manage license server for network.

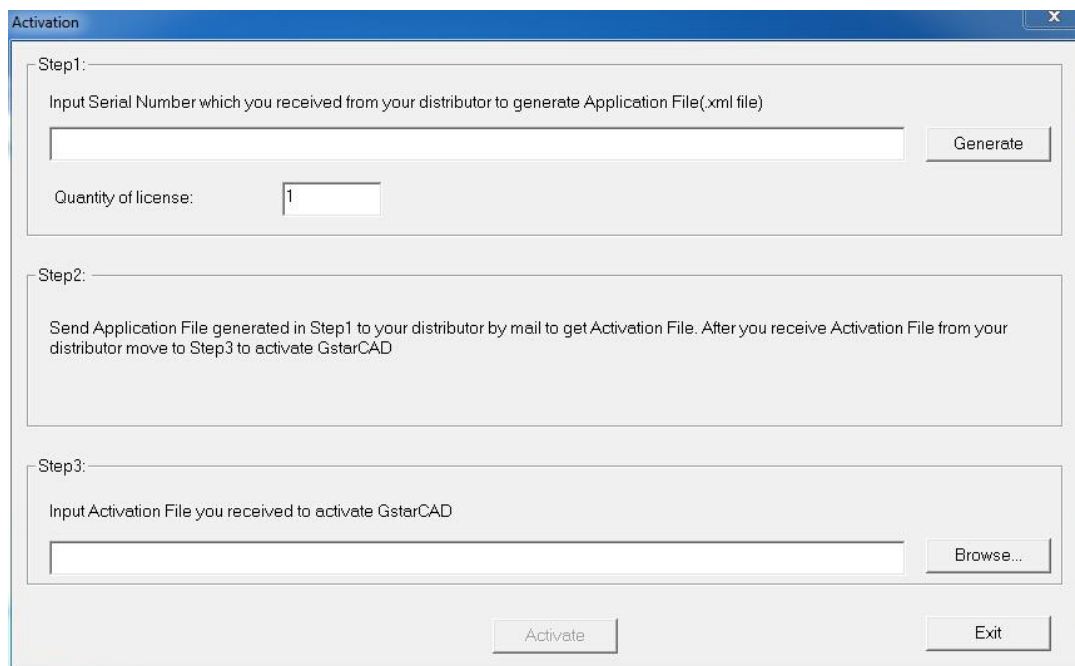
Uninstall: Uninstall program

Click **GstarCAD License Manager (server)** to set license server:

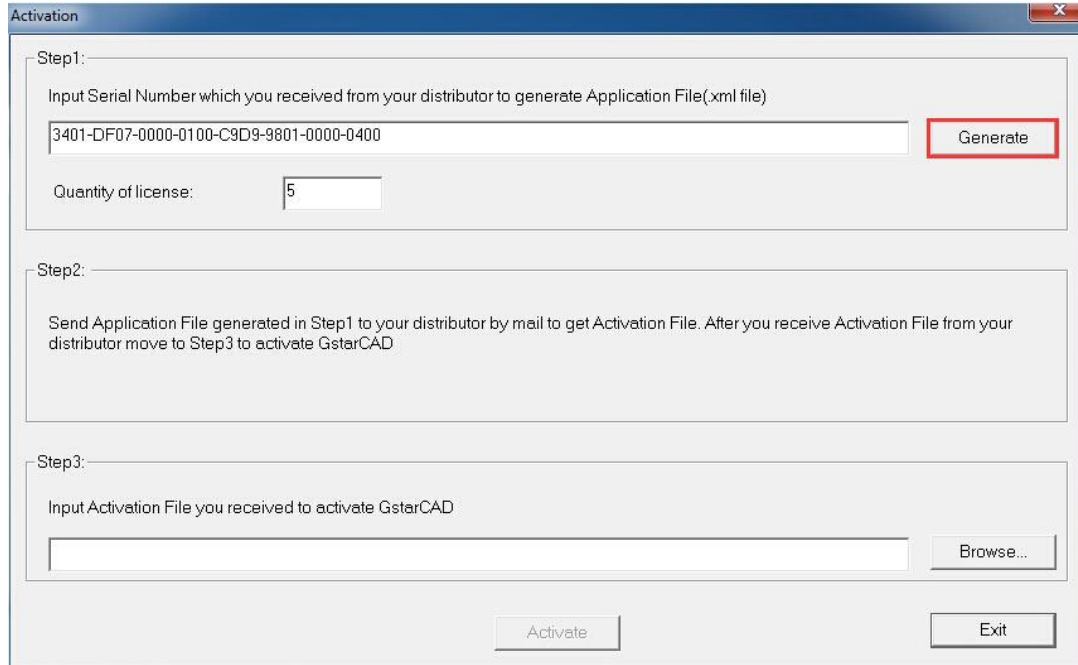
4. Click to run **GstarCAD License Manager (server)**



5. Click **Activation**, the following window will pop up:

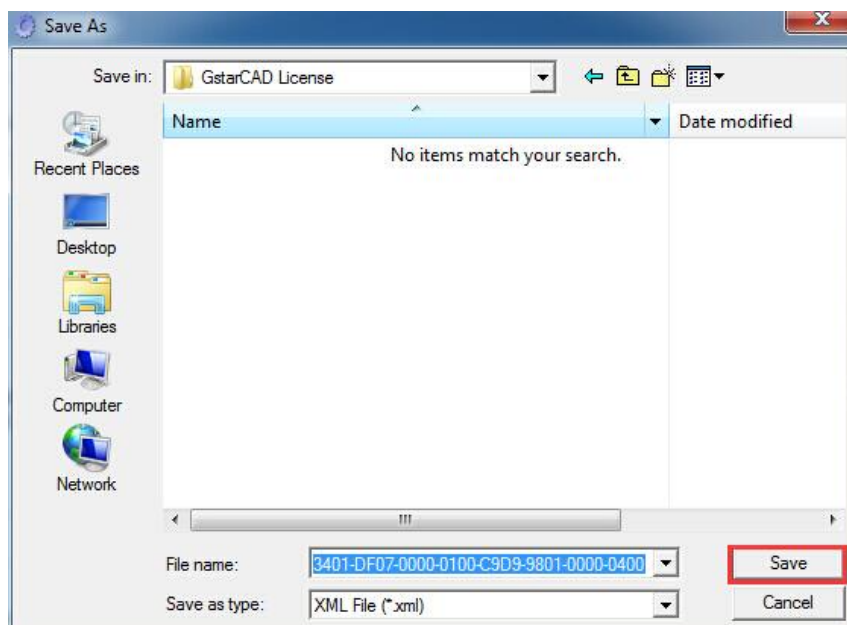


6. Enter **Network License Serial Number** which is provided to you when you purchase GstarCAD 2017, and the quantity of License you purchased, then click **Generate** to generate **Application File** with a file name consists of the **Network License Serial Number** and “.xml” extension (e.g: 3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400.xml)



The 'Activation' dialog box is divided into three steps. Step 1: 'Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)'. It contains a text field with the serial number '3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400' and a 'Generate' button. Step 2: 'Send Application File generated in Step1 to your distributor by mail to get Activation File. After you receive Activation File from your distributor move to Step3 to activate GstarCAD'. Step 3: 'Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD'. It contains a text field and a 'Browse...' button. At the bottom are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons.

7. Click **Save** to save the generated **Application File** and send the file by e-mail to your distributor from whom you purchase GstarCAD, and you will receive an **Activation File** correspondingly. (e.g: 3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400-resp-svr-act.xml).

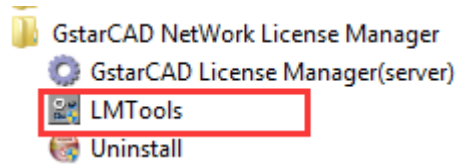


The 'Save As' dialog box shows the 'Save in' location as 'GstarCAD License'. The file list is empty with the message 'No items match your search.' The 'File name' field contains '3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400' and the 'Save as type' is 'XML File (*.xml)'. The 'Save' button is highlighted with a red box.

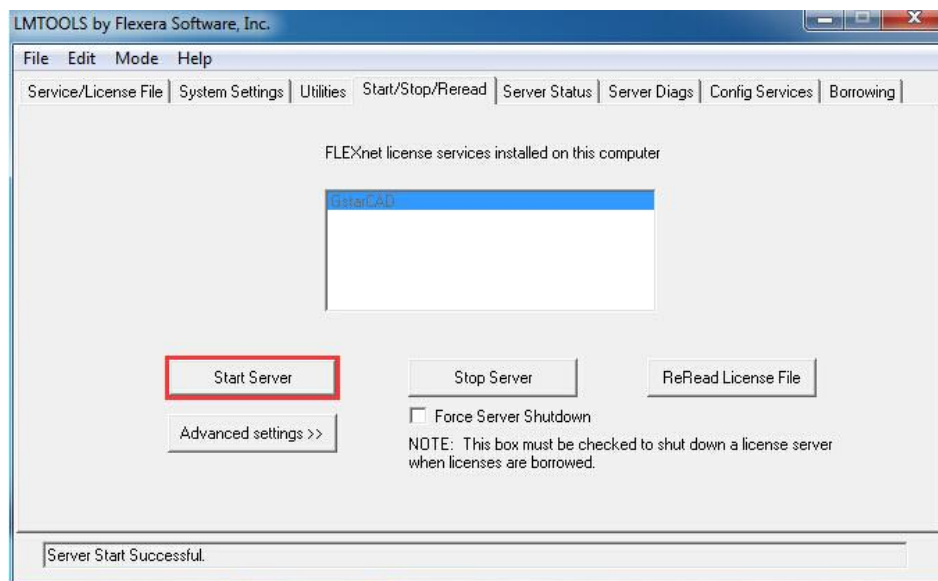
1.2.2 Setting

1.2.2.1 Server Setting

1. Proceed to set [LMTOOLS](#) (This utility can only be set by Administrator)



All the information of the tabs you can keep default, you only need to operate in [Start/Stop/Reread](#) tab to manage the server.

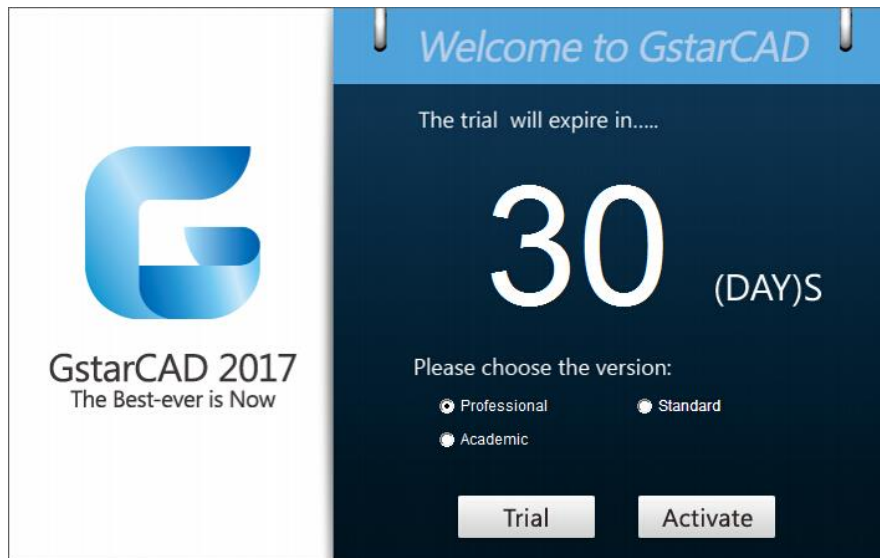


You can start server either manually or automatically, it is to select Start/Stop/Reread option to control the server in [Start/Stop/Reread](#) tab or control sever automatically in [Config Services](#) tab by checking User Services and Start Server at Power Up when start the computer.

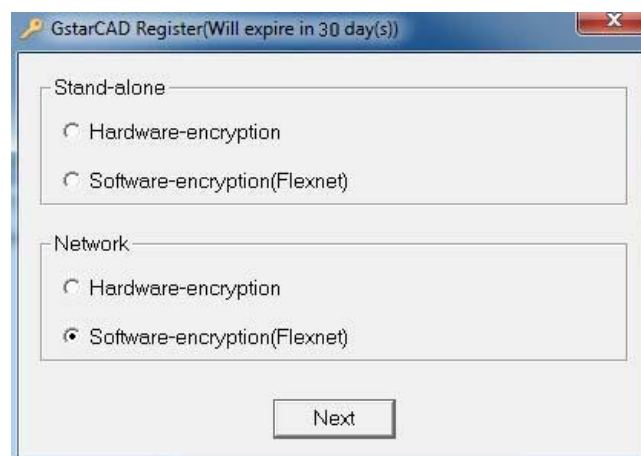
1.2.2.2 Client Setting

After the setting of server, you have connected server to user client in order to activate GstarCAD 2017 from user client machine.

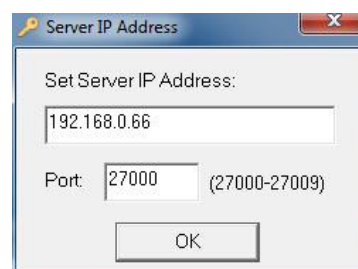
1. After finishing the installation of GstarCAD 2017 on user client machine, start GstarCAD 2017, [Welcome to GstarCAD](#) window pops up automatically, [Select a version](#) and click [Activate](#).



2. A [GstarCAD Register](#) window will pop up, click [Next](#) after selecting [Network Software-encryption\(Flexnet\)](#).



3. Specify server IP address at [Server IP Address](#) window.



4. Click [OK](#) button to activate GstarCAD. With this client activation method, when you close GstarCAD 2017 software ,the license will be returned to server automatically.

1.2.3 Borrow and Return the license on the client

What is more, GstarCAD 2017 provides the function that you can borrow and return license from user client. This section describes how to borrow license on client. In some special case, you need to transfer one or more than one nodes to individual computer. For example, you need to activate GstarCAD 2017 on a laptop for a certain time, in order to bring it to other place. It is great way to use this function.

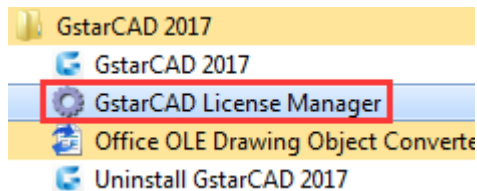
Proceed to operate

Requirement conditions:

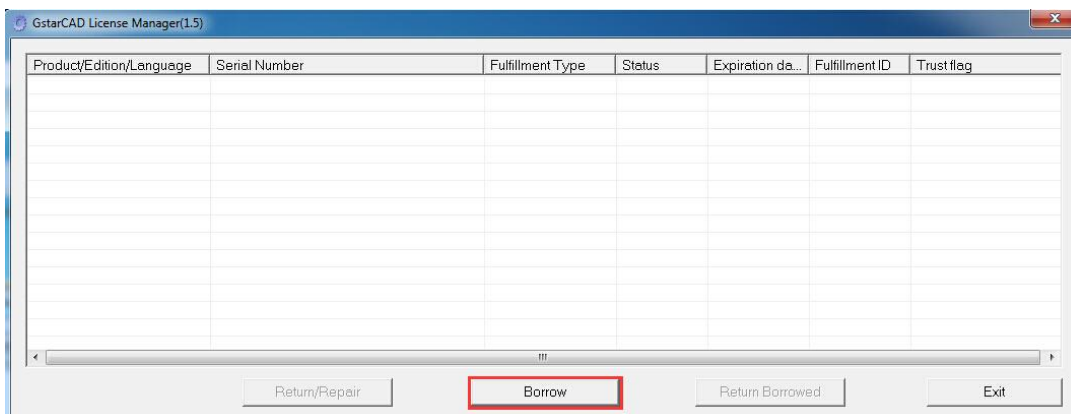
1. GstarCAD 2017 has to be installed on the machine or computer.
2. It has to be in a same local area network, and connect to server.

1.2.3.1 Borrow the license on the client

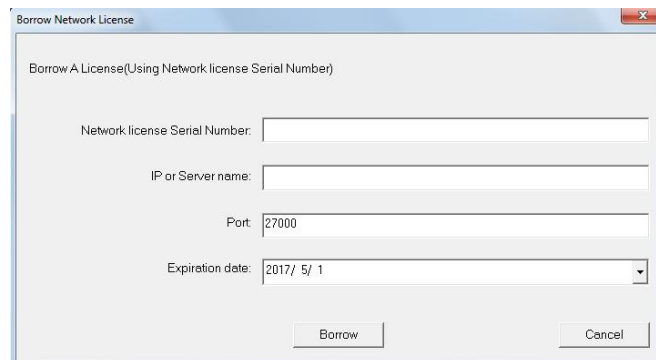
1. You can find the menu in start-all program:



2. Click [GstarCAD License Manager](#), then GstarCAD License Manager window will pop up.



- (1) Click [Borrow](#). Follow the introduction on your screen.

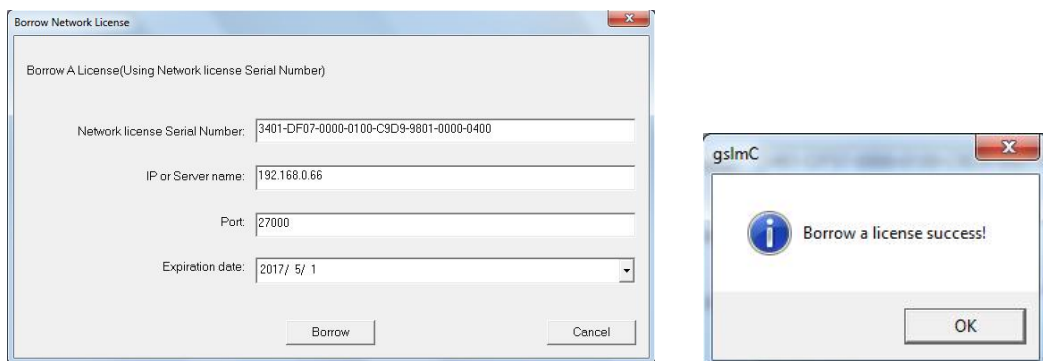


(2) Input the **Network license Serial Number** in the space blank of Network license Serial Number: (**3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400**), the same one with the sever.

IP or Server Name: input the server IP address (like 192.168.0.66)

Expiration Date: Date to borrow and return, you just only need to fill in the date you return because it is counted from the date when you borrow Click.

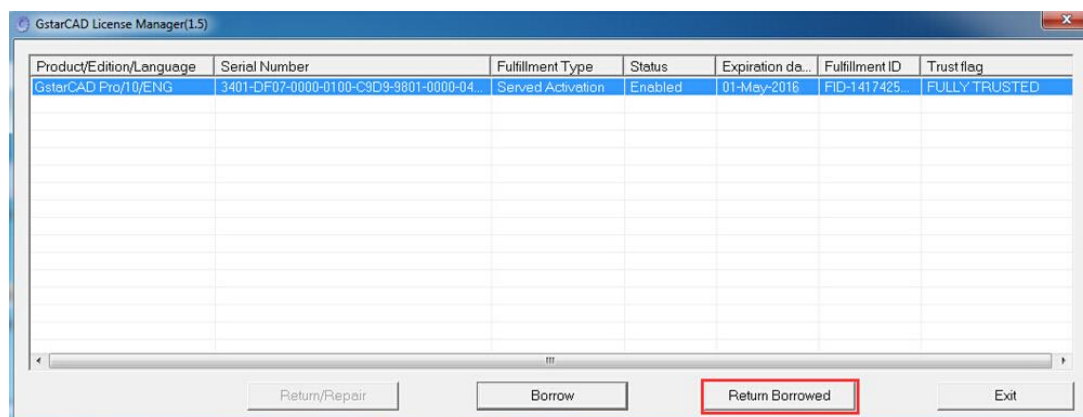
Click [Borrow](#). Restart GstarCAD 2017, then GstarCAD 2017 succeed to activate, and you can bring your computer to other place you want. However, the quantity of nodes is reduced until the borrowed one is to be returned.



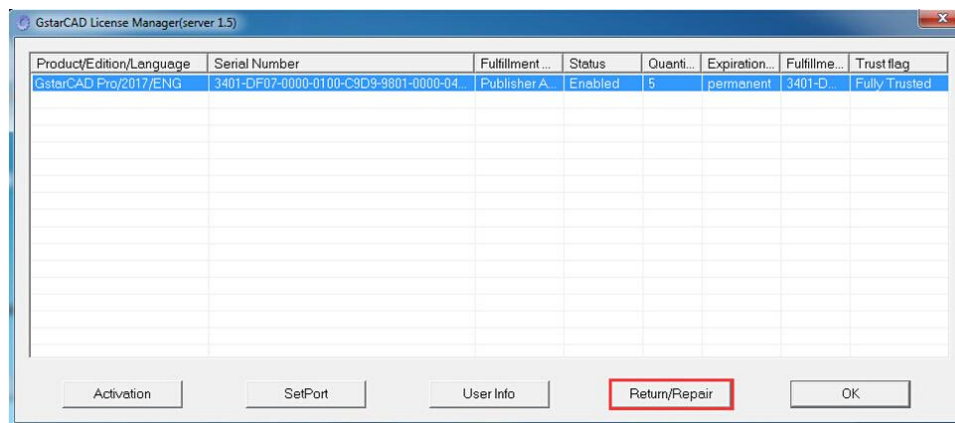
1.2.3.2 Return the license on the client

It is better to return the node to server if you do not need it.

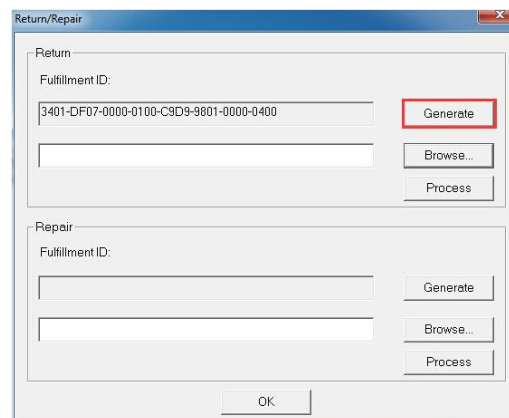
1. Click **GstarCAD License Manager**, the following window opens. Then select the license you want to return:



3. Select **Serial Number** which is going to be return and click **Return/Repair**.

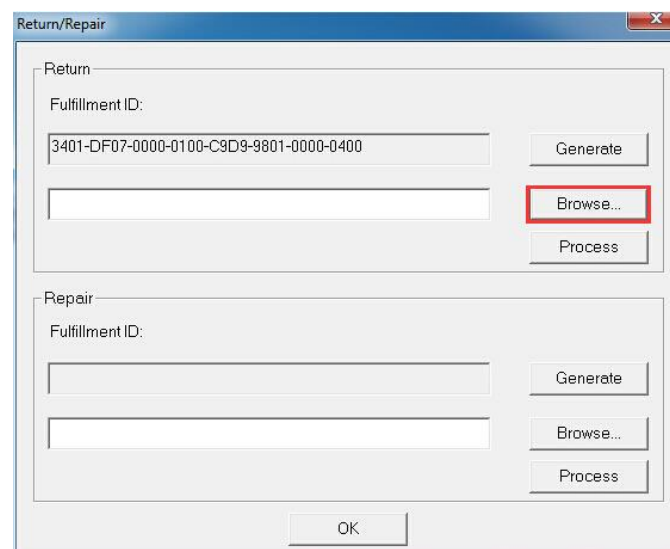


4. You will get **Return/Repair** window. Click **Generate** to get **Activation Cancel File** with “-return.xml” extension.



5. Send the **Activation Cancel File** which you get from step 4 to your local distributor. You will be given the **Processing File** with the extension -resp-svr-return.xml.

6. Reopen the **License Manager (server)** window. Click **Browse** to input **Processing File** which you get from your local distributor.



7. Click **Process** to clean the data in **License Manager (server)**.

The screenshot shows a 'Return/Repair' dialog box. It is divided into two main sections: 'Return' and 'Repair'.
 In the 'Return' section, there is a 'Fulfillment ID' label followed by a text input field containing the value '3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-0400'. To the right of this field are three buttons: 'Generate', 'Browse...', and 'Process'. The 'Process' button is highlighted with a red rectangular border.
 In the 'Repair' section, there are two empty text input fields, one labeled 'Fulfillment ID' and the other 'License Key'. To the right of these fields are three buttons: 'Generate', 'Browse...', and 'Process'.
 At the bottom center of the dialog box is an 'OK' button.

8. You will find the license status in GstarCAD License Manager (sever) is Disable.

The screenshot shows the "GstarCAD License Manager(server 1.5)" window. It contains a table with the following columns: Product/Edition/Language, Serial Number, Fulfillment..., Status, Quanti..., Expiration..., Fulfillme..., and Trust flag. The first row is highlighted in blue and contains the following data:

Product/Edition/Language	Serial Number	Fulfillment...	Status	Quanti...	Expiration...	Fulfillme...	Trust flag
GstarCAD Pro/2017/ENG	3401-DF07-0000-0100-C9D9-9801-0000-04...	Publisher A...	*Disable...	5	permanent	3401-D...	Fully Trusted

The "Status" column value "*Disable..." is highlighted with a red rectangle. At the bottom of the window, there are five buttons: Activation, SetPort, User Info, Return/Repair, and OK.

9. Please note that [processing file “-resp-svr-return.xml”](#) is for clearing the registration information in the workstation which you returned the license. If you want to transfer your license right to another workstation, please generate a new [Application File “.xml”](#) and send to us.

2. Software-encryption(Flexnet) On-line Version

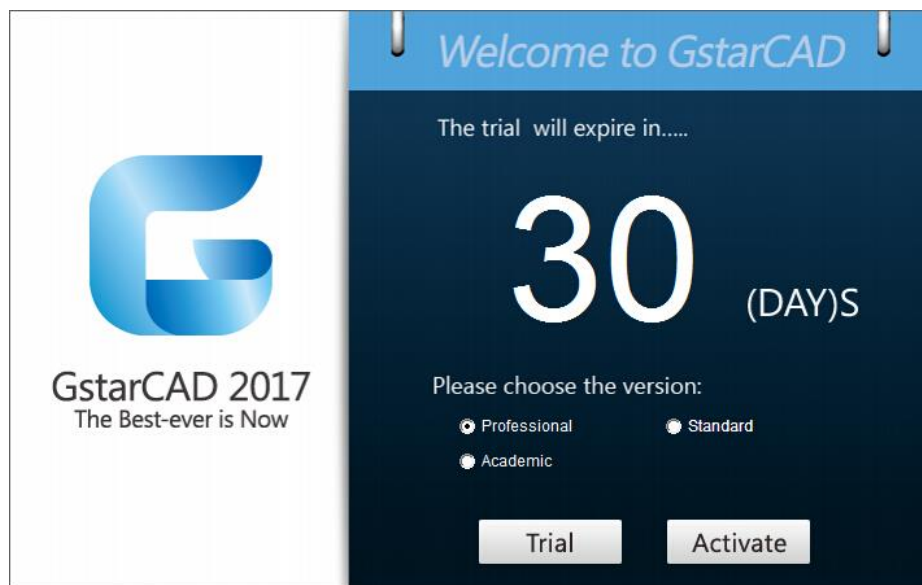
2.1 Stand-alone (Flexnet)

2.1.1 Stand-alone (Flexnet) Activation

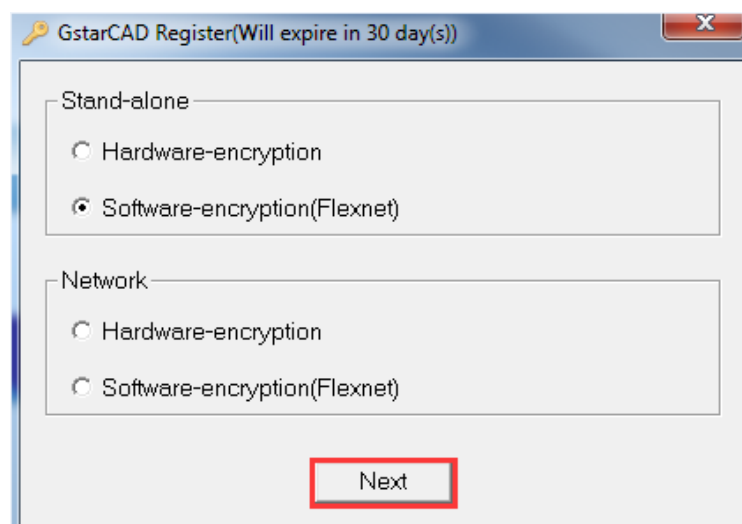
2.1.1.1 Stand-alone (Flexnet) On-line Activation

Instruction: make sure your computer connect to the internet.

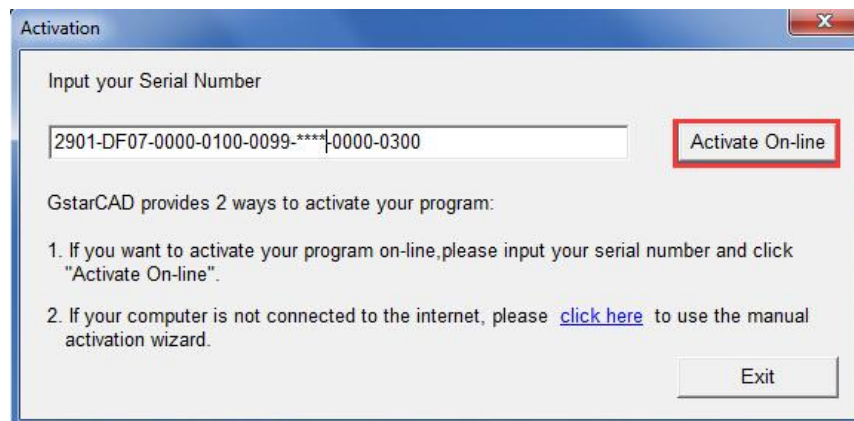
1. Double click the booting icon of GstarCAD 2017 and you will see the interface as below. We provide 30 days to trial; you can also select a GstarCAD version according to your need, and then click the “[Activate](#)” button to get a permanent license.



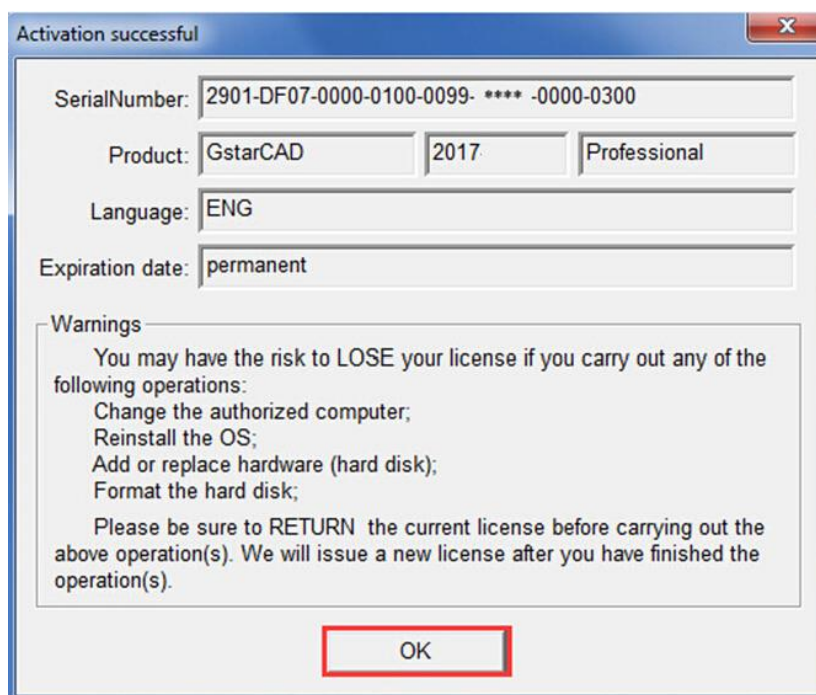
2. Select [Stand-alone Software-encryption \(Flexnet\)](#) and click the “[Next](#)” button.



3. Input your Serial Number and click the “[Activate On-line](#)” button.



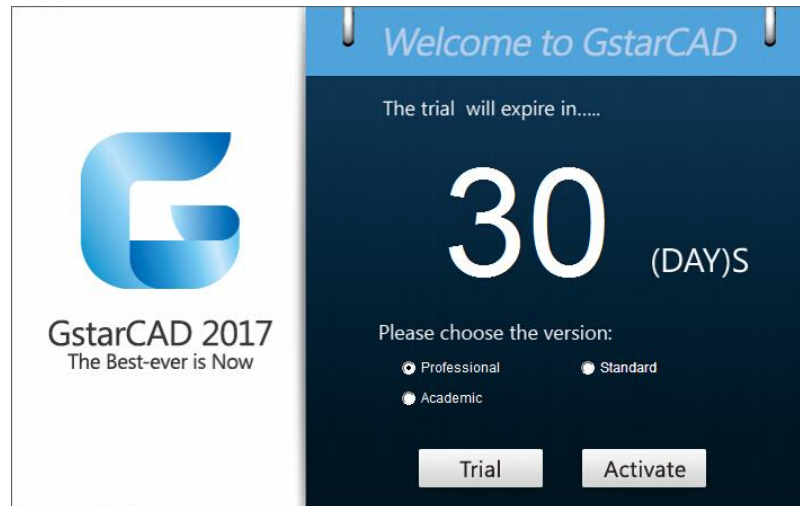
4. After a few seconds you can see the Activation successful window, and then click the “[OK](#)” button to finish the activation.



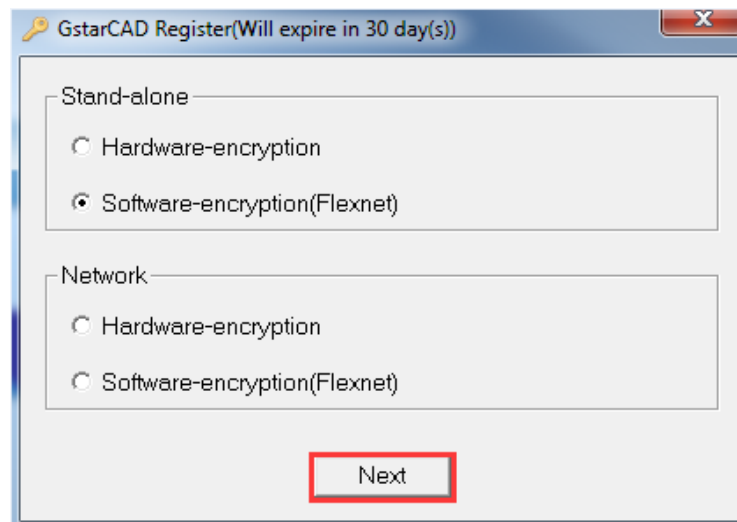
2.1.1.2 Stand-alone (Flexnet) Off-line Activation

Instruction: if your computer can not connect to the internet, you could use another one with internet connection helping you to activate the GstarCAD 2017.

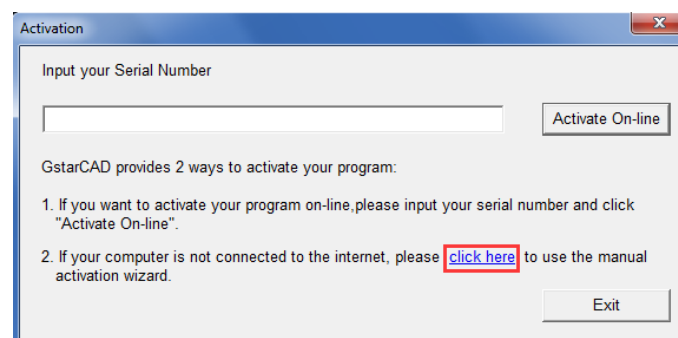
1. Double click the booting icon of GstarCAD 2017 and select a GstarCAD Version according to your need, then click the “[Activate](#)” button to continue.



2. Select [Stand-alone Software-encryption \(Flexnet\)](#) and click the “[Next](#)” button.



3. Click the “[click here](#)” button to open the manual activate wizard.



4. Follow the Activation wizard. Please input the Serial Number and click the “Generate” button to get the Application file, and then save it to the local computer.

The screenshot shows the 'Activation' window with Step 1 selected. The title bar says 'Activation'. Step 1 instructions: 'Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)'. A text box contains the serial number '2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300'. A 'Generate' button is to the right. Step 2 instructions: 'There are 2 options to get the Activation File: 1. Send the Application File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Activation File. 2. Click here to go to our online activation service center to get the Activation File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Application File to get the Activation File.' Step 3 instructions: 'Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD'. A text box and a 'Browse...' button are present. At the bottom are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons.

5. Click the “OK” button to continue.

This screenshot shows the same 'Activation' window as before, but with an 'Activate' dialog box overlaid. The dialog box has a title bar 'Activate' and contains the message 'XML file is created, please execute Step 2!'. An 'OK' button is at the bottom of the dialog box, highlighted with a red rectangle. The background window shows Step 1 with the serial number '2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300' and the 'Generate' button.

6. Go to another computer with internet connection and use the Application file you have just saved to acquire a corresponding Activation File via one of the two options as follow.

Option 1: E-mail

You can send the Application File to your distributor to get the Activation File.

Option2: online service

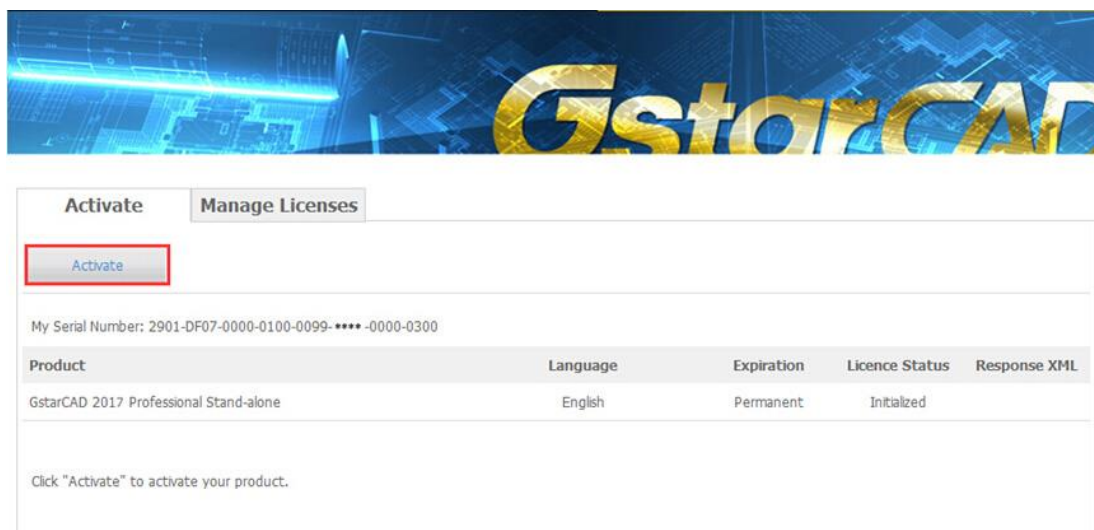
You can go to the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") to get the Activation File.

(1) Log in the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") by the computer with internet connection. Input the Serial Number and click the "Login" button to continue.



The image shows the login page of the GstarCAD online service center. At the top is a blue banner with the GstarCAD logo. Below it is a yellow box with a key icon and the text "Please input your serial number and then press login". A text input field labeled "Serial Number" contains the value "2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300". A blue "Login" button is positioned below the input field.

(2) Click the "Activate" button to continue.



The image shows the activate page of the GstarCAD online service center. At the top is a blue banner with the GstarCAD logo. Below it are two tabs: "Activate" (selected) and "Manage Licenses". Under the "Activate" tab is a red-bordered "Activate" button. Below the button, the text "My Serial Number: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300" is displayed. A table with five columns is shown: Product, Language, Expiration, Licence Status, and Response XML. The table contains one row of data for "GstarCAD 2017 Professional Stand-alone". Below the table, the text "Click 'Activate' to activate your product." is displayed.

Product	Language	Expiration	Licence Status	Response XML
GstarCAD 2017 Professional Stand-alone	English	Permanent	Initialized	

(3) Click the “[Choose File](#)” button to select the Application file you have saved and click the “[Submit](#)” button to continue.



Activation

2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300


Request XML file [Choose File](#) 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300.xml

Generate the trusted storage activation request as a XML file on the client machine. Load that file here.

[Submit](#)

Locate file and click Submit.

(4) Click the “[Download](#)” button and save Response XML File to the location which you have chosen.



Download Response XML File

To activate the product, please download the Response XML file.

[Download](#)

Click [here](#) to return home.

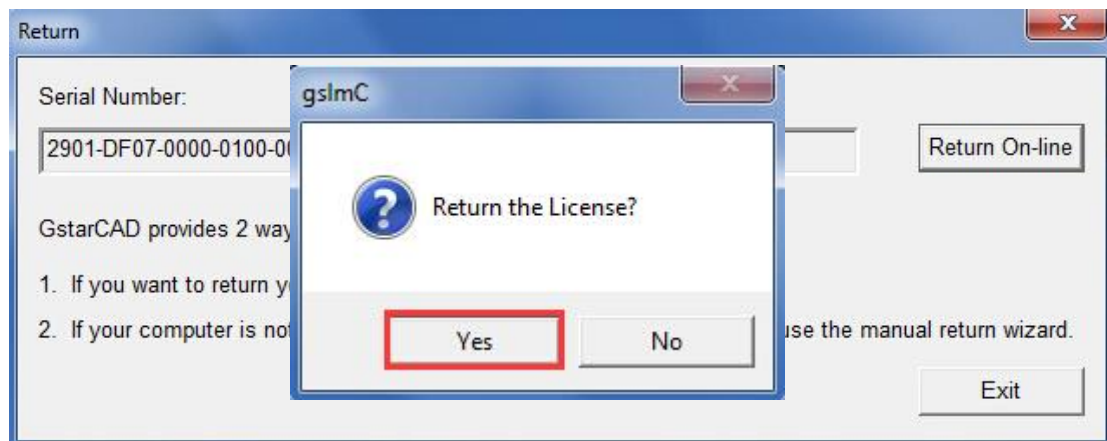
7. Take the Response XML File back to your computer and continue. In the Activation wizard, please click the “Browse” button to select the Response XML File you have just saved, and then click the “Activate” button.

The screenshot shows the 'Activation' window with three steps. Step 1: 'Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)'. The text box contains '2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300' and a 'Generate' button is to the right. Step 2: 'There are 2 options to get the Activation File:'. It lists two options: 1. Send the Application File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Activation File. 2. Click here to go to our online activation service center to get the Activation File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Application File to get the Activation File. Step 3: 'Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD'. The text box contains 'D:\GstarCAD License\2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300-resp-act.xml' and a 'Browse...' button is to the right. At the bottom, there are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons. The 'Browse...' and 'Activate' buttons are highlighted with red rectangles.

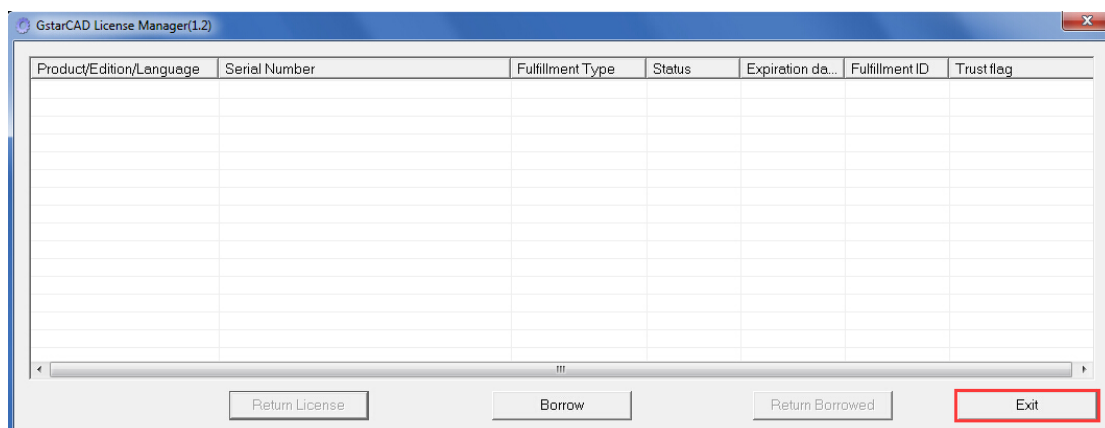
8. After a few seconds you can see the Activation successful window, and then click the “OK” button to finish the activation.

The screenshot shows the 'Activation successful' window. It displays the following information: SerialNumber: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300; Product: GstarCAD, 2017, Professional; Language: ENG; Expiration date: permanent. Below this is a 'Warnings' section with the text: 'You may have the risk to LOSE your license if you carry out any of the following operations: Change the authorized computer; Reinstall the OS; Add or replace hardware (hard disk); Format the hard disk; Please be sure to RETURN the current license before carrying out the above operation(s). We will issue a new license after you have finished the operation(s).' At the bottom, there is an 'OK' button highlighted with a red rectangle.

4. Make sure you will return license and click the “Yes” button.



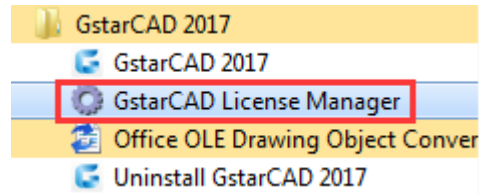
5. After a few seconds you can see the license you have selected to return has disappeared from GstarCAD License Manager, click the “Exit” button to close the window.



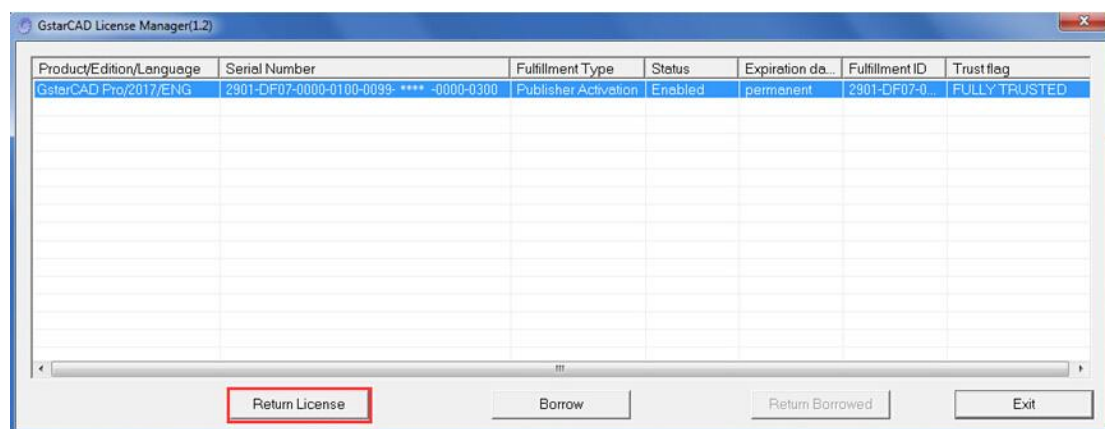
2.1.2.2 Stand-alone (Flexnet) Off-line Return the license

Instruction: if your computer can not connect to the internet, you could use another one with internet connection helping you to return the license.

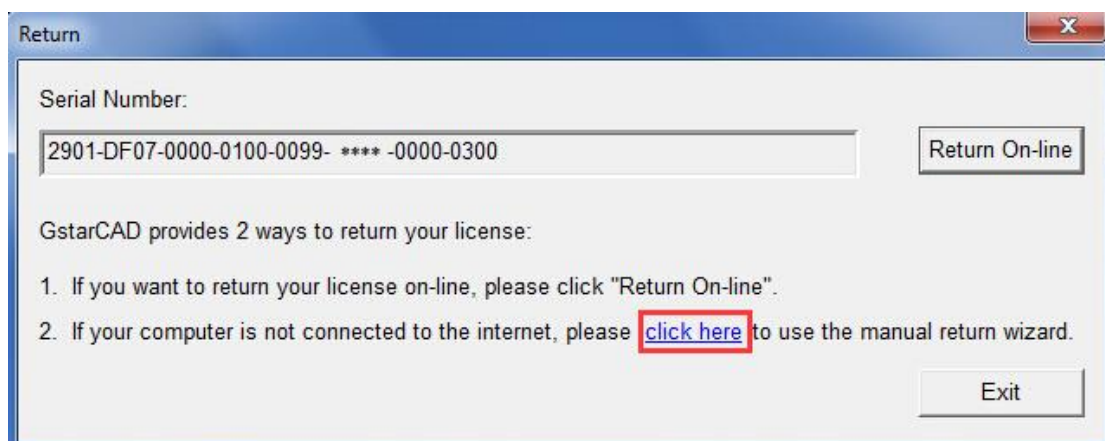
1. Click [GstarCAD License Manager](#) from Windows Start button > All Programs > Gstarsoft > GstarCAD 2017.



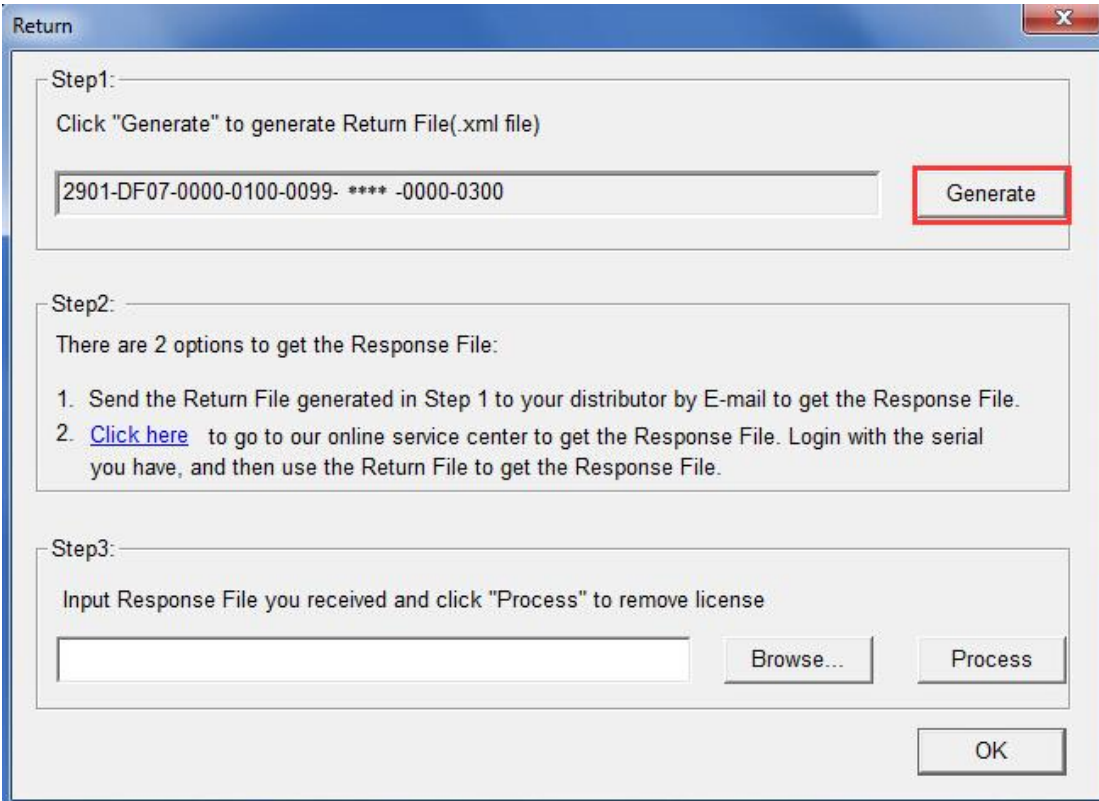
2. Select the license which you want to return and click the “[Return License](#)” button.



3. Click “[click here](#)” to open the manual return wizard.



4. Follow the Return wizard. Please click the “Generate” button to get the Return File which named by Serial Number with “.xlm” extension and save it to the local computer.

A screenshot of a Windows-style dialog box titled "Return". It contains three steps. Step 1: "Click 'Generate' to generate Return File(.xml file)". Below this is a text input field containing the serial number "2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300" and a "Generate" button highlighted with a red rectangle. Step 2: "There are 2 options to get the Response File:". It lists two options: 1. "Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File." and 2. "Click here" (a blue hyperlink) "to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File." Step 3: "Input Response File you received and click 'Process' to remove license". It features a text input field, a "Browse..." button, and a "Process" button. At the bottom right is an "OK" button.

Return

Step1:

Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file)

2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300

Generate

Step2:

There are 2 options to get the Response File:

1. Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File.
2. [Click here](#) to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File.

Step3:

Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license

Browse... Process

OK

5. Go to another computer with internet connection and use the Return File to acquire a Response File via one of the two options as follow.

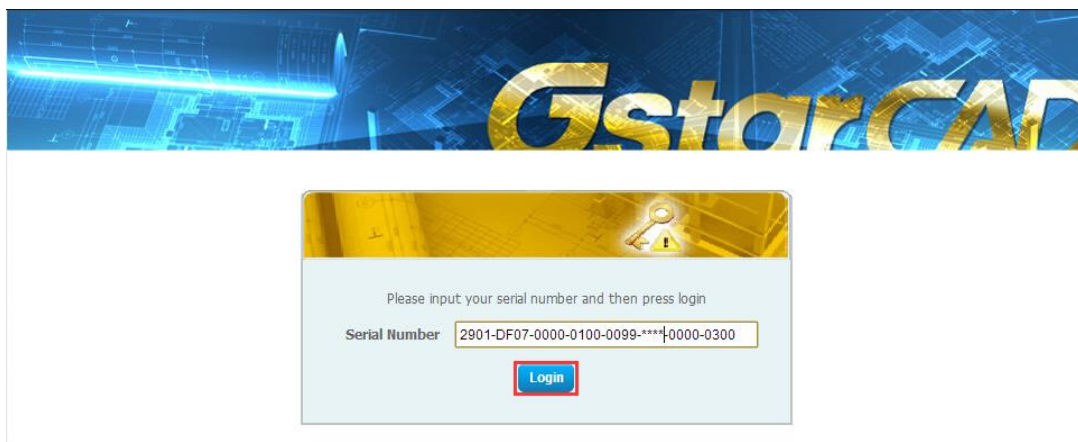
Option 1: E-mail

You can send the generated Return File to your distributor to get the Response File.

Option 2: online service

You can go to the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") to get the Response File.

(1) Log in the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") by the computer with internet connection. Input the Serial Number and click the “Login” button to continue.

A screenshot of the GstarCAD online service center login page. The top banner features the GstarCAD logo in gold and blue. Below the banner is a login form with a yellow header containing a key icon. The form text says "Please input your serial number and then press login". It includes a "Serial Number" label and a text input field containing the serial number "2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300". A blue "Login" button is highlighted with a red rectangle.


GstarCAD

Please input your serial number and then press login

Serial Number 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300

Login

- (2) Select **Manage Licenses** and click the **Return License** button to continue.



The Response XML file has been Generated. Please download the file onto the local computer.

Activate **Manage Licenses**


Return License Return Validation

My Serial Number: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300

Product	Language	Expiration	Licence Status	Response XML
GstarCAD 2017 Professional Stand-alone	English	Permanent	Activated	

To activate the product, please download the Response XML file.
To return license, please click "Return License".

- (3) Click the **Choose File** button to select the Return File you have saved and click the **Submit** button to continue.



Return License

Current License: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300


Request XML file **Choose File** 2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300-return.xml

Generate the trusted return request as a XML file on the client machine. Load that file here.

Submit

Locate file and click Submit.

- (4) Click the **Download** button and save Response XML File to the location which you have chosen.



Download Response XML File

To return license, please download the Response XML file.

Download

Click [here](#) to return home.

6. Take the Response XML File back to your computer and continue. In the Return dialog box, please click the **Browse** button to select the Response file you have just saved and click the **Process** button.

The 'Return' dialog box is shown with three steps:

- Step1:** Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file). A text field contains the serial number "2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300" and a "Generate" button.
- Step2:** There are 2 options to get the Response File:
 - 1. Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File.
 - 2. [Click here](#) to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File.
- Step3:** Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license. A text field contains the path "nse\2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099-****-0000-0300-resp-return.xml". To the right are "Browse..." and "Process" buttons. At the bottom right is an "OK" button.

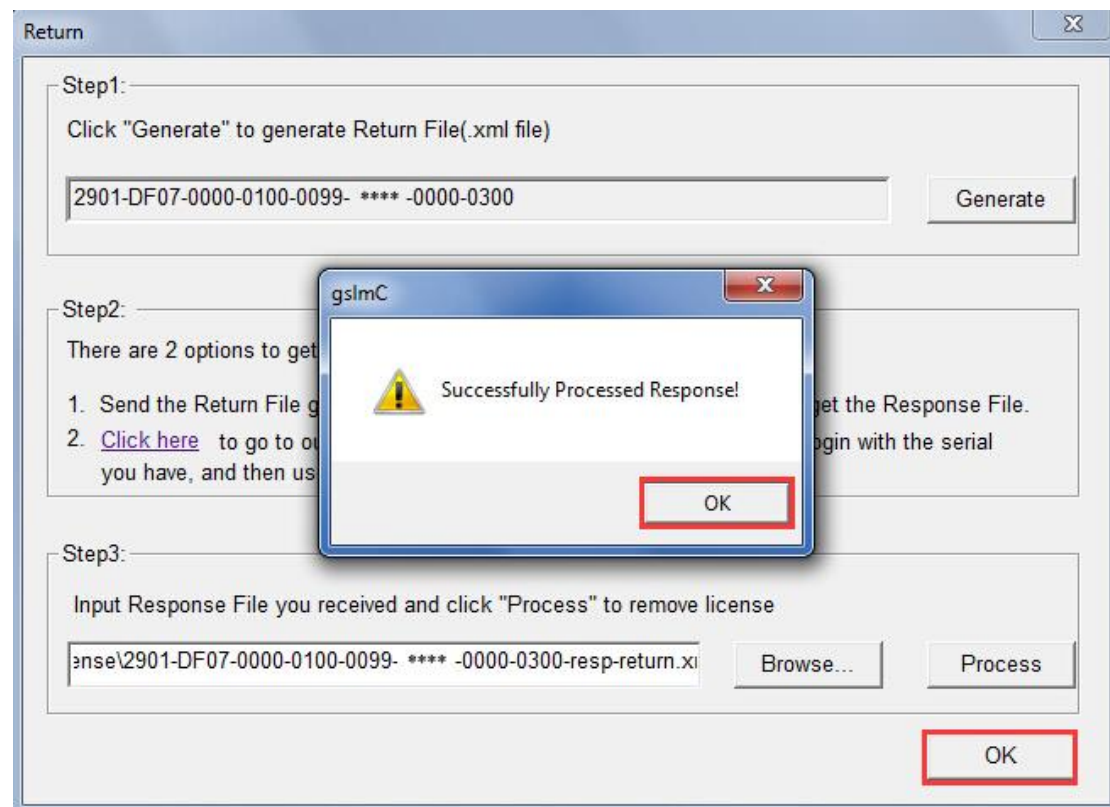
7. Click the **OK** button and save the file named by Serial Number with "return-Validation.xml" extension.

The 'Return' dialog box is shown with a warning message overlay:

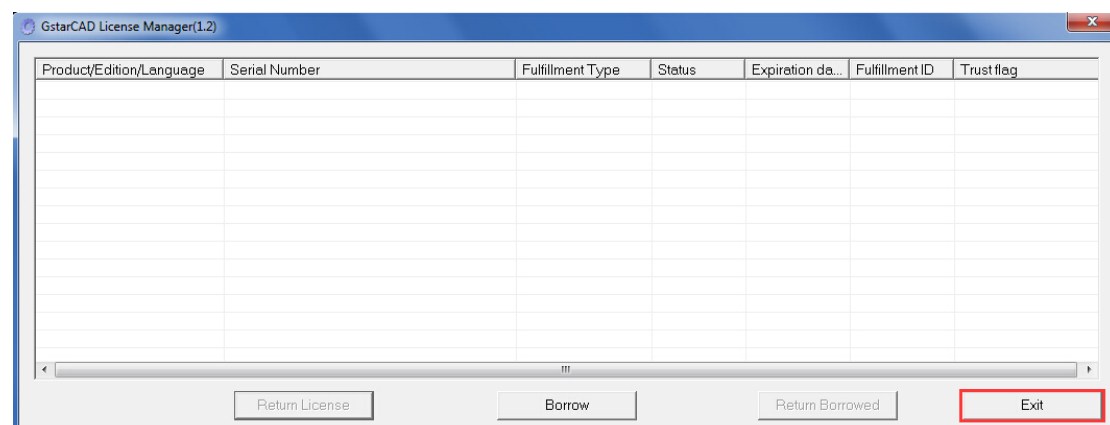
- Step1:** Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file). A text field contains the serial number "2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300" and a "Generate" button.
- Step2:** There are 2 options to get the Response File:
 - 1. Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File.
 - 2. [Click here](#) to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File.
- Step3:** Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license. A text field contains the path "nse\2901-DF07-0000-0100-0099- **** -0000-0300-resp-return.xml". To the right are "Browse..." and "Process" buttons. At the bottom right is an "OK" button.

A warning dialog box titled "gslmC" is overlaid on the 'Return' dialog box. It contains a yellow warning icon and the text: "Please send ***_returnValidation.xml to your distributor." There is an "OK" button at the bottom right of the warning dialog box.

8. Then click the “OK” button to close the process Response File success window and click the “OK” button to finish it.



9. Close the dialog box by clicking the “Exit” button.



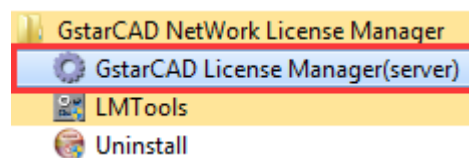
2.2 Network (Flexnet)

2.2.1 Network (Flexnet) Activation

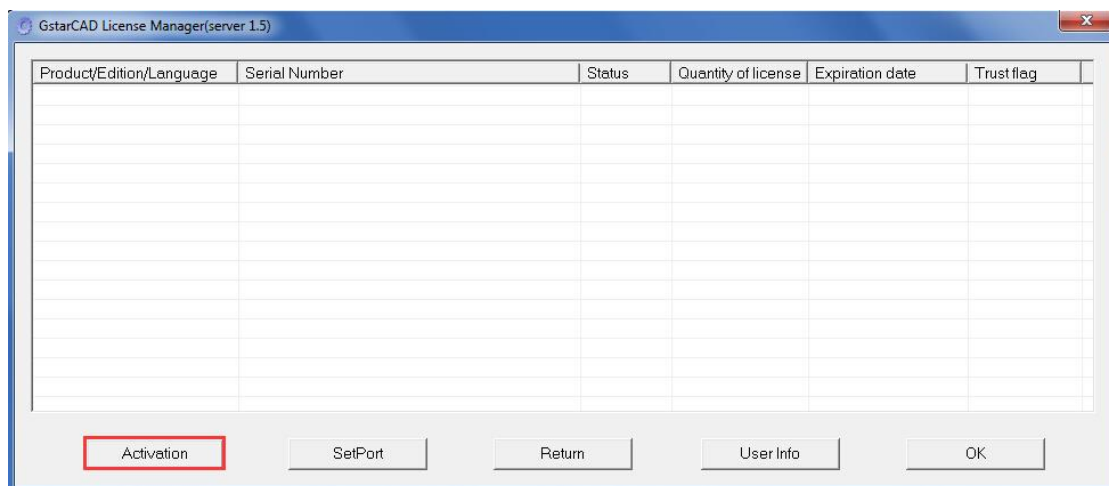
2.2.1.1 Network (Flexnet) On-line Activation

Instruction: make sure your computer connect to the internet.

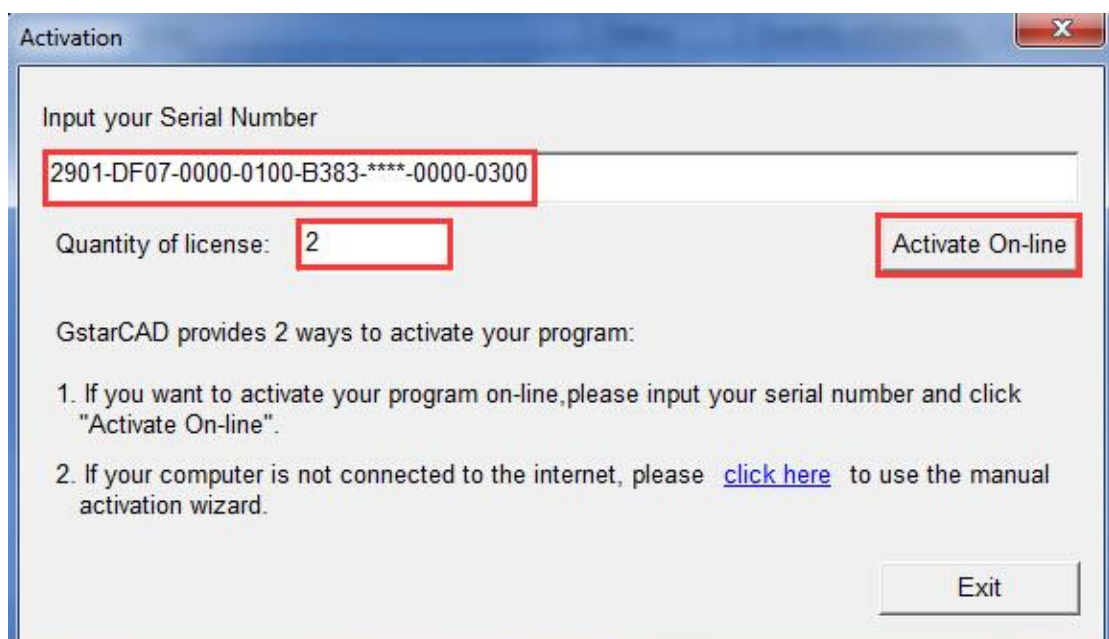
1. Click “[GstarCAD License Manager \(server\)](#)” from Windows Start button> All Programs> GstarCAD Network License Manager.



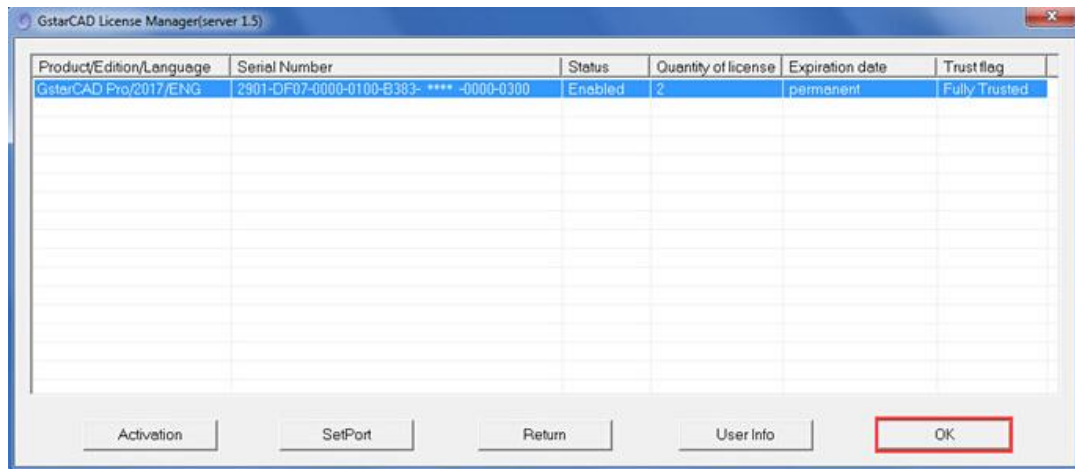
2. Then the following window will pop up. Click the “[Activation](#)” button.



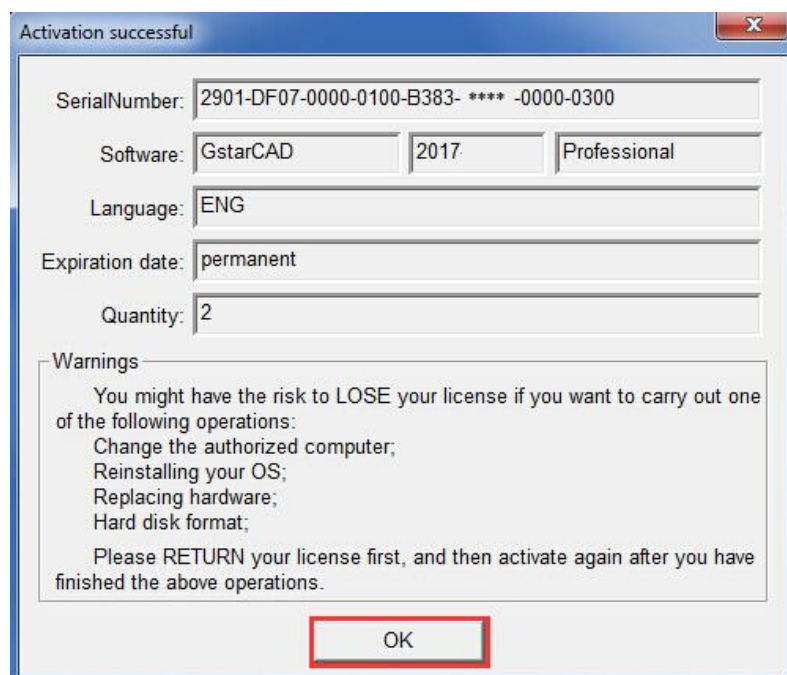
3. Input your Serial Number and specify the quantity of license, then click the “[Activate On-line](#)” button.



4. Click the “OK” button to close the Activation successful window.



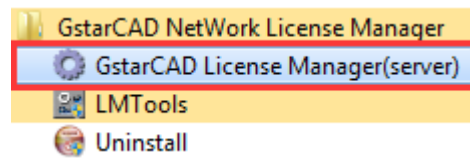
5. Then click the “OK” button to finish the activation.



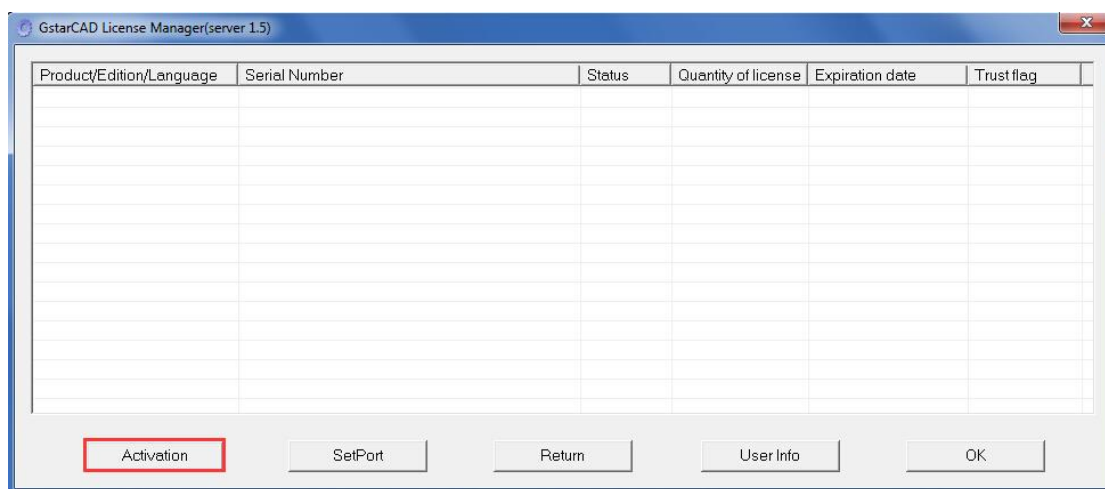
2.2.1.2 Network (Flexnet) Off-line Activation

Instruction: if your computer can not connect to the internet, you could use another one with internet connection help you to finish activation.

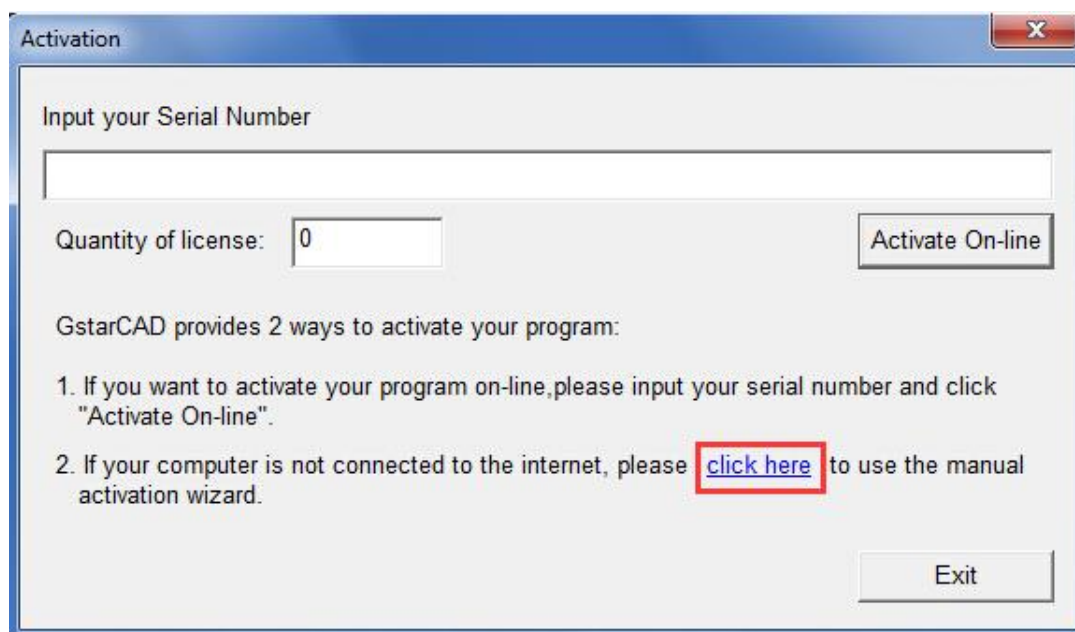
1. Click “[GstarCAD License Manager \(server\)](#)” from Windows Start button> All Programs> GstarCAD Network License Manager.



2. Then the following window will pop up. Click the “[Activation](#)” button.



3. Click “[click here](#)” to open the manual Activation guide.



4. Follow the Activation guide. Please input Serial Number and specify the quantity of license, then click the “Generate” button to get the Application file and save it to the local computer.

The screenshot shows the 'Activation' window with three steps. Step 1 is active, showing a text box for the Serial Number containing '2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300' and a 'Generate' button. Below it is a 'Quantity of license' field with the value '2'. Step 2 provides two options to get the Activation File: via email or online. Step 3 shows a field for the Activation File and a 'Browse...' button. At the bottom are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons.

Activation

Step1:

Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file)

2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300

Generate

Quantity of license: 2

Step2:

There are 2 options to get the Activation File:

1. Send the Application File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Activation File.
2. [Click here](#) to go to our online activation service center to get the Activation File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Application File to get the Activation File.

Step3:

Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD

Browse...

Activate

Exit

5. Go to another computer with internet connection and use the Application file you have saved to acquire a corresponding Activation File via one of the two options as follow.

Option 1: E-mail

You can send the generated Application File to your distributor to get the Activation File.

Option2: online service

You can go to the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") to get the Activation File.

(1) Log in the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") by the computer with internet connection. Input the Serial Number and click the “Login” button to continue.




The screenshot shows a login page with a yellow header and a light blue body. It prompts the user to input their serial number and press login. The serial number '2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300' is entered in a text box, and the 'Login' button is highlighted.

Please input your serial number and then press login

Serial Number 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300

Login

(2) Click the “[Activate](#)” button to continue.



Activate **Manage Licenses**

[Activate](#)

My Serial Number: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300

Product	Language	Nodes	Licence Status	Response XML
GstarCAD 2017 Professional Network	English	2	Returned	

Click “Activate” to activate your product.

(3) Click the “[Choose File](#)” button to select the Application File you have saved and click “[Submit](#)” to continue.



Activation

2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300


Request XML file [Choose File](#) 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300.xml

Generate the trusted storage activation request as a XML file on the client machine. Load that file here.

[Submit](#)

Locate file and click Submit.

(4) Click the “[Download](#)” button and save Response XML File to the location which you have chosen.



Download Response XML File

To activate the product, please download the Response XML file.

[Download](#)

[Click here to return home.](#)

6. Take the Response XML File back to your computer and continue. In the Activation dialog box, please click the “Browse” button to select the Response XML File and click the “Activate” button.

The 'Activation' dialog box is divided into three steps:

- Step1:** Input Serial Number which you received from your distributor to generate Application File(.xml file). The serial number '2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300' is entered. A 'Generate' button is present.
- Step2:** There are 2 options to get the Activation File:
 - 1. Send the Application File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Activation File.
 - 2. [Click here](#) to go to our online activation service center to get the Activation File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Application File to get the Activation File.
- Step3:** Input Activation File you received to activate GstarCAD. The file path 'D:\GstarCAD License\2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300-resp-svr-act.xml' is entered. A 'Browse...' button is present.

At the bottom, there are 'Activate' and 'Exit' buttons.

7. Then you can see the Activation successful window. Click the “OK” button to finish the activation.

The 'Activation successful' dialog box displays the following information:

- SerialNumber:** 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300
- Software:** GstarCAD, 2017, Professional
- Language:** ENG
- Expiration date:** permanent
- Quantity:** 2

Warnings:

You might have the risk to LOSE your license if you want to carry out one of the following operations:

- Change the authorized computer;
- Reinstalling your OS;
- Replacing hardware;
- Hard disk format;

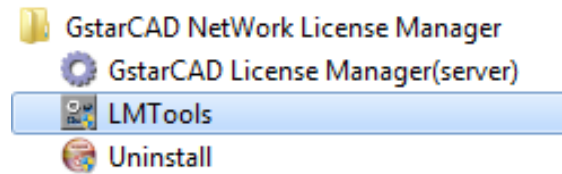
Please RETURN your license first, and then activate again after you have finished the above operations.

An 'OK' button is at the bottom.

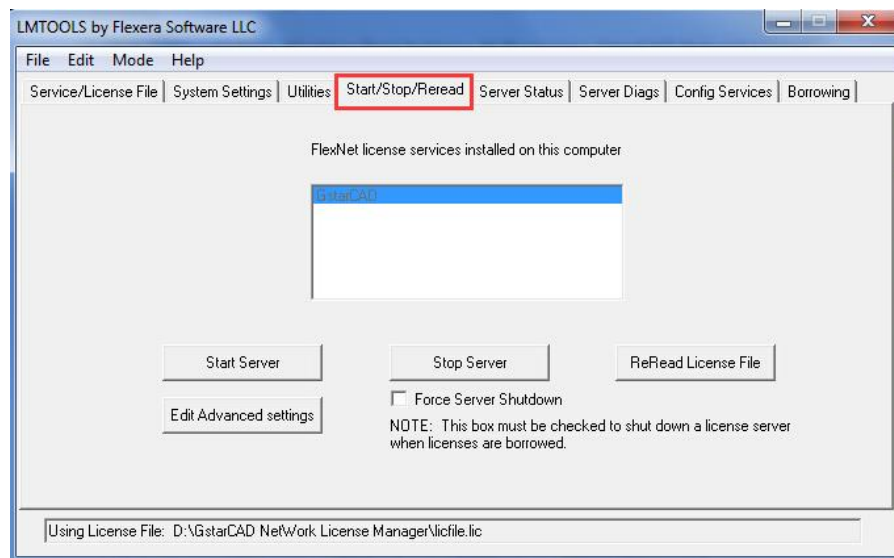
2.2.2 Setting

2.2.2.1 Server Setting

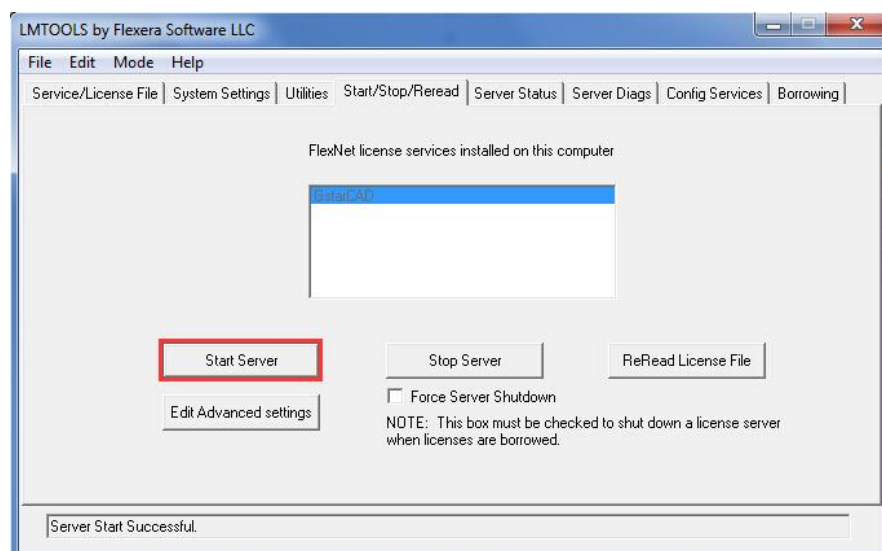
1. Click “**LMTools**” from Windows Start button > All Programs > GstarCAD Network License Manager.



2. Click the “**Start/Stop/Reread**” button to manage the server.



3. Click the “**Start Server**” button. Now you can turn to activate the client.

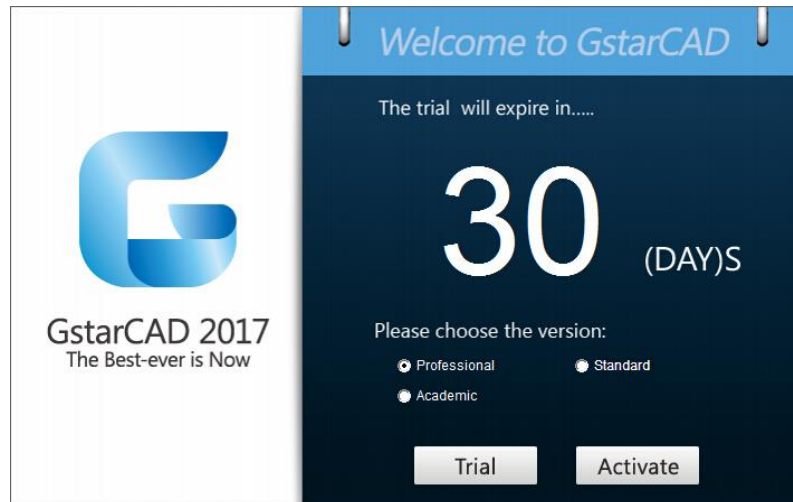


Note: you can start server either manually or automatically, it is to select “**Start/Stop/Reread**” option to control the server, or control server automatically by select User Services and Start Server at Power Up when start the computer.

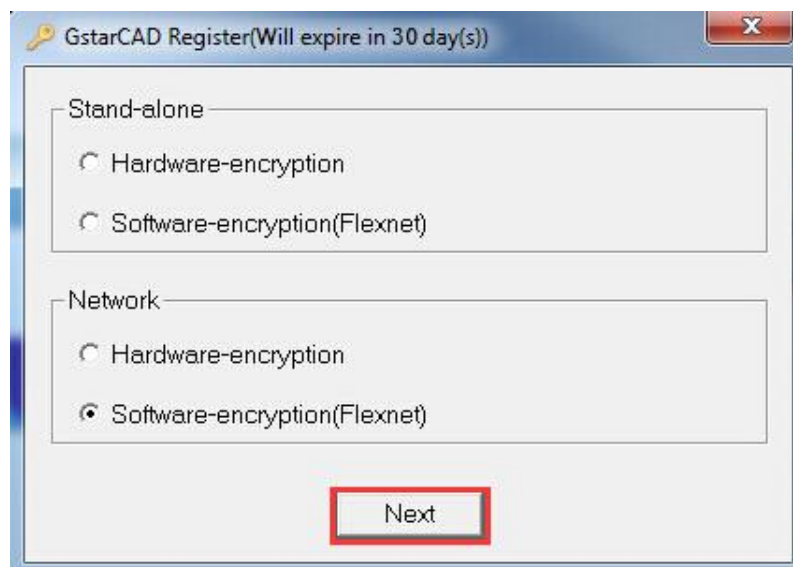
2.2.2.2 Client Setting

After server setting, you have connected server to user client. Then you can activate the GstarCAD 2017 from user client machine.

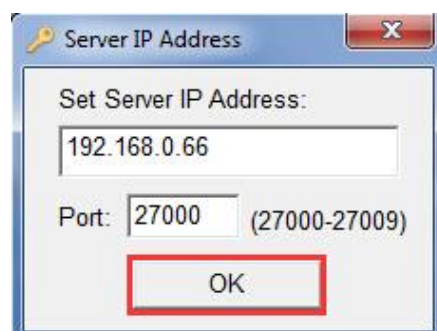
1. Double click the booting icon of the GstarCAD 2017 and select a GstarCAD Version according to your need, then click the “[Activate](#)” button to continue.



2. Select [Network Software-encryption \(Flexnet\)](#) and click the “[Next](#)” button.



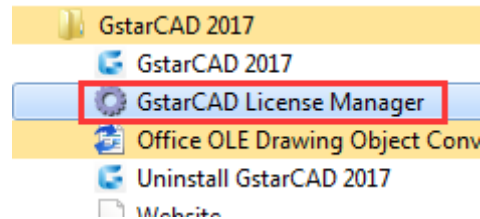
3. Set Server IP Address and click the “[OK](#)” button to activate the GstarCAD 2017.



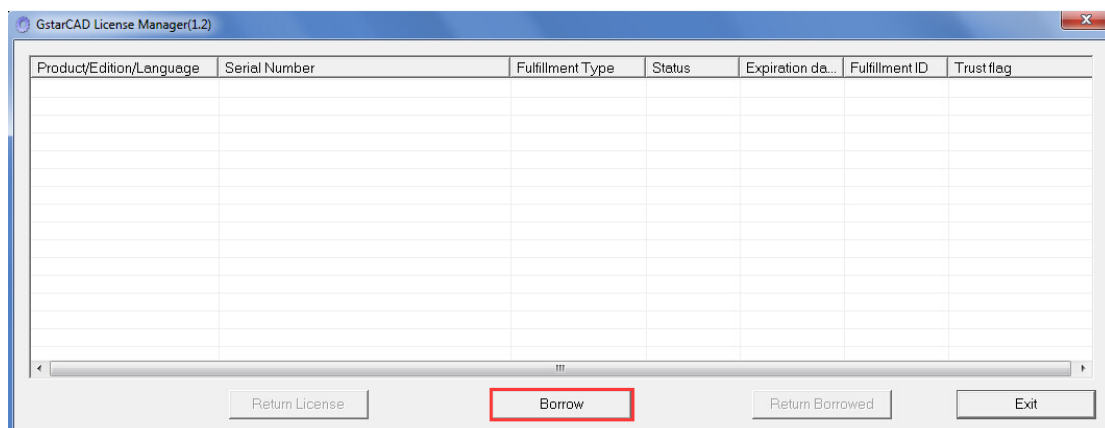
2.2.3 Borrow and Return the license on the client

2.2.3.1 Borrow the license on the client

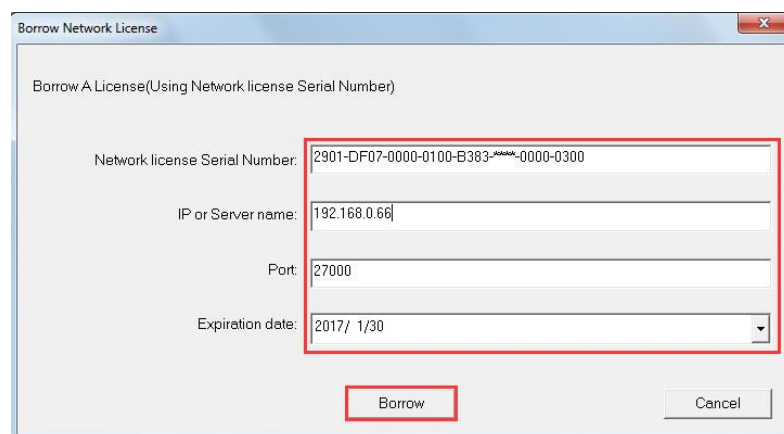
1. Click “GstarCAD License Manager” from Windows Start button> All Programs> Gstarsoft > GstarCAD 2017.



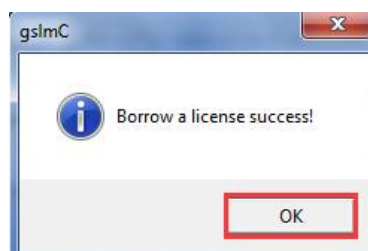
2. In the GstarCAD License Manager window, click the “Borrow” button.



3. Follow the introduction on your screen. Input the **Network license Serial Number**, **IP or Server Name** and **Expiration Data** and click the “Borrow” button.



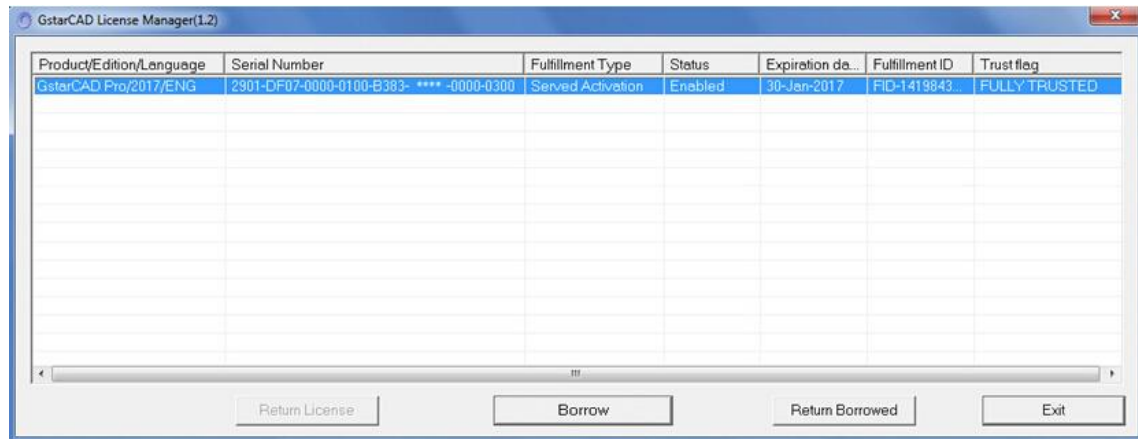
4. You have borrowed a license successfully. Click the “OK” button to close the window.



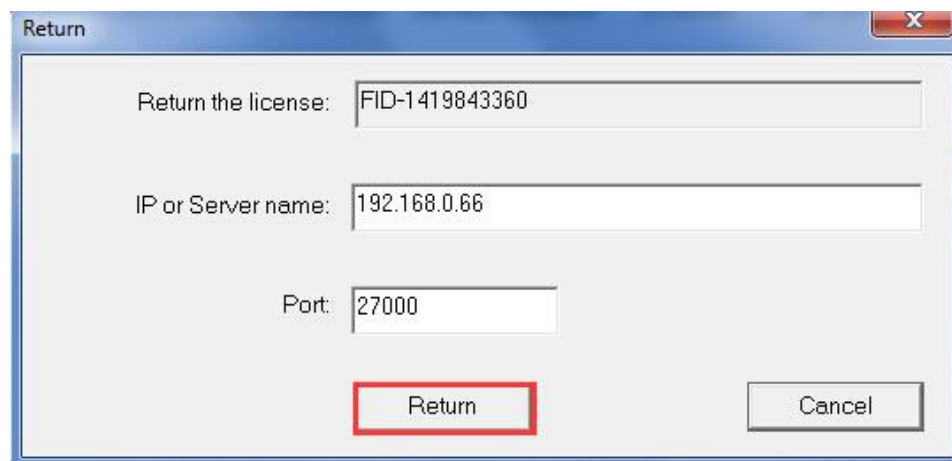
2.2.3.2 Return the license on the client

It is better to return the license to server if you do not need it.

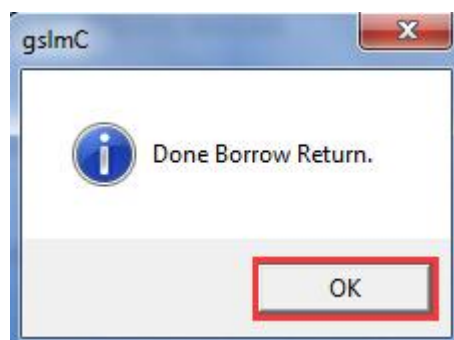
1. Click **GstarCAD License Manager**, the following window opens. Then select the license you want to return and click the **"Return Borrowed"** button.



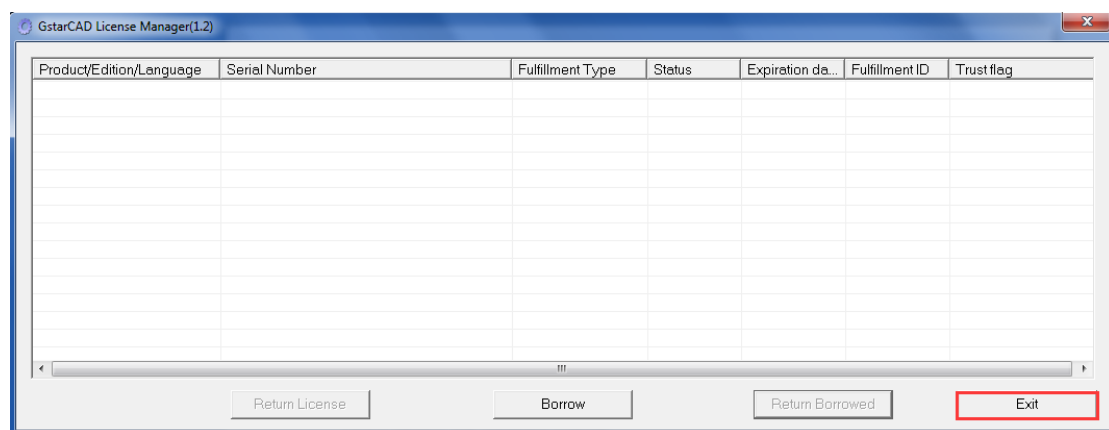
2. In put the **IP or Server name** and click the “**Return**” button.



3. You have finished return the borrowed license. Then click the “OK” button to close the window.



4. You can see the license you have selected to return has disappeared. Click the “Exit” button to close the window.

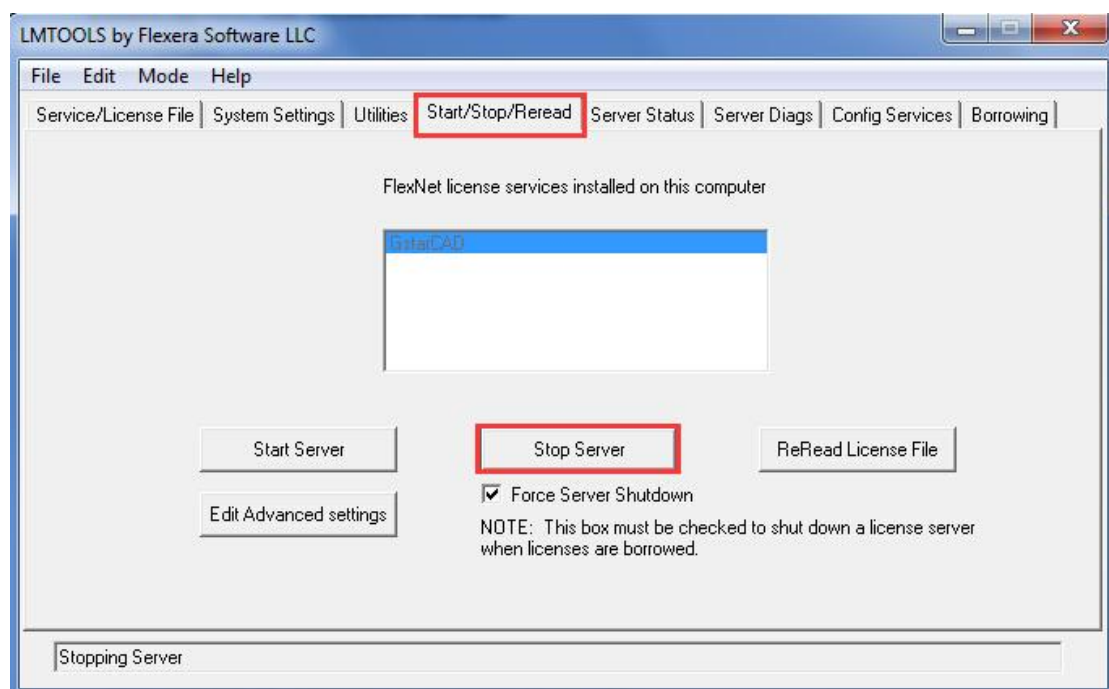


2.2.4 Return the Network license

This task must be performed on the server.

Before you return the NetWork license, please make sure all the licenses applied on server are not in use.

First step, click “[LMTools](#)” from Windows Start button> All Programs> GstarCAD Network License Manager and click the “[Stop service](#)” button to stop the service on the server.

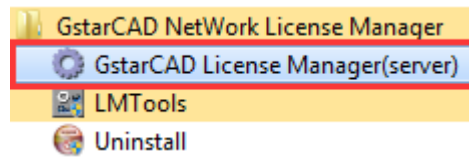


Second step, you have two options to continue: On-line return the license or Off-line return the license. More details are shown as below.

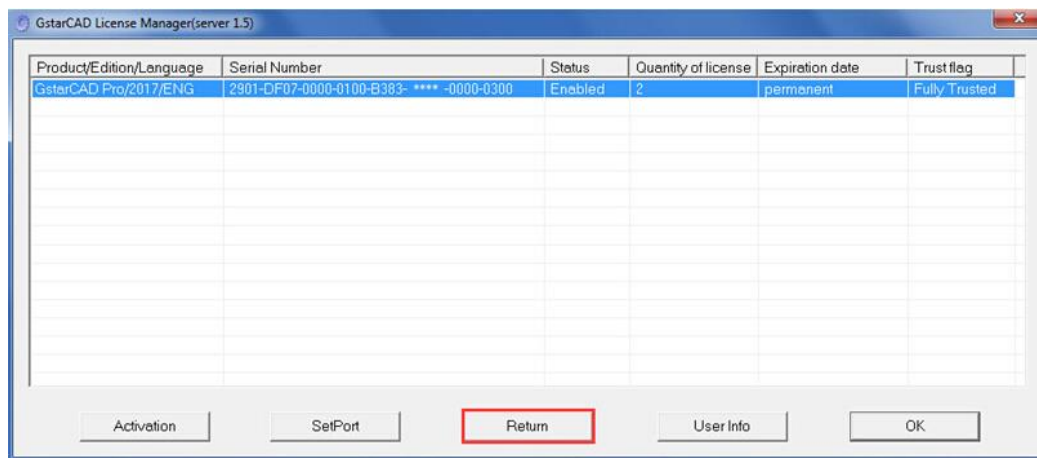
2.2.4.1 Network (Flexnet) On-line Return the license

Instruction: make sure your computer connect to the internet.

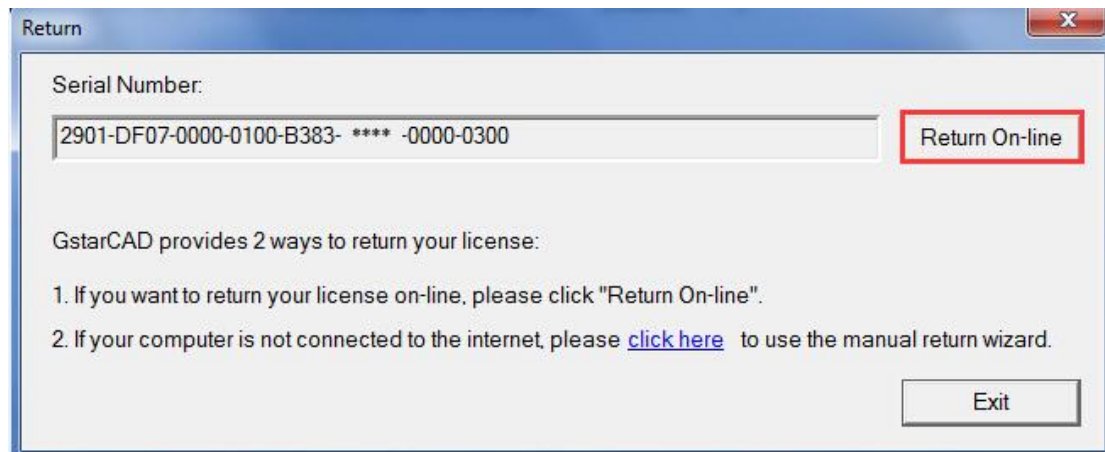
1. Click “GstarCAD License Manager (server)” from Windows Start button> All Programs> GstarCAD Network License Manager.



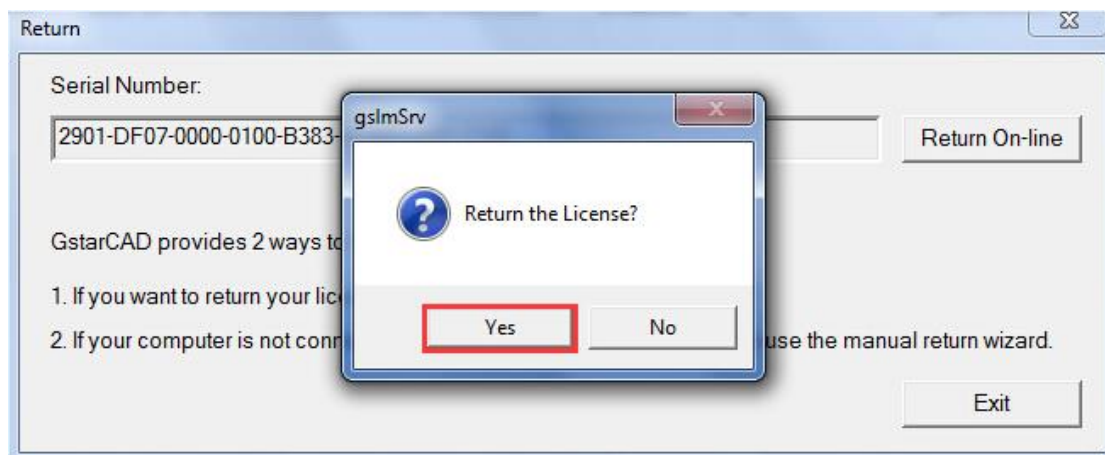
2. Select the license you want to return and click the “Return” button.



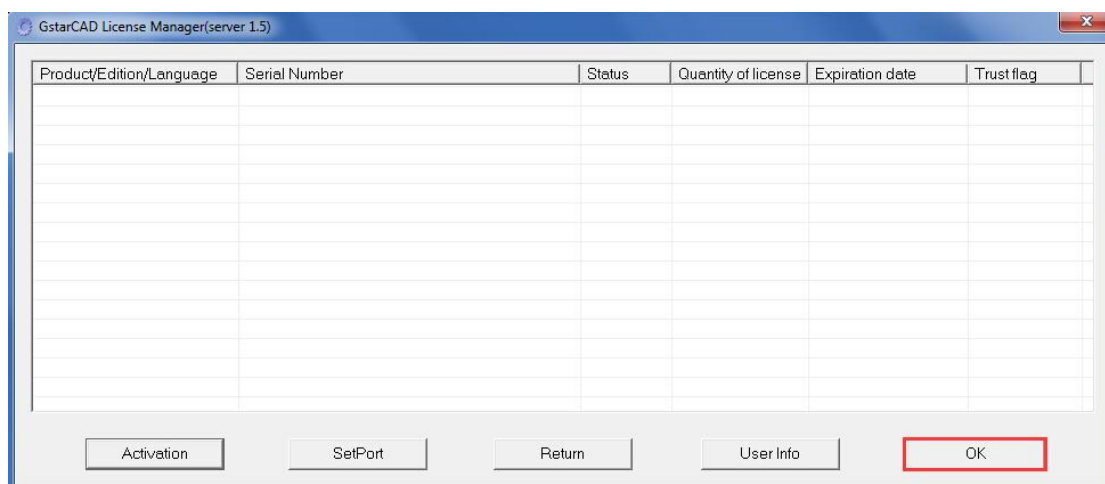
3. The following window will pop up, and then click the “Return On-line” button to continue.



4. Make sure you will return the license and click the “Yes” button.



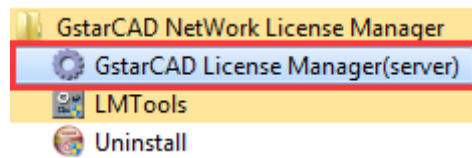
5. After a few seconds you can see the license you have selected to return has disappeared. Then click the “OK” button to close the window.



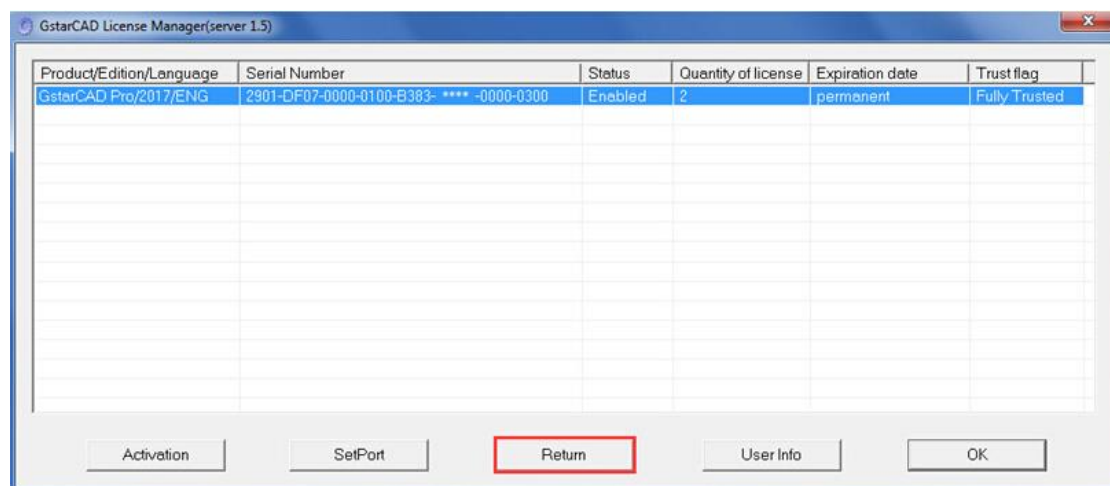
2.2.4.2 Network (Flexnet) Off-line Return the license

Instruction: if your computer can not connect to the internet, you could use another one with internet connection helping you to return the license.

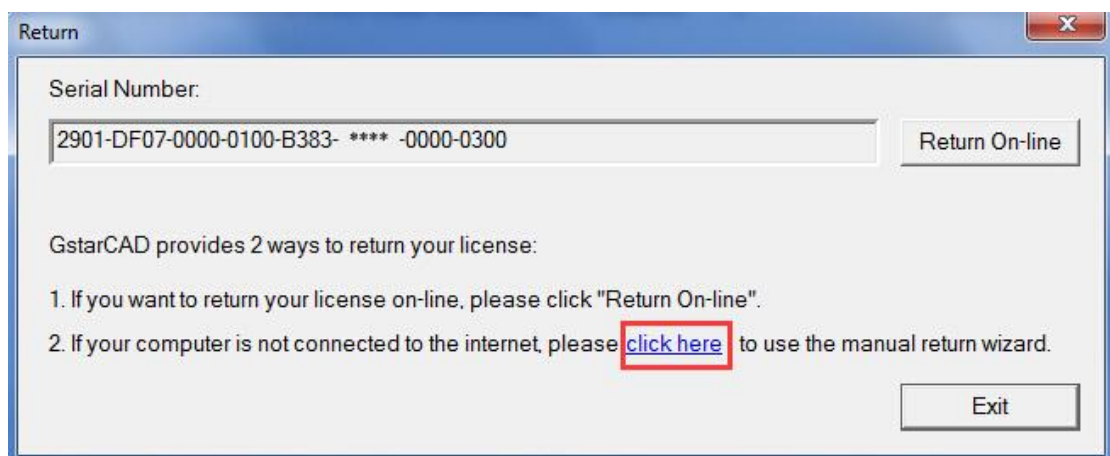
1. Click “[GstarCAD License Manager \(server\)](#)” from Windows Start button> All Programs> GstarCAD Network License Manager.



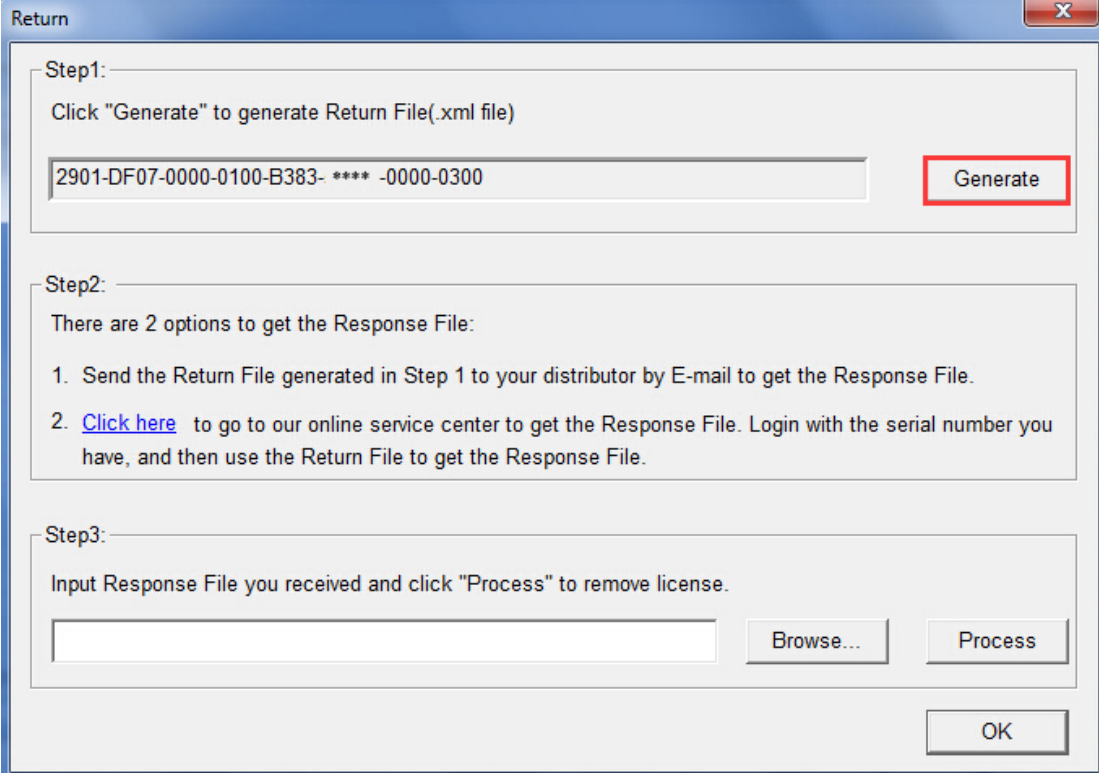
2. The following window will pop up. Then select the license you want to return and click the “Return” button.



3. Click the **[click here](#)** button to open the manual return wizard.



4. Follow the Return wizard. Please click “**Generate**” to get the Return File which named by Serial Number with “.xml” extension and save it to the local computer.



The image shows a 'Return' dialog box with three steps. Step 1: 'Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file)'. It contains a text field with the serial number '2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300' and a 'Generate' button. Step 2: 'There are 2 options to get the Response File:'. It lists two options: 1. Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File. 2. Click here to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File. Step 3: 'Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license.'. It contains a text field, a 'Browse...' button, and a 'Process' button. An 'OK' button is at the bottom right.

Return

Step1: Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file)

2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300

Generate

Step2: There are 2 options to get the Response File:

1. Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File.
2. [Click here](#) to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Response File to get the Response File.

Step3: Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license.

Browse... Process

OK

5. Go to another computer with internet connection and use the Return File to acquire the Response File via one of the two options as follow.

Option 1: E-mail

You can send the Return file to your distributor to get the Response File.

Option2: online service

You can go to the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") to get the Response File.

(1) Log in the GstarCAD online service center ("<http://support.gstarcad.net/flexnet/login.html>") by the computer with internet connection. (2) Input the Serial Number and click the “**Login**” button to continue.




The image shows a login form with a yellow header and a blue background. It contains a text field for the serial number and a 'Login' button.

Please input your serial number and then press login

Serial Number 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383-****-0000-0300

Login

(3) Select “[Manage Licenses](#)” and click the “[Return License](#)” button to continue.



The Response XML file has been Generated. Please download the file onto the local computer.

Activate **Manage Licenses**

[Return License](#) [Return Validation](#)

My Serial Number: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- ****-0000-0300

Product	Language	Nodes	Licence Status	Response XML
GstarCAD 2017 Professional Network	English	2	Activated	

To activate the product, please download the Response XML file.
To return license, please click "Return License".

(4) Click the “[Browse](#)” button to select the Return File you have saved and click the “[Submit](#)” button to continue.



Return License

Current License: 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- ****-0000-0300


Request XML file [Choose File](#) 2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- ****-0000-0300-return.xml

Generate the trusted return request as a XML file on the client machine. Load that file here.

[Submit](#)

Locate file and click Submit.

(5) Click the “[Download](#)” button and save Response XML File to the location which you have chosen.



Download Response XML File

To return license, please download the Response XML file.

[Download](#)

Click [here](#) to return home.

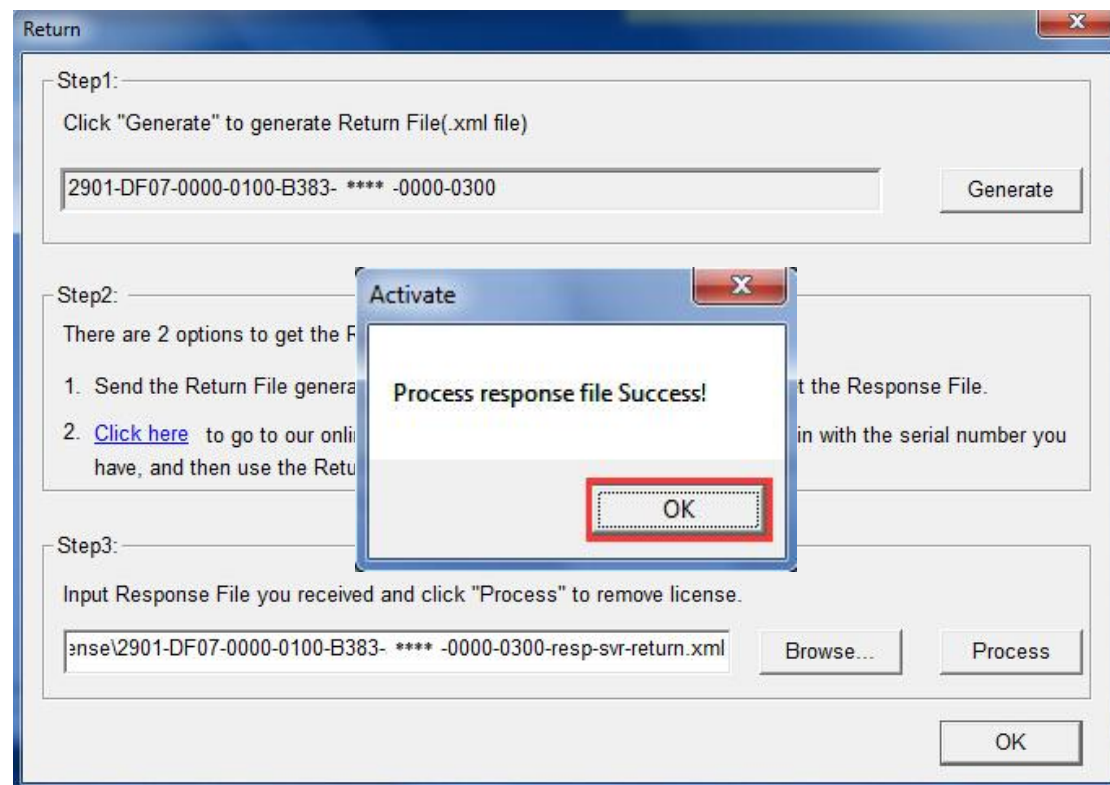
6. Take the Response XML File back to your computer and continue. Follow the Return wizard and click the “Browse” button to select the Response XML File you have just saved, and then click the “Process” button.

The 'Return' dialog box is shown with three steps. Step 1: 'Click "Generate" to generate Return File(.xml file)'. A text field contains '2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300' and a 'Generate' button is to the right. Step 2: 'There are 2 options to get the Response File:'. It lists two options: 1. 'Send the Return File generated in Step 1 to your distributor by E-mail to get the Response File.' and 2. '[Click here](#) to go to our online service center to get the Response File. Login with the serial number you have, and then use the Return File to get the Response File.' Step 3: 'Input Response File you received and click "Process" to remove license.' A text field contains 'anse\2901-DF07-0000-0100-B383- **** -0000-0300-resp-svr-return.xml'. To the right of the text field are 'Browse...' and 'Process' buttons, both highlighted with red rectangles. At the bottom right is an 'OK' button.

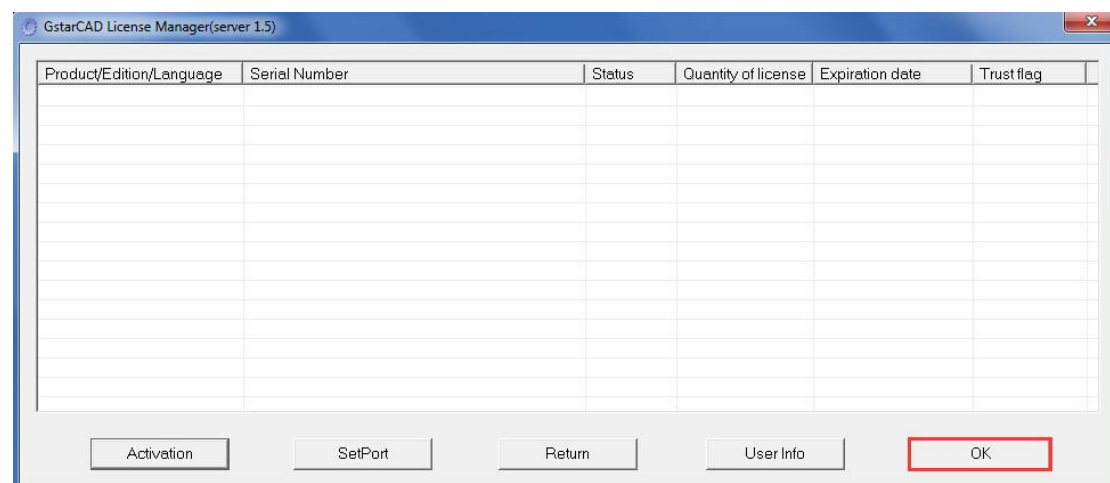
7. Click the “OK” button and send the file named by serial number with “return-Validation.xml” extension to your distributor.

The 'Return' dialog box is shown with a warning message overlay. The warning message is in a small dialog box titled 'gslmSrv' with a yellow warning icon. The text says: 'Please return XML file to distributor,in order to confirm authorization has been returned.' Below the text is an 'OK' button, highlighted with a red rectangle. The 'Return' dialog box shows Step 1 and Step 2. Step 3 is partially visible, showing the same text field and 'Browse...' and 'Process' buttons as in the previous image. The 'OK' button at the bottom right of the 'Return' dialog box is also visible.

8. Then click the “OK” button to close the process Response File success window and click the “OK” button to finish it.



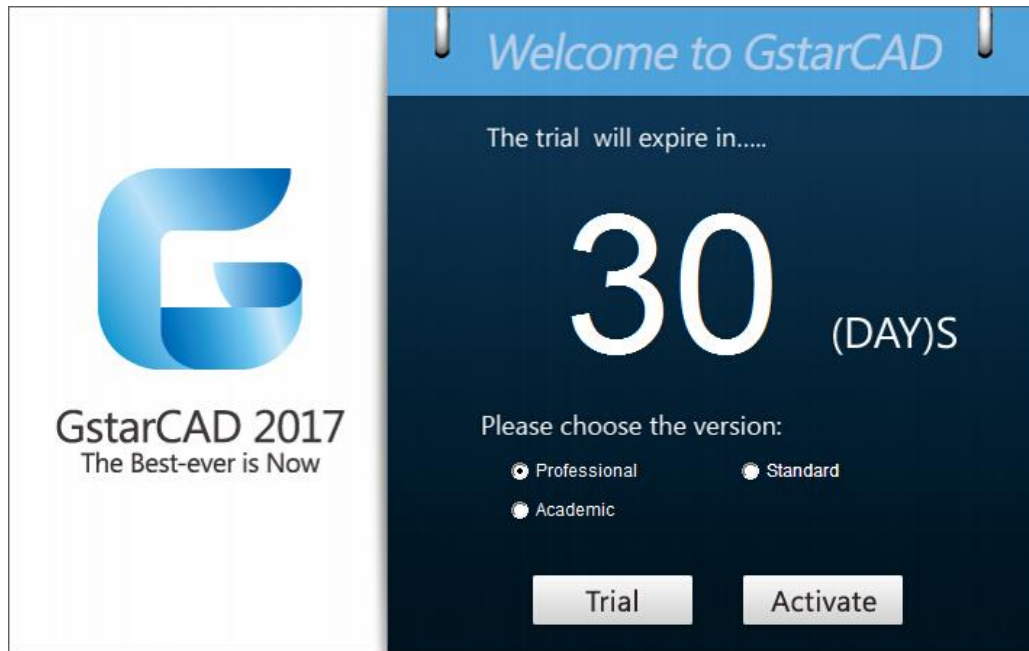
9. Click the “OK” button to close the dialog box.



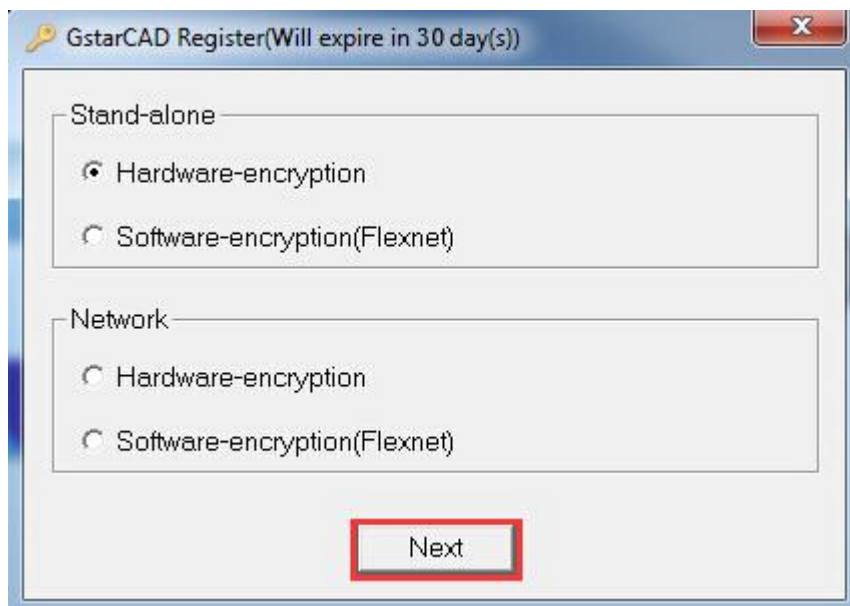
Part two: Hardware-encryption (USB Dongle) Version

1. Stand-alone (USB Dongle) Activation

1. Start GstarCAD 2017 after the installation and insert dongle to USB interface, and then the [Welcome to GstarCAD](#) window will pop up, Select the version you need and click the “[Activate](#)” button.



2. Select [Hardware-encryption of Stand-alone](#) and click the “[Next](#)” button to activate GstarCAD 2017.



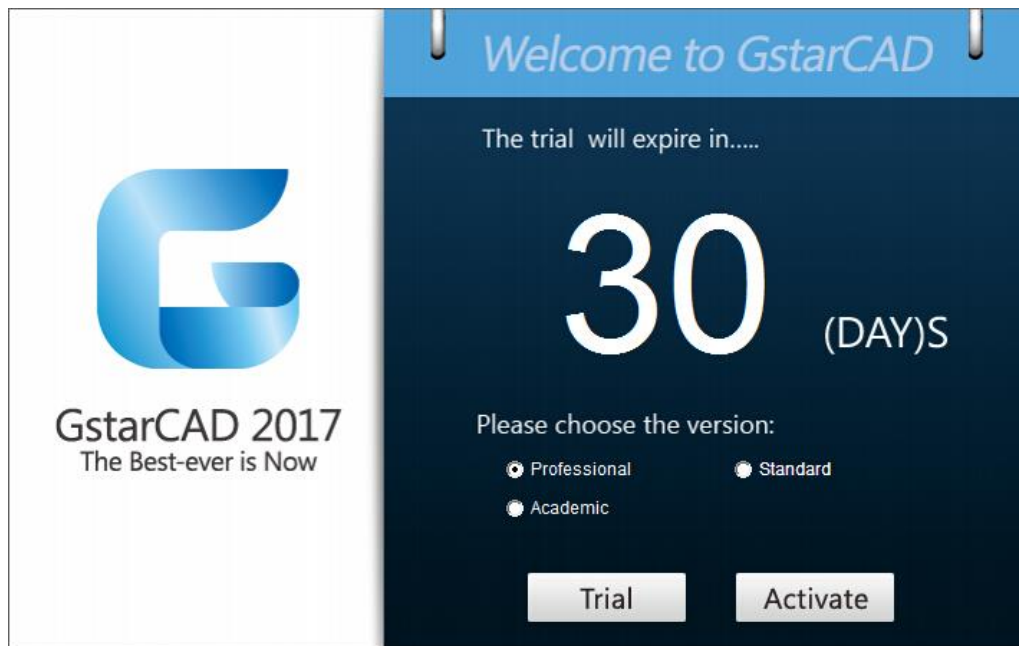
2. Network (USB Dongle) Activation

Sever Setting

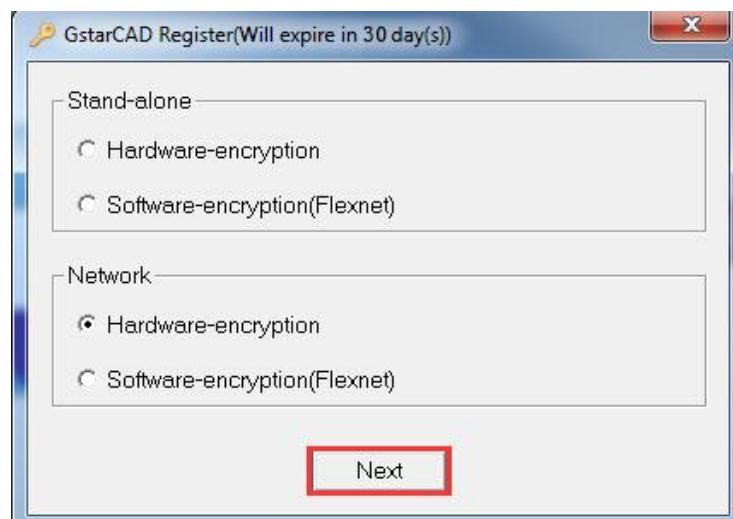
You need to specify server computer and install network driver of the USB dongle. Insert the network dongle to USB interface after the installation of GstarCAD 2017. The dongle will be recognized automatically.

Client Setting

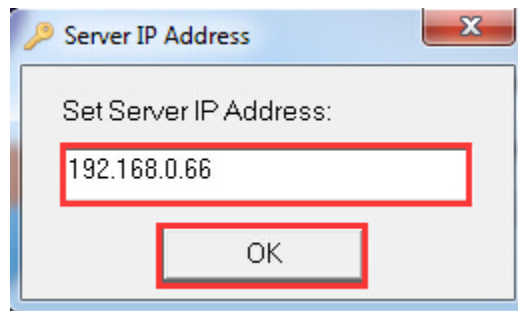
1. In a same local area network, start GstarCAD 2017 and then the [Welcome to GstarCAD](#) window will pop up, Select the version and click the “[Activate](#)” button.



2. The [GstarCAD Register](#) window opens. Please select [Hardware-encryption of Network](#) and click the “[Next](#)” button.



3. Specify the IP address of server and click the “OK” button and restart GstarCAD 2017 to activate.



Note: The quantity of nodes is reduced in server until the one using in client is to be returned.