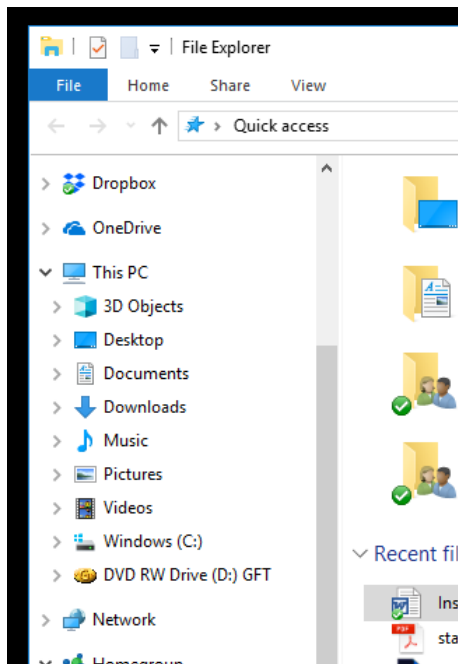


# Installing the old Generation Family Tree program onto Windows 10 Computers

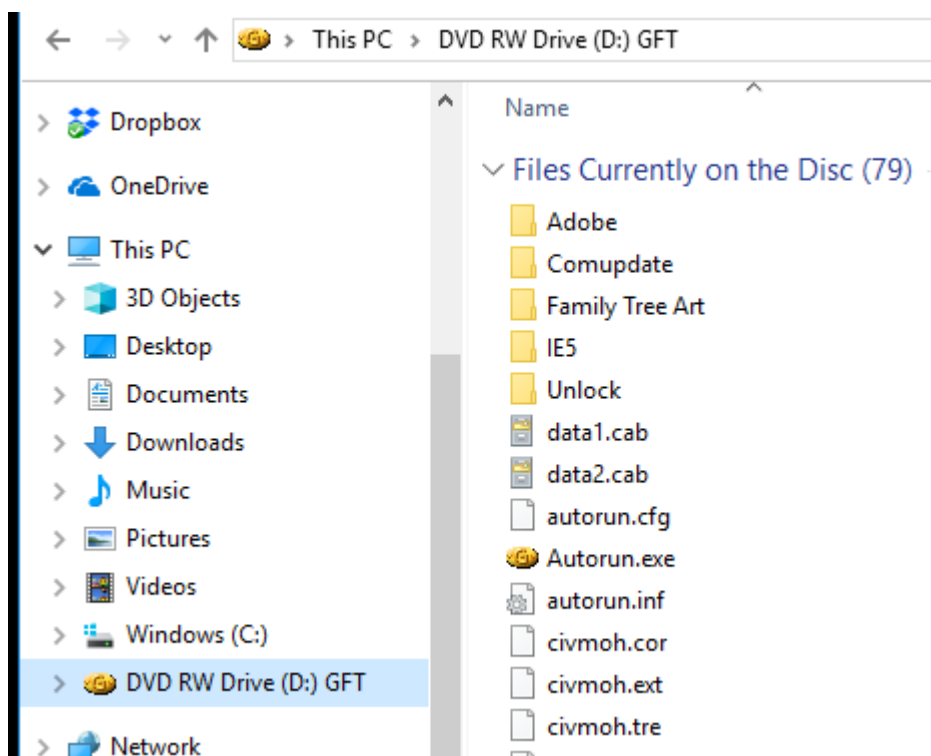
Although the Generations program has not had any work done on it for over 16 years, we are aware that there are still a few users out there that may have a need to install it on modern computers running the Windows 10 operating system.



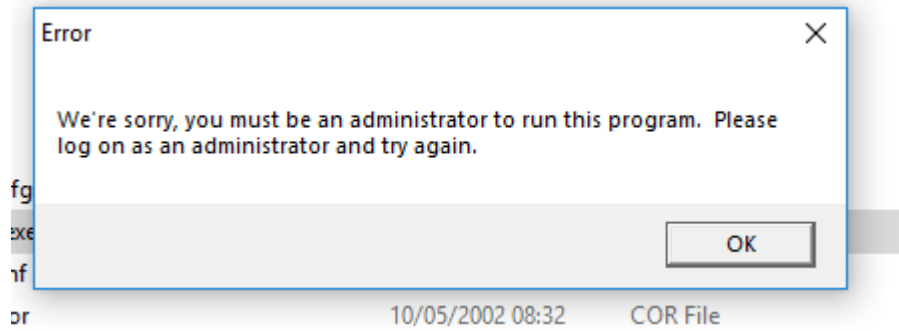
If you have the old CD and not CD drive on the new computer then you will need to copy the disk contents onto a USB drive to then copy onto the new hard drive. Once you have the files installed on the new computers these notes will hopefully provide some guidance. Unfortunately we are unable to provide any assistance by telephone or email due to the age of the software.

- 1) If you have a CD/DVD drive the program installation is unlikely to start automatically.
- 2) Right click the Windows button (bottom left on the screen).
- 3) You will need to open File Explorer (figure 1) and look for the DVD drive with the 'GFT' disc. Double click the GFT folder.

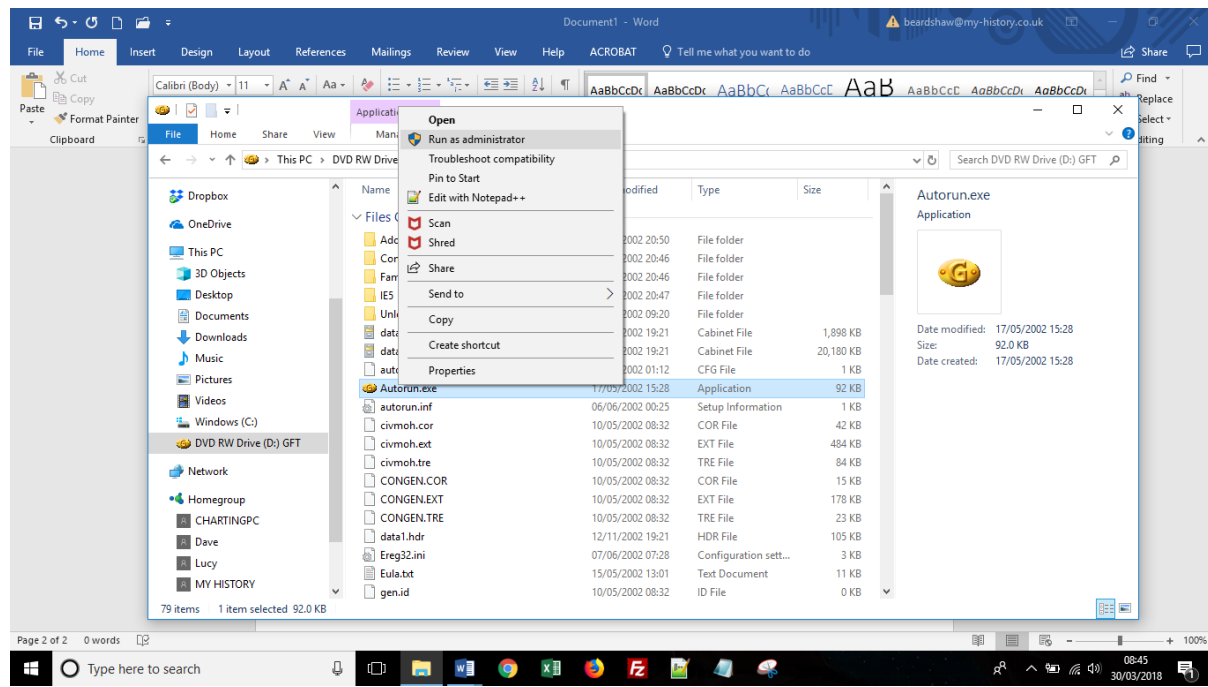
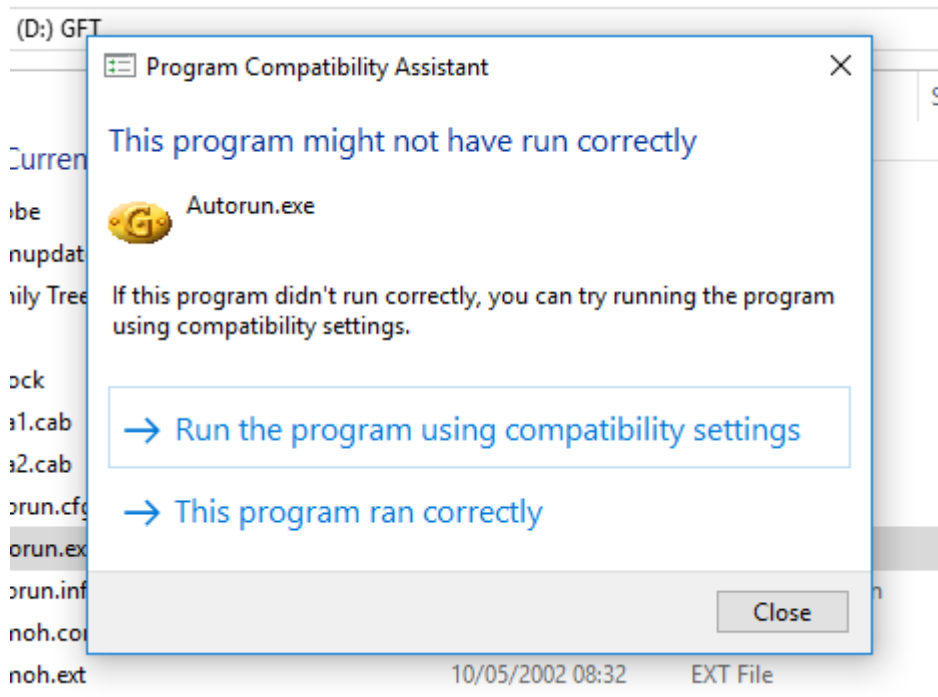
- 4) Look for the 'Autorun.exe' file and double click it.



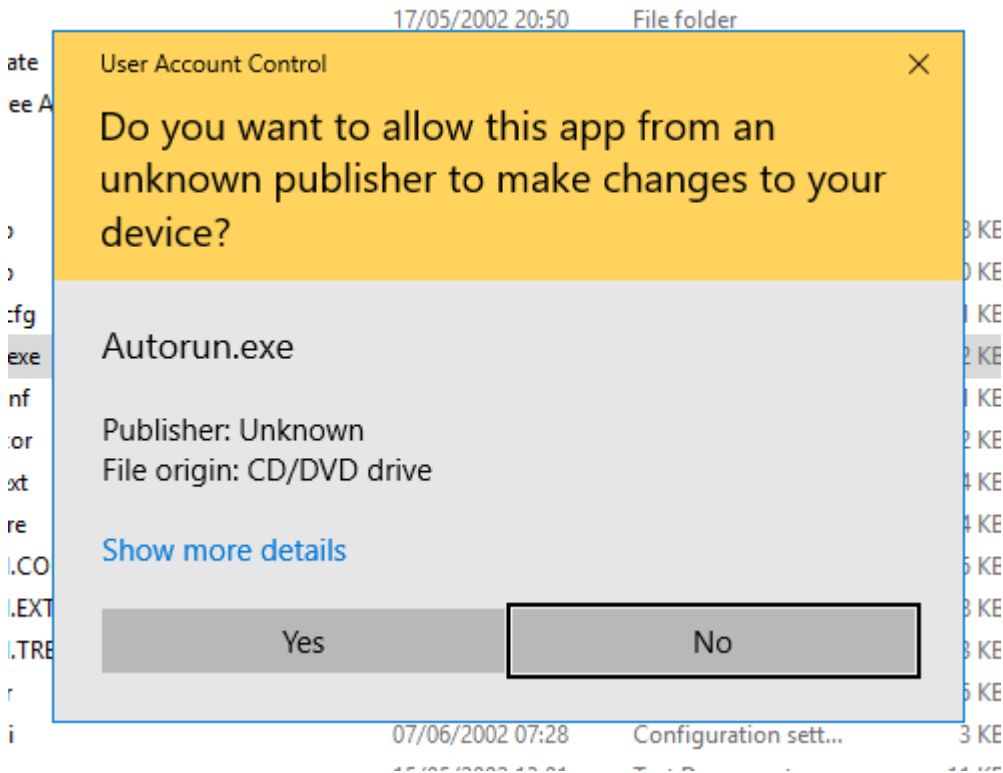
- 5) If asked choose to 'Run as administrator'. If you get the following message you may need to exit the process and log on as administrator.



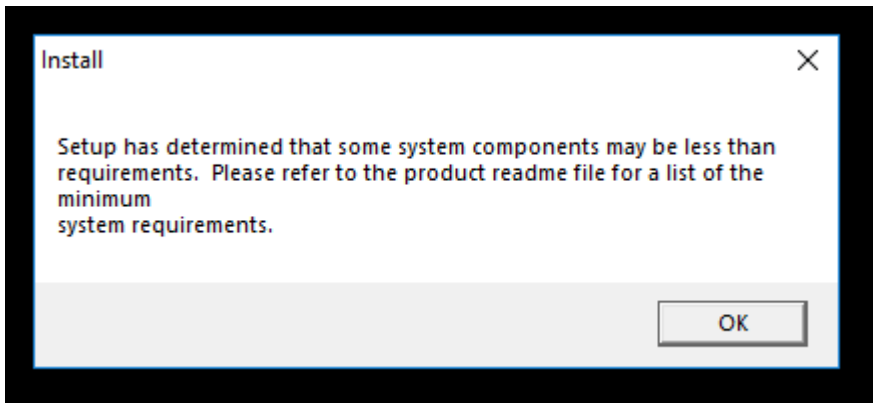
- 6) Follow the wizard to carry on with the installation.
- 7) If the program doesn't run after installation then you may need to run the program with different compatibility settings



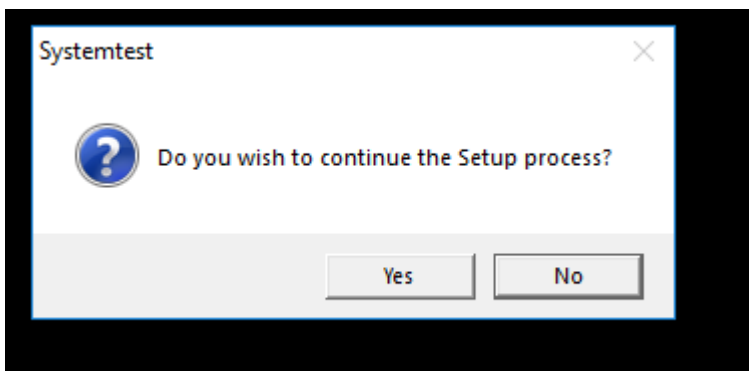
Allow the installation process to make changes to your computer by clicking 'Yes'



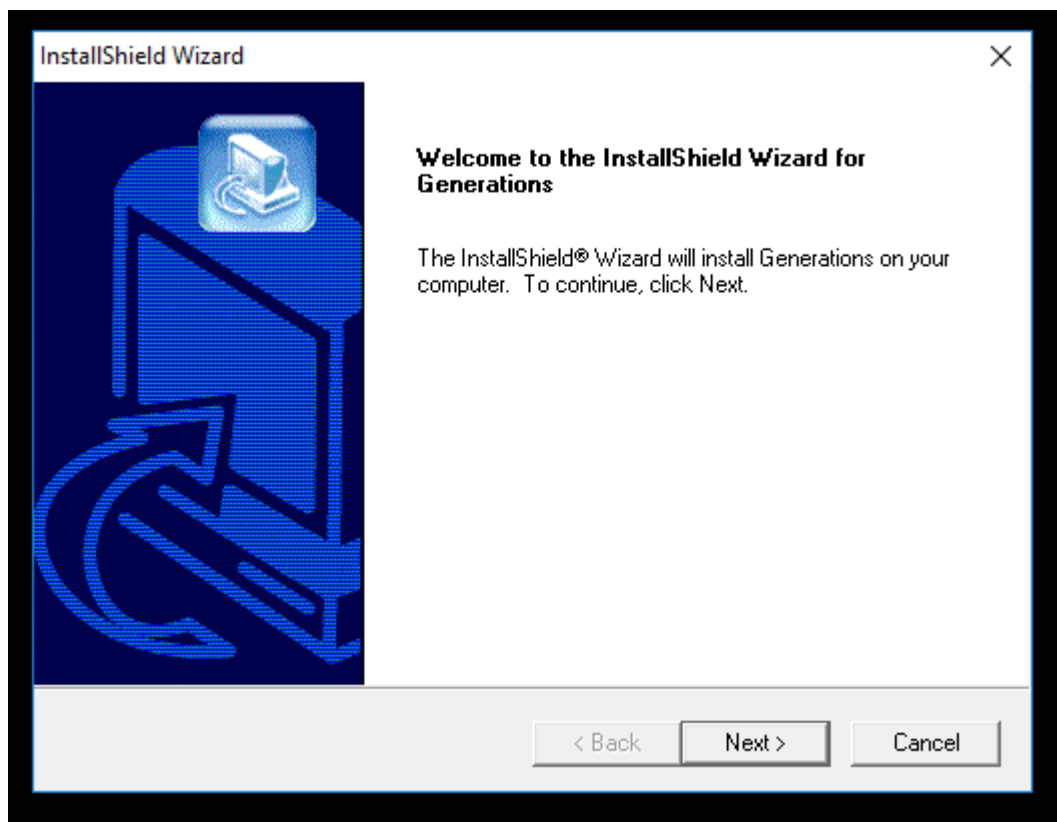
Click OK



Click Yes



Continue with the installation wizard.



When asked, choose to 'Register later'. There is no point trying to register this program as the publishers stopped supporting it many years ago and the registration process no longer exists.

Having done the above now is the time to start seriously thinking about a replacement for the Generations Program. We are gradually converting many Generation users over to Family Historian as it is an excellent program and matches it well as it is now the best genealogy program around.

This link takes you to a very brief overview of the software:

<https://www.my-history.co.uk/acatalog/A-Quick-Tour-of-Family-Historian-CPFHPD.html>

There is a download of a free trial version that will last for 30 days here:

<https://www.my-history.co.uk/acatalog/Family-Historian-v6-30-Day-Trial-Version-FHDEMO.html>

Your data may be transferred out of the program you have and into a new one without the need to re-key it all. This is done via a Gedcom transfer file which you will find in the 'File' menu.

Generations does some rather strange things with data but then the bulk of the program was written over 10 years ago. However don't let this put you off transferring over your data as it may work almost perfectly depending on how you have used the Generations program over the years.

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