

Exe to msi Converter Quick Start Guide

Introduction

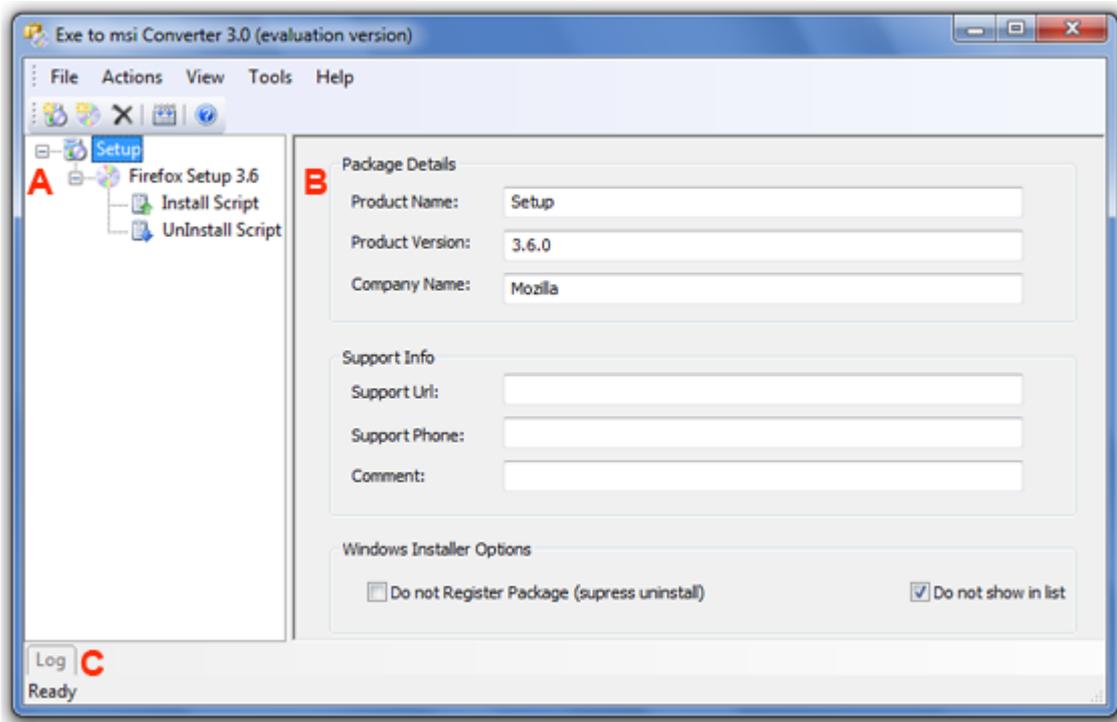
The following guide is meant to provide quick reference to using the Exe to msi Converter.

What is Exe to msi Converter?

Exe to MSI converter quickly converts setup executable (exe) packages to the Windows Installer package (MSI). The built-in script recorder allows you effectively automating software installation process. You can create package to unattended installation of the multiple applications with one click.

Understanding the Interface

Below find a description of the user interface:



The Project window is divided into two parts: a navigation pane on the left and a display area on the right.

A - Project Tree.

Displays and selecting the Project properties.

B - Project Property Pages.

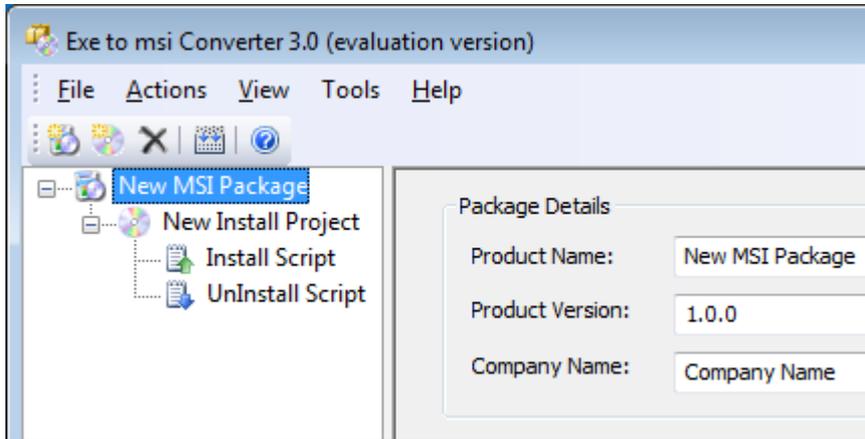
When you select the *Project Tree* node for a particular page, its options appear in the *Property Page* area.

C - Log Window.

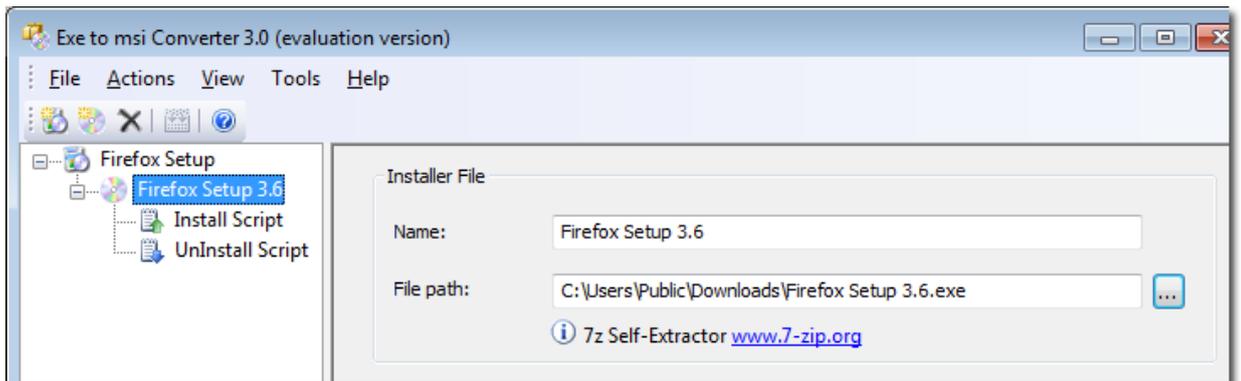
Displays the build log and errors.

Creating msi package for automated software install

1. Click *New MSI Package* in the *Actions* menu

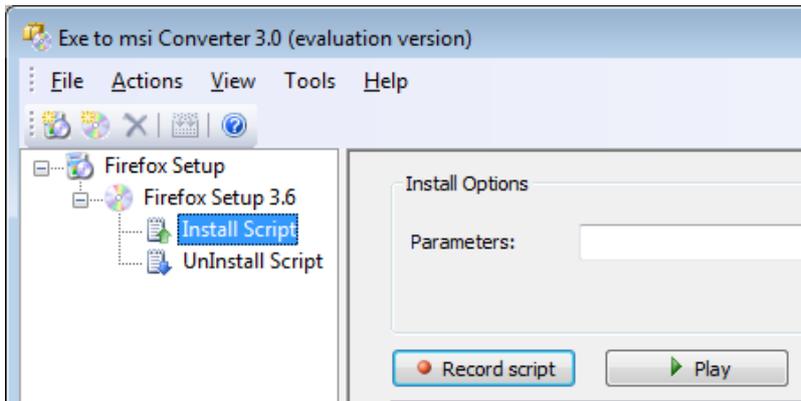


2. In the *Package Details* group enter *Product Name*, *Product Version*, and other details. These properties will be displayed as the description of the MSI Package in the Add/Remove Programs dialog box.
3. Select *New Install Project* item in the Project Tree.
4. Click  Button to browse for the Executable installer file.

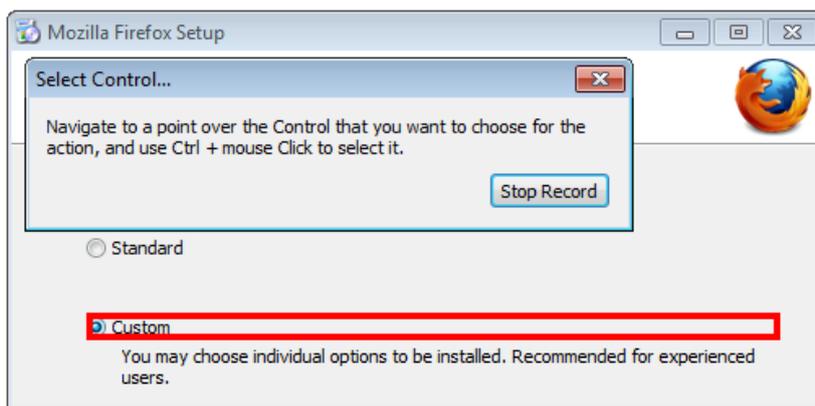


Record Installation Script

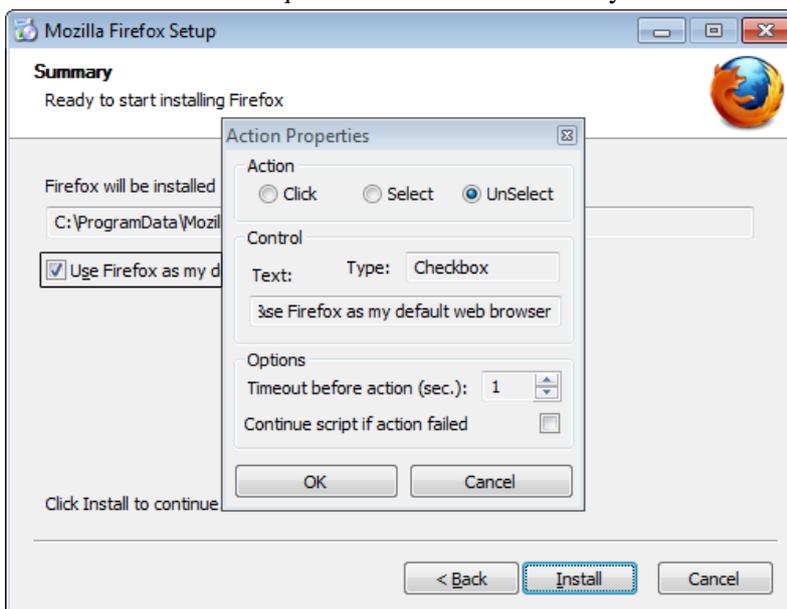
1. Select *Install Script* in the Project Tree.



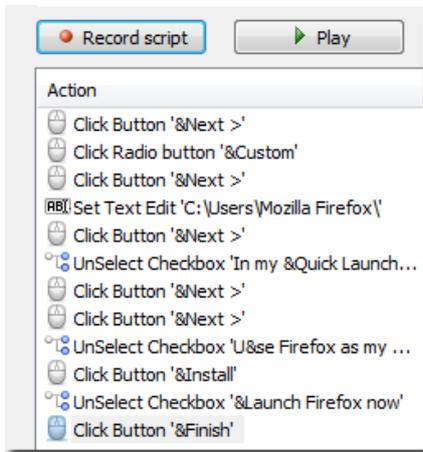
2. Click *Record Script* button to start the Script recording process.
3. Use mouse to choose the Control for action, and use Ctrl + Mouse click to select it.



4. Edit *Action Properties* for the Control that you selected.



5. After the script has been recorded, you will review the script.
6. It is recommended testing the recorded script before you build the package. To run script click *Play* button.



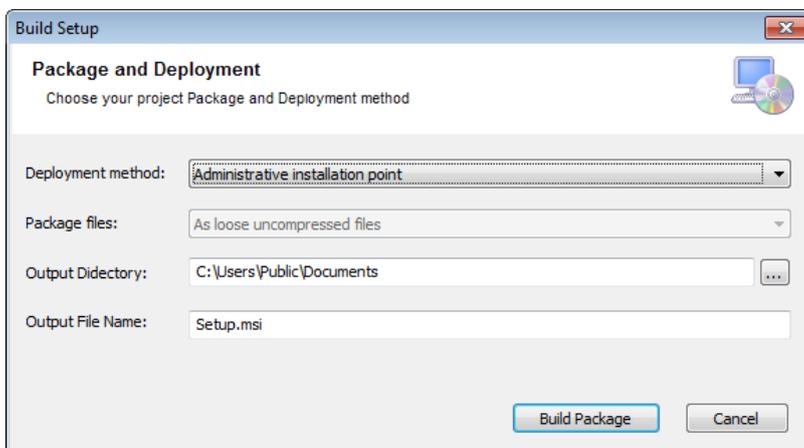
Record Uninstallation Script

If you need to automate the uninstall process you can record the *UnInstall Script* to.

1. Select UnInstall Script in the Project Tree.
2. Follow same steps as described in the Record Install Script chapter.

Build the msi package

1. Select  *MSI Package* in the *Project Tree*.
2. Click  *Build MSI Package* in the *Toolbar*.
3. Choose the *Deployment Method*. If you need to deploy a large MSI Package file with Group Policy it is recommend to use *Administrative installation point* option.
4. Select *Output Directory* and *Output File Name* for the MSI package.



5. Click *Build Package* button. A MSI package will be created in the selected *Output Directory*.