## Installing Agvance with Command Line Parameters and a Scheduled Task

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## Q. Can Agvance be installed silently using command line parameters and a scheduled task?

A. The Agvance installation process uses a standard Windows Installer MSI wrapped in a standard InstallShield *Setup.exe*. Because of this any of the command line parameters supported by InstallShield and Windows Installer may be used.

If the Agvance data resides on a mapped drive, set up a batch file that maps the appropriate drive(s) and runs the install. An example of the batch file is below.

net use L: \\serversql\sql2008

"L:\Agvance Updates\setup.exe" /s /v"/qn DATAFOLDER=L:\AVDATA"

The first line maps the L drive to the sql2008 folder on a server named serversql.

The second line runs the *Setup.exe* and passes in the parameters so the install is completed silently and the Agvance icon points to data at *L*:\AVDATA.

If the path to the data folder includes spaces, close it using a backslash and quote, \", as demonstrated below:

"L:\Agvance Updates\setup.exe" /s /v"/qn DATAFOLDER=\"L:\Agvance Data\AVDATA\""

The batch file may be executed manually or with a Windows Scheduled Task.

If the Agvance data resides on a local drive, the *Setup.exe* can be executed with a Windows Scheduled Task as long as the appropriate command line parameters are specified.

## Setup.exe Command Line Parameters:

| /s | Tells the setup.exe portion of the install to run silently. The setup.exe uncompresses the MSI and then runs it.   |
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| /v | Tells the <i>setup.exe</i> to pass the following parameters to the MSI when it is run. All of the parameters passed to the MSI should be enclosed in quotes. |

For more information regarding Setup.exe command line parameters, please see here.

## MSI Command Line Parameters:

| /qn |  | Tells the MSI to run silently with no user interface. |
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| DATAFOLDER=    | Specifies the Start-in folder for the Agvance icon.  If the path to the data folder includes spaces, close it using \".   |
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| INSTALLDIR=    | Specifies the folder to which Agvance program files will be installed.  Defaults to C:\Program Files (x86)\Agvance\.  |
| SERIALNUMBER=  | Specifies the Agvance Serial Number. If Agvance is already installed, this is ignored and the Serial Number specified in the original install is used.              |
| ACTIVATIONKEY= | Specifies the Installation Verification Code. If Agvance is already installed, this is ignored and the Verification Code specified in the original install is used. |

For more information regarding MSI command line parameters, please see here.