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# HP Virtual Rooms 7.0

for Windows, Linux and Macintosh operating systems

## Release Notes

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This document provides an overview of the changes in HP Virtual Rooms 7.0. It contains important information not included in the manuals.

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## In This Version

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## Installation



### **Important**

**ACTION REQUIRED:** Download HP Virtual Rooms to receive software updates

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On Saturday, January 26, 2008 an upgrade for HP Virtual Rooms (version 7.0) is planned.

What do I need to do?

To ensure that your room is ready for your next meeting, current HP Virtual Rooms users should access one of your rooms after the upgrade (after 3 pm Pacific Time, on January 26<sup>th</sup>) to download the new software. This can take up to 15 minutes depending on your network connection but most installations will be less than 3 minutes over fast connections.

To install HP Virtual Rooms 7.0:

1. In a browser window, open <http://www.hp.com/go/rooms>.
2. On the HP Virtual Rooms web page, click "Sign In Manage your rooms and events" to sign in.

3. Once signed in, enter one of your rooms to start the installation.

If you don't have an HP Virtual Rooms account, open <http://www.hp.com/go/rooms> and click the "Test your setup" link on the main web page to start the test which will also download the software. Be sure you enter the HP Virtual Rooms Test room at the end of the test. This indicates you have successfully completed the Virtual Rooms upgrade.

## Enhancements

This section describes any major new features in this release

- New interface look and layout

The interface has been update to reflect requested changes by the users. It has been simplified. The interface look is the same for Windows, Linux and Macintosh version. This includes more toolbars, panels, and icons.
- More toolbars for easy access to features and functions

Additional toolbars were added to group similar features and functions. Some tools found at the bottom of the window frame on version 6.3 are now in these toolbars. The new toolbars are:

  - Communication toolbar

This toolbar contains Room Status, Hand up, Applaud, Room Chat, Questions, People and Audience Detail
  - Content toolbar

This toolbar contains Share, Snapshot, Navigation tools, and Page Count.
  - Whiteboard toolbar

This toolbar contains whiteboard drawing tools. By default, this toolbar is located on the right edge of the window.
- Raised Hands will now open a left hand panel when a user raises their hand
- New Applaud feature allows users to applaud.
- Whiteboard tools now can have colors and line widths assigned to each individual drawing tool.
- The new default whiteboard drawing tool is the selection tool, not the laser pointer.
- Bottom of window frame now contains Content Storage status, Connection Status, Proportional or Actual slide size, Normal Layout or Full Screen Size layout and Encryption Level. Fit to Page is no longer available.
- New Menus created to better group tools and features
- New Sharing Look and Layout

- When Sharing is started, a window pops-up with a list of Desktop, Region, and all applications running on your desktop to select for sharing.
- New Sharing control panel includes Start/Pause, Stop, Assign Control and Room Status.
- Room owners are the only users that can Delete All Content from room.
- Group Chat is now Room Chat, which can be viewed in a pop-up window or a left-hand panel
- Private Chat will now allow you to add users to the chat after it has started
- New features are now available for content import.
  - Importing of files will not interfere with room activity, such as navigation or annotations. You no longer have to select which method of import to use, the system will import and then display the best possible display based on the user's operating system.
  - A status window can be opened to view the progress of the import.
  - Multiple imports can take place simultaneously. The number of simultaneous imports that can occur will depend on your system and network connection.
- Cut, Copy, Paste, and Paste After are now available for the Content panel, Handouts and Backpack
- Erase Annotations will now erase annotations in the entire folder/presentation. If you are the owner of the room, you can also erase the annotations from all folders/presentations and individual slides/objects in the room.
- URL content objects now behave differently.
  - When a Web Tour starts, it will open a browser window with the URL loaded utilizing application sharing. You now treat this as an Application Share.
  - When Independent starts, it will open a browser window with the URL loaded on every user's desktop.
- New Breakout Room Management Features
  - You can allow the system to auto-assign users to breakout rooms. You do not need to manually assign a user to a room. The system will evenly distribute participants into the breakout rooms and then evenly distribute presenters.
  - You can Allow Participants Room Navigation. This will allow participants to enter a breakout room by themselves.
  - You can send broadcast messages to a breakout room or all breakout rooms.
  - You can end a breakout session for 1 user, a breakout room or all breakout rooms.

- You can still assign users as you did in 6.3 to specific breakout rooms.
- Room status will allow you to quickly see a list of Raised Hands, a list of Questions submitted, entries in Room Chat, a list of People, run Share Application, run Snap Application, and view the Content panel. The lists will appear in a transparent view when you mouse over the feature in the Room Status window.
- New Custom Stamps tool  
Custom Stamps allows you to put a JPG, GIF or PNG image on a whiteboard page or slide. You import the image into the Custom Stamps window and use the Custom Stamps tool in the Whiteboard toolbar.
- Handouts now have folders for organizing. Handouts are also virus checked upon import.
- Full Size view will now maximize the room window to your desktop, not show any left panels and make all toolbars available
- Menu View → Default Layout will not exit out of the room. It will just reset your room layout to default
- Menu Tools → Reset Connection will log you out and in your room to reset your network connection
- New Tools → Options... menu item  
This feature will allow configuring your room for
  - Auto reconnection to your room if your connection is dropped
  - Applaud meter to appear on your toolbar when a user uses this feature
  - Sounds played for Raised hands, Applaud, Chat entries and Question entries
- Submit log files via the client interface
- Linux and Macintosh client interfaces now have most of the same features as the Windows client interface, including:
  - Import files into Content and Handouts, except Linux and PPT
  - Create and view URL content objectsUsing Share is not available on the Linux and Macintosh client interfaces.

## Fixes

This section describes the fixes for defects raised by customers.

- Can upload an Adobe Acrobat file with more than 90 pages
- Application Sharing works for Microsoft Vista operating system
- Participant cannot delete all handouts in Handouts panel

- Merged PowerPoint slide decks often took the file name rather than the title when they were uploaded to the room. This has been corrected and if the system can locate a title, it will use the page title for the object name in the room.

## Known Problems, Limitations and Workarounds

This section describes known problems, limitations, and related workarounds for HP Virtual Rooms 7.0.

### **Problem**

Linux and Macintosh clients cannot run Sharing

### **Workaround**

Use a terminal emulator to the Linux or Macintosh client from a Windows system and start Sharing from the Windows system.

### **Problem**

Web Tours for URL content objects will not work for Linux or Macintosh clients

### **Workaround**

Use Web Tour only on a Windows system.

### **Problem**

Linux client cannot upload PowerPoint files.

### **Workaround**

Upload PowerPoint file from either a Windows system or a Macintosh.

## More information

For frequently asked questions about the HP Virtual Rooms 7.0 release, go to:

[http://h10076.www1.hp.com/education/hpvr/faq\\_7-0.htm](http://h10076.www1.hp.com/education/hpvr/faq_7-0.htm)

For more information about HP Virtual Rooms, go to:

HP Virtual Rooms home page: [www.hp.com/go/rooms](http://www.hp.com/go/rooms)

Contact HP Virtual Room support if you need help at [www.hp.com/support/rooms](http://www.hp.com/support/rooms)

The following documents will be available at release at

<http://h10076.www1.hp.com/education/hpvr/learn.htm>

- New Features of HP Virtual Rooms 7.0
- Getting Started with HP Virtual Rooms
- HP Virtual Rooms 7.0 Reference Manual
- HP Virtual Rooms 7.0 Events and Rooms Guide

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