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# Configuration Instructions for JMP Clinical 8

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These instructions describe processes for saving existing JMP Clinical configurations when updating or reinstalling JMP Clinical 8.

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## Updating configuration settings when you upgrade from JMP Clinical 7 to JMP Clinical 8.

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Note: This applies only to users updating from JMP Clinical 7 to JMP Clinical 8, whose JMP Clinical 7 software has one or more custom Share configurations.

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JMP Clinical saves and stores all of your configuration variations in a file called `installation.configuration.preferences`. In JMP Clinical, this file is located in the product home directory (typically `C:\Program Files\SASHome\JMPClinical\14\LifeSciences` for JMP Clinical 7). This file can be used to move your configurations variations to JMP Clinical 8.

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Caution: If you are uninstalling JMP Clinical 7, you must save a copy of its `installation.configuration.preferences` file to another location before you uninstall the software.

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- ☞ To transfer your JMP Clinical 7 configuration variations to JMP Clinical 8, replace the existing JMP Clinical 8 `installation.configuration.preferences` file (located in the `C:\Program Files\SASHome\JMPClinical\15\LifeSciences` directory) with the saved JMP Clinical 7 `installation.configuration.preferences` file.
- ☞ Close and reopen JMP Clinical and you should find that your configurations have been updated.

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## Restoring configuration settings when you must re-install JMP Clinical.

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Note: This applies only to users of JMP Clinical 8 software with one or more custom Share configurations and who must re-install a clean copy of JMP Clinical. 8

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JMP Clinical saves and stores all of your configuration variations in a file called `installation.configuration.preferences`. This file is located in your product home directory (typically `C:\Program Files\SASHome\JMPClinical\15\LifeSciences`).

When you open JMP Clinical for the first time, the software generates a backup copy of the `installation.configuration.preferences` file, called `installation.configuration.preferences.backup`, and saves it in your Documents folder (`C:\Users\username\Documents\JMPClinical\Configurations\Default`). Every time, thereafter, that you open JMP Clinical, the software compares the date-time stamps of the `installation.configuration.preferences` file and the `installation.configuration.preferences.backup` file. If it finds them to be different, such as would occur when you add or modify configurations, JMP Clinical immediately generates a backup copy of the `installation.configuration.preferences.backup` file, naming it `installation.configuration.preferences.previousbackup`, and stores it in the same location. It then overwrites the existing `installation.configuration.preferences.backup` file with one that is identical to the `installation.configuration.preferences` file. The `installation.configuration.preferences.previousbackup` file is always a copy of the penultimate version of the `installation.configuration.preferences` file.

When you re-install JMP Clinical or update to a newer version, you also install a new copy of the `installation.configuration.preferences` file containing only the default configuration. To restore your previous configurations:

- ☞ Delete the new `installation.configuration.preferences` file, and copy and paste the `installation.configuration.preferences.previousbackup` file into the `C:\Program Files\SASHome\JMPClinical\15\LifeSciences` directory and rename it `installation.configuration.preferences`.
- ☞ Close and reopen JMP Clinical and you should find that your configurations have been restored.