

USER'S GUIDE

Phoenix  **PC Edition**



Phoenix FirstWare™ Vault

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C O N T E N T S

Overview

FirstWare Vault is a Windows application you can use to access pre-stored CDs from your hard drive. These virtual CDs are stored in the Phoenix cME Space, a protected area of your hard drive. After running the FirstWare Vault application and loading a virtual CD into a virtual CD-ROM drive, you can use the virtual CD just as you would use a CD on your system's physical CD-ROM drive.

Virtual CD storage

The CDs in the Phoenix cME Space typically are software applications that you may need to re-install. Rather than give you CDs that you might misplace, your computer manufacturer (or system builder) has included the CDs in a protected location where you can easily access them—in FirstWare Vault.

The CDs in FirstWare Vault were placed there when the Phoenix cME Space (protected area) was set up. You *cannot* add virtual CDs to this area.

A virtual drive

From a list of CDs stored in FirstWare Vault, you can choose a CD to "insert" into the virtual CD tray. Windows displays FirstWare Vault as is if it were a CD drive. If the last physical drive in your system is D, then the FirstWare Vault drive is E. This drive contains and displays all the properties of the virtual CD. FirstWare Vault CDs are read-only images and cannot be modified.

CHAPTER 1 OVERVIEW

Using FirstWare Vault

You can access the virtual CDs stored in the Phoenix cME Space by running the FirstWare Vault application from the Start menu.

Using FirstWare Vault is similar to inserting a CD into the tray and beginning the software installation process.



Note

FirstWare Vault and ConnectDownloads *cannot* run at the same time. If one of these applications is running when you try to run the other one, you will receive a message to manually shut down the first application. You can close either application by following these steps:

ConnectDownloads

- Close any message boxes displayed by ConnectDownloads.
- Right click the ConnectDownloads system tray icon and click **Exit**.

FirstWare Vault

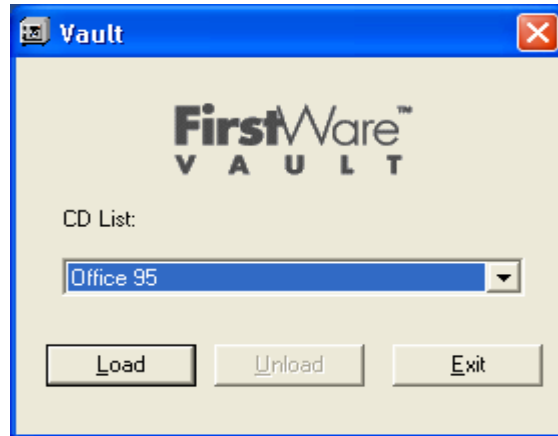
- Close any message boxes displayed by FirstWare Vault.
- If there is a CD loaded, click the **Unload** button to unload the CD and then click **Exit**.

Accessing CDs

To access your virtual CDs, perform the following steps:

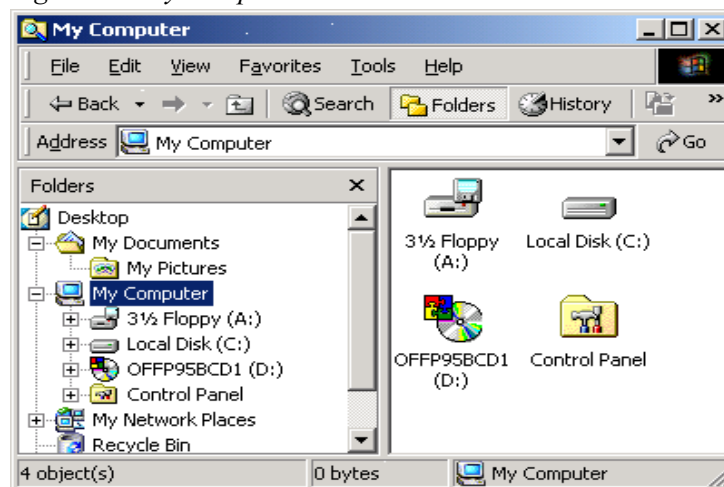
1. From the **Start** menu, select **Programs > Phoenix FirstWare Vault > FirstWare Vault**. The FirstWare Vault screen displays.

Figure 2-1 FirstWare Vault screen



2. Select a CD from the CD List drop-down menu and click the **Load** button. The CD you chose is now available as a virtual CD.
3. If the CD does not begin automatically, run it as you would run any CD—from the My Computer icon on your desktop or from Windows Explorer. In Figure 2-2, the D drive displays a virtual CD title loaded from FirstWare Vault.

Figure 2-2 My Computer window



4. To select and access another CD from the list, click the **Load** button on the FirstWare Vault screen. FirstWare Vault will automatically unload the previous CD. You can then access your selected CD through the My Computer window or Windows Explorer.

5. To exit the FirstWare Vault application, click the **Exit** button on the FirstWare Vault screen.



Note

You can unload a CD by selecting the **Unload** button. When the **Unload** button is selected, the CD drive and content disappear from the My Computer window and Windows Explorer.

Installing and Uninstalling FirstWare Vault

This chapter provides instructions for installing or uninstalling FirstWare Vault in Windows. The FirstWare Vault virtual CDs are already installed in the Phoenix cME Space, the protected area of your hard drive. However, you may need to install the FirstWare Vault application in Windows so that you can access the FirstWare Vault virtual CDs from Windows.

Installing FirstWare Vault in Windows

In most cases, if you have a FirstWare system that has Phoenix's FirstWare Vault CDs installed in the cME Space, you will *not* need to install the FirstWare Vault application in Windows.

When you need to install FirstWare Vault in Windows

You do need to install the FirstWare Vault application in Windows in these cases:

- You have installed a new operating system or re-installed an operating system.
- Your computer manufacturer has provided you with an updated version of FirstWare Vault to install.
- The FirstWare Vault application was not installed into Windows by your computer manufacturer.

How to install FirstWare Vault in Windows

To install FirstWare Vault in Windows, complete these steps:

1. In Windows Explorer, locate the FirstWare Vault setup (**setup.exe**) file and double-click it.

The setup program runs automatically.

2. If a warning message displays, follow the directions in the message.
Under certain circumstances, you must exit other applications and/or eject virtual drives. Follow the directions in the message to ensure successful installation. To eject a drive, right-click the drive from Windows Explorer or from My Computer and select **Eject**.
3. When prompted after successful installation, restart Windows.

Uninstalling FirstWare Vault in Windows

When installing an updated version of FirstWare Vault in Windows, the setup program can automatically uninstall the older version of FirstWare Vault for you. However, if you do wish to uninstall FirstWare Vault from Windows, follow these steps:

1. Run the uninstall program:
Select **Add or Remove Programs** from the Windows Control Panel, and select **Phoenix FirstWare Vault**.
2. When prompted after successfully uninstalling the application, restart Windows.