Roxio Streamer

Getting Started Guide
Getting Started with Roxio Streamer

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Welcome to Roxio Streamer

Roxio Streamer lets you turn one of the computers on your home network into the central storage center for everything you want to share—music, photos, video, even documents. You and your family will be able to access this library of files from computers and compatible media players anywhere on your network. You can even set up Roxio Streamer so you and your friends can securely access your library over the Internet.

With Roxio Streamer, the need for duplicate copies of your music, photo, and video collections is over.
Special requirements

Broadband Internet
Make sure your home network is running properly and provides a broadband connection to the Internet. You must be able to access the Internet from your computer and have a wired connection to your router.

Router
Your router directs local data traffic through your home network, and passes Internet data through a firewall. The firewall protects your computer from malicious data on the Internet, but allows safe data through ports. The Roxio Streamer-enabled device requires ports 21 (FTP), 22 (SSH), 80 (HTTP) and 443 (HTTPS) to be available and unblocked.

The Setup program will automatically configure these ports using UPnP (Universal Plug and Play). Most routers have UPnP available and enabled, allowing configuration to occur. The Setup program will tell you whether configuration was successful.

- If UPnP is available but disabled, enable UPnP as described in the router documentation.
- If UPnP is not available, set up port forwarding from ports 21, 22, 80 and 443 to Roxio Streamer as described in the router documentation. Use TCP for each port.
Streamer: component by component

Roxio Streamer Application—This browser-based application can be used to access your media library, where you can organize files, create albums, share files with friends and family, play music, and watch video.

Roxio Streamer Agent—This handy menu can be accessed from your Windows taskbar. (See illustration below.) Click on the icon to open the menu for easy access to your log-in panel, Streamer folders, the Streamer Application, and program preference settings.

Configuration Wizard—Once Roxio Streamer is installed, you will be asked to restart your computer. The Configuration Wizard will launch automatically and can be used to create a user profile. You can also launch the wizard later from the Roxio program group, available on your Windows Start menu. (Start > Programs > Roxio > Roxio Streamer).

Roxio Streamer Agent taskbar icon
Roxio Streamer Application media library page
Getting around in Streamer

Roxio Streamer is a browser-based application, which means you will be tempted to use your browser’s Back button to navigate within the application. Resist this temptation, and use these techniques instead:

- The Go To menu
- The Back button
- The Close button
Adding files to your media library

Here's the simplest way to add files to your media library:

1. Open Roxio Streamer Agent by clicking its icon in the Windows taskbar.
2. Select Explore my Roxio Streamer folders.
3. Double-click Family Library to reveal the following folders: FamilyDocuments, FamilyMusic, FamilyPhotos, and FamilyVideo.
4. Add files and folders to any of these four directories.

The next time you open your library in the Roxio Streamer Application, the files you added will appear. Use the Roxio Streamer Application to organize files into albums.
Using albums to organize and share files

To share files among the computers, game consoles, digital picture frames, and other media players on your home network, you must first add the files to your Media Library. See Adding files to your media library on page 10 for more information.

To organize and share files in your library with friends and family, use the Roxio Streamer Application to place the files in an Album. You can then share the album in a variety of ways.

To create and share an album:

1. Open the Roxio Streamer Application.
2. Click Media Library.
3. Click the New Album button ( ).
4. Select the Share this album checkbox.
5. Fill in the form and select the desired sharing levels.

**Note:** Select Allow downloads for this album if you want others to be able to open shared documents.
Adding files or folders to an album

To add a file or folder to an album:

1. Mouse-over the file or folder in the Media Sources area of the Roxio Streamer Application.
2. Display the file or folder menu by clicking the arrow that appears to the right of its name.
3. Select Add to Album > [Album Name].

**Note:** If you add a folder to an album, files within subfolders are not included.
Menus

The Roxio Streamer Application includes menus that list all the things you can do with files, folders and albums. Move your cursor over an item to display its menu icon. Click the menu icon to open the menu. Examples of the menu icon are shown below.

![Menu Icon Example](image-url)
Preferences

Before you get too cozy with Roxio Streamer, make sure you take a tour of the Streamer Application preferences panel. This is where you’ll go to make all kinds of useful program modifications such as:

- Changing your password
- Adding new users
- Removing a photo as the application background
- Configuring your router and enabling remote access
- Purchasing a premium Roxio Streamer account

To open the Preferences panel:

- Click the Preferences icon on the application home page. (The toolbox icon in the illustration above)
- or
- Select Preferences from the Go To drop-down menu.

Tip: A separate, much smaller set of product preferences can be accessed from the Roxio Streamer Agent menu.
Premium features

If you would like to do even more with Roxio Streamer, premium subscriptions are available with the following additional features:

- Access Roxio Streamer from your smartphone
- Push photos to your Facebook or Flickr accounts
- Unlimited user accounts
- Secure file transfer
- Share digital media with digital photo frames and other RSS clients remotely
- View photos as a Cooliris picture wall

To upgrade your version of Roxio Streamer:

1. Open the Roxio Streamer Application preferences panel. See Preferences on page 14 for more information.
2. In the Administration area, click Roxio Streamer Premium Subscription.
3. Click Get Roxio Streamer Premium now.
Getting help

In addition to this guide, the following sources of help are available:

- **Tip of the Day**: A useful tip is displayed each time the Roxio Streamer Application opens. This feature can be turned on or off from the application Preferences panel. See *Preferences* on page 14 for more information.

- **Product support**: Our support site offers helpful articles, product updates, and tools for configuring your system to use Roxio Streamer. From the Home page of the Roxio Streamer Application, click the *Help* menu and select *Roxio Streamer Support* or browse to: http://support.roxiostreamer.hipserv.com.