VOXFORGE

Activation Guide

System Requirements

• Windows 10 or 11 (64-bit)

• 4 GB RAM minimum — 8 GB recommended

• 500 MB free disk space

• Internet connection for activation only (not required after)

What's Included

• VoxForge installer (.exe) — provided via download link after purchase

• This Activation Guide

• User Manual (separate document)

• Your Machine ID — displayed automatically on first launch

Step 1 — Run the Installer

• Double-click the VoxForge installer .exe you received after purchase

• If Windows Defender SmartScreen appears, click **More info** then **Run anyway**

   This is expected behavior for independent software. VoxForge is safe to run.

• Follow the on-screen prompts. Default path: C:\Program Files\VoxForge\

Step 2 — Launch VoxForge

• Find VoxForge on your desktop or Start menu and double-click to launch

• On first launch, the **Activation Screen** will appear automatically

• Do NOT close this screen — your Machine ID is displayed here

Step 3 — Note Your Machine ID

• Your Machine ID is a unique code tied to your hardware

• It is displayed prominently on the Activation Screen

• Write it down or use the **Copy** button to copy it to your clipboard

Step 4 — Email Angry Pig Productions

• Send an email to **sales@angrypig.studio**

• Subject line: **VoxForge License Request**

• Include: your Machine ID and your PayPal order number or confirmation email

• You will receive your license key within 24 hours (usually much faster)

Step 5 — Enter Your License Key

• Paste your key into the **License Key** field on the Activation Screen

• Click the **Activate** button

• If successful, VoxForge will launch immediately

• If you received a license file (.key), use the **Browse** button to locate it

Problem: "License file not found" on every launch

Solution: Your license key file may not be saving to the correct folder. Email sales@angrypig.studio with your Machine ID and we will send a corrected file.

Problem: Activation says "Invalid license"

Solution: Double-check you pasted the full key including all dashes. Keys use the format XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX-XXXX (6 groups of 4 characters).

Problem: Windows SmartScreen blocks the installer

Solution: Click "More info" then "Run anyway". This is normal for independent software publishers. VoxForge does not have an expensive code-signing certificate, not a virus.

Problem: "No microphone detected"

Solution: Go to Settings and select your microphone from the dropdown. Make sure Windows has granted microphone permissions to VoxForge in Windows Settings > Privacy.

Problem: Machine ID changed after a hardware upgrade

Solution: Contact sales@angrypig.studio. We issue one free re-activation per license for hardware changes.

Get Set Up in 5 Minutes

- Open VoxForge and click the **Settings** button in the left sidebar

- Select your microphone from the **Microphone** dropdown

- Choose a Whisper model: **base** is recommended for most users — *tiny* = fastest, *medium* = most accurate

- Add your AI API keys if you plan to use AI-enhanced features (optional — Gemini free tier works without payment)

- Pick a mode: **Author Mode** for prose, **Creator Mode** for structured content, **Command Mode** for voice editing, **Dictation Mode** for fast plain transcription

- Press **Record** and speak naturally

Questions? Email **sales@angrypig.studio** and include your order number.