Software Management

Kev Terms

Activate: Entering a serial number or an activation key provided with the product packaging or electronic confirmation notice to make installed software work. (Mod1-205)

End user license agreement (EULA): A summary of the terms and guidelines for legal use of a software program. (Mod1-204)

Freeware: Software the developer makes available to users free of charge. (Mod1-207)

Mobile app: An app that is designed for a handheld computer such as a tablet or smartphone. (Mod1-190)

Public domain software: The only type of software that is not copyright-protected. (Mod1-207)

Registry: A database of information about a computer's configuration. (Mod1-195)

Setup program: A program included with software to guide the user through the installation steps and prepare the software for use on a computer. (Mod1-190)

Shareware: Software that is distributed free of charge as a download on the Web. (Mod1-206)

Single-user license: A software license that gives only one person the right to install and use the software. (Mod1-204)

Site license: A software license that allows multiple users to access the software at the same time; usually sold to organizations. (Mod1-204)

Software license: A legal agreement that specifies how software can be installed and used. (Mod1-204) **Software registration:** Involves identifying the user to the software manufacturer as the person who purchased a copy of the software. (Mod1-205)

System recovery disk: A disk (typically a CD or DVD) created to make sure the user can start the computer and access recovery tools if something goes wrong with the operating system. (Mod1-202)

Uninstaller: A tool similar to a setup program used to uninstall software. (Mod1-198)