

# Installing Standalone

The standalone version of eHour is installed using an installer, specific to your operation system.

## Windows

### Download eHour

At <http://ehour.nl/download/download.phtml> there is a separate 32-bit and 64-bit eHour download for Windows. The version must match the Java environment installed - when you installed a 32-bit Java environment on a 64-bit Windows OS you need to download the 32-bit eHour download. Nowadays it's most likely that you run a 64-bit version of Java, Windows and thus eHour.

### Install eHour

Using the installer, eHour will be installed as a service. The advantage of running eHour as a service versus starting it manually:

- automated recovery of eHour after a server restart
- reduced risk of shutting down eHour by accident

To be able to install eHour as a service, the installer needs administrator permissions.

When the installer finishes eHour is started automatically and accessible with your browser on <http://localhost:8000/>

## Linux

### Download eHour

Download the \*nix installer from <https://ehour.nl/download/download.phtml>

### Install eHour

You might need to make the downloaded installer executable with:

```
chmod +x ehour-1.4.2-standalone-unix.sh
```


When the installer finishes eHour is started automatically and accessible with your browser on <http://localhost:8000/>

The installer does create a service, eHour is started automatically after a reboot

## Apple

To be added

### Embedded database

 After installation the standalone version uses an embedded database. This embedded database is meant for evaluation purposes and not production environments.

When you use eHour in a production environment it's recommended to use MySQL or PostgreSQL as your database. Check here on how to configure an [external database](#).