Installing Libraries

3Shape Dental System 2025

Dental Designer · Build 25.4.0
Step-by-Step Guide
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Current Version

The current version is **3Shape Dental System 2025, Build 25.4.0**, released on 3 August 2026. Dental Designer is part of Dental System. A 2026 version had not yet been released as of this guide.

Build	Released	Remarks
25.4.0	03.08.2026	Current; offline mode for cloud license restored
25.3.0	20.04.2026	Fewer runtime errors in Dental Designer
25.2.1	21.02.2026	Fixes the certificate/login error of 18.02.2026

> **Note:** Before installing, check the installed version in Dental Manager. At least Build **25.2.1** should be installed, otherwise login and the cloud license may fail.

There are two ways to install a library:

- **Option A – Download Center** (recommended): load libraries directly in the Control Panel.
- **Option B – .dme file**: import the manufacturer's file via Import/Export.

STEP 1

Preparation

- ☐ **Check license:** The required library must be activated on the dongle or cloud license.
- ☐ **Correct version:** Always download .dme files for Dental System 2025 from the manufacturer.
- ☐ **Backup:** In the Control Panel, under **Import/Export**, export the current settings.
- ☐ **Remove old version:** Many manufacturers recommend deleting an older version of the same library first.
- ☐ **Save your work:** Save any open designs and close Dental Manager.

STEP 2 – OPTION A

Installation via the Download Center

The Download Center in the Dental System Control Panel is the preferred method for implant libraries.

1. Open the **Dental System Control Panel** (desktop shortcut or from Dental Manager).
2. Under **Tools**, click **Download Center**.
3. In the **Topic** dropdown, select **Download libraries**.
4. Tick the libraries you need.
   - Libraries shown in grey are not activated.
   - Activation via the Site Connection Administration Tool, your reseller or support@3shape.com.
5. Click **Import** and wait until the import is complete.
6. Click **Save** and close the Control Panel.
7. Check: the library appears in the Control Panel under **Implant Systems** and in the order form.

Importing a .dme file

If the library is not in the Download Center, the manufacturer usually provides a .dme file. It contains implant systems, materials or accessories.

1. Download the `.dme` file for Dental System 2025 from the manufacturer and unzip it if necessary.
2. Open the **Dental System Control Panel**.
3. Under **Tools**, click **Import/Export**.
4. Select **Import Materials**.
5. Navigate to the `.dme` file, select it and click **Open**.
6. Click **Import**, wait until everything is loaded, and confirm with **OK**.
7. For multiple files, repeat steps 4 to 6.
8. Close the Control Panel and confirm saving with **Yes**.
9. Optional: under **Implant Systems** → **Implant System Categories** → **Add**, create a category so the library is quick to find in the selection.

Note: Some .dme files contain no data but set up a download service from the manufacturer (e.g. Ivoclar). The Control Panel then downloads the data itself.

Tip: Imported materials and libraries appear in the respective sections of the Control Panel. The import history can be viewed under **Import/Export**.

STEP 3

Troubleshooting

Problem	Cause	Solution
Library greyed out in Download Center	Not activated on dongle/license	Activation via Site Connection Administration, reseller or support@3shape.com
“No subscription for this application”, login error	Certificate error from February 2026	Update to Build 25.2.1 or later
Library missing after import	Control Panel not saved	Repeat import and save when closing
.dme cannot be imported	File for wrong Dental System version	Request the file for Dental System 2025 from the manufacturer
Implant not in order form	No category assigned	Add under Implant System Categories

If problems persist, contact your 3Shape reseller or the implant manufacturer's support.

APPENDIX

Useful Links

- 3Shape – Dental System Release Notes
- 3Shape – Implant library from the Download Center

- 3Shape – Importing .dme files
- 3Shape – Dental System issue of 18.02.2026