



# Installing a PestaRoo Update on a Mac Server

We frequently send out updates to PestaRoo. This document describes how to install updates so as to protect your data and quickly get back to work. These are instructions for offices running FileMaker Server on a separate Mac OS X computer.

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## Overview

Updating your copy of PestaRoo running on a server is a different process than updating PestaRoo running on a regular computer. Running PestaRoo on a server gives us some very powerful advantages, including run for LOTS of users (up to 250) but doing an update takes a few more steps. If you are running PestaRoo on a server you will have a separate application called FileMaker Server, in addition to all your copies of FileMaker Pro running on individual machines. If you do not have FileMaker Server, then this support doc is not for you.

The short quick list, is that we will make sure everyone is out of PestaRoo, stop the Server application/ process, make backups, run the update manager, rename files, and then restart the Server.

There is nothing to do on each of the client machines.

## Why Update?

We know it is a bit of a pain to update computer solutions. You should know that everyday we are working to improve PestaRoo. We are always looking for way to make PestaRoo make your business easier to run and to boost profits. Those companies that consistently upgrade PestaRoo and work to use the new features are always more successful and profitable.

## Moving Update Files to Server

Before you can start, you need to move the update files to your Server machine. They may or

may not be zipped. Unzip (if necessary, by double clicking it) the archive and put the two docs onto the desktop of the computer running FileMaker Server.

## Stopping Server

Before you can update your copy of PestaRoo, you need to Quit FileMaker on each users machine and then stop Server itself. Also remember to Quit FileMaker on any remote machine that may be connected.

To stop Server, go to the dock and launch FileMaker Server Admin. Click on “(localhost)” to select it, and then click “Connect...” button. This brings up the summary window of Admin. Notice that you have a “Server” menu at the top of your screen. From this Server menu, select “Stop FileMaker Server” and then “yes” to the ‘are you sure’ dialog. After a few moments you will be notified that FileMaker Server has indeed been stopped. Now we can do the update. It is a good idea to also quit FileMaker Server Admin at this time.

## Preparing to Update

From the “Go” menu, select “Applications”. This will open the “Application” folder. Inside here you will find another folder called FileMaker Server 8.0 (or some other number.) Then go into Data, then Databases. In this folder you should see PestaRoo.fp7. This is the actual database that we want to update.

Drag your two update files “New\_PestaRoo” and “Update Manager” into the same folder so they are beside PestaRoo.

Drag the two FileMaker items into the PestaRoo folder so that you can see all three files: NEW\_PestaRoo.fp7, PestaRoo.fp7, and Update Manager.fp7, all in the same directory.

## Making the Backup

Before we update our version of PestaRoo, we always make a copy of it in case something goes wrong in the update process or we need to roll back to that previous version for “who-knows-what-for” reason. To make this copy, it is very important that PestaRoo be closed.

## Make Copy of PestaRoo

In your documents folder there should be a folder called “PestaRoo Folder” and inside that folder is one called “Archive.” Make a copy of PestaRoo.fp7. Put this new copy inside the archive folder and rename it. Name it based on today’s date. For example, ‘PestaRoo January 15 of 2008.fp7’ or something similar. Notice that we are not using any punctuation and only words. Also notice that the name clearly states when we last used that version. Okay? So now you have a copy of PestaRoo sitting in its normal location AND you have an identical copy of it in your archive folder that has been renamed to today’s date. We will permanently store this dated archival copy in the Archive folder. (After many updates, you will have many different archival copies.)

Many people take this time to burn a separate backup copy to CD for long term storage. This is always a good idea. It is highly advised.

## Running The Updater

Now that we have backup, lets go back to the databases folder where we have our three files. Double click on Update Manager. This will launch Filemaker and take you to an updating screen with a single button. Click on this one button and the Update Manager will transfer your data into the new version. So, sit back and watch. If you have a small company this will take a few minutes. If you have a larger company it may take thirty minutes or more. When it is finished a message will be displayed on your screen that the update is complete. Click on the button to exit or quit the application.

## Renaming and Deleting Files

At this point the Update Manager has moved all of your data from your copy of PestaRoo to the NEW\_PestaRoo. All we have to do now is to rename the main file, clean up a bit, and you’ll be ready to go.

Delete the file Update Manager. Also, since we have moved your data into the NEW\_PestaRoo, we can (and must) delete the file PestaRoo. We are deleting this file because it is the old structure that we no longer need. Lastly, rename the NEW\_PestaRoo.fp7 to just plain PestaRoo.fp7. In other words, take off the ‘NEW\_’. That will leave you with only one Filemaker document in the folder.

Close the Database folder.

## Restart Server

Now you are ready to Restart FileMaker Server. Go to the dock and re-launch Server Admin. Click on “(localhost)” and “Connect”. It will then tell you that you have a connection failure because Server is not running. Click “Connect”, or “yes” to start the Server.

## Conclusion

With these very few steps you have updated PestaRoo. As you may have already noticed describing the process is far more complicated than just doing it.

In summary you Stopped Server, unzipped the archive, dragged the two Filemaker files into your Database folder, made a backup, and double clicked on the Update Manager. The Update Manager transferred the data. You renamed the files. And restarted Server. That is all you have to do to do an update.