

# **DidiSoft WHOIS Client for .NET**

## **Version 1.4**

## About

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DidiSoft WHOIS Client for .NET is a 100% managed library with no external dependencies.

## Features

The library provides simple API for performing recursive and one time WHOIS queries for domain names.

## Setup

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### Library files

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The library consists of one .NET DLL file, located at the **Bin** folder in the installation folder.

1) DidiSoft.Whois.dll

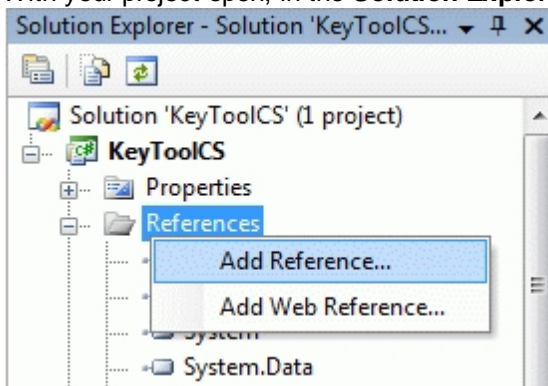
It must be referenced in your project and distributed with your software in order the library to work.

### Add a reference

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To use the class library in **Visual Studio**, you need to add a reference to the [class library DLL](#) file from within your project.

With your project open, in the **Solution Explorer** right click the project and click **Add Reference....**



Click the **Browse** tab and browse to the [class library DLL file](#) (it should be in the **\Bin** directory where you have installed the Library) Once the reference has been added you can refer to the various classes from within your project by adding an import directive for the library **namespace**:

#### C#

```
using DidiSoft.Whois;
```

#### VB.NET

```
Imports DidiSoft.Whois
```

## Deployment

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The class library's runtime is royalty free which means it may be freely distributed with your application.

The only files that should be distributed with your application is the [class library DLL file](#).

**Alternative way** to reference the [library file](#) is to place it in the **GAC** (Global Assembly Cache).

To install it in the GAC you can use the command line tool **gacutil** that ships with the .NET Framework SDK. Below are shown sample executions of gacutil that install the DLL file:

```
gacutil.exe /i DidiSoft.Whois.dll
```

## Production

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Please follow these instructions in order to **switch from the evaluation version of the library to the production**

**version** after a successful purchase. The same process should be applied also for upgrade to a newer version of the library.

You will receive an order confirmation email with details on how to download the production copy of the library. In the production ZIP archive there is a **\Bin** folder where the production [library DLL files](#) are located.

### Library Files in the application folder

**Replace** the evaluation version of [the library DLL files](#) with the files from the **\Bin** folder of the production copy, **rebuild and redeploy** your application.

### Library Files installed in the GAC

If you have **installed** the evaluation [library DLL files](#) in the **Global Assembly Cache (GAC)**, please first **remove** them from there, and afterwards **install** the production [library DLL files](#)

To **check** are there any versions of the DLL files in the GAC you can use the command line tool **gacutil** that ships with .NET Framework SDK

```
gacutil.exe /l DidiSoft.Whois
```

To **remove** the already installed evaluation version you can type:

```
gacutil.exe /u DidiSoft.Whois
```

The same commands can be use to switch to a newer production version.

If you have any trouble with the replacement of the evaluation copy with the production one, do not hesitate to [contact us](#).

## Examples

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All the examples below are available online at our web site:

<http://www.didisoft.com/examples/net-pgp-example/>

and as [Visual Studio solutions](#) located in the **Examples** folder within the library ZIP package.

## Example Applications

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The class library ships with an example applications located in the **Examples** folder in the distribution package. You will need to rebuild the applications prior to running them. Below is a list with a short description of these applications:

**WhoisUICS** – WinForms C# application

**WhoisUIVB** – WinForms VB.NET application

## Licensing

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The End User **License Agreement** for DidiSoft WHOIS Client for .NET Version 1.4 is located in the folder **\License** in the file **EULA.rtf**.

The production version of the library can be distributed **royalty free without limitation** in binary form.

# Support

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## Technical support

To receive general information or **technical support**, please contact us at [support@didisoft.com](mailto:support@didisoft.com).

## Sales

For questions related to **sales**, volume licensing, or OEM licensing, please contact us at [sales@didisoft.com](mailto:sales@didisoft.com).

## Updates

If you have purchased the library you can access our [Customers' Portal](#) where you can **download new versions**.

## Newsletter

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If you have any **ideas, wishes, questions** or **criticism**, don't hesitate to contact us. We will be glad to hear from you.