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SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS AND INSTALLATION

Collidescope needs JDK 1.3 or higher. It is intended for use on Microsoft Windows 95, 98 (1st or 2nd edition), NT 4.0 with Service Pack 5, ME 2000, Professional 2000 Server, 2000 Advanced Server, or XP operating systems running on Intel hardware. Collidescope’s database was created in Microsoft Access.

- **Unzipping.** To install Collidescope, unzip collidescope.zip to the root directory (C:\). This creates a directory named Collidescope containing 3 directories: bin, library, and database. The database directory contains the Microsoft Access database, db2.mdb. Bin contains the class files for Collidescope. The library directory contains the XML repository and the JESS rules.

- **Database Setup.** Navigate the root installation directory of Collidescope (C:\Collidescope) and double click on one of the following two files depending on which operating system you are currently running:
  
  - CollidescopeWin2k.reg
  - CollidescopeWinXP.reg

  If a different version of Windows is being used, consult the Microsoft website for details on setting up an Access database. ([http://msdn.microsoft.com/office/understanding/access/default.aspx](http://msdn.microsoft.com/office/understanding/access/default.aspx))

- **Rule Engine** The rule engine is implemented using JESS. It comes pre-compiled within the Collidescope package and requires no additional set-up other than a working Java Runtime Engine (see next step).

- **Java Runtime Engine.** To run Collidescope, you must have a working JRE installed. You can obtain one from visiting the sun website at [http://java.sun.com/j2se/](http://java.sun.com/j2se/) and downloading the latest version.

  Collidescope has been tested using the jdk1.3, 1.4, and 1.5 versions and should be compatible with others.

- **Launching.** To start Collidescope, double click on the file named “Collidescope.bat” located in the root directory of the Collidescope installation.