Installing and Configuring The Edge (Workstation)

Best Practices

➢ Install and configure the server first, then the workstations.

➢ All computers must be running the same version of The Edge. If you are installing a new workstation, consider which version to use:

- o If you have many workstations already running, it may be more efficient to download an installer that matches your current version (bottom left of main Edge screen).
- o If you are due to update anyway, you may wish to update all computers now (including the server) to the latest version.

➢ Review the System Requirements document for hardware and software requirements **PRIOR to installation**. Failure to do so **may cause errors** preventing you from completing installation.

Downloading the Software

To download the latest version of The Edge:

1. Navigate to www.edgeuser.com and login. If you do not have a login, contact Edge Support to register.
2. Click the **Downloads** link at the top and select the desired version.
3. Verify the computer has the necessary prerequisites, then click the link at the bottom to continue.
4. Find the desired version, then download the **EdgeSetup** file.
5. Allow the download to complete.

Software Installation

The Edge must be individually installed on each PC that you intend to use. The same installer is used for every computer regardless of whether it is a workstation or the server.

There is no limit to the number of times you can install the software. However, there is a limit to how many workstations can access the software simultaneously. This is defined by the number of workstation licenses purchased. Additional can be added at any time; contact our Sales department for more information.

To install:

1. Run the **EdgeSetup** file downloaded earlier. If prerequisites are missing, the installer will provide prompts to download and install them.
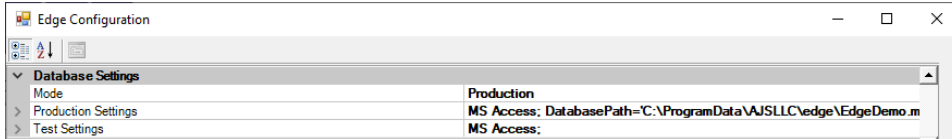2. Continue through the installer using the **Next** button.

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It is recommended you use the default install path. This is <u>not</u> where the database resides. It is only the location of the application itself.

3. Once it completes, click **Finish.**

Software Configuration

This computer will be designated as a workstation and will connect to the database shared on the server over the network. All other workstations will access the database on this computer over the network.
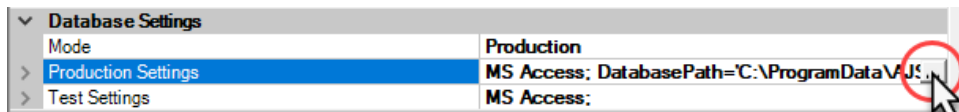
1. Click **Start > Abbott Jewelry Systems > Configure The Edge**. The **Edge Configuration** window will open.
2. Find the section labeled **Database Settings**. This is where you will specify the location of the database.
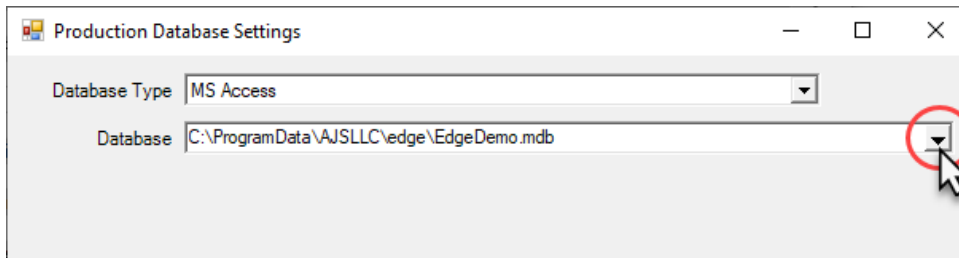

There are two sets of database settings: **Production** and **Test**.
- **Production** is for the live database.
- **Test** is useful for training. When **Test** mode is used, a large watermark will appear on the screen to alert the user this is not the live database.
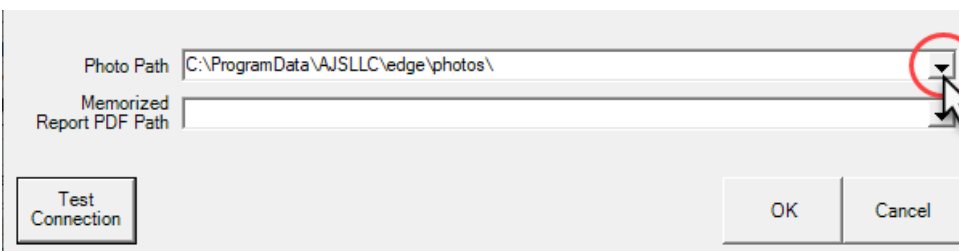
3. Click on the **Production Settings** line, then click the browse button (three dots).

4. Click the drop-down next to **Database**, browse across the network to the shared folder on the server, and select the database.
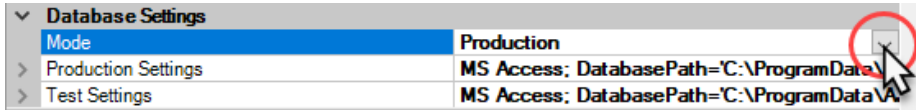

5. Click the drop-down next to **Photo Path**, browse across the network to the shared folder on the server, and select the **Photos** folder.

6. Optionally, if you are setting up a test environment for training/testing, repeat steps 3, 4, and 5 for **Test Settings**.
7. Find the section labeled **Station ID**.

8. Each computer, including the server, must have a unique **Station Number**. If you do not intend to use The Edge on the server, you can re-use its station number on another workstation. Note that you would not be able to open The Edge on the server while the other workstation is in use, and vice-versa.

9. **Store Number** will default to 1. If you are a multi-store setup, change this to your store number.

10. If you have specified both **Production** and **Test** settings, use the drop-down next to **Mode** to choose which database to use when you start The Edge. You can choose **Production**, **Test**, or **Ask_When_Starting** if you want to choose between the two each time you launch the application.

11. Click **OK** to save your changes.