

Everquest Project 1999 Getting Started/Setup Guide

****This Document was authored in 2015. While I have tried to keep it up-to-date, some aspects may no longer work due to updates to the P99 client. If there are known issues, please make suggestions and I'll update this guide accordingly!
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General Info:

Project 1999 is a free to play, emulated classic Everquest server that provides a nostalgic experience for those wishing to relive the old days of Everquest as it was between 1999 and 2001.

1) Server Information

Project 1999: Scars of Velious

This is the primary server, inheriting all base nicknames such as 'p99', 'p1999', and more specifically 'blue' (When being compared to PvP). This is a Non-PvP (PvE) Server.

This server is currently up to the Velious expansion..

Project 1999: Red (PvP)

This is the PvP Server, nicknamed 'red1999', 'red99', 'p99red', or simply 'red'.

This server is a copy of the blue server.

Preface - Before starting the setup process, if an antivirus software/program is running on your computer, it will need to be disabled until the end of this guide. Avast, Norton, & McAfee are notorious for mistaking setup files for malware and deleting them. After setup is complete, you will need to add the entire EQEMU folder to the exclusion list inside your antivirus so it will not scan it. When you launch EQ, if it says you're missing setup.dll, that means the antivirus got into your folder and deleted stuff. You will need to repeat step 3 from this guide to remedy your EQ setup.

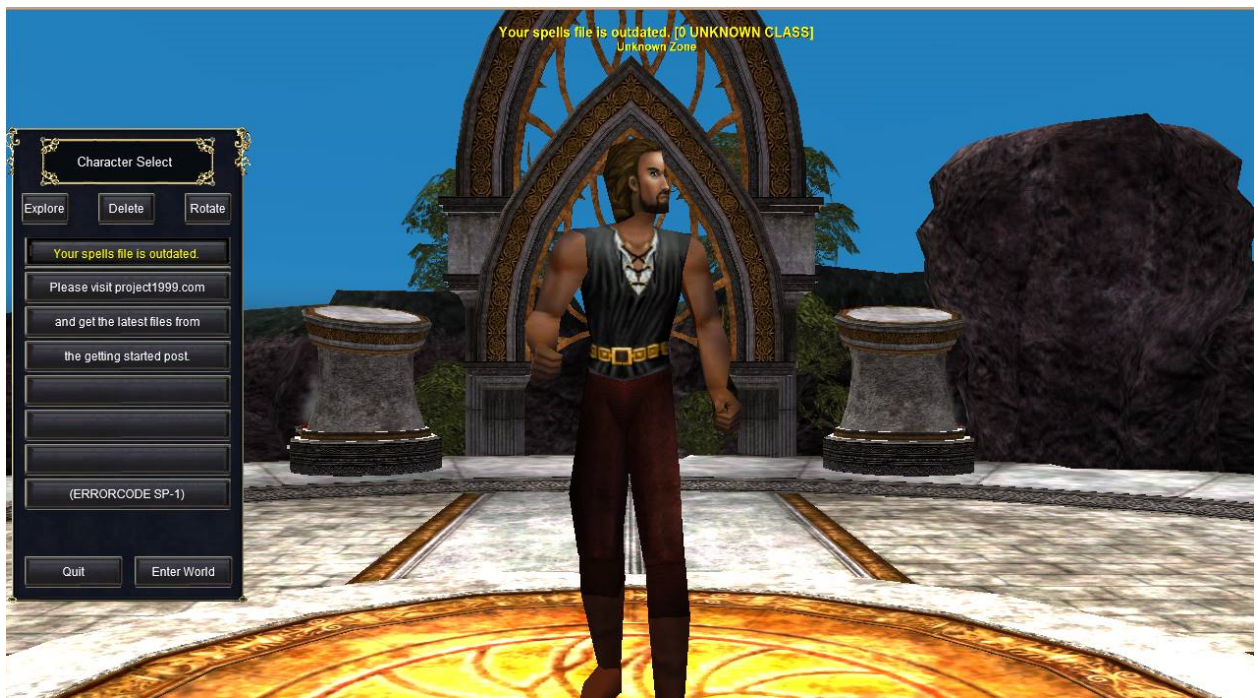
1. First, get started by creating the two accounts required to play on P99. There are two distinct accounts that must be created before you can log into the game. The first is a forums account. A forums account alone can **not** be used to log into the game, but can be used to manage any number of Loginserver accounts which will let you log in and play, as well as post to the official forum/boards on the Project1999 website. Create your forums account here: [Account Setup](#). Please note that you will be required to validate your email address when registering. You are also strongly advised to attach an SMS Phone Number to your account for security reasons. Although this is not required, it is the **only way** to recover loginserver passwords. After you create your forums account, log in to it and proceed to creating the Login Server Account(LSA). This account information is directly linked and managed under your forums accounts and the information used to create the login account is what you will use to log into Everquest and play on the P99 servers. Create your LSA here: [Login Server Account](#).
2. A copy of EQ Titanium edition is required to play on P99, you do not need a valid CD key in order to play. You can download a copy of it here: [EQEMU](#) and unzip it to where you

want it to sit on your computer. This directory must be separate from any live Everquest installs. **NOTE: After unzipping the EQEMU folder, it is considered installed. You do need not need to run any installer program, daemon, etc.**

DO NOT START OR PATCH EVERQUEST. If you patch your Titanium install before finishing this guide, you will need to delete it and start over.

3. Once you've unzipped EQEMU, you will need to download the latest patch files from project1999.com or use the following direct link [Project 1999 Files \(V53\)](#). Unzip this and drag/drop all of the files & folders into your EQEMU folder. These files **must overwrite** any existing files encountered during the copy process.

Troubleshooting If you're seeing a screen like this when you log into the game, it means the patch files didn't properly copy over. Please repeat this step (3)



4. This step is intended only for people who did not download the copy of EQ provided in step 2 of this guide! Skip this step if you downloaded the game from this guide.

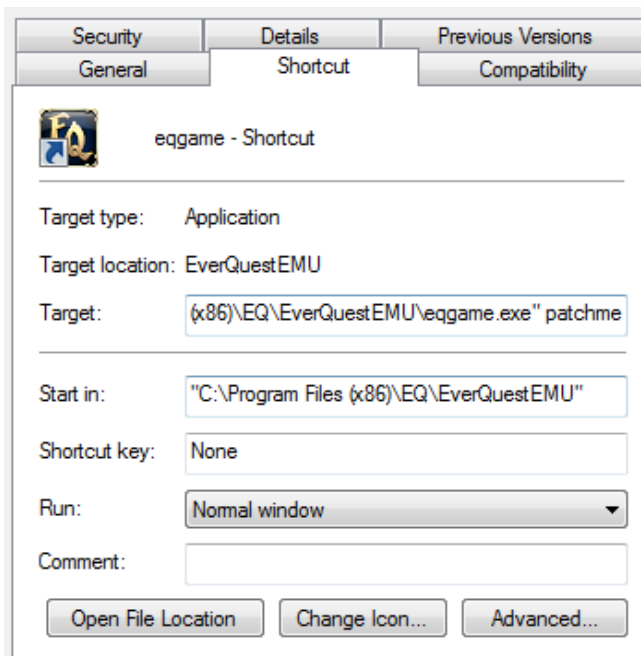
Once that is completed, the following files must be **DELETED** or **MOVED OUT OF** the Titanium directory:

arena.eqg
arena_EnvironmentEmitters.txt

lavastorm.eqg
nektulos.eqg
Nektulos_EnvironmentEmitters.txt

Failure to delete these files will result in problems accessing certain zones.

5. Next fix/create the launcher shortcut to start the game.
 - If you're repeating this step, I recommend deleting any of your old shortcuts (eqgame.exe-shortcut) so you don't get confused trying to launch the correct icon.
 - a. Navigate to your EQ game folder (wherever you installed/unzipped the game files), and find the file **eqgame.exe** and right click the eqgame file, select CREATE SHORTCUT. (be sure **NOT** to select the option *create shortcut and send to desktop*. For some reason using this instead of just create shortcut messes up pathing and won't work properly).
 - b. Right click on the newly created eqgame-shortcut and select the properties.
 - c. In the properties window, there is a box titled Target that has the file path in it. It should look something like C:\EQEMU\eqgame.exe (if your eqfolder was name EQEMU and if it is located directly under the C drive ... this location doesn't matter, this is strictly an example).
 - d. Add the word patchme to the end of the file path in the Target box. (be sure to put a space between the path and the word patchme) so it should look something like this C:\EQEMU\eqgame.exe patchme NOTE: if there are quotations surrounding the file path, put the patchme on the outside of the quotes. So .. "C:\EQEMU\eqgame.exe" patchme



- e. Click apply/ok to save & close the properties window. Move the new shortcut to your desktop and you're ready to go! Use that icon to launch EQ for p99.... Remember to **NEVER** launch "Everquest.exe" or patch the game. Doing this will require you to completely reinstall Titanium! **NOTE**: It is highly recommended to launch the game in administrator mode. You can do this simply by right clicking on the shortcut and selecting *Run as Admin*.

Enjoy playing on P99!

Troubleshooting/Additional Steps

If you run into memory errors when launching the game, it is because of two reasons. Most of the time, the resolution of the game doesn't match the config files, so you will have to manually change that in order to fix it. This not only fixes the error, but many times makes the game run much smoother and allow you to play at max resolution/fullscreen. Follow these steps to alter the resolution of the game.

1. Determine the native resolution for your monitor. (easiest way to do that is right click on the desktop anywhere and select Screen Resolution. Pull the values from there ... example, mine is = 1920x1080)
2. Navigate to your EQ game folder and look for the file eqclient.ini and open this up in a text editor ..notepad, etc
3. Scroll to the bottom of the file (or just search using ctrl+f) until you get to the [Video Mode] section, this is very close to the bottom of the file.
4. There are 3 pairs of width & height labels here that you have to change to match your monitors resolution. So the Video mode section would look something like this if you were using my current resolution.....

[VideoMode]

WindowedWidth=1920

WindowedHeight=1080

Width=1920

Height=1080

WidthFullscreen=1920

HeightFullscreen=1080

Save the file, and start up your game!

You can play with these values to customize the size of the game screen on your monitor if you play in windowed mode.

NOTE: There are more labels under the VideoMode section that have to do with frame rates and pixel, DO NOT CHANGE THESE values. I only showed examples of the labels that need to change under the VideoMode section.

If you're still getting memory errors on launch, it means the game is trying to run via multi-thread on multiple CPU cores when the original EQ was formatted to only use one. This can be fixed by right clicking on the shortcut icon, selecting the Compatibility tab, and changing the dropdown box to run in Window XP-Service Pack 3 mode.