

# **PS-API**

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## **Installation Guide for ActiveX**

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## 1. Preface

### 1.1. What's PS-API

PS-API is the software which is provided to help to develop the application to control Panasonic i-PRO Sensing Solutions Co., Ltd. made security products (Network cameras, Network Disk Recorders, Digital Disk Recorders, Network Interface Units) by the unified method and to get video image.

PS-API is provided as the ActiveX (OCX).

### 1.2. Trademarks and Registered Trademarks

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- PS-API provides interfaces for the application software that controls Panasonic i-PRO Sensing Solutions Co., Ltd. made security products (Network cameras, Network Disk Recorders, Digital Disk Recorders, Network Interface Units), and is not designed to protect against "theft" or "crime" independently.

- The provided sample programs are designed to instruct users how to use the SDK. They are not developed for the purpose of actual surveillance system.

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[5] Any claim or action for damages, brought by any person or organization being a photogenic subject, due to violation of privacy with the result of that surveillance camera's picture, including saved data, for some reason, becomes public or is used for the purpose other than surveillance;

#### 1.4. Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in these operating instructions.

Microsoft® Visual Basic 2005 is described as Visual Basic 2005.

Microsoft® Visual C# 2005 is described as Visual C# 2005.

Microsoft® Visual Basic 2012 is described as Visual Basic 2012.

Microsoft® Visual C# 2012 is described as Visual C# 2012.

Hereafter Network Camera is referred as Camera.

Hereafter Network Interface Unit is referred as Encoder.

Hereafter Network Disk Recorder is referred as NWDR.

Hereafter Network Disk Recorder (NX series) is referred as NX series.

Hereafter Digital Disk Recorder (HD300 series) is referred as HD300.

Hereafter Digital Disk Recorder (HD600 series, HD700 series) is referred as HD600/700.

#### 1.5. Open Source Software

This software is based in part on the work of the Independent JPEG Group.

## 2. System requirements

### 2.1. System Environment

The following table shows the PC specification that is needed for installing PS-API.

**Table 2-1 OS**

OS	Microsoft® Windows® 7 Professional SP1 32 bit Edition(*5)
	Microsoft® Windows® 7 Professional SP1 64 bit Edition(*5)
	Microsoft® Windows® 8 Pro 32 bit Edition(*2)
	Microsoft® Windows® 8 Pro 64 bit Edition(*2)
	Microsoft® Windows® 8.1 Pro 32 bit Edition(*2)
	Microsoft® Windows® 8.1 Pro 64 bit Edition(*2)
	Microsoft® Windows® 10 Pro 32 bit Edition
	Microsoft® Windows® 10 Pro 64 bit Edition
	Microsoft® Windows Server® 2008 R2 Standard SP1 (*1)(*5)
	Microsoft® Windows Server® 2008 R2 Enterprise SP1 (*1)(*5)
	Microsoft® Windows Server® 2012 Standard(*1)
	Microsoft® Windows Server® 2012 R2 Standard(*1)
	Microsoft® Windows Server® 2016 Standard(Desktop Experience)

**Table 2-2 Minimum System requirements**

Processor(*3)	Intel® Core™2 Quad 2.66GHz or more
Memory	2.0GB or more
Hard drive	10GB or more
LAN	100Mbps or more

**Table 2-3 Recommended system requirements**

Processor(*3)	Intel® Core™i7-4790
Memory	8.0GB or more(*4)
Hard drive	10GB or more
LAN	100Mbps or more

**(\*1) When using PS-API, it is necessary to install “Desktop Experience” to use Direct Show Filter functions.**

**(\*2) Modern UI is not supported.**

**(\*3) When displaying video on multiple screens, please use the recommended system requirements.**

**(\*4) Please use two same Memorys that dual-channel supported.**

**(\*5) Windows® Internet Explorer®9 or later is recommended.**



## 2.2. Development Environment

The following table shows the development environment list that is supported by PS-API ActiveX.

**Table 2-4 Development Environment**

Target	Development Tool
PS-API ActiveX	Visual Basic 2005 SP1
	Visual C# 2005 SP1
	Visual Basic 2012 (*1)
	Visual C# 2012 (*1)

(\*1) If you use Visual Basic 2012 or Visual C# 2012 in application development, please install the runtime component of Visual C++ 2012 library.

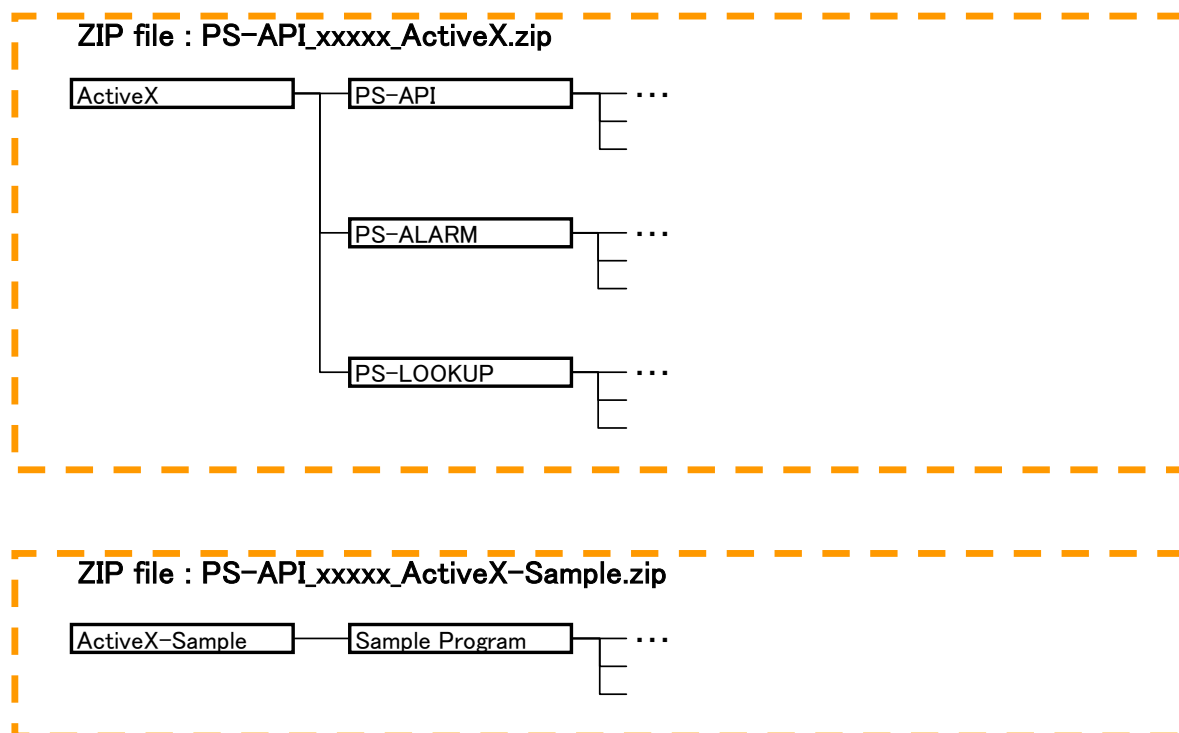
### 3. Setup

#### 3.1. Product

##### 3.1.1. Package Contents List

When unarchived PS-API\_XXXXX\_ActiveX.zip and PS-API\_XXXXX\_ActiveX-Sample.zip, there are the following expanding directories.

\* XXXXX : Version number



**Figure 3-1 The layout of ActiveX directory**

When using ActiveX type PS-API, please use the library files in PS-API directory.

When using ActiveX type PS-ALARM please use the library files in PS-ALARM directory.

When using ActiveX type PS-LOOKUP please use the library files in PS-LOOKUP directory.

- The layout of ActiveX directory

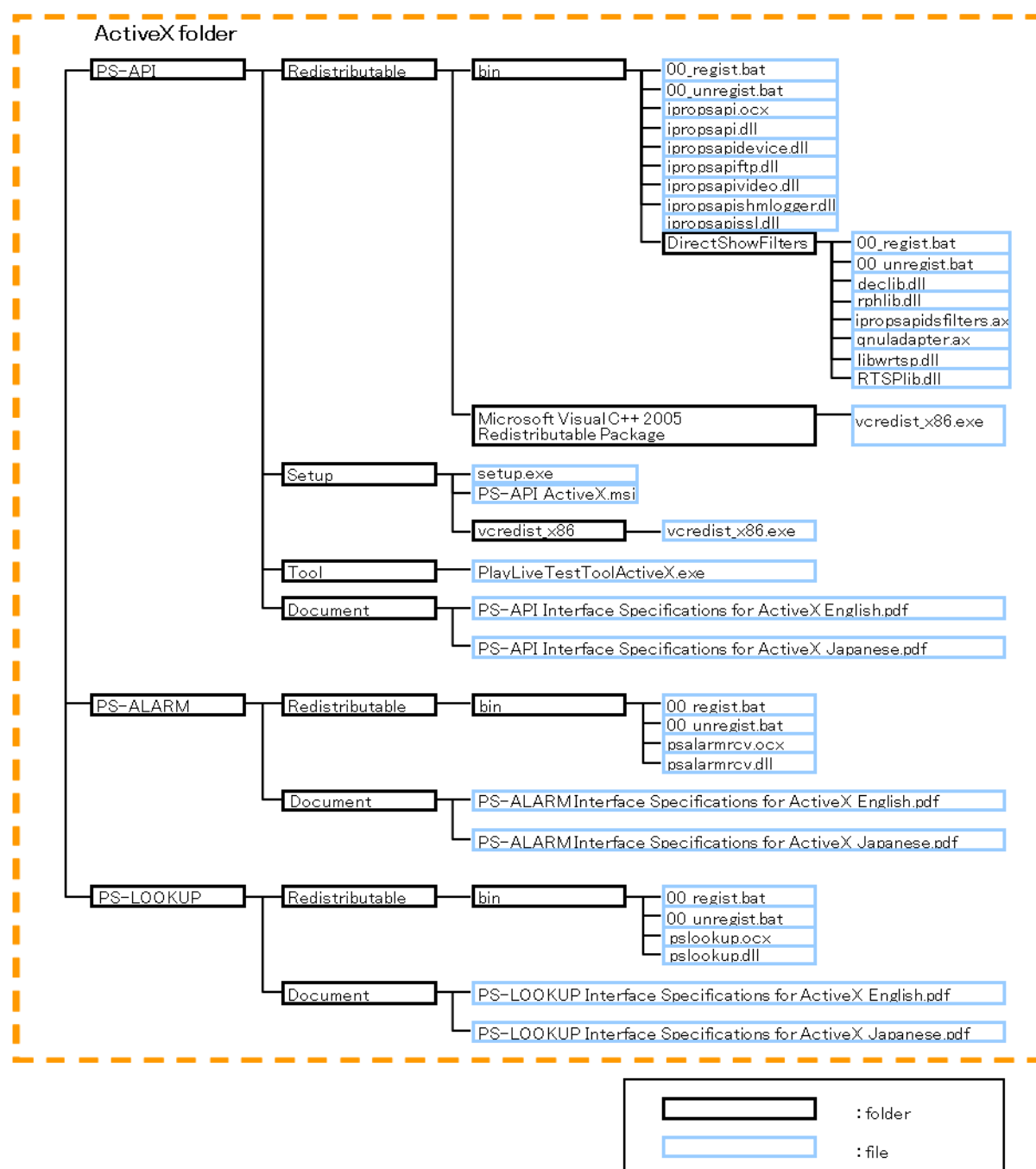


Figure 3-2 The layout of ActiveX directory

The overview of files included in each directory is as follows.

**Table 3-1 The Overview of Files**

Directory Name	Objective
PS-API¥ Redistributable	OCX files/DLL files Redistributable.
PS-API¥ Setup	Installer for ActiveX control and DirectShow filters. For development. <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>
PS-API¥ Tool	Test tool. By using this tool, you can confirm connecting to a target device with PS-API. <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>
PS-API¥ Document	The users manual. (This document) <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>

Directory Name	Objective
PS-ALARM¥ Redistributable	OCX files/DLL files Redistributable.
PS-ALARM¥ Document	The users manual. <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>

Directory Name	Objective
PS-LOOKUP¥ Redistributable	OCX files/DLL files Redistributable.
PS-LOOKUP¥ Document	The users manual. <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>

- The layout of ActiveX-Sample directory

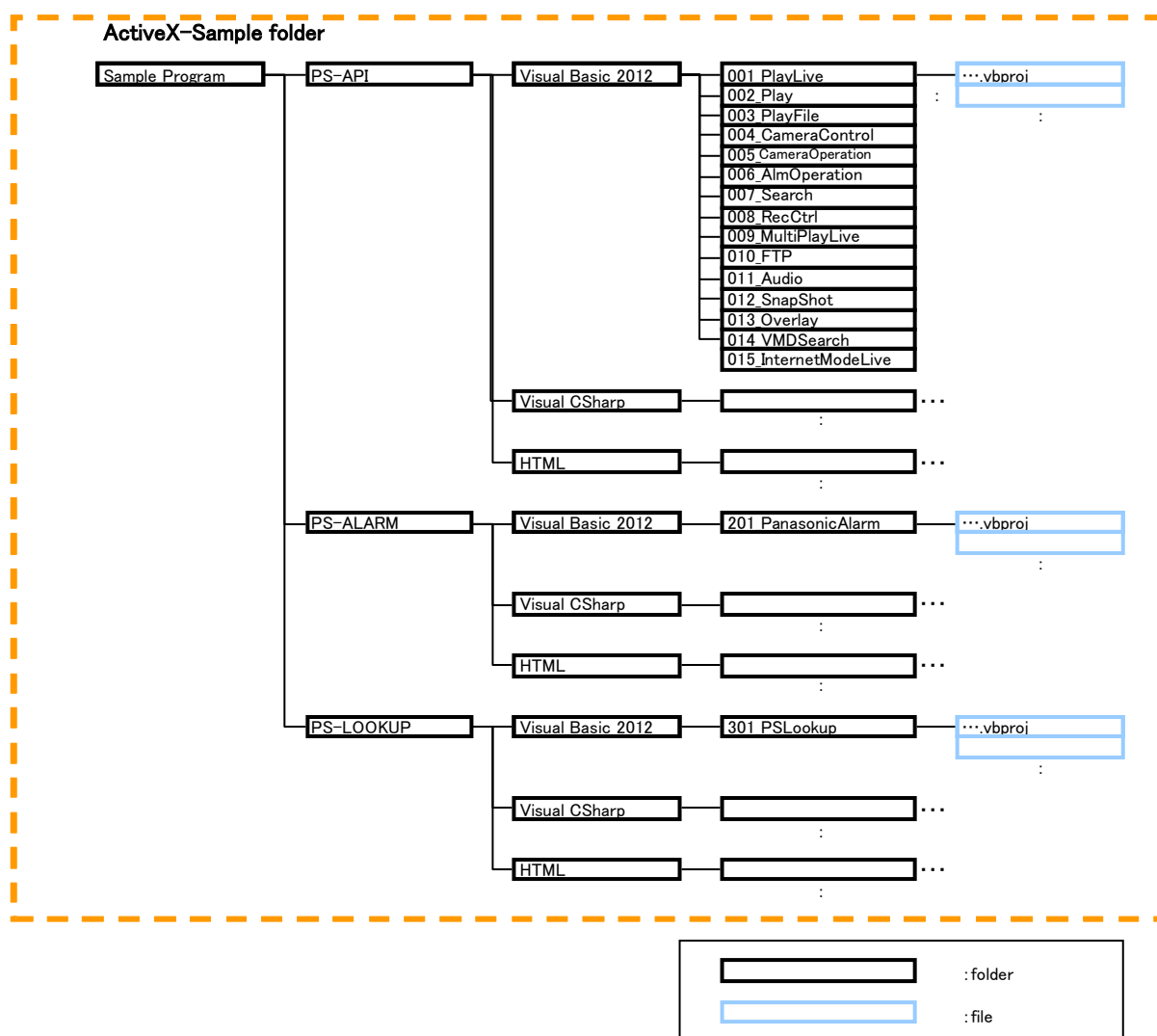


Figure 3-3 The layout of ActiveX-Sample directory

The overview of files included in each directory is as follows.

Table 3-2 The Overview of Files

Directory Name	Objective
Sample Program	Sample Programs. <b>NOT REDISTRIBUTABLE.</b>

### 3.1.2. Install Contents

When start to use this SDK, it is necessary to register ActiveX control and DirectShow filters. About the detailed description, refer to “3.2 Install Procedure”.

### 3.2. PS-API Install

Install this SDK with the following install procedure.

- \* **When installing the package, it is necessary to login to Windows with Administrator Authority account.**
- \* **If the different version PS-API has been already installed, please uninstall it (please refer to 3.3 PS-API UnInstall), then install the new one.**

#### [Development phase]

- (1) Install any ActiveX control from the following list to view the JPEG, MPEG-4, H.264 or H.265 video images.

(It is unnecessary to install all ActiveX controls.)

About install procedure of ActiveX control, please refer to the instruction manual for the device.

	JPEG	MPEG-4	H.264	H.265
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.265 and H264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.265)	Yes	-	-	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Not-supporting H.265 and H264)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Network Interface Unit (GXE500/GXE100)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Interface Unit (NT304/NT314)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Supporting H.265 and H264)	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Not-supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Digital Disk Recorder (HD600/700)	Yes	-	Yes	-

#### Important :

**It is no problem that all ActiveX control are installed.**

**If PS-API is used for only Digital Disk Recorder(HD300), this step (1) can be skipped.**

**When viewing the JPEG video image without the audio functions, the ActiveX package doesn't need to be installed. At that time, the audio function errors occur, but it is no problem to use the other functions.**

- (2) Execute "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Setup¥setup.exe", and follow the instructions of the installer.  
When installing it with default setting, the installer creates "C:¥Program Files¥Panasonic ¥PS-API ActiveX" folder, and then it copies and does registration the PS-API files.

#### Note :

**If Microsoft Visual C++ 2005 Redistributable(Visual C++ Runtime Libraries (x86)) installer runs, please follow the instructions of the installer.**

- (3) When completing steps (1) - (2), reboot the PC to complete the installation.

## [Operation phase]

- (1) Install any ActiveX control from the following list to view the JPEG, MPEG-4, H.264 or H.265 video images.

(It is unnecessary to install all ActiveX controls.)

About install procedure of ActiveX control, please refer to the instruction manual for the device.

	JPEG	MPEG-4	H.264	H.265
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.265 and H264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.265)	Yes	-	-	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Camera (Model : Not-supporting H.265 and H.264)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Network Interface Unit (GXE500/GXE100)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Interface Unit (NT304/NT314)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Supporting H.265 and H264)	Yes	-	Yes	Yes
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	Yes	-
ActiveX control for Network Disk Recorder (Firmware : Not-supporting H.264)	Yes	Yes	-	-
ActiveX control for Digital Disk Recorder (HD600/700)	Yes	-	Yes	-

### Important :

**It is no problem that all ActiveX control are installed.**

**If PS-API is used for only Digital Disk Recorder(HD300), this step (1) can be skipped.**

**When viewing the JPEG video image without the audio functions, the ActiveX package doesn't need to be installed. At that time, the audio function errors occur, but it is no problem to use the other functions.**

- (2) If Visual C++ 2005 SP1 doesn't be installed in the target environment, execute "vcredist\_x86.exe" that is in "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Redistributable¥Microsoft Visual C++ 2005 Redistributable Package" to install the runtime component of Visual C++ library.



(3) Register DirectShow filters

Copy all files in "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Redistributable¥bin¥DirectShowFilters" to the optional directory, and execute "00\_regist.bat" file at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

(4) Register OCX file.

Copy DLL files (ipropsapi.dll, ipropsapidevice.dll, ipropsapiftp.dll, ipropsapivideo.dll, ipropsapishmlogger.dll), "ipropsapi.ocx", "00\_regist.bat" and "00\_unregist.bat" in "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Redistributable¥bin" to the optional directory, and execute "00\_regist.bat" file at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

(5) When completing steps (1) - (4), reboot the PC to complete the installation.

### 3.3. PS-API UnInstall

Uninstall this SDK with the following uninstall procedure.

#### **[Development phase]**

- (1) Open "Uninstall a program" in "Control Panel".
- (2) Select " PS-API ActiveX " from the presently installed programs, and then click "Uninstall".  
Follow the uninstaller.
- (3) If necessity, uninstall "Microsoft Visual C++ 2005 Redistributable Package" from "Uninstall a program (Add or Remove Programs)" in "Control Panel".

### [Operation phase]

- (1) Unregister the OCX file from registry.

Execute "00\_unregist.bat" file in "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Redistributable¥bin " at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

- (2) Unregister the DirectShow filters from registry.

Execute "00\_unregist.bat" file in "ActiveX¥PS-API¥Redistributable¥bin¥DirectShowFilters" at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

- (3) If necessity, uninstall "Microsoft Visual C++ 2005 Redistributable Package" from "Uninstall a program (Add or Remove Programs)" in "Control Panel".
- (4) Delete all files that copied in install.

### 3.4. PS-ALARM Install

Install this SDK with the following install procedure.

- \* **When installing the package, it is necessary to login to Windows with Administrator Authority account.**
- \* **If the different version PS-ALARM has been already installed, please uninstall it (please refer to 3.5 PS-ALARM UnInstall), then install the new one.**

(1) Register OCX file.

Copy DLL file (psalarmrcv.dll), "psalarmrcv.ocx", "00\_regist.bat" and "00\_unregist.bat" in "ActiveX\PS-ALARM\Redistributable\bin" to the optional directory, and execute "00\_regist.bat" file at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

(2) When completing steps (1), reboot the PC to complete the installation.

### 3.5. PS-ALARM UnInstall

Uninstall this SDK with the following uninstall procedure.

- (1) Unregister the OCX filter from registry.  
Execute "00\_unregist.bat" file in "ActiveX\PS-ALARM\Redistributable\bin " at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

- (2) Delete all files that copied in install.

### 3.6. PS-LOOKUP Install

Install this SDK with the following install procedure.

- \* **When installing the package, it is necessary to login to Windows with Administrator Authority account.**
- \* **If the different version PS-LOOKUP has been already installed, please uninstall it (please refer to 3.7 PS-LOOKUP UnInstall), then install the new one.**

(1) Register OCX file.

Copy DLL file (pslookup.dll), " pslookup.ocx", "00\_regist.bat" and "00\_unregist.bat" in "ActiveX\PS-LOOKUP\Redistributable\bin" to the optional directory, and execute "00\_regist.bat" file at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

(2) When completing steps (1), reboot the PC to complete the installation.

### 3.7. PS-LOOKUP UnInstall

Uninstall this SDK with the following uninstall procedure.

- (1) Unregister the OCX filter from registry.  
Execute "00\_unregist.bat" file in "ActiveX¥PS-LOOKUP¥Redistributable¥bin" at command prompt with Administrator Authority account .

**Important :**

**When a character except the ASCII code is included in a file path, the files may be unable to register correctly.**

- (2) Delete all files that copied in install.