

Configuring PEAR on Windows

[PEAR](#) is the PHP Extension and Application Repository. Applications written in PHP often include references to external libraries and PEAR is a way to manage these. On Windows if PEAR hasn't already been configured log in to the server and run go-pear.bat in the PHP directory (C:\php in this case). This adds the PEAR settings to php.ini:

```
include_path=". ; C: \php\pear"
```

It also creates "pear.bat" which can be used to search for and install components. For instance:

```
pear search Requestpear install HTTP_Request
```

If you use the Apache Web Server after running go-pear.bat it's necessary to restart Apache (as with any other changes to php.ini).

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