

Changing the Default Directory in PC SAS

1. The initial SAS folder is governed by options in a file called **SASV9.CFG**. The first thing you have to do is find that file.
2. You will most likely find the file in **C:\Program Files\SASHome\SASFoundation\9.3\nls\en\sasv9.cfg**
3. Change the name of that file to **sasv9_old.cfg** (in case there are any problems - you have a copy)
4. Then open notepad and open that file (you will have to change it so notepad sees all files instead of just .txt files).
5. Add the following line at the top of the file (on a line by itself.) Do not change any of the other lines.

-SASINITIALFOLDER "Shared Folder Path"

Where "Shared Folder Path" is the name of the folder that you want to be the initial SAS folder – don't forget to put the quotes around the path name.

Example - The first 3 lines should look like this:

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/* set default locations                               */  
-SASINITIALFOLDER "Z:\Shared Windows Folder"  
-TRAINLOC ""
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1. Save the SASV9.CFG file to it's original location.

Start the SAS program can select File/Open Program to see if your new setting works. can select File/Open Program to see if your new setting works.