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## Frequently Asked Questions

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**[FAQ268] If I use Carlson Survey in the office, do I have to use SurvCE on my data collector?**

Nope.

Carlson Survey allows you to import, export and convert points and raw data from dozens of different formats and from a wide variety of manufacturers. Carlson Software, as a company, does everything within their power to make their software and hardware compatible with as many other manufacturers' products as possible. Carlson wants their users to have the option of mixing and matching their software and equipment in a way that works best for their individual needs.

Here are just two examples of many throughout the program allowing you to import, export or convert external data.

The Convert Point Format menu:

Explode Carlson Points
Convert Surveyor 1 to CRD
Convert CRD to TDS CRS
Convert TDS CRS to CRD
Convert CRD to LDD MDB
Convert LDD MDB to CRD
Convert LDT/Civil 3D to Carlson Points
Convert Carlson Points to Softdesk
Convert Softdesk to Carlson Points
Convert Carlson Points to C&G
Convert C&G to Carlson Points
Convert Carlson Points to Simplicity
Convert Simplicity to Carlson Points
Convert Leica to Carlson Points
Convert Geodimeter to Carlson Points
Convert Carlson Points To Ashtech GIS
Convert CAICE KCM to Carlson CRD
Convert PacSoft CRD to Carlson CRD
Convert Carlson Points to EaglePT
Convert EaglePT to Carlson Points

The Import Raw File menu:

C and G  
CalTrans  
Carlson  
EFB  
Fieldbook  
Geodimeter  
Horizon  
LandXML  
Leica  
Maptech  
MDL Laser  
Nikon  
PC COGO  
SDMS  
SME  
Sokkia SDR  
StarNET  
SurvCE Archive  
SurvCOGO  
SURVIS  
TDS  
Topcon  
Trimble  
3TAS  
Zeiss

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