The BEAT tool should be installed on the hard drive of a computer. It is not recommended for BEAT to be installed on a network as this will give very slow performance. It must also be noted that BEAT is not a multi-user application – more than one person simultaneously using the application from a network will cause an application failure.

The BEAT₂ tool has been designed to operate using

- Microsoft Access 2000.
- Excel (version 2000 or later)
- Adobe Acrobat

It will operate in Access 2003 but screen displays may be compromised. To avoid this, change the Windows Display settings to 'Windows Classic' (click Start button >> Settings >> Control Panel >> Display). Select 'Windows Classic' from the Themes dropdown box (on the Themes tab). The macro security settings on Access 2003 or above should be set to low (under Tools, select Macro, then Security and select low) or BEAT will not operate.

To install BEAT, unzip the BEAT_V2.zip file to a directory on your hard drive. A directory BEAT_V2 will be created. To run BEAT click on the file BEATV2.mde