

QSS - In the Beginning

How do I start my first class of the Quarterly Software Society?

Before downloading the first QSS lesson, be sure you have the three following “tools” installed on your computer:

PowerPoint Viewer – <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads>

WinZip - <http://www.winzip.com/>

Adobe Acrobat Reader - <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>

All of these programs are free and can be downloaded from the links above or from the links found on the QSS page of the BERNINA® USA website. They are essential for opening and viewing the files created for the QSS lessons and handouts. *Note: These programs will only need to be downloaded before the first lesson if you do not already have them installed on your computer. Once installed, you can use them for all subsequent lessons.*

How do I download the Quarterly Software Society lesson?

Download each lesson before beginning; create a folder to store the lessons by doing the following:

1. Turn on your computer and right mouse click on the Desktop.
2. Select New > Folder from the pop-up menu and name it “Quarterly Software Society”.
3. Create a subfolder (left click and select New > Folder); name it “Lesson One”. Now you’re ready to download the lesson.
4. Go to www.berninausa.com. Click on Online Classes.
5. Right mouse click on the desired lesson.
6. Select “Save Target As” – the lesson will start to download and then it will stop and let you say where you want it stored on your computer. This is where you select the folder you just created. You are also able to change the name of the file at this time, if desired
7. Now that it’s on your computer, unzip the file in the same location by double-clicking on the downloaded zip file. Select Extract to unzip the file and place them in the lesson folder you just created. You’ll notice that there are several files; the lesson file is the one with the .PPS extension. The designs needed for this lesson are here and the videos that are embedded will automatically run in the lesson because they are in the folder. *Note: Do not separate these files Extract them all into one folder.*

What do I need to work through the Quarterly Software Society?

All of the files you need for the lesson, including design files, are included in the zip file you downloaded from the BERNINA® USA website. In addition to these files, you will need your computer with the BERNINA® Embroidery Software loaded, the software owner’s manual, a printed copy of the QSS lesson, and paper and pen to make notes if needed.