Disabling the Change Button in the Feature-Selection Dialog Box

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Using the CustomSetup Dialog Box

By default, a Basic MSI project you create with InstallShield provides the user with a choice between Complete and Custom setup types. If the user selects the Custom setup type, the following feature-selection dialog box—internally called CustomSetup—is displayed.

When the user selects a feature, the user can use the Change button to modify the value of the feature’s destination property. If the feature’s destination is [INSTALLDIR], for example, the user can change the value of INSTALLDIR, which in turn changes where any components with the destination [INSTALLDIR] are installed.

A common requirement is to disable the Change button for particular features. To disable the Change button for a feature, select the desired feature in the Setup Design view or the Features view, and delete any value in the feature’s Destination setting.
After you rebuild the project, any user who selects the Custom setup type and selects your modified feature will be unable to change the feature’s destination.

For more information about the interaction between feature destinations and component destinations, see the InstallShield help topic “Component Destination vs. Feature Destination”.