Excel 2007, Excel 2010 Security and Add-Ins

When you attempt to open one of the Pearson Excel add-ins in Excel 2007/2010 you may be confronted with one of the following windows on the screen.

Microsoft Office Excel Security Notice	Microsoft Office Excel Security Notice
Microsoft Office has identified a potential security concern.	Microsoft Office has identified a potential security concern.
Warning: This digital signature is invalid and cannot be trusted. The macros will be disabled. File Path: C:\Program Files\ExcelOM3\ExcelOM3.xla	Warning: It is not possible to determine that this content came from a trustworthy source. You should leave this content disabled unless the content provides critical functionality and you trust its source.
Macros have been disabled. Macros might contain viruses or other security hazards. Do not enable this content unless you trust the source of this file.	File Path: C:\Program Files (x86)\ExcelOMQMv4\excelOMQMv4.xla Macros have been disabled. Macros might contain viruses or other security hazards. Do not enable this content unless you trust the source of this file.
Show Signature Details Irust all from publisher Enable Macros Disable Macros	More information Enable Macros Disable Macros

If the screen has the message on the left you will not be able to open the add-in without taking the following action. For the screen on the right, by clicking Enable Macros you will open the add-in but if you want to avoid the message and the extra click every time you open the add-in then if you **create a trusted location** this should accomplish what you want. Creating a trusted location will indicate to Excel to trust all macros from the folder in which the file resides and not to issue messages about security.

Create a trusted location

The following discussion has been modified from Microsoft's discussion of trusted locations for Office 2007, <u>http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/excel/HA100319991033.aspx</u> (last visited 8/1/11). For Office 2010 the only difference is in the first step.

- 1. In Excel 2007 click the Microsoft Office Button (and then click Excel Options on the bottom right of the window. In Excel 2010 click on the File Tab then click on Options in the bottom left of the window just above Exit.
- 2. Click **Trust Center**, click **Trust Center Settings**, and then click **Trusted Locations**.
- 3. Click Add new location.

IMPORTANT We recommended that you don't make your entire Documents or My Documents folder a trusted location. Doing so creates a larger target for a hacker to potentially exploit and increases your security risk. Create a subfolder within Documents or My Documents, and make only that folder a trusted location.

4. Click **Browse** to locate the folder. Depending on which Prentice-Hall Business Publishing software you have the folder will be given according to the following. Begin with the appropriate Program Folder and then append the appropriate subfolder for the add-in that accompanies the textbook.

	32 bit Windows	64 bit Windows
Program Folder	C:\Program files\	C:\Program files(x86)\

Please notice that the above selection refers to the bits for Windows, not the bits for your version of Excel.

Authors	Subfolder
Heizer/Render	ExcelOMQMv4 or ExcelOM3
Render/Stair/Hanna	ExcelOMQMv4 or ExcelQM3
Taylor	ExcelOMQMv4 or ExcelQM3
Balakrishnan/Render/Stair	ExcelModules
Krajewski	Prentice Hall\ OMExplorerKRM10 or Prentice Hall\ OMExplorerKRM9

For example, if you have a 64-bit Windows Operating System, are using the 10th edition or later of the Heizer/Render text then the trusted location should be

C:\Program files(x86)\ ExcelOMQMv4

- 5. Click OK.
- 6. Close Excel
- 7. Open Excel OM (or another add-in for which you have made a trusted location)

If you have problems then try searching for the following on the internet: Excel Trusted Locations