

# KNX Tools Software License Agreement

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- "ETS"
- "ETS Home"
- "ETS App"
- "Falcon"
- "Manufacturer Tool"

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- "ETS"
- "ETS App"
- "FALCON"
- "MANUFACTURER TOOL"

**KNX ETS App** Functional extension to the ETS developed by *KNX Association*

**Third Party ETS App** Functional extension to the ETS developed by a *KNX Member*

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