



HCA Tech Note 513

Apple Home Kit Support

This note is about using Apple HomeKit applications and the Apple Voice Assistant Siri with HCA. It assumes that you are running HCA Plus in client-server mode. You do not need a Cloud Account for this to function. It also is assumed that you have selected those devices, programs, and groups that you want to control using HomeKit applications and Siri and given them the friendly names you want to use.

Important Note: HomeKit support for HCA was not developed by the same people who created and maintain HCA and was based upon a large body of open source software. That's not to say that it isn't a quality implementation, but the level of support may not be quite the same as available for HCA. Also, it requires installation of several software packages onto the computer that executes the HCA Server. Again, there is nothing wrong with this, but it is different than how HCA installs.

The process to enable support for HomeKit is complex. Please follow the installation instructions in the linked PDF carefully.

[Getting Started with the HCA Plugin for Homebridge](#)