

## Experimental Nokia N900 Qt 4.7 Packages Now Available For Download

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As you may have already know, The [Qt 4.7 Beta1](#) was released today, and now I'm happy to inform you that a set of experimental Qt 4.7 packages is available for Maemo 5 as well for all those cutting edge folks that want to try out the newest stuff .

The purpose of the Beta release is to help us gather feedback on the quality of the 4.7 branch, particularly in terms of stability, performance and documentation. This will enable us to focus our resources on fixing those issues that concern users the most and to decide whether the next step towards the public 4.7.0 release should be a Release Candidate or another Beta.

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The final 4.7.0 release is scheduled for around mid 2010, pending feedback on the new features/designs, and the overall product quality.

If you would like to provide feedback, you can do so using the [Qt Bug Tracker](#) . If you want to contribute code, documentation or autotests to Qt, all the information you need to get started can be found at:

<http://qt.gitorious.org/>

Note: The packages now strictly require PR 1.2. Please only install them in the latest Scratchbox based SDK, which already ships a pre-release of PR 1.2. Once PR 1.2 is officially released (\*), the packages can also be installed on the device. MADDE and Qt Creator support is pending.

Following a request from the Maemo community, the experimental Qt packages were renamed from libqt4-maemo5 to libqt4-experimental. The packages still install to /opt/qt4-maemo5, so they don't clash with the device's Qt. This ensures that installing the experimental Qt 4.7 packages won't have bad side effects on existing apps.

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<http://chaos.troll.no/~harald/qt4-maemo5-4.7/20100505/>  
(all packages in one single tarball [here](#) )

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### How to install

We suggest to remove the old libqt4-maemo5 packages first:

```
fakeroot apt-get remove .*qt4-maemo5.*
```

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After downloading the experimental packages, install them with the `dpkg` utility:

x86 Scratchbox target:

```
fakeroot dpkg -i *i386.deb
```

ARM Scratchbox target:

```
fakeroot dpkg -i *armel.deb
```

### The road ahead

Once PR 1.2 comes with official support for the stable Qt 4.6.2 version, experimental Qt 4.7 snapshots will be pushed to the Maemo extras-devel repository. If everything goes well, the release after PR 1.2 will ship with Qt 4.7.x (where “x” is whatever patch release is available at that time).



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