



Adobe Acrobat DC and Adobe Acrobat 2017

The complete PDF solution.

Acrobat version comparison

See how Acrobat Pro DC subscription compares to previous versions.



Why upgrade to subscription?

Acrobat Pro DC subscription gives you more value than just the desktop software. With Acrobat Pro DC subscription, you get the latest Acrobat desktop software plus the Acrobat Reader mobile app enhanced with premium mobile features and Adobe Document Cloud services.

	Acrobat XI (perpetual)	Acrobat Pro DC (perpetual)	Acrobat Pro 2017 (perpetual)	Acrobat Pro DC (subscription)
Interact with PDFs				
Send, track, and confirm delivery of important documents electronically				●
View, interact, and comment on PDF content from your computer or mobile device		●	●	●
Work on touch-enabled devices		●	●	●
Store and share files online with instant access to recently viewed files		●	●	●
Access, edit, and store files in your Dropbox, Box, and Microsoft OneDrive Accounts		●	●	●
NEW Compare two versions of a PDF using an easy-to-scan results summary of all differences			●	●
NEW Open multiple PDFs in a single window with tabbed viewing			●	●
NEW Choose the default light theme or new dark theme			●	●
NEW Browse the Tool Center or use the search box to find tools quickly			●	●
NEW Initiate SharePoint-based shared reviews on Mac			●	●
NEW Instantly find the right tools through a task-based onscreen experience			●	●
NEW Give and get fast, clear feedback with the redesigned touch-friendly interface			●	●
NEW Use your finger or a hardware pen to draw and write more smoothly on PDFs on Windows 10 devices			●	●
NEW Preview files and use shortcuts to launch popular tasks and tools from the Home view			●	●
Create PDFs				
Create and export PDFs on your mobile device				●
Turn Adobe Photoshop (PSD), Illustrator (AI), or InDesign (INDD) files into PDFs				●
Create PDFs from any application that prints	●	●	●	●
Create, protect, and send PDFs in popular Office apps for Windows	●	●	●	●
NEW Create high-quality PDFs in Microsoft Word and PowerPoint for Mac in one click with the Acrobat ribbon			●	●
Combine multiple documents in one PDF file	●	●	●	●
Convert web pages to interactive PDFs, complete with links	●	●	●	●
Prevent others from copying or editing sensitive information in PDFs	●	●	●	●
Turn scanned documents into searchable PDFs with selectable text	●	●	●	●
Recognize text in scans, and then preview and fix suspected errors with a side-by-side view	○	○	●	●
NEW Scan paper to PDFs you can edit instantly with fonts that match the original			●	●
Automatically fix document photos to remove backgrounds and adjust perspective		●	●	●
Prepare PDFs consistently with guided Actions	●	●	●	●
Convert or validate PDFs for compliance with ISO standards like PDF/A or PDF/X	●	●	●	●
Create and validate PDFs to meet accessibility standards for people with disabilities	●	●	●	●
Edit PDFs				
Edit text and organize pages in a PDF on your iPad				●
NEW Add new lines to existing bulleted or numbered lists without reformatting			●	●
Edit text and images in a PDF with full-page paragraph reflow	●	●	●	●
Convert PDFs into editable Microsoft Word, Excel, or PowerPoint files with improved formatting accuracy	●	●	●	●
Convert PDFs to JPEG, TIFF, or PNG image formats	●	●	●	●
Insert, delete, and organize pages in a PDF	●	●	●	●
Add bookmarks, headers, numbering, or watermarks	●	●	●	●
Turn scanned paper documents into instantly editable PDFs	●	●	●	●
Automatically optimize PDFs to reduce file size, or customize settings first	●	●	●	●
Add audio, video, and interactive objects to your PDFs	●	●	●	●
Redact to permanently remove sensitive information in PDFs	●	●	●	●
Preflight and prepare files for high-end print production	●	●	●	●
Add bates numbering to legal documents	●	●	●	●
Sign and Collect				
Collect e-signatures from others and track responses in real time				●
Fill, sign, and send forms fast from your computer with smart autofill		●	●	●
Turn paper or Word documents into fillable PDF forms	●	●	●	●
Add comments to PDFs with a highlighter, sticky notes, and more	●	●	●	●
Mark PDFs with stamps, such as "approved" or "draft"	●	●	●	●
Work with certificate signatures	●	●	●	●
IMPROVED Digitally sign, certify, and verify documents more easily	○	○	●	●

○—Contains a portion of the capability

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See what Acrobat DC subscription—enhanced with premium features in the Acrobat Reader mobile app and Document Cloud services—can do for you.



Acrobat DC system requirements

Acrobat 2017 system requirements

	Acrobat Standard 2017 (perpetual)	Acrobat Standard DC (subscription)	Acrobat Pro 2017 (perpetual)	Acrobat Pro DC (subscription)
		BEST OPTION		BEST OPTION
Compatible with	Windows	Windows	Windows and Mac	Windows and Mac
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Deploy and manage across the organization				
NEW Use virtualization tools with named user licensing support for Citrix XenApp, Citrix XenDesktop, VMware Horizon, and Microsoft App-V		•		•
NEW Deploy Acrobat Pro, Standard, and Reader products and updates from your local server with Adobe Update Server Setup Tool (AUSST), and deploy automatically with Remote Update Manager (RUM)	•	•	•	•
Safeguard systems and data with application security and sandboxing technology	•	•	•	•
Customize features and settings with the Customization Wizard and Enterprise Toolkit	•	•	•	•
Deploy and update with Microsoft SCCM/SCUP and Apple Remote Desktop	•	•	•	•
Use virtualization tools with serialized deployment for Citrix XenApp, Citrix XenDesktop, VMware Horizon, Microsoft App-V, and Microsoft WTS	•		•	

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