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AutoCAD for Mac Installation provides instructions about how to prepare, and then install AutoCAD 2011 for Mac. If you have never installed the product before, you should familiarize yourself with the entire installation process and options before beginning.

Preparing for Installation

To prepare for installation, you should review the system requirements, understand administrative permission requirements, locate your AutoCAD for Mac serial number and product key, and close all running applications. Complete these tasks, and you are ready to begin installing AutoCAD for Mac.

System Requirements

The first task you need to complete is to make sure that your computer meets the minimum system requirements. If your system does not meet these requirements, problems can occur, both within AutoCAD for Mac and at the operating system level.

See the following table for hardware and software requirements.

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### Operating Systems

- The following versions of Apple® Mac OS® X are supported:
  - Leopard® - 10.5.8 or later
  - Snow Leopard® - 10.6.4 or later


### Web Browser

- Apple® Safari 5.0 or later

### CPU type

- 64-bit Intel® Processor

### Memory

- 3GB RAM
- 4GB RAM

### Hard disk

- 2.5 GB Free
  - 1 GB Download
  - 1.5 GB Installation
- 3 GB Free

### Graphics card

- All graphics cards of supported hardware
- All graphics cards of supported hardware

### Display resolution

- 1024 x 768 with True Color
- 1600 x 1200 with True Color

### Pointing device

- Apple® Mouse, Magic Mouse, Magic Trackpad, MacBook® Pro Trackpad, or MS-Compliant Mouse
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### Keyboard layouts

- U.S. (US)
- British (UK)
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**NOTE** Adobe Flash Player is not installed by default. If a version of Flash is not currently installed on your system, a message is displayed requesting that you install it. Flash Player can be installed from the product media or Adobe’s website - [www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com).

Administrative Permission Requirements

To install AutoCAD for Mac, you must have administrator permissions. You do not need to have domain administrative permissions. See your system administrator for information about administrative permissions.

You do not need administrator permissions to run AutoCAD for Mac. You can run the program as a limited user.

Locating Your Serial Number and Product Key

When you install AutoCAD for Mac, you are prompted for your serial number and product key in the Product and User Information page, or the option of installing the product in trial mode. You may enter your product information at any time during your trial mode period if you opt to install the product in that mode.

The serial number and product key are located on the outside of the product packaging, or in the Autodesk® Upgrade and Licensing Information email. Make sure to have these available before you install the program so that you don’t have to stop in the middle of the installation.

The serial number must contain a three-digit prefix followed by an eight-digit number. The product key consists of five characters.
The information you enter is permanently retained with the product. Because you cannot change this information later without uninstalling, take care when entering the information. To review this product information later, on the Mac OS menu bar, click AutoCAD ➤ About AutoCAD. In the About dialog box, click Product Information.

NOTE If you have lost your serial number or product key, contact the Autodesk Business Center (ABC) at 800-538-6401 for assistance.

Installing and Running the Product

To use the product, you must install the product, register and activate it, and then launch it. You must have administrative permissions to install AutoCAD for Mac.

Install the Product

The AutoCAD for Mac Installation wizard contains all installation-related material in one place. From the installation wizard, you can select an installation location, register your product, and customize the install.

NOTE It is recommended that you take the time to familiarize yourself with the documentation in this chapter before you install AutoCAD for Mac.
Install AutoCAD for Mac Using Default Settings

Using the default installation settings is the fastest way to install AutoCAD for Mac. A default installation does the following:

- Performs a Standard installation, which installs the most common application features.
- Installs AutoCAD for Mac to the default installation path of /Applications/Autodesk/<product name>.

To install the product using default settings

1. Start the AutoCAD for Mac Installation wizard.
2. On the Introduction page, click Continue.
3. On the License page, select a language from the Language drop-down list and review the Autodesk software license agreement. Click Continue and then click Agree.
4. On the Register page, enter your serial number and product key. Click Continue.

   **NOTE** Click Trial if you do not have a serial number and product key. You can change it later in the product after it is started.

5. On the Installation Type page, click Install.
6. If the Password dialog box is displayed, enter your password and click OK.
7. On the Summary page, click Close.

You have successfully installed AutoCAD for Mac. You are now ready to register your product and start using the program. To register the product, start AutoCAD for Mac and follow the on-screen instructions.

Install AutoCAD for Mac Using Custom Settings

With this method, you can customize your installation.

1. Start the AutoCAD for Mac Installation wizard.
2. On the Introduction page, click Continue.
On the License page, select a language from the Language drop-down list and review the Autodesk software license agreement. Click Continue and then click Agree.

On the Register page, enter your serial number and product key. Click Continue.

**NOTE** Click Trial if you do not have a serial number and product key. You can change it later in the product after it is started.

On the Installation Type page, click Change Install Location to display the Destination Select page.

On the Destination Select page, select the volume where you want to install the product and then click Continue.

On the Installation Type page, click Customize. Specify the following options:
- AutoCAD for Mac - Install the program to the specified volume.
- Add AutoCAD for Mac to Dock - Create a shortcut to the program in the Mac OSX dock.

On the Installation Type page, click Install.

If the Password dialog box is displayed, enter your password and click OK.

On the Summary page, click Close.

You have successfully installed AutoCAD for Mac. You are now ready to register your product and start using the program. To register the product, start AutoCAD for Mac and follow the on-screen instructions.

**Register and Activate AutoCAD for Mac**

The first time you start AutoCAD for Mac, the Product License Activation wizard is displayed. You can either activate AutoCAD for Mac at that time, or Try AutoCAD for Mac and activate it later. Until you register and enter a valid activation code for AutoCAD for Mac, you are operating the program in **trial mode** and the Product License Activation wizard is displayed for 30 days from the first time that you run the program.

If after 30 days of running AutoCAD for Mac in trial mode you have not registered and provided a valid activation code, your only option is to register...
and activate AutoCAD for Mac. You will not be able to run in trial mode after
the 30 days expires. Once you register and activate AutoCAD for Mac, the
Product License Activation wizard is no longer displayed.

The fastest and most reliable way to register and activate your product is by
using the Internet. Simply enter your registration information and send it to
Autodesk over the Internet. Once you submit your information, registration
and activation occur quickly.

To register and activate AutoCAD for Mac

1 On the Finder menu bar, click Go ➤ Applications.

2 In the Applications window, double-click Autodesk ➤ AutoCAD 2011 ➤ AutoCAD.

3 In the AutoCAD for Mac Product License Activation wizard, select Activate,
and then click Next.
This starts the activation process.

4 Click Register and Activate (Get an Activation Code).

5 Click Next and follow the on-screen instructions.
If you do not have Internet access, or if you want to use another method
of registration, you can register and activate AutoCAD for Mac in one of
the following ways:

Email Create an email message with your registration information and
send it to Autodesk.

Fax or Post/Mail Enter your registration information, and fax or mail
the information to Autodesk.

Launch AutoCAD for Mac

Assuming that you followed all of the previous steps outlined in this
installation section, you can launch AutoCAD for Mac and start taking
advantage of its new and updated features. For more detailed information
about the new features, learning videos, online Help, or AutoCAD for Mac
services and support, see the Welcome screen after you launch the product.
You can start AutoCAD for Mac in the following ways:

- **Dock shortcut.** When you install AutoCAD for Mac, an AutoCAD for Mac shortcut icon is placed in the dock unless you cleared that option during installation. Click the AutoCAD for Mac shortcut icon to start the program.

- **Application window.** On the Finder menu bar, click Go ➤ Applications. Then in the Applications window, double-click Autodesk ➤ AutoCAD 2011 ➤ AutoCAD.

### Uninstall AutoCAD for Mac

When you uninstall AutoCAD for Mac, all components are removed. This means that even if you've previously added or removed components, or if you've reinstalled or repaired AutoCAD for Mac, the uninstall removes all AutoCAD for Mac installation files from your system.

**To uninstall AutoCAD for Mac**

1. Close and quit AutoCAD for Mac if it is currently running.
2. On the Finder menu bar, click Go ➤ Applications.
3. In the Applications window, double-click Autodesk ➤ AutoCAD 2011 ➤ Remove AutoCAD.
4. On the Overview page, click Continue.
5. On the Options page, select Leave AutoCAD for Mac Preferences on My Computer to not remove your custom settings and files if you plan to reinstall the product later. Click Continue.
6. If the Password dialog box is displayed, enter your password and click OK.
7. On the Feedback page, choose a reason for uninstalling the program, enter your name, e-mail address, and a note to send to Autodesk in regards to the uninstalling of the product. Clear OK to Contact Me if you do not want Autodesk to reply to you about the feedback you supplied. Click Send.
8. Click Close to uninstall the program.
NOTE Even though AutoCAD for Mac is removed from your system, the software license remains. If you reinstall AutoCAD for Mac at some future time, you will not have to register and re-activate the product.
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