

ADOBE READER® AND ACROBAT®

9.5.3 RELEASE NOTES



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Overview

Release note revision history

Date	Description
Jan 8, 2012	First version

Description

This release is a quarterly update for the Acrobat and Adobe Reader products listed in the table below. The latest version is always available through the product's update mechanism, from the enterprise [FTP](#) site, and for some languages, from the [Reader Download Center](#).

Available installers

Windows 9.5.3

Product	Ver.	Type	Installer	Size	Language
Acrobat	9.5.3	Update	AcrobatUpd953_all_incr.msp	96.9 MB	All
Reader	9.5.3	Update	AdbeRdrUpd953_all_incr.msp	11.8 MB	All

Macintosh 9.5.3

Product	Ver.	Type	Installer	Size	Language
Acrobat	9.5.3	Update	AcroProUpd953_all.dmg	70 MB	All
Reader	9.5.3	Update	AdbeRdrUpd953_all_i386.dmg	7.6 MB	All
Reader	9.5.3	Update	AdbeRdrUpd953_all_ppc.dmg	6.8 MB	All

Language Support

Most quarterly updates and out of cycle patches (and any Acrobat update/patch) are language agnostic and can be installed over any product without regard to the language. For Reader on Windows, language-specific installers may be available from the [Reader Download Center](#) and the [ftp site](#) for some quarterly updates. In those cases, use the installer file name to identify the language for which the installer is intended.

Multilanguage (MUI) installers: Some releases include MUI installers that provide support for multiple languages and allow the user to configure the language at install time. These are only available on Windows and are identified by _MUI in the filename.

	Windows	Macintosh
Tier 1	English, French, German, Japanese.	English, French, German, Japanese
Tier 2	Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Brazilian Portuguese, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, Norwegian	Italian, Spanish, Dutch, Brazilian Portuguese, Swedish, Danish, Finnish, Norwegian
Tier 3	Chinese Traditional, Chinese Simplified, Korean	Chinese Traditional, Chinese Simplified, Korean
Tier 4	Russian, Ukrainian, Romanian, Turkish, Czech, Hungarian, Polish, Slovak, Croatian, Bulgarian, Slovenian, Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian (Reader only: Catalan, Basque)	Russian, Ukrainian, Romanian, Turkish, Czech, Hungarian, Polish

Definition of release types

Adobe defines each release type as follows:

- **Major release:** A major release associated with an incremented first number (e.g. 9 or 10) and an approximate 18 month product cycle. These are only available as separate purchases or upgrades.
- **Quarterly update:** A scheduled update that includes functional improvements, new security updates, and previously released out of cycle patch updates. For Reader patches can be either MSPs for Windows or DMGs for Macintosh. Full installers are MSIs/EXEs for Windows or DMGs/ZIPs for Macintosh.
- **Out of cycle patch:** An unscheduled update targeted at security fixes. These contain few functional updates with the intention to limit impact. These are usually non-cumulative patch files.

Note: Both quarterly and out-of-cycle updates provide security enhancements and fixes. Adobe recommends that all updates and patches be applied when available.

Deployment methods

Update order

Note: 10.x and later installers are cumulative. Migrating to newer product versions allows enterprise IT install the latest version with one update for Acrobat and one or two updates for Reader.

Windows

- Acrobat updates are never full installers. All updates must be applied in order with the exception that out of cycle patches are optional.
- Reader updates may or may not be full installers depending on the release type and language.
 - When using a patch MSP installer, apply the patch to the supported products and platforms that have already been upgraded to the latest quarterly or patch.
 - When using a full MSI installer, you can apply over any existing version.

Macintosh

- Acrobat updates are never full installers. Out of cycle security patches are not optional.
- Reader updates may or may not be full installers depending on the release type and language.

End user updates

End users typically get the latest product version by doing one of the following:

- Updating the product manually by choosing **Help > Check for Updates** (Win and Mac only).
- Letting the product update itself when an update is detected if the application is configured to do so (Win).
- Downloading the full Adobe Reader installers from the [Reader Download Center](#).

Enterprise updates

Administrators and IT typically manage software installations in enterprise settings as follows:

1. Download the enterprise installers from <ftp://ftp.adobe.com/pub/adobe/>. Available installers are listed on http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/498/cpsid_49880.html.
2. Installing updates via your preferred methodology such as AIP-GPO, bootstrapper, or SCUP/SCCM (Windows).

Note: In addition to offering cumulative installers, 10.x products support Apple Remote Desktop for Macintosh. For details, see the *Enterprise Administration Guide* on the [enterprise portal](#).

System requirements changes

This release supports the base system requirements. Any differences in those requirements are noted below. For the base **system requirements** and **language support**, see http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/837/cpsid_83708/attachments/Acrobat_Reader_SystemRequirements.pdf.

Change history: Support that has been added or removed since 9.3.2/8.2.2.

Version	Changes to base system requirements
8.2.2 and 9.3.2	None. Set the baseline.
9.3.3	Reader (Macintosh): Minimum browser is Safari 4.0.4 (instead of 3.0.4). Reader (Linux): Added support for Firefox 3.6.
8.2.3	Reader (Macintosh): No longer supports the G3 processor. Reader (Linux): Added support for Firefox 3.6.
8.2.4 and 9.3.4	None.
8.2.5 and 9.4	None.
9.4.1	None.
9.4.2	Added support for Safari 5.0.2 and OS X 10.6.6.
9.4.3	Added support for OS X 10.6.6.
9.4.4	None.
9.4.5	Added support for (none for 8.3.0): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safari 5.0.4 • OS X 10.6.7 • Firefox 4
9.4.6	Added support for (none for 8.3.1): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safari 5.0.5 • OS X 10.6.8
9.4.7	None.
9.5	None.
9.5.1	Added support for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firefox 10.0 (ESR) and Firefox 11 on Windows Dropped support for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firefox 3.6 on Windows
9.5.2	None.
9.5.3	None.

Compatibility and interoperability

For version-related information, see the following:

- Version interoperability and coexisting installations for 9.x: <http://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/kb/problems-installing-removing-acrobat-reader.html>.
- Web browser and PDFMaker-compatible applications (Windows and Mac): <http://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/kb/compatible-web-browsers-pdfmaker-applications.html>.

Improvements

Application Security

This release provides mitigations for vulnerabilities described in the security bulletin at <http://www.adobe.com/go/apsb13-02>.

Bug fixes

PDF's containing JP2K images fail to render and throw "Insufficient data for an image" dialog.

Known issues

For a list of current issues, see <http://helpx.adobe.com/acrobat/kb/known-issues-bugs-acrobat-reader.html>.

Product end-of-life schedule

As stated in the Adobe Support Lifecycle Policy, Adobe provides five years of product support as described here: http://www.adobe.com/support/products/enterprise/eol/eol_matrix.html#86. Under this schedule, 8.x products were "end of life" in November of 2011.

End of support means that Adobe will no longer provide technical support or distribute runtimes, including product and/or security updates, for all derivatives of a product or product version (e.g. localized versions, minor upgrades, operating systems, dot and double-dot releases, and connector products). Adobe strongly recommends that customers update to the latest versions of the product.

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