AutoCAD®
2010

Trial Download
Frequently Asked Questions

General

How do I learn how to use the AutoCAD 2010 software for this trial?
If you are already familiar with AutoCAD® software but would like an introduction to AutoCAD® 2010, check out the New Features Workshop, available when you first start AutoCAD. The New Features Workshop is a series of animated demos, tutorials, and feature overviews that will help you get up and running fast. It is also available from the Help menu, and online www.autodesk.com/autocad-nfw. If you are new to AutoCAD software or would like information about classes and courses in your area, please visit the Autodesk Authorized Training Center website at www.autodesk.com/atc.

How does this trial version differ from a purchased product?
Except for some licensing steps that you are required to take with the purchased AutoCAD 2010 product, there is no difference between the AutoCAD 2010 trial and the purchased product.

Can I get User Manuals for AutoCAD 2010 during the 30-day trial period?
No, manuals are not included with the trial version. To learn more about new features, you can use the New Features Workshop as your primary reference. You may also find the Help system to be a useful resource. The Help system is comprehensive and includes everything that is covered in the printed manuals, and more. The Help system is easy to use, as you can search quickly for the information you need. The Help system is available from the Help menu.

Does the AutoCAD 2010 trial software attempt to communicate with Autodesk?
No. However, you may initiate contact using some features within the product, but no personal information is transmitted through such a contact.

Trouble Downloading

If I can't download the AutoCAD 2010 trial software, how else can I get it?
If you are having trouble completing the download, you can register at www.autodesk.com/autocadtrialcd and have a trial DVD sent to you.

Availability

Who can use the AutoCAD 2010 trial?
Any person who completes the form and lives in the United States and Canada can use the AutoCAD 2010 trial. The trial download of AutoCAD 2010 may be available for download in other countries in the near future.

How many people can use the AutoCAD 2010 trial?
Only one AutoCAD 2010 trial is allowed per computer. That said, the trial software can be downloaded and installed on different computers and each will run for 30 days.

When does the AutoCAD 2010 30-day trial begin?
The 30 days begin when you run the AutoCAD software for the first time. To run AutoCAD 2010, double click the icon on your desktop or launch the application from your Microsoft® Windows® Start menu.

What counts as 30 days?
The AutoCAD 2010 trial runs for 30 consecutive calendar days from the moment you first run the application.

Can I extend my AutoCAD 2010 trial beyond the 30 days or sign up again for another 30 days?
No, only one 30-day period of the AutoCAD 2010 trial is possible per computer.

My trial download process was interrupted and I wasn't able to finish the download, what should I do?
You will need to re-register to initiate the download of the trial application again.

Do I have to uninstall the trial upon completion and before I install a purchased version of AutoCAD 2010?
Yes, it is recommended that you uninstall the trial prior to installing the purchased version of AutoCAD 2010.

What other Autodesk product trials are available?
Many Autodesk® products are available as trial versions. Please visit www.autodesk.com and select the product of interest to you to determine whether or not a trial is currently available.

Compatibility

Can I run AutoCAD 2010 side-by-side on my computer with older version of AutoCAD or other previously purchased Autodesk software?
Yes, AutoCAD 2010 is designed to run side-by-side with older versions of AutoCAD® software, enabling you to make a smooth transition to the new AutoCAD release. The migration features of AutoCAD 2010 help you make a smooth transition to the new release by automatically migrating customized menus, hatch patterns, linetypes, command short cuts, and AutoCAD profiles.

Can I uninstall the AutoCAD 2010 trial without affecting my other software products?
Yes, but you must not uninstall shared files when prompted.

Will I lose access to any data from my current AutoCAD software while I use the trial?
No. Installing and running the AutoCAD Trial will not affect data or your other software. Even if you choose to migrate the settings from a previous version of AutoCAD to your AutoCAD 2010 trial installation, the previous installations and data will be unaffected.

Platform and System Requirements

32 Bit Version

Description	Requirement
Operating system	Windows Vista® Enterprise, Business, Ultimate, Home Premium (SP1); Windows® XP Professional, Home Edition (SP2 or later) For more information on Windows Vista versions please see http://www.microsoft.com/windowsvista/versions
Browser	Windows Internet Explorer® 7.0 or later
CPU type	Windows Vista: Intel® Pentium® 4 or AMD Athlon® Dual Core, 3.0 GHz or higher

	with SSE2 technology Windows XP: Intel Pentium 4 or AMD Athlon Dual Core, 1.6 GHz or higher with SSE2 technology
Memory	Windows Vista: 2 GB RAM Windows XP: 2 GB RAM
Display resolution	1024 x 768 display with True Color
Hard Disk	1 GB free disk space for installation
Pointing Device	MS-Mouse compliant
Media (CD ROM vs. DVD)	Download and Installation from DVD or CD-ROM
3D Modeling additional requirements	• Intel Pentium 4 or AMD Athlon, 3.0 GHz or greater; Intel or AMD Dual Core, 2.0 GHz or greater • 2 GB RAM or greater • 2 GB free disk space available not including installation • 1280 x 1024 32-bit color video display adapter (True Color) 128 MB or greater, Direct3D®-capable workstation class graphics card

64 Bit Version

Description	Requirement
Operating system	• Windows Vista® Enterprise, Business, Ultimate, Home Premium (SP1) Windows® XP Professional x64 Edition (SP2 or later) For more information on Windows Vista versions please see http://www.microsoft.com/windowsvista/versions
Browser	Windows Internet Explorer® 7.0 or later
CPU type	AMD Athlon® 64 or Opteron® with SSE2 technology; Intel® Pentium® 4 or Xeon® with Intel EM64T support & SSE2 technology
Memory	Windows Vista: 2 GB RAM Windows XP: 2 GB RAM
Display resolution	1024 x 768 with True Color
Hard Disk	1.5 GB free disk space for installation
Pointing Device	MS-Mouse compliant
Media (CD ROM vs. DVD)	Download and Installation from DVD or CD-ROM
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Support

What if I have questions about AutoCAD 2010 during the trial?
There is no technical support available for the trial at this time. Please contact your local Autodesk Authorized Reseller. To locate a reseller near you, visit www.autodesk.com/reseller.

For general product information about AutoCAD 2010, visit www.autodesk.com/autocad.

To visit the AutoCAD discussion group, go to www.autodesk.com/autocad-discussion.

For general questions about AutoCAD 2010 software, please visit www.autodesk.com/autocad.

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