

ADOBE READER® AND ACROBAT®

9.4.2 AND 8.2.6 RELEASE NOTES



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OVERVIEW

Release date

February 8, 2010

Release note revision history

Date	Description
2/16/11	Added printing bug to interoperability section. Added Mac deployment details. Added support for Safari 5.0.2. Removed full installer info for Mac. Noted new Flash player is only for 9.4.2.

Description

This release is a quarterly update for the following products.

- **Adobe Reader:** [9.4.2](#) and [8.2.6](#) Windows and Macintosh for all [supported languages](#).
- **Acrobat:** [9.4.2](#) and [8.2.6](#) Windows and Macintosh for all [supported languages](#).

Download sizes

Update sizes vary by product. Approximate download sizes in megabytes (Rounded to the nearest MB and based on the ENU installer where more than one language is provided):

Product	Windows	Macintosh
Acrobat patch 8.2.6	42	32
Reader patch 8.2.6	MSP: 4	(PPC/i386) 2
Acrobat 9.4.2	81	122
Reader 9.4.2 full installer	n/a	n/a
Reader 9.4.2 patch installer	11	PPC: 19 i386: 19

Definition of release types

Adobe defines each release type as follows:

- **Major release:** A major release associated with an incremented first number (e.g. 8, or 9) 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, these can be either patches or full installers.
- **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 may provide security enhancements. Adobe recommends that all updates and patches be applied when available.

Reasons to update

This release provides enhancements, better stability, performance, and security. See [Improvements](#) and [Fixed Bugs](#) below for a complete list.

Deployment methods

- Acrobat updates are never full installers. All MSP updates must be applied in order.
- Reader updates may or may not be full installers depending on the release type and language.
 - For this release, apply a Windows patch over the last quarterly (9.4) or security patch (9.4.1). For Mac, apply the patch over 9.4.1.
 - When using a full installer, you can apply over any existing version.

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).
- For new installs, downloading the full Adobe Reader installers from the [Reader Download Center](#).

Enterprise updates

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

1. Download the enterprise installer from <ftp://ftp.adobe.com/pub/adobe/reader/>.
2. Installing updates via your preferred methodology such as AIP-GPO, bootstrapper, SCUP/SCCM (Windows), or Apple Remote Desktop or SSH (Macintosh).

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**, go [HERE](#).

For changes from the 9.3.2 baseline, see the table below.

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.

8.2.6 and 9.4.2	Added support for Safari 5.0.2.
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Compatibility and interoperability

Printing bug: Some users are experiencing printing issues with 9.4.2 as described here:

http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/891/cpsid_89178.html.

For version-related information, see the following:

- Compatibility overview page: http://www.adobe.com/devnet/reader/articles/reader_compatibility.html.
- Version interoperability and coexisting installations, see <http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/333/333223.html>.
- PDF-capable web browsers: <http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/333/333504.html>.
- PDFMaker-compatible applications (6.x - 9.x on Windows and Mac): <http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/333/333504.html>.

Improvements

Security

The Acrobat team is aggressively fixing security vulnerabilities and hardening the application. While these cannot be itemized here, users should note that this release contains important security enhancements.

Flash

This release installs an updated Flash Player for 9.4.2.

Navigators and Portfolios

9.4.2: A new runtime and other enhancements improve performance and stability.

Updating and Patch Workflows

- Patching Acrobat 8 or Acrobat 9 or both simultaneously using ARM or SAI is supported on Macintosh.
- Patching from a different admin user than the owner does not interfere with launching the application on Macintosh.
- Updating 8 or 9 will not interfere with future updates of 10.x.

Bug fixes

2640732: Embedded Reader crashes IE7 web browser when closing web application window via a button.

2794802: Internet Explorer crashes when user tries to login to Acrobat.com

2774881: A Review workflow continuously asks for resources from Acrobat.com in spite of Acrobat.com responding with a 304.

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