

ADOBE READER® AND ACROBAT®

9.4.4 RELEASE NOTES



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OVERVIEW

Release date

April 21, 2011

Release note revision history

Date	Description
4/21/11	First version

Description

This release is a security out-of-cycle patch for the products listed in the table below.

Note: A Reader patch for Windows is not being released because Reader X with Protected Mode enabled is not subject to the associated vulnerability.

Available installers

Product	Version	Installer type	Size	Language support
Windows				
Acrobat	9.4.4	update (MSP)	3.71 MB	All
Reader	9.4.4	update (MSP)	3.67 MB	
Macintosh				
Acrobat	9.4.4	update	14 MB	All
Reader (ppc)	9.4.4	update	6.98 MB	All
Reader (i386)	9.4.4	update	7.47 MB	All

Language Support

Out of cycle patches are language agnostic and can be applied over any language-specific product. The same is true for most updates, but some full installers (quarterly updates only) may be provided for specific languages. In those cases use the installer file name to identify the language for which the installer is intended.

Some releases include full, chained installers for certain languages from the [Reader Download Center](#) and the ftp site. When this is true, they will be highlighted in **red** below.

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. 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 provide security enhancements and fixes. Adobe recommends that all updates and patches be applied when available.

Reasons to update

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

Deployment methods

- Acrobat updates are never full installers. All updates for any platform must be applied in order.
- Reader updates may or may not be full installers depending on the release type and language.
 - When using a patch installer, apply the patch to the supported products and platforms that have already been upgraded. This patch can only be applied over 9.4.3.
 - 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).
- 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 <http://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).

3. **Note:** 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.

Compatibility and interoperability

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 (Windows and Mac): <http://kb2.adobe.com/cps/333/333504.html>.

Improvements

Security

This security patch primarily provides vulnerability mitigation. For information, see: <http://www.adobe.com/support/security/advisories/apsa11-02.html>

Flash

This release installs an updated Flash Player for reasons associated with the bulletin above.

Bug fixes

This is a security update only.

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