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Adobe® Illustrator® CS3
ReadMe for updated DXF/DWG plug-in.

This document describes the updated DxfDwg.aip plug-in for Illustrator CS3. It also covers installation requirements and installation instructions.

About this DXF/DWG plug-in:

This updated plug-in creates layers in Illustrator CS3 corresponding to the layers in the dxf or dwg file and imports the objects in the corresponding layer. However, because of differences in the way layers are treated in Illustrator and AutoCAD, object stacking order may change after importing a dxf or dwg file with this plug-in.

Install this plug-in only if you want to maintain the layer hierarchy while opening a dxf or dwg file in Illustrator CS3.

Installation Requirements:

To use the DWF/DWG plug-in, you must have Illustrator CS3 13.0 or greater for Mac OS or Windows® installed (Illustrator CS3 runs on Mac OS software versions 10.4.8 & 10.5. or Windows® XP with Service Pack 2 or Windows Vista™® certified for 32 bit editions).

Installation Instructions:

1. Quit Illustrator CS3 if it is running.
2. Navigate to the "Illustrator Formats" folder in the Illustrator CS3 installation folder (On Windows, the path to this folder is typically "C:\Program Files\Adobe\Adobe Illustrator CS3\Plug-ins\Illustrator Formats" and on Macintosh it is "/Applications/Adobe Illustrator CS3/Plug-ins/Illustrator Formats"). Please be aware that the path names might be different on your machine if you have installed a non-English version of Illustrator CS3. In this case, please navigate to the appropriate corresponding folder.
3. Remove the existing DxfDwg.aip file from this folder and move it to another folder outside of the Illustrator application directory. This should be done in order to save the existing file as a backup. If you keep the original plug-in inside the Illustrator directory, you will get a confusing dialog when opening a dxf or dwg file. Place this backup of the original file back in the folder mentioned above if:
 - a. You wish to revert to the original Illustrator CS3 functionality of dropping layers on opening dxf or dwg files in order to preserve object stacking order.
 - b. You wish to upgrade to a more recent Illustrator CS3 update in future.
4. Once you have removed the original DxfDwg.aip plug-in in the "Illustrator Formats" folder, you can add the new DxfDwg.aip plug-in. (For Mac users, the plug-in is packaged inside a DMG file. Please mount this DMG and copy the DxfDwg.aip file to the appropriate folder.)
5. Launch Illustrator CS3

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