



Autodesk View® Release 2.0

DEMO VERSION

Read Me -- IMPORTANT!

This demo version offers all the functionality and features in the regular Autodesk View 2.0 program. However, after 30 days the program will be disabled and you will receive information on how to order the product if you wish to continue using it.

This document contains last minute information for Autodesk View 2.0. This information is not included in the User's Guide or online Help.

User's Guide Notes

Fonts

- The AutoCAD® shape file "Ltypeshp.shx" changed from AutoCAD Release 13 to Release 14. This could cause linetypes that use this shape file to display differently than they did previously. If you prefer them to look the way they did in previous releases of Autodesk View or AutoCAD R13, map the font "Ltypeshp.shx" to "LTypeR13.shx".

File Associations

- The first time Autodesk View is run, it assumes the DWG, DXF, and DWF file associations. Use the Autodesk View Registry Tool to reassociate these file extensions with other Autodesk applications.
- You may experience some difficulties with file associations when upgrading from Autodesk View 1.x to 2.0. If you do, do the following:
 - In the "File Types" section of the options dialog, move all file types to the left list.
 - Press "OK" to close the options dialog
 - Open the options dialog again to the "File Types" section
 - Move all of the file types you want to open with Autodesk View to the "Open with View:" list.
 - You may need to use the Autodesk View Registry Tool for the DWG, DXF, and DWF file associations.
- If you use the Autodesk View Registry Tool to set DWG files to open in AutoCAD Release 14, two copies of AutoCAD may load when a DWG file is clicked in Microsoft® Internet Explorer.

Snap Magnet

- If the snap magnet feels too strong, set the aperture size smaller. It will weaken the magnet effect.

Internet Proxies

- You may experience some difficulties viewing externally referenced drawings (XREFS) and external images if you connect to the drawing source via a proxy server and are using Microsoft Internet Explorer 3.x. If this is a problem, we suggest you upgrade Microsoft Internet Explorer to version 4.0.

Internet Servers

- In some cases, when Autodesk View is configured to load DWF files as an ActiveX DocObject in Microsoft Internet Explorer, the drawing may load in an external Autodesk View session instead of inside Microsoft Internet Explorer. This appears to be a server-side issue and is still being investigated.

Send Mail

- If you are using Microsoft Internet Explorer 4.0 with View, use the shortcut menu to send files and related documents. Using the one from Internet Explorer's file menu will not send related documents and may convert the drawing to ASCII before sending.
- You may experience problems sending hybrid (raster + vector) files when you open the raster file (and the vector via autopaste). Open the vector file directly, and you will be able to send the externally referenced (raster) files.

Temporary Files

- When using Autodesk View to view certain file types (most notably dwf files with embedded images), you may notice some temporary files in your "temp" directory. If you do not have a proper "temp" directory or do not have enough space to store these temporary files, Autodesk View may stop responding.

AutoCAD Redlining Import Tool

- If you have multiple configurations of AutoCAD, each with its own config directory and ACAD.LSP file, and you want to use Redlining Import Tool with each, do the following:
 - Install Autodesk View Redlining Import Tool to a separate directory (specify it in place of the AutoCAD Support directory).
 - After installation, edit each configuration and add the directory to which you installed the tools to your AutoCAD support path.
 - Use Notepad to edit each of your ACAD.LSP files and add the entry (load "aview.lsp").
- If you use R14 and have the Redlining Import Tool installed, you may see the message "A menu with that MENUGROUP name already exists.". This message is generated when AutoCAD loads the Redline menu and the entry is already in the registry from a prior time. All redline functions should work properly, however.
- In certain situations, it is possible that, when attaching redlines in AutoCAD R13, mapped network drives do not appear in the "Drives" list of the "Choose Redline File" dialog box. When this happens, click the "Network" button and then the "Cancel" button in the "Network Drives" dialog box. Your network drives should now be accessible.
- If you are using the AutoCAD Redlining Import Tool with Mechanical Desktop R 2.0, you must rename the redlines to have a ".dwg" file extension.

Upgrading the Demo

- When you purchase Autodesk View 2.0, uninstall the demo before installing the new product.

Demo Expiration

- When the 30 day trial period expires, running Autodesk View will display an expiration dialog. The ActiveX DocObject server support will be disabled, but you will receive no message inside Microsoft Internet Explorer.

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