

Uninstallation instructions

This document contains instructions to uninstall Adobe InDesign CS2 from both the Windows® and Macintosh platforms.

General notes

Before you uninstall InDesign, make sure that you have the installation CD available if you intend to reinstall it. Or, if you purchased the product from the Adobe website, you'll need the product folder you received with your download to reinstall the product.

These instructions assume that you've installed InDesign to the default location. If you installed it to a different location, modify these instructions accordingly. Note that files for Adobe Stock Photo, Adobe Utilities, and Adobe Bridge are always installed to the default location, regardless of where you choose to install InDesign.

In addition, make sure that you transfer the product activation if you intend to install the product on a different computer or if you need to reformat or replace your hard drive. Instructions to transfer an activation are provided in this document. For more information about activation, visit the Adobe website at www.adobe.com/activation.

To transfer the activation for InDesign:

You need to transfer the product activation if you intend to uninstall InDesign and install it on a different computer or if you need to reformat or replace your computer's hard drive. (You don't need to transfer the activation if you uninstall InDesign and then reinstall it on the same computer.) After you transfer the activation and uninstall InDesign, you can install and reactivate it on the new computer or hard drive.

Note: When you start InDesign after you've transferred the activation for it, you are prompted to reactivate it.

To transfer the activation:

Connect to the Internet from your computer, and do one of the following:

- Start InDesign, choose Help > Transfer Activation, and follow the on-screen instructions.
- (Windows only) Follow the instructions in this document to uninstall InDesign. During the uninstall process, you are prompted to transfer the activation.

If you need help transferring an activation, please contact Adobe Customer Service.

To uninstall InDesign in Windows:

1 -- If you intend to install InDesign on a different computer, transfer the activation. (See "To transfer the activation for InDesign.")

2 -- Close any Adobe products that are open.

3 -- Choose Start > Settings > Control Panel, and double-click Add Or Remove Programs.

4 -- Select Adobe InDesign CS2, click Remove, and follow the on-screen instructions.

5 -- If no other Adobe CS2 products are installed, delete the following items, if present:

Important: Don't delete these items if other CS2 products are installed.

- Documents and Settings/[user name]/Application Data/Adobe/Workflow
- Documents and Settings/[user name]/Application Data/Adobe/InDesign/Version 4.0
- Program Files/Adobe/Adobe Bridge
- Program Files/Adobe/Adobe Stock Photos
- Program Files/Adobe/Adobe Utilities
- Program Files/Common Files/Adobe/StartupScripts/Workflow Automation Scripts

To uninstall InDesign in Mac OS:

1 -- Double-click Activity Monitor.app in Applications/Utilities, select AHCRemind, and click Quit Process.

2 -- If you intend to install InDesign on a different computer, transfer the activation. (See "To transfer the activation for InDesign.")

3 -- Drag the Adobe InDesign CS2 folder in the Applications folder to the trash.

Note: After you drag the items to the trash in steps 3-5, you must empty the trash before you can reinstall InDesign on the same computer.

4 -- If you want to remove the InDesign preferences, drag the Version 4.0 folder in Users/[user name]/Library/Preferences/Adobe InDesign to the trash.

5 -- If you don't have other Adobe CS2 products installed, drag the following items, if present, to the trash:

Important: Don't drag these items to the trash if other CS2 products are installed.

- Applications/Adobe Bridge
- Applications/AdobeHelpCenter.app
- Applications/Utilities/Adobe Updater.app
- Applications/Utilities/Adobe Utilities
- Library/Application Support/Adobe/AdobeHelpCenter
- Library/Application Support/Adobe/Assistance
- Library/Application Support/Adobe/StartupScripts/Workflow Automation Scripts
- Library/Preferences/Adobe/Workflow
- Library/Preferences/com.adobe.ActivationUtility.plist

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