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Welcome to **PDF-XChange Editor V7** - one of the fastest and most feature-rich options available worldwide to create, view, edit and annotate PDF files. Please note that this manual details **PDF-XChange Editor** when it is viewed in the **Classic UI**. It is also possible to use **PDF-XChange Editor** in the **Ribbon UI**, which was introduced in version seven, and the ribbon version of the manual is available [here](#).

**PDF-XChange Lite V7**, our award-winning technology that installs as a virtual printer, is included with this product. It can be used to print-to-PDF from **Windows** applications and features an optimized hybrid engine that significantly increases the quality of conversion for images and image-based text characters, and prints to both **GDI** and **XPS**. The **PDF-XChange Lite V7** user manual is available [here](#).

We offer several further cutting-edge applications for the manipulation of PDF and image files. Please see the [Tracker Software Products Page](#) for more information.

If you have any queries then please [Contact Us](#). We aim to respond to all communication within eight hours - and we are usually much faster. Additionally, the [User Forums](#) are an excellent resource for troubleshooting, and our [Knowledgebase](#) contains over four hundred articles about our software and other relevant information.

This manual is composed of the following sections:

- **Installation** details the installation process, system requirements, installation switch options and licensing details for the software.
- **Features Overview** details the main features of **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- **Explore the User Interface** details the software as it appears via the ribbon user interface.
- **Operations Guide** details the operations that **PDF-XChange Editor** performs, and is composed of the following subsections:
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- The **Annotations Guide** details all operations that relate to annotations, such as how to add annotations and comments to documents, attach files and set comment styles.
- The **Bookmarks Guide** details all operations that relate to the creation and manipulation of document bookmarks.
- The **Document Operations Guide** details all operations that relate to the creation and manipulation of PDF documents.
- The **Editing Panes Guide** details all operations that relate to the usage of the nine editing panes featured in PDF-XChange Editor.
- The **Forms Guide** details all operations that relate to the creation and manipulation of fillable forms in PDF documents.
- The **Workspace Guide** details all operations that relate to the customization and navigation of the PDF-XChange Editor workspace.
- The **Tabs Guide** is structured to match the UI of the software and details comprehensive operational instructions for its features and functionality. The tabs of the Menu Toolbar each have a corresponding section in the manual, where their submenu options and associated settings are explained. The Menu Toolbar is highlighted in the image below.
- **Appendix** details additional information that relates to the software.
A PDF version of this manual is available [here](#).

Note that the icons in the upper left of the screen can be used to browse/search the manual:

Click the **Table of Contents** to view/move to chapters of the manual.
Click the **Keyword Index** to view keywords, and click keywords to move to their location in the manual.

Click **Search Topics** to enter custom search terms.
2 Installation

Follow these steps to install PDF-XChange Editor:

1. Use the link in your purchase confirmation email or click here to download the evaluation version of PDF-XChange Editor.

2. When the download is complete, click the PDFXVE7.zip file to open the containing folder. (Winzip and CnetsDownload.com have free downloads available if you require software to unzip files).

3. PDFXVE7.exe is displayed next to an icon. Double-click to launch the Open File dialog box.

4. Click Run. The PDF-XChange Editor Setup dialog box will open.

5. Click Install. (Available installation switches can be viewed/printed at this stage. Click Help for all available options and further information).

6. Click Next.

7. Read the End-User License Agreement. Select the box to accept the terms in the License Agreement. Click Next.

8. Select either Custom or Complete setup and select the installation location as desired.

9. Click Next.

10. Click Install.

Please note: when the installer is first run a prompt will ask for your registration number/activation code. We recommend copying and pasting this information from your receipt.
When an evaluation copy of PDF-XChange Editor is being used all output is generated with two watermark stamps on each page. When a full version has been purchased the serial number provided must be entered to ensure that all future output is free of the evaluation watermarks. Follow the steps below to register:

1. Install the software using the steps outlined above.

2. Click the desktop icon to launch the software.

3. Click the Edit tab in the Menu Toolbar.

4. Click Preferences.

5. Click Registration in the Categories menu.

6. Click Add New Serial Key in the registration window

7. Enter the serial key into the text box, or copy and paste it from your clipboard.

8. Click Continue.

If you have already installed the evaluation version of PDF-XChange Editor then there is no need to install it again. Simply follow the steps outlined above to register.

Note that it is not necessary to be online to install a license for PDF-XChange Editor. If you have a hard copy of your license key (for example on a USB stick) then you can simply copy it into the text box in the Registration section detailed above in order to register the license on an offline machine.

**VERY IMPORTANT**

Please keep your serial key/activation code safe. Do not share it with other parties, as doing so constitutes an illegal breach of copyright. If we discover evidence of abuse then updates will be disabled for your account. Serial keys/activation codes found on websites offering free and illegal software distribution will be disabled immediately. We monitor such websites on a daily basis. Help us safeguard the integrity of our products to ensure that their future development is made possible. Theft of our software deprives us of investment that improves our products for the benefit of all clients.
2.1 System Requirements

**System Requirements**

**PDF-XChange Editor** supports all **Windows (32/64 bit)** operating systems from **Windows XP** and later:

![Supported Operating Systems](image)

*Figure 1. Supported Operating Systems*

Please note the following:

- We recommend that users install the latest **Microsoft Windows** service packs and updates before using our products, as doing so will ensure the greatest possible performance of the software.
- Our products - in particular the printer drivers that **PDF-XChange Standard** and **PDF-XChange Lite** utilize - are not designed to work in virtualized environments such as the **XenApp** software.
- *There are some limitations to product support for **Windows XP** as **Microsoft** have stopped supporting it. Further information about this issue is available [here](#).*
- If you are using **Windows 7** then please ensure you have the latest release and all available fixes - otherwise you may encounter issues, as detailed [here](#).*
2.2 Switches for MSI Installers

The most useful options for msiexec are detailed below. Please note that parameters are case sensitive. All available options are detailed here.

The command line for installation is: `msiexec /Option <Required Parameter> [Optional Parameter] [PROPERTY=PropertyValue]`

### Install Options

/package or /i

This switch installs or configures the product specified.

**Syntax**

`<Product.msi>

/a

This switch installs the product specified on the network as an administrative install.

**Syntax**

`<Product.msi>`
/j<u|m>

This switch advertises the specified product. "u" advertises to the current user, "m" advertises to all users.

Syntax

<Product.msi>

Parameters

- [/t <Transform List>]
- [/g <Language ID>]

/uninstall | /x

This switch uninstalls the product specified.

Syntax

<Product.msi>

Parameters

The parameter for this switch can be either an .msi file or the relevant product code.

Display Options

/quiet

This switch installs the application without user interaction.

/pasive

This switch installs the application in unattended mode. The user will see only the progress bar.
Installation

/q[n|b|r|f]

This switch sets the user interface level. "b" installs a basic UI, "f" installs a full UI and is the default setting, "n" means that no UI is installed, "r" installs a reduced UI.

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Restart Options

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/norestart

This switch disables the automatic system restart when installation is complete. (Please note that many Tracker Software products require a restart to function properly).

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/promptrestart

This switch prompts the user for a restart when it is necessary.

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/forcerestart

This switch forces a system restart when installation is complete.

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Logging Options

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/l

This switch defines the logging level for installation.

Syntax

<Logfile>

Modifiers
Installation

**a** - start up of actions.

**c** - initial UI parameters.

**e** - all error messages.

**i** - status messages.

**m** - out of memory or fatal exit information.

**o** - out of disk space messages.

**p** - terminal properties.

**r** - action-specific records.

**u** - user requests.

**v** - verbose output.

**w** - nonfatal warnings.

**x** - extra debugging information.

**+** - append to existing file.

**!** - flush each line to the log.

***/** - log all information except for verbose output and extra debugging information.

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**/log**

This switch is the equivalent for **/I**<LogFile>.

**Syntax**

**<LogFile>**

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**Repair Options**
Installation

/f

This switch repairs the product specified.

Syntax

<Product>

Parameters

The parameter for this switch can be either an .msi file or the relevant product code.

Modifiers

a - forces the reinstallation of all files.

c - if a file is missing or checksum does not match the calculated value.

d - if a file is missing or a different version is installed.

e - if a file is missing or an equal or older version is installed.

m - all required computer-specific registry entries. This is a default setting.

o - if a file is missing or an older version is installed. This is a default setting.

p - only if a file is missing.

s - all existing shortcuts. This is a default setting.

u - all required user-specific registry entries. This is a default setting.

v - runs from source and re-caches the local package.

Standard Properties

ADDLOCAL
The value of the **ADDLOCAL** property is a list of features, delimited with commas, that install locally. If it is not used then all available options will be installed. If it is used then all required features must be specified.

**Syntax**

`ADDLOCAL = <list of features>`

**Features**

- **FViewer** – PDF-XChange Editor and its components.
- **FPlugins** – The plugins module for PDF-XChange Editor. (This requires **FViewer**).
- **FPlugin_SP** – the spell-checker plugin. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FFileOpenPlugin** – the security plugin that handles FileOpen DRM. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FReadOutLoudPlugin** – the plugin that provides read-out-loud functionality. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **F_OCRPlugin** – the plugin that allows the OCR of image-based PDF files in the software. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FOptimizerPlugin** – the plugin that optimizes PDF files. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FBookmarksPlugin** – the plugin that facilitates the inclusion of advanced functionality for bookmarks. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FPDFAPPlugin** – the plugin that converts PDF files into PDF/A format. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FSPPlugin** – the plugin that allows the software to work with files located on Sharepoint™/Office 365™ servers. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FDGPlugin** – the plugin that allows the software to work with files located on Google Drive™ cloud storage. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FOFCPlugin** – the plugin that allows the conversion of documents into MS Office formats. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FDPlugin** – the plugin that enables the software to work in conjunction with files located on the Dropbox™ cloud. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FMDPlugin** – the plugin that enables the conversion of Markdown files into PDF documents. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FODPlugin** - the plugin that enables working with files located on Microsoft OneDrive. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FBoxPlugin** - the plugin that enables working with files located on Box.com. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **F3DPlugin** - the plugin that enables the viewing of embedded 3D content in PDF documents. (This requires **FPlugins**).
- **FBrowserPlugins** – the plugin for web browsers (Explorer, FireFox, Opera, Safari and Chrome) that facilitate browser-based PDF file viewing. (This requires **FViewer**, as well as **F_IEPlugin** and/or **F_NPPlugin**).
- **F_NPPlugin** – the plugin for Firefox, Chrome, Safari and Opera. (This requires **F_BrowserPlugins** and **FViewer**).
- **F_IEPlugin** – the IE plugin. (This requires **F_BrowserPlugins** and **FViewer**).
- **F_VLangs** – the language localization files for the software (requires **FViewer**).
- **F_Lite** – the **PDF-XChange Lite V7** printer and its components.
- **F_Langs_Lite** – the files that allow the language localization of the **PDF-XChange Lite V7** print driver and its components.
- **F_ShellExt** – the Windows Explorer and Windows shell extensions. This has multiple features including the viewing of thumbnails, properties, previews and the inclusion of the **IFilter** component.
- **F_Updater** – the updater for **Tracker Software Products**. The updater checks automatically for updates to the software.
- **F_KeyInstaller** – the key installer for **Tracker Software** applications.

A comprehensive list of properties defined by the **Windows** installer is available [here](#).

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**Product Specific Properties**

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**INSTALLLOCATION**

This property specifies the installation folder.

**Syntax**

```
INSTALLLOCATION = <installation folder>
```

---

**SET AS DEFAULT**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with value of "1", then **PDF-XChange Editor** will be set as the default application for PDF files.

**Syntax**

```
SET AS DEFAULT = "0"
```

---

**PNAME**
This property specifies the printer name. The default value is "PDF-XChange Lite V7."

**Syntax**

`PNAME=<printer name>`

---

**SET_LITE_AS_DEFAULT**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "1", then the PDF-XChange Lite V7 printer will be set as the default system printer.

**Syntax**

`SET_LITE_AS_DEFAULT="0"`

---

**VIEW_IN_BROWSERS**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "1", then PDF-XChange Editor will be configured to open PDF files inside browsers.

**Syntax**

`VIEW_IN_BROWSERS="0"`

---

**DESKTOP_SHORTCUTS**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "1", then the installer will place shortcuts for installed applications on the desktop.

**Syntax**

`DESKTOP_SHORTCUTS="0"`

---

**PROGRAMSMENU_SHORTCUTS**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "1", then the installer will create a program menu group for installed applications and their components.
**Installation**

**Syntax**

`PROGRAMSMENU_SHORTCUTS= "0"

**USERNAME**

This property specifies the username to which applications will be registered.

**Syntax**

`USERNAME = <username>`

**ORGANIZATION**

This property specifies the organization name to which applications will be registered.

**Syntax**

`ORGANIZATION = <organization name>`

**USERMAIL**

This property specifies the user email.

**Syntax**

`USERMAIL = <user email>`

**KEYFILE**

This property specifies the UNC location of the license vault file <filename>.xcvault. See [here](#) for further information.

**Syntax**

`KEYFILE = <path to xcvault file>`
**KEYDATA**

This property specifies the registration key.

**Syntax**

`KEYDATA = <registration key>`

---

**APP_LANG**

This property specifies a language for **PDF-XChange Editor** and the **PDF-XChange Lite** printer. (This requires **F_Vlangs** in order to operate for **PDF-XChange Editor** and **F_Langs_Lite** to operate for **PDF-XChange Lite**). This property uses the "language culture name" to define languages. For example German is "de-DE". The `<id>` for target languages is available [here](#). The parameters "Auto", "Builtin" and "None" can also be used instead of a language culture name. **Auto** uses the system locale language, **Builtin** uses US English and **None** retains the existing language in cases where the software is being upgraded, or operates in the same manner as **Auto** if the software is being installed for the first time.

**Syntax**

`APP_LANG = <id>`

---

**NOUPDATER**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "0", then the **Tracker Updater** will be installed. If specified with a value of "1" then the updater will not be installed. (Available from build 310).

**Syntax**

`NOUPDATER = <0>`

---

**SCHEDULEUPDATER**

If this property is unspecified, or specified with a value of "1", then the installer will add a task to the task scheduler to check for software updates.
Installation

Syntax

SCHEDULEUPDATER = <0>

MSI Installer Examples

• Install the software in quiet mode to the folder "C:\Program Files\My PDF Applications":

  msiexec /i EditorV7.x64.msi /quiet INSTALLLOCATION="C:\Program Files\My PDF Applications"

• Install the software in quiet mode to the default folder and specify the user license information:

  msiexec /i EditorV7.x64.msi /quiet USERNAME="John Doe" USERMAIL="abc@a.b.c" KEYFILE="\UNC\path\to\xcvaultfile"

• Install only the software, in quiet mode, and the software updater:

  msiexec /i EditorV7.x64.msi /quiet ADDLOCAL="F_Viewer,F_Updater"

• Install the software with all features, German as the UI language and a 'basic' UI. (Please note that ADDLOCAL is not being used, therefore all components, including F_VLangs, are installed:

  msiexec /i EditorV7.x64.msi /qb APP_LANG=de-DE

• Install the software with specific features only: Editor, Spellcheck and OCR plugins are included. FileOpen and ReadAloud plugins are not included. The browser plugin for IE only is included. German is defined as the UI language. A 'basic' UI is also defined. ADDLOCAL is used, therefore only the features specified will be installed and F_VLangs must be specified separately:

  msiexec /i EditorV7.x64.msi /qb ADDLOCAL="F_VLangs,F_BrowserPlugins,F_IEPlugin" APP_LANG=de-DE
2.3 Switches for EXE Installers

The EXE installers support both 32 and 64 bit versions of MS Windows. However, the Microsoft MSIN is not always compatible with a unified 32/64 bit installation. If there is any uncertainty about the details of the system onto which PDF-XChange Editor is being installed, then using the EXE installer is recommended. This is because it has the ability to identify the target computer's system architecture and install 32 or 64 bit binaries accordingly.

The command line for installation is: `PDFXVE7.exe /Option [Optional Parameter] [PROPERTY=PropertyValue]`

The most useful EXE installation switches for PDF-XChange Editor are detailed below. Please note that parameters are case sensitive. All available options are detailed [here](#).

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**Install Options**

`/install`

This switch installs or configures the product specified. It is the default setting.

**Syntax**

`<Product>`

`/uninstall`

This switch uninstalls the product specified.

**Syntax**
Installation

/Product>

/layout
This switch creates a complete local copy of the bundle in the directory.

Display Options
(Please note that the default settings display the UI and all prompts during installation).

/quiet
This switch determines that neither a UI nor prompts are displayed during installation.

/passive
This switch determines that a minimal UI and no prompts are displayed during installation.

Restart Options

/norestart
This switch suppresses any attempts to restart the computer on which the installation is taking place. The default setting is for the UI to prompt before restarts take place.

Logging Options

/log
Installation

This switch logs to a specific file. The default setting is for a log file to be created in %TEMP%. This is also the case if the path is not specified.

Syntax

<LogFile>

Repair Options

/repair

This switch repairs existing installations of the product.

Product Specific Properties

USERNAME

This property specifies the username for which applications are registered.

Syntax

USERNAME= <username>

ORGANIZATION

This property specifies the organization name for which applications are registered.

Syntax

ORGANIZATION= <organization name>

USERMAIL
This property specifies the user email.

Syntax

USERMAIL = <user email>

SET_AS_DEFAULT

If this property is not specified, or is specified with a value of "1", then PDF-XChange Editor will be set as the default application for viewing PDF files.

Syntax

SET_AS_DEFAULT = "0"

VIEW_IN_BROWSERS

If this property is not specified, or is specified with a value of "1", PDF-XChange Editor will be configured to open PDF files within browsers.

Syntax

VIEW_IN_BROWSERS = "0"

APP_LANG

This property specifies a language for PDF-XChange Editor and the PDF-XChange Lite printer. This property uses the "language culture name" to define languages. For example German is "de-DE". The <id> for target languages is available here. The parameters "Auto", "Builtin" and "None" can also be used instead of a language culture name. Auto uses the system locale language, Builtin uses US English and None retains the existing language in cases where the software is being upgraded, or operates in the same manner as Auto if the software is being installed for the first time.

Syntax

APP_LANG = <id>
**DESKTOP_SHORTCUTS**

If this property is not specified, or is specified with a value of "1", then the installer will place shortcuts for installed applications on the desktop.

**Syntax**

```
DESKTOP_SHORTCUTS="0"
```

**PROGRAMSMENU_SHORTCUTS**

If this property is not specified, or is specified with a value of "1", then the installer will create a program menu group for installed applications and their components.

**Syntax**

```
PROGRAMSMENU_SHORTCUTS="0"
```

**KEYDATA**

This property specifies a registration key.

**Syntax**

```
KEYDATA=<registration key>
```

**KEYFILE**

This property specifies the UNC location of the license vault file `<filename>.xcvault`. See [here](#) for further information.

**Syntax**

```
KEYFILE=<path to xcvault file>
```

**NOUPDATER**
If this property is not specified, or is specified with a value of "0", then the updater will be installed. If specified with a value of "1" then the updater will not be installed. (Available from build 310).

Syntax

NOUPDATER= "0"

---

**EXE Installer Examples**

- Install the application in quiet mode to the default install folder "C:\Program Files\Tracker":

```
PDFXVE7.exe /quiet
```

- Install the application in quiet mode to the default folder and specify the user license information and key as a vault file:

```
PDFXVE7.exe /quiet USERNAME="John Doe" USERMAIL="abc@a.b.c" KEYFILE="C:\license\V7Pro.xcvault"
```

- Install the application in quiet mode to the default folder. Specify the user license information and key as a string:

```
PDFXVE7.exe /quiet USERNAME="John Doe" USERMAIL="abc@a.b.c" KEYDATA="PVP60ZJ2J77DN5kdBuQRhj ... dmGZ7VXrd6TkEJoJCz+1i2UTPSA5AvAU14Q="
```
2.4 Licensing

Since version 5.5 and build 308 Tracker Software Products has moved to a new serial key licensing system. The new system offers both the standard serial key method of licensing our applications as well as the option to use a license file. The license file is known as an "XCVault" file, which is a modified .zip file. The main benefit of this feature is that there is no longer a need to re-install the software if you are using an evaluation version and intend to upgrade. Follow the steps below to access and activate XCVault files:

1. Login to your account with Tracker Software Products.

2. Move to the "Your products and Serial numbers" tab.

3. Move to the desired product and click the arrow icon indicated below, which will expand the window:

![XCVault File Access Point](image)

**Figure 1.** XCVault File Access Point
Installation

4. Click the Download button. The XCVault file will then download.

5. Click the download icon to launch the XCVault file. All product licenses will then update automatically.

System administrators should note that this information is stored within the Windows Registry. However, the method used to license the application can have an effect on the storage location. When an XCVault file is being used, its information is stored in two locations: HKCU\Software\Tracker Software\Vault and HKLM\SOFTWARE\Tracker Software\Vault. It should also be noted that license information is stored as a hexadecimal value. Therefore, if a registration key is being used to deploy the license, it is advisable to first license a single machine in order to create the first registration key.

Standard Deployment

Copy and paste serial keys into the installer to implement them during installation. Alternatively, click the personal.xcvault file after installation has taken place.

Silent Deployment

XCVault files can also be used for silent deployment of serial keys after installation has taken place. A windows command line can be used to push the XCVault file to each user that qualifies for a full license. The command line for operation is: XCVault.exe /Option <path_to_xcvault_file>. Available command line options are detailed below:

See here for information about management of licenses for PDF-XChange Editor on Windows Terminal Servers.

XCVault Command Line Options

/s

Installs the software in silent mode.

/m

Per machine - administrative rights are required for this option.
Installation

/Install

This command designates the utility as the default handler of .xcvault files in the system. Please note that this requires administrative rights.

Example

xcvault.exe /Install

/AddKeys

This command installs all license keys from .xcvault files.

Syntax

xcvault.exe [/AddKeys] [/M]/[S]/[R] <xcvault_file>

/M – specifies that new keys are added in the HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE registry section and administrative rights are required.

/R – specifies that new keys will be unencrypted when added. Please note that this does not affect existing keys.

/S – specifies that the command is not permitted to show error/information messages.

Examples

xcvault.exe /AddKeys "c:\Personal.xcvault"

xcvault.exe "c:\Personal.xcvault"

/OpenKeys

This command removes protection for all installed, protected license keys on the machine and converts them into unencrypted, readable text. Additionally, this command places a permanent flag in the system registry that forces all products from Tracker Software Products to add new license keys without the standard encryption.
Installation

Please note: the software encrypts new keys by default for security reasons. Encrypted keys cannot be exported from the registry and used on other machines. Therefore this command is available only in special cases and may require administrative rights.

Syntax

```
xcvault.exe /OpenKeys [/M]/S
```

`/M` – keys stored in `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE` registry section only will be converted. If this option is not specified then all keys in `HKEY_CURRENT_USER` and `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE` will be converted. If this option is not specified and the utility has no administrative rights then only the keys in `HKEY_CURRENT_USER` will be processed.

`/S` – specifies that the command is not permitted to show error/information messages.

Example

```
xcvault.exe /OpenKeys
```

/ProtectKeys

This command encrypts all installed license keys on the machine. Please note that administrator rights may be required to use this command.

Syntax

```
xcvault.exe /ProtectKeys [/M]/S
```

`/M` – keys stored in `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE` registry section only will be converted. If this option is not specified then all keys in `HKEY_CURRENT_USER` and `HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE` will be converted. If this option is not specified and the utility has no administrative rights then only the keys in `HKEY_CURRENT_USER` will be processed.

`/S` – specifies that the command is not permitted to show error/information messages.

Example

```
xcvault.exe /ProtectKeys
```

A sample script and associated literal path is detailed below:
Activating silent deployment is a two-step process. The first step is to call on the XCVault.exe that will apply the key. The second step is to specify the literal path to the personal.xcvault file. The presence of the script means that users are not notified of serial key deployment.

Passing License Details During Installation

The inclusion of XCVault files since version 5.5 and build 308 means that the command line install option `KEY=<regkey>` no longer passes license details to associated products. The command line can be used to resolve this issue and there are two methods available:

The first method is to use the option `KEYFILE=<xcvault file>` to specify the UNC location of the license vault file `<filename>.xcvault`. For example:

```
KEYFILE="C:\Users\JohnDoe\Desktop\Personal.xcvault".
```

The second method is use the option `KEYDATA=<regkey>` to specify the registration key with a text string. For example:

```
KEYDATA="PXP70-Y5EN....cFrBqnyKhv7eOw="
```

The first method is recommended as the new keys are very complex and therefore less suited to being passed as strings at the command line. The details of these switches and examples of their use are available here.
The Tracker Updater is used to check for and download updates to PDF-XChange Editor. Click Check for Updates in the Help tab to open the Tracker Updater:

![Tracker Updater dialog box](image)

**Figure 1.** Help Tab, Check for Updates

The Tracker Update dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Tracker Update Dialog Box

- Available updates are displayed in the main window. Click the **Download** button to download and install available updates.
- Click **Update History** to view a breakdown of recent updates.
- Click **Installed Products** to view a breakdown of installed products from Tracker Software Products.
- Click **Settings** to customize settings for the Tracker Updater. These options are detailed beneath (figure 3) below.
- Click **Help** to launch the online help for the Tracker Updater.
- Select/clear the **Show Hidden Updates** box to show/hide hidden updates.
- Click **Check Again** to check for more recent updates.
- Click **Close** to close the Tracker Update dialog box.

**Settings**
- Select/clear the **Automatically Install After Downloading Updates** box to enable/disable the automatic installation of downloaded updates.
- Select/clear the **Include Updates That Are Incompatible with Maintenance Plan** box to include/exclude products that are not included in your current maintenance plan. Note that if updates are listed here and your license has expired, then the software will revert to evaluation mode when the updates are downloaded.
- Select an option in the **Configure Proxies to Access the Internet** section to determine the proxy that the updater uses to access the internet:
  - Select **No Proxy** to disable the use of a proxy to access the internet.
  - Select **Use System Proxy Settings** to use the current system proxy settings to access the internet.
  - Select **Manual Proxy Configuration** to use a custom proxy, then enter the **Proxy Server** and **Port** number details in the text boxes.
- Select the **Proxy Server Requires a Password** box to set a password for the use of **Proxy Server** when the **Manual Proxy Server** option above is used, then enter the **Proxy User** and **Password** details in the text boxes.
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- Select the **Use Regional Language** box to use the regional language as the interface language for downloaded updates, or select a different option from the dropdown menu. Note that the language of the user interface can be subsequently changed as desired in the user preferences.
- Click **Save** to save settings.

**Autostart**

Use the **Autostart** tab to set a schedule for automatically checking for updates to the software:

![Updater Settings Dialog Box, Autostart Tab](image)

- Select **Never** to disable this feature.
- Select **Daily, Weekly** or **Monthly** to check for updates automatically on a daily, weekly or monthly basis as desired. Note that different scheduling options are available depending on which option is used.
- Use the **Start** text box to determine the date and time at which the schedule starts.
- Select **Automatically Download Available Updates** to download available updates automatically, or select **Only Show Notification** to receive a notification that updates are available instead.
Click **Save** to save settings.
3 Features Overview

The main features of PDF-XChange Editor are detailed below:

Create and Manipulate Documents

- Create PDF documents from image files, markdown files, text files, RTF files or the local scanner. See [here](#) for further information.
- Print documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Email documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Combine multiple input documents into a single file. See [here](#) for further information.
- Convert documents to/from PDF and a range of other formats.
- Secure documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Use Digital Signatures to sign documents and demonstrate authenticity. See [here](#) for further information.
- Integrate Sharepoint, Dropbox, Google Drive and MSOffice 365. See [here](#) for further information.
- Use the OCR engine to avail of advanced optical character recognition. See [here](#) for further information.

Edit Documents

- Add Watermarks, Barcodes, Images and Backgrounds to documents.
- Edit document pages, with options to Number, Rotate, Split, Resize, Replace, Delete, Export, Insert, Extract and Crop pages.
- Use editing aids to assist in document editing:
  - Rulers, Grids and Guides enable precise placement/measurement of document content.
  - Snapping ensures that content is aligned flawlessly.
- Use Macros to determine complicated components of the output process in simple terms.
- Use the Preferences options to customize the workspace and application settings.
- Use the JavaScript Console to add JavaScript to documents.
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- Use the **Launch Applications** toolbar to open third party software from **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Customize toolbars in order to group specified functions and save space on the user interface. See **here** for further information.
- Use the **Form Toolbar** to create and edit fillable forms.
- View/edit portfolio files.

**Utilize Tools and Features to Enhance Documents**

- The **File Attachment** and **Sound Tool** add links to external files and sound effects to documents.
- The **Highlight**, **Strikeout** and **Underline Text** tools can be used to edit and enhance document text.
- The **Link Tools** create links to external sources.
- The **Loupe Tool** and **Pan and Zoom** pane provide dynamic methods to view and edit documents at increased/decreased levels of zoom.
- The **Measuring Tools** can be used to measure the distance between document locations and the perimeter/area of customized shapes. The **Calibrate Measurement** feature can be used to create scales for these tools.
- The **Read Out Loud Feature** can be used to read selected text out loud.
- The **Shape Tools** can be used to add adjustable shape annotations to documents. Multiple default shapes are available, such as circles and rectangles, as well as the option to add freehand annotations.
- The **Snapshot Tool** takes screenshots of pages/selected page content and pastes a bitmap copy to the clipboard.
- The **Stamp Tool** can be used to add standard stamps to documents or create custom stamps from input material.
- There are four ways to add comments to documents:
  - The **Sticky Note Tool** is an effective way to add long notes without obscuring original content.
  - The **Typewriter Tool** adds typewriter-style comments to documents.
  - The **Text Box Tool** adds comments contained in text boxes to documents.
  - The **Callout Tool** is similar to the **Text Box Tool**, but has the additional option to add an adjustable arm to the comment in order to highlight specific document locations.
- The **Select Comments Tool** provides an efficient way to edit multiple comments simultaneously.
- The **Edit Content Tool** is used to edit existing document content.
- The **Redaction** feature is used to redact documents and permanently delete document content.
- The **Spell Check** feature is used to check document spelling.
- The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized comment and annotation styles for subsequent use.
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Use Editing Panes to Assist in Document Editing

- The **Bookmarks Pane** is used to create and edit document bookmarks.
- The **Thumbnails Pane** is used to view/edit document pages as thumbnails.
- The **Named Destinations Pane** is used to create and edit document locations of user-defined specific interest.
- The **Content Pane** is used to identify and edit base content in documents.
- The **Signatures Pane** is used to view/edit digital signatures, and to sign documents.
- The **Layers Pane** is used view/edit optional document layers that can be created using applications such as **InDesign**, **AutoCAD** and **Visio**.
- The **Comments Pane** is used to view/edit document comments created using the comment tools detailed above.
- The **Attachments Pane** is used to create and edit document attachments.
- The **Fields Pane** is used to create and edit document fields, such as check boxes, radio buttons and dropdown menus.
- The **Properties Pane** is used to view and edit the properties of selected content.

Additionally, see the **Operations Guide** for step-by-step instructions on all available operations in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

The **User Interface** is detailed **here**.
4 Explore the User Interface

The **PDF-XChange Editor** user interface appears as below:

![PDF X-Change Editor User Interface](image)

*Figure 1. PDF X-Change Editor User Interface*

The **Menu Toolbar** is located at the top of the window and composed of eleven tabs:
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Click the links below to view the options and functionality of each tab:

- **File** contains file-level operations such as open, close, save and print documents.
- **Edit** contains editing options such as cut, copy, paste and delete selected content.
- **View** contains options that determine what is displayed in the main window such as toolbar shortcuts and editing panes. Document layout options are also available in this tab.
- **Document** contains document editing options such as add/remove watermarks, edit backgrounds, crop pages and digital signature options.
- **Comments** contains options for editing document comments, such as converting comments to base content, importing/exporting comments and creating a comment summary.
- **Form** contains options for managing, highlighting and creating document form fields such as radio buttons, dropdown menus and barcodes.
- **Tools** contains submenus of the PDF-XChange Editor tools, which can be used to manipulate, edit and annotate documents.
- **Bookmarks** contains options that relate the creation and management of document bookmarks.
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- **SharePoint** contains options that relate to files associated with the Microsoft Office SharePoint Server.
- **Window** contains options that relate to the display of the main window.
- **Help** contains links to software assistance, such as the Tracker Software main website and user-forum.

The **Menu Toolbar** can be repositioned as desired. Hover the pointer over the grid of dots on the left side the of the Menu Toolbar to reposition it. The pointer will change from a standard icon to an icon with four arrows. Click and hold the Menu Toolbar to reposition it. Press F9 to show/hide the Menu Toolbar. It is also possible to customize the Menu Toolbar. See here for further details.

There are also some options in the space immediately above the Menu Toolbar:

- Click **Undo** to undo the most recent editing action.
- Click **Redo** to reverse the most recent undo action.
- Click **Find** to activate the Find function and locate specified text in the active document.
- Click **Search** to open the Search pane and search documents open in PDF-XChange Editor or folders on the local computer.
- Click **Full Screen Mode** to view the active document in full screen mode.
- Click **UI Options** to toggle between the options for the display of the user interface:

  ![UI Options](image-url)

  **Figure 3. UI Options**

  - Click **Switch to Ribbon UI** to switch to the ribbon layout:
Explore the User Interface

The ribbon layout utilizes contextual tabs instead of menus and submenu items. This means that the submenu items displayed in the classic UI layout are displayed instead as icons in the user interface, which eliminates the need for several parallel toolbars and streamlines the use of PDF-XChange Editor. The layout of the features and functionality in the ribbon UI varies from the classic UI. The ribbon UI version of the manual for PDF-XChange Editor is available here.

- Click **Switch to Touch-optimized UI** to switch from **Mouse-optimized UI** to **Touch-optimized UI** and vice versa. The **Touch-optimized UI** features larger icons and is intended for use in conjunction with tablets, smartphones and similar devices.
- Click **Customize Toolbars** to customize the layout of toolbars, the commands that they contain and their display/locking options. See here for further information.

The **Shortcut Toolbar** is located at the top of the main window:
Explore the User Interface

This toolbar contains several shortcuts to functions and tools within **PDF-XChange Editor**:

Click **File** to view file-level operations:

- Click **Open** to open files.
- Click **Save** to save the active document.
- Click **Print** to print the active document.
- Click **Export** to export a copy of the active document to image format, **Microsoft Word** (*.doc/*.docx) format, **Microsoft Excel** (*.xlsx) format or **Microsoft Powerpoint** (*.pptx) format.
- Click **Email** to email the active document.
- Click **Scan** to create a new document from scanned material.
- Click **Back/Forward** to move to the previous/next document location.

Click **Standard** to view the most commonly-used tools:

- Click **Hand** to activate the **Hand Tool**, which is used for simple document navigation. Click and drag the pointer to scroll through documents when the **Hand Tool** is enabled.
- Click **Select Text** to activate the **Select Text Tool**, which is used to select and edit document text.
- Click **Select Comments** to select and edit document comments, such as sticky note and shape annotations.
• Click **Snapshot** to activate the **Snapshot Tool**, which is used to capture document snapshots and copy them to the clipboard.
• Click **Clipboard** to interact with the current content of the clipboard.
• Click **Find** to launch the **Find** function, which is used to locate specified document text.

Use the options in the **View Toolbar** to manipulate the page view and enable the **Zoom Tools**:

- Click **Actual Size** to set the zoom level to 100% and view pages at their actual size.
- Click **Fit Page** to fit the page length to the editing space of the user interface.
- Click **Fit Width** to fit the page width to the editing space of the user interface.
- Click **Fit Visible** to fit the page width to the editing space of the user interface and ignore white page margins.
- Click **Zoom In/Zoom Out** to zoom in on/out from the active document.
- Click **Zoom Tools** to activate the **Zoom Tools**:
  - The **Zoom In/Out Tool** is used to zoom in/on/out from the active document. The pointer becomes a magnifying glass icon when this tool is enabled. Move it to the desired location and then click to zoom. Hold down Ctrl and click to zoom out.
  - The **Loupe Tool** utilizes a zoom pane that magnifies page portions to assist in document editing. See [here](#) for further information.
  - The **Pan and Zoom Tool** utilizes a zoom pane that enables dynamic page navigation. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Rotate CCW** to rotate the current view ninety degrees counter-clockwise.
- Click **Rotate CW** to rotate the current view ninety degrees clockwise.

Use the options in the **Edit Toolbar** to edit the base content of documents:
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- Click **Edit Content** to edit base content text and images. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Add** to add **Text**, **Images** or **Barcodes** to documents.

Click **Edit Form** to enable the **Form Toolbar**:

![Figure 10. Edit Form Button and Form Toolbar](image)

The options in the **Form Toolbar** are used to create/edit forms such as check boxes, digital signature fields and dropdown menus. See [here](#) for further information.

Use the options in the **Comments Toolbar** to add comments and shape/stamp annotations to documents.
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- Click Click **Typewriter Tool** to add typewriter-style comments to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Text Box Tool** to add interactive text-box comments to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Callout Tool** to add interactive callout annotations to documents. These annotations are used to highlight specific areas within documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Highlight Text Tool** to highlight existing document text. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Strikeout Text Tool** to strike-through existing document text. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Underline Text Tool** to underline existing document text. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Sticky Note Tool** to add sticky note annotations to documents. Sticky notes display as yellow note icons in documents. The information they contain is displayed when the pointer is hovered over icons or when icons are double-clicked. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **File Attachment Tool** to attach files to documents. When this process is complete an icon will be displayed. When icons are clicked the associated file will open. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Sound Tool** to add audio content to documents. When this process is complete an icon will be displayed. When icons are clicked the associated audio file will open. Audio files can be uploaded from the local machine or a microphone can be used to create them. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Line Tool** to add line annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Arrow Tool** to add arrow annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Oval Tool** to add oval annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Rectangle Tool** to add rectangle annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Polygon Line Tool** to add polygon line annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click Click **Polygon Tool** to add polygon annotations to documents. See [here](#) for further information.
• Click  Cloud Tool to add cloud annotations to documents. See here for further information.

• Click  Stamp Tool to add stamp annotations to documents. Several default stamps are available and it is also possible to create custom stamps. See here for further information.

• Click  Pencil Tool to add freehand annotations to documents. See here for further information.

• Click  Eraser Tool to erase Pencil Tool annotations. See here for further information.

Use the options in the Measure toolbar to access the measurement tools:

![Figure 13. Measure Options](image)

• Click  the Distance Tool to measure the distance between two points. See here for further information.

• Click  the Perimeter Tool to measure the distance between multiple points. See here for further information.

• Click  the Area Tool to measure the area within user-specified lines. See here for further information.

The Properties Toolbar is located beneath the Shortcut Toolbar. The appearance and options of the Properties Toolbar depend on the content currently selected in the active document:
The properties available when tools are in use are detailed on the tool pages, which are available here.

Text editing options are detailed in the Properties Toolbar when tools that feature text options are in use. See here for further information.

The bottom section of the user interface is composed of four toolbars:
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The **Document Options Toolbar** is located in the left section of the lower toolbar:

![Document Options Toolbar](image)

The dimensions of the active document and the current pointer location are displayed on the right. Click **Options** to open/close the document editing panes and access editing aids. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Page Navigation Toolbar** is located in the center of the lower toolbar:

![Page Navigation Toolbar](image)

These buttons are used to navigate files and file pages. See [here](#) for further information.
The **Page Layout Toolbar** is located in the right section of the lower toolbar and appears as below:

![Page Layout Toolbar](image)

*Figure 18. Page Layout Toolbar*

These options determine the page display. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Launch Application Toolbar** is located on the right of the **Page Layout Toolbar** and appears as below:

![Launch Application Toolbar](image)

*Figure 19. Launch Application Toolbar*

This toolbar can be used to create convenient shortcuts to third-party applications. See [here](#) for further information.

Additionally, please note that several of the keyboard shortcuts relate to the commands displayed on the user interface. See [here](#) for a comprehensive list of available keyboard shortcuts.
5 Operations Guide

This section of the manual details the most important operations and functions in PDF-XChange Editor. There are six subsections that each cover different elements of the application:

- **Annotations Guide** - a breakdown of operations that relate to annotations, including how to add shapes and comments to documents, attach files, create/edit/clone comment styles, group edit comments and several further operations associated with comments and annotations.

- **Bookmarks Guide** - a breakdown of bookmark operations, including the multiple ways in which bookmarks can be created, edited and utilized.

- **Document Operations Guide** - a breakdown of document-level operations, including how to create, edit, open, measure and save documents.

- **Editing Panes Guide** - a breakdown of how to open and utilize the PDF-XChange Editor editing panes.

- **Forms Guide** - a breakdown of operations that relate to the creation and utilization of fillable forms, including how to add/edit barcodes, buttons, check boxes, digital signatures, dropdown menus, list boxes, radio boxes and text fields to documents.

- **Workspace Guide** - a breakdown of operations that relate to the customization and navigation of the workspace.
5.1 Annotations Guide

PDF-XChange Editor can be used to create and edit document comments and annotations in multiple ways. Comments and annotations can be used to enhance documents and assist in the editing process. Click the links below for instructions on how to:

**Add Arrow Annotations to Documents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Click **Arrow Tool**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**Add Callout Annotations to Documents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Click **Callout Tool**. The point will turn into a crosshairs icon.
4. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the callout annotation. See here for further information.

**Add Cloud Annotations to Documents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Cloud Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Freehand Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Pencil Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Line Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Line Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Oval Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Oval Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Polygon Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Polygon Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Polygon Line Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Polygon Line Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Rectangle Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Rectangle Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Stamps to Documents

Stamps can be used to display the status of documents. The **Stamps Palette** contains several preloaded stamps, and custom stamps can be created for specific purposes.
Follow the steps below to open and utilize the **Stamp Tool**:

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Click **Stamp Tool**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).
Sticky notes provide a convenient way to annotate documents. When a sticky note is completed it displays as a small icon within the document. Users can click the icon in order to view the content of the note. This makes it possible to store large amounts of text without taking up unnecessary space in the working area, amongst other uses:

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Sticky Note Tool**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs icon.

4. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the sticky note annotation. See here for further information.

**Add Text Box Annotation to Documents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Text Box Tool**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs icon.

4. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the text box annotation. See [here](#) for further information.

### Add Text To Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Content Editing Tools**.

3. Click **Add Text Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Add Typewriter-Style Annotations to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **Typewriter Tool**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs icon.

4. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the typewriter-style annotation. A blue rectangle will appear. Enter the desired comment text in the rectangle. See [here](#) for further information.

### Attach Files to Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.

3. Click **File Attachment Tool**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs.

4. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the link. The **Open Files** dialog box will open.
5. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

**Clone and Edit Comment Styles**

All comments and annotations can be customized to meet specific needs and aesthetic tastes with regard to style, color and other properties. Follow the steps outlined below to save customized style options for comments:

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Comment Styles Palette**. The **Comment Styles Palette** pane will open:

![Comment Styles Palette](image)

3. Select the desired comment style and click **Clone**. The style can then be edited and saved for subsequent use. See here for further information and operational instructions on the **Comment Styles Palette**.

Right-click annotation icons in the **Shortcut Toolbar** for quick access to customized styles.
There is an important distinction to make when using PDF-XChange Editor to edit documents. This is because documents are composed of two layers. The first layer consists of the original PDF content, such as text and/or images. The second layer, which is placed over the first, consists of comments and/or markups added to the document using the software. These layers exist and operate independently of each other. This means that editing commands applied to original PDF content/comments and markups will apply only in relation to the layer in which selected items are located. When comments and markups are flattened they are moved to the same layer as original PDF content and can then be edited and utilized simultaneously. Follow the steps below to convert annotations into base content:

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Flatten Comments**. The **Flatten Annotations** dialog box will open:
3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.

### Create Links within Documents

1. Click **Tools** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Link Tools**.

3. Click **Link Creation Tool**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Determine which Comments are Shown/Hidden

1. Click **Comments** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Show Comments**. The following submenu will be displayed:
3. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**Duplicate Comments**

1. Select the desired comments.
2. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
3. Click **Duplicate**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**Edit Comment Text**

1. Select the comment text. Available parameters will be displayed in the **Properties Toolbar**.
2. Adjust parameters as detailed here.

**Export Comments to a Data File**

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Export Comments to Data File**.
3. The **Save File** dialog box will open.

4. Enter a name for the file in the **File name** text box.

5. Click **Save**.

**Import Comments from a Data File**

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Import Comments**. The **Open Files** dialog box will open.

3. Select the file that contains the desired comments and click **Open**.

**Reposition Comments**

1. Select the desired comments.

2. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

3. Click **Transform**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

Alternatively, enable the **Select Comments** tool and then click and drag comments to reposition them manually.

**Reset Comment Styles**

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Comment Styles Palette**. The **Comment Styles Palette** will open:
3. Select the desired style.

4. Click **Reset**.

**Resize Comments**

1. Select the desired comment.

2. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

3. Click **Transform**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

Alternatively, enable the **Select Comments Tool**, then click and drag comments to resize them manually.

**Set Customized Style as Default**

**PDF-XChange Editor** displays the current comment style for annotation tools in the **Shortcut Toolbar**. This style is selected automatically when the associated tool is selected. The
default comment/annotation style is selected by default. Follow the steps below to set a customized style as the default setting for tools:

1. Click **Comments** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Comment Styles Palette**. The **Comment Styles Palette** will open and customized styles will be displayed:

   ![Comment Styles Palette](image)

   **Figure 8. Comment Styles Palette**

3. Select the desired style and click **Set Current**.

Editing options are available after tools have been used to create content. See [here](#) for further information.

Additionally, several of the **Keyboard Shortcuts** relate to annotations.
5.2 **Bookmarks Guide**

**PDF-XChange Editor** features several operations that assist in the creation and manipulation of bookmarks. Bookmarks provide a useful method of designating and navigating to important document locations. Click the links below for instructions on how to:

- **Add Text to Bookmark Titles**
  1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
  2. Click **Add Text to Bookmark Titles**.
  3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

- **Create Bookmarks**
  1. Move to the desired new bookmark location.
  2. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
  3. Click **Bookmarks**. The **Bookmarks** pane will open.
  4. Click the **New Bookmark** button. A new entry will appear in the **Bookmarks** pane. See [here](#) for further information.

  The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+B.

- **Create Bookmarks by Page Number**
  1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Bookmark Every Nth Page**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Create Bookmarks From a Table of Contents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Basic Tools**.

3. Click **Select Text Tool**.

4. Select the text from which the bookmarks are to be made.

5. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

6. Click **Generate Bookmarks from Table of Contents**.

7. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Create Bookmarks From Page Text**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Generate Bookmarks From Page Text**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Create Bookmarks From Text Files**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Generate Bookmarks From Text File**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Edit the Case of Bookmark Text**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Change Bookmark Case**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Export Bookmarks to HTML Files**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Export Bookmarks to HTML File**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Export Bookmarks to Text Files**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Export Bookmarks to Text File**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Find and Replace Bookmark Text**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Find And Replace Bookmark Text**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Sort Bookmarks**

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Sort Bookmarks**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).
Use Bookmarks to Create a Table of Contents

1. Click Bookmarks in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Build Table of Contents.
3. Follow the instructions detailed here.

Validate Bookmarks

1. Click Bookmarks in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Validate Bookmarks.
3. Follow the instructions detailed here.

Additionally, several of the Keyboard Shortcuts relate to the creation and editing of bookmarks.
5.3 Document Operations Guide

Detailed in this section are operations in PDF-XChange Editor that relate to documents. Click the subsection titles to open the associated page of the manual:

- **Create Documents** - a breakdown of the ways in which it is possible to create PDF documents, including how to create documents from image files, Markdown files, text files, RTF files and the local scanner. Also included is how to create blank documents and how to create a single document from multiple input files.

- **Edit Documents** - a breakdown of the multiple ways in which it is possible to edit documents, including how to add dynamic features, certify documents, convert documents into various formats, restructure/crop/OCR/delete pages, manipulate base content, set document zoom, insert content, adjust document tabs, sign/validate documents, edit text and measure documents.

- **Open Documents** - a breakdown of how to open documents located in URLs, Dropbox, SharePoint, Google Drive and the local computer.

- **Miscellaneous Document Operations** - a breakdown of miscellaneous document operations, including how to add/edit JavaScript, import/export customized settings, work with named destinations and utilize sessions.

- **Save Documents** - a breakdown of the way that documents can be saved, including how to save copies of documents, save multiple documents simultaneously and save documents to specific places such as Dropbox, Google Drive and SharePoint.
Create Documents

PDF-XChange Editor can be used to create new PDF documents in multiple ways. See below for instructions on how to:

▼ Create Blank PDF Documents

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.


3. Click With Blank Pages. The New Empty Document dialog box will open:

![New Empty Document Dialog Box](image)

Figure 1. New Empty Document Dialog Box

4. Determine parameters as detailed here.

5. Click OK.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+N.
Create PDF Documents from Image Files

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **New Document**.
3. Click **From Image File(s)**. The **Image To PDF** dialog box will open:

![Image To PDF Dialog Box](image)

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.

Create PDF Documents from Markdown Files

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **New Document**.
3. Click **From Markdown**. The **Convert Markdown To PDF** dialog box will open:
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.

5. Click OK.

Create PDF Documents from Multiple Files

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.


3. Click Combine Files into a Single PDF. The Combine Files dialog box will open:
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Create PDF Documents From Text Files**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **New Document**.

3. Click **From Text Files**. The **Convert Text Files to PDF** dialog box will open:

![Convert Text Files to PDF Dialog Box](image)

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Create PDF Documents from the Local Scanner**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **New Document**.
3. Hover over **From Scanner**. The following submenu will be displayed:

![Figure 6. Scan Submenu](image)

4. Click either a preset mode (these are displayed in the white area) or **Custom Scan**.

5. Determine parameters and initiate the scan as detailed [here](#).

**Create PDF Documents from RTF Files**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **New Document**.

3. Select **From Rich Text Format (RTF) Files**. The **Convert RTF Files To PDF** dialog box will open:
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.
Edit Documents

PDF-XChange Editor can be used to edit documents in multiple ways. See below for instructions on how to:

- **Add Backgrounds to Documents**
  1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
  2. Hover over **Background**.
  3. Click **Add**. The **Add Background** dialog box will open.
  4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
  5. Click **OK**.

- **Add Barcodes to Documents**
  Barcodes are an established standard for the concise storage of complex information. They are compatible with most smartphones and tablets and have several useful templates, such as electronic business cards that can be used for contact details and other personal information. They can also be used to link to URLs, create custom messages and send automatic emails. Follow the steps below to add barcodes to documents:
  1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
  2. Hover over **Content Editing Tools**.
  3. Hover over **Add**.
  4. Click **Add Barcode**. The **Select Barcode Placement Tool** dialog box will open.
5. Click **Drag Barcode Rectangle**.

6. Drag the pointer to determine the size and location of the barcode. The **Add Barcode** dialog box will open.

7. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

8. Click **Place**.

**Add Bates Numbering to Documents**

Bates numbering is a dynamic way to provide identification, protection and automatic consecutive numbering within documents as they are processed/scanned. Follow the instructions below to add Bates numbering:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Bates Numbering**.

3. Click **Add**. The **Add Bates Numbering** dialog box will open.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Add Bates Numbering to Multiple Documents**

Bates numbering is a dynamic way to provide identification, protection and automatic consecutive numbering within documents as they are processed/scanned. Follow the instructions below to add Bates numbering to multiple documents:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Bates Numbering**.

3. Click **Add to Multiple Files**. The **Add Bates Numbering to Files** dialog box will open.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.
Add Headers and Footers to Documents

Headers and footers are a useful way to add additional information at the top/bottom of documents, such as page numbers and/or the current date. Follow the steps below to add headers and footers to documents:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Header and Footer.
3. Click Add. The Add Header and Footer dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Add Images to Documents

1. Click Tools in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Content Editing Tools.
3. Hover over Add.
4. Click Add Image. The Open Files dialog box will open.
5. Select the desired image and click Open. The Add Image dialog box will open.
6. Determine parameters as detailed here.
7. Click Place.

Add Watermarks to Documents

Watermarks are used predominately to discourage counterfeiting and to display ownership of images and documentation. Follow the steps below to add watermarks to documents:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over **Watermarks**.

3. Click **Add**. The **Add Watermark** dialog box will open.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

### Certify Documents and Add an Invisible Signature

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. Follow the instructions below to certify documents and an invisible digital signature. (The inclusion of an *invisible* digital signature means that the document will not feature a physical signature, but it is still 'signed' and certified to the same level as a document that features a physical signature).

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Digital Signatures**.

3. Click **Certify (Invisible)**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Certify Documents and Add a Visible Signature

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. Follow the instructions below to certify documents and a visible digital signature:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Digital Signatures**.

3. Click **Certify**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### Check Document Spelling

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Spell Check. PDF-XChange Editor** will then check the document spelling.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is F7.

### Clear All Document Signatures

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Digital Signatures**.

3. Click **Clear All Signatures**.
Convert Documents to Image Format
1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Export.
3. Click Export to Image(s). The Export to Images dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Convert Documents to Microsoft Excel Format
1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Export.
3. Click Export to Microsoft Excel. The Save File dialog box will open.
4. Use the File name text box to edit the name of the file. The default name is the existing name of the active document.
5. Click OK.

Convert Documents to Microsoft Powerpoint Format
1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Export.
3. Click Export to Microsoft Powerpoint Presentation. The Save File dialog box will open.
4. Use the File name text box to edit the name of the file. The default name is the existing name of the active document.
5. Click Save.
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Convert Documents to Microsoft Word Format

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Export.
3. Click Export to Microsoft Word Document. The Save File dialog box will open.
4. Use the File name text box to edit the name of the file. The default name is the existing name of the active document.
5. Click Save.

Copy and Convert Text into Rich Text Format

1. Click Tools in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Basic Tools.
3. Click Select Text Tool.
4. Select and then right-click the text.
5. Click Copy as a Rich Text.

Create a New Document Window

1. Click Window in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click New Document Window.

Crop Pages

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Crop Pages.
3. Click Crop Pages. The Crop Pages dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+T.

**Crop Pages Manually**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Crop Pages**.

3. Click **Crop Page Tool**. The **Crop Tool** dialog box will open.

4. Click **Drag Crop Rectangle**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs icon.

5. Click and drag to determine the crop area. When the mouse button is released the **Crop Pages** dialog box will open.

6. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

7. Click OK.

**Delete Empty Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Delete Pages**.

3. Click **Delete Empty Pages**. The **Delete Empty Pages** dialog box will open.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click OK.

**Delete Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Delete Pages**.
3. Click **Delete Pages**. The **Delete Pages** dialog box will open.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+D.

### Determine Advanced Document Settings

The advanced document settings can be used to determine base URLs for weblinks, "trapping" options with regard to printing, print dialog presets and binding/language options. Follow the instructions below to access and edit advanced document settings:

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Document Properties**.

3. Click **Advanced** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

### Determine Document Settings

Document settings can be used to configure the layout of tabs and windows, document restore options, saving parameters and the PDF-specification of new documents. Follow the instructions below to access and edit document settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Documents** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.
**Determine PDF Portfolio File View Parameters**

PDF portfolio files are dynamic files that contain multiple file formats assembled into an integrated PDF unit. Follow the instructions below to determine how portfolio files are displayed in **PDF-XChange Editor**:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Portfolio** (please note that this option is available only when a portfolio file is open).
3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
4. Click **OK**.

**Determine Security Settings**

The security settings in **PDF-XChange Editor** determine file open and program launch options when documents are attempting to open files, attachments or sites. Follow the instructions below to determine these settings:

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Document Properties**. The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.
3. Click **Security** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.

**Edit Document Info**

Document information includes the document title, author, subject, keywords and additional metadata. It has various functions and it used during specific operations such as when documents are edited/saved/signed. Follow the instructions below to edit document information:

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Document Properties**. The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.
3. Click **Description** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Edit Base Content of Documents**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Content Editing Tools**.

3. Hover over **Edit Content** and select **All Content, Text, Images** or **Shapes** to determine the content to be edited.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Edit Base Content of Documents in an Alternative Application**

When this feature is used, content will update automatically in **PDF-XChange Editor** when it is edited in an alternative application.

1. Click **Edit Content** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Right-click the content item. A submenu will open.

3. Hover over **Edit Image**.

4. Click **Default Application** to edit content in the default content editing application or click **Open With** to select a different application.

**Enable Dynamic Zoom Panes**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Zoom Tools**.

3. Click **Loupe Tool**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

Alternatively:

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom Tools**.
3. Click **Pan and Zoom**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**Extract Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Extract Pages**. The **Extract Pages** dialog box will open.
3. Determine parameters as detailed here.
4. Click **OK**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+E.

**Fit Page to Document Window**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom**.
3. Click **Fit Page**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+0.

**Fit Page Height to Document Window**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom**.
3. Click **Fit Height**.

**Fit Page Width to Document Window**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom**.
3. Click **Fit Width**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+2.

**Fit Page Width to Document Window and Exclude White Space**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom**.
3. Click **Fit Visible**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+3.

**Highlight Document Text**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Select **Highlight Text Tool**.
4. Click and drag to highlight text. See [here](#) for further information.

**Insert Empty Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert Empty Pages**. The **Insert Empty Pages** dialog box will open.
3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+I.

**Insert Images**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert Images**. The **Images to PDF** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.

**Insert Pages From a Different Document**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert Pages**. The **Insert Pages** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.

**Insert RTF Content**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert RTF**. The **Convert RTF Files to PDF** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.
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### Insert Scanned Pages

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert Scanned Pages**. The **Scan Properties** dialog box will open.

3. Determine properties as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **Scan**.

### Insert Text

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Insert Pages**. Click **Insert Text**. The **Convert Text Files to PDF** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

4. Click **OK**.

### Launch Documents in an Alternative Program

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Launch**. A list of designated applications will be displayed.

3. Click the desired application. See [here](#) for customizable options that relate to this feature. Please note that the **Launch Toolbar** can also be used to achieve this operation.

### Measure Document Areas

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Measuring Tools**.

3. Click **Area Tool**. The pointer will become a crosshairs icon.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Measure Document Distances**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Measuring Tools**.
3. Click **Distance Tool**. The pointer will become a crosshairs icon.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Measure Document Perimeters**

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Measuring Tools**.
3. Click **Perimeter Tool**. The pointer will become a crosshairs icon.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Move All Open Documents to a Single Tab Group**

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **All Documents to One Tab Group**.

**Move the Active Document to a New Horizontal Tab Group**

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Active Document to New Horizontal Tab Group**.

**Move the Active Document to a New Vertical Tab Group**

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Active Document to a New Vertical Tab Group.**

### Add Number Ranges to Pages

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Hover over **More for Pages.**

2. Click **Number Pages.** The **Page Numbering** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here.](#)

4. Click **OK.**

### OCR Pages

The optical character recognition (OCR) in **PDF-XChange Editor** analyzes PDF documents, recognizes text and then makes it selectable and searchable. Follow the instructions below to perform OCR on documents:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Click **OCR Pages.** The **OCR Pages** dialog box will open.

3. Determine parameters as detailed [here.](#)

4. Click **OK.**

### Place Signatures in Documents

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Hover over **Digital Signatures.**

3. Click **Place Signature.**

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here.](#)
Read Selected Text Out Loud

1. Click the **Select Text Tool** icon in the **Standard Toolbar**.

2. Highlight the text to be read out loud.

3. Right-click the selected text and click **Read Out Loud Selected Text** in the submenu. See [here](#) for customizable options that relate to this feature.

Redact Page Content

Redaction can be used to remove content permanently from documents. Redaction is used, instead of a delete option, when it is necessary/desired to show that material has been removed from documents, such as in sensitive material where some content can be shown to all users but other content needs to be protected. Follow the instructions below to redact page content:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Redaction**.

3. Click **Mark for Redaction**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

Remove Backgrounds from Documents

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Background**.

3. Click **Remove All**. The **Remove Backgrounds** dialog box will open.

4. Click **Yes**.

Remove Bates Numbering from Documents

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Bates Numbering**.
3. Click **Remove All**. The **Remove Bates Numberings** dialog box will open.

4. Click **Yes**.

**Remove Cropped Content From Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Crop Pages**.

3. Click **Remove Cropped Content**.

**Remove Headers and Footers from Documents**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Header and Footer**.

3. Click **Remove All**. The **Remove Headers and Footers** dialog box will open.

4. Click **Yes**.

**Remove Watermarks from Documents**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Watermarks**.

3. Click **Remove All**. The **Remove Watermarks** dialog box will open.

4. Click **Yes**.

**Reopen Recently Closed Documents**

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Reopen Recently Closed Document**.
The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+W.

**Reorder Pages**

1. Click **View** in the *Menu Toolbar.*
2. Click **Thumbnails.** The **Thumbnails** pane will open and display the document pages.
3. Click and drag pages within the pane to reorder them in the active document.

**Replace Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the *Menu Toolbar.*
2. Click **Replace Pages.** The **Replace Pages** dialog box will open.
3. Determine parameters as detailed [here.](#)
4. Click **OK.**

**Resize Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the *Menu Toolbar.*
2. Hover over **More for Pages.**
3. Click **Resize Pages.** The **Resize Pages** dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here.](#)
5. Click **OK.**

**Rotate Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the *Menu Toolbar.*
2. Click **Rotate Pages.**
3. The **Rotate Pages** dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.

5. Click OK.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+R.

**Select Document Text**

1. Click Tools in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Basic Tools.

3. Select Select Text Tool.

4. Click and drag to select text. See here for further information.

**Sign Documents**

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. Follow the instructions below to sign documents:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Digital Signatures.

3. Click Sign Document.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.
Split Document Pages

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Split Pages**. The **Split Pages** dialog box will open.
3. Determine parameters as detailed here.
4. Click **OK**.

Split Documents

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **More for Pages**.
3. Click **Split Document**. The **Split Document** dialog box will open.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click **OK**.

Split the Active Document View into Two Horizontal Sections

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Split**.
3. Click **Horizontal Split**.

Split the Active Document View into Two Vertical Sections

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Split**.
3. Click **Vertical Split**.
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Spreadsheet Split the Active Document

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Split**.
3. Click **Spreadsheet Split**.

Strikeout Document Text

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Select **Strikeout Text Tool**.
4. Click and drag to strikeout text. See [here](#) for further information.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+S.

Timestamp Documents

Timestamps are used to ensure the long-term preservation of digital signatures, time-seal date objects (to prove when they were received), protect copyrights/intellectual property and provide notarization services. Follow the instructions below to timestamp documents:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Digital Signatures**.
3. Click **Timestamp**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

Underline Document Text

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Comment and Markup Tools**.
3. Select **Underline Text Tool**.

4. Click and drag to underline text. See [here](#) for further information.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+U.

### Validate Document Signatures

This feature makes it possible for signatures to be validated when the documents that contain them are received. Please note that the default settings of the local computer that receives files may result in this process taking place automatically. Follow the instructions below to validate document signatures:

1. Click **Document** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Digital Signatures**.

3. Click **Validate All Signatures**.

### Zoom to Actual Document Size

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Zoom**.

3. Click **Actual Size**.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+1.

### Zoom to a Custom Magnification Level

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Zoom**.

3. Click **Zoom To**. The **Zoom To** dialog box will open.

4. Enter the desired magnification level, or select a preset value from the dropdown menu.
5. Click **OK**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+M.

Additionally, see the [Forms Guide](#) for further elements that can be added to documents, including check boxes, buttons, digital signatures, dropdown menus, list boxes, radio buttons and text fields.

The [Keyboard Shortcuts](#) section contains several useful editing shortcuts.
Open Documents

There are multiple ways to open documents in PDF-XChange Editor. See below for instructions on how to:

**Open Documents Located at a URL**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Open From**.
3. Click **URL**. The **Open a Web Link** dialog box will open.
4. Enter the desired URL in the text box and click **OK**.

**Open Documents Located in Box.com**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Open From**, then hover over **Add a Place** and click **Box.com**. The **Box.com Authentication** dialog box will open.
3. Enter the login details of the **Box.com** account and click **Authorize**. The **Open File** dialog box will open.
4. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

**Open Documents Located in a Dropbox Folder**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Open From**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **Dropbox**. The **Authenticate** dialog box will open.

5. Enter the login details of the **Dropbox** account and click **Sign in**. The **Open File** dialog box will open.

6. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

### Open Documents Located in Microsoft OneDrive

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Open From**, then hover over **Add a Place** and click **One Drive**. The **One Drive Authentication** dialog box will open.

3. Enter the login details of the **Microsoft One Drive** account and click **Authorize**. The **Open File** dialog box will open.

4. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

### Open Documents Located in a SharePoint Account

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Open From**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **Sharepoint**. The **Open File** dialog box will open.

5. Enter the address of the file in the indicated text box and click **Navigate**.

6. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

### Open Documents Located on a Google Drive

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Open From**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **Google Drive**. The **Google Drive Authentication** dialog box will open.

5. Enter the login details of the **Google** account and click **Sign in**.

Open Documents Located on the Local Computer

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Open From**.

3. Click **My Computer**. The **Open Files** dialog box will open.

4. Select the desired file and click **Open**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+O.
There are multiple further options that relate to document-level operations within PDF-XChange Editor. See below for instructions on how to:

### Add JavaScript to Documents

JavaScript is an object-oriented computer programming language that is used to create interactive effects within documents/web browsers. Follow the instructions below to add JavaScript to documents:

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Document Properties**. The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.
3. Select **JavaScript** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Click the **Add** button. The **JavaScript Editor** dialog box will open.
5. Enter the new JavaScript in the text box. Enter a name for the new Javascript in the **Name** text box as desired.
6. Click **OK**. Please note that JavaScript preferences can be determined [here](#).

### Check for Product Updates

1. Click **Help** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Check for Updates**.

### Close All Active Documents
1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Close All**.

### Close Documents

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Close**. Alternatively, click the cross located at the top-right of the document name as it is displayed in the tab beneath the **Properties Toolbar**.

### Convert Documents to a Different Format

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save As**. The **Save File As** dialog box will open.

3. Use the **Save as type** dropdown menu to select the desired format. The options are:
   - PDF Documents (*.pdf)
   - Plain Text (*.txt)
   - MS PowerPoint Presentation (*.pptx)
   - MW Word Document (*.docx)
   - MS Excel Workbook (*.xlsx)
   - PDF/A Document (*.pdf)
   - PDF/X Document (*.pdf)

4. Click **Save**.

### Convert Named Destinations into Regular Destinations

Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents that operate in a similar manner to bookmarks. They can be used in conjunction with **Bookmarks** actions and the `/Open` command line to navigate to specified locations. Follow the instructions below to convert named destinations into regular destinations. See [here](#) for further information on named destinations.

1. Click **Advanced** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Bookmarks**.

3. Click **Convert Named Destinations To Regular Destinations**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Convert Text into Named Destinations**

Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents that operate in a similar manner to bookmarks. They can be used in conjunction with **Bookmarks** and **Go To Page** actions and the `/Open` command line to navigate to specified locations. Follow the instructions below to convert document text into named destinations. All instances of the specified text will be turned into a separate named destination. See [here](#) for further information on named destinations.

1. Click **Bookmarks** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Click **Convert to Named Destinations**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Copy the Full File Name of Documents**

1. Click **File** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Click **Copy Full File Name**.

**Create Named Destinations**

Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents that operate in a similar manner to bookmarks. They can be used in conjunction with **Bookmarks** and **Go To Page** actions and the `/Open` command line to navigate to specified locations. Follow the instructions below to create named destinations:

1. Move to the desired new named destination location.

2. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

3. Hover over **Other Panes**.
3. Click **Destinations**. The **Named Destinations** pane will open.

4. Click the **New Destination** button. A new entry will appear in the **Named Destinations** pane. See [here](#) for further information.

### Create JavaScript Links

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**, then hover over **Link Tools** and click **Link Creation Tool**.

2. Click and drag the pointer to determine the size and location of the link. The **Browse for Link Target** dialog box will open:

   ![Figure 1. PDF-XChange Editor Main Window, Browse for Link Target Dialog Box](#)

3. Click **Advanced**. The **Edit Action List** dialog box will open and the **Add** dropdown menu will be expanded:
4. Click **Run a JavaScript**. The **Add Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript and click **OK** to create the JavaScript link.

**Delete JavaScript**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Document Properties**. The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.

3. Click **JavaScript** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Select the desired JavaScript and click **Delete**. A confirmation dialog box will appear.

5. Click **Yes**.

**Duplicate Document Pages**
1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **More for Pages**.

3. Click **Duplicate Pages**. The **Duplicate Pages** dialog box will open.

4. Follow the instructions detailed **here**.

**Edit JavaScript**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Document Properties**. The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.

3. Click **JavaScript** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Select the desired JavaScript and click **Edit**. The **JavaScript Editor** dialog box will open.

5. Edit the JavaScript as desired and click **OK** to save.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+J.

**Enable/Disable Stroke Adjust**

This feature is used to specify that the line widths and coordinates of strokes are adjusted automatically to produce strokes of uniform thickness. This is performed in order to compensate for the effects of rasterization and fit lines (and other figures) more precisely to the pixel grid of monitors and other displays.

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar** then click **Preferences**. The **Preferences** dialog box will open.

2. Click **Page Display** in the **Categories** menu.

3. Click the **Rendering** button, then use the **Stroke Adjust** dropdown menu to enable/disable stroke adjust as desired.

Further information on this feature is available **here**.
**Enhance Scanned Pages**

This feature is used to enhance the quality of scanned pages:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Enhance Scanned Pages**.
3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Email Documents**

This feature emails documents directly from **PDF-XChange Editor**. It uses the mailing parameters defined in the **Send Mail** section of the **Preferences** settings, which can be determined [here](#). Follow the instructions below to email documents:

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Send by E-mail**. The **Send Mail** dialog box will open.
3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Export Selected Content to a New PDF Document**

This feature copies and exports content selected in the current document to a new document:

1. Click **Edit Content** in the **Shortcut** toolbar:
2. Click and drag to select content, then right-click the selection and click **New Document from Selection** in the shortcut menu.

**Export Selected Content to a New Stamp**

This feature exports content selected in the current document to a new stamp that can be used in conjunction with the **Stamp Tool**.

1. Click **Edit Content** in the **Shortcut** toolbar:
2. Click and drag to select content, then right-click the selection and click **New Stamp from Selection** in the shortcut menu.

Note that if multiple items are selected then a stamp will be created for each item.

**Export Settings**

This feature makes it possible to save and export customized settings for subsequent use:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Export Settings**. The **Export Settings Options** dialog box will open.
3. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
4. Click **OK**. Use the **Import Settings** feature to import saved settings.

**Find Text**
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1. Click the Find icon on the right of the Menu Toolbar. The Find Function will launch:

![Figure 3. Find Function](image-url)

2. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+F.

### Open the Containing Folder of Documents

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Click Open Containing Folder.

### Import Saved Settings

This feature is used to import customized settings that have been saved using the Export Settings feature. Follow the instructions below to import settings:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Click Import Settings. The Import Settings from File dialog box will open.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

4. Select the desired settings for import and click OK.

### Insert Images Into a Snapshot Area

This feature is used to insert images into areas that the Snapshot tool has defined:

1. Click Snapshot Tool in the Standard Toolbar.

2. Click and drag to define a snapshot area.
3. Right-click the snapshot area, then click **Add Image** in the shortcut menu.

   The **Open Files** dialog box will open.

   4. Select the desired image and click **Open**.

**Launch the JavaScript Console**

The **JavaScript Console** is used to add, edit and remove JavaScript from documents. Follow the instructions below to launch the **JavaScript Console**:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Show**.

3. Click **Show JavaScript Console**. See [here](#) for further information on the **JavaScript Console**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+J.

**Merge Document Pages**

The **Merge Pages** feature is used to merge document pages:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **More for Pages**, then click **Merge Pages**.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Print Documents**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Print**. The **Print** dialog box will open. Set the desired printing parameters as detailed [here](#).

3. Click **Print**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+P.
Print Snapshots

1. Take a snapshot as detailed here.

2. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.

3. Click Print. The Print dialog box will open.

4. Select Selected Graphic in the Page Range Section, and Fit to Printer Margins and Auto-Center Page on Paper in the Page Placement and Scaling section:

![Print Dialog Box, Print Snapshot Settings Highlighted](image)

5. Click Print.

Print the Current View

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click **Print**. The **Print** dialog box will open.

3. Select **Current View** in the **Page Range Section**, and **Fit to Printer Margins** and **Auto-Center Page on Paper** in the **Page Placement and Scaling** section:

![Print Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 5.** Print Dialog Box, Print Current View Settings Selected

4. Click **Print**.

**Reset Document Settings**

This feature resets document settings as desired. Settings that can be reset are program options, including common options, presets, trusted/untrusted lists, prompts and the UI language, as well as the program history, custom stamp collections and digital signature appearance templates. Follow the instructions below to reset document settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Reset Settings**. The **Reset Settings Options** dialog box will open.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).
Revert Documents to Original State

1. Click File in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Revert.

Replace Document Images

This feature is used to replace images in PDF files:

1. Click Edit Content:
2. Right-click the image and then click Replace Image in the shortcut menu.

The Open Files dialog box will open.
3. Select the desired image and then click **Open** to replace the image selected in the document.

**Save Document Images**

This feature is used to save images directly from a PDF to a new file:

1. Click **Edit Content**:

2. Right-click the image and then click **Save Image As** in the shortcut menu.

**Search for Text in Documents/Folders**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Search**. The **Search** pane will open.

3. Follow the instructions detailed **here**.
The keyboard shortcut to launch the Search pane is Ctrl+Alt+F.

**Swap Document Pages**

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **More for Pages**.
3. Click **Swap Pages**. The **Swap Pages** dialog box will open.
4. Enter the page numbers of the pages to be swapped and click **OK**.

**Take Document Snapshots**

The **Snapshot Tool** is a quick and efficient method of creating images of the current view within **PDF-XChange Editor** and pasting them immediately to the clipboard of the local computer. Follow the instructions below to enable and use the **Snapshot Tool**:

1. Click **Tools** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Basic Tools**.
3. Click **Snapshot Tool**.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Transform the Current Selection**

This feature is used to edit the position, size and/or rotation of selected annotations/content items:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Transform**.
3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).
Utilize Sessions

The Sessions options in PDF-XChange Editor provide a useful method of retaining the parameters of the active session for subsequent use. The retained parameters include which documents were open, their order/layout within the main window, the location of the main window on the screen and the status of editing panes such as the Thumbnails/Properties pane. Follow the instructions below to:

**Save the Current Session**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Sessions**.
3. Click **Save Current Session**. The **Save Current Session** dialog box will open:

![Save Current Session Dialog Box](image)

4. Enter a name for the session in the text box and click **OK**. See [here](#) for further information.

**Save the Current Session to a File**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Sessions**.
3. Click **Save Current Session to a File**. The **Save Current Session** dialog box will open.
4. Enter a name for the session in the **File name** text box and click **Save**. See [here](#) for further information.

**Open a Session From a File**
1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Hover over **Sessions.**

3. Click **Open Session from a File.** The **Open Session** dialog box will open.

4. Select the desired session and click **Open.** See [here](#) for further information.

### Manage Existing Sessions

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Hover over **Sessions.**

3. Click **Manage Sessions.** The **Manage Sessions** dialog box will open.

4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

### View Document Font Details

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar.**

2. Click **Document Properties.** The **Document Properties** dialog box will open.

3. Click **Fonts** in the **Categories Menu.** A list of fonts used in the active document will be displayed. Please note that this information is read-only. See [here](#) for instructions on how to customize font embedding options.
Save Documents

There are multiple ways to save documents in PDF-XChange Editor. See below for instructions on how to:

**Save Copies of the Active Document**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save Copy As**. The **Save Copy As** dialog box will open.

3. Enter a file name in the **File name** text box. When this option is used to save documents, PDF-XChange Editor inserts the word 'Copy' after the existing name as the default new file name.

4. Click **Save**.

**Save All Open Documents**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save All**.

**Save Optimized Copies of the Active Document**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save as Optimized**. The **Optimize PDF** dialog box will open. Select the desired optimization parameters, as detailed **here**, and click **OK**. The document will then be optimized and the **Save File** dialog box will open.
3. Enter a file name in the **File name** text box. When this option is used to save documents, **PDF-XChange Editor** inserts the word 'Optimized' after the existing name as the default new file name.

4. Click **Save**.

**Save Documents**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save**.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+S.

**Save Documents with a New Name/to a New Location**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save As**. The **Save File As** dialog box will open.

3. Move to the location and/or enter a new file name in the **File name** text box.

4. Click **Save**.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+S.

**Save to a Box.com Account**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save As**.

3. Click **Box.com**. The **Authenticate** dialog box will open. Enter the details of the **Box.com** account and click **Sign in**. The **Save File** dialog box will open.

4. Enter a file name in the **File Name** text box and click **Save**.

**Save to a Dropbox Folder**
1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Save To**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **Dropbox**. The **Authenticate** dialog box will open. Enter the details of the associated **Dropbox** account and click **Sign in**. The **Save File** dialog box will open.

5. Enter a file name in the **File Name** text box and click **Save**.

**Save to a Google Drive**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Save To**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **Google Drive**. The **Google Drive Authentication** dialog box will open. If you agree with the terms then click **Allow**. The **Save File to Google Drive** dialog box will open.

5. Enter a file name in the **File Name** text box and click **Save**.

**Save to a One Drive Account**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Save As**.

3. Click **One Drive**, then click **Yes** in the **One Drive Authentication** dialog box. The **Save File to OneDrive** dialog box will open.

4. Enter a file name in the **File Name** text box and click **Save**.

**Save to a SharePoint Account**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Save To**.

3. Hover over **Add a Place**.

4. Click **SharePoint**. The **Save File** dialog box will open.

5. Enter the **SharePoint** address in the text box. Click **Navigate**.

6. Select a location from the list.

7. Click **Save**.
5.4 Editing Panes Guide

There are ten editing panes in PDF-XChange Editor that enable the efficient browsing and editing of documents. Click the links below for instructions on how to open and utilize:

**The Bookmarks Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Click Bookmarks. The Bookmarks pane will open.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Bookmarks pane is Ctrl+B.

**The Thumbnails Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Click Thumbnails. The Thumbnails pane will open.

3. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Thumbnails pane is Ctrl+T.

**The Named Destinations Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Other Panes.
3. Click **Destinations**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**The Content Pane**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Other Panes**.

3. Click **Content**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**The Signatures Pane**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Other Panes**.

3. Click **Signatures**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

**The Layers Pane**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Other Panes**.

3. Click **Layers**.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the **Layers pane** is Ctrl+L.

**The Comments Pane**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over Other Panes.

3. Click Comments.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Comments pane is Ctrl+M.

**The Attachments Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Other Panes.

3. Click Attachments.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Attachments pane is Ctrl+Shift+B.

**The Fields Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Other Panes.

3. Click Fields.

4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Fields pane is Ctrl+I.

**The Properties Pane**

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Other Panes.

3. Click Properties.
4. Follow the instructions detailed here.

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the Properties pane is Ctrl+.’

Additionally, please note that the tabs detailed below can be used to minimize/maximise editing panes:

![Figure 1. Minimise Pane Tab](image-url)
Figure 2. Maximise Pane Tab
5.5 Forms Guide

PDF-XChange Editor includes functionality that adds/edits fillable forms. This functionality can be used to create dynamic documents such as those used to make credit card payments and create website accounts. Please note that this is a licensed feature. Therefore, unless PDF-XChange Editor Plus is used, documents will feature watermarks when fillable forms are created. See below for instructions on how to:

Add Barcodes to Documents

Barcodes translate form data into an encoded pattern to increase security and efficiency. They are compatible with most smartphones and tablets and have several useful templates, such as electronic business cards that can be used for contact details and other personal information. They can also be used to link to URLs, create custom messages and send automatic emails. Follow the steps below to add barcodes to documents:

1. Click Edit Form in the Shortcut Toolbar.

2. Click the Barcode button in the Properties Toolbar:
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the barcode.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create the barcode. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance barcodes.

### Add Buttons to Documents

Buttons are used to enable specific operations within documents, such as opening a web link or playing a sound. The operations are carried out when buttons are clicked. Follow the instructions below to add buttons to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Button** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the button.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create the button. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance buttons.

**Add Check Boxes to Documents**

Check boxes allow users to make a binary choice between mutually exclusive options, such as yes/no answers. Follow the instructions below to add check boxes to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Check Box** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue square, which represents the check box.

3. Place the square at the desired location and click to create the check box. See here for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed here to edit and enhance check boxes.

**Add Date Fields to Documents**

Date fields allow users to specify a date from a dropdown calendar. Follow the instructions below to add date fields to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Date** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will become a crosshairs and feature a blue square, which represents the date field.

3. Place the square at the desired location and click to create the date field.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance date fields.

### Add Digital Signature Fields to Documents

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. Follow the instructions below to add digital signature fields to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Digital Signature** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the digital signature field.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create the digital signature field. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance digital signatures.

**Add Dropdown Menus to Documents**

Dropdown menus allow users to select only one value from a list of options contained within a static, multiple line text box, such as a list of nationalities. The option selected is displayed within the dropdown menu. Follow the instructions below to add dropdown menus to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Dropdown** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create dropdown menu. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance dropdown menus.

**Add Image Fields to Documents**

Image fields are used to add form fields that enable users to submit images as form data. Follow the instructions below to add image fields to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Dropdown** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will become a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the image field.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create image field.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance dropdown menus.

#### Add List Boxes to Documents

List boxes allow users to select one or more items from a list of options contained within a static, multiple line text box, such as a list of months of the year. The option selected is displayed within the list box. Follow the instructions below to add list boxes to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **List Box** button in the **Properties Toolbar**.
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the list box.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create the list box. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance list boxes.

### Add Radio Buttons to Documents

Radio buttons are used within fillable forms to denote options that are mutually exclusive, such as answers to multiple-choice questions. Follow the instructions below to add radio buttons to documents:

1. Click [Edit Form](#) in the [Shortcut Toolbar](#).

2. Click the [Radio Button](#) button in the [Properties Toolbar](#):
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue square, which represents the radio button.

3. Place the square at the desired location and click to create the radio button. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance radio buttons.

▼ **Add Text Fields to Documents**

Text fields are used to denote a space in which users can enter text, such as their address or credit card details. Follow the instructions below to add text fields to documents:

1. Click **Edit Form** in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

2. Click the **Text Field** button in the **Properties Toolbar**: 
The pointer will turn into a crosshairs and feature a blue rectangle, which represents the text field.

3. Place the rectangle at the desired location and click to create the text field. See [here](#) for further options.

4. Use the editing options detailed [here](#) to edit and enhance text fields.

▼ **Change the Tab Order of Forms**

When fillable forms have been created, it is sometimes required to change the order in which the Tab key will move through individual form fields. Follow the instructions below to change the Tab order of forms:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Other Panes**.

3. Click **Fields**. The **Fields** pane will open.
4. Click **Options**. The **Options** submenu will open.

5. Click **Order by Pages**. Then click the **Edit Form** tool in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.

6. Click and drag fields within the **Fields** pane to reorder them.

### Rename Forms

1. Select the form.

2. Press F2. The **Rename Field** dialog box will open.

3. Enter the new name in the text box.

4. Click **OK**.
Use Forms to Calculate Values

PDF-XChange Editor includes functionality that can be used to carry out calculations on values entered into forms. Follow the instructions below to calculate values based on the information entered into document forms:

1. Place either a Text Field or a Drop Down form in the active document.

2. Right-click the form and select Properties. The Properties pane will open.

3. Move to the Format Value tab and set the Category to Number.

4. Move to the Value Calculation tab and select the desired calculation. After a calculation is selected the Fields option will appear in the Value Calculation tab.

5. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the Fields option. The Field Selection dialog box will open.

6. Select the fields to be included in the calculation and click OK. The document will then update with the desired calculations in place. If form data is subsequently changed then forms included in value calculations will update automatically.

All options for this process and a step-by-step walkthrough is available here.

Use Forms to Validate Values

PDF-XChange Editor includes functionality that can be used to validate figures entered into forms. Follow the instructions below to validate that values entered into document forms fall within a designated range:

1. Place either a Text Field or a Drop Down form in the active document.

2. Right-click the form and select Properties. The Properties pane will open.

3. Move to the Format Value tab and set the Category to Number.

4. Move to the Value Validation tab and select Value in Range. The From and To options will appear in the Value Validation tab.

5. Use the From and To options to determine the desired range.

All options for this process and a step-by-step walkthrough is available here.
Additionally, several of the Keyboard Shortcuts relate to forms.
5.6 "Workspace Guide"

Detailed in this section are operations in PDF-XChange Editor that relate to the workspace. Click the subsection titles to open the associated page of the manual:

- **Customize the Workspace** - a breakdown of operations that relate to the customization of the workspace, including how to create customized toolbars, determine preferences, avail of editing aids and set file open security.
- **Navigate the Workspace** - a breakdown of operations that relate to navigating between documents and document pages.
Customize the Workspace

PDF-XChange Editor features multiple settings that enable the customization of the workspace. See below for instructions on how to:

**Add/Remove Serial Keys**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Registration** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).

**Create Customized Toolbars**

Users of PDF-XChange Editor often use the same set of commands, tools and operations repeatedly. If that is the case then it is useful to create a customized toolbar in order to group together these elements of their work process to increase efficiency and output. Follow the instructions below to create customized toolbars:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Toolbars**.
3. Click **Customize Toolbars**. The **Customize Toolbars** dialog box will open.
4. Follow the instructions detailed [here](#).
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Customize the UI Appearance

PDF-XChange Editor can be fully customized in order to suit the specific the needs and tastes of the user. Follow the instructions below to customize the user interface:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click Customize UI in the Categories menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Determine Applications Available via the Launch Applications Toolbar

The Launch Application Toolbar facilitates the efficient opening of documents in an alternative PDF program from PDF-XChange Editor. Multiple programs can be added to the Launch Application Toolbar for your convenience. Follow the instructions below to add/remove programs:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click Launch Applications in the Categories menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Determine Color Management Settings

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click Color Management in the Categories menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Color Scheme Options**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Accessibility** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed **here**.

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Comment Options**

The **PDF-XChange Editor** comments feature various viewing and creation options such as to show/hide tooltips, the modification date and subject/author labels in comment pop-ups. Follow the instructions below to determine options for comments:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Commenting** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed **here**.

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Digital Signature Options**

The digital signature options determine various parameters of digital signatures, including creation and appearance options, verification settings and signature template options. Follow the instructions below to view and edit available options:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Signatures** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Document Options**

The document options determine settings that relate to documents, such as tab and window settings, application start settings, history and recent documents management, save options and PDF-specification for new documents. Follow the instructions below to view and edit available options:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Documents** in the **Categories Menu**.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.
▼ **Determine File Associations**

The file association settings can be used to determine the default application for PDF files, options for viewing files in Internet Explorer, the registration options for the NP-plugin in other browsers and the preview/thumbnaill handler for PDF files. Follow the instructions below to determine file associations:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **File Associations** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.

▼ **Determine File Formats that can be Converted to/from PDF**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Convert to PDF** or **Convert from PDF** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

▼ **Determine Form Settings**

Forms feature multiple settings that apply to their functionality and appearance. Follow the instructions below to view/edit form settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Forms** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.
Determine Identity Options for Comments and Digital Signatures

Identity options include the user login name, actual name, title and organization details. This information is used in conjunction with comments, reviews and digital signatures. Follow the instructions below to determine identity options:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click Identity in the Categories menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Determine JavaScript Options

Follow the instructions below to determine options that relate to JavaScript and the JavaScript Console:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click JavaScript in the Categories menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed here.
5. Click OK.

Determine Measurement Options

Follow the instructions below to determine measurement settings, such as the display options of rulers, grids and guides and their associated settings:

1. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Click Preferences.
3. Click **Measurement** in the **Categories Menu**.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Memory Usage**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Performance** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine **Memory** and **Threads Usage** settings as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Page Display Options**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Page Display** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Page Layout**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Page Layout**.

3. Select layout options as detailed [here](#).
**Determine Page Text Options**

Page text options include settings for action taken when PDF-XChange Editor detects interactive text links such as IP addresses and options for when text is copied or bookmarks are created. Follow the instructions below to determine page text options:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Page Text** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

**Determine Scanner Presets**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Scanner Presets** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Search Provider Settings**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.
3. Click **Search Providers** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).
5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Speech Options for the Read-Out-Loud Feature**
1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Speech** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Send Mail Options**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Send Mail** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

**Determine the Default Tool**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Tools** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Use the **Default Tool** dropdown menu to select either the **Hand Tool** or the **Select Text Tool**.

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Tab and Window Options**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Documents** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Click **Setup**. The **Manage Tabs and Windows** dialog box will open.

5. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

6. Click **OK**.

**Determine the UI Language**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Languages** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Select the desired language and click **OK**. See [here](#) for further information.

**Determine the Default Document Layout**

1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Document Properties**.

3. Click **Initial View** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Determine Visible Toolbars**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Toolbars**. A list of toolbars will be displayed.

3. Select/clear toolbar boxes to show/hide them in the UI.

**Display/Hide Guides**
Guides are used to simplify and make more exact the process of aligning text and objects. Follow the instructions below to enables guides:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Show**.
3. Click **Show Guides**. See here for further information.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+;.

### Display/Hide Measurement Grids

Measurement grids are used to assist in the accurate alignment of text and objects. Follow the instructions below to enable a measurement grid:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Show**.
3. Click **Show Grid**. See here for further information.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+'.

### Display/Hide Page Measurement Information

Page measurement information is included to enable precise document editing. When it is enabled the coordinates of the pointer are displayed next to the **Document Options Toolbar**. Follow the instructions below to enable page measurement information:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Show**.
3. Click **Show Page Size/Position**. See here for further information.

### Display/Hide Rulers

Rulers enable the precise measurement of document objects. Follow the instructions below to display rulers:
1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Show**.

3. Click **Show Rulers**. See [here](#) for further information.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+R.

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### Enable/Disable Plugins

**PDF-XChange Editor** features various plugins that heighten the functionality of the software, such as the **Dropbox** plugin, which makes it possible to work with files located in a **Dropbox** folder, and the **OCR** plugin, which makes the **OCR** process possible. Follow the instructions below to view/enable/disable plugins:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Plugins**.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

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### Enable Full Screen Mode

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Full Screen Mode**. Full screen parameters can be determined [here](#).

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is F11.

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### Enable Snapping

Snapping is a dynamic function within **PDF-XChange Editor** that facilitates the precise alignment of annotations and comments to underlying measurement guides or existing objects. Follow the instructions below to enable snapping and view/edit associated parameters:
1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Snap**.

3. Click **Enable Snapping**. See [here] for further information.

   The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+.;

**Hide Licensed Features from Toolbars and Menus**

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Select the **Hide all licensed features from toolbars and menus** box.

4. Click **OK**.

**Reset the Panes Layout of Active Documents**

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Reset Document Panes Layout**.

**Reset the Layout of Global Panes**

This setting is used to reset the layout of all panes within **PDF-XChange Editor**:

1. Click **Window** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Reset Main Panes Layout**.

**Set Attachment Security**

The attachment security settings determine the action that **PDF-XChange Editor** takes when opening attachments. Follow the instructions below to determine these settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Security** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

### Show/Hide Editing Panes

There are several editing panes within **PDF-XChange Editor** that assist in the smooth and efficient editing of documents. Follow the instructions below to enable these editing panes:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Other Panes**. Available panes are displayed in the top section of the submenu.

3. Click panes to show/hide them in the workspace. See [here](#) for further information.

### Show/Hide the Bookmarks/Thumbnails Pane

The **Bookmarks** and **Thumbnails** panes assist in document editing and navigation. Follow the instructions below to enable these panes:

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Bookmarks/Thumbnails**. See [here](#) for further information.

### Set File Open Security

The file open security settings determine the action that **PDF-XChange Editor** takes when opening files. Follow the instructions below to determine these settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Security** in the **Categories** menu.
4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

**Set Site Open Security**

The site open security settings determine the action that [PDF-XChange Editor](#) takes when opening websites. Follow the instructions below to determine these settings:

1. Click **Edit** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Click **Preferences**.

3. Click **Security** in the **Categories** menu.

4. Determine parameters as detailed [here](#).

5. Click **OK**.

Additionally, further workspace customization options are available via the [Keyboard Shortcuts](#).
Navigate the Workspace

PDF-XChange Editor features multiple features that enable the navigation of the workspace. See below for instructions on how to:

▼ Browse Open Documents

1. Click Hand Tool in the Shortcut Toolbar.

2. Click and drag on empty space within the document. The page will scroll accordingly. If a different tool from the Hand Tool is selected then press and hold the space bar in order to enable the hand tool temporarily. See here for further customizable features of the Hand Tool.

The Page Navigation Toolbar also provides several useful shortcuts for browsing open documents.

▼ Enable Document Autoscroll

1. Click View in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Page Layout.

3. Click AutoScroll.

The keyboard shortcut to enable/disable autoscroll is Ctrl+Shift+H. Use the up and down arrows to adjust the autoscroll speed, and/or press the minus key to change the autoscroll direction.

▼ Navigate Backwards One Step
Navigating backwards one step will move to the previously viewed location.

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Go To**.

3. Click **Back**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Alt+Left.

**Navigate Forwards One Step**

Navigating forwards one step will move to the next viewed location. This option becomes possible when a navigate backwards operation has taken place.

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Go To**.

3. Click **Forward**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Alt+Right.

**Move to Selected Bookmark**

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Click **Bookmarks**. The [Bookmarks pane](#) will open.

3. Select the desired bookmark.

4. Press Space.

**Move to Selected Destination**

1. Click **View** in the [Menu Toolbar](#).

2. Hover over **Other Panes**.

2. Click **Destinations**. The [Named Destinations](#) pane will open.
3. Select the desired destination.

4. Press Space.

**Move to a Specified Page**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Go To**.

3. Click **Go To Page**. The **Go To Page** dialog box will open.

4. Enter the desired page number in the number box.

5. Click **OK**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+N.

**Move to the First Page of the Document**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Go To**.

3. Click **First Page**.

The keyboard shortcut for this feature is the Home key.

**Move to the Last Page of the Document**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Go To**.

3. Click **Last Page**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is the End key.
Move to the Next Document

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Go To**.
3. Click **Next Document**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Tab.

Move to the Previous Document

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Go To**.
3. Click **Previous Document**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+Tab.

Move to the Next Page of the Document

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Go To**.
3. Click **Next Page**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Right.
**Move to the Previous Page of the Document**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Go To**.
3. Click **Previous Page**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Left.

**Rotate the Current View Clockwise**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Rotate View**.
3. Click **Rotate CW**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+Num+.

**Rotate the Current View Counterclockwise**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Rotate View**.
3. Click **Rotate CCW**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+Num-.

**Zoom to the Current Selection**

1. Click **View** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Zoom**, then click **Zoom to Selection**.

The keyboard shortcut for this operation is Ctrl+Shift+1.

The **Page Navigation Toolbar** can be used to achieve many of the operations outlined above:
Additionally, the **Thumbnails Pane** can be used to navigate and edit document pages.

**Figure 1. Page Navigation Toolbar**
This section of the manual details the tabs of the Menu Toolbar in PDF-XChange Editor:

There are eleven tabs that each feature different commands and settings. Click the links below to open the associated page of the manual:
• **File** contains file-level operations such as open, close, save and print documents.
• **Edit** contains editing options such as cut, copy, paste and delete selected content.
• **View** contains options that determine what is displayed in the main window such as toolbar shortcuts and editing panes. Document layout options are also available in this tab.
• **Document** contains document editing options such as add/remove watermarks, edit backgrounds, crop pages and digital signature options.
• **Comments** contains options for editing document comments, such as converting comments to base content, importing/exporting comments and creating a comment summary.
• **Forms** contains options for managing, highlighting and creating document form fields such as radio buttons, dropdown menus and barcodes.
• **Tools** contains submenus of the PDF-XChange Editor tools, which can be used to manipulate, edit and annotate documents.
• **Advanced** contains options that relate the creation and management of document bookmarks.
• **SharePoint** contains options that relate to files associated with the Microsoft Office SharePoint Server.
• **Window** contains options that relate to the display of the main window.
• **Help** contains links to software assistance, such as the Tracker Software main website and user-forum.
6.1 File

When the **File** tab is selected, the following options are available:

![File Tab Submenu](image)

*Figure 1. File Tab Submenu*

Click the links below to view the associated section of the manual:
• Open/Open From
• Sessions
• Save Options
• New Document
• Send by E-mail
• Revert
• Close Options
• Export
• Print
• Document Properties
• Copy Full File Name
• Open Containing Folder

Additionally, see the Document Operations Guide for further information and step-by-step instructions for the features contained in this menu.
Open/Open From

The **Open** and **Open From** options are used to open files in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

Hover over **Open** to view a list of recent documents. There are two options: **Pinned Recents** and **Unpinned Recents**:

![Figure 1. File Tab Submenu. Open Option](image-url)

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- All documents viewed previously in PDF-XChange Editor are detailed chronologically in the Unpinned Recents list.
- The pin feature is included so documents considered more important are not moved down the list when newer documents are viewed. They will remain in the Pinned Recents list instead. Click the pin icon next to unpinned documents in order to add documents to the list of Pinned Recents.
- Click the pin icon next to Pinned Recents in order to remove documents from the list. Click documents from either list in order to open them.
- Hover the pointer over documents to view document properties. Alternatively, click Open to select a file from the local computer.
- Files from the local computer can also be selected using the Open From option. This option should also be used to select files from a website URL, SharePoint server or Google Drive.
- Click Manage History and Recents to view/edit the History and Recent List Options. These options can be used to determine the number of items in the lists, the lifetime of items and their display options, and also contains options to clear the lists:

![Manage History and Recents Dialog Box](image)

Hover over Open From to open files from specific locations. The following submenu will open:
• Click **My Computer** to open a file from the local computer.
• Click **URL** to open a file that is saved on the internet. The **Open a Web Link** dialog box will open. Enter the URL of the required file and click **OK** to open it.
• Hover over **Add a Place** to view additional options for opening files:

  ![Add a Place Options](image)

  - Click **Box.com, Dropbox, Google Drive, One Drive** or **SharePoint** to add accounts from these sources to **PDF-XChange Editor**.
  - Click **Local Folder** to add a local folder.

Note that added places will subsequently be visible in and can be selected from the **Open From** submenu:
Click the 'x' icon to remove places from the list and the pencil icon to rename places.
Sessions

Hover over **Sessions** to launch the following submenu:

![File Tab Submenu. Sessions Option](image)

**Figure 1.** File Tab Submenu. Sessions Option

Sessions make the process of using **PDF-XChange Editor** more efficient. A session is defined as an active instance of using **PDF X-Change Editor** to view/edit documents. The software will remember which documents were open, their order/layout within the main window, the location of the main
window on the screen and the status of panes such as the **Thumbnails/Properties** pane. The most recently saved sessions are detailed at the top of the sessions pane.

- Click sessions to open sessions.
- Click the 'x' icon to remove sessions and the pencil icon to rename sessions.
- Click **Manage Sessions** to manage existing sessions. The **Manage Sessions** dialog box detailed in *(figure 2)* will open.
- Click **Save Current Session** to save the active session. The **Save Current Session** dialog box will open. Enter a name for the session in the text box and click **OK** to save. It will then be available in the **Manage Sessions** list as detailed above.
- Click **Save Current Session to a File** to save the current session as a **.cesession** file for subsequent use. Saved sessions can be imported via the **Manage Sessions** dialog box. Alternatively, double-clicked to restore sessions.
- Click **Open Session from a File** to open a session saved in the **.cesession** format as detailed above.
• Click **Import** to import a previously saved session. The **Open Session** dialog box will open. Select the desired file and click **Open** to open it.

• Click **Export** to export the session currently selected in the list of sessions. The **Save Current Session** dialog box will open. Enter a name for the file and click **Save** to save it.

• Click **Rename** to rename the session currently selected. The **PDF-XChange Editor** dialog box will open. Enter a new name for the session in the text box and click **OK** to save it.

• Click **Remove** to remove the session currently selected.

• Click **Remove All** to remove all sessions from the list.

Further settings are available in the **Additional Options** section:
• Select the **Restore whole session including saved windows layout** button as desired. Alternatively, select the **Just open documents from the session and add them to** button and then select an option from the dropdown menu:
  - **Active Tab Group**
  - **New Tab Group in the Active Window**
  - **New Tab Group in a New Window**
• Select the **Keep current position of active main window** and/or **Use the History to restore last document’s view position** boxes as desired.
Save Options

The save options are used to save documents in PDF-XChange Editor. They are enabled when the active document has been modified:

- **Click Save** to save the active document. Any changes made since the document was opened will be saved and the original version of the document will be overwritten.
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- Click **Save As** to save the edited document with a new name and retain the original version. Use the **Save as type** menu to determine the format of the saved file. When a format is selected, click the **Options** button beneath the **Save as Type** menu to determine format-specific options.
- Click **Save Copy As** to save a copy of the document with its current changes. The **Save File As** dialog box will launch when this option is selected. The file name will be entered automatically in the **File Name** text box with the word 'Copy' added as a suffix.
- Click **Save All** to save all open documents.
- Click **Save To** to save documents directly to **My Computer, Sharepoint, Dropbox** or **Google Drive**.
- Click **Save as Optimized** to optimize files before they are saved. When this option is selected the **Optimize PDF** dialog box will open:

![Optimize PDF Dialog Box, Images Tab](image)

These settings are used to optimize PDF content:
Images

The options for optimizing images are detailed in *(figure 2)*. They are as follows:

- Click the *Color Images, Grayscale Images, Indexed Images* and *Monochrome Images* menus to select settings for the respective image formats.
- Click the *Bicubic Downsampling/Subsampling* menus to increase/reduce the resolution of images.
- Click the arrows in the *dpi* box, or enter a figure manually, to select the dots-per-inch resolution for new images.
- Click the arrows in the *for images above* box, or enter a figure manually, to select the minimum *dpi* at which images are downsampled/subsampling.
- Click the *Compression* menus to select the compression format of images. Where applicable, click the *Quality* menu to select the compression quality.
- The *Optimize images only if there is a reduction in size* box is selected by default. Clear this box to optimize images even when there is no reduction in size.

Fonts

Click *Fonts* to determine the settings for font optimization:
- Use the **Unembed Fonts** dropdown menu to determine font embedding options:
  - Select **Do Not Unembed any font** to retain all embedded fonts.
  - Select **Unembed recommended fonts** to unembed recommended fonts, which will result in the unembedding of the most common fonts in order to reduce the file size.
  - Select **Unembed all fonts** to unembed all fonts. This will reduce the size of files as far as possible with regard to fonts. However, it also increases the risk of compatibility issues for subsequent users of the document. This is because they will not be able to read the document unless the application they are using to view the document contains the font. Therefore this setting should be used only in cases where documents contain only common fonts.
  - Select **Select fonts to unembed manually** to unembed a custom selection of fonts. When this option is selected the fonts used in the current document are displayed in the **Embedded Fonts** pane. Select fonts and click the **Unembed** button to unembed them.
when the file is optimized. Select fonts within the **Fonts to Unembed** pane and click **Retain** to retain them when the file is optimized.

- Select the **Merge fonts subsets** box to merge duplicated font subsets.

**Discard Objects**

Click **Discard Objects** to determine the settings for discarding objects:

- Select the **Discard all form submissions, import and reset actions** box to remove these elements from the document.
- Select the **Discard all JavaScript actions** box to remove JavaScript actions from the document.
- Select the **Discard all alternate images** box to remove alternate images from the document. Alternate images are additional versions of existing images that may differ slightly, such as in resolution or color space.
- Select the **Discard embedded page thumbnails** box to remove embedded page thumbnails from the document.
- Select the **Detect and merge image fragments** box to merge image fragments. Note that some images are composed of fragmented sections that are spliced together. Merging these fragments will reduce the file size.
- Select the **Discard embedded print settings** box to discard remnant encoding in cases where documents were created with a virtual printer.
- Select the **Discard bookmarks** box to remove all bookmarks from the document.

**Discard User Data**

Click **Discard User Data** to determine the settings for discarding user data:

![Figure 5. Optimize PDF Dialog Box, Discard User Data Tab](image.png)
- Select the **Discard all comments, forms and multimedia** box to remove these elements from the document.
- Select the **Discard document information and metadata** box to remove all metadata from the document.
- Select the **Discard file attachments** box to remove attached/embedded files from the document.
- Select the **Discard private data of other applications** box to remove information from the document that is useful only to the application used to create it.
- Select the **Discard hidden layer content and flatten visible layers** box to remove hidden layers from the document and flatten the visible layers to base content.

**Cleanup**

Click **Cleanup** to determine cleanup options:

![Figure 6. Optimize PDF Dialog Box, Cleanup Tab](image-url)
- Select the **Discard Duplicates of Fonts** box to remove redundant fonts from the document.
- Select the **Discard Duplicates of Images** box to remove duplicate images from the document.
- Select the **Discard duplicates of XForms** box to remove duplicate XForms from the document.
- Select the **Use Flate to encode streams that are not encoded** box to compress document information that is pending for compression.
- Select the **In Streams that use LZW encoding use Flate instead** box to use Flate compression instead of LZW encoding. This is recommended as Flate is compatible with a wider range of platforms.
- Select the **Discard Invalid Bookmarks** box to discard bookmarks that do not contain actions/valid destinations.
- Select the **Discard Unreferenced Named Destinations** box to remove named destinations that are not referenced in the document.
- Select the **Find and Remove Content Outside of the Crop Box** box to remove content outside the crop box. Note that this content is hidden when documents are displayed.

**Settings**

Click the **Settings** dropdown menu to toggle between **Standard Mode**, which is best for computers, and **Mobile Mode**, which is best for tablets and cell phones:
Figure 7. Optimize PDF Dialog Box, Settings Dropdown Menu

The **Settings** dropdown menu is also used to save, manage and delete customized settings:

- Click **Save Current Settings** to save custom settings for subsequent use. Saved profiles are detailed in the **Settings** dropdown menu.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected profiles.
- Click **Manage** to manage saved custom settings. The **Manage Presets** dialog box will open, as detailed below.
Figure 8. Manage Presets Dialog Box

- Click **Edit** to edit selected profiles.
- Click **Clone** to clone selected profiles. This makes it possible to duplicate profiles and then customize their settings whilst retaining the existing profile and its parameters.
- Use the up and down arrow to move selected profiles up or down in the list.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected profiles.
- Click **Import** to import profiles from a saved file.
- Click **Export** to export profiles to file.

Select an option in the **Make Compatible With** dropdown menu to make optimized documents compatible with specified versions of **Acrobat**.
Click **Audit Space Usage** to view a breakdown of the space used in the document.

Click **OK** to save changes.
New Document

Hover over **New Document** to open the following submenu:

![Figure 1. File Tab Submenu. New Document Options](image)

These options facilitate the creation of new documents:

- [With Blank Pages](#)
- [Combine Files into a Single PDF](#)
• From Text Files
• From Markdown
• From Rich Text Format (RTF) Files
• From Image File(s)
• From Scanner
With Blank Pages

Click **With Blank Pages** to create a blank document. The following dialog box will open:

![New Empty Document Dialog Box](image)

- The **Standard** options are standard dimensions for documentation such as those used by the ISO and ANSI.
- The **Custom** options can be used to enter custom dimensions. Enter the desired measurements into the text boxes and select the units of measurement.
- Select either **Portrait** or **Landscape** as the orientation.
- The **Count** option determines how many blank pages are created.

When the desired settings have been selected click **OK** to create the new document.
Combine Files Into A Single PDF

Click **Combine Files Into a Single PDF** to create a single PDF document from multiple PDF documents:

![Image of the New Document Submenu with Combine Files into a Single PDF option selected](image)

**Figure 1.** New Document Submenu. Combine Files into a Single PDF

The following dialog box will open:
• Click **Add Files** to select individual files from the local computer to add to the list of source files. Click the dropdown arrow for additional options:
  • Click **Add All Opened Documents in Opened Order** to add all open documents in the order in which they were opened.
  • Click **Add All Opened Documents in the Current Tab Order** to add all open documents in their current order in the document tab.
• Click **Add Folder** to add entire folders to the list of source files. Click the arrow adjacent to the button to determine further options. The **Add Files From Folder Options** dialog box will open. This is detailed in *(figure 3)*.
• Click **Page Range** to determine the page range of selected documents. Page range settings are explained [here](#).
• Use the arrow icons to reorder selected documents in the list. This determines the order in which they appear in the new document.
• Click **Options** to determine the actions taken with objects contained within combined files. The **Options** dialog box will open. The available actions relate to comments, form fields and bookmarks. Select the **Add root bookmark with file name** box as desired.
Select the **Ask for suitable file extensions after choosing a source folder** box to launch this dialog box when folders are selected using the **Add Folder** button.

Select the **Include Subfolders** box to include subfolders of the parent folder when the software searches for files to add to the list of source files.

Select the **Select file types which should be added while searching folders** box to determine file types to be included when the software performs a search.

Custom filters can be added using the **Add Custom Filter** option. This facilitates the creation of custom profiles for subsequent use that search for specific file extensions. Click **Add Custom Filter** to open the **Add Custom Filter** dialog box:
• Enter a name for the custom filter.
• Enter the desired file extensions. File extensions must begin with an asterisk and a period, for example: *.apm, *.bmp.
• When the desired details have been entered, click OK to save the custom filter.
From Text Files

Click **From Text Files** to convert text files into PDF. The following dialog box will open:

![Convert Text Files to PDF Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Convert Text Files to PDF Dialog Box**

The options in this section are the same as those outlined in the [Combine Files into a Single PDF](#) section, with the difference that files must be in plain text (*.txt) format. There are also additional options in the **Selected File Options** section:

- **Text Encoding** sets the text encoding format. This determines the representation of language-specific characters within imported files.
- **New Paragraph Mode** defines when new paragraphs are started. There are four options:
  - **Auto Detect** is the default setting. The software will detect automatically when new paragraphs begin.
Each newline character starts a new paragraph. (A newline is a special character in computing that signifies the end of a line of text).

Double newline character starts a new paragraph, singles ignored.

Double newline character starts a new paragraph, singles converted into space.

Place File Mode determines what happens with each file as it is placed in the combined document. There are two options:

- Start each file from a new paragraph.
- Start each file from a new page.

The Options button in the lower-left corner provides further options for created documents. Click it to open the Options dialog box:

![Options Dialog Box](image)

**New Page Options**

- The Standard option centers the original files in a new PDF of standard size. 'Standard' refers to common sizes such as those used by the ISO and ANSI.
- The Custom option allows the user to enter custom dimensions.
- The Orientation option has the settings Portrait or Landscape as the page orientation.
- The Page Rotation option rotates images as required during conversion.
- The Margins options facilitate the customization of the image margins. Enter the values desired into the number boxes. The new PDF will feature these dimensions.

**Text Format**
When this option is selected, the following dialog box will open:

![Options dialog box](image)

- The **Font** and **Paragraph** buttons determine the font and paragraph settings of the text.
- The **Columns** options determine the number of columns of text, spaces between columns and unit of measurement for the spaces.
- Select the **Line between columns** box to insert lines between the columns of text. The **Style**, **Thickness** and **Color** settings determine the parameters of the lines.

**File Separator**

The **File Separator** inserts a label that shows a divide between files after they have been combined into one document. When the **File Separator** option is selected, the following dialog box opens:
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Figure 4. File Separator Options

- Select the **Show title** box to give the file separator a title. Click the icon to add macros.
- The **Back color** option determines the color of the file separator.
- The **Font** and **Paragraph** settings determine the font style and paragraph layout of the file separator.
- Select the **Draw line** box to add a line to the file separator. Use the menus to determine **Style**, **Thickness** and **Color** options.
- Select the **Place line above header** box to position the line above the header of the document.

Click **OK** to save settings.
Click **From Markdown** to convert Markdown files into PDF format. The following dialog box will open:

![Convert Markdown to PDF Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Convert Markdown to PDF Dialog Box**

- Click **Add Files** to add markdown files to the list of source files.
- Click **Add Folder** to add folders to the list of source files.
- The **Options** button in the lower-left corner provides further options for new pages. Click it to open the following dialog box:
Figure 2. New Page Options Dialog Box

- The **Standard** option centers the original files in a new PDF of standard size. 'Standard' refers to common sizes such as those used by the **ISO** and **ANSI**.
- The **Custom** option allows the user to enter custom dimensions.
- The **Orientation** option has the settings **Portrait** or **Landscape** as the page orientation.
- The **Page Rotation** option rotates files when they are converted.
- The **Margins** options facilitate the customization of the file margins. Enter the values desired into the number boxes. The converted file will feature these dimensions.
- Use the **Path** text box to enter a preset style. Click the **Browse** button to select a Markdown style. Click the **Edit** button to edit an existing style.

Click **OK** to save settings.
From Rich Text Format (RTF) Files

Click **From Rich Text Format (RTF) Files** to convert RTF files into PDF format. The following dialog box will open:

![Convert RTF Files to PDF](image)

**Figure 1.** Convert RTF Files to PDF

The options are the same as those outlined in the [Combine Files into a Single PDF](#) section with the differences that files must be in (*.rtf) format and the parameters are different when the **Options** button is selected:
Relative path is the only option in the categories menu. There are four relative path options:

- **Keep existing** means relative paths remain as they are.
- **Make absolute** makes the relative paths absolute.
- **Make relative** makes the relative paths relative. (Absolute paths show the full name of the file/internet address in question. Relative paths are shorter and link to more specific locations).
- Select the **Replace relative documents extensions** box to create a PDF document from linked RTF files.

Click **OK** to save settings.
From Image File(s)

Click **From Image Files** to convert image files into PDF format:

![New Document Submenu, From Image Files](image)

**Figure 1.** New Document Submenu, From Image Files

The following dialog box will open:
The **Add Files** and **Add Folder** options are the same as those outlined above in the Combine Files into a Single PDF section.

- Click **Import** to add images from the local scanner. The Scan Properties dialog box will open. Select the desired parameters as detailed [here](#) and click **Scan** to import images.
- Select an image from the Source image files list and click **Edit** to edit it before it is combined with the other documents.
- Click the arrow icons to move images up or down within the list. Click the **Remove** icon to remove selected images from the list. The format in which files are shown within the list can be adjusted using the icon on the far right.
- Click **Options** for further options, as detailed below.
- Click **OK** to create the new document.
New Page Options

When this option is selected in the Categories menu the dialog box in (figure 2) opens. The options are as follows:

- The **Choose Paper Size by Image Size** option crops new documents according to the image size converted, i.e. the borders of the original image define the borders of the new document.
- The **Standard** option centers the original file in a new document of standard size. 'Standard' refers to common sizes such as those used by the ISO and ANSI. Click the menu for a list of available sizes.
- The **Custom** option allows the user to enter custom dimensions. There is also a choice for portrait or landscape style (unless the **Choose Paper Size by Image Size** option is selected).
• The **Page Rotation** option rotates images as required during conversion. Click the menu for rotation options.

• The **Margins** option facilitates the customization of the image margins. Enter the values desired into the boxes. The new PDF will feature these dimensions.

Click **OK** to save settings. Click **Cancel** to revert to previous settings and close the window.

**Images Layout Options**

When this option is selected in the **Categories** menu the following dialog box opens:

![Image Layout Options Dialog Box](image)

- The **Layout Rules** options determine the layout of images within new documents. Enter the desired dimensions in the **Columns** and **Rows** number boxes. Use the **Space between Columns** and **Space between Rows** boxes to determine the amount of empty space between columns and rows of images.

- **Align Images** determines the alignment of images within new documents. There are two options: **Reduce to Cell** and **Fit to Cell**. **Reduce to Cell** is the default setting. This reduces the size of the images to fit the size of the document. If the original images are smaller than the document then they will remain at their original size. The **Fit to Cell** setting fits the images to the size of the document. If the images are smaller than the document then they will be increased in size to match the size of the new document.

- The **Keep Aspect Ratio** box is selected by default. This means that images keep their original proportions and fit the specified PDF dimensions as far as possible within those proportions. Clear this box to disable the aspect ratio. Images will then match the PDF size exactly but may distort as a result (depending on the dimensions of the PDF document in relation to the dimensions of the original images).

- **Horizontal and Vertical Alignment** determines the location at which images in the new document appear.

Click **OK** to save settings. Click **Cancel** to revert to previous settings and close the window.
When this option is selected in the **Categories** menu the following dialog box opens:

![Image Labels Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 5. Image Labels Dialog Box**

- Select the **Use special text label for each image** box to enable further options.
- Enter the desired label text in the text box. Add **Macros** as desired - either include them in the file name or click the icon to select them manually.
- **Back Color** determines the background color of the label. Click the box to open a menu of available colors.
- The **Paragraph** settings determine the alignment, indentation and spacing of the text on the label. Click **Paragraph** to adjust these settings. The indentation settings include two special options. Select the **First Line** option to indent the first line, as in a standard paragraph. The second special option is **Hanging** indentation, which means the first line is not indented but all subsequent lines are. When either of these settings are being used the ‘**By**’ box must be adjusted accordingly.
- The **Font** settings determine the font used for the label. When it is selected the dialog box in **(figure 6)** will open.
- If the **Place label above image** box is not selected then the label will appear below the image.
- Select the **Add bookmark for each image with the same text as label** as desired. (Bookmarks are navigational tools that allow the reader to locate and link to points of interest within a document).
• Use the Font text box to enter the name of the desired font, or select one from the options listed below.
• Use the Style menu to determine the style of the font.
• Use the Size menu to determine the size of the font.
• Use the Fill menu to determine the color of the font.
• Use the Stroke menu to determine the color of the stroke. This color will border the text.
• Use the Stroke width menu to determine the size of the stroke.
• Use the Underline menu to enable/disable font underline.

Click OK to save settings. Click Cancel to revert to previous settings and close the window.

Image Processing

When this option is selected in the Categories menu the following dialog box opens:
These settings determine the dimensions for converted documents of different formats: **True Color, Grayscale, Indexed** and **Monochrome**. There are two options for each format:

- **Downsampling** reduces the sampling rate of images. Each format has three options: **Linear**, **Bilinear** and **Bicubic**. Further information about these options is available [here](#). Use the **pixels per inch** boxes to determine the size above which and to which images will be downsampled.

- **Conversion** relates to the automatic conversion of files, where possible, from one format to another. Use this option to convert the format of new files when they are created. Where applicable, select the box for **dithering** as desired.

Click **OK** to save settings. Click **Cancel** to revert to previous settings and close the window.

**Image Compression**

When this option is selected in the **Categories** menu the following dialog box opens:
• Image compression is enabled by default. Clear the boxes to disable this setting.
• When compression is enabled, use the adjacent menu to select the type of compression that the tool performs. **Auto** is the default setting.
• Where applicable, adjust the **JPEG Quality/JBIG2 Method** and **Lossless** options as desired.

Click **OK** to save settings. Click **Cancel** to revert to previous settings and close the window.

**Image Post-processing**

When this option is selected in the **Categories** menu the following dialog box opens:

• Select the **Deskew** box to deskew images. This straightens the edges of images automatically and is a useful tool if images have been scanned or photographed crookedly.
• Select the **Despeckle** box to despeckle images. This removes speckles from images during conversion.
- Select the **Run OCR** box to OCR images after processing. Click the **OCR Settings** button to set the language and accuracy of the OCR process.

Click **OK** to save settings. Click **Cancel** to revert to previous settings and close the window.
Use the From Scanner option to create new PDF documents from the local scanner:

- Preset options are displayed in the upper section. Click these options to create a new document according to preset parameters.
- Click Configure Presets to determine preset parameters for each mode. See here for further information.

![Figure 1. New Document Submenu, From Scanner Options](image)
• Click **Custom Scan** to determine custom parameters. The **Scan Properties** dialog box will open:

![Scan Properties Dialog Box](https://via.placeholder.com/150)

**Figure 2. Scan Properties Dialog Box**

- Click the **Scanner Settings** menu to select a preset scanning mode.
- Click the **Scanner** menu to select a scanner to use.
- Click the **Data Transfer Method** menu to select either **Native Mode** or **Memory Mode**:
  - **Native Mode** uses a single memory buffer. This is the default and fastest mode, and is compatible with the broadest range of scanners.
  - **Memory Mode** enables the use of multiple memory buffers. This is a useful function in cases where memory is low and/or when large images are being scanned.
- The **Show Native UI** box is selected by default, which means the user interface of the device driver is used. This is the most reliable option, and the scanner will select certain parameters of the scan itself: **Color Mode**, **Resolution**, **Paper Size** and **Source**. Clear the **Show Native UI** box to customize these options:
  - **Color Mode** has four options: **Auto detect**, **Color**, **Grayscale** and **Black & White**. These refer to the format of scanned documents.
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- Click the **Resolution** menu to select the dpi (dots per inch) of scanned documents.
- **Paper Size** refers to the size of the paper used when scanning. Click **Setup** for further options, which are as follows:
  - The **Automatic** option determines the paper size automatically.
  - The **Standard** option contains standard sizes such as those used by the ISO and ANSI.
  - The **Custom** option can be used to enter custom dimensions.
- **Source** has three options **Auto, Flatbed and Feeder**. These refer to the type of scanner being used.
- Click the **Sides** menu to determine which sides of documents are scanned. There are three options: **Simple Scan, Manual Duplex** and **Manual Duplex Reversed**. Click the arrow for an explanation of these options.
- Click the **Scan More Pages** menu to select the setting for when additional pages are scanned.
- Select the **After scanning, show images insertion dialog** box to view the images insertion dialog box after the scan has taken place. This enables the customization of images and images settings.
- Click the **Images Insertion Options** button to determine further options for inserted images. Those options are explained [here](#)

Click **Scan** to scan pages.

**Scanner Settings**

Click the **Scanner Settings** menu to save custom settings for subsequent use. The following dialog box will open:
These options are used to adjust the scanner mode or save custom settings. There are five preset modes that relate to the format of scanned documents. They feature settings that are optimal for their respective modes. These modes can also be selected when choosing the option through which the new document is created. Hover the pointer over the New Document > From Scanner option and a menu will appear. The options to Custom Scan and Configure Presets are also available on this menu. Click Custom Scan to launch the Scan Properties dialog box shown in (figure 1) above. Click Configure Presets to open the Configure Scanner Presets dialog box and determine the presets for scanning.

When custom parameters have been entered in the Scan Properties dialog box they can be saved for subsequent use with the Save Current Settings option. Click the icon/text to save the current settings. Enter a name (and brief description, if desired) for the customized settings. Click Manage to edit customized settings and Delete to remove them.
Send by E-mail

Hover over **Send by E-Mail** to open the following submenu:

- Click **Mail Client** to launch the email client of the current user and email documents directly from **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Click **Local** to save email information in cases where **MAPI** is not supported.
- Click **Manage** to manage the **Send by E-mail** settings, which are explained [here](#).
Revert

Click **Revert** to undo changes that have not been saved.
Close

Click **Close** to close documents.
Close All

Click **Close All** to close all open documents.
Export

Hover over **Export** to open the following submenu:

![File Tab Submenu. Export Options](image)

**Figure 1.** File Tab Submenu. Export Options

These options are used to convert documents/document pages into different formats.

Click **Export to Image(s)** to export PDF documents into image format. The **Export to Image(s)** dialog box will open:
• Use the **Page Range** options to select the pages that will be exported. The following options are available:
  - Click **All** to export the entire document.
  - Click **Current Page** to export only the page that is currently being viewed.
  - Click **Current View** to export what is currently visible in the PDF viewer.
  - Use the **Pages** option to select specific pages or page ranges. See [here](#) for further information.
  - Use the **Subset** option to select either all odd or all even pages of the document.
  - Select the **Reverse Order** box to export pages in reverse numerical order.

• Use the **Save As** options to determine the file type and location of the saved document:
  - Use the **Image Type** option to determine the image format. Click the **Options** button to determine further document properties.
  - Use the **Destination Folder** text box to enter the folder in which the document will be saved. Alternatively, click the adjacent icon to browse the folders on the local computer.
  - Use the **Filename** text box to enter a file name for the new document. Add macros as desired - enter them after the file name or click the adjacent icon.
  - Use the **Export Mode** setting to select the mode in which multiple-page documents are exported. There are three options:
    - Save all pages to a single multi page image file.
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- Save each page range to a multi page image file.
- Save each page to a separate single page image file.
- The Open the Desintation Folder box is selected by default. Clear this box to disable this function.
- Use the Graphic options to determine the graphics settings:
- Page Zoom increases or decreases image dimensions.
- The Resolution boxes determine the horizontal and vertical resolution of images. The ratio is constrained by default. Click the chain icon to disable this setting.
- The Page Background setting determines the color of the background in the new document.

When custom export options have been selected they can be saved using the Export Settings menu. Click Save to save the current settings. Enter a name (and brief description, if desired) for the settings. Click Manage to edit customized settings and Delete to remove the setting currently selected.

Click Export to Microsoft Word Document to export the project into (*.docx) format, which is intended for use with Microsoft Word. The Save File dialog box will open and the file name will be added in (*.docx) format automatically.

Click Export to Microsoft Excel to export documents into (*.xlsx) format, which is intended for use with Microsoft Excel. The Save File dialog box will open and the file name will be added in (*.xlsx) format automatically.

Click Export to Microsoft Powerpoint Presentation to export documents into (*.pptx) format, which is intended for use with Microsoft Powerpoint. The Save File dialog box will open and the file name will be added in (*.pptx) format automatically.

Please note that Microsoft Office must be installed on the local computer for these features to operate.
Click **Print** (or press Ctrl+P) to print the current document:

![Print dialog box](image)

*Figure 1. File Tab Submenu. Print Option*

The **Print** dialog box will open:
The options in the **Printer** section determine the printer to be used and its associated settings:

- Use the **Name** text box to select a printer to use.
- Use the **Copies** text box to determine how many copies of the document are printed.
- Select the **Collate** box to collate document pages. This is a useful feature when printing multiple copies of multi-page documents. It prints entire copies of the document together, as opposed to multiple copies of each page at a time.
- Click the **Properties** button to open the **Properties** dialog box for the selected printer.
- Click the **Page Setup** button to open the **Page Setup** dialog box. See [figure 3](#) below.

The options in the **Page Range** section determine which pages of the document will be printed:

- Select **All**, **Current Page** or **Current View**.
- Use the **Pages** box to determine which pages of the document are printed. See [here](#) for further information.
- Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only**.
- Select the **Reverse Order** box to print documents in reverse numerical order.

The options in the **Pages Placement and Scaling** section determine the placement and scaling of the document:
• Use the **Type** menu to select a standard placement setting. When a setting is selected its features will be shown in the preview window. Each setting has further options that become available when the setting is selected. The effect that these have will be shown in the preview window when they are adjusted.

• Use the **Page Zoom** number box to determine the level of zoom on the page. Select the check boxes to enable further settings.

• The options in the **Advanced Print Options** tab determine advanced printing options:
  
  • Use the **Print** menu to determine which elements of the document are printed. Click **More** for further options. See *(figure 4)* below.
  
  • Select the **Print as Images** box to print the selected pages as images.
  
  • When the desired parameters have been selected, click **Print** to print the document.

![Page Setup Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 3.** Page Setup Dialog Box

• Select a size for the document from the **Size** menu.
• Select a source for the document from the **Source** menu.
• Use the option buttons to select either **Portrait** or **Landscape** as the orientation for the document.
• Click **OK** to confirm changes.
• Use the **Print Content Options** to determine printed document content.
• Use the **Rendering Options** to determine how documents are rendered:
  • Use the **Color Override** dropdown menu to determine color override options:
    • **Auto** permits **PDF-XChange Editor** to select the color override setting.
    • **Grayscale** prints documents in grayscale.
    • **Monochrome** prints documents in monochrome.
    • **Color** prints documents in color.
  • Use the **Text Rendering Mode** dropdown menu to determine how text is rendered:
    • **Auto** permits **PDF-XChange Editor** to select the text rendering mode. Additionally, it should be noted that this option is required in order to print embedded fonts.
- **Outline for Embedded Fonts** prints embedded fonts as outlines, which are vector images.
- **Outline Always** prints all fonts as outlines.
- **Bitmap for Embedded Fonts** prints embedded fonts as bitmap images.
- **Bitmap Always** prints all fonts as bitmap images.
- Use the **Maximum Resolution for Images** dropdown menu to set the maximum resolution of images in printed documents.
- Use the **Resolution for Gradient Fills** dropdown menu to determine the resolution used for gradient fills.
- Select the **Ignore** check boxes as desired.
Document Properties

Click **Document Properties** to view and edit document properties:

![File Tab Submenu: Document Properties](image)

*Figure 1. File Tab Submenu: Document Properties*

The following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Document Properties Dialog Box. Description Option Selected

Please note that the keyboard shortcut Ctrl+D can also be used to launch this dialog box. Select an option from the Categories menu to adjust further parameters:

**Description**

This option displays details about the document currently selected:

- The **File Info** section contains information about the File name, location and size. Click the folder icon on the right to open the containing folder on the desktop.
- The **Document Info** section contains information about the Document Title, Author, Subject and Keywords. These can be edited using the adjacent text boxes. Further document details can be viewed beneath this section. Click the **Additional Metadata** button to view/edit additional document details:
Use the text boxes to view/edit document metadata. Click **Advanced** in the **Categories** menu to determine document metadata structure.

**Fonts**

This option displays details about document fonts. Please note that the information displayed is read-only. The **Save as Optimized** settings can be used to customize font embedding options.

**Security**

This option displays document security details:
Use the **Security Method** menu to select the type of security used in the document:

- **No Security** is the default setting, which means subsequent users have no restrictions on editing the document. This option should also be used when removing security from documents.
- **Password Security** enables document encryption, passwords and permissions. When it is selected the dialog box in *(figure 5)* will open.
- The **Certificate Security** option is available only when documents feature certificate security.
- The **FileOpen** option is available only when documents feature **FileOpen** security.
- Click the **Apply Security Policy** button to apply a new security policy or clone/edit existing policies, as detailed in *(figure 6)*.
- Additional security options are available [here](#).

Click **OK** to save settings.
Figure 5. Password Security Settings

- Use the **Compatibility** menu to select the document security compatibility.
- Select an encryption option button to determine which elements of documents are encrypted.
- Select the **Require password to open the document** box to set a password for opening the document. Enter the password in the **Document Open Password** text box and confirm it in the text box below.
- Select the **Restrict editing and printing of the document** box to set a password for editing and printing the document. Enter the password in the **Change Permissions Password** text box and confirm it in the text box below. Use the dropdown menus and check boxes in the **Permissions** section to select the settings that these passwords will enable.
Click **OK** to save settings.

![Managing Security Policies Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 6. Managing Security Policies Dialog Box**

This dialog box is used to create and manage security policies:

- Click **Add New** to add a new security policy. The **Password Security Settings** dialog box detailed in *(figure 5)* will open. Determine parameters as desired then click **OK** to save.
- Click **Clone/Edit/Rename/Delete** to perform these operations on selected security policies.
- Click **Export** to export the security policy for subsequent use. Exported policies can be imported with the **Import** button, which is on the right of the **Export** button.
- Click **Apply to Document** to apply the security policy selected in the **Managing Security Policies** dialog box to the current document.

**Initial View**

These settings determine the layout when files are opened:
Figure 7. Document Properties Dialog Box. Initial View Option Selected

The **Layout and Magnification** settings are as follows:

- The **Navigation View** menu determines the panes that are visible when documents are opened:
  - Select **Default** to retain the default settings of the application used to open documents.
  - Select **Page Only** to view only the document itself.
  - Select **Bookmarks pane and page** to view the document and the bookmarks pane.
  - Select **Thumbnails pane and page** to view the document and the thumbnails pane.
  - Select **Layers pane and page** to view the document and the layers pane.
  - Select **Attachments pane and page** to view the document and the attachments pane.

- The **Page Layout** menu determines the page layout when documents are opened:
  - Select **Default** to retain the default settings of the application used to open documents.
  - Select **Single Page** to view a single page at a time.
  - Select **Continuous** to view pages in a single, scrolling column.
  - Select **Two Pages Continuous** to view two pages at a time in scrolling columns.
  - Select **Two Pages Continuous, with Cover Page** to view as above, but with a cover page included.
  - Select **Two Pages** to view two pages at a time.
  - Select **Two Pages with Cover Page** to view as above, but with a cover page included.
• The **Magnification** menu determines the level of zoom when documents are opened:
  - Select **Default** to retain the default settings of the application used to open documents.
  - Select **Actual Size** to view pages at their actual size. The resulting display will include resolution settings.
  - Select **Fit Page** to view the full extent of page content regardless of its size.
  - Select **Fit Width** to fit pages according to their width.
  - Select **Fit Height** to fit pages according to their height.
  - Select **Fit Visible** to view the entire page within the confines of the viewing area.
  - Alternatively, select an option from the list of numerical percentages to determine the magnification level.

• Use the **Open to Page** dropdown menu to determine the page at which documents open.

The **Window Options** are as follows:

- **Show in Title** determines the name displayed in the document tab when documents are opened. The options are **File Name** or **Document Title**.
- Select the **Open in Full Screen Mode** box to open documents in full screen mode.
- Select the **Resize Window to Initial Page** box to resize the viewing window according to the dimensions of the first page of the document.
- Select the **Center Window on Screen** box to center the viewing window on the monitor screen.

The **User Interface Options** are as follows:

- Select the **Hide Menu Bar** box to hide the **Menu Toolbar** when documents are opened.
- Select the **Hide Window Controls** box to hide windows controls when documents are opened.
- Select the **Hide Toolbars** box to hide toolbars when documents are opened.

Click **OK** to save settings.

**Advanced**

These settings determine advanced document properties:
• The **PDF Settings** feature two parameters:
  • Enter a URL in the **Base URL** text box to specify a base URL for weblinks in documents. The option is included to simplify the management of web links to an external website. If the URL to the external site changes then this setting can be used to avoid having to edit manually every link in documents that refer to the external site. (Please note that the base URL is not used if a link contains a complete URL address).
  • The **Trapped** option determines trapping options with regard to printing. This is a complex process that aims to optimize the quality of printed documents. See [here](#) for further details.

• Select the **Print Dialog Presets** box to override the viewing application's default print settings with those specified within the file itself:
  • Select an option in the **Page Scaling** dropdown menu to determine the page scaling used:
    • **Default** retains the default settings.
    • **None** disables page scaling.
  • Select an option in the **Duplex Mode** dropdown menu to determine the default duplex mode for printing.
- Select the **Paper Size by document Page Size** box to use the size of the document pages to determine the paper size of the document.
- Enter the pages to be printed in the **Print Page Range** text box. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
- Use the **Number of Copies** dropdown menu to determine how many copies of the document are printed.

- Select the **Reading Options** box to enable binding and language options:
  - Select either **Left to Right** or **Right to Left** as the document **Binding** option.
  - Select an option in the **Language** dropdown menu to determine the language of the document.

**Actions**

These settings enable the activation of JavaScript commands when documents close/save/print:

![Image](image.png)

*Figure 9. Document Properties Dialog Box. Actions Option Selected*

These settings can be used to enable JavaScript commands when the following operations take place:

- **Before Document Close**
- Before Document Saving
- After Document Saving
- Before Document Printing
- After Document Printing

Double-click the text box beneath operations to add JavaScript, as detailed [here](#)

Click **OK** to save settings.

**JavaScript**

This options details JavaScript in the active document:

![Figure 10. Document Properties Dialog Box. JavaScript Option Selected](#)

JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform a range of operations. Click **Add**, **Edit** or **Delete** to add/edit/delete JavaScript. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that **PDF-XChange Editor** supports and additional information about JavaScript.
Click **Copy Full File Name** to copy the full file name of the current document to the clipboard of the local computer.
Open Containing Folder

Click **Open Containing Folder** to open the containing folder of the current document.
6.2 Edit

When the **Edit** tab is selected, the following options are available:

![Edit Tab Submenu](image)

**Figure 1.** Edit Tab Submenu

These options perform the following operations:

- **Undo** reverses the most recent editing action.
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- **Redo** reverses the most recent **Undo**.
- **Cut, Copy, Delete** and **Deselect** cuts/copies/deletes/deselects the selected content.
- **Paste** copies the current clipboard content into the active document.

Click the links below for information on the remaining options:

- **Transform**
- **Duplicate**
- **New Stamp from Selection**
- **New Document from Selection**
- **Properties**
- **Find**
- **Search**
- **Export Settings**
- **Import Settings**
- **Reset Settings**
- **Preferences**

Additionally, see the **Document Operations Guide** for further information and step-by-step instructions for these features.
Click **Transform** to edit the position, size and/or rotation of selected annotations/content items:

![Edit Tab Submenu. Transform](image)

**Figure 1.** Edit Tab Submenu. Transform

The following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Transform Selection Dialog Box

- Use the $X$ and $Y$ number boxes to determine the new positioning of the selected content. The $X$ value is the horizontal plane and the $Y$ value is the vertical plane.
- Select the $\Delta X; \Delta Y$ box to determine offset values relative to the current position of the object.
- Use the Unit dropdown menu to select the units of measurement.
- Use the Width and Height boxes to adjust the size of the selected object.
- Use the Rotation box to adjust the rotation of the selected object.
- Use the Shear box to determine a shear angle. This will slant the selected object along a horizontal axis.

Click **OK** to transform selected content.
Click **Duplicate** to duplicate selected annotations/content items:

**Figure 1.** Edit Tab Submenu. Duplicate

The following dialog box will open:
There are two radio button options:

The first radio button option enables the duplication of selected content items and the creation of a page offset between duplicates. The number entered in the upper number box determines the page offset between the selected content item and duplicates created through the process of duplication. The specified page offset will also be used between duplicates when more than one duplicate is created. Use the lower number box to specify the number of duplicates created.

The second radio button option enables the duplication of selected content items to a specified page range:

- Select **All** to duplicate the selected items to all pages in the document.
- Select **Current Page** to duplicate the selected items to only the current page.
• Use the **Pages** number box to specify a custom page range. The **Subset** dropdown menu can be used to specify **All Pages, Even Pages** or **Odd Pages** as desired. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
• Use the **Duplicates per Page** dropdown menu to determine the number of duplicates per page.

Use the **Duplicate Options** settings to determine duplicate parameters:

• Use the **Horizontal Offset** box to determine the horizontal offset in relation to the duplicated content.
• Use the **Vertical Offset box** to determine the vertical offset in relation to the duplicated content.
• Select the **Place each selected page's content as an XForm** box to place duplicated content as an **XForm**.

Click **OK** to duplicate annotations.
New Stamp from Selection

Click **New Stamp from Selection** to create a new stamp from selected document content:

![Figure 1. Edit Tab Submenu. New Stamp from Selection](image)

The **Add New Stamp** dialog box will open:
Add New Stamp Dialog Box

- Enter a name for the stamp in the **Stamp Title** text box. Click the blue icon to add **Macros** as desired.
- Use the **Target Collection** dropdown menu to select the stamp collection in which the new stamp will be located. Click **Add New** to create a new stamp collection.
- Created stamps can be used in conjunction with the **Stamp Tool**.

Click **OK** to create the new stamp.
New Document from Selection

Click **New Document from Selection** to create a new document from selected document content:

The new document will be created automatically and then open in a new window in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

*Figure 1. Edit Tab Submenu. New Document from Selection*
Properties

Click **Properties** (or press Ctrl+`) to open the **Properties** pane:

![Figure 1. Edit Tab Submenu. Properties](image)

This pane displays the properties of selected document content. Click properties in the **Properties** pane to edit them as desired. (Please note that not all properties can be edited). Alternatively, the **Properties Toolbar** can be used to edit most properties.
Find

Click **Find** (or press Ctrl+F) to launch the **Find** function:

![Edit Tab Submenu. Find Function](image)

**Figure 1.** Edit Tab Submenu. Find Function

The **Find** function is used to find specified text in the active document:
Figure 2. Find Function

- Enter the search terms in the text box and press enter to search the active document. Text that matches the search terms will be highlighted. Click the red 'x' icon, detailed in (figure 1), to reset the search.
- Use the arrow in the text box to browse previous searches.
- Use the second arrow to customize the parameters and location of searches.
- Use the left and right arrow icons, or press F3/Shift+F3, to move backwards and forwards between search results.
Search

Click **Search** (or press Ctrl+Alt+F) to launch the **Search** pane:

The **Search** pane is used to search documents open in **PDF-XChange Editor** or folders on the local computer.
Enter the search terms in the upper text box or select **Advanced Criterion**, which is explained below.

Use the lower text box to select where the search will take place:

- **In the Active Document** searches only the active document.
- **In All Open Documents** searches all documents currently open in PDF-XChange Editor.
- **Browse for Folder** launches the Select Folder dialog box. Select the desired folder on the local computer and then click **Select**. The folder will be added to the search location box.

Click the **Options** button to determine further search variables. These are explained beneath **(figure 4)** below.

Click the **Search** button to execute the search. The results will be displayed in the lower section of the pane.

When the **Advanced Criteria** option is selected, the following options are displayed:
Use the arrow on the right side of the **Custom** text box to select a predefined search. If no searches have been predefined then the **Custom** option is not available.

Use the three **Find text with:** text boxes to determine the search parameters:

- If search terms are entered in the **all of these words** text box, then the results will include only text strings that contain all the entered search terms.
- If search terms are entered in the **any of these words** text box, then the results will include text strings that contain any of the entered search terms.
- If search terms are entered in the **none of these words** text box, then the results will exclude text strings that contain any of the entered search terms.
Figure 4. Search Options

- Select **Case Sensitive** to include the case of search terms in the search.
- Select **Whole Words** to return only whole words.
- Select **Ignore Diacritics** to ignore accents, cedillas and other similar symbols in the search.
- Select **Include Page Text** to include text on pages of the document in the search.
- Select **Include Bookmarks** to include bookmark names in the search.
- Select **Include Comments** to include comment text in the search.
- Select **Include Form Fields** to include form field text in the search.
- Select **Include External Links** to include links to external locations/files in the search.
- Select **Include Attachments** to include embedded documents in the search.
- Select **Include Document Info** to include document metadata/information in the search.
- Select **Pre-Estimate Search in Folder** to have **PDF-XChange Editor** perform a folder count prior to the search. This facilitates exact search progress in the progress bar when searches take place.
• Select **Look in Sub-Folders** to include all directory subfolders in the search.
• Select **Proximity** to determine the proximity of returned results. The options are:
  - Only Adjacent Words
  - Words from the Same Paragraph
  - Words from the Same Page
  - Words from the Same Document
• Select **Colored Search Results** to highlight matching terms after the search has taken place.
• Click an option in the **Annotate Search Results** submenu to enable annotation options after the search has taken place. The options are:
  - Highlight Search Results
  - Underline Search Results
  - Strikeout Search Results
  - Redact Search Results
  - Click **Comment Styles Palette** to launch the **Comment Styles Palette** for further annotation options.
• Click **Open from file** to open a previous search that was saved to file using the option below.
• Click **Save Results** to save the results of the most recent search operation.
• Click **Clear Results** to clear the search results list.
Export Settings

Click **Export Settings** to export the current settings of **PDF-XChange Editor** to a data file. When it is selected, the settings that are available to export are displayed in the following dialog box:

![Export Settings Options](image)

**Figure 1. Export Settings Options**

Select the settings to be exported and click **OK** to export.
Import Settings

Click **Import Settings** to import saved settings. The **Import Settings from File** dialog box will open. Select the desired settings file and click **Open**. The **Import Settings Options** dialog box will open:

Select the desired settings and click **OK** to import.
Reset Settings

Click **Reset Settings** to revert the current settings of **PDF-XChange Editor** to their default values. The following dialog box will be displayed:

![Reset Settings Options Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1.** Reset Settings Options Dialog Box

Select the desired settings and click **OK** to reset.
Preferences

Click **Preferences** (or press Ctrl+K) to edit **PDF-XChange Editor** preferences:

![Edit Tab Submenu. Preferences](image)

**Figure 1.** Edit Tab Submenu. Preferences

The **Preferences** dialog box will open:
Use the options in the **Categories** pane to determine the settings of the associated section of the software. Click the links for further information:

- **Documents**[^278]
- **General**[^261]
- **Page Display**[^284]
- **Page Text**[^288]
- **Registration**[^290]
- **Accessibility**[^292]
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When the **Documents** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Select the **Restore Last Session when application starts** box to restore the most recent session when **PDF-XChange Editor** is launched.

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Documents Tab Selected](image)
- Click **Manage History and Recents** to manage settings for the history of open documents in **PDF-XChange Editor**. The **Manage History and Recents** dialog box will open. See *(figure 2)* below.

- Select the **Back/Forward commands navigate through all opened documents** dialog box to include all open documents when the back/forward navigation commands are used. If this box is not selected then **PDF-XChange Editor** will navigate through the views of only the active document when these commands are used.

- Select the **Always use Incremental Save** dialog box to enable incremental save. **PDF-XChange Editor** will remember the original content of the document when this option is enabled, and will store information about all new changes. This should reduce the amount of time taken to save files, but please note that the size of files will increase each time a save operation is performed.

- Use the **Select destination folder for 'Save As' documents** dropdown menu to determine the folder in which documents are saved when the 'Save As' option is used.

- Select the **Save Autorecover information every** box to enable the saving of autorecovery information, which is useful in the event of software crashes or when documents are closed without changes having been saved. Use the number box to determine the interval at which autorecovery information is saved.

- Select the **Keep recovery information when closing and discarding changes** box as desired.

- Select the **Show Recovery Panel if there is any recovery data available** to launch the **Document Recovery Panel** whenever there is recovery data available.

- Use the **PDF-Specification** dropdown menu to determine the PDF specification of documents created in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Use the **Max. number of items** number box to determine the maximum number of files stored in the history of **PDF-XChange Editor**.

- Use the **Item's lifetime** number box to determine the lifetimes of items in the file history list.
- Use the **Show max. number of items** number box to determine the maximum number of items in the **Recents** lists.
- Use the check boxes to determine the elements of files that are displayed in the list.
- Click **Clear** to remove items from the history list.

Click **OK** to save changes.
When the **General** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Click **Setup** to determine the tabs and windows settings in **PDF-XChange Editor**. These options are detailed beneath *(figure 2)*.
- Click **Reset** to reset the prompts and warning message dialog boxes in **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Use the **UI Scaling** dropdown menu to set the UI scale used for screen resolution.
• Select the **Single document mode** box to enable single document mode, which means that only one document can be open at a time.

• Select the **Open each document in a new window** box to open each new document in a new **PDF-XChange Editor** window.

• Select the **Shrink document tabs when there is not enough space for them** box to shrink the size of document tabs when there are multiple tabs open and not enough space to display the names of all open files.

• Select the **Hide tab bar when only a single document is opened** box to hide the tab bar when only one document is open and maximize the workspace area.

• Select the **Hide close (x) button in document tabs** box to hide the close document button in document tabs. Click the mouse wheel to close documents when this option is enabled.

• Select the **Hide close (x) button in all non-document tabs** box to hide the close button in non-document tabs such as the **Thumbnails** and **Bookmarks** panes. Click the mouse wheel to close panes when this option is enabled.

• Select the **Hide close (x) button for all inactive tabs** box to hide the close document button for inactive document tabs.

• Select the **Hide 'Close Active Tab' button in all tab-bars** to hide the close active tab button for all tabs.
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- Select the **Synchronize the layout of document panes across all opened documents** box to synchronize the layout of Editing Panes for all open documents.
- Use the **Open new document** dropdown menu to determine the tab location at which new documents are opened:
  - Select **in new tab** to open new documents in a new tab on the document toolbar.
  - Select **in new adjacent tab** to open new documents in a new tab adjacent to the tab of the current document in the document toolbar.
- Use the **Open related document** dropdown menu to determine the location at which documents related to the current document, such as attachments and linked documents, are opened:
  - Select **in new tab** to open related documents in a new tab on the document toolbar.
  - Select **in new adjacent tab** to open related documents in a new tab adjacent to the tab of the current document in the document toolbar.
  - Select **in the same tab** to open related documents in the same tab as the current document. Please note that if this option is selected then the current document is closed when related documents are opened.
- Select the **Minimize to System Tray** box to minimize PDF-XChange Editor to the system tray when the minimize option is used.
- Select the **Close to System Tray** box to close PDF-XChange Editor to the system tray when the close option is used.
- Use the **Document Tab Title** dropdown menu to determine the name of the document as displayed in the tab title:
  - Select **Auto** to allow PDF-XChange Editor to select the document tab title automatically.
  - Select **Document Title** to use the document title as defined in the Document Properties.
  - Select **Document filename** to use the document filename.

Click **OK** to save changes.
Page Display

When the **Page Display** tab is selected the following dialog box is displayed:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Page Display Tab Selected](image)

- The **Initial Display** settings determine the layout of documents when they are opened:
  - Select the upper check box to restore the most recent display settings. Please note that the **Crop Pages** settings can be used to determine page boxes.
  - Use the **Default View** menu to select the default viewing parameters for documents.
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- Select the middle check box to retain the most recently used page layout and zoom settings when recent document are opened.
- Use the **Default Page Layout** and **Default Page Zoom** dropdown menus to determine the default layout and zoom settings.
- Select the lower check box to override the settings determined in this section with the existing settings of documents.

- The **Page Display** settings determine what is displayed on the active page:
  - Select the required check boxes. Please note that the **Crop Pages** feature can be used to define the **Art**, **Trim** and **Bleed Boxes**.
  - Select an option from the **Use Resolution** menu to determine the viewing resolution.
  - Select the indicated check box to disable zoom settings when 'Go to Destination' actions are launched.
  - Click the **Rendering** button to determine the rendering settings. The following dialog box will open:

![Rendering Dialog Box](image)

- The **Smoothing** options are used to smooth PDF content and create a softer appearance:
  - Select the desired format for smoothing text.
  - Select the **Smooth Line Art** and **Smooth Images** boxes as desired.
  - Please note that some fine detail may be lost as a result of using these options.

- The **Advanced** options determine advanced display settings for color modes and objects:
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- Select the **Enhance thin lines box** to repair instances of blurring that may occur when using metric measurements such as point (pt).

- Use the **Synchronous page rendering** menu to define the page rendering method:
  - Select **No** to disable synchronous page rendering. If this option is selected then rendering results are displayed when they are complete. Page scrolling is always smooth when this option is selected, but some pages may be blank initially. This option is best for heavy documents that contain a lot of content, as it ensures that **PDF-XChange Editor** remains fully responsive at all times.
  - Select **Yes** to enable synchronous page rendering. If this option is selected then the page view in **PDF-XChange Editor** will wait until the content of all visible pages is rendered before displaying it on the screen. Pages will not be blank initially, but page scrolling will not always be smooth – especially on pages that contain a significant amount of content. This option is best for light documents – for example documentation that contains predominantly text and a small amount of images.
  - Select **Auto** to combine the benefits of synchronous and asynchronous rendering. If the rendering time is small – for example in light documents – then **PDF-XChange Editor** operates with synchronous rendering enabled. However, if the rendering time exceeds a given threshold, then it will switch to asynchronous rendering. This means that no pages will be displayed as blank initially for light documents, and that page scrolling is always smooth for heavy documents.

- Use the **Default transparency blending color space** menu to select the default color space for transparency blending:
  - **Auto** uses RGB color when there is no transparency between intersecting objects and CMYK in cases of transparency.
  - **Working RGB** uses only RBG color space.
  - **Working CMYK** uses only CMYK color space and converts it to RGB when displayed on-screen.
  - **Working Grayscale** uses only grayscale when rendering.

- Use the **Text Hinting** menu to enable/disable text hinting, or set this feature to **Auto** as desired. Text hinting adjusts the display of outline fonts to make them line up with a rasterized grid.

- Use the **Stroke Adjust** menu to enable/disable the stroke adjust feature. Stroke adjust specifies that the line widths and coordinates of strokes are adjusted automatically to produce strokes of uniform thickness. This is performed in order to compensate for the effects of rasterization and fit lines (and other figures) more precisely to the pixel grid of monitors and other displays. The width will be as near as possible to the requested line width, and no more than half a pixel in difference. Please note that disabling **Smooth Line Art** when stroke adjust is enabled will have a negative effect on image quality.
  - **On** forces the use of stroke adjust in all cases.
  - **Off** disables the use of stroke adjust.
  - **Auto** determines the use of stroke adjust according to the content of the file. Note that stroke adjust is not specified in most cases, and the default value is **On**.
Click **OK** to enable adjusted parameters. Then, in the **Page Display** tab, click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
When the **Page Text** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Select the **Detect Interactive Text Links** check boxes as desired to determine the parameters for interactive text.
- Select an option from the **Copy white spaces mode** dropdown menu to determine the outcome when white space is copied.
• Select the **Preserve original ligatures** box to preserve original ligatures. (Ligatures occur when letters are joined as single glyphs, such as the "æ" grapheme in English). If this box is cleared then ligatures will be created from individual letters instead.
• Use the check boxes in the **Bookmark Creation Options** section to determine text settings when bookmarks are created.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Registration

When the **Registration** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Registration Tab Selected](image)

The **Registration** tab is used to register/edit license keys for PDF-XChange Editor. Current versions and their details are displayed in the **Installed License Keys** pane.

- Click **Add New License Key** to add new license keys.
- Click **Remove** to remove current license keys.
- Select the **Hide all licensed features from toolbars and menus** box to remove licensed features from the free version of **PDF-XChange Editor**.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Accessibility

When the **Accessibility** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Accessibility Tab Selected](image)

The **Accessibility** tab is used to control the color options of PDF documents.

- Select the **Override Document Colors** box to enable further options.
• Use the **Page Background Color/Text Color** dropdown menus to determine the page background/text color.
• Use the **Line Art** dropdown menus to determine the **Fill Color** and **Stroke Color** used for line art.
• Select the **Change the color of black text or line art only** box to apply changes to only black text/line art.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
When the **Color Management** tab is selected the following options are available:

- The **Color Settings** dropdown menu is used to store and manage customized color profiles. Use this menu to save settings when they have been adjusted using the options detailed below.
- Use the **RGB**, **CMYK** and **Grayscale** dropdown menus to determine the settings for these color modes.
- Use the **Engine** dropdown menu to determine the engine used for color management.
- Select the **Use Black Point Compensation** box to enable black point compensation, which is a technique used in digital photography printing for the creation of adjustments between the maximum black levels of digital files and the black capabilities of digital devices.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Commenting

When the **Commenting** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Commenting Tab Selected](image)

These options determine the settings for comments:

- Select the boxes in the **Comments Viewing Options** section to determine options for displayed comments.
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- Select the **Copy encircled text into Drawing comment pop-ups** box as desired. This setting is used in conjunction with the shape annotations. Text that new shape annotations encircle is automatically added into their pop-up note when this setting is enabled.
- Select the **Copy selected text into Highlight, Cross-Out, and Underline comment pop-ups** box as desired. Text that the Highlight, Strikeout and Underline Text tools are used to annotate will automatically be copied into their pop-up note when this setting is enabled.
- Select the **Switch to pencil tool with digitizer** box as desired.
- Select the **Do not use semi-transparency for comments when creating or editing** box as desired.
- Select the **Auto-select newly created comment** box as desired.
- Select the **Apply comment-style to selected annotation(s) on style activation** box as desired.
- Select the **Paste Comment into mouse position** box to paste copied comments at the current pointer location.
- Select the **Do not apply Redaction to the comments** box to exclude comments when the Redaction[71] feature is used.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Convert to/from PDF

Convert to PDF

When the Convert to PDF tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Convert to PDF Tab Selected](image)

This option shows the file formats that can be converted to PDF format. If selected formats have further options then the Setup button will be enabled.
**Convert from PDF**

The options in the **Convert from PDF** tab are the same as those detailed above, but they are used when converting from PDF format.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Customize UI

When the **Customize UI** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Customize UI Tab Selected](image)

These settings determine the appearance of the user interface:

- Use the menus in the **Fonts** section to determine the font style and size for menus, toolbars and dialog boxes.
· Use the menus in the **Colors** section to determine the colors of the UI.
· Use the menus in the **Backgrounds** section to determine the UI display for backgrounds:
  · Use the **Type** menu to select the background to customize.
  · Use the **Style/Pattern** menus to select the style and color of the selected background.
  · Select the **Show Overlay Shadows** box as desired.
  · Select the **Turn off all textured backgrounds to improve UI performance on terminal session** box as desired.
  · Click **Reset to Defaults** to reset all UI customization.

It is also possible to customize toolbars in **PDF-XChange Editor**. Those settings are explained [here](#).

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Document Info Bar

When the **Document Info Bar** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Document Info Bar Tab Selected](image)

**Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Document Info Bar Tab Selected**

**Document Info Bars** appear to alert users of specific information when documents are viewed/edited in **PDF-XChange Editor**, as detailed in *(figure 1)*.

- Select/clear the upper check box to enable/disable **Document Info Bars**.
- Select/clear the eight remaining check boxes to enable/disable the associated Document Info Bars.
- Click Reset to Default to reset all Document Info Bars to their default values.

Click Apply to apply changes and OK to save changes. A sample Document Info Bar is displayed below:

![Figure 2. Form Document Info Bar](image)
File Associations

When the **File Associations** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. File Associations Tab Selected](image)

File associations are used to associate file types with applications capable of opening those file types. The file association preferences in **PDF-XChange Editor** determine the settings for the **PDF** application designated as the current application for PDF files. This file association settings for **Windows** can be
used to determine the current application for PDF files. **PDF-XChange Editor** is set as the default application in *(figure 1).*

- Use the dropdown menus to adjust the settings for the current application.
- Select the **Apply changes only for current user** box as desired. Click **Apply** to apply changes for only the current user.
- The **Notify when PDF-XChange Editor is not default PDF Application** box is selected by default. Clear the box to disable notifications.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
When the **Forms** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Forms Tab in PDF-XChange Editor](image)

**Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Forms Tab Selected**

These settings determine the options for forms in **PDF-XChange Editor**. There are several forms available in **PDF-XChange Editor**, which each feature different features and functionality. Further information on forms is available [here](#).
The options in the **General** section are as follows:

- Select the **Automatically calculate form field values** box to perform form field calculations automatically in forms that have been set up to perform calculations. Further information on this process is available [here](#).
- Select the **Show focus rectangle** box to enable the focus rectangle, which indicates the form field that has focus when multiple fields are selected.
- Select the **Show text overflow indicator** box to enable the text overflow indicator, which is an icon that appears when text exceeds the bounds specified when form fields are created.

The options in the **Highlight Form Fields** section are as follows:

- Select the **Highlight Form Fields When Document Opened** box as desired.
- Select the **Highlight Required Fields Only** box as desired. Fields designated as required must be filled before documents can be submitted. See [here](#) for information on how to designate forms as required forms.
- Select the **Show Hover Border for Fields** box as desired.
- Use the dropdown menus to select the **Fill Color**, **Border Color** and **Hover Color** for highlighted forms.
- Select the **Highlight All Form Fields** option button as desired.
- Alternatively, select the **Highlight Only Fields of Selected Types** option button and then select the desired forms to be highlighted when documents are opened.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Full Screen

When the Full Screen tab is selected the following options are available:

- The General settings determine parameters for full screen mode:
  - Use the upper dropdown menu to determine what happens when documents request full screen mode.
  - Use the lower dropdown menu to determine which monitor is used for full screen mode.
• Select the **Stay awake** box to prevent the computer from going into screensaver/sleep/hibernate mode.

• The **Pages Navigation** settings determine navigation parameters for full screen mode:
  - Select the **Exit by pressing 'Esc' key** box to enable the use of the Esc key to exit full screen mode.
  - Select the **Show Pages Navigation Bar** to enable the **Page Navigation Toolbar** when full screen mode is active.
  - Select **Presentation Mode** to enable **Presentation Mode** when full screen is enabled. This is a unique mode that is designed for giving presentations. When it is enabled the following settings are active:
    - Left-click moves to next page.
    - Right-click moves to previous page.
    - Press 'B' or 'W' to make the entire screen black or white.
    - Press 'P' to pause/resume the automatic scrolling of documents.
    - Commenting is disabled.
  - Select the **Loop after last page** box repeat documents when the last page is reached and **Presentation Mode** is enabled.
  - Select the **Automatically go to the next page after** box to enable the automatic page-browsing feature. Enter a value in number box to determine the rate of browsing.

• The **Appearance** settings determine further options of the software when full-screen mode is enabled:
  - Use the **Background color** dropdown menu to determine a background color when full screen mode is enabled.
  - Select the **Use solid background** box set a solid background color in full screen mode.
  - Select an option from the **Mouse Cursor** dropdown menu to determine the setting for the mouse cursor in full screen mode.

• The **Page Transition** settings determine the page transition settings:
  - Select the **Always use default transition** box to use the transition determined in the dropdown menu immediately below.
  - Select an option from the **Default Transition** menu to determine the page transition style in full screen mode.
  - Use the **Direction** dropdown menu to determine the direction of the transition style selected in the **Default transition** dropdown menu.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Identity

When the Identity tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Identity Tab Selected](image)

The Identity text boxes store user information for use in comments, comment reviews and digital signatures. Enter details into the text boxes as desired.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
When the **JavaScript** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. JavaScript Tab Selected](image)

These settings determine the **JavaScript** options in **PDF-XChange Editor**:

- Select the check boxes as desired in the **JavaScript** section.
• Select the **Enable Javascript Interactive Console** box to enable the **JavaScript Console**, which is detailed [here](#).

• Select the **Show Console on Errors and Messages** box to activate the console when JavaScript encounters errors.

• Select the **Syntax Highlighting** box to highlight syntax entered into the **JavaScript Console**.

• Use the **Console Font** and **Font Size** menus to determine font settings in the **JavaScript Console**.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Languages

When the **Languages** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Use the language pane to set the language for the user interface of **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Click **Set as Default** to set the selected language as the default language.
- See [here](#) for further information on languages in **PDF-XChange Editor**.
Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Launch Applications

When the **Launch Applications** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Launch Applications Tab](image)

**Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Launch Applications Tab Selected**

This pane displays the list of third-party applications currently featured in the **Launch Applications Toolbar**. This toolbar provides a convenient way to open active documents using third-party applications. Follow the instructions below to add/edit applications:
• Click **New** to add a new application. The dialog box in *(figure 2)* will open.
• Click **Edit** to edit the selected application.
• Click **Make Current** to set the selected application as the default application.
• Use the arrows to move selected launch applications up or down in the window.
• Click **Remove** to remove selected applications.
• Select the **Hide applications that are detected automatically** box as desired.

![New Launch Application Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 2.** New Launch Application Dialog Box

• Enter a name for the launch application in the **Name** text box.
• Enter the path executable in the **Path** text box, or use the folder icon to select the application manually.
• Use the **Parameters** text box to add additional parameters to new applications. These parameters are variables that result in the retention of specific document values when documents are opened in third-party applications via the **Launch Applications Toolbar**. All available parameters are **macros**. **Macro** is an abbreviation of ‘macroinstruction’ - a term in computer science for a rule that specifies how input characters should be entered to create corresponding output. Enter macros in the **Parameters** text box as desired. Alternatively, use the dropdown icon to select macros manually. The following parameters are available for all applications:
  • **File name**, which uses the syntax `%1` and inherits the file name and path. This is the only parameter that is required in all cases and it must be contained in double quotation marks.
  • **Zoom**, which uses the syntax `%z` and inherits the zoom level.
  • **Page Number**, which uses the syntax `%p` and inherits the current page number.
  • **Page (0-base numeration)**, which uses the syntax `%p0` and inherits the first numerical page number that starts at 01, 02 etc.
• **Position X (in pixels)**, which uses the syntax `%vx` and inherits the position viewed position viewed along the x axis.

• **Position Y (in pixels)**, which uses the syntax `%vy` and inherits the position viewed position viewed along the y axis.

• **Position X (in pt)**, which uses the syntax `%px` and inherits the position viewed position viewed along the x axis in pt.

• **Position Y (in pt)**, which uses the syntax `%py` and inherits the position viewed position viewed along the y axis in pt.

• **View Rotation**, which uses the syntax `%vr` and inherits the rotation value of documents.

Additional macros to those detailed above are available, but it is necessary to use the launch commands of the application in question. For example, if **PDF-XChange Viewer** is being used, the launch command to open a file to a specific page is `/A "page=<page_number>"`. Therefore the parameter `/A "page=%p" "%1"` would be used, where the desired page number is entered as the `%p` variable and the file name is entered as the `%1` variable. If more than one parameter is being used then parameters must be separated with an "&" symbol. Please note that some applications may not support the use of parameters.

Click **OK** to add new applications.
Measurement

When the Measurement tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box, Measurement Tab Selected](image)

These options determine the units of measurement and certain feature layout options in PDF-XChange Editor:

- Use the Units and Rulers dropdown menu to determine the units of measurement.
- Select the **Show Rulers** box to enable document rulers.
- Select the **Show Fractions** box to enable fractions in units of measurement.
- Use the **Grids and Guides** section to determine the layout and color of document grids-guides. These features are used to assist in document editing, as detailed [here](#).
- Select the **Use Snapping** box to enable snapping, which assists in the precise placement of document content.
- Click **Nudge** to determine the settings for the nudge feature, which is used to manually adjust the position of selected document content/comments:

![Nudge Settings Dialog Box](Figure 2. Nudge Settings Dialog Box)

- Enter the desired value and units of measurement in the **Normal** dropdown menus to determine the standard nudge size. Selected content will be moved according to these dimensions when the arrow keys are used.
- Enter the desired value and units of measurement in the **Super** dropdown menus to determine the 'super' nudge size. Selected content will be moved according to these dimensions when Shift is pressed and the arrow keys are used.
- Enter the desired value and units of measurement in the **Micro** dropdown menus to determine the 'micro' nudge size. Selected content will be moved according to these dimensions when Ctrl+Shift are pressed and the arrow keys are used.
- Click **Snapping** to customize snapping parameters:
• Select the **Show Snap location marks** box as desired.

• Use the **Grid** settings to determine how objects in the document interact with grids:
  - Select the **Snap to Grid** box to align objects with the nearest grid line when they are moved.
  - Select the **Snap only to Grids Intersections** box to align objects to only the grid intersections.

• Select the **Snap to Guides** box to snap objects to guide lines when they are moved.

• Use the **Threshold** menu to determine the level of sensitivity for guide lines.

• Use the **Objects** settings to determine how snapping operates in conjunction with objects:
  - Select the **Snap to Objects** box to enable snapping to objects.
  - Select the **Snap to Annotations Only** box to enable snapping to only annotations and not other objects.
  - Use the **Threshold** menu to determine the level of sensitivity for snapping to objects.
• Select the check boxes in the **Snap to** menu to determine at which points snapping is enabled for objects.

Click **OK** to save changes. Then, in the **Preferences** dialog box, click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Multimedia 3D

When Multimedia 3D tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box, Multimedia 3D Tab Selected](image)

- Select the **Enable 3D Content** box to enable 3D content in documents. Note that only U3D content is supported at the moment.
- Use the **Renderer Options** to determine how 3D content is rendered:
- Select an option in the **Rendering Engine** dropdown menu to determine the rendering engine used.
- Select an option in the **Framerate** dropdown menu to determine the frames per second for 3D content.
- Select an option in the **Anti-Aliasing** dropdown menu to determine the level of anti-aliasing, which reduces the level of distortion that is sometimes seen in 3D images. Note that increasing the level of anti-aliasing requires more memory.
- Select/clear the **Show 3D axes** box to display/hide 3D axes as desired.
- Select an option in the **Pick Mode** dropdown menu to determine the order in which 3D objects are selected.
- Select a **Highlight Color** as desired.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Performance

When the **Performance** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Performance Tab Selected](image)

- Use the **Cache** settings to determine how much system memory **PDF-XChange Editor** is permitted to use:
  - Select an option from the **Use system memory (in percentage points)** menu to set memory usage to **Automatic** or one of the listed percentages of total system memory.
· Select an option from the **Use system memory (in megabytes)** menu to set memory usage in megabytes.
· Use the dropdown menu to determine the maximum lifespan of cached data that is not being used. Note that selecting **Auto** will result in the optimal setting for your hardware.
· Please note that increasing memory usage will improve the performance of **PDF-XChange Editor**, but may also impact overall system performance.

Use the **Threads** dropdown menus to determine how many threads are used for page rendering and thumbnail creation, and the maximum amount of working threads at any given moment.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Places

When the **Places** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Image showing the Preferences Dialog Box, Places Tab Selected]

**Figure 1.** Preferences Dialog Box, Places Tab Selected

- Use the **Delete Places on Exit** dropdown menu to determine what happens to places when **PDF-XChange Editor** is closed:
  - **No** retains all places when **PDF-XChange Editor** is closed.
  - **All** deletes all places when **PDF-XChange Editor** is closed.
- **Only Newly Added** deletes only places that have been recently added when **PDF-XChange Editor** is closed.

- Use the **Action for related History/Recents items when Place(s) deleting** dropdown menu to determine what happens to items in the history/recents lists when the places from which they came are deleted:
  - **Ask for Delete** displays a message and prompts the user for action to take.
  - **Delete** means that associated items will be removed from the History/Recents lists.
  - **Keep** means that associated items will be retained in the History/Recents lists.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Plugins

When the **Plugins** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Plugins Tab Selected](image)

This dialog box shows plugins available for **PDF-XChange Editor**.

- Select plugins to view their details in the **Plugin information** section.
- Click the **Enable/Disable** buttons to enable/disable selected plugins.
• Click **More plugins** to view further plugins available from **Tracker Software Products**.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Scanner Presets

When the Scanner Presets tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Scanner Presets Tab Selected](image)

*Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Scanner Presets Tab Selected*

These settings determine the presets for scanning:

- Click the **Scanner Settings** menu to select a preset scanning mode or a saved profile.
- Click the **Scanner** menu to select a scanner to use.
• Click the Data Transfer Method menu to select either Native Mode or Memory Mode:
  • **Native Mode** uses a single memory buffer. This is the default and fastest mode, and is compatible with the broadest range of scanners.
  • **Memory Mode** enables the use of multiple memory buffers. This is a useful function in cases where memory is low and/or when large images are being scanned.

• The Show Native UI box is selected by default, which means the user interface of the device driver is used. This is the most reliable option, and the scanner will select certain parameters of the scan itself: **Color Mode, Resolution, Paper Size** and **Source**. Clear the Show Native UI box to customize these options:
  • **Color Mode** has four options: Auto detect, Color, Grayscale and Black & White.
  • Click the Resolution menu to select the dpi (dots per inch) of scanned documents.
  • **Paper Size** refers to the size of the paper used when scanning. Click Setup for further options:
    • **Automatic** determines the paper size automatically.
    • **Standard** contains standard sizes such as those used by the ISO and ANSI.
    • **Custom** can be used to enter custom dimensions.
  • **Source** has three options Auto, Flatbed and Feeder. These refer to the type of scanner used for scanning.

• Click the Sides menu to determine which sides of documents are scanned. There are three options: **Simple Scan, Manual Duplex** and **Manual Duplex Reversed**. Click the dropdown arrow for an explanation of these options.

• Click the Scan More Pages menu to select the setting for when additional pages are scanned.
• Select the Before scanning, show Scan Properties dialog box to view/edit scan properties before scans take place.
• Select the After scanning, show images insertion dialog box to view/edit the images insertion dialog box after the scan has taken place. This dialog box enables image customization.
• Click the Images Insertion Options button to determine further options for inserted images. Those options are explained [here](#).

Use the Scanner Settings menu to save custom settings. Click **Save Current Settings** to create a custom profile for subsequent use. Click **Manage** to manage previously saved profiles and **Delete** to remove the profile currently selected.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Search Providers

When the **Search Providers** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Click **New** to add a new search provider, then follow the on-screen instructions.
- Click **Edit** to edit the selected search provider.

*Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Search Providers Tab Selected*

This pane displays a list of available search providers.
- Click **Make Current** to set the selected search provider as the default search provider.
- Use the arrows to move the selected search provider up or down in the display window.
- Click **Remove** to remove the selected search provider.
- Select the **Turn off all search providers** box to disable all search providers.
- Select the **Allow obtaining icons for search providers from the Internet** option to permit the software to obtain search provider icons.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Security

When the **Security** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Security Tab Selected](image)

The **Security** settings are used to determine the actions that **PDF-XChange Editor** takes when documents attempt to open files/attachments/sites:
• There are four options when the software is opening a file or an attachment:
  • **Use Trusted/Untrusted list**, which can be specified using the **Trusted/Untrusted locations and names** text box. If the file/attachment is not specified then **PDF-XChange Editor** will prompt before opening.
  • **Prevent it**, which prevents all files and attachments from being opened. The **Attachments pane** can be used to open attachments when this option is enabled.
  • **Allow it**, which allows all files and attachments to be opened.
  • **Allow PDF(s) and use Trusted/Untrusted list for other**, which allows all PDF files/attachments to be opened and refers to the **Trusted/Untrusted list** for other formats. If a file/attachment is not specified in the list then **PDF-XChange Editor** will prompt before opening it.

• There are three options when the software is opening a site:
  • **Use Trusted/Untrusted list**, which can be specified using the **Trusted/Untrusted locations and names** text box. If the site is not specified in the list then **PDF-XChange Editor** will prompt before opening it.
  • **Prevent it**, which prevents all sites from opening.
  • **Allow it**, which allows all sites to be opened.

Use the **Trusted/Untrusted locations and names** window to determine trusted and untrusted elements. Click **Add** to add new elements. The following menu will be displayed:

- **Add File**
- **Add Folder**
- **Add Host**
- **Add File/Host Name Pattern**

*Figure 2. Add Trusted/Untrusted Options*

• Click **Add File** to launch the **Add File** dialog box and add files from the local computer.
• Click **Add Folder** to launch the **Add Folder** dialog box and add folders from the local computer.
• Click **Add Host** to launch the **Add New Trusted/Untrusted Item** dialog box. Enter the internet address of the desired host and select **Trusted** or **Untrusted** as required, then click **OK** to save the host.
• Click **Add File/Host Name Pattern** to specify a text pattern as either **Trusted** or **Untrusted**. Text patterns can include any text but are intended for use with file extensions.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.

Additional security options are available [here](#)
Send Mail

When the **Send Mail** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Send Mail Tab Selected](image)

*Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Send Mail Tab Selected*

These settings determine parameters for the **Send by Email** feature of **PDF-XChange Editor**. Existing email methods are displayed in the **Available Methods** pane.
• Click New to add new email methods. Select SMTP, Gmail, Yahoo, Hotmail, Outlook or Mail.ru as desired.

• Click Edit to edit selected email methods.

• Click Make Current to enable the selected email method.

• Click Remove to remove the selected email method.

• Use the Default Subject text box to determine an automated subject line of emails. Macros are enabled for this option.

• Select the Pack File Attachments box to pack email attachments as ZIP files.

Click Apply to apply changes and OK to save changes.
When the **SharePoint** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Image of Preferences Dialog Box. SharePoint Tab Selected](image)

*Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. SharePoint Tab Selected*

Use the dropdown menus and check boxes to determine parameters as desired, then click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Signatures

When the **Signatures** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box. Signatures Tab Selected](image)

**Figure 1.** Preferences Dialog Box. Signatures Tab Selected

These options determine the settings for digital signatures:

- The **Creation & Appearance** settings determine the options detailed in **(figure 2)** below. Click **More** to access these settings.
• The **Verification** settings determine how and when signatures are verified. Click **More** to access these settings, then select the check boxes as desired.

![Creation and Appearance Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 2.** Creation and Appearance Dialog Box

The **Creation** settings are as follows:

• Select an option from the **Default Signing Method** menu to determine the default signing method settings.
• Select an option from the **Default Signing Format** menu to determine the signing format.
  - **PKCS#7 - Detached** encodes certificates in **Abstract Syntax Notation One (ASN.1)** format.
  - **CAdES** is an electronic signature created in compliance with **eIDAS** and has the same legal value as a handwritten signature.
• Select the **Include signature’s revocation status** box as desired. The revocation status of the signature will be shown in the main window when this option is enabled.
• Select the **Flush PIN cache before applying signature** box as desired.
• Click the **More** button to set the **Digital Sign Appearance Templates:**
Figure 3. Digital Signature Appearance Templates Dialog Box

- Select signature templates, then select **Clone/Reset/Edit** as desired:
- Click **Clone** to clone the selected signature template. This is a useful feature if parameters of existing signature templates need to be changed and saved without editing the original template.
- Click **Reset** to revert the values of the selected signature template to its default state.
- Click **Edit** to adjust the values of the selected signature template:
Figure 4. Edit Template of Digital Sign Dialog Box

- Use the **Template Name** text box to edit the name of the signature template.
- Use the **Show Graphics** option buttons to determine the graphics displayed with the template:
  - Select **Name as Icon** to use the name of the current user as the icon.
  - Select **Custom Icon** to use a custom icon. Enter the name of the file to be used in the text box, or click the icon to select a file from the local computer.
- Select the **Display Logo** box to display the logo in the background of signature templates.
- Select the boxes in the **Show Text** section to determine the information that is shown with templates.
- Use the **Text Direction** dropdown menu to determine the text direction.

Click **OK** to save changes.
Snapshot Tool

The **Snapshot Tool** is used to take snapshots of the active document, as detailed [here](#). When the **Snapshot Tool** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Preferences Dialog Box: Snapshot Tool Tab Selected](image)

**Figure 1.** Preferences Dialog Box: Snapshot Tool Tab Selected

The **Image Copy Options** determine the settings for images that the **Snapshot** tool produces:

- Use the **Resolution** dropdown menu to specify the image resolution for snapshots.
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- Select the **Force snapshot images to grayscale** box as desired.
- Select the **Automatically copy image to clipboard, after move or resize** box as desired.
- Use the **Select All type** dropdown menu to determine the **Select All** setting. This option is available in the right-click context menu when the **Snapshot Tool** is selected. The options are:
  - **Select nearest whole page**, which takes a snapshot of the nearest whole page.
  - **Select visible portion of nearest page**, which takes a snapshot of the visible portion of the nearest page.
- Select the check boxes in the **Notifications** section as desired.

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
Speech

When the **Speech** tab is selected the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Speech Tab Selected](image)

These settings determine the options for the read out loud feature of **PDF-XChange Editor**:

1. **Select the Use default voice box as desired.** Clear this box to choose an alternative voice from the **Voice** menu.
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- Select the **Use default speech attributes** box as desired. Clear this box to adjust the **Pitch** and **Rate** settings.
- Select the **Read comments** and **Read Form Fields** boxes as required.
- Use the **Test** text box to test customized settings. Enter sample text into the text box and click **Read this text** to test settings.

Instructions on how to use the **Read Out Loud** feature are available [here](#).

Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
When the **Tools** tab is selected the following options are available:

- Use the **Default Tool** menu to select the default tool in **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Select the upper check box to retain the active tool between sessions.
- Select the lower check box to retain the active tool when new documents are opened.

![Figure 1. Preferences Dialog Box. Tools Tab Selected](image)
Click **Apply** to apply changes and **OK** to save changes.
The **Update** tab is used to check for software updates. Click **Check for Updates Now** to search for updates.
6.3 View

When the View tab is selected, the following options are available:

These options determine the settings for the elements of **PDF-XChange Editor** detailed below:
• Toolbars [364]
• Rotate View [548]
• Bookmarks [667]
• Thumbnails [652]
• Other Panes [669]
• Page Layout [670]
• Zoom [612]
• Show [617]
• Snap [617]
• Go To [622]
• Portfolio [624]
• Full Screen Mode [628]

Additionally, see the Document Operations Guide [77] for further information and step-by-step instructions to using these features.
Toolbars

Hover over **Toolbars** to determine toolbar settings:

![Toolbars Options](image)

**Figure 1. Toolbars Options**

The toolbars in **PDF-XChange Editor** provide a convenient way to access the features and functions of the application:

- Select/clear the boxes detailed in *(figure 1)* to show/hide the respective toolbars.
• Click **Lock All Toolbars** to lock all toolbars, which disables their customization.
• Click **Lock All Tool-panes** to lock all tool-panes, which disables their toggling/resizing.
• Click **Customize Toolbars** to customize toolbars. These options are explained [here](#).
• Press F8 to show/hide all toolbars.
• Note that there are two icons on the left of each toolbar:

![Figure 2. Toolbar Icons](image)

• Click the arrow icon to expand/collapse toolbars.
• Hover the pointer over the dotted area above the arrow icon to reposition toolbars. The pointer will change to a four-way arrow. Click and drag to detach and move toolbars. (Please note that the **Document Toolbars**, located on the lower section of the main window, have fewer repositioning options than the other toolbars).
• If toolbars are dragged over specific areas in the **PDF-XChange** workspace then the icon beneath the pointer will change. This indicates that the toolbar can be docked to the interface. For example in **(figure 3)** the **File Toolbar** has been repositioned to the lower part of the workspace:
Figure 3. PDF-XChange Editor Main Window, File Toolbar Repositioned
The **Comment Toolbar** contains options for adding comments and annotations to documents:

![Comment Toolbar](image)

**Figure 1.** Comment Toolbar

The **Typewriter** tool is used to create typewriter comments. See [here](#) for further information.
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- The **TextBox** tool is used to create text boxes. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Callout** tool is used to create callout annotations. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Highlight Text** tool is used to highlight text. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Strikeout** tool is used to strike out text. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Underline** tool is used to underline text. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Sticky Note** tool is used to create sticky note annotations. See [here](784) for further information.
- The **Attach File** tool is used to create links to documents. See [here](838) for further information.
- The **Sound** tool is used to add audio files to the active document. See [here](841) for further information.
- The **Line** tool is used to create line annotations. See [here](864) for further information.
- The **Arrow** tool is used to create arrow annotations. See [here](864) for further information.
- The **Oval** tool is used to create oval annotations. See [here](812) for further information.
- The **Rectangle** tool is used to create rectangle annotations. See [here](860) for further information.
- The **Polyline** tool is used to create polyline annotations. See [here](815) for further information.
- The **Polygon** tool is used to create polygon annotations. See [here](864) for further information.
- The **Cloud** tool is used to create cloud annotations. See [here](824) for further information.
- The **Stamp** tool is used to place stamps. See [here](824) for further information.
- The **Pencil** tool is used to create freehand lines. See [here](838) for further information.
- The **Eraser** tool is used to remove **Pencil** tool lines. See [here](838) for further information.
Form Toolbar

The **Form Toolbar** enables options for adding and editing document form fields. Click **Edit Form** to enable the **Form Toolbar** options:

![Figure 1. Edit Form Button, Form Toolbar](image)

- The **Select Fields** mode is used to select and move fields. Click a field to select it. Click and drag to move fields.
The **Keep Mode** setting is used to retain the selected form mode. If this mode is enabled then it is possible to create several forms consecutively. If it is disabled then the selected mode will revert to the **Select Fields** mode after a single use.

The **Text Field** mode is used to add text fields to documents. Text fields are used to denote a space in which users can enter text, such as their address or credit card details. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Check Box** mode is used to add check boxes to documents. Check boxes allow users to make a binary choice between mutually exclusive options, such as yes/no answers. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Radio Button** mode is used to add radio buttons to documents. Radio buttons allow users to choose only one of a predefined set of options, such as when answering multiple choice questions. See [here](#) for further information.

The **List Box** mode is used to add a list of choices to documents. List boxes allow users to select one or more items from a list of options contained within a static, multiple line text box, such as a list of months of the year. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Dropdown** mode is used to add dropdown menus to documents. Dropdown menus allow users to select only one value from a list of options contained within a static, multiple line text box, such as a list of nationalities. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Button** mode is used to add action buttons to documents. Buttons allow users to trigger an event/action, such as opening a web link or playing a sound. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Digital Signature** mode is used to add digital signature fields to documents. Digital signature fields allow users to sign documents digitally, which increases security and integrity. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Barcode** mode is used to add barcodes to documents. Barcodes translate form data into an encoded pattern that compatible devices can read and archive, which increases security and efficiency. See [here](#) for further information.

The **Date** mode is used to add customized text fields that feature date functionality to documents. The settings are identical to the **Text Field** mode, detailed above, with the exception that created fields feature date functionality by default.

The **Image** mode is used to add customized button fields to documents. The settings are identical to the **Button** mode, detailed above, but the default layout is slightly different, and Javascript is added automatically to enable the insertion of images to be submitted as form data.
Right-Click Shortcut Menu for Form Fields

When form fields are right-clicked the following options are displayed:

- Click **Rename Field** to rename selected fields.
- Click **Set as Required Field** to designate selected field as required, which means it must be filled before the document can be submitted. These fields will also be highlighted when the **Highlight Required Fields Only** option outlined [here](#) is utilized.
- Click **Add New Field** to add new form fields to documents. Available forms are detailed above.
- Click **Cut**, **Copy** or **Delete** to cut/copy/delete selected forms.
- Click **Select All** to select all form fields.
- Click **Arrange** to arrange multiple fields. This option is available only when multiple fields are selected. If the form fields were group-selected with the mouse, then the first form placed in the document is used as the reference point to arrange the other forms. If the form fields were group-selected by holding Ctrl and selecting them one at a time, then the first form selected will be used as the reference point. The **Arrange** options for form fields are detailed below:
  - **Align Left Edges**
- Align Horizontal Centers
- Align Right Edges
- Align Top Edges
- Align Vertical Centers
- Align Bottom Edges
- Distribute Horizontally
- Distribute Vertically
- Make Same Width
- Make Same Height
- Make Same Size
- Bring Forward, which brings the selected form field up a step in cases where multiple forms overlap.
- Send Backward, which sends the selected form field back a step in cases where multiple forms overlap.
- Bring to Front, which brings the selected form field to the top in cases where multiple forms overlap.
- Send to Back, which sends the selected form field to the back in cases where multiple forms overlap.

- Click Create Multiple Copies to create copies of selected forms. See (figure 3) for further information.
- Click Duplicate to duplicate selected forms to a specific page range. Page offsets can be added for duplicates as desired. See (figure 4) for further information.
- Click Show Tab Numbers to display automated tab numbers in each form field. These numbers represent the tab order when the Tab key is used to navigate between forms.
- Click Show Grid to activate the grid feature, which displays in the background of documents and assists in the placement of objects.
- Click Make Current Properties Default to set the properties of the form field currently selected as the default properties for all subsequent forms of the same format.
- Click Apply Default Properties to apply the default properties to the selected form field.
- Click Properties to launch the Properties pane, which can be used to view/edit the properties of selected fields.
The figure entered in the the **Copy selected fields down** number box determines the amount of copies placed vertically below source fields.

The figure entered in the the **Copy selected fields across** number box determines the amount of copies placed horizontally from source fields.

Select **Specify distance between fields** to determine the distance between copies. Enter the desired distances in the **Horizontal space** and **Vertical space** number boxes.

Select a unit of measurement from the **Units** menu.

Select **Specify overall size of all fields** to determine the size of the area in which fields are multiplied. The value entered in the **Overall width** and **Overall height** number boxes determines the overall width and height of the area in which the selected field is multiplied. Select the desired units of measurement from the **Units** menu.

The **Overall Position** settings can be used to determine the overall position of copied fields. Edit the **X** and **Y** values as desired. The position selected in the grid determines the starting point for measurements when multiple copies of form fields are created.

Select the **Preview** box to place a preview before the creation of copied fields.

Select the **Use the same names** box as desired. This is useful for fields that require the same user data or other elements such as the current date. Copies will feature the same name as source fields, followed by a unique number.
Figure 4. Duplicate Annotations Dialog Box

- Use the **Destination Settings** to determine the output settings for duplicated forms:
  - Select the upper option button to duplicate forms through a specified page offset from the source form. Enter the desired page offset in the upper number box and the number of duplicates in the lower number box. For example, if the page offset is specified as ‘3’ and the number of duplicates is specified as ‘3’, then three duplicates will be created, with one placed on every third page starting from the source form.
  - Select the lower option button to duplicate forms to a specified page range:
    - Click **All** to select all document pages.
    - Click **Current Page** to duplicate the form on only the current page.
    - Click **Pages** to determine a page range. See [here](#) for page range options.
    - Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** for page ranges.
    - Use the **Duplicates per Page** number box to specify the number of duplicate forms created per page.

- Use the **Duplicate Options** settings to determine the duplication of selected forms:
- The value entered in the **Horizontal Offset** number box determines the horizontal offset from the duplicated field.
- The value entered in the **Vertical Offset** number box determines the vertical offset from the duplicated field.

**Tab Order of Forms**

Please note that the Tab key can be used to scroll through text field forms after they have been added to documents. Follow the instructions below to change the tab order of forms:

1. Click **View** in the MenuToolbar.
2. Hover over **Other Panes**.
3. Click **Fields**. The **Fields** pane will open.
4. Click **Options**. The **Options** submenu will open.
5. Click **Order by Pages**. Then click the **Edit Form** tool in the **Shortcut Toolbar**.
6. Click and drag fields within the **Fields** pane to reorder them.
Add Text Fields to Documents

Text fields are used to denote a space in which users can enter form information such as their name, password and date of birth:

![Example Text Fields](image)

The functionality of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables a wide range of dynamic customization for text fields. Click the dropdowns below for further information:
Add Text Fields to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Text Field** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the text field:

![Active Text Field Tool](image)

**Figure 2. Active Text Field Tool**

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the text field to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of text fields). Added text fields appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize text fields.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of text fields:

- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill text fields.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of text fields.
- **Border Style** determines the style of text field borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of text field borders.
- **Text Color** determines the color of text entered in text fields.
- **Font** determines the font of text entered in text fields.
- **Properties** launches the Text Field Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of text fields.

**The Text Field Properties Pane**
The **Text Field Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for text fields. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to text fields, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available in the **Text Field Properties** pane:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of text fields:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the text field can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the text fields can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the text field. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when text fields are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the text field.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the text field uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported.
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of text entered in the text field.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the text field.
- **Required** determines whether or not the text field is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the text field data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of text fields. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3).*

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of text fields:
- **Left** determines the distance of the text field from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the text field from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the text field.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the text field:
- **Font** determines the font used.
- **Font Size** determines the size of the font.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the font.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for text fields:
- **Alignment** determines the text alignment within the text field.
- **Default Value** determines the default value of the text field. Text fields will show this value by default. If they are edited and then reset then the value entered for this property will be displayed.
- **File Select** determines whether or not files on the local computer are selected when their filename is entered in the text field. If set to **Yes** then the file contents are submitted as the value of the text field when the form is submitted.
- **Password** determines whether or not the text field is a password field. If text fields are designated as passwords then text entered into them will be encrypted in the standard manner:

![Password](image)

*Figure 5. Standard Text Field (above) and Standard Text Field with Password Enabled (below)*

- **Check Spelling** determines whether or not the spelling of words entered in the text field is automatically checked.
- **Multi Line** determines whether or not multiple lines of text are permitted in the text field.
- **Scroll** determines whether or not a scroll bar is added when multiple lines of text are entered into text fields.
- **Allow Rich Text** determines whether or not the text field permits rich text such as bold and italics.
- **Comb** determines whether or not line separators are inserted between characters in the text field:

  ![Example Text Field](image)

  **Figure 6.** Standard Text Field (above) and Standard Text Field with Comb Enabled (below)

- **Character Limit** determines the maximum number of characters permitted in the text field.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the text field:
- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released) on the text field.
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released) on the text field.
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the text field.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the text field.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the text field is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the text field is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit text field actions:
The process of adding actions is detailed [here](#).  

The **Format Value** properties determine the type of information permitted to be entered in the text field and the format in which it should be entered:

- **Category** determines the category of the text field. Each category has different options, as detailed below:
  - **None** is the default setting. Text fields do not have a **Format Value** category when this option is selected.
  - **Number** sets the text field input to numerical values. The following options are available for this setting:
    - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places displayed.
    - **Separator Style** determines the separators used for numbers.
    - **Currency Symbol** determines the currency symbol used in the text field.
• **Symbol Location** determines the location of the currency symbol in relation to the number.
• **Add Space** inserts a space between the currency symbol and the number.
• **Negative Number Style** determines how numbers with negative values are displayed.
• **Percentage** sets the text field input to percentage values. The following options are available for this setting:
  - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places permitted.
  - **Separator Style** determines the separator used for numbers.
• **Date** sets the text field input to date values and adds a dropdown calendar to the text field. Use the **Date Format** parameter to determine the format of dates.
• **Time** sets the text field input to time values (hours and minutes). Use the **Time Format** parameters to determine the format of time values.
• **Special** sets the text field input values to one of the special options. Use the **Special Format** parameter to determine the format. The options are:
  - **ZIP Code**
  - **ZIP Code +4**, which is used for nine-digit postal codes.
  - **Phone Number**
  - **Social Security Number**
• **Custom Action** adds custom JavaScript actions to text fields. There are two options:
  - **Format Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for formats. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
  - **Keystroke Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for keystrokes. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
  - If the options above are used then the Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript" dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**.
The **Value Validation** properties determine the validation of values entered into the text field. These properties can be used to ensure that the information entered into forms fits within specific parameters:

- **Validation** determines how values are validated:
  - **Value in Range** sets the range within which values entered into the text field must fall:
    - **From** specifies the minimum value.
    - **To** specifies the maximum value.
  - **Custom Action** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to validate values entered in the text field:
    - **Validation Action** specifies the JavaScript to use, as detailed in *(figure 8)*.

The **Value Calculation** properties determine the value of text fields from other text fields, and are ideal in forms where entered form data creates the value of further forms, such as when several orders are placed that combine to give a total cost. The available properties are detailed below:

- **None** specifies that calculations are not performed.
- **Sum** uses the sum of specified fields.
- **Product** uses the product of specified fields.
- **Average** uses the average of specified fields.
- **Minimum** uses the minimum value of all the specified fields.
- **Maximum** uses the maximum value of all specified fields.
- Please note that when the **Sum, Product, Average, Minimum** and **Maximum** properties are used, the additional entry "**Fields**" will appear beneath the **Calculation** property. Use this entry to specify the fields used in these calculations.

- **Simplified Notation** enables the insertion of a custom calculation to be performed on fields. Use the **Simple Notation** box to determine the calculation. Use the document field names and standard mathematical notation.

- **Custom Action** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to perform calculations and determine the order in which calculations are performed. Click the ellipsis icon to add custom JavaScript, as detailed in (figure 8).

### Value Validation Example

The following example details a simple value validation of values entered into the text field 'Text1':

![Figure 9. Value Validation Example, Text Field](image)

This example will detail how to validate that values entered into 'Text1' fall in the range 0-100:
1. Click **Edit Form**, then select 'Text1' and click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar**. The **Text Field Properties** pane will open:

![Diagram showing the Text Field Properties pane]

**Figure 10.** Value Validation Example, Text Field Properties Pane

2. Scroll down the **Text Field Properties** pane to the **Format Value** tab, then click the **Category** property and select **Number**:
3. Scroll down the **Text Field Properties** pane to the **Value Validation** tab, then click the **Validation** option and select **Value in Range**:
4. Enter '0' in the From option and '100' in the To option:
All values subsequently entered into ‘Text1’ must fall into the range 0-100. Values outside of the specified range will not be permitted, and if they are entered then an error message will appear.

**Value Calculation Example**

The following example details a simple value calculation. There are three text fields: ‘Text1’, ‘Text2’ and ‘Text3’.
This example will detail how to use the product of the values entered in 'Text1' and 'Text2' to create the value for 'Text3':

1. Click Edit Form, then select 'Text3' and click Properties in the Properties Toolbar. The Text Field Properties pane will open:
2. Scroll down the **Text Field Properties** pane to the **Value Calculation** tab, then click the **Calculation** property and select **Product:**
Note that the **Fields** property will appear beneath the **Calculation** property, as detailed in the image below. This option is used to specify the source of the values to use in the product calculation that will create the value for 'Text3'.

3. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the **Fields** option. The **Fields Selection** dialog box will open. Select 'Text1' and 'Text2', then click **OK**.
The value of 'Text3' will then be the product of the values entered in 'Text1' and 'Text2':
If the values in 'Text1' and 'Text2' are subsequently changed, then the value in 'Text3' will update.

Please note that the Calculation Order setting in the Fields Pane can be used to determine the order in which fields are calculated. This is a useful feature when documents contain more than one form field that has value calculation settings. Follow the steps below to determine the order of calculation:

1. Click Edit Form, then click View in the Menu Toolbar, hover over Other Panes and click Fields:
The **Fields** pane will open.

2. Click **Options** and then click **Calculation Order** in the submenu:
Figure 20. Fields Pane, Set Field Calculation Order

The **Calculation Order** dialog box will open:
The **Calculation Order** dialog box displays all form fields that contain value calculations. The order from top to bottom is the order in which calculations are performed. Click to select form fields and then click **Move Up/**Move Down** to move fields up or down in the list.
Add Check Boxes to Documents

Check boxes allow users to select or deselect predefined options:

![Example Check Boxes](image)

**Figure 1.** Example Check Boxes

The functionality of PDF-XChange Editor enables a wide range of dynamic customization for check boxes. Click the dropdowns for further information:
Add Check Boxes to Documents

1. Click Edit Form, then click the Check Box icon in the Form Toolbar (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue square will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This square represents the check box:

![Figure 2. Active Check Box Tool](image)

2. Move the square to the desired location and then click to add the check box to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of check boxes). Added check boxes appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize check boxes.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of check boxes:

- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill check boxes.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of check boxes.
- **Border Style** determines the style of check box borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of check box borders.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when check boxes are selected.
- **Properties** launches the Check Box Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of check boxes.

**The Check Box Properties Pane**
The **Check Box Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for check boxes. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to check boxes, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for check boxes:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of check boxes:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the check box can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the check boxes can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the check box. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when check boxes are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the check box.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the check box uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported,
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the check box.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the check box.
- **Required** determines whether or not the check box is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the check box data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of check boxes. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3)*.

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of check boxes:
- **Left** determines the distance of the check box from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the check box from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the check box.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the check box:
- **Font Size** is always set to **auto** for check boxes. This is because the font size refers to the size of the tick when check boxes are selected, and the tick must be proportionate to the size of the check box.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when check boxes are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for check boxes:
- **Check Box Style** determines the icon used when check boxes are selected.
- **Export Value** determines the value that represents check boxes when they are exported.
- **Checked by Default** determines whether or not the check box is checked by default.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the check box:
- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the check box.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the check box.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the check box is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the check box is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit check box actions:
The process of adding actions is detailed [here](#).

### Example Check Box List Creation

The following example will detail how to create a check box list for the months of the year:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Check Box** and **Keep Mode** icons in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below):
2. Press Ctrl+` to enable the grid in order to assist in the accurate placement of check boxes, then click to place check boxes in the document:
The next step is to add text box labels for the check boxes:

3. Click the **Text Box Tool**, then click the **Keep Selected** in the **Properties Toolbar**.
4. Click to add text boxes, then enter the names of the months of the year:
The next step is to remove the default borders of the text boxes, as they do not look ideal for this document:

5. Click **Standard**, then click **Select Comments** in the submenu:
6. Group-select the text boxes, then click **Stroke Color** in the **Properties Toolbar** and select white:
7. Press Ctrl+` to disable the grid. The check box list is then complete. Click the **Hand Tool** to select check boxes:
Figure 12. Completed Check Box List
Add Radio Buttons to Documents

Radio buttons allow users to make a single choice from several options, such as in answers to multiple choice questions:

The functionality of PDF-XChange Editor enables a wide range of dynamic customization for radio buttons, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:

Figure 1. Example Radio Buttons
Add Radio Buttons to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Radio Button** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue square will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This square represents the radio button:

![Figure 2. Active Radio Button Tool](image)

2. Move the square to the desired location and then click to add the radio button to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of radio buttons). Added radio buttons appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize radio buttons.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of radio buttons:

- Fill Color determines the color used to fill radio buttons.
- Stroke Color determines the border color of radio buttons.
- Border Style determines the style of radio button borders.
- Border Width determines the width of radio button borders.
- Text Color determines the color of the mark when radio buttons are selected.
- Properties launches the Radio Button Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of radio buttons.

The Radio Button Properties Pane
The **Radio Button Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for radio buttons. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to radio buttons, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for radio buttons:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of radio buttons:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the radio button can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the radio buttons can be moved, and whether or not their properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the radio button. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when radio buttons are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the radio button.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the radio button uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is
exported, and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the radio button.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the radio button.
- **Required** determines whether or not the radio button is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the radio button data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of radio buttons. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3)*.

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of radio buttons:

- **Left** determines the distance of the radio button from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the radio button from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the radio button.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the radio button:

- **Font Size** is always set to **auto** for radio buttons. This is because the font size refers to the size of the mark when radio buttons are selected, and the mark must be proportionate to the size of the radio button.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when radio buttons are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for radio buttons:

- **Radio Button Style** determines the icon used when radio buttons are selected.
- **Button Choice** is a unique identifier for the radio button and differentiates it from other radio buttons that have the same name.
- **In Unison** enables single-click selection for all radio buttons that share the same name and content as the selected radio button.
- **Checked by Default** determines whether or not the radio button is checked by default.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the radio button:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the radio button.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the radio button.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the radio button is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the radio button is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit radio button actions:

![Radio Button Properties Pane, Action Ellipses](image)

The process of adding actions is detailed [here](#).

**Example Radio Button List Creation**

The following example will detail how to create a radio button list of countries:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Radio Button** and **Keep Mode** icons in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below):
2. Press Ctrl+` to enable the grid in order to assist in the accurate placement of radio buttons, then click to place radio buttons in the document:
The next step is to add text box labels for the radio buttons:

3. Click the **Text Box Tool**, then click **Keep Selected** in the **Properties Toolbar**:
4. Click to add text boxes, then enter the names of the desired countries:
The next step is to remove the default borders of the text boxes, as they do not look ideal for this document:

5. Click **Standard**, then click **Select Comments** in the submenu:
6. Group-select the text boxes, then click **Stroke Color** in the **Properties Toolbar** and select white:
7. Press Ctrl+* to disable the grid. The radio button list is then complete. Click the **Hand Tool** to select an option as desired:
Figure 12. Completed Radio Button List
Add List Boxes to Documents

List boxes allow users to select one or more options from a fixed list of options:

![Example List Box](image)

*Figure 1. Example List Box*

The functionality of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables a wide range of dynamic customization for list boxes, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:
▼ Add List Boxes to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **List Box** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the list box:

![Active List Box Tool](image)

*Figure 2. Active List Box Tool*

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the list box to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of list boxes). Added list boxes appear as below:
• Click and drag the yellow control points to resize list boxes.
• Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of list boxes:
  • Fill Color determines the color used to fill list boxes.
  • Stroke Color determines the border color of list boxes.
  • Border Style determines the style of list box borders.
  • Border Width determines the width of list box borders.
  • Text Color determines the color of the text in list boxes.
  • Font determines the font used in list boxes.
  • Properties launches the List Box Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of list boxes.

▼ The List Box Properties Pane
The **List Box Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for list boxes. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to list boxes, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the PDF-XChange Editor forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for list boxes:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of list boxes:
- **Read Only** determines whether or not the list box can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the list box can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the list box. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when list boxes are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the list box.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the list box uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported,
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the list box.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the list box.
- **Required** determines whether or not the list box is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the list box data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of list boxes. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3)*.

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of list boxes:

- **Left** determines the distance of the list box from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the list box from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the list box.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the list box:

- **Font** determines the font used to create the list box entries.
- **Font Size** determine the size of the font used to create the list box entries.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when list boxes are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for list boxes:

- **List Box Items** determine the options in the list box. See below for an example on how to add/edit options in the list box.
- **Sort Items** arranges the listed items numerically and/or alphabetically. Note that numerical sorts are performed before alphabetical sorts in cases where both sorts apply.
- **Multiple Selection** enables the selection of multiple list box entries.
- **Immediately Commit** saves selected values as soon as they are selected. If this option is not enabled then the value is saved only when the user tabs out of the current field/clicks a different form field. Please note that this option is not available when the **Multiple Selection** property is enabled.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the list box:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the list box.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the list box.
• **On Focus** initiates an action when the list box is selected.
• **On Blur** initiates an action when the list box is deselected.
• **The Selection Change** property initiates a JavaScript action when the selection in the list box is changed. Click the ellipsis icon to add custom JavaScript. The **Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**:

![Figure 5. Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript" Dialog Box](image)

Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit list box actions:
Adding and Editing List Box Items

Follow the steps below to add/edit list box items:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then select the list box and click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar**:
The **List Box Properties** pane will open.

2. Scroll down to the **List Box Items** property and click `<Empty>`:
The **List Box** pane will open. This pane is used to add/edit list box items:
3. Click **Add New** to add new entries to the list box:
Figure 9. List Box Items Pane

- Click **Delete Item** to delete the selected item from the list box.
- Click the **Up** and **Down** buttons to move selected items up or down in the list. The order of items in the pane represents the order to items in the list box.
- Enter values in the **Export Value** column to determine the value given for exported list box items. Note that values must be first selected in the **List Box Items** pane and then clicked in order to edit the name.
- Click to select **Display Value** names, and then click them again in order to edit the name.
- Select the check box of the item to be used as the default selection in the list box. This item will be selected when the list box is in its default state.

4. Click outside the **List Box Items** pane to complete the process, then use the **Hand Tool** to select list box items:
Figure 10. Completed List Box
Add Dropdown Menus to Documents

Dropdown menus allow users to select one option from a fixed list of options:

![Example Dropdown Menu](image)

*Figure 1. Example Dropdown Menu*

The functionality of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables a wide range of dynamic customization for dropdown menus, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:
Add Dropdown Menus to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Dropdown** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the dropdown menu:

![Active Dropdown Tool](image)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the dropdown menu to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of dropdown menus). Added dropdown menus appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize dropdown menus.

Use the options in the **Properties Toolbar** to determine the style and appearance of dropdown menus:

- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill dropdown menus.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of dropdown menus.
- **Border Style** determines the style of dropdown menu borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of dropdown menu borders.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the text in dropdown menus.
- **Font** determines the font used in dropdown menus.
- **Properties** launches the **Dropdown Properties** pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of dropdown menus.

### The Dropdown Properties Pane
The **Dropdown Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for dropdown menus. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to dropdown menus, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for dropdown menus:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of dropdown menus:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the dropdown menu can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the dropdown menu can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the dropdown menu. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when dropdown menus are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the dropdown menu.
• **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the dropdown menu uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported, and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

• **Orientation** determines the orientation of the dropdown menu.

• **Visibility** determines the visibility of the dropdown menu.

• **Required** determines whether or not the dropdown menu is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.

• **Exportable** determines whether or not the dropdown menu data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of dropdown menus. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3)*.

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of dropdown menus:

- **Left** determines the distance of the dropdown menu from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the dropdown menu from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the dropdown menu.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the dropdown menu:

- **Font** determines the font used to create the dropdown menu entries.
- **Font Size** determine the size of the font used to create the dropdown menu entries.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when dropdown menus are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for dropdown menus:

- **Combo Box Items** determine the options in the dropdown menu. See below for an example on how to add/edit options in the dropdown menu.
- **Sort Items** arranges the listed items numerically and/or alphabetically. Note that numerical sorts are performed before alphabetical sorts in cases where both sorts apply.
- **Allow Edit** enables a text box at the top of dropdown menus that can be used to enter custom values as the value of the dropdown menu:
Figure 5. Standard Dropdown (left) and Allow Edit Dropdown (right)

Please note that this property can also be used to give dropdown menus a title that is different from the entries that it contains. An example of this process is detailed below.

- **Check Spelling** is available only when the **Allow Edit** property is enabled, and auto-checks the spelling of custom values entered into dropdown menus.
- **Immediately Commit** saves selected values as soon as they are selected. If this option is not enabled then the value is saved only when the user tabs out of the current field/clicks a different form field.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the dropdown menu:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the dropdown menu.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the dropdown menu.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the dropdown menu is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the dropdown menu is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit dropdown menu actions:
The process of adding actions is detailed here.

The **Format Value** properties determine the type of information permitted to be entered in the dropdown menu and the format in which it should be entered. This setting applies to both predefined items in the dropdown list, and custom entries entered when the **Allow Edit** property is enabled:

- **Category** determines the category of the dropdown menu. Each category has different options, as detailed below:
  - **None** is the default setting. Dropdown menu do not have a **Format Value** category when this option is selected.
  - **Number** sets the dropdown menu input to numerical values. The following options are available for this setting:
    - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places displayed.
    - **Separator Style** determines the separators used for numbers.
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- **Currency Symbol** determines the currency symbol used in the dropdown menu.
- **Symbol Location** determines the location of the currency symbol in relation to the number.
- **Add Space** inserts a space between the currency symbol and the number.
- **Negative Number Style** determines how numbers with negative values are displayed.
- **Percentage** sets the dropdown menu input to percentage values. The following options are available for this setting:
  - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places permitted.
  - **Separator Style** determines the separator used for numbers.
- **Date** sets the dropdown menu input to date values and adds a dropdown calendar to the dropdown menu. Use the **Date Format** parameter to determine the format of dates.
- **Time** sets the dropdown menu input to time values (hours and minutes). Use the **Time Format** parameters to determine the format of time values.
- **Special** sets the dropdown menu input values to one of the special options. Use the **Special Format** parameter to determine the format. The options are:
  - **ZIP Code**
  - **ZIP Code +4**, which is used for nine-digit postal codes.
  - **Phone Number**
  - **Social Security Number**
- **Custom Action** adds custom JavaScript actions to dropdown menu. There are two options:
  - **Format Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for formats. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
  - **Keystroke Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for keystrokes. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
  - If the options above are used then the **Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**.
The **Value Validation** properties determine the validation of values entered into the dropdown menu:

- **Validation** determines how values are validated:
  - **Value in Range** sets the range within which values entered into the dropdown menu must fall:
    - **From** specifies the minimum value.
    - **To** specifies the maximum value.
  - **Custom** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to validate values entered in the dropdown menu. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view custom JavaScript, as detailed in *(figure 7)*.

The **Value Calculation** properties determine the value of dropdown menu from other dropdown menus:

- **None** specifies that calculations are not performed.
- **Sum** uses the sum of specified fields.
- **Product** uses the product of specified fields.
- **Average** uses the average of specified fields.
- **Minimum** uses the minimum value of all the specified fields.
- **Maximum** uses the maximum value of all specified fields.
- Please note that when the **Sum**, **Product**, **Average**, **Minimum** and **Maximum** properties are used, the additional entry "**Fields**" will appear beneath the **Calculation** property. Use this entry to specify the fields used in these calculations.
- **Simplified Notation** enables the insertion of a custom calculation to be performed on fields. Use the **Simple Notation** box to determine the calculation. Use the document field names and standard mathematical notation.

- **Custom Action** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to perform calculations and determine the order in which calculations are performed. Click the ellipsis icon to add custom JavaScript, as detailed in *(figure 7).*

### Adding and Editing Dropdown Menu Items

Follow the steps below to add/edit dropdown menu items:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then select the dropdown menu and click **Properties** in the Properties Toolbar:

   ![Figure 8. Selected Dropdown Menu](image)

   The **Dropdown Properties** pane will open.

   2. Move to the **Combo Box Items** property and click `<Empty>`:
The **Dropdown Menu** pane will open. This pane is used to add/edit dropdown menu items:
3. Click **Add New** to add new entries to the dropdown menu:
Click **Delete Item** to delete the selected item from the dropdown menu.

Click the **Up** and **Down** buttons to move selected items up or down in the list. The order of items in the pane represents the order to items in the dropdown menu.

Enter values in the **Export Value** column to determine the value given for exported dropdown menu items. Note that values must be first selected in the **Dropdown Menu Items** pane and then clicked in order to edit the name.

Click to select **Display Value** names, and then click them again in order to edit the name.

Select the check box of the item to be used as the default selection in the dropdown menu. This item will be selected when the dropdown menu is in its default state.

4. Click outside the **Dropdown Menu Items** pane to complete the process:
Value Validation Example

The following example details a simple value validation of values entered into the dropdown 'Dropdown1':

![Completed Dropdown Menu](image-url)
This example will detail how to validate that values entered into 'Dropdown1' fall in the range 0-100:

1. Click Edit Form, then select 'Dropdown1' and click Properties in the Properties Toolbar. The Dropdown Properties pane will open:
2. Scroll down the **Dropdown Properties** pane to the **Format Value** tab, then click the **Category** property and select **Number**.
3. Scroll down the **Dropdown Properties** pane to the **Value Validation** tab, then click the **Validation** option and select **Value in Range**: 

*Figure 23. Value Validation Example, Category Option*
Note that the **From** and **To** options will appear beneath the **Validation** property when **Value in Range** is selected.

3. Enter ‘0’ in the **From** option and ‘100’ in the **To** option:
All values subsequently entered into 'Dropdown1' must fall into the range 0-100. Values outside of the specified range will not be permitted, and if they are entered then an error message will appear.

**Edit the Display Name of Dropdown Menus**

The default settings of dropdown menus use a list item as the display name. The process below details how to create a different display name for dropdown menus:

The default settings were used to create the dropdown menu below, and the display name is 'Item 1':

![Figure 25. Value Validation Example, From/To Option](image)
1. Click **Edit Form**, then select the dropdown menu and click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar**. The **Dropdown Properties** pane will open:
2. Scroll down the **Dropdown Properties** pane to the **Allow Edit** property and change the setting to **Yes**: 

![Figure 27. Dropdown Menu Tool, Dropdown Properties Pane](image-url)
3. Click the **Standard Toolbar**, select the **Hand Tool** then click the dropdown menu and enter the desired display name. This example will use ‘Select...’:
4. Click **Edit Form**, then select the dropdown menu and click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar**. The **Dropdown Properties** pane will open:
5. Scroll down the **Dropdown Properties** pane to the **Allow Edit** property and change the setting to **No**:
The dropdown menu will display as detailed below:
Figure 32. Dropdown Menu, New Display Name
Add Buttons to Documents

Buttons enhance the dynamics of documents and allow users to trigger predefined events:

The functionality of PDF-XChange Editor enables a wide range of customization for buttons, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:
Add Buttons to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Button** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the button:

![Figure 2. Active Button Tool](image)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the button to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of buttons). Added buttons appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize buttons.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of buttons:
- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill buttons.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of buttons.
- **Border Style** determines the style of button borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of button borders.
- **Text Color** determines the color of text in buttons.
- **Font** determines the font of text in buttons.
- **Properties** launches the Push Button Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of buttons.

**The Push Button Properties Pane**
The **Push Button Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for buttons. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to buttons, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for buttons:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of buttons:
- **Read Only** determines whether or not the button can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not buttons can be moved, and whether or not their properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the button. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when buttons are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the button.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the button uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported,
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the button.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the button.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of buttons. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3).*

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of buttons:
- **Left** determines the distance of the button from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the button from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the button.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the button:
- **Font Size** is always set to *auto* for buttons. This is because the font size refers to the size of the mark when buttons are selected, and the mark must be proportionate to the size of the button.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when buttons are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for buttons:
- **Layout** determines the layout of the button, which can be displayed as text label, icon or a combination of both elements:
  - **Label Only** is the default setting. The text label that the **Up Label** property specifies is the only element displayed on the button.
  - **Icon Only** uses the custom image that the **Up Icon** property specifies to represent the button.
  - **Icon Top, Label Bottom** displays a custom image as the upper section of the button and the text label beneath the image.
  - **Label Top, Icon Bottom** displays the text label as the upper section of the button and a custom image beneath the text.
  - **Icon Left, Label Right** displays a custom image on the left and the text label on the right.
  - **Label Left, Icon Right** displays the text label on the left and a custom image on the right.
  - **Label over Icon** uses a custom image to represent the button and places the text label over the image.
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**Figure 5. Available Layout Options for Buttons**

- **Behaviour** specifies the visual effect when buttons are pressed:
  - **None** specifies that no visual change occurs.
  - **Invert** inverts the fill color of the button.
  - **Outline** creates an outline around the button.
  - **Push** creates a visual effect when buttons are clicked:

**Figure 6. Default to Invert (Top), Default to Outline (Centre) and Default to Push (Bottom)**

- **Up Label** specifies the text that the button uses. N.b. a **Layout** property that specifies a label must be enabled for the option to be available.
- **Up Icon** specifies the icon that the button uses. N.b. a **Layout** property that specifies an icon must be enabled for the option to be available.

The **Icon Placement** properties determine settings for the icon used in the button:

- **When to Scale** determines when icons are scaled to the size of the button on which they are featured:
  - **Always** scales the icon to the size of the button in all cases.
  - **Scale Type** determines how the icon is scaled:
    - **Proportionally** retains the aspect ratio of the icon
    - **Non-proportionally** ignores the aspect ratio of the icon.
  - **Never** retains the original size of the icon regardless of the size of the button.
  - **Icon is Too Big** scales icons in cases where icons are larger than the button.
  - **Icon is Too Small** scales icons in cases where icons are smaller than the button.
  - **Fit to Bounds** fits the icon to the bounds of the button.
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- **Horizontal Position** determines the horizontal position of the icon in the button.
- **Vertical Position** determines the vertical position of the icon in the button.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the button:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the button.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the button.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the button is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the button is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit button actions:

![Push Button Properties Pane, Action Ellipses](image)

*Figure 7. Push Button Properties Pane, Action Ellipses*
The process of adding actions is detailed here.

**Button Creation Example**

The following example will detail the creation of a button that contains an icon and text, and activates a link to the Tracker Software website when it is clicked:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Button** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). The blue rectangle that represents the button will be displayed:

![Figure 8. Active Button Tool](image)

2. Click to add the button, then click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar** to open the **Push Button Properties** pane:
Figure 9. Active Button Tool, Push Button Properties Pane

3. Scroll down the **Push Button Properties** pane to the **Up Label** property, and then enter the text **“Launch Website”**: 
The button now needs to be resized, as the text does not fit comfortably within it:

4. Click **Edit Form**, then click the button to select it. Yellow control points will appear around the button. Click and drag the control points to resize the button:
The next step is to add an icon to the button:

5. Click Edit Form, and then select the button to view its properties in the Push Button Properties pane. Move to the Options tab, then select Icon top, label button for the Layout property. The Up Icon property will appear. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the Up Icon property to select the desired icon from the local computer:
The next step is to add the action to the button:

6. Click **Edit Form**, and then select the button to view its properties in the **Push Button Properties** pane. Scroll down the **Push Button Properties** pane to the **Actions tab**, then click the ellipsis icon on the right of the **Mouse Up** property:
The **Edit Action List** dialog box will open.

7. Click **Add** and then click **Open a Web Link** in the submenu:
Figure 14. Button Tool, Edit Action List Dialog Box

The **Add Action: "Open a Web Link"** dialog box will open.

8. Enter the desired internet location for the button to launch when it is clicked and then click **OK** in both dialog boxes:
9. Press Ctrl+` to activate the grid in order to reposition the button, then click and drag it to a new location:
10. Press Ctrl+- to disable the grid. The button is then complete and will launch the Tracker Software website when it is clicked:
Figure 17. Completed Button
Add Digital Signature Fields to Documents

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. They can also be used to determine editing permissions for documents and/or utilize timestamp servers in order to further increase document security and integrity.

![Sample Signature Fields, Unsigned (above) and Signed (below)](image)

The functionality of PDF-XChange Editor enables a wide range of dynamic customization for signature fields, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:
Add Digital Signature Fields to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Digital Signature** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the signature field:

![Active Signature Field Tool](image)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the signature field to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of signature fields). Added signature fields appear as below:
• Click and drag the yellow control points to resize signature fields.

• Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of signature fields:
  • Fill Color determines the color used to fill signature fields.
  • Stroke Color determines the border color of signature fields.
  • Border Style determines the style of signature field borders.
  • Border Width determines the width of signature field borders.
  • Text Color determines the color of text in signature fields when they are signed.
  • Font determines the font of text in signature fields.
  • Properties launches the Digital Signature Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of signature fields.

▼ The Digital Signature Properties Pane
The **Digital Signature Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for signature fields. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to signature fields, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for signature fields:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of signature fields:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the signature field can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not signature fields can be moved, and whether or not their properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the signature field. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when signature fields are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the signature field.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the signature field uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is
exported, and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the signature field.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the signature field.
- **Required** determines whether or not the digital signature field is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the digital signature field data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of signature fields. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3).*

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of signature fields:
- **Left** determines the distance of the signature field from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the signature field from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the signature field.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the signature field:
- **Font** determines the font used for digital signature fields.
- **Font Size** determines the size of the font.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the text.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the signature field:
- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the signature field.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the signature field.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the signature field is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the signature field is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit signature field actions:
The process of adding actions is detailed [here](#).

The **When Signed** property determines the action taken when signature fields are signed:

- **Do Nothing** determines that no action is taken.
- **Custom Action** enables the activation of custom JavaScript when signature fields are signed. When this option is selected the **Action** property will appear. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the property to add JavaScript:
The **Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**:
- **Mark as Read-Only** classifies specified fields as read-only in order to disable subsequent editing. When this option is selected, the **Fields Range** property will appear beneath the **When Signed** property:
• Select All fields to set all fields in the document as read-only.
• Select Just specified Fields to specify the fields that are set as read-only.
• Select All fields except specified to specify the fields that are not set as read-only.

The Fields property will become available when an option to specify fields is selected. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the property to specify fields. The Field Selection dialog box detailed in (figure 8) will open. Select the desired fields and then click OK.

**Signature Field Creation Example**

The following example will detail the creation of a signature field that displays a tooltip when the pointer is hovered over it, and creates a bookmark for the current page when it is clicked:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Barcode** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). The blue rectangle that represents the signature field will be displayed:
2. Click to add the signature field, then click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar** to open the **Digital Signature Properties** pane:
3. Click the **Tooltip** property in the **Digital Signature Properties** pane and enter the desired text for the tooltip:
4. Scroll down the **Digital Signature Properties** pane to the **Actions** properties and click the ellipsis icon on the right of the **Mouse Up** property:
The **Edit Action List** dialog box will open.

5. Click **Add** in the **Edit Action List** dialog box and then click **Execute a Command** in the dropdown menu:
Figure 12. Edit Action Dialog Box, Execute a Command

The **Add Action: "Execute a Command"** dialog box will open.

6. Click the dropdown menu, then scroll down to and click the **NewBookmark** command:
7. Click **OK** in both open dialog boxes:
The signature field is then complete. The tooltip entered at step three will be present when the pointer is hovered over the signature field:
A new bookmark is created for the current page when the signature field is clicked:
Figure 16. New Bookmark Created
Add Barcodes to Documents

Barcodes enable the encoding of form data:

The functionality of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables a wide range of dynamic customization for barcodes, as detailed below. Click the dropdowns for further information:
Add Barcodes to Documents

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Barcode** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the barcode:

   ![Figure 2. Active Barcode Tool](image)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the barcode to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of barcodes). Added barcodes appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize barcodes.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of barcodes:
- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill barcodes.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of barcodes.
- **Border Style** determines the style of barcode borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of barcode borders.
- **Properties** launches the Barcode Field Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of barcodes.

**The Barcode Field Properties Pane**
The Barcode Field Properties pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for barcodes. For example, it is possible to use the Actions properties to add multiple dynamic actions to barcodes, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See here for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the PDF-XChange Editor forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for barcodes:

The General properties determine the general parameters of barcodes:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the barcode can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the barcode can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the barcode. This name is present when the Edit Form tool is selected, and when barcodes are listed in the Fields pane.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer it hovered over the barcode.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the barcode uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported.
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of barcodes. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3).*

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of barcodes:
- **Left** determines the distance of the barcode from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the barcode from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the form field that contains the barcode. (The **X Dimension** property, detailed below, determines the size of the barcode itself).

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the barcode:
- **Font Size** is always set to **auto** for barcodes. This is because the font size refers to the size of the tick when barcodes are selected, and the tick must be proportionate to the size of the barcode.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the tick when barcodes are selected.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for barcodes:
- **Symbology** determines the format of the barcode, as detailed in *(figure 1)*:
  - **PDF417** is a stacked linear barcode used primarily in transport, identification cards and inventory management.
  - **QR Code** is a matrix barcode that features advanced storage capacity in comparison to older barcodes, and is one of the most common barcodes used worldwide.
  - **Data Matrix** is similar to a **QR Code** barcode. **Data Matrices** hold less information than **QR Codes**, but they are more secure.

Additional barcode options are available, depending on the selected barcode format:
- **Compress Data** converts the content of barcodes into a .zip archive when it is enabled. Please note that this is not recommended for mobile scanners, as they are usually incompatible with .zip files.
- **X Dimension** determines the size of the barcode.
- **ECC Level** (Error Correction Capability) determines the level of compensation when barcodes are damaged, for example when printing imperfections occur. A higher ECC level results in a higher degree of data retention in the event of damage, but also requires more space. Please note that this property is not available for the **Data Matrix** barcode format.
- **Y/X Ratio** sets the ratio of the barcode axes when the **PDF417** barcode format is used.
The **Actions** properties, although displayed in the **Barcode Field Properties** pane, are not compatible with barcodes and should be ignored.

The **Value Calculation** properties determine the physical appearance of the barcode:

- **Calculation Type** determines the type of calculation used to create the barcode:
  - **Custom Script** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to create the barcode:

  - **Calculation Script** is used to enter custom JavaScript. Click the ellipsis icon to add JavaScript. The **Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**:

    ![Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript" Dialog Box](image)

    *Figure 5. Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript" Dialog Box*

- **Reference** is an optional property that has several uses, such as to reference the URL of the published form or other relevant information. Values entered in this property will appear beneath the barcode.

- **Encode Using Tab Delimited Format** encodes fields into the barcode as tab-delimited values. Please note that if the form is configured to output the data in individual **XFDF** or **XDP** files, then this format must be used. Additionally, this format enables the inclusion of the most data
and is the best choice in cases where the form data will be copied into a database/spreadsheet.

- **Fields** is used to determine the fields that create the content of the barcode. This property becomes available when the **Encode Using Tab Delimited Format** option is selected, as detailed in **Figure 6**. Click the ellipsis icon to open the **Field Selection** dialog box, then select the fields to include for the barcode and click **OK**:

![Figure 6. Encode Using Tab Delimited Format, Fields Property Highlighted and Field Selection Dialog Box](image)

- **Include Field Name** determines whether or not the field name is included in the data of the barcode. Please note that if the form is configured to output the data in individual **XFDF** or **XDP** files then the data must be in a tab-delimited format and the field names must be in the first line.

- **Reference** is an optional property that has several uses, such as to reference the URL of the published form or other relevant information. Values entered in this property will appear beneath the barcode.

- **Encode Using XML Format** encodes fields into the barcode in standard **XFDF** format.
• **Fields** is used to determine the fields that create the content of the barcode. This property becomes available when the **Encode Using XML Format** option is selected, as detailed in *(figure 7)*. Click the ellipsis icon to open the **Field Selection** dialog box, then select the fields to include for the barcode and click **OK**:

![Figure 7. Encode Using XML Format, Fields Property Highlighted and Field Selection Dialog Box](image)

• **Reference** is an optional property that has several uses, such as to reference the URL of the published form or other relevant information. Values entered for this property will appear beneath the barcode.

**Barcode Creation Example**

The following example will detail the creation of a barcode that represents numerical form data entered elsewhere in the same form:

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Barcode** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). The blue rectangle that represents the barcode will be displayed:
2. Click to add the barcode, then click **Properties** in the **Properties Toolbar** to open the **Barcode Field Properties** pane:
3. Scroll down the **Barcode Field Properties** pane to the **Calculation Type** property, then select **Encode Using Tab Delimited Format**: 

![Figure 9. Active Barcode Tool, Barcode Field Properties Pane](image)
The next step is to create the form fields from which the barcode will take its data:

4. Click **Text Field** and **Keep Mode** (highlighted in the image below) in the **Form Toolbar**, then click to add some text fields to the document:
5. Click **Standard** (highlighted in the image below) and select the **Hand Tool**, then click to select the text fields one at a time and enter some numerical data:
6. Click **Edit Form**, then click **Select Fields** in the **Form Toolbar**, (these locations are highlighted in the image below) and click the barcode to select it:
7. Scroll down the **Barcode Field Properties** pane to the **Fields** property (highlighted in the image below) and click the ellipsis icon. The **Field Selection** dialog box will open. Note that the text fields entered at step four each feature a corresponding check box. Select the boxes of the forms to be included in the creation of the barcode and click **OK**:
The barcode will update to represent the information:

Figure 14. Selected Barcode and Field Selection Dialog Box
If the content of the text fields used to create the barcode is updated then the barcode will update to represent the new information.
Add Date Fields to Documents

Date fields are used to add an interactive calendar to documents in order to specify dates:

![Example Date Fields](image)

*Figure 1. Example Date Fields*

Please note that date fields are a modified version of the text fields detailed [here](#). The only difference is that the Category property in the Format Value tab of the Properties pane is set to Date by default for convenience of use. This means that some properties and functions available by default
for text fields are disabled by default for date fields. These can be edited using the Properties pane detailed below.

The functionality of PDF-XChange Editor enables a wide range of dynamic customization for date fields. Click the dropdowns below for further information:

▼ Add Date Fields to Documents

1. Click Edit Form, then click the Date Field icon in the Form Toolbar (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the date field:

![Figure 2. Active Date Field Tool](image)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the date field to the document. Added date fields appear as detailed below:
• Click and drag the yellow control points to resize date fields.
• Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of date fields:
  • Fill Color determines the color used to fill date fields.
  • Stroke Color determines the border color of date fields.
  • Border Style determines the style of date field borders.
  • Border Width determines the width of date field borders.
  • Text Color determines the color of text entered in date fields.
  • Font determines the font of text entered in date fields.
  • Properties launches the Text Field Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of date fields.

**The Text Field Properties Pane**
The **Text Field Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for date fields. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to date fields, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the PDF-XChange Editor forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available in the **Date Field Properties** pane:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of date fields:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the date field can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not the date field can be moved, and whether or not its properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the date field. This name is present when the **Select Fields** tool is enabled, and when date fields are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer is hovered over the date field.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the date field uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported,
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of text entered in the date field.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the date field.
- **Required** determines whether or not the date field is a required field. Required fields must be filled before documents that contain them can be submitted.
- **Exportable** determines whether or not the date field data can be exported from the form.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of date fields. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3)*.

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of date fields:
- **Left** determines the distance of the date field from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the date field from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the date field.

The **Default Text Format** properties determine the default properties when text is entered into the date field:
- **Font** determines the font used.
- **Font Size** determines the size of the font.
- **Text Color** determines the color of the font.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for date fields:
- **Alignment** determines the text alignment within the date field.
- **Default Value** determines the default value of the date field. Date fields will show this value by default. If they are edited and then reset then the value entered for this property will be displayed.
- **File Select** determines whether or not files on the local computer are selected when their filename is entered in the date field. If set to **Yes** then the file contents are submitted as the value of the date field when the form is submitted.
- The **Password** property is not applicable to date fields.
- The **Check Spelling** property is not applicable to date fields.
- The **Multi Line** property is not applicable to date fields.
- The **Scroll** property is not applicable to date fields.
- **Allow Rich Text** determines whether or not the date field permits rich text such as bold and italics.
- The **Comb** property is not applicable to date fields.
- **Character Limit** determines the maximum number of characters permitted in the date field.
The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the date field:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released) on the date field.
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released) on the date field.
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the date field.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the date field.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the date field is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the date field is deselected.
- Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit date field actions.

![Figure 5. Date Field Properties Pane, Action Ellipses](image)

The process of adding actions is detailed [here](#)
The **Format Value** properties determine the type of information permitted to be entered in the date field and the format in which it should be entered. Date fields are set to **Date** by default.

- **Category** determines the category of the field. Each category has different options, as detailed below:
  - **None** determines that there is no category for the field.
  - **Number** sets the field input to numerical values. The following options are available for this property:
    - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places displayed.
    - **Separator Style** determines the separators used for numbers.
    - **Currency Symbol** determines the currency symbol used in the date field.
    - **Symbol Location** determines the location of the currency symbol in relation to the number.
    - **Add Space** inserts a space between the currency symbol and the number.
  - **Negative Number Style** determines how numbers with negative values are displayed.
- **Percentage** sets the field input to percentage values. The following options are available for this property:
  - **Decimal Places** determines the number of decimal places permitted.
  - **Separator Style** determines the separator used for numbers.
- **Date** is the default setting and sets the field input to date values, then adds a dropdown calendar to the date field. Use the **Date Format** parameter to determine the format of dates.
- **Time** sets the field input to time values (hours and minutes). Use the **Time Format** parameters to determine the format of time values.
- **Special** sets the field input values to one of the special options. Use the **Special Format** parameter to determine the format. The options are:
  - **ZIP Code**
  - **ZIP Code +4**, which is used for nine-digit postal codes.
  - **Phone Number**
  - **Social Security Number**
- **Custom Action** adds custom JavaScript actions to date fields. There are two options:
  - **Format Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for formats. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
  - **Keystroke Action** is used to enable custom JavaScript for keystrokes. Click the ellipsis icon to add/view JavaScript.
• If the options above are used then the **Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript"** dialog box will open. Enter the desired JavaScript for the action and then click **OK**:

![JavaScript Editor](image)

**Figure 6. Edit Action: "Run a JavaScript" Dialog Box**

The **Value Validation** properties determine the validation of values entered into the date field. These properties can be used to ensure that the information entered into forms fits within specific parameters:

- **Validation** determines how values are validated:
  - **Value in Range** sets the range within which values entered into the date field must fall:
    - **From** specifies the minimum value.
    - **To** specifies the maximum value.
  - **Custom Action** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to validate values entered in the date field:
    - **Validation Action** specifies the JavaScript to use, as detailed in **(figure 6)**.

The **Value Calculation** properties determine the value of date fields from other date fields, and are used in forms where entered form data creates the value of further forms, such as when several orders are placed that combine to give a total cost. The available properties are detailed below:

- **None** specifies that calculations are not performed.
- **Sum** uses the sum of specified fields.
• **Product** uses the product of specified fields.
• **Average** uses the average of specified fields.
• **Minimum** uses the minimum value of all the specified fields.
• **Maximum** uses the maximum value of all specified fields.
• Please note that when the Sum, Product, Average, Minimum and Maximum properties are used, the additional entry "Fields" will appear beneath the Calculation property. Use this entry to specify the fields used in these calculations.
• **Simplified Notation** enables the insertion of a custom calculation to be performed on fields. Use the Simple Notation box to determine the calculation. Use the document field names and standard mathematical notation.
• **Custom Action** enables the use of custom JavaScript in order to perform calculations and determine the order in which calculations are performed. Click the ellipsis icon to add custom JavaScript, as detailed in (figure 6).

Examples of **Value Validation** and **Value Calculation** are available [here](#).
Add Image Fields to Documents

Image fields are used to add form fields that enable the submission of images as form data:

![Example Image Fields. Image Added (left), Empty Field (center), Selected Empty Field (right)](image_url)

Please note that image fields are a modified version of the button fields detailed here. The only difference is that the Layout property in the Options tab of the Properties pane is set to Icon Only by default for convenience of use. All properties can be edited using the Properties pane detailed below.
The functionality of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables a wide range of dynamic customization for image fields. Click the dropdowns below for further information:

**Add Image Fields to Documents**

1. Click **Edit Form**, then click the **Image** icon in the **Form Toolbar** (these locations are highlighted in the image below). A blue rectangle will be displayed at the location of the pointer. This rectangle represents the image field:

![Active Image Field Tool](image-url)

2. Move the rectangle to the desired location and then click to add the image field to the document. (Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of image fields). Added image fields appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize image fields.

Use the options in the Properties Toolbar to determine the style and appearance of image fields:

- **Fill Color** determines the color used to fill image fields.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of image fields.
- **Border Style** determines the style of image field borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of image field borders.
- **Text Color** determines the color of text in image fields.
- **Font** determines the font of text in image fields.
- **Properties** launches the Push Button Properties pane, which enables the customization of additional elements of image fields.

**The Push Button Properties Pane**
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The **Push Button Properties** pane can be used to determine a range of style and functionality options for image fields. For example, it is possible to use the **Actions** properties to add multiple dynamic actions to image fields, such as running JavaScript, launching web links and opening files on the local computer. (JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform custom operations. See [here](#) for an index of existing JavaScript operations that the **PDF-XChange Editor** forms can use, as well as additional information about JavaScript).

The options detailed below are available for image fields:

The **General** properties determine the general parameters of image fields:

- **Read Only** determines whether or not the image field can be edited.
- **Locked** determines whether or not image fields can be moved, and whether or not their properties can be modified.
- **Field Name** determines the name of the image field. This name is present when the **Edit Form** tool is selected, and when image fields are listed in the **Fields pane**.
- **Tooltip** determines the information displayed when the pointer is hovered over the image field.
- **Mapping Name** determines the mapping name that the image field uses. This name is used to reference interactive form data when the form is exported,
and does so without affecting the appearance of the name in the original document.

- **Orientation** determines the orientation of the image field.
- **Visibility** determines the visibility of the image field.

The **Style** properties determine stylistic elements of image fields. They are detailed beneath *(figure 3).*

The **Position** properties determine the position and dimensions of image fields:

- **Left** determines the distance of the image field from the left margin.
- **Top** determines the distance of the image field from the bottom of the page.
- **Width/Height** determine the width/height of the image field.

The **Default Text Format** properties are not applicable to image fields.

The **Options** properties determine additional options for image fields.

- **Layout** determines the layout of the image field, which can be displayed as text label, icon or a combination of both elements:
  - **Label Only** is the default setting for standard buttons. The text label that the **Up Label** property specifies is the only element displayed on the button. The **Up Label** property becomes available in the **Options** properties when **Label Only** setting is enabled.
  - **Icon Only** uses the custom image that the **Up Icon** property specifies to represent the button. The **Up Label** property becomes available in the **Options** properties when **Icon Only** setting is enabled. Image fields are set to **Icon Only** by default.
  - **Icon Top, Label Bottom** displays a custom image as the upper section of the button and the text label beneath the image.
  - **Label Top, Icon Bottom** displays the text label as the upper section of the button and a custom image beneath the text.
  - **Icon Left, Label Right** displays a custom image on the left and the text label on the right.
  - **Label Left, Icon Right** displays the text label on the left and a custom image on the right.
  - **Label over Icon** uses a custom image to represent the button and places the text label over the image.
• **Behaviour** specifies the visual effect when buttons are pressed:
  - **None** specifies that no visual change occurs.
  - **Invert** inverts the fill color of the button.
  - **Outline** creates an outline around the button.
  - **Push** creates a visual effect when buttons are clicked:

  ![Figure 5. Available Layout Options for Image Fields](image)

  • **Up Label** specifies the text that the button uses. N.b. A **Layout** property that specifies a label must be enabled for the option to be available.
  
  • **Up Icon** specifies the icon that the button uses. N.b. A **Layout** property that specifies an icon must be enabled for the option to be available.

  The **Icon Placement** properties determine settings for the icon used in the image field:

  • **When to Scale** determines when icons are scaled to the size of the image field on which they are featured:
    - **Always** scales the icon to the size of the image field in all cases.
    - **Scale Type** determines how the icon is scaled:
      - **Proportionally** retains the aspect ratio of the icon
      - **Non-proportionally** ignores the aspect ratio of the icon.
    - **Never** retains the original size of the icon regardless of the size of the image field.
    - **Icon is Too Big** scales icons in cases where icons are larger than the image field.
    - **Icon is Too Small** scales icons in cases where icons are smaller than the image field.
    - **Fit to Bounds** fits the icon to the bounds of the image field.
- **Horizontal Position** determines the horizontal position of the icon in the image field.
- **Vertical Position** determines the vertical position of the icon in the image field.

The **Actions** properties determine the action taken when users interact with the image field:

- **Mouse Down** initiates an action when the left mouse button is pressed (without being released).
- **Mouse Up** initiates an action when the left mouse button is clicked (pressed and released).
- **Mouse Enter** initiates an action when the pointer moves into the image field.
- **Mouse Leave** initiates an action when the pointer moves out of the image field.
- **On Focus** initiates an action when the image field is selected.
- **On Blur** initiates an action when the image field is deselected.

Click the ellipsis icon on the right of actions to add/edit image field actions:
The process of adding actions is detailed here.
Menu Toolbar

The **Menu Toolbar** is located at the top of the main window:

- The **File** tab contains file-level operations such as file select/save, document properties editing and print options.
- The **Edit** tab contains editing functions for documents and their preferences.
- The **View** tab determines the viewing settings of the application.
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- The **Document** tab contains features for editing documents.
- The **Comments** tab contains editing options for comments.
- The **Form** tab contains options for managing and editing forms and form data.
- The **Tools** tab contains the **PDF-XChange Editor** tools for the manipulation and editing of documents.
- The **Bookmarks** tab contains options that relate to document bookmarks.
- The **Sharepoint** tab allows users to work with documents located on **Sharepoint** servers.
- The **Window** tab contains layout options for the panes and windows of open documents.
- The **Help** tab contains help options, as well as options for updating license keys and reporting bugs.

When the Alt key is pressed each tab features an underlined letter. Press the letter on the keyboard to open the associated submenu.

The **Menu Toolbar** can be repositioned as desired. Hover the pointer over the grid of dots in the top-left of the **Menu Toolbar** to reposition it. The pointer will change from a standard icon to a four-way arrow. Click and hold the **Menu Toolbar** to reposition it. It is also possible to customize the **Menu Toolbar**. See [here](#) for further information.
Other Toolbars

The other toolbars in the PDF-XChange Editor user interface are detailed below:

▼ Document Options Toolbar

The Document Options Toolbar is located in the lower left corner of the main window:

- Click the dropdown arrow to access the options detailed in (figure 2) below.
There are two sets of dimensions displayed on the right of the toolbar. This is the Page Measurement information. The document dimensions are shown on the left. The coordinates of the pointer are shown on the right.

![Figure 2. Document Options Menu](image)

- Click **Bookmarks** to open the Bookmarks pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click ** Thumbnails** to open the Thumbnails pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Comments** to open the Comments pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Attachments** to open the Attachments pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Fields** to open the Fields pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Signatures** to open the Signatures pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Layers** to open the Layers pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Content** to open the Content pane. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Destinations** to open the Destinations pane. See [here](#) for further information.
• Click **Spell Check** to check the spelling of the active document. See [here](#) for further information.

• Click **Properties Pane** to open the **Properties** pane. See [here](#) for further information.

• Click **Show Rulers** to view/hide the document rulers. See [here](#) for further information.

• Click **Show Grid** to insert a grid behind the active document to assist in the accurate placement of document content. See [here](#) for further information.

• Click **Show Page Size/Position** to view/hide the **Page Measurement** information, which is detailed beneath *(figure 1).*

• Hover over **Snap** to view options for snapping:
  - Click **Enable Snapping** to enable/disable snapping.
  - Click **Snap to Grid** to enable/disable snapping to grids.
  - Click **Snap to Guides** to enable/disable snapping to guides.
  - Click **Snap to Objects** to enable/disable snapping to objects.
  - Further information about snapping is available [here](#).

• Click **Find** to launch the find text function. See [here](#) for further information.

• Click **Document Properties** to launch the **Document Properties** dialog box. See [here](#) for further information.

▼ **Edit Content Toolbar**

The **Edit Content Toolbar** contains options for editing document content:
Figure 3. Edit Content Toolbar

- Click **Edit Content** to activate the **Edit Content Tool** and edit page content. When this tool selected, the active document is divided into editable sections based on the images and text it contains. These sections can then be resized, repositioned and edited as desired. Click the dropdown arrow next to this icon for further options:
  - Select **Text** to edit only textual page content. The **Edit Content Tool** will then select only document text.
  - Select **Images** to edit only document images. The **Edit Content Tool** will then select only images.
  - Select **Shapes** to edit only document shapes. The **Edit Content Tool** will then select only paths and shadings.
- Click **Add** to add content to documents. The following options are available:
  - Click **Add Text** to add text to documents, as detailed [here](#).
  - Click **Add Image** to add images to documents, as detailed [here](#).
  - Click **Add Barcode** to add barcodes to documents, as detailed [here](#).

Further information about editing pages is available [here](#).

▼ **File Toolbar**
The File Toolbar contains file-level options for documents:

- Click **Open** to open documents. Click the dropdown arrow to view recent documents.
- Click **Save** to save documents.
- Click **Print** to print documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Scan** to scan documents. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Email** to email documents from PDF-XChange Editor. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Back** (or Ctrl+left arrow key) to move to the previous document location.
- Click **Forward** (or Ctrl+right arrow key) to move to the next document location. This action becomes available when the Back action has been used.

**Launch Application Toolbar**

The Launch Application Toolbar is located on the lower-right corner of the main window:
This toolbar provides a convenient way to open active documents using third party applications. See here for instructions on how to add applications to this toolbar.

- **Measure Toolbar**

  The **Measure Toolbar** contains options for measuring specific elements of documents:
The following options are available:

- The **Distance Tool** is used to measure the distance between two points. See [here](#) for further information.
- The **Perimeter Tool** is used to measure the distance between multiple points. See [here](#) for further information.
- The **Area Tool** is used to measure the area within designated lines. See [here](#) for further information.

**Page Layout Toolbar**

The **Page Layout Toolbar** is located on the lower right side of the main window:
The page layout options determine how pages of active documents are displayed in the main window. The layouts correspond to those displayed in the icons of the toolbar:

- **Single Page** displays documents a single whole page at a time.
- **Continuous** displays documents as single pages continuously, which means consecutive pages can be viewed at the same time when scrolling.
- **Two Pages** displays documents two whole pages at a time. Pages are placed adjacently in the main window.
- **Two Pages Continuous** displays documents as two pages continuously, which means consecutive pairs of pages can be viewed at the same time when scrolling.

Further options relating to the page display are available [here](#).

**Page Navigation Toolbar**

The **Page Navigation Toolbar** is located at the bottom of the main window:
• Click the blue arrow icons to move to the first page, previous page, next page or last page of documents.
• Click the green arrow icons to move between the most recent document views.
• The number box at the center of the Page Navigation toolbar shows the current page and the total number of pages in the active document. Enter a page number and press Enter to move to it.

**Page Zoom Toolbar**

The **Page Zoom Toolbar** is located in the lower-right section of the main window:
The **Page Zoom Toolbar** is used to zoom in on/out from the active document:

- Use the options in the dropdown menu to select a predefined zoom level.
- Clear the number box, then enter a custom zoom level and press Enter to zoom to a custom level.
- Click the plus and minus icons on either side of the zoom slider to move between predefined zoom levels.
- Click and drag the slider to move to a custom zoom level.

**Properties Toolbar**

The **Properties Toolbar** is located in the upper section of the main window:
The **Properties Toolbar** becomes active when an object or tool that features customizable options is selected. The options in the **Properties Toolbar** depend on the content selected:

- The properties available when tools are in use are detailed on the tool pages, which are available [here](#).
- Text editing options are detailed in the **Properties Toolbar** when tools that feature text options are in use. See [here](#) for further information.
- Press Ctrl+E to show/hide the **Properties Toolbar**.

### Quick Access, Quick Find and Quick Launch Toolbars

These toolbars are located in the upper section of the user interface:
Click Undo to undo the most recent editing action.
Click Redo to reverse the most recent undo action.
Click Find to activate the Find function and locate specified text in the active document.
Click Search to open the Search pane and search documents open in PDF-XChange Editor or folders on the local computer.
Click Full Screen Mode to view the active document in full screen mode.
Click UI Options to toggle between the options for the display of the user interface:

- Click Switch to Ribbon UI to switch to the ribbon layout:
The ribbon layout utilizes contextual tabs instead of menus and submenu items. This means that the submenu items displayed in the classic UI layout are displayed instead as icons in the user interface, which eliminates the need for several parallel toolbars and streamlines the use of PDF-XChange Editor. The layout of the features and functionality in the ribbon UI varies from the classic UI. The manual will be updated to include the ribbon UI in the near future.

- Click **Switch to Touch-optimized UI** to switch from **Mouse-optimized UI** to **Touch-optimized UI** and vice versa. The **Touch-optimized UI** features larger icons and is intended for use in conjunction with tablets, smartphones and similar devices.
- Click **Customize Toolbars** to customize the layout of toolbars, the commands that they contain and their display/locking options. See **here** for further information.

### Standard Toolbar

The **Standard Toolbar** contains options for viewing/editing documents:
Figure 14. Standard Toolbar

- Click **Hand** to activate the **Hand Tool** and scroll through documents.
- Click **Select Text** to activate the **Select Text Tool** and select text for editing purposes.
- Click **Select Comments** to activate the **Select Comments Tool** and select comments for editing purposes.
- Click **Snapshot** to activate the **Snapshot Tool** to take snapshots of pages areas/images.
- Click **Clipboard** to cut/copy/paste from the clipboard.
- Click **Find** to activate the **Find**, **Search** or **Internet Search** features. These features are used to locate specified text in documents or on the internet.

▼ **View Toolbar**

The **View Toolbar** contains options to manipulate the page view and enable the **Zoom Tools**:
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Figure 15. View Toolbar

- Click **Actual Size** to set the zoom level to 100% and view pages at their actual size.
- Click **Fit Page** to fit the page length to the editing space of the user interface.
- Click **Fit Width** to fit the page width to the editing space of the user interface.
- Click **Fit Visible** to fit the page width to the editing space of the user interface and ignore white page margins.
- Click **Zoom In/Zoom Out** to zoom in/out from the active document.
- Click **Zoom Tools** to activate the **Zoom Tools**:
  - The **Zoom In/Out Tool** is used to zoom in/out from the active document. The pointer becomes a magnifying glass icon when this tool is enabled. Move it to the desired location and then click to zoom. Hold down Ctrl and click to zoom out.
  - The **Loupe Tool** utilizes a zoom pane that magnifies page portions to assist in document editing. See [here](#) for further information.
  - The **Pan and Zoom Tool** utilizes a zoom pane that enables dynamic page navigation. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Rotate CCW** to rotate the current view ninety degrees counter-clockwise.
- Click **Rotate CW** to rotate the current view ninety degrees clockwise.
Customize Toolbars

Click **Customize Toolbars** to determine toolbar settings and create/edit customized toolbars:

![Customize Toolbars dialog box](image_url)

*Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Customize Toolbars*

The **Customize Toolbars** dialog box will open:
All application toolbars are displayed in the **Toolbars** tab.

- Select/clear toolbar check boxes to show/hide toolbars in the main window.
- Click **New** to create new toolbars. The **New Toolbar** dialog box will open. Enter a title for the new toolbar and click **OK**. The new toolbar will appear on the left side of the **Properties Toolbar**, as detailed in *(figure 5)*.
- Click **Rename** to rename selected toolbars. (Please note that this setting is intended for use with custom toolbars. The default application toolbars cannot be renamed).
- Click **Reset** to restore selected toolbars to their default settings.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected toolbars. (Please note that this setting is intended for use with custom toolbars. The default application toolbars cannot be deleted).

All the available commands in **PDF-XChange Editor** are contained in the **Commands** tab:
Figure 3. Customize Toolbars Dialog Box. Commands Tab Selected

- Use the **Categories** menu to determine the group of commands displayed in the viewing pane.
- Use the **Commands** text box to search for commands.
- Click and drag commands to the desired toolbar/submenu in the main window of **PDF-XChange Editor**.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties/tooltip/keyboard shortcuts and other variables for selected commands.
- Click **Export to CSV** to export a list of all available commands to a comma-separated-values file.
- Please note that customized comment styles are available in the **Custom Comment Styles** category.

Click the **Options** tab to enable/disable further toolbar options:
New toolbars appear as below:
Figure 5. New Toolbar

Click and drag commands from the list of commands to add them to toolbars. A sample new toolbar is detailed below:
This toolbar contains the following commands:

- Add Barcode
- Apply All Redactions
- Flatten Comments
- Oval Tool
- Print
- Show/Hide the Signatures Pane

Click to activate commands. Click and drag toolbars to change their location in the workspace. If toolbars are hovered over compatible areas in the workspace then the icon beneath the pointer will change. This indicates that the toolbar can be docked to the interface. Docked toolbars appear as below:
Please note that additional options are available when the **Customize Toolbars** dialog box is open and toolbar items are right-clicked:
Figure 8. Shortcut Menu for Toolbar Items

- Click **Delete** to remove the selected item from the toolbar.
- Click **Show Icon** to show/hide the icon of the selected item.
- Click **Show Text** to show/hide the text for the selected item.
- Click **Insert Separator Before/After** to insert an item separator before/after the selected item. Separators are used to define areas in which toolbar items can be placed.
- Click **Reset Toolbar** to reset the selected toolbar.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of the selected item. Please note that properties are read-only, except for those that relate to the keyboard shortcut for the item. The process of creating/editing keyboard shortcuts is detailed [here](#).
Rotate View

Hover over **Rotate View** to rotate the current view of the document:

- Click **Rotate CW** to rotate the view clockwise. Pages will be rotated ninety degrees each time the icon is clicked.
- Click **Rotate CCW** to rotate the view counterclockwise. Pages will be rotated ninety degrees each time the icon is clicked.

Please note that rotations are intended for viewing/editing purposes only and will not be saved. (The settings in the **Thumbnails pane** can be used to rotate pages permanently).
Click **Bookmarks** (or press Ctrl+B) to show/hide the **Bookmarks** pane:

![Bookmarks pane](image)

*Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Bookmarks*

The **Bookmarks** pane appears as below:
Bookmarks are used to designate specific places of importance within documents. All bookmarks contained within the active document are displayed in the **Bookmarks** pane. Use the icons in the **Bookmarks** pane to perform the following operations:

- **Click** [Expand All Bookmarks](#) to expand all bookmarks.
- **Click** [Collapse All Bookmarks](#) to collapse all bookmarks.
- **Click** [New Bookmark](#) to create a new bookmark. See [Keyboard Shortcuts](#) for available keyboard shortcuts when creating new bookmarks.
- **Click** [Delete](#) to delete selected bookmarks.
- **Click** [Ensure Visibility of Corresponding Bookmark](#) to expand parent bookmarks in a manner that ensures the visibility of corresponding bookmarks.
- **Click** [Properties](#) to view/edit the properties of selected bookmarks. The **Bookmark Properties** pane will open:
Figure 3. Bookmark Properties Pane

- The **Title** property displays the bookmark title. Click the text to edit the bookmark title.
- The **Fill Color** property displays the color of the bookmark title. Click to edit the color of the bookmark title.
- The **Bold** and **Italic** properties display the parameter values for whether or not the bookmark title is bold or italic. Click values to change the property from **False** to **True** as desired.
- The **Mouse Up** property displays the action performed when the bookmark is clicked. The default action is **Go to a Page in the Document**, which is the standard action that bookmarks perform. However, there are a range of alternative actions available, including the activation of JavaScript, opening of weblinks and execution of **PDF-XChange Editor** commands. A comprehensive list of available actions, and instructions on how to add/edit their parameters, is available [here](#).

Click **Options**, or right-click bookmarks, for bookmark options:
Figure 4. Bookmarks Options

- Click **Go To Bookmark** to move to the bookmark currently selected.
- Click **New Bookmark** to create a new bookmark.
- Click **Cut, Copy, Paste, Delete** and **Rename** to perform these actions on selected bookmarks.
- Click **Set Destination** to change the location of the selected bookmark to the current view of the active document.
- Click **Make Current Properties Default** to set the properties of the current bookmark as the default setting for subsequent bookmarks.
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- Click **Apply Default Properties** to apply the default bookmark properties to selected bookmarks.
- Hover over **Text Size** to set the font size of bookmark titles, then select either **Small**, **Medium** or **Large** in the submenu.
- Click **Wrap Long Bookmarks** to fit bookmarks with long names to the dimensions of the Bookmarks pane. If this option is not enabled then bookmark titles will be a single line regardless of their length.
- Click **Show/Hide Icons** as desired.
- Click **Use Inherited Zoom** to retain the current zoom level when bookmarks are clicked. If this option is disabled then the zoom level will change to the level that was current when the bookmark was created.
- Click **Automatically Expand Bookmarks** to expand all child bookmarks by default.
- Click **Print** to print the pages designated to the bookmark and its child bookmarks. The **Print** dialog box will open with the designated pages in the **Page Range** box.
- Click **Extract** to extract the pages designated to the bookmark and its child bookmarks to a new document. The **Extract Pages** dialog box will open with the designated pages in the **Page Range** box.
- Click **Select** to select the pages designated to the bookmark and its child bookmarks in the Thumbnails pane, which will open with the designated pages selected.
- Click **Import Bookmarks** to import saved bookmarks.
- Click **Export Selected Bookmarks** to export selected bookmarks.
- Click **Export All Bookmarks** to export all bookmarks.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of selected bookmarks, as detailed in *(figure 3).*

Further bookmark options are available in the **Bookmarks** tab. Additionally, the **Bookmarks Guide** is a useful resource for understanding bookmark operations.
Click **Thumbnails** (or press Ctrl+T) to show/hide the **Thumbnails** pane:

The **Thumbnails** pane appears as below:
Thumbnails are a convenient method to view, manage and edit document pages. A smaller representation of document pages is displayed in the Thumbnails pane.

- The orange rectangle represents the current page view.
- Click on pages/page locations in the thumbnails pane to move to those locations in the active document.
- Click and drag thumbnail pages to reorder them in the active document.
- Press and hold Ctrl to select multiple pages for group-editing.
- Press Ctrl+A to select all pages in the Thumbnails pane.
- The Thumbnails pane can be used to create page ranges. Click the first page of the desired range, then press and hold Shift and click the final page of the desired range.
- The Thumbnails pane can also be used to copy pages between open documents. Select the desired pages, then right-click and select Copy in the submenu. Move to the desired location in the Thumbnails pane of the destination document, then right-click and select Paste to complete the operation.

Use the icons in the Thumbnails pane to perform the following operations:
Click **Zoom In** to zoom in on thumbnails.
Click **Zoom Out** to zoom out from thumbnails.
Click **Rotate Pages CCW 90°** to rotate selected pages ninety degrees counterclockwise.
Click **Rotate Pages CW 90°** to rotate selected pages ninety degrees clockwise.
Click **Print** to print documents.
Click **Delete** to delete selected pages.
Click **Properties** to view the properties of selected pages. The **Page Properties** pane will open:

![Page Properties Pane](image)

- The **Number** property displays the physical page number of document pages.
- The **Label** property displays the logical page number of document pages. The **Number Pages** feature can be used to edit this property.
- The **Width** and **Height** properties display the physical size of document pages. The **Resize Pages** feature can be used to adjust the size of document pages.
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- The **Rotation** property displays the current page rotation. Click the property and then use the dropdown menu to adjust the page rotation as desired.
- The **Tab Order** property displays the designated tab order of pages. This property determines the method used to scroll through page items such as comments, form fields and images. Click the property and select an option from the dropdown menu as desired.
- The **Page Open** and **Page Close** properties enable the activation of custom actions when document pages are opened/closed. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of these properties to add/edit actions. There are a range of actions available, including the activation of JavaScript, opening of weblinks and execution of **PDF-XChange Editor** commands. A comprehensive list of available actions, and instructions on how to add/edit their parameters, is available [here](#).

Click 🌟 **Options**, or right-click thumbnails, for thumbnail options:
Click **Cut**, **Copy**, **Paste** or **Delete** to perform these actions on selected thumbnails.

Click **Select** to select a subset of pages in the **Thumbnails** pane, then select the desired option in the shortcut menu:

- Click **Select All** to select all pages.
- Click **Pages with Comments** to select all pages that contain comments.
- Click **Pages with Form Fields** to select all pages that contain form fields.
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- Click **Pages with Bookmarks** to select all pages that contain bookmarks.
- Click **Pages with Text** to select all pages that contain text.
- Click **Pages with Images** to select all pages that contain images.
- Click **Pages with Search Results** to select all pages that contain search results returned via the **Search** feature.
- Click **Empty Pages** to select all empty pages.
- Click **Invert Selection** to invert the current selection of pages in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Click **Insert Pages** to insert pages at the selected location in the **Thumbnails** pane, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Extract Pages** to copy and save selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Replace Pages** to replace selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Delete Pages** to delete selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Crop Pages** to crop selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Remove Cropped Content** to remove cropped content from documents. This feature is intended for use in conjunction with the **Crop Pages** feature. Cropping pages reduces the visible page area, but cropped content remains available (and takes up memory) unless this option is also used.
- Click **Rotate Pages** to view the **Rotate Pages** options, which are explained [here](#).
- Click **More for Pages** to view/select further options for pages:
  - Click **Duplicate Pages** to duplicate pages.
  - Click **Resize Pages** to resize pages.
  - Click **Split Pages** to split pages.
  - Click **Merge Pages** to merge pages.
  - Click **Swap Pages** to swap the location of two pages.
  - Click **Move Pages** to move the location of pages.
  - Click **Page Transitions** to change the manner in which documents browse between pages in fullscreen mode.
  - Click **Number Pages** to number document pages and create number ranges.
- Click **Print** to print documents, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **New Stamp from Selection** to create a new stamp from selected thumbnails, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **New Document from Selection** to create a new document from selected thumbnails.
- Click **Export** to view export options:
  - Click **Export to Image(s)** to convert selected thumbnails into images. The **Export to Image(s)** dialog box will open. See [here](#) for further information.
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Word Document** to convert and save selected thumbnails in (*.docx) format.
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Excel** to convert and save selected thumbnails in (*.xlsx) format.
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Powerpoint Presentation** to convert and save selected thumbnails in (*.pptx) format.
- Click **Zoom In** to zoom in on the thumbnails pane.
- Click **Zoom Out** to zoom out from the thumbnails pane.
• **Highlight Visible Area** is selected by default. This means the area of the document currently visible in the main window is highlighted in the corresponding page of the **Thumbnails** pane. Disable this option to remove the highlight box.

• **Interactive Highlighted Area** is selected by default. This means it is possible to click and drag the **Highlight Visible Area** detailed above to adjust the page view in the main window. Click and drag the 📊 icon to adjust the page view.

• Click **Properties** to launch the **Properties** pane for selected pages. This pane is detailed beneath *(figure 3)* above.
Other Panes

Hover over **Other Panes** to view/select additional panes in **PDF-XChange Editor** that can be used for editing purposes:

- Click **Comments** to open the **Comments** pane, which is used to view/edit comments, annotations and markups. See [here](#) for further information.
• Click **Attachments** to open the **Attachments** pane, which is used to view/edit attachments. See here for further information.

• Click **Fields** to open the **Fields** pane, which is used to view/edit form fields such as radio buttons and dropdown menus. See here for further information.

• Click **Signatures** to open the **Signatures** pane, which is used to view/edit digital signatures. See here for further information.

• Click **Layers** to open the **Layers** pane, which is used to view/edit document layers, such as those used by InDesign, AutoCAD and Visio. See here for further information.

• Click **Content** to open the **Content** pane, which is used to view/edit base content. See here for further information.

• Click **Destinations** to open the **Named Destinations** pane, which is used to view/edit named destinations. See here for further information.

• Click **Pan and Zoom** to open the **Pan and Zoom** pane, which assists in document editing. See here for further information.

• Click **Stamps Palette** to open the **Stamps Palette** pane, which is used to view/edit stamps. See here for further information.

• Click **Comment Styles Palette** to open the **Comment Styles Palette**, which is used to view/edit comment styles. See here for further information.

• Click **Spell Check** to open the **Spell Check** pane, which is used to check document spelling. See here for further information.

• Click **Document Recovery** to open the **Document Recovery** pane, which is used to view/edit information recovered through the autosave/autorecovery features.

• Click **Properties** to launch the **Properties Pane**, which is used to view/edit the properties of selected document content. See here for further information.
Click **Comments** to open the **Comments** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Comments](image)

The **Comments** pane displays a list of comments, annotations and markups in the active document:
Click items in the **Comments** pane to move to their location in the document. Use the icons in the **Comments** pane to perform the following operations:

- Click **Next Comment** to move to the next comment.
- Click **Previous Comment** to move to the previous comment.
- Click **Add Reply** to add a reply to the selected annotation. Replies appear in the pop-up note of annotations, and are useful for the editing process of documents.
- Click **Summarize Comments** to create a summary of comments in the document, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Delete** to delete selected comments.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of selected annotations. The **Properties** pane will open:
Click to edit properties as desired. Please note that the properties available depend on the type of annotation selected, and not all properties are editable. Definitions and functions of properties are available on the Tools pages, which are detailed [here](#).

Note that each entry in the Comments pane features a check box. These check boxes are used to determine display options for comments, as detailed in the Show Comments section below.

Click **Options** for comment options:
Figure 4. Comments Options

- Click **Expand All/Collapse All** to expand/collapse all comments.
- Click a **Group by** option to determine how comments are grouped.
- Use the **Show** options to determine the information displayed with comments in the **Comments** pane.
- Click **Show Comments with Hidden Flag** to display comments that feature hidden flags.
- Click **Deselect** to deselect selected comments.
- Hover over **Show Comments** to view additional display options:
- Click **Show All Comments** to display all comments, in both the **Comments** pane and the active document.
- Click **Hide All Comments** to hide all comments, in both the **Comments** pane and the active document.
- Hover over **By Type, By Author, Checked or By Status** to determine the display status of comments according to their type, author, checked/unchecked value in the **Comments** pane, or status. A submenu will be displayed that details all available options for the selected method. Select an option from the list as desired.
- Click **Open/Close All Pop-ups** to open/close all comment pop-ups.

Additional options are available when comments are right-clicked:
• Click **Open Pop-Up Note** to open the comment pop-up note.
• Click **Reset Pop-Up Note Location** to reset the location of the comment pop-up note.
• Click **Hide Pop-Up Note** to close the comment pop-up note.
• Click **Delete** to delete selected comments.
• Click **Flatten Selected Comments** to convert selected comments into document base-content.
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- Click **Add Reply** to add a reply to select comments. A new **Sticky Note** annotation will be created for the reply.
- Hover over **Status** to set a status for comments. Statuses are used to assist in the editing process. The status options are **Accepted, Cancelled, Completed** and **Rejected**.
- Hover over **Group by** to set an option for how comments are grouped in the **Comments** pane. The grouping options are by **Page, Type, Modification Date, Creation Date, Author, Color** and **Subject**.
- Click **Expand All/Collapse All** to expand/collapse all comments.
- Use the **Show** options to determine the information displayed with comments in the **Comments** pane, as detailed above.
- Click **Show Comments with Hidden Flag** to show comments that feature hidden flags.
- Click **Deselect** to deselect selected comments.
- Click **New Stamp from Selection** to create a new stamp from selected comments, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **New Document from Selection** to create a new document from selected comments.
- Hover over **Export** to view export options for comments. Click **Export to Images**, **Export Selection to Microsoft Word Document** or **Export Selection to Microsoft Powerpoint Presentation** as desired.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of selected annotations, as detailed above.
Attachments

Click **Attachments** to open the **Attachments** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Attachments](image)

The **Attachments** pane details current document attachments and facilitates the creation/editing/removal of attachments:
Double-click to open attachments. Use the icons in the **Attachments** pane to perform the following operations:

- Click [Open](#) to open attachments in their default applications.
- Click [Save](#) to save selected attachments.
- Click [New](#) to add new attachments to documents. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired files and click **Open** to add them as attachments. Alternatively, click and drag documents into the **Attachments** pane.
- Click [Delete](#) to delete selected attachments.
Fields

Click **Fields** to open the **Fields** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Fields](image)

The **Fields** pane details and facilitates the editing of existing document form fields:
Enable the **Edit Form** feature (highlighted in the image above) then click fields in the **Fields** pane to select them in the document. Use the icons in the **Fields** pane to perform the following operations:

- Click ** Rename** to rename selected fields.
- Click **Properties...** to view/edit properties of selected fields. The **Properties** pane will open. This pane details the status of properties for selected form fields. The properties detailed depend on the format of selected fields. Comprehensive information on form fields and their properties is available [here](#).
- Click **Options...** for fields options:

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**Figure 2. Fields Pane**

![Fields Pane Image](image-url)
Figure 3. Forms Options

- Click **Expand All/Collapse All** to expand/collapse all fields.
- Select either **Alphabetical Order** or **Order by Pages** as desired.
- Select an options from the **Tab Order** submenu to determine the order in which fields are tabbed through with when the Tab key is used.
- Click **Rename** to rename selected fields.
- Click **Calculation Order** to determine the order of calculation when more than one form field in the document contains value calculation properties. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit form properties. Please ensure that the **Edit Form** feature is enabled in order to view form properties, which are detailed [here](#).
- Click **Show Full Fields Name** to show/hide the full names of child fields in cases where forms are grouped according to name. The shared section of names is displayed when this option is enabled and hidden when it is disabled, as detailed below:
Figure 4. Fields Pane, Show Full Fields Name Enabled
Please note that additional editing options are available for forms when they are selected in the active document. These options are detailed [here](#).

The keyboard shortcut to show/hide the **Fields** pane is Ctrl+I.
Signatures

Click **Signatures** to open the **Signatures** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Signatures](image)

The **Signatures** pane displays information about existing digital signatures:
Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. They can also be used to determine editing permissions for documents and/or utilize timestamp servers in order to further increase document security and integrity. Information and instructions about adding/editing digital signatures is available [here](#). Use the icons in the **Signatures** pane to perform the following operations:

- **Click** ![Validate All Signatures](icon) to validate all document signatures.
- **Click** ![Clear All Signatures](icon) to clear all digital signature fields in the document.
- **Click** ![Options...](icon) for signature options:
Figure 3. Signatures Options Submenu

These options are detailed here.
Click **Layers** to open the **Layers** pane:

![Layers pane](image)

**Figure 1.** View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Layers

The **Layers** pane displays information about document layers, which can be created using applications such as **InDesign**, **AutoCAD** and **Visio**:
Layers contain page content that can be displayed/hidden as desired. They are a useful feature in cases where documents need to feature a varying appearance depending on the intended audience. For example it is possible to create text-based layers that each feature a different language and fit over image-based content. The desired layer can then be enabled in order to match the language of the target audience:
Figure 3. Sample Layers Document. English Layer Enabled
Use the icons in the Layers pane to perform the following operations:

- Click Options to view options for layers, as detailed below.
- Click Add New Layer to add a new layer to the current document, as detailed below.
- Click Rename to rename selected layers.
- Click Delete to delete selected layers.
- Click to show/hide layers.
- Click Properties to view/edit the properties of selected layers. The Layer Properties pane will open:
The **Title** property displays the title of layers as they appear in the **Layers** pane.

- The **Intent** property displays the intended use for layers:
  - **None** means there is no specified intent.
  - **View** means that the layer is intended for use as a viewing aid.
  - **Design** means the layer is intended for use in understanding the design of the document.
  - **Design and View** means both **Design** and **View** as detailed above.
  - Please note that PDF applications may use the **Intent** property to determine whether or not layers are displayed.

- The **Default State** property displays the default (initial) state of layers when the document that contains them is opened,
- The **Locked** property displays the editable status of the layer.
- The **Visibility** property displays the visibility status of layers.
- The **Print** property displays the printing status of layers.
- The **Export** property displays the export status of layers. This property determines whether or not layers appear in resulting documents when the file is exported to an application/file format that supports layers.

**Figure 5.** Sample Layers Document. Layer Properties Pane
Click Options for layers options:

- Click **Add New Layer** to add a new layer to the current document. The **Add New Layer** dialog box will open, as detailed below.
- Click **Add Text Label** to add a text label to selected layers.
- Click **List Layers for All Pages** to display layers on every page of the document. **List Layers for Visible Pages** to display layers on the pages currently visible in the document.
- Click **Reset to Initial Visibility** to revert all layers to their default state.
- Click **Apply Layers Overrides** to display all layers. This option includes layers not listed in the layers pane.
- Click **Show All Layers/Hide All Layers** to show/hide all layers in the document.
- Click **Expand All** to expand all layers in the **Layers** pane. **Collapse All** to collapse all layers in the **Layers** pane.
- Click **Rename** to rename selected layers.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of the selected layer, as detailed above.
Enter the name of the new layer in the **Layer Name** text box.

Select/clear the **is ON** box to set the default state of the layer to on/off.

Select the **Add to Layers Pane** box to add the new layer to the **Layers** pane.

Select/clear the **Is Locked** box to disable/enable subsequent users from changing the state of the layer.

Use the **Object Visibility Options** dropdown menus to determine the visibility of the layer when the documents that contain it is viewed/printed/exported.

Select the **Show when system language matches** box to show the layer when the application language matches a given language, then select the desired language in the adjacent dropdown menu.

Select the **Use partial language match** to display the layer when there is a partial language match with the language specified. A partial language match occurs when the region of the language is the same as in the language specified but the locale is different. For example, if **US English** is specified in the **Show when system language matches** dropdown menu and the **Use partial language match** box is selected, then the layer will be displayed when the application language is identified as **US English**, **United Kingdom English**, **South African English** and all other derivatives of English listed in the dropdown menu.

Select the **Show on Zoom** box to display the layer when the zoom function is used. Use the adjacent number boxes to specify the minimum and maximum levels of zoom at which the layer is displayed.
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- Select the **Add to a Layer Radio Button Group** to add the layer to a **Layer Radio Button Group**. Layers contained in a radio button group are mutually exclusive - if one layer is enabled then the rest are disabled.
- Select the **Add selected Comments to this layer** box to add selected comments to the layer.

Click **OK** to save changes.

Please note that it is necessary to save, close and reopen documents in order for some of the settings detailed above to be displayed.
Content

Click **Content** to open the **Content** pane:

![Content Pane](image)

*Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Content*

The **Content** pane displays a list of the document pages and the base content that they contain:
Click items in the **Content** pane to select them in the active document. They can then be edited as detailed [here](#). Use the icons in the **Content** pane to perform the following operations:

- Click **Cut** to cut selected content from the document.
- Click **Copy** to copy selected content to the clipboard.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected content.
- Click **Bring Forward** to bring selected content forward in cases where multiple content items overlap.
- Click **Send Backward** to send selected content backward in cases where multiple content items overlap.
- Click **Expand** to select and expand content items in the **Content** pane when they are selected in the document.
Click Properties to view/edit the properties of selected content. The Page Content Properties pane will open. This pane details the status of properties for selected content:

- **Fill Color** displays the fill color.
- **Opacity** displays the level of transparency.
- **Stroke Color** displays the border color.
- **Stroke Opacity** displays the border transparency level.
- **Border Width** displays the border width.
- **Blend Mode** displays the blend mode when items overlap. Further information on blend modes is available [here](#).
- **Width** displays the width of images.
- **Height** displays the height of images.
- **Type** displays the format of images.

![Page Content Properties Pane](image-url)
- **BPC** displays the color depth.
- **Color Space** displays the color model.
- **Mask Type** displays the mask type.
- **Object Number** displays the object number of selected content items.
- **Font** displays the font.
- **Font Size** displays font size.
- **Bold** displays the bold status.
- **Italic** displays the italic status.

Click ![Options](image) for content item options:

![Figure 4. Content Options](image)

- Click **Cut**, **Copy**, **Paste** or **Delete** to perform these operations on selected content items.
- Hover over **Select** to view selection options:
  - Click **All** to select all content items.
  - Click **Text** to select all textual content items.
  - Click **Images** to select all image items.
  - Click **Shapes** to select all shape items.
- Editing options such as **Cut**, **Copy**, **Paste**, **Delete** - and changes made to properties in the **Page Content Properties** pane - will apply to all content selected via the choice made in the **Select** submenu.
- Click **Deselect** to deselect all selected content items.
- Click **Select** to **Select All** content within the active document. Then select either **Text**, **Images** or **Shapes** as desired. When editing commands are selected subsequently they will relate to all selected content.
- Click **Deselect** to deselect content currently selected.
- Click **Collapse All** to collapse all items in the **Content** pane.

Right-click items in the **Content** pane for additional editing options, as detailed [here](#).
Destinations

Click **Destinations** to open the **Named Destinations** pane:

![Image of the PDF-XChange Editor showing the Destinations pane](image)

*Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Destinations*

The **Named Destinations** pane is used to view/edit named destinations:
Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents. They can be used in conjunction with Bookmarks, Go To Page actions and the /Open command line to navigate to specified locations. Double-click named destinations to move to their location in the document. Use the icons in the Named Destinations pane to perform the following operations:

- Click New Destination to create a new named destination from the current view.
- Click Set to set the current view as the new view for the selected named destination.
- Click Delete to delete selected named destinations.
- Click Options for named destination options:
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Figure 3. Named Destination Options

- Click **Go to Destination** to move to selected destinations.
- Click **New Destination** (or press Insert) to create a new named destination from the current view.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected named destinations.
- Click **Rename** to rename selected named destinations.
- Click **Set** to set the current view as the new view for the selected named destination.
- Click **Use Inherited Zoom** to enable/disable inherited zoom in the creation of named destinations.
Pan and Zoom

Click **Pan and Zoom** to open the **Pan and Zoom** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Pan and Zoom](image)

The **Pan and Zoom** pane displays a miniature version of the current page to assist in editing documents:
Figure 2. Active Pan and Zoom Pane

The blue rectangle in the **Pan and Zoom** pane determines the current view in the main window.

- Click and drag the rectangle to adjust the current view.
- Click and drag the yellow control points to manipulate the pan and zoom in the main window.
- Click and drag the **Pan and Zoom** pane to reposition it on the screen. When it is selected, four icons will appear in the center of the borders of the main window:
Figure 3. Pan and Zoom Pane Docking Options

Move the pointer to these icons and then release the mouse button to dock the **Pan and Zoom** pane. Use the icons in the **Pan and Zoom** pane to perform the following operations:

- Use the **zoom dropdown menu**, or enter a value manually, to adjust the zoom level of the view in the pan and zoom pane.
- Use the ** Zoom in/Zoom Out** buttons to zoom in/out to predefined levels of zoom.
- Use the ** First Page/Last Page** buttons to move to the first/last page of documents.
- Use the ** Previous Page/Next Page** buttons to move to the previous/next page of documents.
- Use the ** Page** box to browse to document pages. Enter page numbers and press enter.
- Use the ** Snapshot** icon to copy the current view to the clipboard. Further information about taking snapshots is available [here](#).
When the **Pan and Zoom** feature is in operation two options are available in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Pan and Zoom** feature. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to select areas without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- **Properties** opens the **Properties** pane to view/edit the properties for the **Pan and Zoom** feature. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
Click **Stamps Palette** to open the **Stamps Palette**:

![View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Stamps Palette](image)

**Figure 1.** View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Stamps Palette

The **Stamps Palette** contains all default and custom stamps:
Stamps are used to give documents specific designations, as detailed in (figure 2). Click to select stamps, then click again to add them to documents. Use the icons in the Stamps Palette to perform the following operations:

- Use the Zoom in/Zoom Out buttons to adjust the zoom level.
- Click Rename to rename selected stamps.
- Click Delete to delete selected stamps.
- Click Add New to view stamp creation options:
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Figure 3. Stamp Creation Options

- Click **Add New Stamp from File** to create a stamp from an existing file.
- Click **New Stamp from Selection** to create a stamp from selected document content.
- Click **New Stamp from Active Document** to create a stamp from the active document.
- Click **Add New Stamp from Clipboard** to create a new stamp from the current clipboard content.
- Click and drag the **Stamps Palette** to reposition it on the screen. When it is selected, four icons will appear in the center of the borders of the main window:

Move the pointer to these icons and then release the mouse button to dock the **Stamps Palette**.
Further information about stamps and stamp creation is available here.

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Click **Comment Styles Palette** to open the **Comment Styles Palette**:  

![Comment Styles Palette](image)

**Figure 1.** View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Comment Styles Palette

The **Comment Styles Palette** contains all default and customized comment styles:
Comments are used to markup and annotate documents. The Comment Styles Palette facilitates the creation, saving and selection of custom comment styles. Select comment formats in the Drawings list and then click Properties to view/edit the properties of the comment style. All comment properties are detailed here. Double-click to enable comment styles for use in PDF-XChange Editor. Click and drag the Comment Styles Palette to reposition it on the screen. When it is selected, four icons will appear in the center of the borders of the main window:
Figure 3. Comment Styles Palette Docking Options

Move the pointer to these icons and then release the mouse button to dock the **Comment Styles Palette** pane. Use the icons in the **Comment Styles Palette** to perform the following operations:

- Click the **Reset** icon above the **Drawings** list to reset all comment styles.
- Click **Clone** to clone the selected style. The feature creates a clone of an existing style, which is useful when it is desired to edit the properties of a style without losing the original customization.
- Click **Rename** to rename selected comment styles.
- Click the **Reset** icon in the center pane to reset selected comment styles.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected comment styles. Please note that it is not possible to delete the default comment styles.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the properties of selected comment styles, as detailed above.
Click **Set Current** to set the selected comment style as the current style for the selected comment format.
Spell Check Pane

Click **Spell Check** to open the **Spell Check** pane:

![Screenshot of PDF-XChange Editor with spell check pane highlighted](image)

*Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Spell Check*

The **Spell Check** pane is used to perform spell checks on documents:
Click **Start** to initiate spell checks. Further information on the **Spell Check** feature and its associated settings are available [here](#).
Document Recovery Pane

Click **Document Recovery** to open the **Document Recovery** pane:

![Figure 1. View Tab Submenu. Other Panes, Document Recovery](image)

The **Document Recovery** pane details documents recovered when **PDF-XChange Editor** is closed and unsaved changes are present:
Recovered documents are detailed in the pane. Use the icons in the **Recovery** pane to perform the following operations:

- Click **Recover** to recover selected documents. Recovered documents will be displayed in the main window.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected documents.
- Click **Options** to view/determine recovery options. The **Documents** preferences will open. These preferences are detailed [here](#).
Page Layout

Hover over **Page Layout** to view document layout options:

![Page Layout Options](image)

**Figure 1.** View Tab Submenu. Page Layout Options

The **Page Layout** options determine the page display in **PDF-XChange Editor**:

- Select **Single Page** to display documents a single whole page at a time.
• Select **Continuous** to display documents as single pages continuously, which means consecutive pages can be viewed at the same time when scrolling.
• Select **Two Pages** to display documents two whole pages at a time. Pages are placed adjacently in the main window.
• Select **Two Pages Continuous** to display documents as two pages continuously, which means consecutive pairs of pages can be viewed at the same time when scrolling.
• Select **Show Gaps Between Pages** as desired.
• Select **Show Cover Page in Two Pages View** to view the cover page separately from the document when viewing documents in the two-page layout modes detailed above.
• Select **Right-to-Left Pages Layout** to view pages in right-to-left format when viewing documents in the two-page layouts detailed above.
• Select **Autoscroll** to activate the autoscroll feature. The keyboard shortcut to enable/disable autoscroll is Ctrl+Shift+H. Use the up and down arrows to adjust the autoscroll speed, and/or press the minus key to change the autoscroll direction.
• Select **Standard Layout** to view documents in standard layout, which means pages are ordered from top to bottom.
• Select **Ribbon Layout** to view document in ribbon layout, which means pages are ordered from left to right.
Hover over **Zoom** to view zoom options:

- Click **Actual Size** to view pages at their actual size.
- Click **Fit Page** to fit pages to the main window.
- Click **Fit Width** to fit the page width to the main window.
- Click **Fit Height** to fit the page height to the main window.
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- Click **Fit Visible** to fit visible page content (which excludes white margins) to the main window.
- Click **Zoom to Selection** to zoom to the content currently selected in the active document.
- Click **Zoom To** to specify a magnification level. The **Zoom To** dialog box will open. Select an option from the dropdown menu, or enter a value manually, then click **OK** to zoom.
- Click **Loupe Tool** to activate the **Loupe Tool**, which is detailed [here](#).
- Click **Pan and Zoom** to activate the **Pan and Zoom** feature, which is detailed [here](#).
Hover over **Show** to enable/disable additional features in the main window of **PDF-XChange Editor**:

- Click **Show Rulers** to enable/disable rulers. Rulers display along the top and left side of the main window, and facilitate the convenient measurement of document elements. Rulers are enabled in (figure 2).
• Click **Show Grid** to enable/disable the **PDF-XChange Editor** grid. This grid is positioned on top of pages and assists in the accurate placement/alignment of text, objects and other document content. It is especially useful when used in conjunction with the snapping feature, which is detailed here. The grid is enabled in *(figure 2).*

• Click **Show Guides** to enable/disable guides, which are used in conjunction with rulers to simplify the process of aligning text and objects. Click and drag from rulers to launch guides. Guides are detailed in *(figure 2).*

• Click **Show Page Size/Position** to enable/disable the display of the current page size and coordinates of the pointer location. This information is displayed in the **Document Options Toolbar**, which is located on the lower left side of the main window, as highlighted in *(figure 2).*

• Click **Show JavaScript Console** to show/hide the **JavaScript Console**, which can be used to add/edit document JavaScript. The **JavaScript Console** is detailed in *(figure 3).*
JavaScript is a high-level programming language that can be used to perform a range of operations. See here for an index of existing JavaScript operations that PDF-XChange Editor supports and additional information about JavaScript.

- Enter the desired JavaScript in the main window, then click Run (or press Ctrl+Enter) to run JavaScript. Errors in JavaScript will be displayed in the lower window.
- Click Clear to remove error messages from the lower window.
- Click Options to customize JavaScript preferences, as detailed here.
- The keyboard shortcut to launch the JavaScript console is Ctrl+J.
- The Link Creation Tool can be used to create JavaScript-enabled links.
Hover over **Snap** to view the **PDF-XChange Editor** snapping options:

![PDF-XChange Editor Snap Menu](image)

**Figure 1.** File Tab Submenu. Snap

Click **Enable Snapping** to enable the snapping feature. Snapping assists in the precise placement of annotations, comments and other page content. There are three snapping options that can be combined as desired:
- **Snap to Grid** snaps content to the placement grid, as detailed in *(figure 2).* The placement grid is detailed [here](#).
- **Snap to Guides** snaps content to the guides detailed [here](#).
- **Snap to Objects** snaps content to document objects.

The **Snap to Grid** setting is active in the image below, and the **Rectangle Tool** is selected. This means that the rectangle corners must be located at grid intersections, and an icon displays at the current intersection during rectangle creation:

![Figure 2. Snap to Grid Enabled](image)

The **Measurement** preferences can be used to specify snapping parameters:
Figure 3. Measurement Preferences

Ensure the **Use Snapping** box is selected, then click **Customize** for additional options:
Figure 4. Customize Snapping Dialog Box

- Clear the **Show Snap location marks** box to disable the snapping icons that indicate the current location during the editing of document content.
- Clear the **Snap to Grid** box to disable snapping to grids.
- Select the **Snap to Grids Intersections only** box to snap only to the locations at which grid lines intersect, as opposed to at any location on grid lines, which is the default setting. Use the **Threshold** dropdown menu to determine sensitivity as desired.
- Clear the **Snap to Guides** box to disable snapping to guides. When this box is selected, use the **Threshold** dropdown menu to determine sensitivity.
- Clear the **Snap to Objects** box to disable snapping to objects. Select the **Snap to Annotations Only** box as desired. Use the **Threshold** dropdown menu to determine sensitivity as desired.
- Use the **Snap to** options to determine the locations at which snapping is operational. The icons detailed in the box will appear when the pointer is hovered over these locations in the active document.
Click **OK** to save changes.
Go To

Hover over Go To to view document navigation options:

![Go To Options](image)

**Figure 1.** File Tab Submenu. Go To Options

These options enable quick navigation between documents and document pages:

- Click **First Page** to move to the first page of the active document.
- Click **Previous Page** to move to the previous page.
• Click **Next Page** to move the next page.
• Click **Last Page** to move to the last page.
• Click **Go To Page** to move to a specific page. The **Go To Page** dialog box will open. Enter the desired page in the number box and click **OK** to move there.
• Click **Back** to move to the previous view.
• Click **Forward** to move to the next view. This option is available when the **Back** option has been used.
• Click **Previous Document** to move to the previous open document.
• Click **Next Document** to move to the next open document.
Portfolio

Hover over Portfolio to view the portfolio submenu:

![Portfolio File Submenu](image)

*Figure 1. Portfolio File Submenu*

These options relate to settings/options for PDF portfolio files, which are multiple files assembled into an integrated PDF unit.
• Click **Navigator Layout View** to display the content of portfolio files in their expanded format, or **Navigator Details View** to display the content of portfolio files in list format.
• Click **Show Cover Sheet** to show/hide the portfolio cover sheet.
• Click **Show Navigator** to show/hide the navigator window, which is used to browse through the contents of portfolio files.
• The **Welcome Page** option is not yet available, but will be available in later builds of PDF-XChange Editor.
• Click **Preview File** to open the selected content of the portfolio file in its default application.
• Click **Add Files/Add Folder/New Folder** to add files/folders/new folders to portfolio files.
• Right-click files for additional options:

![Portfolio File Right-Click Context Menu](image)

- Click **Extract** to extract a copy of selected files from portfolio files.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected files
- Click **Sort by** to determine the criteria used to sort the content of portfolio files.
- Click **Select All/Deselect All** to select/deselect all files in portfolio files
- Click **Show Information** to view file properties for portfolio files.
Full Screen Mode

Click **Full Screen** to enable full screen mode. See [here](#) for adjustable parameters that relate to full screen mode.
6.4 Document

When the Document tab is selected, the following options are available:

![Document Tab Submenu](image)

**Figure 1.** Document Tab Submenu

These options are used to edit documents. Click the links below to access the associated sections of the manual:
• Header and Footer
• Watermarks
• Background
• Bates Numbering
• Insert Pages
• Extract Pages
• Split Document
• Replace Pages
• Delete Pages
• Crop Pages
• Rotate Pages
• More for Pages
• OCR Pages
• Digital Signatures
• Signatures and Initials
• Redaction
• Spell Check
• Launch

Additionally, see the Document Operations Guide for further information and step-by-step instructions to using these features.
Header and Footer

Hover over **Header and Footer** to view header and footer options:

- Click **Add** to add new headers and footers. The **Add Header and Footer** dialog box will open, as detailed in *(figure 2).*
- Click **Remove All** to remove all existing headers and footers.
- Click **Manage** to manage existing headers and footers.
Enter text in the text boxes to insert headers/footers on the left/center/right of pages as desired. Alternatively, click the macro icon to use macros as the source for header/footer text. Further information about macros is available here.

Click **Font** to determine the font settings for headers and footers, as detailed here.

Use the **Appearance Options** settings to reposition the location of headers/footers.

Enter page numbers in the **Preview Page** number box to view a preview of headers/footers in the preview window.

Click **Page Range Options** to select the pages of the document that will feature headers/footers.

Use the **Settings** dropdown menu to save/delete customized settings and/or manage existing customized settings:

- Click $\square$ to save settings.
- Click $\times$ to remove settings.
- Click $\star$ to manage settings.
Click **OK** to create headers/footers.
Watermarks

Hover over **Watermarks** to view watermark options:

- Click **Add** to add new watermarks. The **Add Watermark** dialog box will open, as detailed in *(figure 2)*.
- Click **Remove All** to remove all existing watermarks.
- Click **Manage** to manage existing watermarks.

*(figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Watermarks)*
The **Source** options determine the source of watermarks. Enter text into the box or select a file. Use the font, macro, and alignment options to customize watermarks when text is used as the source.

The **Appearance** options determine the rotation, opacity and scale of the watermark:
- The **Rotation** value determines the rotation (in degrees) of watermarks.
- The **Opacity** value determines the opacity (transparency) of watermarks.
- The **Scale** value determines the scale of watermarks. Select the check box to scale watermarks to the target page. If this box is not selected then the scale is relative to the size of the original image used as the source for the watermark.

The **Placement** options determine the horizontal and/or vertical offset of the watermark from the left, right or center of the document.

Select the **As Background** box to insert watermarks into the background as opposed to the foreground of documents.

The **Page Range** options are as follows:
- Select **All** to add watermarks to all pages.
- Select **Current Page** to add a watermark to only the current page.
• Use the **Pages** box to determine watermarks for specific page ranges. Further information on this process is available [here](#).

• Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only**.

• The **Preview Page** pane displays a preview of pages. Select the numbers beneath the pane to preview the corresponding document pages.

• The **Settings** menu features two predefined watermarks: **Draft** and **Confidential**. The remaining options relate to customized settings:

  • Click ![button](image) to save settings.

  • Click ![button](image) to remove settings.

  • Click ![button](image) to manage settings.

Click **OK** to create watermarks.
Background

Hover over **Background** to view background options:

- Click **Add** to add new backgrounds. The **Add Background** dialog box will open, as detailed in *(figure 2).*
- Click **Remove All** to remove all existing backgrounds.
- Click **Manage** to manage existing backgrounds.
Figure 2. Add Background Dialog Box

- The **Source** options determine the source of the background:
  - Select **From Color** to add a color-based background.
  - Select **Name** to enter a file to be used as the background, or click the icon to select a file from the local computer. Enter the page number of the desired background in the **Page** number box.

- The **Appearance** options determine the rotation, opacity and scale of the background:
  - The **Rotation** value determines the rotation (in degrees) of the background.
  - The **Opacity** value determines the opacity (transparency) of the background.
  - The **Scale** value determines the scale of backgrounds. Select the check box to scale watermarks to the target page. If this box is not selected then the scale is relative to the size of the original image used as the source for the background.

- The **Placement** options determine the horizontal and/or vertical offset of the background from the left, right or center of the document.

- The **Page Range** options are as follows:
  - Select **All** to add backgrounds to all pages.
  - Select **Current Page** to add a background to only the current page.
• Use the **Pages** box to determine backgrounds for specific page ranges. Further information on this process is available [here](#).

• Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages, Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only**.

• Please note that it is possible to create more than one background for pages within the same document as long as they are not located within the same page/page range.

• The **Preview Page** pane displays a preview of pages. Select the numbers beneath the pane to preview the corresponding document pages.

• Use the **Settings** dropdown menu to save/delete customized settings and/or manage existing customized settings:
  
  • Click ![save settings](#) to save settings.
  
  • Click ![remove settings](#) to remove settings.
  
  • Click ![manage settings](#) to manage settings.

Click **OK** to create backgrounds.
Bates Numbering

Hover over Bates Numbering to view the Bates numbering options:

Bates numbering is a dynamic way to provide identification, protection and automatic consecutive numbering within documents as they are processed/scanned.
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- Click **Add** to add Bates numbering to documents. The **Add Bates Numbering** dialog box will open, as detailed in *(figure 2).*
- Click **Add to Multiple Files** to add Bates numbering to multiple files. The **Add Bates Numbering to Files** dialog box will open, as detailed in *(figure 3).*
- Click **Remove All** to remove all existing Bates numbering.
- Click **Manage** to manage existing Bates numbering.

**Add Bates Numbering**

![Add Bates Numbering Dialog Box](figure2)

- Enter text in the text boxes to insert Bates numbering on the left/center/right and as a header/footer of pages as desired. Alternatively, click the ![macro icon](here) to source the content of Bates numbering with macros. Further information about macros is available [here](here).
- Click **Font** to determine the font settings for Bates numbering, as detailed [here](here).
- Use the **Appearance Options** settings to reposition the location of Bates numbering.
- Enter page numbers in the **Preview Page** number box to view a preview of Bates numbering in the preview window.
• Click **Page Range Options** to select the pages of the document that will feature Bates numbering.
• Use the **Settings** dropdown menu to save/delete customized settings and/or manage existing customized settings:

  - Click ![save settings](image)
  - Click ![remove settings](image)
  - Click ![manage settings](image)

Click **OK** to create Bates numbering.

**Add to Multiple Files**

Click **Add to Multiple Files** to add continuous Bates numbering to multiple files. The following dialog box will open:

![Add Bates Numbering to Files Dialog Box](image)

*Figure 3. Add Bates Numbering to Files Dialog Box*
• Click **Add Files** to add files from the local computer to the list of source files.
• Click **Add Folder** to add folders to the list of source files.
• Select files and then click **Page Range** to determine page ranges for Bates numbering.
• Use the blue arrow icons to move selected documents to the top/bottom of the list, or to move them up/down in the order of documents. The order in which documents are listed determines the order of Bates numbering throughout the documents.
• Click **Remove** to remove selected documents from the list.
• Select **Replace file names with starting and ending Bates number** as desired.
• Use the **Output Options** to determine options for output files:
  • Select the upper radio button to convert filenames to Bates numbering.
  • Select the lower radio button to enter a custom name for converted files. Enter the desired name/folder in the text boxes. Click the blue icon to use **macros** as desired. Use the **Destination Folder** test box, or click the yellow icon, to determine the location of converted files.
  • Select the **Overwrite Existing Files**, **Open folder with results** and **Create Log File** boxes as desired.
• Click **Options** to determine the Bates numbering options as detailed in *(figure 2)* above.

Click **OK** to insert Bates numbering into the documents.
Insert Pages

Hover over **Insert Pages** to view image insertion options:

![Document Tab Submenu. Insert Pages](image)

**Figure 1.** Document Tab Submenu. Insert Pages

Click **Insert Pages** to insert pages into the active document:
Select **From File** to insert pages from a file into the active document. Alternatively, select **From an Open Document** to insert pages from an open document.

Use the **Actions with Objects** options to determine the action taken for **Comments**, **Form Fields** and **Bookmarks** contained in the inserted pages.

Select the **Add root bookmark, with file name** box to create a root bookmark from inserted pages.

Use the **Page Range** options to determine which pages are inserted:

- Select **All** to insert all pages.
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- Use the **Pages** number box to specify individual pages, separated with a comma, and/or page ranges, separated with a hyphen. See [here](#) for further information.
- Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages** or **Even Pages** as desired.
- Use the **Destination** options to determine the location at which the new pages are inserted.

Click **OK** to insert pages.

Click **Insert Empty Pages** to insert empty pages into the active document:

![Insert Empty Pages Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 3. Insert Empty Pages Dialog Box**

- Select an option in the **Pages** section to determine the dimensions of new pages:
  - Select **Document** to match the dimensions of the current document.
  - Select **Standard** to select a standard document size, such as those used by the **ISO** and **ANSI**.
  - Select **Custom** to enter custom dimensions. Enter the desired dimensions into the number boxes.
  - Select either **Portrait** or **Landscape** for the orientation of new pages.
  - Use the **Count** menu to determine the number of pages inserted.
- Use the **Destination** options to determine the location at which the new pages are inserted.

Click **OK** to insert the empty pages.
Click **Insert Images** to insert images into the active document:

![Image to PDF Dialog Box](image.png)

- Click **Add Files** to add images to the list of source files.
- Click **Add Folder** to add folders of images to the list of source files.
- Click **Import** to add images from the local scanner. See [here](#) for further details.
- Click **Edit** to edit selected images before insertion.
- Use the blue arrow icons to reorder images. The order of images in the **Image to PDF** dialog box determines the order in which images are inserted into the active document.
- Click **Remove** to remove selected images.
- Use the **Change View Mode** button to select **Details, Icons** or **Thumbnails** as the display mode of list items.
- Use **Destination** options to determine at which images are inserted.
- Click **Options** to determine the options for inserted images. See [here](#) for further details.

Click **OK** to insert images.

Click **Insert Scanned Pages** to insert scanned pages into the active document:
Click the **Scanner Settings** menu to select a preset scanning mode.
Click the **Scanner** menu to select a scanner.
Click the **Data Transfer Method** menu to select either **Native Mode** or **Memory Mode**:
- **Native Mode** uses a single memory buffer. This is the default and fastest mode, and is compatible with the broadest range of scanners.
- **Memory Mode** enables the use of multiple memory buffers. This is a useful function in cases where memory is low and/or when large images are scanned.
The **Show Native UI** box is selected by default, which means the user interface of the device driver is used. This is the most reliable option, and the scanner will select
certain parameters of the scan itself: **Color Mode, Resolution, Paper Size and Source.** Clear the **Show Native UI** box to customize these options:

- **Color Mode** has four options: **Auto detect, Color, Grayscale** and **Black & White**. These refer to the format of scanned documents.
- Click the **Resolution** menu to select the **dpi** (dots per inch) of scanned documents.
- **Paper Size** refers to the size of the paper used when scanning. Click **Setup** for further options:
  - **Automatic** set the paper size automatically.
  - **Standard** contains standard sizes such as those used by the **ISO** and **ANSI**.
  - **Custom** can be used to enter custom dimensions.
- **Source** has three options **Auto, Flatbed and Feeder**. These refer to the type of scanner used.
- Click **Sides** to determine which sides of documents are scanned. There are three options: **Simple Scan, Manual Duplex** and **Manual Duplex Reversed**. Click the dropdown arrow for an explanation of these options.
- Click **Scan More Pages** to determine when additional pages are scanned.
- Select the **After scanning, show images insertion dialog** box to view the images insertion dialog box after the scan has been performed. This enables the customization of images and image settings.
- Click **Images Insertion Options** to determine further options for images. These options are detailed [here](#).
- Use the **Destination** options to determine the location at which scanned pages are inserted.
- Please note that the **Save Current Settings** option in the **Scanner Settings** dropdown menu can be used to save customized settings.

Click **Scan** to scan images.

Click **Insert Text** to insert text files into the active document:
Figure 6. Convert Text Files to PDF Dialog Box

- Click **Add Files** to add text files to the list of source files.
- Click **Add Folder** to add all text files from a folder to the list of source files.
- Use the blue arrows to reorder files. The order of files in the list determines the order in which they are added to the document.
- Click **Remove** to remove selected files.
- Select files to enable the **Selected File Options**:
  - **Text Encoding** determines character encoding of text.
  - **New Paragraph Mode** determines how **PDF-XChange Editor** defines paragraphs in inserted text:
    - **Auto-Detect** searches for and identifies paragraphs automatically.
    - **Each newline character starts a new paragraph.** (A newline is a special character in computing that signifies the end of a line of text).
    - **Two newline characters start a new paragraph, single is ignored.**
    - **A double newline character starts a new paragraph, a single is converted to a space.**
  - **Place File Mode** determines how files are placed:
    - **Start each file from new paragraph** places each file in a new paragraph, and files can share the same page.
• **Start each file from new page** places each file in a new page.
• Use the **Destination** options to determine the location at which scanned pages are inserted.
• Click **Options** to determine the options for inserted text tiles, as detailed here.

Click **OK** to insert text files.

Click **Insert RTF** to insert RTF files into documents:

![Figure 7. Convert RTF Files to PDF Dialog Box](image)

- Click **Add Files** to add RTF files to the list of source files.
- Click **Add Folder** to add all RTF files from a folder to the list of source files.
- Use the blue arrows to reorder files. The order of files in the list determines the order in which they are added to the document.
- Click **Remove** to remove selected files.
- Use the **Destination** options to determine the location at which files are inserted.
- Click **Options** to determine the relative path options for inserted files.

Click **OK** to insert files.
Extract Pages

Click **Extract Pages** to extract document pages:

![Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Extract Pages](image)

The **Extract Pages** dialog box will open:
- Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range of extracted pages:
  - Select **All** to extract all pages.
  - Select **Current Page** to extract only the page visible in the main window.
  - Select **Selected Pages** to extract the pages selected in the Thumbnails pane.
  - Use the **Pages** text box to determine a specified page range. Page range settings are detailed [here](#).
  - Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to extract a subset of the specified page range.
- Use the **Actions with Objects** options to determine the action taken for **Comments**, **Form Fields** and **Bookmarks** contained in extracted pages.
- Select the **Delete pages after extraction** box to delete pages from the source document after they are extracted.
- Use the **Output Options** to determine how extracted pages are saved:
• Use the **Type** dropdown menu to determine the grouping of extracted pages. The options are:
  • **Extract all pages to a new document.**
  • **Save all extracted pages to one file.**
  • **Save each page to a separate file.**
  • **Save each pages range to a separate file.**
• Use the **Filename** text box to set a file name for extracted pages. Click the blue icon to use **macros**.
• Use the **Destination Folder** text box to set the destination folder, or click the yellow icon to select a folder.
• Select the **Open the Destination Folder with Result Files** box to open the destination folder when the operation is complete.

Click **OK** to extract pages.

The keyboard shortcut for this feature is Ctrl+Shift+E.
Split Document

Click **Split Document** to split documents:

The **Split Document** feature is useful for the breaking down of one document into several smaller documents, such as books into chapters:
Select a **Splitting Method** to determine how the document is split:

- **Split by top-level Bookmarks**
- **Split by every n page(s)**

Use the **Actions with Objects** options to determine the settings for objects in split documents.

Use the **Output Options** to determine how split documents are saved:

- Enter the name of the desired folder in the **Destination Folder** text box, or click the icon to select a folder.
- Select the **Open the Destination Folder** box to open the destination folder when the process is complete.
- Select the **Overwrite Existing Files** box to overwrite existing files that have the same name as those being saved. This is a useful feature when documents need to be split multiple times.

Click **OK** to split documents.
Replace Pages

Click **Replace Pages** to replace document pages with pages from other documents:

![Replace Pages Menu](image)

**Figure 1.** Document Tab Submenu. Replace Pages

The following dialog box will open:
Enter the page numbers of the pages to be replaced in the **Page to Replace** number boxes.

Select either **From File** or **From an Open Document** to determine the source of the replacement pages, then use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range used. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).

Select a **Replace Pages Options** radio button to determine the parameters of the page replacement, as detailed in (figure 2). Use the dropdown menus to determine the action taken for **Comments**, **Form Fields** and **Bookmarks** in replacement files.

Click **OK** to replace pages.
Delete Pages

Hover over **Delete Pages** to view the **Delete Pages** submenu:

![Delete Pages Submenu](image)

Figure 1. Delete Pages Submenu

Click **Delete Pages** to delete document pages:
Figure 2. Delete Pages Dialog Box

- Select **Selected Pages** to delete the pages currently selected in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Select **Current Page** to delete the current page in the main window.
- Select **Pages** to specify a page range for deletion. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
- Use the **Subset** menu to select a subset of the specified page range. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Click **OK** to delete the pages.

Click **Delete Empty Pages** to delete empty document pages:

Figure 3. Delete Empty Pages Dialog Box
- Use the **Delete pages that**: dropdown menu to specify the deletion of specific types of pages:
  - Select **Do no contain any content items within Page Box** to delete only pages that do not contain content items in the page box of the document. The page box is defined as the intersection between the crop box and the media box, as detailed [here](#).
  - Select **Do not contain any content items** to delete only pages that do not contain content items.
  - Select **Have only a solid background** to delete pages that contain only a solid background.
- Select the **Ignore annotations on pages** dialog box to include pages that contain only annotations in the deletion process.
- Use the **Page Range** options to determine the page range that PDF-XChange Editor searches for empty pages:
  - Select **All** to search all pages.
  - Select **Selected Pages** to search only the pages selected in the Thumbnails pane.
  - Use the **Pages** box to specify a page range. Further information on page range settings is available [here](#).
  - Use the **Subset** option to determine a subset of the specified page range.

Click **OK** to delete the pages.
Crop Pages

Hover over **Crop Pages** to view page-cropping options:

Click **Crop Pages** to crop document pages:

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Crop Pages*
PDF documents define five boundaries that control the imaging process: the **Crop Box**, **Bleed Box**, **Trim Box**, **Art Box** and **Media Box**. **PDF-XChange Editor** uses these boxes to determine areas when the **Crop Pages** feature is used. Use the **Apply to Box** dropdown menu, detailed below, to display the editing boxes in the preview pane, then click and drag boxes and/or use the number boxes to adjust their dimensions. Further information about editing boxes is available [here](#). The following options are available in the **Crop Pages** dialog box:

- Click **Show All Boxes** to view the **Crop Box**, **Bleed Box**, **Trim Box** and **Art Box** in the preview pane. (Please note that the **Bleed Box**, **Trim Box** and **Art Box** use the same dimensions as the **Crop Box** by default.)
- Use the **Crop Method** dropdown menu to determine the crop method used:
  - **Manual Margin Control** enables the user to determine the cropping margins. Click the text of menu entries in the **Apply to Box** dropdown menu to view them in the preview pane. Click and drag boxes in the preview pane, or use the number boxes, to adjust their dimensions. Select the check boxes of menu entries in the **Apply to Box** dropdown menu to include them in the **Crop Pages** operation.
  - **Remove All White Space** is a predefined mode that removes all white space from documents.
• **Remove Horizontal White Space/Remove Vertical White Space** are predefined modes that remove horizontal/vertical white space as required.

• Select the **Constrain Proportions** box to maintain the ratio of margins. For example if the margin in the **Left** box is changed to 5mm then the margins in the **Right**, **Top** and **Bottom** boxes will also be changed to 5mm.

• Use **Set to Zero**, **Revert to Original** and **Set To White Margins** to apply these functions to boxes selected in the **Apply to Box** dropdown menu.

• Select the **Remove the content outside of the crop box area** box to remove content outside of the **Crop box**. Please note that cropping pages reduces the visible page content, but the cropped content is still present in the file's underlying code and, for example, will be visible if the document pages are increased in size. Select this option to remove cropped content from the file.

• Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range of cropped pages:
  - Select **All** to crop all pages.
  - Select **Current Page** to crop only the current page.
  - Select **Pages** to create a custom page range, as detailed here.
  - Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages, Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only**.

Click **OK** to crop pages.

Click **Crop Page Tool** to crop documents manually. The **Crop Tool** dialog box will open:
Click **Drag Crop Rectangle**. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs icon. Click and drag to select the area to be cropped. When the mouse button is released, the dialog box detailed in *(figure 2)* will launch. Configure the parameters as detailed above and then click **OK** to crop documents.

Click **Remove Cropped Content** to remove cropped content from documents. Please note that content is not removed by default. Cropping pages reduces the visible page content, but the content remains available (and takes up memory) unless the **Remove Cropped Content** option is used.
Rotate Pages

Click **Rotate Pages** (or press Ctrl+Shift+R) to rotate document pages:

The following dialog box will open:
Use the **Direction** dropdown menu to determine the rotation.

Use the **Page Range** options to determine the page range of rotated pages:

- Select **All** to rotate all pages.
- Select **Selected Pages** to rotate the pages currently selected in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Select **Current Page** to rotate the current page.
- Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
- Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to select a subset of the specified page range. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Click **OK** to rotate pages.
More for Pages

Hover over **More for Pages** to view further page-editing options:

- Click **Duplicate Pages** to duplicate selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Resize Pages** to resize selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Split Pages** to split selected pages, as detailed [here](#).
- Click **Merge Pages** to merge document pages, as detailed [here](#).
• Click **Swap Pages** to swap the location of two document pages. The **Swap Pages** dialog box will open. Enter the page numbers of the pages to be swapped and click **OK** to swap.

• Click **Page Transitions** to determine how **PDF-XChange Editor** moves between pages in **Full Screen Mode**.

• Click **Number Pages** to view the **Number Pages** options, as detailed here.
Duplicate Pages

Click **Duplicate Pages** to duplicate document pages and insert them at a specified document location:

![Duplicate Pages](image)

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Duplicate Pages*

The following dialog box will open:
Use the **Page Range** settings to determine which pages are duplicated:

- Select **All** to specify all pages.
- Select **Selected Pages** to specify the pages selected in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on defining page ranges is available [here](#). Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to specify a subset of page ranges. Select **All Pages, Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Use the **Destination** settings to determine the insertion location of duplicated pages:

- Select either **Before** or **After** in the **Location** dropdown menu.
- Select **First Page** or **Last Page** as desired. Alternatively, select **Page** to specify a different document page.
- Use the **Number of copies** dropdown menu to determine the amount of duplicates created.

Click **OK** to duplicate pages.
Resize Pages

Click **Resize Pages** to resize document pages:

![Image of Resize Pages dialog box]

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Resize Pages*

The following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Resize Pages Dialog Box

- Use the **Paper Size** options to determine the size and layout of resized pages:
  - Click **Standard** to select a standard size, such as those used by the ISO and ANSI. Use the adjacent box to select either **Landscape** or **Portrait** as the page orientation.
  - Click **Custom** to enter custom dimensions. Enter the dimensions in the number boxes and select the units of measurement as desired.
- Use the **Placement** options to determine the horizontal/vertical offset of resized pages and the location from which the offset is made.
- Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range of resized pages:
  - Select **All** to resize all pages.
  - Select **Current Page** to resize only the current page.
• Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).

• Use the **Subset** option to specify a subset of the specified page range. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only**.

• Use the **Content Scale Options** to determine the scale of page content in relation to the new page size:
  
  • Select the **Scale page content according new page size** box to scale the content of resized pages to the new page size.
  
  • Clear the **Keep content aspect ratio** box to scale all content of resized pages to the new page size.
  
  • Select the **Scale comments and form fields** and **Scale text in comments and form fields** boxes as desired.

Click **OK** to resize pages.
Split Pages

Click **Split Pages** to split document pages:

![Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Split Pages](image)

The **Split Pages** feature is a convenient feature for splitting document pages into smaller sections. When it is selected, the following will open:
Figure 2. Split Pages Dialog Box

- Percentage is the default method used to split pages. Clear the **Use relative offset values** box to use metric measurements instead.
- Click **Add Horizontal Split** and/or **Add Vertical Split** at the top of the preview pane to add splits to documents. Splits are inserted at 50% by default and will appear in the preview pane and the list of splits when these options are used, as detailed above. Click and drag to reposition splits as desired.
- Use the plus and minus zoom icons to edit the view of the preview pane.
- Click **Edit Split/Remove Split** to edit/remove selected splits in the list of splits.
- Select the **Use Right To Left splitting method** box to split documents from right to left. Note that the order in which documents are split determines the order of sections in the split document.
- Select the **Remove source pages after splitting them** to remove the original document from the active pane when pages are split. If this box is cleared then both the original document and the split pages will be present after pages are split.
• Select an option from the Select split method dropdown menu to determine the method used to split documents:
  • Change the physical size of the pages adjusts the size of pages in order to split them.
  • Redefine the visible area (crop box) of the pages adjusts the crop box of pages. Further information about the crop box and other page boxes is available here. When this option is used the Preserve original content box is available. If this option is enabled then the visible page area will be reduced, but the cropped content will remain available and be present if, for example, pages are resized subsequently.
• The Page Range settings are as follows:
  • Select All to split all the pages of the document.
  • Select Current Page to split only the current page.
  • Use the Pages box to determine specific pages of the document to be split. Further information on defining page ranges is available here. Use the Subset option to select All Pages, Odd Pages Only or Even Pages Only for page ranges specified in the Pages number box.

Click OK to split pages.
Merge Pages

Click **Merge Pages** to merge document pages:

![Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Merge Pages](image)

The **Merge Pages** dialog box will open:
Use the **Pages** options to determine the size of the new page:

- Click **Calculate Size based on the merged pages dimensions** to retain the size of the source pages in the output document.
- Click **Standard** to use a standard page size for the output document, then select an option in the dropdown menu.
- Click **Custom** to use a custom page size for the output document, then enter the measurements in the combo boxes and select a unit of measurement as desired.
- Use the **Orientation** dropdown menu to determine the orientation of the output document.

Use the **Margins** number boxes to determine the margins of the output document.

Use the **Page Range** options to determine the page range of the source document used to create the output document:

- Click **All** to include all pages.
- Click **Select Pages** to use the pages currently selected in the ** Thumbnails** pane.
- Click **Pages** to specify a custom page range, then enter the desired range in the box. Information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).

Use the **Page Placement and Scaling** options to determine how source pages are placed in the output document, as detailed in the preview pane when settings are edited.
• Select/clear the **Remove source pages after merging them** box as desired.

Click **OK** to merge pages.
Swap Pages

Click **Swap Pages** to swap the location of two document pages:

The following dialog box will open:

![Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Swap Pages](image-url)
Figure 2. Swap Pages Dialog Box

Enter the page numbers of the pages to swap and then click **OK** to swap pages.
Move Pages

Click **Move Pages** to move a specified page range to a new document location:

![Diagram of Move Pages feature in PDF-XChange Editor V7](image)

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Move Pages*

The following dialog box will open:
Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range of moved pages:

- Select **Current Page** to move the current page.
- Select **Selected Pages** to move the pages selected in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on defining page ranges is available [here](#). Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to specify a subset of page ranges. Select **All Pages, Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Use the **Destination** settings to determine the new location of the specified pages:

- Select either **Before** or **After** in the **Location** dropdown menu.
- Select **First Page** or **Last Page** as desired. Alternatively, select **Page** to specify a different document page.

Click **OK** to move pages.
Page Transitions

Click **Page Transitions** to determine how **PDF-XChange Editor** moves through pages in full screen mode:

![Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Page Transitions](image)

The following dialog box will open:
Use the **Page Transition** settings to determine transition parameters:

- Use the **Transition** dropdown menu to determine the transition style.
- Use the **Direction** dropdown menu to determine the direction of transitions.
- Use the **Duration** dropdown menu to determine the rate of transitions.
- Select the check box to move automatically through pages, then select an option from the dropdown menu to set an automatic scrolling rate.

Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range to which the specified transition settings apply:

- Select **All** to specify all pages.
- Select **Current Page** to specify the current page.
- Select **Selected Pages** to specify the pages selected in the **Thumbnails** pane.
- Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on defining page ranges is available [here](#). Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to specify a subset of page ranges. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Click **OK** to save transition settings.
Number Pages

Click **Number Pages** to number document pages and create number ranges:

![Number Pages](image-url)

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. More for Pages, Number Pages*

Please note that this feature relates to page numbers/ranges as they appear in the **Thumbnails** pane and the **Page Navigation** toolbar. (The **Header and Footer** feature can be used to create/edit physical page numbers). The main purpose of this feature is to rectify cases where the page numbers on document pages do not match the page numbers that appear in the **Thumbnails** pane
and the **Page Navigation** toolbar. This is often the case in documents that feature ‘front matter’ such as copyright pages and/or a table of contents and other similar pages. Additionally, it is necessary to select the **Use logical page numbers** box in the **Page Display** preferences tab, as detailed in *(figure 7)*, in order for changes made with this feature to be visible

When this option is selected, the following dialog box will open:

![Page Numbering Dialog Box](image)

- Existing page ranges are detailed in the dialog box. Click **Add new range** to add a new page range to the active document. The **Add new range** dialog box will open. Enter the number of the first page in the number box and click **OK** to create the page range.
- Use the sliders detailed in *(figure 2)* to adjust page ranges.
- Click **Remove** to remove the selected page range.
- Click **Reset ranges** to reset all page ranges.
- Use the **Style** menu to set the numbering style of the selected page range.
- Use the **Prefix** box to add a prefix to page numbers in the selected page range.
- Use the **Start numbering from** box to determine the first number of the selected page range.
- Use the arrow icons on the left of the **Add New Range** button to redo/undo operations.

Click **OK** to apply changes.

**Number Pages Example**

The document detailed below contains a copyright page and a table of contents, which results in a two-page difference between the page numbering of pages in the **Thumbnails** pane and the **Page Navigation** toolbar in comparison to the page numbers of the main document:
Figure 3. Number Pages Example. Page Number Disparity

Follow the steps below to resolve this issue:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**, then hover over **More for Pages** and click **Number Pages**:
The **Page Numbering** dialog box will open.

2. Click **Add new range**. The **Add New Range** dialog box will open:
3. Enter the desired starting page for the new range. (Note that the issue detailed above requires page three to be the first page of the new range).


5. Click Edit in the Menu Toolbar, then click Preferences:
The **Preferences** dialog box will open.

6. Click **Page Display** in the **Categories** menu, then select the **Use logical page numbers** dialog box:
7. Click **Apply** and then click **OK**.

The page numbering of pages in the **Thumbnails** pane and the **Page Navigation** toolbar will then match the page numbering of the main document:
Figure 8. New Page Range

Note that the physical page numbers are also displayed in the **Page Navigation** toolbar. Additionally, the copyright and table of contents pages retain their existing page numbering. If desired, this can be adjusted as follows:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**, then hover over **More for Pages** and click **Number Pages**:
The **Page Numbering** dialog box will open.

2. Click the page range that contains the copyright and table of contents pages, then click the **Style** dropdown menu and select a new style, such as Roman numerals:
3. Click **OK**. The process is then complete:
Figure 11. Number Pages Process Complete
Enhance Scanned Pages

Click **Enhance Scanned Pages** to enhance the quality of scanned pages:

![Enhance Scanned Pages](image)

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Enhance Scanned Pages*

The following dialog box will open:
- Use the **Page Range** options to determine the page range to be enhanced. Page range options are detailed [here.](#)
- Select/clear the **Apply Adaptive Compression** box to enable/disable adaptive compression. If this option is enabled then select options in the **Color/Grayscale** and **Monochrome** dropdown menus to determine the type of compression for these formats.
- Use the slider to select between **Small Size** and **High Quality** as desired.
- Use the **Filters** dropdown menus to set options for deskewing, background removal, descreening and text sharpening as desired.
• Select the **Recognize Text** box to perform **OCR** on the pages.
• Click **Edit** to change the language and/or accuracy of the OCR operation. Note that increasing the accuracy will also increase the time taken to perform the operation and vice versa.

Click **OK** to enhance pages.
Click **OCR Pages** to perform optical character recognition on documents:

The OCR process in **PDF-XChange Editor** analyzes image-based documents, recognizes text and then makes it selectable and searchable in the same manner as ordinary text. When this option is selected the following dialog box will open:
Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range for OCR:

- Select **All** to specify all pages.
- Select **Current Page** to specify the current page.
- Select **Pages** to specify a custom page range. Further information on defining page ranges is available [here](#).

Use the **Subset** dropdown menu to specify a subset of page ranges. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Use the **Recognition** settings to determine the language and accuracy of the OCR process. Please note that increasing the accuracy also increases the time that the process takes and vice versa. Additionally, it should be noted that setting the accuracy to high may result in unusual output if the document contains imperfections. This is because the software will search to a greater depth and may attempt to recognize imperfections as text. Click **More Languages** to view available language packs.

Use the **Output** options to determine the format and quality of output from the OCR process:

- Select an option in the **Output Type** dropdown menu to determine the output format:
• Select **Create New Searchable PDF** to create a duplicate of the current document in which text is searchable/selectable. The process of OCR makes this possible, as it inserts an invisible text layer that contains the OCR results over the document. The invisible text layer is structured to match the layout of images in the original document that were identified as text during the process. This has the effect of converting image-based content into searchable/selectable text, as the layer is invisible. (Note that it is only possible to search and select text identified during the OCR process - it is not possible to edit text).

• Select **Preserve Original Content and Add Text Layer** to add the invisible text layer detailed above to the source document, as opposed to creating a new document.

• Use the **Quality** dropdown menu to determine the resolution of new documents when the **Create New Searchable PDF** option is used.

• Select the **Auto Deskew** box to deskew documents automatically when the **Create New Searchable PDF** option is used. (Deskewing is a useful feature that straightens images that have been photographed or scanned crookedly).

• Select the **Do not OCR pages that already contain text content items** box to omit pages that contain text-based content items from the process.

Click **OK** to OCR documents.
Digital Signatures

Hover over **Digital Signatures** to view the digital signatures submenu:

![Digital Signatures Submenu](image)

*Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Digital Signature Options*

Digital signatures are used to demonstrate the authenticity of documents and increase their security. They can also be used to determine editing permissions for documents, and to add timestamp server verification to them. The **Form Toolbar** can be used to add digital signature fields to documents. Digital signatures utilize a digital ID in order to operate. Digital IDs are used to create digital
signatures and to decrypt documents that have been encrypted for the owner. They contain the information detailed in (figure 3) below, as well as two keys: the public key and the private key. The public key contains the information about its owner, and can be shared by the owner in order for a recipient to encrypt information that is intended only for the owner to view. The public key can also be used to validate the digital signature of the owner. The private key is used to create/apply digital signatures, and to decrypt documents that have been encrypted via certificate security.

**Sign Document**

Click **Sign Document** to sign existing signature fields. The dialog box detailed in (figure 2) will open. If more than one signature field is present then it is necessary to select the desired field. If there are no existing signature fields then the pointer will transform into a blue rectangle. This represents a new signature field. Place it at the desired location in the document and then click to create the signature field. The following dialog box will open:
• Select a certificate from the system store or the local computer.
• Click **View Certificate** to view details about the selected certificate.
• Click **Create Certificate** to create a new certificate. The dialog box displayed in *(figure 3)* will open.
• Click the **Reason for Signing** menu, or enter text into the box manually, to add a reason for signing the document.
• Click the **Location** box to enter a location as desired.
• Click the **Contact Info** box to add contact information to the signature.
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- Click the Permissions box to determine the changes that are permitted after the document has been signed.
- Click the Sign Template menu to select layout options for the signature and associated information.
- Click Manage to further customize the Sign Template.
- Select the Use Timestamp Server box to select a timestamp server to add to the signature, then select a timestamp server from the dropdown menu. Click Change to view/edit the details of the timestamp server used.

Click OK to add the digital signature to the document.

Creating Digital Certificates

The following dialog box is used to create digital certificates:
Enter the desired user information in **Name**, **Organization** and **Email** text boxes.

Use the **Country/Region** dropdown menu to enter the nationality of the owner of the digital certificate.

Select either **1024-bit RSA** or **2048-bit RSA** as the key algorithm. **1024-bit RSA** is more universally compatible than **2048-bit RSA**, but **2048-bit RSA** offers more security.

Select a storage location for the digital certificate. If the **PKCS#12** option is used then enter and confirm a password in the **Password** text boxes.

Click **OK** to create the digital certificate. It will then be available in the **Use Certificate from System Store** dropdown menu detailed in *(figure 2)*.
Place Signature

Click **Place Signature** to create and sign a digital signature field in one step. A blue rectangle will appear beneath the pointer. This rectangle represents the new signature field. Move it to the desired location and then click to add it to the document. The **Sign Document** dialog box will open. Follow the instructions as detailed beneath (figure 2).

Certify (Visible) and (Invisible)

Click **Certify (Visible)** to certify documents and add a visible signature. This process is identical to the **Sign Document** process detailed above. However, it is only possible to certify documents a single time, whereas is it possible to digitally sign documents multiple times.

Click **Certify (Invisible)** to certify documents and add an invisible signature. This process is identical to the **Certify (Visible)** process detailed above, but the physical signature is excluded from the process.

Timestamp

Click **Timestamp** to add timestamps to documents. The following dialog box will open:

![Timestamp Server Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 4.** Timestamp Server Dialog Box

Timestamps are used to ensure the long-term preservation of digital signatures, time-seal date objects (to prove when they were received), protect copyrights/intellectual property and provide notarization services.

- Use the **Timestamp Server** dropdown menu to select a timestamp server.
- If a timestamp server is being used for the first time then enter the website address in the **Server URL** text box.
If the selected timestamp server requires authentication then select the indicated box and enter the **User Name** and **Password** in the associated text boxes.

Click **OK** to timestamp documents.

**Validate All Signatures**

Click **Validate All Signatures** to validate all document signatures. (Please note that the default settings of the computer on which the files are viewed may result in this happening automatically when documents are opened).

**Clear all Signatures**

Click **Clear All Signatures** to clear all digital signatures/certificates from signature fields. Please note that this process does not remove the signature field itself. The **Edit Form** feature is used for this purpose.

Please note that when digital signatures have been applied to documents and need to be subsequently verified it is necessary to have the incremental save feature enabled. This feature can be enabled/disabled using the **Documents** settings of the **Preferences** tab, as detailed [here](#).
Signatures and Initials

Hover over **Signatures and Initials** to view customized signatures/initials and manage, apply or cancel current signatures/initials:

- Available signatures are displayed at the top of the submenu. Click to select signatures and then add them at the desired location. They can then be resized and/or repositioned as detailed [here](#).
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- Click **Manage** to manage signatures. The dialog box detailed in (figure 2) will open.
- Click **Apply All Signatures** to apply all placed signatures to the document. This process converts signatures from editable objects into base content of documents.
- Click **Cancel All Signatures** to remove signatures that have been placed in documents. (This action will not remove signatures that have been applied. The **Undo** action can be used to remove applied signatures).

![Manage Signatures and Initials Dialog Box](image.png)

- Click **Add** to add new signatures/initials to the list of available options, then click **Import from File** or **Draw Signature** as desired.
- Click **Edit** to edit selected signatures. The **Edit Signatures/Initials Information** dialog box will open. Update the signature name/password as desired then click **OK**.
- Click **Remove** to remove selected signatures, or **Remove All** to remove all signatures.
Hover over **Redaction** to view redaction options:

![Redaction Submenu](image)

**Figure 1. Document Tab Submenu. Redaction**

Redaction "blacks out" designated document content. Click **Mark for Redaction** to determine sections of the document for redaction. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs. Click and drag to determine areas for redaction:
Figure 2. Areas Marked for Redaction

The lower area has just been determined, which means editing options are available:

- Use the control points to resize areas.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of areas marked for redaction.
- Click and drag areas to reposition them.
- Right-click areas for further options:
  - Click **Apply All Redactions** to redact all areas marked for redaction.
  - Click **Apply Selected Redaction(s)** to redact only selected areas. (The **Select Comments Tool** can be used to select multiple areas).
  - See [here](#) for an explanation of the remaining options.

Click **Apply All Redactions** to perform the redaction. Marked areas will be replaced with black fill:
When the Redaction feature is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:

- Fill Color determines the color of areas marked for redaction.
- Stroke Color determines border color of areas marked for redaction.
- Opacity determines the level of transparency in areas marked for redaction.
- Keep Selected determines whether or not the Redaction feature remains selected after a single area has been marked for redaction. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create areas consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after a single area is marked.
- Exclusive Mode simplifies the process of using the Redaction feature. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to mark areas for redaction without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Redaction Fill Color determines the color of redacted areas.
• **Text Color** determines the color of text used to overlay redacted areas when the text option is enabled for redactions. The text content must be specified in the relevant area of the Properties pane before areas are marked for redaction in order to enable this option.

• **Font** determines the font used when the text option is enabled for redactions.

• **Font Size** determines the font size when the text option is enabled for redactions.

• The **Align** options determine the alignment of text when the text option is enabled for redactions.

• **Repeat Overlay Text** repeats the text used within redacted areas when the text option is enabled for redactions.

• **Apply All** performs the redaction on all areas marked for redaction.

• Click **Properties** to view/edit the Redaction Properties pane. See [here](#) for further information. Note that the options in the Overlay section apply to completed redactions.
Click **Spell Check** to launch the spell check feature:

**Figure 1.** Document Tab Submenu. Spell Check

**PDF-XChange Editor** will then scan the document text. Words that are not contained in its dictionary will be underlined in the document and displayed one at a time in the spell check pane:
The **Spell Check** feature is correcting the word "accomodation" in this example.

- A list of potential candidates for the correct word is displayed.
- Select the desired word from the list and click **Replace** to replace the word in the active document with the word from the list.
- Click **Ignore** to ignore the selected word and continue to the next misspelled word.
- Click **Ignore All** to ignore all remaining instances of the selected word.
- Click **Add** to add the selected word to the custom word list. The **Spell Check** feature includes the words in the custom word list in its dictionary.
- Use the check boxes to determine which document elements are included in the spell-check process.
- Click **Spell Check Settings** to view/edit the settings for this feature. See **here** for a list of alternative dictionaries that can be used.
- Press F7 to enable the spell check feature. F7 is also used to move to the next misspelled word when moving through the results of spell checks. Press Alt+F7 to move to the previous misspelled word.
Hover over **Launch** to view the list of applications in the **Launch Application Toolbar**.

This toolbar provides a convenient way to launch active documents in an alternative application. Click applications in the list to launch them on the local computer. Use the **Launch Applications** preferences tab in to view/manage launch applications.
6.5 Comments

When the Comments tab is selected, the following options are available:

Comments are a convenient and customizable way to markup and annotate documents. The comment creation tools are detailed here. The commands in Comments tab relate to the group-editing/management of comments:
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- Click **Flatten Comments** to convert comments into base content.
- Click **Summarize Comments** to create a summary of document comments.
- Click **Import Comments** to import comments from a saved file.
- Click **Export Comments to Data File** to export comments for subsequent use.
- Click **Show Comments** to determine visibility settings for comments.
- Click **Show Comments List** to launch the Comments Pane.
- Click **Comment Styles Palette** to launch the Comment Styles Palette, which is used to create/select customized comment styles.

Additionally, please note that several of the keyboard shortcuts relate to comments. See [here](#) for a comprehensive list of available shortcuts.
Flatten Comments

Click **Flatten Comments** to flatten comments and annotations to the base content layer of documents:

![Flatten Comments](image)

**Figure 1. Comments Tab Submenu. Flatten Comments**

The **Flatten Annotations** dialog box will open:
• Use the **Page Range** options to determine the page range in which comments are flattened:
  - Select **All** to flatten comments/annotations on all pages.
  - Select **Current Page** to flatten comments/annotations on only the current page.
  - Use the **Pages** box to specify a custom page range in which to flatten comments/annotations. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
  - Use the **Subset** option to specify a subset of custom page ranges. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

• Use the **Non-Printable** and **Form Fields** options to determine the outcome of the flattening process for non-printable annotations and form fields. (The **Properties** options for comments/annotations can be used to determine whether or not they are printable):
  - Select **Flatten** to flatten content
  - Select **Left as Is** to retain the existing state of content.
  - Select **Remove** to remove the content from the document.

Click **OK** to flatten content.
Summarize Comments

Click **Summarize Comments** to create a summary of document comments:

![Figure 1. Comments Tab Submenu. Summarize Comments](image)

The **Summarize Comments** dialog box will open:
Use the **Group by** and **Sort By** dropdown menus to determine how comments are grouped and summarized:

- Select **Page** to group/sort comments by page.
- Select **Type** to group/sort comments by type.
- Select **Author** to group/sort comments by author.
- Select **Date** to group/sort comments by date.
- Select **Subject** to group/sort comments by subject.
- Select **Visual Order** to sort comments by their visual order.
- Select the **Exclude replies** box to exclude replies to comments from the summary.
Select the **Include invisible comments** box to include invisible comments in the summary.

Use the **Page Range** settings to determine the page range from which the comment summary comes:

- Select **All** to include all pages.
- Select **Current Page** to use only the current page.
- Select **Selected** to use the pages currently selected in the Thumbnails pane.
- Use the **Pages** box to specify a custom page range. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available here.
- Use the **Subset** option to specify a subset of custom page ranges. Select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** as desired.

Use the **Output** dropdown menu to determine the format of the summary.

Use the **Options** dropdown boxes to determine customizable options for the selected output format.

Use the **Destination Folder** text box to determine the destination folder for the summary, or click the icon to select a folder on the local computer.

Use the **Filename** text box to determine the name of the summary. Click the macro dropdown menu to add macros as desired.

Select the **View New Document after creation** box to open the document when the process is complete.

Click **OK** to create the summary.

N.b. Text that the **Highlight**, **Strikeout** and **Underline Tools** have been used to annotate is not included in comment summaries by default. Add text to the pop-up note of these annotations in order to include them in the comment summary. (This is true for all comments that feature pop-up notes). There is an option in the **Commenting Preferences** that automatically adds annotated text to the associated pop-up note of annotations.
Import Comments

Click **Import Comments** to import comments into the active document:

![Comments Tab Submenu. Import Comments](image)

The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired file and click **Open** to import comments.

Comments can be imported from (*.fdf) or (*.xfdf) files. FDF format is the file format used to submit, receive and incorporate form data to a server. It can also be used to export form data to stand-alone
files that can be stored, electronically transmitted and imported back into the corresponding PDF interactive form. Use the Export Comments to Data File feature of PDF-XChange Editor to export document comments to (*.fdf) or (*.xfdf) files.

Please note that the document location of imported comments matches that of the file used for the import. If comments appear to be placed incorrectly then it is probable that the source and recipient files are different in format. For example, if comments from a ten-page document are imported into a two-page document, then comments from only the first two pages will be imported.
Export Comments to Data File

Click **Export Comments to Data File** to export comments from the active document to (*.fdf) or (*.xfdf) files:

![Image of PDF-XChange Editor with Comments Tab Submenu]

**Figure 1.** Comments Tab Submenu. Export Comments to Data File

The **Save File** dialog box will open. Enter the desired file name and location, then click **Save** to export and save the document comments.
Show Comments

Hover over **Show Comments** to view comment display options:

![Figure 1. Comments Tab Submenu. Show Comments Options](image)

These options are used to determine the display options for comments and comment pop-ups:

- Click **Show All Comments/Hide All Comments** to show/hide all document comments.
- Hover over **By Type** to determine comment display options according to their format. A submenu containing all comment formats in the document will be displayed. Select the check boxes of the desired comment formats to be displayed.
- Hover over **By Author** to determine comment display options according to their author. A submenu containing all comment authors will be displayed. Select the check boxes of the desired comment authors to be displayed.
- Hover over **Checked** to determine comment display options according to their checked/unchecked status in the **Comments Pane**.[56] (Please note that each comment in the **Comments** pane features a check box, and it is these check boxes that are referenced with regard to this setting). A submenu containing all available options will be displayed. Select the check boxes of the desired comment statuses to be displayed.
- Hover over **By Status** to determine comment display options according to their current editing status. (Right click comments and hover over **Status** in the submenu to view/edit the editing status of comments. The options are **None, Accepted, Cancelled, Completed** and **Rejected**. Click options to set them as the comment editing status). A submenu containing all available options will be displayed. Select the check boxes of the desired comment statuses to be displayed.
- Select **Open All Pop-ups** or **Close All Pop-ups** to open/close the pop-up annotations of all comments.
Show Comments List

Click **Show Comments List** (or press Ctrl+M) to open the **Comments Pane**.
Comment Styles Palette

Click **Comment Styles Palette** to open the **Comment Styles Palette**:

![Comment Styles Palette](image)

*Figure 1. Comments Tab Submenu. Comment Styles Palette*

The **Comment Styles Palette** will open:
The **Comment Styles Palette** details current comment styles. Click comment formats in the pane on the left to view available comment styles. Several default comment styles are available for each format, and they are displayed in the central pane. Double-click to select styles (which will also update selected annotations in the current document). The following options are then available:

- Click **Clone** to clone the selected style. This feature creates a duplicate of styles in order to enable editing without the loss of the existing style. The cloned style will appear in the **Comment Styles Palette.** Select it and then click **Properties** to edit the properties of the style. Available properties depend on the annotation format. All available properties are detailed [here](#).
- Click **Rename** to rename the selected style, then enter the new name in the **Rename Comment Style** dialog box and click **OK**.
- Click **Reset** to reset the selected style to its default values.
- Click **Delete** to delete the selected style.
- Click **Set Current** to set the selected style selected as the active style for the tool. The active style is displayed in tool icons in the **Comment Toolbar**.

![Figure 2. Comment Styles Palette](image)
6.6 Form

When the Form tab is selected, the following options are available:

![Form Tab Submenu](image)

These options facilitate the editing of Form Fields:

- Hover over Manage Form Data to view options for Form Data:
Click **Import Form Data** to import data into the forms of the current document. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired files and click **OK** to import form data. Please note that the field names of forms must match in order for form data to be imported. For example, if there are three forms in the file from which data is imported that have the field names 'Text1', 'Text2' and 'Text3' respectively, then the current document must feature forms with the same field names in order for form data to import. The field name property can be viewed/edited in the **Properties** pane for forms, as detailed [here](#).

Click **Export Form Data** to export all data from the forms of the current document. The **Save File** dialog box will open. Enter a name for the new file in the text box, then select a file format from the **Save as type** dropdown menu and click **Save** to export the form data.

Click **Email Form Data** to email the current document form data. The **PDF-XChange Editor** dialog box will open. Select the desired file format and then click **OK** to email the form data. **PDF-XChange Editor** will use the current email method as defined in the **Send Mail** preferences to email the form data. Please note that only the form data is sent, and not the form itself. Recipients of these emails can use the **Import Form Data** option detailed above to import the form data.

Click **Highlight Form Fields** to highlight all form fields in the active document. Hover over **Highlight Form Fields** to view the **Highlight Form Fields** submenu:

![Highlight Form Fields Submenu](#)

- Select either **All Fields**, **Only Required Fields** or a combination of the desired field formats for highlighting.
- Click **Reset Form** to reset all forms in the document.
- Click **Edit Form** to enable the editing/creation of forms as detailed [here](#).
6.7 Tools

When the **Tools** tab is selected, the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu](image)

The tools in **PDF-XChange Editor** are used to navigate, manipulate, edit, annotate, measure and enhance documents. They are grouped as follows:
- **Basic Tools** - the Hand Tool, Snapshot Tool and Select Text Tool, which perform the most basic operations in the software - browsing documents, taking snapshots and selecting text.

- **Zoom Tools** - the Zoom Tool, Loupe Tool and Pan and Zoom Feature, which assist in editing documents via zoom-related features.

- **Content Editing Tools** - the Edit Content Tool and the Add Tool, which facilitate the editing of base content and the insertion of text, images and barcodes into documents.

- **Comment and Markup Tools** - nineteen tools that enable the creation of document comments/markups, as well as the Select Comments Tool, which is used to select and edit comments. The Comment Styles Palette and Stamps Palette are also available through this submenu.

- **Measuring Tools** - the Distance, Perimeter and Area Tools, which enable the measurement of document dimensions, and the Set Scale feature, which is used to calibrate scales to use in conjunction with tools. The Export Measurements to CSV File feature is also available in this submenu.

- **Link Tools** - the Link Creation Tool, which is used to add dynamic links to documents. The Create/Remove All Web-Links features are also available in this submenu.
Hover over **Basic Tools** to open the following submenu:

![Tools Tab Submenu](image)

**Figure 1.** Tools Tab Submenu. Basic Tools

- The **Hand Tool** is the default tool in **PDF-XChange Editor**, and is used to navigate document pages.
- The **Snapshot Tool** is used to create image files from documents/document sections.
- The **Select Text Tool** is used to select and edit document text.
Hand Tool

Click **Hand Tool** to enable this tool:

![Hand Tool Submenu](image)

**Figure 1.** Basic Tools Submenu. Hand Tool

The **Hand Tool** is used as a basic scrolling device and navigation aid when browsing through documents. When it is enabled, click and drag the page in the desired scrolling direction in order to browse through documents.
When this tool is in operation two options are available in the Properties Toolbar:

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Hand Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to browse quickly through documents without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- **Properties** opens the Properties Pane to view/edit the properties for the Hand Tool. Further information on tool properties is available [here](#).
Snapshot Tool

Click **Snapshot Tool** to enable this tool:

![Screenshot of PDF-XChange Editor with Snapshot Tool enabled](image)

*Figure 1. Basic Tools Submenu. Snapshot Tool*

The **Snapshot Tool** is used to take document snapshots. When it is enabled, click pages/objects take snapshots. Alternatively, click and drag the pointer to select a custom page area. Release the mouse button to take a snapshot. A bitmap copy of the selection will be pasted to the clipboard.
Customizable options are available for the **Snapshot Tool** in the **Snapshot Tool Preferences**, which are detailed [here](#). Additionally, instructions on how to print snapshots are available [here](#).
Select Text Tool

Click **Select Text Tool** to enable this tool:

![Select Text Tool](image)

**Figure 1.** Basic Tools Submenu. Select Text Tool

The **Select Text Tool** is used to select base-content text. When it is enabled, click and drag the pointer to select text. Double-click to select words, triple-click to select paragraphs and quadruple-click to select all text on the current page. Right-click selections for editing options, as detailed [here](link).
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When this tool is in operation two options are available in the Properties Toolbar:

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Select Text Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to select text without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- **Properties** opens the Properties pane to view/edit the properties for the Select Text Tool. Further information on tool properties is available [here](#).

Additionally, it should be noted that when text is copied from PDF documents and pasted in applications/locations outside of PDF-XChange Editor (such as Microsoft Word) additional page breaks may appear. This is a recognized issue with PDF documents. The Edit Content Tool should be used instead of the Select Text Tool in order to avoid this issue. When the Edit Content Tool is enabled, select text and then press Ctrl+C to copy it.
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Zoom Tools

Hover over **Zoom Tools** to open the following submenu:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Zoom Tools](image)

These tools are zoom-related and assist in the viewing/editing of documents:

- The **Zoom In/Out Tool** is used to zoom in on/out from documents.
• The **Loupe Tool** utilizes the dynamic loupe window to display a magnified selection of the current document.

• The **Pan and Zoom** feature utilizes the **Pan and Zoom** window, which displays a miniature of the current document page to assist in editing. Specifically, it enables the efficient manipulation of the page zoom and current view.
Zoom In/Out Tool

Click **Zoom In/Out Tool** to enable this tool:

![Zoom In/Out Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Zoom In/Out Tool*

The **Zoom In/Out Tool** is used to adjust the zoom level. When it is selected the pointer becomes a magnifying glass icon. Click to zoom to the location at which the icon is located. Hold Ctrl and click to zoom out. Alternatively, click and drag the pointer to determine an area. The **Zoom In/Out Tool** will move the current view to the area specified when the mouse button is released.
When this tool is in operation two options are available in the Properties Toolbar:

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Zoom In/Out Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to select areas without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- **Properties** opens the Properties pane to view/edit the properties for the Zoom In/Out Tool. Further information on tool properties is available [here](#).
Loupe Tool

Click **Loupe Tool** to enable this tool:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Loupe Tool](image)

The **Loupe Tool** is used to assist in the editing of PDF documents and to examine documents in closer detail. When the **Loupe Tool** is enabled, a customizable bounding box is displayed in the current document. The content of this box determines the content of the **Loupe** window:
Figure 2. Active Loupe Tool

- Adjust the size of the **Loupe** window to determine the proportions of the **Loupe** box.
- Use the zoom number box in the **Loupe** window toolbar, or the plus and minus icons, to determine the level of zoom displayed in the window.
- Click the camera icon in the loupe window toolbar to take a snapshot of the current view. A bitmap copy of the selection will be pasted to the clipboard.
- Click the track mouse icon in the loupe window toolbar to enable/disable the **Track Mouse** feature. When this feature is enabled the **Loupe Tool** will follow the pointer. Disable this feature to adjust the size of the **Loupe** box as a standard content item.
- Click the **Show Page Boxes** icon to show/hide page boxes. Page boxes determine the content and appearance of PDF documents, especially with regards to printing. Further information on page boxes is available [here](#).
- Click and drag the loupe window to reposition it on the screen. When the mouse button is clicked, four icons will appear in the center of the borders of the main window. Move the pointer onto these icons and release the mouse button to dock the loupe window.

When the **Loupe Tool** is in use, there are two options are available in the **Properties Toolbar**:
• **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Loupe Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to select areas without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

• **Properties** opens the **Properties** window to view/edit the properties for the **Loupe Tool**. Further information on tool properties is available [here](#).
Pan and Zoom

Click **Pan and Zoom** to enable the **Pan and Zoom** window:

![Pan and Zoom](image)

**Figure 1.** Tools Tab Submenu. Pan and Zoom

The **Pan and Zoom** window is used to navigate and zoom in on/out from documents:
Figure 2. Pan and Zoom Window

- The blue rectangle determines the current view in the main window. Click and drag the rectangle to adjust the current view.
- Adjust the yellow control points to manipulate the pan and zoom. Alternatively, use the plus and minus icons in the toolbar to zoom incrementally, or enter a zoom level in the number box.
- Use the arrow icons in the Pan and Zoom toolbar to move between document pages.
- Click the camera icon in the Pan and Zoom toolbar to take a snapshot of the current view. A bitmap copy of the selection will be pasted to the clipboard, and can then be edited as detailed [here](#).
- Click and drag the loupe window to reposition it on the screen. When it is selected, four icons will appear in the center of the borders of the main window. Move the pointer onto these icons and release the mouse button to dock the Pan and Zoom window.

When the Pan and Zoom feature is in operation two options are available in the Properties Toolbar.
• **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Pan and Zoom** feature. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to select areas without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the standard manner.

• **Properties** opens the **Properties** window to view/edit the properties for the **Pan and Zoom** feature. Further information on tool properties is available [here](#).
Content Editing Tools

Hover over **Content Editing Tools** to open the following submenu:

The content editing tools are used to edit the base content of documents and add text, images and barcodes to the base content layer. Please note that the **Content** pane is a very useful feature to use in conjunction with the content editing tools. Shortcuts to the **Edit Content** and **Add** submenus are available in the **Edit Content Toolbar**:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Content Editing Tools](image-url)


Figure 2. Edit Content Toolbar

- **Edit Content Tool**

  Hover over **Edit Content** to open the **Edit Content Tool** submenu:
The option selected in this submenu determines the document content that the **Edit Content Tool** selects and edits:

- Select **All Content** to edit text, images and shapes simultaneously.
- Select **Text** to edit only text.
- Select **Images** to edit only images.
- Select **Shapes** to edit only shapes. Shapes are defined as paths, shading, XForms and all other document base content that is neither text nor imaged-based.

When the **Edit Content Tool** is selected, click to select content items, or click and drag to group-select content items - in which case all items will be edited simultaneously. Selected content items appear as below:
Click and drag the yellow control points to resize content.
Click and drag the circle at the center to reposition content.
Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate content items. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
Use the arrow keys to reposition content.
Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of document content.
Click Properties in the Properties Toolbar to open the Properties pane and view/edit content item properties. Please note that not all properties are editable.
Right-click content for further options. Please note that available options depend on the format of selected content. The menu below contains all available options:
Hover over **Edit Image** to view editing options for images:
- Click **Default Application** to edit the image in the default application for editing images. Note that changes made to images in the application will be updated in the current document when the image is saved.
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- Click **Open With** to select a non-default application with which to edit the image. The **Open with** dialog box will open. Selected the desired application and click **OK** to launch it.
- Select **Ignore Transformations When Editing Image** to edit images in their original state in the active document. All transformations, such as rotations and rescaling, will be ignored.
- Click **Replace Image** to replace selected images with an image from file. Note that replacement images are automatically scaled to match the dimensions of images that they replace.
- Click **Recompress Image** to recompress images, as detailed in *(figure 6)* below.
- Click **Save Image As** to save a copy of selected images to file. The **Save File As** dialog box will open. Enter a file name in the **File name** text box, then click **Save** to save the image.
- Click **OCR Image** to perform optical character recognition on selected images. The **OCR Image** dialog box will open. Select the desired language and accuracy then click **OK** to perform OCR.
- Click **Add Bookmark** to add a bookmark at the selected location. Further information on bookmarks is available [here](#).
- Hover over **Add Link** to view the options for adding links:
  - Click **Add Goto Link** to create a link from the selected location to a location within the current document. The **Browse for Link Target** dialog box will open. Move to and select the desired document location and then click **Set Link** to create the link.
  - Click **Add Weblink** to create a link from the selected location to an internet location. The **Add Action**: "**Open a Web Link**" dialog box will open. Enter the desired **URL** in the text box and then click **OK** to create the link.
  - Click **Add Open File Link** to create a link from the selected location to a file on the local computer. The **Add Action**: "**Open a File**" dialog box will open. Determine options as detailed [here](#) then click **OK** to create the link.
  - Click **Add Custom Link** to create a custom link. Custom links can be used to create a range of dynamic links, such as links that launch JavaScript actions, move to pages in other documents, open files, execute **PDF-XChange Editor** commands, reset/submit forms, play sounds and show/hide form fields. The **Edit Action List** dialog box will open. Determine options as detailed [here](#) then click **OK** to create the link.
- Click **Hand Tool, Snapshot Tool, Select Text** or **Zoom In/Out Tool** to select the **Hand Tool**, **Snapshot Tool**, **Select Text Tool** or **Zoom In/Out Tool** respectively.
- Click **Cut, Copy, Paste, Delete** or **Deselect** to perform these actions on selected content.
- Hover over **Arrange** to view arrangement options for selected content:
  - Use the **Align** options to align selected content items.
  - Use the **Rotate/Flip** options to rotate/flip selected content.
• Click **Transform** to edit the position, size and/or rotation of selected content, as detailed [here](#).

• Click **Bring to Front** to bring content items to the front in cases of multiple items overlapping.

• Click **Send to Back** to send content items to the back in cases of multiple items overlapping.

• Click **Bring Forward** to bring content items forward one step in cases of multiple items overlapping.

• Click **Send Backward** to send content items back one step in cases of multiple items overlapping.

• Click **New Stamp from Selection** to create a new stamp from selected content, as detailed [here](#).

• Click **New Document from Selection** to create a new document from selected content. The new document will open in a new window in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

• Hover over **Export** to view export options for selected content, then click **Export Selection to Microsoft Word Document/Excel/Powerpoint Presentation** as desired. The **Save File** dialog box will open. Enter a name/location for the new file and then click **Save** to export the content.

• Click **Remove Clip** to remove the clipping path from selected content.

• Click **Properties** to open the **Page Content Properties** pane for selected content. This pane is used to view/edit content properties, as detailed [here](#).

**Recompress Images**
Figure 6. Recompress Image Dialog Box

This option is used to recompress document images:

- Use the **Conversion Options** dropdown menu to select a new compression format for images. Note that the selection made in this dropdown menu determines the options for the two dropdown menus below.
- Use the **Compression Options** dropdown menu to select a new compression format for images.
- Use the **Downsampling Options** dropdown menu to determine downsampling options as desired. The X and Y text boxes determine the downsampled resolution on the X and Y axes respectively.
- Select the **Replace current instance only** text box to replace only the current instance of the image in documents where the same image is used multiple times.

Note that the values in the **Image Details** pane display details about the current image and the image after compression has taken place using the values entered in the **Recompress Image** dialog box. Additionally, the preview pane will update according to any changes made.
Add Text/Images/Barcodes to Documents

Hover over **Add** to open the following submenu:

![Add Text/Images/Barcodes to Documents](image.png)

**Figure 7.** Tools Tab Submenu. Content Editing Tools, Add Options

These options are used to add text, images and barcodes to the base-content layer of documents:

- **Add Text**

  Click **Add Text** to add text to documents:
Figure 8. Tools Tab Submenu. Add Text Tool

When this tool is selected the pointer will become a cross icon. Move the icon to the desired location and click to designate the location of the new text box. Text can then be entered as desired:
Figure 9. Add Text Tool Example

- Click and drag the central yellow control points on either side of text boxes to resize them horizontally. (It is not possible to resize text boxes vertically until text has been entered into them).
- Click and drag the green control point to rotate text boxes. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of text boxes.
- Enter the desired text in the text box. Press Enter to start new lines. The options in the Properties Toolbar can be used to adjust the text style. Further editing options are detailed here.
- Note that to select text in completed text boxes it is necessary to click to select the text box and then click again to select the text.
- Highlight and right-click text for further options:
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Figure 10. Editing Options

- Click **Undo** to reverse the most recent action.
- Click **Cut** to cut selected text to the clipboard.
- Click **Copy** to copy selected text to the clipboard.
- Click **Paste** to paste current clipboard text at the selected location.
- Click **Select All** to select all text in the selected area.
- Click **Paragraph** to edit paragraph settings, as detailed in *(figure 10).*
- Click **Text Style** to update the style of selected text. The following options are available:
  - **Bold**
  - **Italic**
  - **Underline**
  - **Superscript** transforms selected text into superscript, which is used for specific purposes such as detailing chemical compounds.
  - **Subscript** transforms selected text into subscript, which is used for specific purposes such as detailing mathematical formulae.
  - **Clear Text Formatting** clears formatting from selected text.
  - **Make Current Text format Default** sets the format of selected text as the default format for subsequent text.
  - **Apply Default Text Format** applies the default text format to selected text.
  - Select **Hyphenate Text** to hyphenate text automatically when it crosses line endings.
Use the **Alignment** menu to determine the alignment of paragraphs.

Use the **Indentation** number boxes to determine the indentation from the left and right margins, and the **Special** and **By** menus to determine hanging options.

Use the **Spacing** options to determine line spacing.

Click **OK** to save paragraph settings.

**Add Images**

Click **Add Image** to add images to documents.
The **Select Image Placement Tool** dialog box will open. Click **Drag Image Rectangle**, then click and drag to determine the location at which the image is inserted. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select an image from the local computer. The **Add Image** dialog box will open:
Click the folder icon to select an alternative file.
Select an option to determine how the image is added:
- **As a Stamp** adds images as stamp annotations, as detailed [here](#).
- **As a Content Item** adds images as content items.
- Please note that stamps and content items feature different editing options.

Click **Place** to add images.
Add Barcodes

Barcodes provide a useful method for the storage of information that barcode readers and mobile devices such as smartphones and tablets can access. Click **Add Barcode** to add barcodes to documents:

![Add Submenu. Add Barcode](image)

The **Select Barcode Placement Tool** dialog box will open when. Click **Drag Barcode Rectangle** to add a new barcode. The pointer will turn into a crosshairs. Click and drag to determine the size and location of the barcode. The following dialog box will open:
• Use the **Data type** menu to set the format of the data contained in the barcode:
  • **Contact (vCard)** is a file format standard that is used to store electronic business cards.
  • **URL** is used to store internet addresses.
  • **Free Text** is used to store text-based content.
  • **Email** is used to store information in email format.
• Barcodes are created automatically when data is entered in the text fields, and can be viewed in the **Image preview** pane.
• Select either **As Stamp annotation** or **As part of page’s content** to determine how barcodes are added to documents. Please note that stamp annotations and page content have different editing options.
• Select either **As Vector** or **As Image** as desired. If the **Image** option is selected then use the **dpi** number box to determine the barcode resolution.
• Select the **Add Margin** box to add a margin to barcodes.
• Use the **Fill color** and **Barcode color** palettes to determine the colors used for barcodes.
Click **Place** to add the barcode to the document.
Comment And Markup Tools

Hover over **Comment And Markup Tools** to open the following submenu:

![Comment and Markup Tools Submenu](image)

These tools are used to mark up, comment and annotate documents:

- The **Select Comments Tool** is used to select and edit comments.
- The **Sticky Note Tool** is used to add sticky note annotations to documents.
The Typewriter Tool is used to add typewriter note annotations to documents.

The Text Box Tool is used to add text boxes to documents.

The Callout Tool is used to add callout annotations to documents.

The Highlight Text Tool is used to highlight text.

The Strikeout Text Tool is used to strikeout text.

The Underline Text Tool is used to underline text.

The Line Tool is used to add line annotations to documents.

The Arrow Tool is used to add arrow annotations to documents.

The Rectangle Tool is used to add rectangle annotations to documents.

The Oval Tool is used to add oval annotations to documents.

The Polygon Line Tool is used to create open shapes that have multiple segments.

The Polygon Tool is used to create closed, straight-line shapes that have multiple segments.

The Cloud Tool is used to create closed, squiggly-line shapes that have multiple segments.

The Stamp Tool is used to add stamps to documents. Several default stamps are available, such as 'Approved' and 'Confidential' - and it is also possible to create custom stamps.

The Pencil Tool is used to add pencil annotations to documents.

The Eraser Tool is used to erase pencil annotations.

The File Attachment Tool is used to attach files to documents, and places icons in documents that link to the specified file when they are clicked.

The Sound Tool is used to add sound effects to documents, and places icons in documents that play the specified sound when they are clicked.

The Comment Styles Palette and Stamps Palette are also available in this submenu. These palettes are used to view/edit comment styles and default/customized stamps.

Further information and step-by-step instructions on the use of these tools is available in the Annotations Guide. Additionally, please note that the Commenting preferences can be used to edit comment viewing/creation preferences.
Select Comments

Click **Select Comments** to edit comments/annotations:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Select Comments](image)

Click to select comments, or click and drag to select multiple comments:
• Click and drag control points to resize content.
• Click and drag content to reposition it. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
• Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate content. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
• Use the arrow keys to reposition content.
• Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of document content.
• The main properties of selected comments are detailed in the Properties Toolbar and can be edited as desired. Click Properties to open the Properties pane and view/edit a complete list of properties for selected comments. Available properties depend on the type of comments selected. Note that the subject and author properties can be updated for multiple selected comments simultaneously.
• Right-click comments to enable further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
• The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

Figure 2. Select Comments, Group Select
• Please note that when Customized Comment Styles have been created it is possible to switch between styles when comments are selected.

Please note that to select text after a text box has been completed it is necessary to click to select the text box and then click again to select the text. This is because PDF-XChange Editor must recognize text boxes and the text that text boxes contain as separate items as they feature different editing options. See here for information on editing text boxes.
Sticky Note Tool

Click **Sticky Note Tool** to add interactive sticky note comments to documents:

Sticky note annotations enable the storage of text notes. Text is contained in a collapsible text box that can be expanded as required. When the text box is collapsed, only the sticky note icon remains in the document. This means that large text notes can be stored in documents without taking up excessive space.
When the **Sticky Note Tool** is selected, click to add sticky notes:

![Sticky Note Tool Example](image)

- Click and drag the sticky note to reposition it.
- Enter the desired note content within the associated pop-up note text box. This content will be displayed when the pointer is hovered over the icon subsequently. Text style options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar** when text is being entered. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options. Right-click when entering/editing text to launch the text editing options menu. These options are explained [here](#).
- Use the arrow keys to reposition sticky notes. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Right-click sticky notes for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- Sticky note options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar** when the **Sticky Note Tool** is selected:
  - **Fill Color** determines the color of the sticky note. Click the color box to select the fill color.
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- **Icon** determines the icon of the sticky note. Click the icon to select which icon to use for sticky notes.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency for the sticky note. Click the opacity icon to select a new value for the opacity.
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Sticky Note Tool remains selected after a single sticky note has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several sticky notes consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a sticky note.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Sticky Note Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create sticky notes on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit further sticky note properties. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

- Note that several default colors are available for sticky notes, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select alternative sticky note colors. The [Comment Styles Palette](#) can be used to edit and save customized sticky note styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Sticky Note icon in the [Comment Toolbar](#) to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
- The [Commenting](#) section of the [Preferences](#) dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Click **Typewriter Tool** to add interactive, typewriter-style text comments to documents:

![Typewriter Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Typewriter Tool*

When the **Typewriter Tool** is selected, click to add typewriter notes:
Figure 2. Typewriter Tool Examples

- The upper image is how a typewriter note appears when it is first inserted into a document. Enter the desired text using the keyboard. Press **Enter** to start new lines. Text style options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar** when text is being entered. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- The central image is how a typewriter note appears when text is being entered. Right-click typewriter notes to launch the text editing options menu. Text editing options are explained [here](#).
- The lower image is how a typewriter note appears when it is completed and subsequently selected.
  - Click and drag the control points to resize typewriter text boxes.
  - Click and drag typewriter text boxes to reposition them.
  - Click and drag the green control point to rotate typewriter text boxes. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
  - Use the arrow keys to reposition typewriter text boxes. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
  - Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of typewriter text boxes.
Right-click typewriter text boxes for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.

When the **Typewriter Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Fill Color** determines the color of the text box.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of the text box.
- **Border Style** determines the style of the border used around the text box.
- **Border Width** determines the width of the border used around the text box.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency for text boxes and their content.
- **Blend Mode** determines how text boxes blend with underlying content. These options are explained here.

- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Typewriter Tool** remains selected after a typewriter note has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several typewriter notes consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a typewriter note.

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Typewriter Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create typewriter notes on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Typewriter Tool Properties** pane. See here for information on tool properties.

- Note that several default colors are available for typewriter notes, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select alternative text colors for typewriter notes. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized typewriter note styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Typewriter Note** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

- The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

Please note that to select text after a text box has been completed it is necessary to click to select the text box and then click again to select the text. This is because **PDF-XChange Editor** must recognize text boxes and the text that text boxes contain as separate items as they feature different editing options. See here for information on editing text boxes.
Click **Text Box Tool** to add interactive text boxes to documents:

![Text Box Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Text Box Tool*

When the **Text Box Tool** is selected, click and drag the pointer to determine the size of text boxes:
Figure 2. Text Box Tool Examples

- The upper image is how a text box appears when it is first inserted into a document. Enter the desired text using the keyboard. Press Enter to start new lines. Text style options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar when text is being entered. See here for an explanation of these options.
- The central image is how a text box appears when text is being entered. Right-click text boxes to launch the text editing options menu. Text editing options are explained here.
- The lower image is how a text box appears when it is completed and subsequently selected.
  - Click and drag the control points to resize text boxes.
  - Click and drag text boxes to reposition them.
  - Click and drag the green control point to rotate text boxes. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
  - Use the arrow keys to reposition text boxes. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
  - Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of text boxes.
  - Right-click text boxes for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the Text Box Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
- **Fill Color** determines the color of the text box.
- **Stroke Color** determines the border color of the text box.
- **Border Style** determines the style of the border used around the text box.
- **Border Width** determines the width of the border used around the text box.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency for text boxes and their content.
- **Blend Mode** determines how text boxes blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Text Box Tool** remains selected after a text box has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several text boxes consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a text box.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Text Box Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create text box notes on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Text Box Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for text boxes notes, as detailed in *(figure 1).* Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized text box styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Text Box** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
- The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

Please note that to select text after a text box has been completed it is necessary to click to select the text box and then click again to select the text. This is because **PDF-XChange Editor** must recognize text boxes and the text that text boxes contain as separate items as they feature different editing options. See [here](#) for information on editing text boxes.
Callout Tool

Click **Callout Tool** to add interactive callout annotations to documents:

![Callout Tool](image)

**Figure 1.** Tools Tab Submenu, Callout Tool

Callout annotations are used to highlight specific locations in documents. They are composed of a text box that features a linked arrow annotation, which is used to highlight the area of importance in the document.
When the **Callout Tool** is selected, click to add callout annotations. The position of the pointer when the mouse is clicked determines the initial position of the arrowhead in the callout arm. Detailed below are callout annotations at three stages of editing:

![Callout Tool Examples](image)

- The upper image is how a callout annotation appears when it is first inserted into a document. Enter the desired text using the keyboard. Press **Enter** to start new lines. Text style options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar** when text is being entered. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- The central image is how a callout annotation appears when text is being entered. Right-click callout annotations to launch the text editing options menu. Text editing options are explained [here](#).
- The lower image is how a callout annotation appears when it is completed and subsequently selected.
  - Click and drag the control points to resize callout annotations and/or reposition the callout arrow.
  - Click and drag callout annotations to reposition them.
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- Click and drag the green control point to rotate callout annotations. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition callout annotations. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of callout annotations.
- Right-click callout annotations for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the Callout Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - **Fill Color** determines the color of the callout annotation.
  - **Stroke Color** determines the border color of the callout annotation.
  - **Border Style** determines the style of the border used around the callout annotation.
  - **Border Width** determines the width of the border used around callout annotation.
  - **Line Ending Style** determines the shape at the end of the arm that comes from the callout annotation.
  - **Opacity** determines the level of transparency for callout annotations and their content.
  - **Blend Mode** determines how callouts blend with underlying content. These options are explained here.
  - **Auto Adjust Arm Position** relates to the callout arm. When this setting is disabled the control point from which the callout arm originates remains constant when callout annotations are repositioned. When this setting is enabled the control point from which callout arms originate changes automatically. The control point closest to the end of the callout arm will be used.
  - **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Callout Tool remains selected after a callout annotation has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several callout annotations consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a callout text annotation.
  - **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Callout Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create callouts on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
  - Click Properties to view/edit the Callout Tool Properties pane. See here for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for callout annotations, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select styles. The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized callout annotation styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Callout icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
- The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Please note that to select text after a callout text box has been completed it is necessary to click to select the callout text box and then click again to select the text. This is because PDF-XChange Editor must recognize callout text boxes and the text that they contain as separate items as they feature different editing options. See [here](#) for information on editing callout text boxes.
Highlight Text Tool

Click **Highlight Text Tool** to highlight document text:

![Highlight Text Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Highlight Text Tool*

When the **Highlight Text Tool** is selected, the pointer icon changes when it is hovered over text. Click and drag to highlight text:
When the **Highlight Text Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Fill Color** determines the highlight color.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in the highlight.
- **Blend Mode** determines how highlights blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Highlight Text Tool** remains selected after a highlight has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several highlights consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a highlight markup.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Highlight Text Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create highlights on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
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- Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Highlight Text Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for highlights, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized highlight styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Highlight** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

Additionally, please note:

- Right-click highlighted text and select **Delete** to remove highlights. See [here](#) for an explanation of the other options in the right-click context menu.
- The **Highlight Text** tool cannot be used to highlight image-based text. Use the method detailed [here](#) for that purpose.
- The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized highlight styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Highlight** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
Strikeout Text Tool

Click **Strikeout Text Tool** to strikeout document text:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Strikeout Text Tool](image)

When the **Strikeout Text Tool** is selected, the pointer icon changes when it is hovered over text. Click and drag to strikeout text. Please note that it is not possible to strikeout image-based text. Struck-out text appears as below:
When the **Strikeout Text Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Fill Color** determines the strikeout color.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in the strikeout.
- **Blend Mode** determines how strikeouts blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Strikeout Text Tool** remains selected after a strikeout has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several strikeouts consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a strikeout markup.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Strikeout Text Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create strikeouts on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
• Click Properties to view/edit the Strikeout Text Tool Properties pane. See here for information on tool properties.
• The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
• Note that several default styles are available for strikeouts, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select styles. The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized strikeout styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Strikeout icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.

Right-click struck-out text and select Delete to remove strikeout lines. See here for an explanation of the other options in the right-click context menu.

The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized strikeout styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Strikeout icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
Underline Text Tool

Click **Underline Text Tool** to underline document text:

![Underline Text Tool in PDF-XChange Editor V7](image)

Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Underline Text Tool

When the **Underline Text Tool** is selected, the pointer icon changes when it is hovered over text. Click and drag to underline text. Please note that it is not possible to underline image-based text. Underlined text appears as below:
When the **Underline Text Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Fill Color** determines the underline color.
- **Underline Style** determines the style of the underline.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in the underline.
- **Blend Mode** determines how underlines blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Underline Text Tool** remains selected after a strikeout has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several strikeouts consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating an underline markup.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Underline Text Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create underlines on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
• Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Underline Text Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

• The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

• Note that several default styles are available for underlines, as detailed in *(figure 1).* Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized underline styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Underline** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

Right-click underlined text and select **Delete** to remove underlines. See [here](#) for an explanation of the other options in the right-click context menu.

The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized underline styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Underline** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
Line and Arrow Tools

Click **Line Tool** or **Arrow Tool** to select these tools:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Line and Arrow Tools](image)

These tools operate in an identical manner and are used to annotate documents. The **Line Tool** adds lines and the **Arrow Tool** adds arrows. When these tools are selected the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Click to initiate a line/arrow. Drag to the desired location and click to complete the operation:
The arrow has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the control points to reposition line endings.
- Click and drag content to reposition it.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition lines/arrows. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of lines/arrows.
- Right-click content for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- Hold down Shift to create lines/arrows at increments of fifteen degrees.
- When the **Line/Arrow Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar:**
  - **Fill Color** determines the fill color of the **Line Starting/Ending Styles**, detailed below, when closed-shape options are used.
  - **Stroke Color** determines the content color.
  - **Border Style** determines the content style.
  - **Border Width** determines the size of the **Line Starting/Ending Styles**, detailed below.
  - **Line Starting Style** determines the style used at the start of lines/arrows.
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- **Line Ending Style** determines the style used at the end of lines/arrows.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency.
- **Blend Mode** determines how content blends with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Line/Arrow Tool remains selected after an annotation has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several annotations consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a single annotation.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Line/Arrow Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create content on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- **Click Properties** to view/edit the Line/Arrow Tool Properties pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- **Note that several default styles are available for lines and arrows. Right-click the Line or Arrow icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette, which can be used to save customized line and arrow styles for subsequent use.**
- The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Click **Rectangle Tool** to add interactive rectangles to documents:

![Rectangle Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Rectangle Tool*

When the **Rectangle Tool** is selected, click and drag the pointer to define rectangle borders:
The upper rectangle has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the control points to resize rectangles.
- Click and drag rectangles to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate rectangles. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition rectangles. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of rectangles.
- Right-click rectangles for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- Hold down Ctrl to create rectangles from their center.
- Hold down Alt to constrain rectangle proportions.
- When the Rectangle Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - **Fill Color** determines the fill color of rectangles.
  - **Stroke Color** determines the color of rectangle borders.
• **Border Style** determines the style of rectangle borders.
• **Border Width** determines the width of rectangle borders.
• **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in rectangles.
• **Blend Mode** determines how rectangles blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).

**Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Rectangle Tool remains selected after a rectangle has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several rectangles consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a rectangle.

• **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Rectangle Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create rectangles on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

• Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Rectangle Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

• Note that several default styles are available for rectangles, as detailed in **(figure 1)**. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized rectangle styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Rectangle icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

• The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Oval Tool

Click **Oval Tool** to add interactive ovals to documents:

![Oval Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Oval Tool*

When the **Oval Tool** is selected, click and drag the pointer to define oval borders:
The upper oval has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the control points to resize ovals.
- Click and drag ovals to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate ovals. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition ovals. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of ovals.
- Hold down Ctrl to create ovals from their center.
- Right-click ovals for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the **Oval Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:
  - **Fill Color** determines the fill color of ovals.
  - **Stroke Color** determines the color of oval borders.
  - **Border Style** determines the style of oval borders.
  - **Border Width** determines the width of oval borders.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in ovals.
- **Blend Mode** determines how ovals blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Oval Tool remains selected after an oval has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several ovals consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating an oval.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Oval Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create ovals on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the Oval Tool Properties pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for ovals, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select styles. The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized oval styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Oval icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
- The **Commenting** section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Polygon Line Tool

Click **Polygon Line Tool** to add interactive polygon lines to documents:

![Polygon Line Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Polygon Line Tool*

When the **Polygon Line Tool** is selected, click to designate the starting point of the first line. Then move the pointer to the next desired location and click to designate the end of the first line and the beginning of the next line. Repeat this process until the final point of the desired shape is reached and then double-click to complete the line. Detailed below are examples of the tool:
The upper polygon line has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the outer control points to resize polygon lines.
- Click and drag the inner control points to reposition them.
- Click and drag polygon lines to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate polygon lines. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition polygon lines. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of polygon lines.
- Right-click polygon lines for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the Polygon Line Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - Fill Color determines the fill color of the Line Starting/Ending Styles, detailed below, when closed-shape options are used.
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- **Stroke Color** determines the color of polygon line borders.
- **Border Style** determines the style of polygon line borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of polygon line borders.
- **Line Starting Style** determines the style at the start of polygon lines.
- **Line Ending Style** determines the style at the end of polygon lines.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in polygon lines.
- **Blend Mode** determines how polygon lines blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Polygon Line Tool remains selected after a polygon line has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several polygon lines consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a polygon line.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Polygon Line Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create polygon lines on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the Polygon Line Tool Properties pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for polygon lines, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select styles. The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized polygon line styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Polyline icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
- The **Commenting** section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Polygon Tool

Click **Polygon Tool** to add interactive polygons to documents:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Polygon Tool](image)

When the **Polygon Tool** is selected, click to designate the first point of the polygon, then move the pointer to the next location and click to designate the second point. Repeat this process until the final point of the desired shape is reached and then double-click to complete the polygon:
The upper polygon has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the outer control points to resize polygons.
- Click and drag the inner control points to reposition them.
- Click and drag polygons to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate polygons. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition polygons. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of polygons.
- Right-click polygons for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- When the Polygon Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - Fill Color determines the fill color of polygons.
  - Stroke Color determines the color of polygon borders.
  - Border Style determines the style of polygon borders.
  - Border Width determines the width of polygon borders.
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- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in polygons.
- **Blend Mode** determines how polygons blend with underlying content. These options are explained here.
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Polygon Tool remains selected after a polygon has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several polygons consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a polygon.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Polygon Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create polygons on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click Properties to view/edit the Polygon Tool Properties pane. See here for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for polygons, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select styles. The Comment Styles Palette can be used to save customized polygon styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Polygon icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the Comment Styles Palette.
- The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Cloud Tool

Click **Cloud Tool** to add interactive cloud annotations to documents:

![Tools Tab Submenu. Cloud Tool](image)

When the **Cloud Tool** is selected, the pointer is with a crosshairs icon. Click to designate the starting point of the annotation. Drag the crosshairs to the location at which the first line is to be made. Click again to define the first line of the annotation. Repeat the process until the desired shape is complete and then double-click to define the final point:
The upper cloud annotation has just been placed, which means editing options are enabled:

- Click and drag the outer control points to resize cloud annotations.
- Click and drag the inner control points to reposition them.
- Click and drag cloud annotations to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate cloud annotations. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition cloud annotations. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of cloud annotations.
- Right-click cloud annotations for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- When the **Cloud Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:  
  - **Fill Color** determines the fill color of cloud annotations.
- **Stroke Color** determines the color of cloud annotation borders.
- **Border Style** determines the style of cloud annotation borders.
- **Border Width** determines the width of cloud annotation borders.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in cloud annotations.
- **Blend Mode** determines how cloud annotations blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
- **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Cloud Tool** remains selected after a cloud annotation has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several cloud annotations consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a cloud annotation.
- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Cloud Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create cloud annotations on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
- Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Cloud Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
- Note that several default styles are available for cloud annotations, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized cloud annotation styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Cloud** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
- The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Stamp Tool

Click **Stamp Tool** to add stamps to documents:

When the **Stamp Tool** is selected, the active stamp will be displayed beneath the pointer. Move the pointer to the desired location and click to add stamps:
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Figure 2. Sample Stamp

- Click and drag the yellow control points to resize stamps. Please note that stamp proportions are constrained.
- Click and drag stamps to reposition them.
- Click and drag the green control point to rotate stamps. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition stamps. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of stamps.
- Right-click stamps for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the Stamp Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - Stroke Color determines the color of pop-up notes associated with stamps. (The color of default stamps is fixed and can only be adjusted after stamps have been flattened. However, new stamps can be created as desired - see below).
  - Opacity determines the level of transparency in stamps.
  - Keep Selected determines whether or not the Stamp Tool remains selected after a stamp has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several stamps consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-
XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a stamp.

- **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Stamp Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create stamps on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

- Click Properties to view/edit the Stamp Tool Properties pane. See here for information on tool properties.

- The Commenting section of the Preferences dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

Click the arrow beneath the Stamp icon in the Shortcut Toolbar to access the Stamps pane, which details all default and custom stamps:
- Click to select stamps. They will then be displayed with the pointer. Click again to add stamps to the active document.
- Click Stamps Palette to open the Stamps Palette, which is a detached version of the Stamps pane. The following options are available:
  - Click the Zoom In and Zoom Out icons to zoom in on/out from available stamps.
  - Click Add New for stamp creation options:
    - Click Add New Stamp from File to create a stamp from a document saved on the local computer. The Open Files dialog box will open. Select a file and click Open. The file will be displayed in the Add New Stamp dialog box, which is detailed in (figure 4).
    - Click New Stamp from Selection to create a stamp from selected content in the active document.
• Click **New Stamp from Active Document** to create a new stamp from the active document.
• Click **New Stamp from Clipboard** to create a new stamp from the current clipboard content.
• Click **Rename/Delete** to rename/delete selected stamps. Note that the default stamps cannot be renamed/deleted.
- Use the **Name** text box, or click the folder icon, to select a file to use as the stamp.
- The **Page Range** options determine the pages of the file that will be used for the stamp:
  - Select **All** to use all the pages of the file.
• Select **Current Page** to use only the current page.
• Select **Pages** to specify pages from the file. See [here](#) for further information. Note that if more than one page is selected then a new stamp will be created for each page.
• Enter a name in the **Stamp Title** text box. Click the blue icon to include **macros** as desired.
• Use the **Target Collection** menu to determine the collection in which the new stamp will be located.
• Click **Add New** to create a new stamp collection.

Click **OK** to create new stamps.

Please note the following:

• Images are usually in raster format and will pixellate if zoomed to a high degree. Therefore it is advisable to create stamps from pre-sized images. (Vector-based images do not experience this issue).
• If a transparent background is desired for stamps then a suitable image format must be used. The formats ***.gif** and ***.png** support transparency but ***.jpg** and ***.pdf** do not. N.b. **Microsoft Paint** does not handle ***.png** transparency well, but most modern graphics programs, such as **GIMP**, are compatible with ***.png** transparency. A free **GIMP** download is available [here](#).
• PDF files that contain transparent images/objects without backgrounds (such as scanned signatures) can also be used to create transparent stamps - empty space on the page will be ignored.

If **PDF-XChange Editor Plus** has been purchased, then the additional features below are also available:

**Add Dynamic Elements to Stamps**

Follow the steps below to add JavaScript to stamps:

1. Move to the **Stamps Palette**.
2. Click **Add New Stamp from File**:
3. Select the desired file, then follow the steps outlined beneath (figure 4) to create and save a new stamp.

4. Close PDF-XChange Editor.

5. Open the file that contains the stamp. Note that the default folder is %appdata%\Tracker Software\PDFXEditor\3.0 and all custom stamps are stored in the same file.

6. Move the file to the desktop. (This is a necessary step due to encoding parameters - if it is not included then the changes cannot be saved).

7. Open the file in PDF-XChange Editor.

8. Use the Form Toolbar to add a text field to the stamp. (If you want the borders of the text field to be invisible then set the stroke color to None. The stroke color setting is available in the Properties Toolbar when the text field is selected).

9. Click Select Fields in the Form Toolbar, then right-click the text field and click Properties in the submenu. The Properties pane will open.
10. Scroll down to the **Value Calculation** property, then select **Custom Action** in the **Calculation** dropdown menu. The entry *‘Calculate action / Run a JavaScript’* will appear at the bottom of the **Properties** pane:

![Figure 6. Dynamic Stamp Creation](image)

11. Click the ellipsis icon (three dots) on the right of the *‘Calculate action / Run a JavaScript’* property. The **Edit Action: “Run a JavaScript”** dialog box will open.

12. Enter the desired JavaScript and click **OK**.

13. Save the file and close **PDF-XChange Editor**.

14. Return the stamp file to its original destination folder. The updated stamp will then be available in the specified stamp collection.

For example, entering the following JavaScript returns the time and date when the stamp is added to the document:

```
Last Updated: 18/11/2019
```
var d = new Date;
event.value = util.printd("yyyy/mm/dd/ HH:MM:ss", d);

Please note that form content is evaluated immediately before stamps are placed and flattened immediately afterwards. The software will recognize it as a stamp, as opposed to a form field, despite the fact that it includes form field elements. Note that only the text field and barcode forms are compatible with this process - the other form fields do not retain their functionality.

Add Numbering to Stamps

Follow the steps below to add numbering to stamps:

1. Use the steps detailed above to create a dynamic stamp and enter the following JavaScript at step twelve:

   if (event.source.forReal && (event.source.stampName == "TCS9kAUOm4Abn56QZCOZE3"))
   {
     var counter = 0;
     if (typeof event.source.source.info.stampCounter != undefined)
     {
       counter = event.source.source.info.stampCounter;
     }
     counter++;
     event.source.source.info.stampCounter = counter;
     event.value = counter;
   }
   else
   {
     event.value = 1;
   }

2. Save the file and close PDF-XChange Editor.

3. Return the stamp to its destination folder. (It should have been moved to the desktop at step seven of the process - see steps for adding dynamic elements to stamps, above).

4. Open PDF-XChange Editor and create a new document.

5. Place the stamp in the new document and select it.

6. Press Ctrl+J. The JavaScript Console will open. Enter the following JavaScript:
this.selectedAnnots[0].AP

7. Click **Run** in the **JavaScript Console**.

8. An alphanumeric string will appear in the lower section of the **JavaScript Console**. Copy this string to the clipboard.

9. Close **PDF-XChange Editor**.

10. Move the stamp from its destination folder to the desktop.

11. Open **PDF-XChange Editor** and open the stamp.

12. Click **Select Fields** in the **Form Toolbar**, then select the text field of the stamp.

13. Click **Properties** in the **Edit** tab.

14. Under the **Value Calculation** property, use the menu to select **Custom Action**. The entry **Calculate action / Run a JavaScript** will appear at the bottom of the **Properties** pane.

15. Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the **Calculate action / Run a JavaScript** property. The **Edit Action: ”Run a JavaScript”** dialog box will open.

16. Replace the alphanumeric string on line one of the **JavaScript Console** with the alphanumeric string in the clipboard.

17. Save the file and close **PDF-XChange Editor**.

18. Move the file from the desktop to its original folder. The stamp will then feature incremental numbering when it is placed in documents.

A complete list of JavaScript-supported actions is available [here](#).
Pencil Tool

Click **Pencil Tool** to add freehand annotations to documents:

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Pencil Tool*

When the **Pencil Tool** is selected, click and drag the pointer to create freehand annotations:
Figure 2. Pencil Tool Example

- Click to select completed freehand annotations, as in the example on the upper left in (figure 2). The following options are then available:
- Click and drag the control points to resize freehand annotations.
- Click and drag freehand annotations to reposition them. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate freehand annotations. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition freehand annotations. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of document content.
- Right-click freehand annotations for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the Pencil Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - Stroke Color determines the color of freehand annotations.
  - Border Style determines the style of freehand annotations.
  - Border Width determines the width of freehand annotations.
• **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in freehand annotations.
• **Blend Mode** determines how freehand annotations blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).

  [here](#)

• **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Pencil Tool** remains selected after a freehand annotation has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several freehand annotations consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a freehand annotation.

• **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Pencil Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create freehand annotations on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

  • Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Pencil Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

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• Note that several default styles are available for pencil annotations, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized pencil styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Pencil** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

• The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.

**Eraser Tool**

The **Eraser Tool** is used to erase pencil lines. When it is enabled the pointer becomes a white circle. Move the circle to the section of the pencil line to be erased and click to erase. Alternatively, click and drag the pointer to erase content continuously. When the eraser tool is enabled the following options are available in the **Properties Toolbar**: 

• **Diameter** determines the diameter of the eraser.

• **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Eraser Tool** remains selected after a single use. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used several times consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after a single use of the tool.

• Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Eraser Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
Click **File Attachment Tool** to embed files into documents and insert an icon that links to the embedded content:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, File Attachment Tool](image)

When the **File Attachment Tool** is selected, the pointer is replaced with a crosshairs icon. Move the crosshairs to the desired location and click to create the link. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired file and click **Open**. The link to the embedded file will then appear in the document:
Figure 2. File Attachment Tool Example

- Click and drag the file attachment icon to reposition it. Alternatively, the arrow keys can be used for this purpose. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment when using the arrow keys.
- Double-click the file attachment icon to open the attached file.
- Right-click file attachment icons for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
- When the File Attachment Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - Fill Color determines the file attachment icon color.
  - Icon determines the file attachment icon used for the tool.
  - Opacity determines the level of transparency in the file attachment icon.
  - Keep Selected determines whether or not the File Attachment Tool remains selected after a file attachment is created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several file attachments consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a file attachment.
• **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **File Attachment Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create file attachments on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

• Click **Properties** to view/edit the **File Attachment Tool Properties** pane. See **here** for information on tool properties.

• Note that several default styles are available for file attachment icons, as detailed in *(figure 1)*. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized file attachment icon styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **File Attachment** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.

• The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Click **Sound Tool** to add audio content to documents:

When the **Sound Tool** is selected, the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Move the icon to the desired location and click the mouse. The *Edit Action: "Play a Sound"* dialog box will open:
- Click the **Browse** button to select a sound file from the local computer. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired file and click **Open**. A link will appear in the document as detailed in *(figure 3)*. The selected sound file will play when the link is clicked.
- Alternatively, click the record button to record a sound with a microphone. Click again to finish the recording. Click the play/stop buttons to review the sound, and use the slider to adjust the volume. Click **OK** when the desired sound has been recorded. The link will then appear in the document:
• Click and drag the icon to reposition it. Alternatively, the arrow keys can be used for this purpose. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment when using the arrow keys.
• Double-click icons to open the associated sound file.
• Right-click icons for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
• When the **Sound Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**: [63]
  • **Fill Color** determines the icon color.
  • **Icon** determines the icon used for the tool.
  • **Opacity** determines the level of icon transparency.
  • **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Sound Tool** remains selected after an attachment has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several icons consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the the designated default tool immediately after creating the icon.
  • **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Sound Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create icons on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
  • Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Sound Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
  • Note that several default styles are available for sound tool icons, as detailed in *(figure 1).* Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized sound tool icon styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Sound Tool** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
  • The **Commenting** section of the **Preferences** dialog box can be used to view/edit preferences for comments.
Measuring Tools

Hover over **Measuring Tools** to open the following submenu:

![Tool Submenu](image)

_Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Measuring Tools_

The measuring tools are used to measure specific document dimensions:

- The **Distance Tool** is used to measure the distance between two points. See [here](#) for further information.
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- The **Perimeter Tool** is used to measure the distance between multiple points. See [here](#) for further information.
- The **Area Tool** is used to measure the area within designated borders. See [here](#) for further information.
- The **Set Scale** feature is used to create/select/manage scales used in conjunction with the measuring tools. See [here](#) for further information.
- Click **Export Measurements to CSV File** feature to export all measurements contained in the active document to file.

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Click **Distance Tool** to measure the distance between two points:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Distance Tool](image)

When the **Distance Tool** is selected the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Click to designate a starting point for the measured distance. A red arrow will appear and the **Distance Tool** information box will be displayed in the lower right corner of the active window. Drag the crosshairs to the desired finishing point. The distance from the start point will be displayed as the pointer is moved, and further details...
will be displayed in the information box. Click to determine the measured distance. The baseline is then established. Click again to set the baseline as the final measured distance. Alternatively, move the pointer up/down to reposition the baseline at a parallel position within the document and create perpendicular leader lines at either end. Click to complete the process:

**Figure 2. Distance Tool Example**

- The **Distance Tool** calculates and displays distances measured according to the active scale. The **Scale** option in the [Properties Toolbar](#) is used to determine the active scale. The scale reference figure will be displayed above the line. Right-click lines and select **Open Pop-Up Note** to customize the appearance of the scale reference figure.
- Click and drag the control points at either end of the baseline to adjust the length of the adjoining perpendicular lines.
- Click and drag the second pair of control points to adjust the length of the baseline and the angle of the annotation.
- Click and drag lines to reposition them.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition lines. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of lines.
- Hold down Shift to create lines at increments of fifteen degrees.
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- Right-click lines for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- When the **Distance Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:
  - **Fill Color** determines the fill color of the **Line Starting/Ending Styles**, detailed below, when closed-shape options are used.
  - **Stroke Color** determines the color of lines.
  - **Border Style** determines the style of lines.
  - **Border Width** determines the size of the **Line Starting/Ending Styles**, detailed below.
  - **Line Starting Style** determines the style used at the start of lines.
  - **Line Ending Style** determines the style used at the end of lines.
  - **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in lines.
  - **Blend Mode** determines how lines blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).
  - The **Scale** number boxes can be used to determine the scale of selected objects. Alternatively, click **Scale** to select/manage predefined scales or **calibrate a new scale**.
  - **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Distance Tool** remains selected after a line has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several lines consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating the line.
  - **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Distance Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create lines on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
  - Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Distance Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.
  - Note that several default styles are available for distance tool annotations, as detailed in **(figure 1)**. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized distance line styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Distance Tool** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
Click **Perimeter Tool** to measure the distance between multiple points:

![Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu. Perimeter Tool](image)

When the **Perimeter Tool** is selected the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Click to designate a starting point from which to measure. A red line will appear and the **Perimeter Tool** information box will be displayed in the lower right corner of the active window. This box will update as the tool is used. Drag the crosshairs to the location to which the first measurement is to be made. Click again to define
the first line of the perimeter. Repeat the process until the perimeter is complete and then double-click to define the final point. When a final point is established a pop-up note is created automatically for the perimeter line and further options are enabled:

![Perimeter Tool Example](image)

**Figure 2. Perimeter Tool Example**

- The **Perimeter Tool** calculates the distance measured according to the active scale. The **Scale** option in the **Properties Toolbar** is used to determine the active scale.
- Click and drag the perimeter line to reposition it. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the outer control points to resize the perimeter line.
- Click and drag the inner control points to reshape the perimeter line.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate the perimeter line. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition perimeter lines. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed to assist in the precise placement of perimeter lines.
- Hold down Shift to create perimeter lines at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Right-click perimeter lines for further options. See for an explanation of these options.
• When the Perimeter Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:

  • **Fill Color** determines the fill color of the Line Starting/Ending Styles, detailed below, when closed-shape options are used.
  • **Stroke Color** determines the color of lines.
  • **Border Style** determines the style of lines.
  • **Border Width** determines the size of the Line Starting/Ending Styles, detailed below.
  • **Line Starting Style** determines the style used at the start of lines.
  • **Line Ending Style** determines the style used at the end of lines.
  • **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in lines.
  • **Blend Mode** determines how lines blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here].
  • The **Scale** number boxes can be used to determine the scale of selected objects. Alternatively, click **Scale** to select/manage predefined scales or [calibrate a new scale].
  • **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Perimeter Tool remains selected after a line has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several lines consecutively. If this option is not enabled then PDF-XChange Editor will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating the line.
  • **Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the Perimeter Tool. When Exclusive Mode is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create perimeter lines on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.
  • Click **Properties** to view/edit the Perimeter Tool Properties pane. See [here] for information on tool properties.
  • Note that several default styles are available for perimeter tool annotations, as detailed in (figure 1). Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized perimeter line styles for subsequent use. Right-click the Perimeter Tool icon in the Comment Toolbar to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
Area Tool

Click **Area Tool** to measure the area within designated lines:

When the **Area Tool** is selected the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Click to designate a starting point from which to measure. A red line will appear and the **Area Tool** information box will be displayed in the lower right corner of the active window. This box will update as the tool is used. Drag the crosshairs to the location to which the first measurement is to be made. Click again to define the
first line of the area. Repeat the process until the area is complete and then double-click to define the final point. When a final point is established a pop-up note is created automatically for the area line and further options are enabled:

- The **Area Tool** calculates the distance measured and area according to the active scale. The **Scale** option in the **Properties Toolbar** is used to determine the active scale.
- Click and drag the area shape to reposition it. The circle at the center can also be used for this purpose.
- Click and drag the outer control points to resize the area shape.
- Click and drag the inner control points to reshape the area shape.
- Click and drag the green control point at the top to rotate the area shape. Hold down Shift to rotate at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Use the arrow keys to reposition area shapes. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment.
- Use the editing aids detailed here to assist in the precise placement of area shapes.
- Hold down Shift to create area lines at increments of fifteen degrees.
- Right-click area shapes for further options. See here for an explanation of these options.
When the **Area Tool** is selected, the following options are enabled in the **Properties Toolbar**:

- **Fill Color** determines the fill color of the area shape.
- **Stroke Color** determines the color of the area border.
- **Border Style** determines the style of the area border.
- **Border Width** determines the size of the **Line Starting/Ending Styles**, detailed below.
- **Line Starting Style** determines the style used at the start of area shapes.
- **Line Ending Style** determines the style used at the end of area shapes.
- **Opacity** determines the level of transparency in the area shape.
- **Blend Mode** determines how area shapes blend with underlying content. These options are explained [here](#).

The **Scale** number boxes can be used to determine the scale of selected objects. Alternatively, click **Scale** to select/manage predefined scales or **calibrate a new scale**.

**Keep Selected** determines whether or not the **Area Tool** remains selected after an area shape has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several area shapes consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating an area shape.

**Exclusive Mode** simplifies the process of using the **Area Tool**. When **Exclusive Mode** is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create area shapes at locations that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When **Exclusive Mode** is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.

Click **Properties** to view/edit the **Area Tool Properties** pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

Note that several default styles are available for area shape annotations, as detailed in **(figure 7)**. Click to select styles. The **Comment Styles Palette** can be used to save customized area shape styles for subsequent use. Right-click the **Area Tool** icon in the **Comment Toolbar** to view existing styles and/or access the **Comment Styles Palette**.
Set Scale

Hover over **Set Scale** to view scale options. These options are used in conjunction with the measuring tools:

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu: Set Scale*

The following options are available:
- Existing scales are detailed in the pane. Click to activate scales.
- Click **Manage Measurements** to view/edit/clone/delete scales.
- Click **Calibrate Measurement** to calibrate a new measurement. The pointer will become a crosshairs icon. Click and drag to determine a calibration distance. The **Calibration** dialog box will open:

![Calibration dialog box](image)

**Figure 3.** Calibration Dialog Box
• The distance determined in the document is detailed in the upper number box. Use the dropdown menu to select the desired units of measurement.
• Use the lower number box to determine the scale. Enter a numerical value and the desired units of measurement for the scale.
• Name and describe the calibration. The scale is detailed in **Scale** pane.

Click **OK** to save the calibration.

The keyboard shortcut to enable this feature is Ctrl+Shift+C.
Link Tools

Hover over **Link Tools** to open the following submenu:

![Tools Tab Submenu, Link Creation Tool](image)

*Figure 1. Tools Tab Submenu, Link Creation Tool*

These tools are used to create/remove weblinks:
Link Creation Tool

The Link Creation Tool is used to create links. When it is selected the pointer becomes a crosshairs icon. Click and drag to determine the location and size of the link:

- Click and drag the yellow control points to resize links.
- Click and drag link boxes to reposition them. Alternatively, the arrow keys can be used for this purpose. Hold down Shift to move at an increased increment when using the arrow keys.
- Use the editing aids detailed [here](#) to assist in the precise placement of links.
- Right-click links for further options. See [here](#) for an explanation of these options.
- When the Link Creation Tool is selected, the following options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar:
  - **Stroke Color** determines the color of the link border.
  - **Border Style** determines the style of the link border.
  - **Border Width** determines the width of the link border.
  - **Highlight Mode** determines the visual effect when the link is clicked.
• **Keep Selected** determines whether or not the Link Tool remains selected after a link has been created. If this option is enabled then the tool will remain selected and can be used to create several links consecutively. If this option is not enabled then **PDF-XChange Editor** will revert to the designated default tool immediately after creating a link.

• Click **Properties** to view/edit the Link Creation Tool Properties pane. See [here](#) for information on tool properties.

The options in the **Browse for Link Target** dialog box are as follows:

• If the **Ignore Zoom Level** box is selected then **PDF-XChange Editor** will ignore the document zoom level when links are created. If this box is cleared then the zoom level will update to the zoom level that was present at the time of link creation when links are used.

• If the **Use Zoom Mode** box is selected then **PDF-XChange Editor** will ignore the active zoom mode when links are created. If this box is cleared then the zoom mode will update to the mode that was active at the time of link creation when links are used.

• Move to the desired link location and zoom level, then click **Set Link** to create the link.

• Click **Advanced** to determine advanced settings for links. The following dialog box will open:

![Edit Action List Dialog Box](#)

Figure 3. Edit Actions List Dialog Box

• Click **Add** to add actions to the list. Actions will be executed when the link is selected. All available actions are detailed below.

• Select actions and click **Edit** to adjust their settings.

• Click the arrow icons to move selected actions up or down in the list.

• Click **Remove** to remove selected actions from the list.
• Note that it is possible to add multiple actions to the list. The order of actions in the **Edit**
  **Action List** dialog box determines the order in which they are performed.

The following actions are available:

• **Run a JavaScript**

• **Go to Page Options** (Go To a Page in the Document, Go To a Page in Another Document and Go To a Page in an Embedded Document).

• **Open a Web Link**

• **Open a File**

• **Execute a Command**

• **Reset a Form**

• **Submit a Form**

• **Play a Sound**

• **Show/Hide a Field**

• **Read an Article**

Please note that the **Link Creation Tool** must be selected in order to edit/delete links. It is also possible to press Ctrl+A in order to select all links in the current document.

**Create Web-Links from URLs**

Click **Create Web-Links from URLs** to convert existing page text URLs into clickable hyperlinks.

**Remove All Web-Links**

Click **Remove All Web-Links** to remove existing hyperlinks from page text URLs.

Please note that it is necessary to disable the **Create links from URLs in page text** preference in the **Page Text** preferences for these features to operate in the correct manner:
Figure 4. Create Links from URLs in Page Text Preference Disabled
Run a JavaScript

This action executes JavaScript when links are clicked:

![Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Run a JavaScript](image)

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Enter the desired JavaScript and then click **OK** to save.
Go To Page Options

There are three **Go To Page** options available for links:

![Go To Page Options](image)

**Figure 1.** Edit Action List Dialog Box. Go to Page Options

**Go To a Page in the Document**

This action moves the main window to a different document page when links are clicked. When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Add Action: "Go to a Page in the Document" Dialog Box

- Click the plus/minus icons to zoom in on/out from the current view.
- Click **Use Current View** to use the view currently displayed in the preview pane as the link destination. Note that this option can be used to link to locations on the same page as the parent link.
- Alternatively, use the **Destination Properties** options to select a page. Enter a page number or use a **Named Destination** to determine the destination:
  - Select the **Use Page Number** option button to specify a page number as the link location. The figures entered in the X and Y boxes determine the location on the horizontal and vertical planes respectively. When this option is used it is also possible to determine the zoom level, or use a rectangle to designate the destination:
    - Select the **Use Zoom Level** button to determine the level of zoom used in the link. Use **Inherit Zoom** to save the zoom level used when creating the link.
    - Select the **Use Rectangle** button to use a rectangle as the link location. Enter values for the **Width** and **Height** as desired.
- Alternatively, select the **Use Named Destination** option button to select a named destination to use as the link location, or click **Add Current View** to create a new named destination from the current view.

Click **OK** to save settings.

**Go To a Page in Another Document**

This action moves the main window to a page in a different document when links are clicked. When it is selected the **Open Files** dialog box will be displayed. Select the file and click **Open**. The **Add Action**: “Go to a Page in Another Document” dialog box will open. The settings are the same as those detailed in *(figure 2).*

**Go To a Page in an Embedded Document**

This action moves the main window to a different page in an embedded document when links are clicked. When it is selected the **Choose Root Document** dialog box will be displayed. Select either **This document** or **Choose external document**. (When an external document is used, enter the name of the document in the text box or click the folder icon to select a document from the local computer). The **Add Action**: “Go to a Page in Embedded Document” dialog box will open. The settings are the same as those detailed in *(figure 2).*
Open a Web Link

This action launches a web link in the default browser when links are clicked:

![Edit Action List Dialog Box. Open a Web Link](image)

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Enter the desired URL in the text box and then click **OK** to save the link.

![Add Action: “Open a Web Link” Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 2.** Add Action: “Open a Web Link” Dialog Box
Open a File

This action opens a file when links are clicked:

![Edit Action List Dialog Box. Open a File](image)

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Add Action: "Open a File" Dialog Box

- Enter the name of the file to be opened in the File Name text box, or click Browse to select a file from the local computer.
- Use the Open In menu to select where the file opens.
- Select either Open or Print in the Operation dropdown menu to determine whether the designated file opens or prints when the link is clicked.
- Enter the directory of the file in the Directory text box, or click Browse to select a folder from the local computer.
- Use the Parameters text box to include further parameters of the default program used to open the file. Available parameters depend on the command line options available to the program used.

Click OK to save settings.
Execute a Command

This action executes a command when links are clicked:

![Image of PDF-XChange Editor interface]

*Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Execute a Command*

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Click the dropdown arrow for a list of available commands. Select commands and then click **OK** to add them to the link. Note that multiple commands can be added as desired.
Reset a Form

This action resets form data when links are clicked:

![Edit Action List Dialog Box. Reset a Form]

Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Reset a Form

Form data is information entered into fillable forms, such as those that the Form Toolbar can be used to create in PDF-XChange Editor. The following dialog box opens when this action is selected:
Figure 2. Add Action: "Reset a Form" Dialog Box

- Click **Select All** to select all forms.
- Click **Deselect All** to deselect all forms.
- Click **Invert Selection** to invert the current form selection.

Click **OK** to save settings.
Submit a Form

This action sends specified form data to a URL when links are clicked:

![Submit a Form](image)

*Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Submit a Form*

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Figure 1. Add Action: "Submit a Form" Dialog Box

- Enter the desired URL in the text box. The specified form data will be sent to this address when the link is clicked.
- All document forms are detailed in the **Form-Field Selection** pane. Use the check boxes to select forms to be sent when the link is clicked.
  - Click **Select All** to select all forms.
  - Click **Deselect All** to deselect all forms.
  - Click **Invert Selection** to invert the current form selection.
  - Select the **Exclude Selected** and **Include Empty Fields** boxes as desired.
- Use the **Export Format** options to determine export format options:
  - Use the **Type** dropdown menu to determine the format of submitted content.
  - Select the **Convert dates to standard format** box as desired.
  - Select the **Field Data, Comments** and/or **Incremental changes** boxes as desired. Selected elements will be included in the submitted content.
Click **OK** to save settings.

Note that the [Form Toolbar](#) can be used to create/edit forms to use in conjunction with this feature.
Play a Sound

This action plays a sound when links are clicked:

![Image of PDF-XChange Editor interface showing the 'Edit Action List Dialog Box. Play a Sound'](image)

*Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Play a Sound*

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Figure 1. Add Action: "Play a Sound" Dialog Box

- Click the **Browse** button to select a sound file from the local computer. The **Open Files** dialog box will open. Select the desired file and click **Open**. The selected sound file will play when the link is clicked.
- Alternatively, click the record button to record a sound. Click again to finish the recording. Click the play and stop buttons to review the sound. Use the volume slider to adjust the volume of the sound.

Click **OK** to save the file.
Show/Hide a Field

This action is used to show/hide form fields when links are clicked:

![Edit Action List Dialog Box. Show/Hide a Field](image)

Figure 1. Edit Action List Dialog Box. Show/Hide a Field

When it is selected the following dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Add Action: "Show/Hide a Field" Dialog Box

All document forms are detailed in the dialog box.

- Select forms and then click either Show or Hide as desired.
- Click Select All to select all forms.
- Click Deselect All to deselect all forms.
- Click Invert Selection to invert the current form selection.

Click OK to save settings.
Read an Article

This action is not currently available. It will be available in future builds.
6.8 Bookmarks

When the **Bookmarks** tab is selected, the following options are available:

![Bookmarks Tab Submenu](image)

**Figure 1. Bookmarks Tab Submenu**

The options in this submenu relate to bookmarks and bookmark functionality:

- **Generate Bookmarks from Page Text**
The **Bookmarks Guide** is a useful resource for bookmarks and bookmark operations. Additionally, please note that several of the keyboard shortcuts relate to bookmarks. See [here](#) for a comprehensive list of available keyboard shortcuts.
Generate Bookmarks from Page Text

Click **Generate Bookmarks from Page Text** to create bookmark generators that create bookmarks from document text:

- Click **Add** to add a new bookmark generator. The dialog box displayed in *(figure 3)* will open.
- Click **Edit** to edit the selected bookmark generator.
- Click **Remove** to remove the selected bookmark generator.
- The **Page Range** options determine the pages included in the generation of bookmarks:
  - Select **All** to use all document pages.
  - Select **Selected Pages** to use the pages currently selected in the Thumbnails pane.
  - Select **Current Page** to use only the current page.
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- Use the **Pages** box to determine specific pages/page ranges. Further information on the specification of page ranges is available [here](#).
- Use the **Subset** option to select **All Pages**, **Odd Pages Only** or **Even Pages Only** for specified page ranges.
- Select the **Ignore text that contains stop words** box as desired. Text containing stop words will be excluded from the bookmark generation process when this option is enabled. Click the ellipsis icon to view/edit the list of stop words.
- Select the **Ignore consecutive duplicate bookmarks** box to prevent the creation of consecutive identical bookmarks.
- Click the **Settings** dropdown arrow to save/manage/delete bookmark generator settings:

![Generate Bookmarks from Page Text Dialog Box, Save/Manage/Delete Options](image)

**Figure 2.** Generate Bookmarks from Page Text Dialog Box, Save/Manage/Delete Options

- Click **Save Current Settings** to save the current settings as a profile for subsequent use.
- Click **Delete** to delete the current profile.
- Click **Manage** to manage saved profiles. The **Manage Presets** dialog box will open:
Figure 2. Manage Presets Dialog Box

- Click **Edit** to edit selected profiles.
- Click **Clone** to clone selected profiles.
- Use the up and down arrows to move selected profiles up or down in the list.
- Click **Delete** to delete selected profiles.
- Click **Import** to import profiles from a saved file.
- Click **Export** to export profiles to file.
The options selected in the **Bookmark Generation Properties** dialog box determine the text used to generate bookmarks, and the style of the generated bookmarks:

**Text Matching Options**

These options determine text used in the generation of bookmarks according to font, size and color:

- Select the **Font Names** box to include text of specific fonts in the generation of bookmarks. Click **Add** to add fonts to the list, **Add Custom** to add custom fonts, or **Remove** to remove selected fonts.
- Select the **Font Size** box to include text of a specific size in the generation of bookmarks. Use the number boxes to determine the **Size**, **Tolerance** and **Units** of text included in the generation of bookmarks. The **Tolerance** value determines the degree to which selected text can differ from the specified **Font Size** and remain included in the generation of bookmarks.
- Select the **Text Color** box to include text of a specific color in the generation of bookmarks, then select a color in the dropdown menu.
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- Click **Get Style from Selected Text** to determine the font settings detailed above according to text currently selected in the active document. Use the **Select Text** tool to select text for this purpose.

- The option selected in the **Match Text Case** dropdown menu determines text used in the generation of bookmarks according to text case:
  - Select **No Restrictions** to include text of all cases in the generation of bookmarks.
  - Select **All Characters Are Capital** to include only upper-case text in the generation of bookmarks.
  - Select **First Character is Capital** to include only text that starts with a capital letter in the generation of bookmarks.
  - Select **First Character is Digit** to include only text that starts with a digit in the generation of bookmarks.

- Select the **Allow multiline bookmark titles** box to allow bookmark titles to exceed one line in length. This is useful in cases where it is not possible to shorten bookmark titles.

- Select the **Match Text Pattern** box to specify a sequence of words that document text must match in order to be included in the generation of bookmarks. Enter the desired text pattern in the text box.

- Select the **Match text case** box to include only text that matches the case of the text entered in the **Match Text Pattern** box. If this box is not selected then all matching text will be included regardless of its case.

- Select the **Limit bookmark titles to matching pattern only** box to determine that only text matching the specified pattern will be included in the generation of bookmarks.

**Resulting Appearance**

These options determine characteristics of generated bookmarks:

- Use the **Text Color** menu to determine the text color of bookmarks.
- Use the **Text Style** menu to determine the text style of bookmarks.
- Use the **Zoom** menu to determine the zoom level when bookmarks are clicked. Select **Inherit** to use the current zoom level.
- Select the **Show expanded** box to expand all generated bookmarks.

**Title Formatting**

These options are used to format bookmark titles:
• Select a **Text Case** option to determine the text case of generated bookmark titles.
• Select the **Search and replace bookmark title with text patterns** box to search for specific text in bookmark titles and replace it with customized text:
  • Enter the text to be replaced in the **Search Pattern** text box.
  • Enter the replacement text in the **Replace Pattern** text box.
  • Select the **Match text case** box as desired.
• Select the **Insert text before each title** box to add text before bookmark titles. Enter the desired text in the text box.
• Select the **Add text after each title** box to add text after bookmark titles. Enter the desired text in the text box.
• The **Leading Numbers** dropdown menu is used to add/remove/retain leading numbers for bookmarks. Select **No Change**, **Add** or **Remove** as desired. If leading numbers are being added then use the **Use** dropdown menu to select **Numbers**, **Letters** or **Roman Numerals**.
• Use the **Maximum Title Length** text box to set the maximum number of characters for generated bookmarks.
• Select the **Remove duplicate spaces** box to remove instances of adjacent blank characters.
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- Select the **Replace line breaks with spaces** box to use spaces instead of line breaks for bookmarks.

Click **OK** to generate bookmarks.
Bookmark Every Nth Page

Click **Bookmark Every Nth Page** to create bookmarks from pages at intervals of a user-defined value:

- Enter a figure in the number box to determine the interval at which bookmarks are created. For example, if 2 is entered then a bookmark will be created from every second document page.
- Enter a value for the **Bookmark title template** as desired. This value determines the template for bookmark titles. Click the blue icon to add macros. The default value is 'Page %[Page]', which will result in the bookmark titles 'Page 1', 'Page 2', 'Page 3' etc.
- The page range options for bookmark generation are as follows:
  - Select **All** to include all pages.
  - Select **Selected Pages** to include only the pages selected in the Thumbnails pane.
  - Select **Current Page** to include only the current page.
• Use the **Pages** box to specify a custom range. Instructions on the specification of page ranges are available [here](#).

Click **OK** to create bookmarks.
Generate Bookmarks from Table of Contents

Click **Generate Bookmarks from Table of Contents** to create bookmarks from an existing table of contents. Please note that the table of contents must first be selected using the **Select Text Tool** for this feature to be available. When it is selected, the following dialog box will open:

- Select check boxes to enable/disable parameters.
- Use the **Choose separator type** dropdown menu to select a separator for bookmarks.
- Use the **Page Offset** box to set a page offset as desired.
- Click **Change Offsets** to adjust top and/or bottom offsets.

Click **OK** to generate bookmarks.
Generate Bookmarks from Text File

Click **Generate Bookmarks from Text File** to create bookmarks from a text file:

![Generate Bookmarks From Text File Dialog Box](image)

- Enter the name of the source text file in the **File Name** text box. Alternatively, click the ellipsis icon to select a file from the local computer. (Please note that the file used must be plain text (*.txt) format).
- Use the **Field delimiter** box to determine the field delimiter as required. **PDF-XChange Editor** will use the delimiter to define bookmarks in the source file.

Click **OK** to generate bookmarks.

Please note that the format of source files for this feature must be the same as that of files created using the **Export Bookmarks to Text File** feature.
Add Text to Bookmark Titles

Click **Add Text to Bookmark Titles** to add text to bookmark titles:

![Add Text to Bookmark Title Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Add Text to Bookmark Title Dialog Box**

- Use the **Add Prefix/Suffix** text boxes to add prefixes/suffixes to bookmark titles. Click the icon to add [macros](#).
- Select the **Remove excess spaces from original Bookmark Title** box to remove additional spaces from bookmark titles.
- Select either **All Bookmarks** or **Selected Bookmarks** in the **Use Bookmarks** dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are updated. Select bookmarks in the **Bookmarks** pane in order to use the **Selected Bookmarks** option.
• Select the **Process all bookmark levels** box to process all bookmark levels. Alternatively, clear the box and select a customized level. The number entered in the number box determines the level of bookmarks that are processed. Select the **Include all sub-levels** box to include all bookmark levels.

Click **OK** to add text to bookmarks.
Change Bookmark Case

Click **Change Bookmark Case** to edit the case of bookmark text:

![Change Bookmark Case Dialog Box](image)

*Figure 1. Change Bookmark Case Dialog Box*
- Select either All Bookmarks or Selected Bookmarks in the Use Bookmarks dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are updated. Select bookmarks in the Bookmarks pane in order to use the Selected Bookmarks option.
- Select the Include all sub-bookmarks box to include sub-bookmarks.
- Select an option from the Select Text Case option buttons to determine the new case for bookmark text.
- Select the Enter a custom list of words that will not be processed box to create/edit the list of words excluded from the process. Use the Add, Edit and Remove buttons to add, edit and remove words.

Click OK to update bookmark text.
Change Bookmarks Zoom Factor

Click **Change Bookmarks Zoom Factor** to edit the zoom factor of document bookmarks:

![Set Bookmark Zoom Type Dialog Box](image)

- Select an option in the **Zoom** dropdown menu to determine the new zoom level for bookmarks.
- Select the **Change Named Destinations used in Bookmarks** box to include named destinations in the operation.
- Select the **Change GoToR actions' zoom level** box to include links to other documents in the operation.
- Select the **Change GoToE actions' zoom level** box to include links to embedded documents in the operation.

Click **OK** to update the bookmark zoom settings.
Convert Named Destinations to Regular Destinations

Click **Convert Named Destinations to Regular Destinations** to convert named destinations into regular destinations. Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents that are created using the current view of the document at the time of their creation. They can be used in conjunction with **Bookmarks**, **Go To Page** actions and the **/Open** command line. Existing named destinations can be viewed in the **Named Destinations pane**. This feature converts named destinations into regular destinations, which means a different set of data is referenced to link to the destination. Named destinations use the current view at the time of their creation, whereas regular destinations use page numbers, page coordinates and either zoom level or a custom-sized rectangle. This means that regular destinations are not affected when document pages are moved or deleted, which is their main benefit in comparison to named destinations. When this feature is selected the following dialog box will open:

![Figure 1. Convert Named Destinations To Regular Destinations Dialog Box](image)

- Select either **All Bookmarks** or **Selected Bookmarks** in the **Use Bookmarks** dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are updated. Select bookmarks in the **Bookmarks** pane in order to use the **Selected Bookmarks** option.
- Select the **Include all sub-bookmarks** and **Remove converted named destinations from document** boxes as desired.

Click **OK** to convert named destinations to regular destinations.
Find and Replace Bookmark Text

Click **Find and Replace Bookmark Text** to locate and replace text in bookmark titles:

![Find and Replace Bookmark Text Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Find And Replace Bookmark Text Dialog Box**

- Enter the terms to be replaced in the **Find what** text box.
- Enter the replacement terms in the **Replace with** text box.
- Select the **Match case**, **Match whole word** and **Use regular expressions** boxes as desired. Further information on regular expressions is available [here](#).
- Select either **All Bookmarks** or **Selected Bookmarks** in the **Use Bookmarks** dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are updated. Select bookmarks in the [Bookmarks](#) pane in order to use the **Selected Bookmarks** option.
- Select the **Include all sub-bookmarks** box as desired.
Click **OK** to find and replace bookmark text.
Sort Bookmarks

Click **Sort Bookmarks** to sort existing document bookmarks:

![Sort Bookmarks Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Sort Bookmarks Dialog Box**

- Select either **Sort bookmarks by referencing page number** or **Sort bookmarks alphabetically** as desired.
- Select the **Sort all bookmarks levels** box to include all bookmark levels.
- Select the **Sort all bookmark levels** box as desired. Clear this box to customize the book levels sorted:
  - Use the **Select bookmark level to sort** dropdown menu to set the sorted bookmark level.
  - Select the **Sort child bookmarks** box to include child bookmarks in the sort.
  - Select the **Ignore text case** box to ignore the text case when the sort is performed.
  - Use the **Sorting type** dropdown menu to select either **Ascending** or **Descending** as the sort mode for bookmarks.

Click **OK** to sort bookmarks.
Validate Bookmarks

Click **Validate Bookmarks** to determine the validity of bookmarks. The **Validate Bookmarks** dialog box will open, which contains a list of bookmark elements that can be validated:
Figure 1. Validate Bookmarks Dialog Box

- Select boxes as desired to determine the elements of bookmarks to be validated.
- Click **Validate** to validate bookmarks. Bookmarks that fail validation are displayed in the pane. Select bookmarks in the pane and then click **Rename, Edit or Remove** as desired. If the option to edit bookmarks is selected then the **Action List** will be displayed for the bookmark. Use this list to determine the actions that take place when bookmarks are clicked. Note that the **Bookmarks** pane can also be used to view/edit the **Action List** for bookmarks. Right-click bookmarks in the pane and then click **Properties** to view bookmark properties. The **Bookmark Properties** pane will open. Existing bookmark actions are detailed in the **Actions** tab:

![Figure 2. Bookmark Properties Pane, Action Tab](image)

Click the ellipsis icon on the right of the tab to edit bookmark actions.
Click **Build Table of Contents** to create a table of contents from the current document bookmarks:

**Figure 1. Build Table of Contents Dialog Box**

- Enter a title for the table of contents in the **Title** text box.
- Click **Change Title Format** to edit the font and style of the title.
The style for each level in the table of contents is detailed in the pane on the left. The levels correspond to the levels of the bookmark tree. Click Add, Edit or Remove to add, edit or remove levels.

Use the Insert TOC before page number box to set the location of the table of contents, or select the As last page box to insert it at the end of the document.

Select an option button to determine the page size of the table of contents:
- Document uses the same page size as the pages of the source document.
- Standard contains a list of standard page sizes, such as those used by the ISO and ANSI. Select an option from the list and then select Portrait or Landscape as desired in the dropdown menu on the right.
- Custom uses custom page dimensions. Enter the desired dimensions in the number boxes and select a unit of measurement from the dropdown menu.

Use the Page Margins number boxes to determine the page margins used for the table of contents.

Select the Use all bookmark levels to include all bookmark levels in the creation of the table of contents. Alternatively clear the box and use the number boxes to determine the first and last bookmark levels to be included.

Select the Skip invalid bookmarks box to exclude invalid bookmarks from the table of contents.

Select the Remove consecutive spaces from bookmark titles box to rectify instances of consecutive white spaces.

Select an option from the Output page numbers as dropdown menu to determine the format of page numbers in the table of contents.

Select an option from the Style menu to determine the style of the table of contents.

Click the arrow in the Settings dropdown menu to save/manage/delete customized settings.

Click Build to create the table of contents.
Convert to Named Destinations

Click **Convert to Named Destinations** to convert regular bookmark destinations into named destinations. Regular bookmark destinations reference a page number, page coordinates and either a zoom level or a custom-sized rectangle when they are used. Named destinations are user-defined locations in documents that are created using the current view of the document at the time of their creation. They can be used in conjunction with **Bookmarks**, **Go To Page** actions and the **/Open** command line. This feature converts regular destinations into named destinations, which means the associated bookmark will reference the same page view after pages are moved/reordered, which is their main benefit in comparison to regular destinations. When this feature is selected the following dialog box will open:

![Convert to Named Destinations Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Convert to Named Destinations Dialog Box**

- Enter a name for the new named destination in the **Named Destination Title** box. The default value is `%[Title]`, which means the name of the associated bookmark is used. Click the blue icon to add **macros** as desired.
• Select either **All Bookmarks** or **Selected Bookmarks** in the **Use Bookmarks** dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are updated. Select bookmarks in the **Bookmarks** pane in order to use the **Selected Bookmarks** option.

• Select the **Include all sub-bookmarks** box as desired.

Click **OK** to convert regular destinations to named destinations. Note that named destinations can be viewed in the **Named Destinations** pane.
Export Bookmarks to HTML

Click **Export Bookmarks to HTML** to export document bookmarks to an HTML file. The **Save File** dialog box will open. Enter the desired name for the file in the **file Name** text box and click **Save** to export the file.
Export Bookmarks to Text File

Click **Export Bookmarks to Text File** to export bookmarks to a (*.txt) text file. The following dialog box will be displayed:

![Export Bookmarks to Text File Dialog Box, General Tab Selected](image)

Select the **General** tab to determine general export options:

- Select the **Export all** option button to export all bookmarks.
Select the **Export selected bookmarks** option button to export only selected bookmarks. Select bookmarks in the **Bookmarks** pane to use this option. Select the **Include all sub-bookmarks** box as desired.

Select the **Export bookmarks that perform hyperlink actions** option button to export only bookmarks that perform hyperlink actions. Use the dropdown menu to determine which bookmarks are included in the process.

Select the **Use PDF-document filename to save results** option button to use the name of the current document as the name of the text file.

Alternatively, enter a name in the **Filename** text box. Use the **Folder** text box to determine the destination folder, or click the icon to select the folder manually.

Select the **Overwrite existing files** box to overwrite files that have the same name in the destination folder.

Select the **Open containing folder** box to open the containing folder at the end of the operation.

Select the **Bookmark Properties** tab to determine which bookmark properties are exported:

![Figure 2. Export Bookmarks to Text File Dialog Box, Bookmark Properties Tab Selected](image)

- Select the **Export bookmark actions** box to include bookmark actions in the export.
• Select the Export Page that bookmark points to box to include the page number of bookmark links.

• Select the Resolve named destinations to page numbers box to display named destinations as page numbers in the created text file. If this box is not selected then the name of the named destination will be exported instead. Further information on named destinations is available here.

• Select the Export detailed destination description box to export a more detailed description of named destinations.

• Select the Export Web Links box to include weblinks in the export file.

• Select the Export 'Open File' actions description to include a description of 'Open File' actions in the export file. These actions open files when bookmarks are clicked. Further information on bookmark actions is available here.

• Select the Export 'Remote Go-to' actions description box to include a description of 'Go-To' actions in the export file. These actions navigate to a document page when bookmarks are clicked. Document pages can be located in the current document, a different document or an embedded document. Further information on bookmark actions is available here.

• Select the Export JavaScript actions code box to include bookmark JavaScript actions in the export file. These actions execute JavaScript when bookmarks are clicked. Further information on bookmark actions is available here.

• Select the Export Bookmark text style and color properties box as desired.

• Select the Export bookmark tree's "contracted" state box to export bookmarks in collapsed format.

• Use the Properties delimiter box to set the delimiter that separates bookmark properties in the text file.

• Select the Do not escape service symbols box as desired. If the files that the Export Bookmarks to Text Files feature creates will be used in conjunction with the Generate Bookmarks from Text File feature then it is advisable to select this box.

Click **OK** to export bookmarks to text file.
6.9 SharePoint

Hover over SharePoint to open the following submenu:

SharePoint facilitates the convenient sharing of files for group viewing/editing. The options in the SharePoint submenu become available when SharePoint files are opened in PDF-XChange Editor. Follow the steps below to open SharePoint files:
1. Click **File** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Open From**, then hover over **Add a Place** and click **SharePoint**. The **PDF-XChange Editor SharePoint** dialog box will open.

4. Enter the URL for the **SharePoint** file.

5. Click **Navigate**.

6. The **Authentication Required** dialog box will be displayed. Enter the **SharePoint** credentials and click **OK**. The **Open File** dialog box will launch.

7. Select the desired file from the list and click **Open** or **Open with Check Out**. Click **Open** to make the file both available and editable for other users. Click **Open with Check Out** to make the file editable for the current user only, and read-only for other users. Further information on **SharePoint** files is available [here](#).
6.10 Window

Hover over **Window** to open the following submenu:

![Window Tab Submenu](image)

**Figure 1. Window Tab Submenu**

These settings are used to manipulate the main window in **PDF-XChange Editor**:

- Click **New Document Window** to open a duplicate of the active document in a new window.
• Click **Reset Main Panes Layout** to revert the layout of the main panes to their default format. The main panes are the **Properties Pane**, **Search Pane**, **Stamps Palette**, and **Comment Styles Palette**.

• Click **Reset Document Panes Layout** to revert the layout of the document panes to their default format. The **Document Panes** are the **Bookmarks Pane**, **Thumbnails Pane**, **Destinations Pane**, **Content Pane**, **Signatures Pane**, **Layers Pane**, **Comments Pane**, **Attachments Pane** and **Fields Pane**.

• Click **Active Document to New Horizontal Tab Group** to move the active document to a new horizontal tab group.

• Click **Active Document to New Vertical Tab Group** to move the active document to a new vertical tab group.

• Click **All Documents to One Tab Group** to move all open documents to a single tab group.

• Click **Split** to split the view of the active document. This is a useful feature for editing purposes - for example it is possible to view the same document at different levels of zoom while editing.
  
  • Click **Horizontal Split** to split the document view horizontally into two sections
  
  • Click **Vertical Split** to split the document view vertically into two sections
  
  • Click **Spreadsheet Split** to split the document view into four equal sections.

• Click **Remove Split** to disable the **Split** feature detailed above.

• Click **Close All** to close all open documents.

• Click **Reopen Recently Closed Document** (or press Ctrl+Shift+W) to open recently closed documents.
6.11 Help

Hover over Help to open the following submenu:

- Click Contents (or press F1) to launch the contents page of PDF-XChange Editor online manual.
- Click Home Page to launch the home page of the Tracker Software Products website.
• Click **Check for Updates** to check for updates to the **PDF-XChange** family of products.
• Click **Enter License Key** to add/edit/view license keys for **PDF-XChange Editor**. The **Preferences** dialog box will open. The process of adding license keys is detailed [here](#).
• Click **Support Forum** to launch the **Tracker Software Products** support forums.
• Click **Report a Problem** to report bugs and other issues to **Tracker Software Products**, as detailed below.
• Click **About** to view further details about **PDF-XChange Editor**.

![Figure 2. Report a Problem Dialog Box](image)

- Use the dropdown menu to select the category that best describes the issue being experienced.
- Enter a short description of the issue in the **Description** text box.
- Use the **Attach a file** text box to add files to the bug report, such as screenshots. Click the icon to select files manually.
- Select the check boxes to determine additional information included in the report.
Click **Next** to launch the default mail client and send the report
Appendix

This section details additional information about settings and functions in PDF-XChange Editor:

- **Blend Mode** - information about the blend modes and how they operate.
- **Command Line Options** - a list of the available command line options, which includes definitions and sample command lines.
- **Changing the Layout of Panes** - an explanation of how to edit the panes in PDF-XChange Editor.
- **Document Tab Options** - an explanation of the options in the right-click document tab shortcut menu.
- **Editing Document Pages** - a breakdown of the methods through which PDF-XChange Editor can be used to edit document pages.
- **Keyboard Shortcuts** - a comprehensive list of keyboard shortcuts, and instructions on how to view/edit them in the software.
- **Macros** - an explanation macros and macro-enabled operations.
- **Page Boxes** - an explanation about the use of crop boxes in PDF documents and PDF-XChange Editor.
- **Page Range Settings** - a guide to the correct format for the specification of page ranges.
- **Read Out Loud Feature** - an explanation of this feature.
- **Shell Extensions** - an explanation of the shell extensions and ifilter search tool.
- **Text Editing Options** - an explanation of text-editing options for the PDF-XChange Editor tools.
- **Tool Content Options** - an explanation of editing options for content created with the PDF-XChange Editor tools.
- **Tool Properties** - a table that defines all available properties for the PDF-XChange Editor tools.
7.1 Blend Mode

The **Blend Mode** property is available for document content and many of the annotation features in PDF-XChange Editor. It appears in the Properties Toolbar when objects that feature it are selected, and can also be viewed/edited in the Properties pane. **Blend Mode** determines how content blends with overlapping content. The **Fill Color** property is referenced when **Blend Modes** are used, and this can be edited in the Properties Toolbar or the Properties pane:

![Blend Mode Options](image)

**Figure 1. Blend Mode Options**
• **Normal** maintains the selected Fill Color.
• **Multiply** multiplies the Fill Color value with the color value of the underlying content. Resultant colors are at least as dark as one of the source colors.
• **Screen** multiplies the complements of the Fill Color value with the color value of underlying content and then complements the result. The resulting color will be at least as light as one of the source colors.
• **Overlay** either multiplies or screens the Fill Color value with the color value of underlying content, depending on the color value of the latter. The Fill Color will overlay the underlying content while preserving its highlights and shadows. The color of underlying content will be blended with the Fill Color to reflect its shade.
• **Darken** selects the darker of the Fill Color value and the color value of underlying content.
• **Lighten** selects the lighter of the Fill Color value and the color value of underlying content.
• **Color Dodge** brightens the color of the underlying content to reflect the Fill Color. Note that if black is used as the Fill Color then there will be no effect.
• **Color Burn** darkens the color of the underlying content to reflect the Fill Color. Note that if white is used as the Fill Color then there will be no effect.
• **Hardlight** either multiplies or screens the Fill Color value with the color value of underlying content, depending on the Fill Color value. This creates the effect of shining a strong spotlight on the underlying color.
• **Softlight** either darkens or lightens colors, depending on the Fill Color value. This creates the effect of shining a diffused spotlight on the underlying color.
• **Difference** subtracts the darker of the constituent colors from the lighter color.
• **Exclusion** performs a less contrasted version of the Difference option.
• **Hue** combines the Fill Color value with the saturation and luminosity of the color value of the underlying content.
• **Saturation** combines the saturation of the Fill Color with the hue and luminosity color value of the underlying content.
• **Color** combines the the hue and saturation of the Fill Color with the luminosity color value of the underlying content.
• **Luminosity** combines the luminosity of the Fill Color with the hue and saturation of the color value of the underlying content.

Note that the Arrange feature can be used to change the layer order of overlapping content, which has a direct effect on the Blend Mode. Right-click content and click Arrange to view options:
The following options are available:

- **Bring Forward**, which brings the selected content up a step in cases where multiple items overlap.
- **Send Backward**, which sends the selected content back a step in cases where multiple items overlap.
- **Bring to Front**, which brings the selected content to the top in cases where multiple items overlap.
- **Send to Back**, which sends the selected content to the back in cases where multiple items overlap.

**Examples**

The image below details sixteen copies of the same group of comments - a blue circle annotation placed over a yellow circle annotation placed over a red circle annotation. The **Blend Mode** is set to normal:
The effect of selecting each group of comments and applying one of the blend modes is detailed in the image below:
The Blend Modes applied, from left to right and top to bottom, are: Normal, Multiply, Overlay, Lighten, Color Burn, SoftLight, Exclusion, Screen, Darken, Color Dodge, Hardlight, Difference, Hue, Color, Saturation and Luminosity. Note that the green background has a direct effect on the blend mode output. If the background color is changed then the blend mode output updates accordingly:
Figure 4. Blend Mode Examples, Updated Background
7.2 Command Line Options

The command line options detailed below are available in PDF-XChange Editor. Please note:

- If any values have spaces, backslashes or forward slashes then the entire options list should be enclosed in quotation marks.
- If the optionslistfile contains spaces then it should be enclosed in quotation marks.
- If a profile is specified then changes will be made to that profile. If a profile is not specified then the changes will apply only to the current printer’s settings.
- These options are for the PDFXEdit.exe executable, the default location of which is:

  "C:\Program Files\Tracker Software\PDF Editor"

- Unless the path to PDFXEdit.exe is added to the system %path% variable, the full path to PDFXEdit.exe must be specified.
- Use semicolons to delimiter options when more than one option is being used.

Formal Syntax

<textstring> means any text string.

<a>|<b> means <a> or <b>.

[expression] is the optional part of the command line. For example if the syntax is: /print:[
[default[=yes|no]];[showui[=yes|no]]] <filename> then the following examples are correct:

  /print "c:\example.pdf"
  /print:default "c:\example.pdf"
  /print:default;showui "c:\example.pdf"
  /print:default=yes;showui=yes "c:\example.pdf"
<filename> means full or relative path to file. When the path contains white spaces it should be enclosed in quotation marks. For example: c:\MyDocuments\MyTestDocument.pdf should be "c:\My Documents\My Test Document.pdf".

<pagesrange> specifies the range of pages to be processed. See here for further information on the specification of page ranges.

Command Line Options

/addlang
This command installs new UI-languages from a special UI-languages pack. The UI-languages pack is a zip-archive that contains one or more *.xcl files. The format of the file will be .xclpack. See here for a list of available language packs for PDF-XChange Editor.

Syntax

/addlang[:[mode=]ask|user|all]] <filename>

Parameters

- mode=ask – asks user about installing mode: “for this user only” or “for all users on this machine”. This is the default mode.
- mode=user – installs new UI-languages silently, for only the current user.
- mode=all – installs new UI-languages silently, for all users on the target machine.

Please note that system administrator privileges are required when making changes that affect all users.

Example

    PDFXEdit.exe /addlang:mode=user "c:\Users\John\Downloads\German.xclpack"

/close
This command closes open documents according to the specified source file name.

Syntax
/close:[mode=]save|discard|ask

Parameters

- **mode=ask** – if the document has been edited then the software will prompt the user about saving changes before it closes. This is the default mode.
- **mode=discard** – closes the document silently, i.e. without prompting the user about saving changes.
- **mode=save** – if the document has been edited then the software saves changes silently before closing.

Examples

```
PDFXEdit.exe /close "c:\example.pdf"
PDFXEdit.exe /close:mode=save "c:\example.pdf"
PDFXEdit.exe /close:discard "c:\example.pdf"
```

/exportp

This command exports all the application settings to a specified file. It creates a new file with a special format that contains all the non-default options.

Syntax

```
/exportp <filename>
```

Parameters

There are no available parameters for this command.

Example

```
PDFXEdit.exe /exportp "c:\PXCEditor.MySettings.Backup.dat"
```

/exportsettings

This command exports settings of the application to a file on the local computer. This operation can also be achieved via the Export Settings feature.

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/exportsettings[::<parameters>] <filename>

Parameters

Note that all parameters support the values yes, no, 1, 0, true and false.

- **common** - exports common program options (but does not include presets lists, trusted/untrusted locations and names or places). The default value is true.
- **presets** - exports the preset lists of the application, such as color management and scanner presets. The default value is true.
- **trustedlist** - exports the list of the trusted/untrusted locations and names. The default value is true.
- **places** - exports the list of places (user-defined locations that are used to open files, such as Dropbox folders). The default value is true.
- **history** - exports the list of recently opened files. The default value is true.
- **stamps** - exports all custom stamps collections. The default value is false.
- **dsatemplates** - exports the digital signature appearance templates. The default value is false.
- **pluginsdata** - exports the advanced plugins data. The default value is false.
- **signatures** - exports the list of signatures and initials. The default value is false.
- **all** - exports all settings. Note that this command line option can be customized using any of the available parameters. For example, "/exportsettings:all=yes;stamps=0" exports all settings except stamps, and "/exportsettings:all=no;stamps=1" exports only stamps. This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.
- **settings** - exports all application settings (common, presets, trustedlist and places). This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.

Examples

```
PDFXEdit.exe /exportsettings "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /exportsettings:history=no "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /exportsettings:history=no;stamps=yes;pluginsdata=yes "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
```

/fileassoc

This command determines the file associations for PDF-XChange Editor.

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/fileassoc[:user=no|yes]

Parameters

- **user=no** - then file associations will be placed in **HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE**.
- **user=yes** - then file associations will be placed in **HKEY_CURRENT_USER** and **HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE**.

Example

PDFXEdit.exe /fileassoc:user=yes

/importp

This command launches **PDF-XChange Editor** and imports application settings from the specified file to the system registry or, in the case of portable applications, to a special settings file. The input file must be in the same format as the **/ExportP** command detailed below.

Syntax

```
/importp <filename>
```

Parameters

There are no available parameters for this command.

Example

PDFXEdit.exe /importp "c:\PXCEditor.MySettings.dat"

/importsettings

This command imports all settings from a file created by the **/exportsettings** command, or by the **Export Settings** feature. This operation can also be achieved via the **Import Settings** feature.

Syntax

```
/importsettings[:<parameters>] <filename>
```
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Parameters

Note that all parameters support the values **yes, no, 1, 0, true** and **false**.

- **common** - imports common application options (but does not include the presets lists, trusted/untrusted locations and names or places). The default value is **true**.
- **presets** - imports the application presets lists, such as color management and scanner presets. The default value is **true**.
- **trustedlist** - imports the list of trusted/untrusted locations and names. The default value is **true**.
- **places** - imports the list of places (user-defined locations that are used to open files, such as Dropbox folders). The default value is **true**.
- **history** - imports the list of recently opened files. The default value is **true**. The value **merge** can be used to combine the existing history with the imported history.
- **stamps** - imports all custom stamps collections. The default value is **true**.
- **dsatemplates** - imports the digital signature appearance templates. The default value is **true**.
- **pluginsdata** - imports advanced plugins data. The default value is **true**.
- **signatures** - imports the list of signatures and initials. The default value is **true**.
- **all** - imports all settings. Note that this command line option can be customized using any of the available parameters. For example, "/importsettings:all=yes;stamps=0" imports all settings except stamps, and "/importsettings:all=no;stamps=1" imports only stamps. This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.
- **settings** - imports all application settings (**common, presets, trustedlist** and **places**). This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.

Examples

```
PDFXEdit.exe /importsettings "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /importsettings:history=merge "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /importsettings:history=merge;stamps=yes;settings=no "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
```

/`open` - please note that /`A` can also be used for this command.

This command opens documents from a specified file and determines the custom view location, search words and highlight rectangles as necessary.

**Syntax**
/A <param1>=<value1>[;<param2>=<value2>[;...]][=OpenParameters] <filename>

Parameters

- **nameddest=<destName>** – specifies a named destination in the PDF document.
- **page=<pageNum>** – uses an integer value to specify a numbered page in the document. The document’s first page has a pageNum value of 1.
- **comment=<commentID>** – specifies a comment on a given page in the PDF document. Use the `page` parameter before this command. For example:
  
  ```
  page=1;comment=452fde0e-fd22-457c-84aa-2cf5bed5a349
  ```
- **zoom=<scale>[,<left>,<top>]** – sets the zoom and scroll factors using float or integer values. For example, a scale value of 100 indicates a zoom value of 100%. Scroll values left and top are in a coordinate system where 0,0 represents the top left corner of the visible page regardless of document rotation.
- **view=Fit|FitH[,<top>]|FitV[,<left>]|FitBH[,<top>]|FitBV[, <left>]** – sets the view of the displayed page using the keyword values defined in the PDF language specification. For more information, see the PDF Reference. Scroll values left and top are floats or integers in a coordinate system where 0,0 represents the top left corner of the visible page, regardless of document rotation. Use the `page` parameter before this command.
- **viewrect=<left>,<top>,<width>,<height>** – sets the view rectangle using float or integer values in a coordinate system where 0,0 represents the top left corner of the visible page, regardless of document rotation. Use the `page` parameter before this command.
- **pagemode=<bookmarks|thumbs|none>** – displays bookmarks or thumbnails. The default setting is `none`.
- **scrollbar=1|0** – turns scrollbars on or off.
- **search=<wordList>** – opens the Search pane and performs a search for the words in the specified word list. All matching words are highlighted in the document. The words list must be enclosed in quotation marks and separated by spaces. It is only possible to search for single words. For example: `search="sample search words"` will locate and highlight the words sample, search and words. When searching for multiple terms they must be adjacent in the content, i.e. separated by only white space/simple punctuation, or they will not be identified.
- **highlight=<left>,<right>,<top>,<bottom>** – highlights a specified rectangle on the displayed page. Use the `page` parameter before it. The rectangle values are integers in a coordinate system where 0,0 represents the top left corner of the visible page, regardless of document rotation.
- **fullscreen[=yes|no]** – when enabled, the document will open in full screen mode.
- **password=<password>** – specifies the password string to open silently a password-protected document.
- **usept[=yes|no]** – when specified, all values for positioning are absolute and measured in points (1/72 inch).

Examples
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PDFXEdit.exe /A zoom=1000 "c:\example.pdf"
PDFXEdit.exe /A "page=255;zoom=200;pagemode=thumbs;search=lazy dog" "c:\example.pdf"

/print

This command prints pages from specified documents.

Syntax

/print[:default[=yes|no]] [:showui[=yes|no [;printer=<printername>]] [:pages=<pagesrange>]] <filename1> [<filename2> ... <filenameN>]

Parameters

- default - if specified then default parameters will be used for printing. PDF-XChange Editor uses the most recently used print parameters by default.
- showui - if specified then the standard print dialogue will be displayed before printing. The default setting is that the application prints pages silently (without user interaction).
- printer - is used to specify the printer to be used. The default printer will be used when this option is not enabled.
- pages - is used to specify the page range to be printed. All pages of the active document will be printed when this option is not enabled.

Example

PDFXEdit.exe /print=default=yes;showui=yes;printer="PDF-XChange Printer" "c:\example.pdf"

/resetsettings

This command resets the settings for PDF-XChange Editor on the local computer.

Syntax

/resetsettings[:<parameters>]

Parameters

Note that all parameters support the values yes, no, 1, 0, true and false.
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- **common** - resets common application options (but does not include the presets lists, trusted/untrusted locations and names or places). The default value is `true`.
- **presets** - resets the application presets lists, such as color management and scanner presets. The default value is `true`.
- **trustedlist** - resets the list of trusted/untrusted locations and names. The default value is `true`.
- **places** - resets the list of places (user-defined locations that are used to open files, such as Dropbox folders). The default value is `true`.
- **prompts** - resets prompts and warning messages (the "do not show this message again" dialog boxes). The default value is `false`.
- **uilang** - resets the language of the user interface. The default value is `false`.
- **history** - resets the list of recently opened files. The default value is `true`.
- **stamps** - resets all custom stamps collections. The default value is `true`.
- **dsatemplates** - resets the digital signature appearance templates. The default value is `true`.
- **pluginsdata** - resets advanced plugins data. The default value is `false`.
- **signatures** - resets the list of signatures and initials. The default value is `false`.
- **all** - resets all settings. Note that this command line option can be customized using any of the available parameters. For example, "/resetsettings:all=yes;stamps=0" resets all settings except stamps, and "/resetsettings:all=no;stamps=1" resets only stamps. This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.
- **settings** - resets all application settings (**common, presets, trustedlist, places, UILang and history**). This command line does not have a default value because it is a combined option, but each option has its own default value, as detailed above.

**Examples**

```
PDFXEdit.exe /resetsettings "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /resetsettings:history=merge "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
PDFXEdit.exe /resetsettings:history=merge;stamps=yes;settings=no "c:\PDFXChangeEditorSettings.xces"
```

**/runjs**

This command launches JavaScript.

**Syntax**

```
/runjs[:log[=yes|no]] <scriptfilename> [<filename1> ... <filenameN>]
```

**Parameters**
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- log=yes|no – if specified without a value, or the value is yes, then the application creates a log when this command is executed. The log file _RunJSLog.txt will be added to the program folder on the local computer.
- <scriptfilename> – specifies the full path to the text file that contains the JavaScript.

Example

The following command line adds a 'Draft' stamp to all pages in the active document:

```
PDFXEdit.exe /runjs "c:\AddDraftStampToAllPages.txt" "c:\example.pdf"
```

/usep

This command instructs the application to use the input file as the source for all settings.

Syntax

```
/usep[:readonly[=yes|no]] <filename>
```

Parameters

- readonly – if specified then the input file with the application settings will be used as "read-only" and will not be changed when the application is closed.

Example

```
PDFXEdit.exe /usep:readonly "c:\PXCEditor.MySettings.dat"
```

/webassoc

This command determines the mime type (web browser) associations for PDF-XChange Editor.

Syntax

```
/webassoc[=user=no|yes]
```

Parameters

- user=no - then mime type associations will be placed in HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE.
• **user=yes** - then mime type associations will be placed in **HKEY_CURRENT_USER** and **HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE**.

**Example**

```
PDFXEdit.exe /webassoc:user=yes
```
7.3 Changing the Layout of Panes

The size and location of all panes in PDF-XChange Editor can be customized as desired.

Editing Panes

The editing panes are listed in the View tab:

![Figure 1. View Tab, Editing Panes]
Click to open panes:

![Figure 2. Thumbnails and Properties Panes Opened](image)

Click and drag panes to undock them from the user interface, then move them to the desired location or to a new docking point. Available docking points will be displayed as detailed in (figure 3). Drag panes onto docking points to dock them:
Figure 3. Example Docking Points
Figure 4. Repositioned Thumbnails Pane

Note that the minimize/maximize buttons can be used to minimize/maximize panes:
Document Panes

Document panes can be edited in the same manner as editing panes. Click and drag document tabs to reposition document panes:

Figure 5. Minimize/Maximize Buttons
Available docking points will be displayed in the center of the user interface:
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Drag document panes onto docking points in order to open them in a new window above/below or to the left/right of the current pane. Dragging document panes to any other location will open them in a new instance of PDF-XChange Editor.

Figure 7. Document Pane Docking Points
7.4 Document Tab Options

Document tab options are available in the right-click shortcut menu of document tabs:

- Click **Duplicate Tab** to duplicate the selected tab. A new window will open for the same document and the current page and layout options will be inherited.
- Click **Close This Tab** to close the selected tab.
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- Click **Close All Tabs But This** to close all tabs except the selected tab.
- Click **Close Tabs to the Right** to close all tabs on the right of the selected tab.
- Click **Close All Tabs to the Left** to close all tabs on the left of the selected tab.
- Click **Copy Full File Name** to copy the full name of the selected file to the clipboard.
- Click **Open Containing Folder** to open the containing folder of the selected file.
- Click **Reopen Recently Closed Document** to reopen documents that were recently closed.
7.5 Editing Document Pages

PDF-XChange Editor features advanced content editing. The options detailed below facilitate the convenient and efficient editing of PDF documents. However, there is an important distinction to make when using PDF-XChange Editor to edit PDF documents. This is because documents are composed of two layers. The first layer consists of PDF content such as text and/or images. The second layer, which by default goes over the first, consists of comments and annotations added to documents. These layers exist and operate independently of each other. This means that editing commands applied to PDF content or comments and annotations will apply only in relation to the layer in which selected items are located. When comments and annotations are flattened they are moved to the content layer and can then be edited at the same time as other content. The menu detailed here can be used to flatten comments.

The following page-editing tools are available in PDF-XChange Editor:

- The **Edit Content Tool** is used to select/edit document content such as images and text.
- The **Add Tool** is used to add text, images and barcodes to documents.
- The **Edit Form Tool** is used to select/edit form fields.
- The **Select Comments Tool** is used to select/edit comments and annotations.
- The **Content** pane is used to view/edit page content.

The **Edit Documents** section contains comprehensive, step-by-step instructions on editing operations in PDF-XChange Editor.
7.6 Keyboard Shortcuts

**PDF-XChange Editor** supports a number of keyboard shortcuts that can be used to activate commands:

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<td><strong>Move to the next found item. (This is intended for use with the Find feature).</strong></td>
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Keyboard shortcuts can be viewed/edited as follows:

1. Click the **View the Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Toolbars**.
3. Click **Customize Toolbars**:

![Customize Toolbars](image-url)
4. The **Customize Toolbars** dialog box will open. Click the **Commands** tab:

5. Use the **Categories** list to select a section of the application. (The default selection is `<All Commands>`, which means all available keyboard shortcuts are displayed). When sections are selected their actions and associated keyboard shortcuts are displayed in the list on the right.

6. Select actions and click **Properties** to view additional information. The **Command Properties** dialog box for the **Add Bookmark** function is detailed below:
7. Assigned shortcuts are detailed in the **Assigned** pane. Use the **Keys** text box to determine new shortcuts and then press **OK**. (Please note that if entered key combinations are already in use then the associated feature will be displayed in the **Shortcut currently used by** text box).
Macros are used throughout PDF-XChange Editor. 'Macro' is an abbreviation of 'macroinstruction' - a term in computer science for a rule that specifies how input characters should be entered to create corresponding output. This means that components of the output process can be simplified during the input process, which makes the work involved less intensive and more dynamic. Multiple macros can be used simultaneously as desired. The format for macros is:

\%[<Macro Name>] or, when it is customizable: \%[<Macro Name>:<Parameter>]. The <Parameter> step is optional.

For example, the Page Number macro can be used to specify the page numbering format. The syntax for the Page Number macro is \%[Page:<Parameter>] and the following parameters are available:

- 'r' specifies the use of lower-case roman numerals - \%[Page:r].
- 'R' specifies the use of upper-case roman numerals - \%[Page:R].
- 'L' specifies page labels as the page numbering format in cases where page labels have been specified. If page labels have not been specified then standard page numbers are used - \%[Page:L].
- '<integer>' specifies the minimum number of digits used. This value can be any positive integer from 1 to 12 - for example \%[Page:4] starts the page numbering as "0001, 0002, 0003...".

When macros are available the macro icon is displayed:
Click the macro icon to view a list of available options, then click macros to add them to the text box. All available macros are detailed below:

- **Document Title**
- **Document Index**
- **Document Info**
- **Page Number**
- **Number of Pages**
- **Filename**
- **Folder Name**
- **Date**
- **Year**
- **Month**
- **Day**
- **Time**
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- **Seconds**
- **Computer Name**
- **User Name**
- **Environment Variable**, which has multiple options relating to the *environment variables* of the file.
- **Auto Number**
- **Application Version**

A list of macro-enabled operations is available [here](#)

Please note that certain symbols are not compatible with macros and therefore are not permitted in document names. If inconsistencies are noticed between the name used when files are saved and the final file name then it is advised to change the name used when files are saved.

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Last Updated: 18/11/2019
The Document Title macro inserts the document title.

The syntax for the this macro is %[DocTitle]

**Example**

Follow the steps below to use the Document Title macro to create a watermark from the document title:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.
2. Hover over Watermarks and click Add. The Add Watermark dialog box will open.
3. Enter %[DocTitle] in the Text text box. The document title is then used as the watermark text:
Figure 1. `\{DocTitle\}` Macro Example
Document Info

The Document Info macro inserts document metadata information.

The syntax for this macro is %[DocInfo] and the following parameters are available:

- **Title** inserts the data in the Document Title field.
- **Author** inserts the data in the Author field.
- **Subject** inserts the data in the Subject field.
- **Keywords** inserts the data in the Keywords field.
- **Creator** inserts the name of the application used to create the document.
- **Producer** inserts the PDF Producer of the document.
- **CreationDate** inserts the date and time when the document was created, followed by the UTC offset.
- **ModDate** inserts the date and time when the document was last modified, followed by the UTC offset.

The syntax for this macro when parameters are used is %[DocInfo:<Parameter>] - see below for examples.

Note that the names of any standard fields from the document properties can be used as parameters for this macro. For example, entering the macro %[DocInfo:Trapped] inserts the current value of the Trapped field detailed here. Additionally, if parameters have been specified using the JavaScript console and custom names have been used to replace the standard names, then the custom names can be used.

Document properties can be viewed/edited in the Document Properties dialog box. Click File in the Menu Toolbar and then click Document Properties to view this dialog box:
Examples

Follow the steps below to use the Document Info macro to add Bates numbering that uses the date and time that the document was last modified:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar.

2. Hover over Bates Numbering and click Add. The Add Bates Numbering dialog box will open.

3. Enter %[DocInfo:ModDate] in the desired text box. The date and time the document was last modified is then inserted as Bates numbering:
Alternatively, enter \%[DocInfo:Title] to insert the document title:
Note that it is possible to use more than one macro at a time. For example the text `%[DocInfo:Title], %[DocInfo:Author] returns both the document name and the author name:
Figure 3. %[DocInfo] Macro Example Three
The Document Index macro inserts the index value of pages, which is the input/output order of the content in the context of a group of input/output content items.

The syntax for this macro is `%[DocNumber]` and a parameter is available for the specification of the minimum amount of digits used for numbering output. This value can be any positive integer from 1 to 12. If the parameter is not used then the output is numbered with the default settings, which uses the page number of source files as the output number.

The syntax for this macro when parameters are used is `%[DocNumber:<Parameter>]` - for example `%[DocNumber:4]` starts the numbering as “0001, 0002, 0003...”.

Example

Follow the steps below to use the Document Index macro to extract each page of a document to a new document that uses the page number of source pages as the title of the output documents:

1. Click Document in the Menu Toolbar, then click Extract Pages. The Extract Pages dialog box will open.

2. Specify a page range to be extracted. This example will extract pages 6-10 of a ten page document.

3. Select Save each page to a separate file in the Type dropdown menu, and enter the macro `%[DocNumber:5]:`
4. Click **OK**.

A new document will then be made for each page of the source document. The names of the new documents will be the page numbers of the source pages. The parameter '5' was used, therefore five digits are used for each document title:
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Figure 2. %[DocNumber] Macro Example
The **Page Number** macro inserts the page number of source pages.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Page]` and two sections of parameters are available.

The first section determines the format of page numbers:

- `'r'` specifies the use of lower-case roman numerals.
- `'R'` specifies the use of upper-case roman numerals.
- `'L'` specifies page labels as the page numbering format in cases where page labels have been specified. If page labels have not been specified then standard page numbers are used.
- `<integer>` specifies the minimum number of digits used. This value can be any positive integer from 1 to 12 - for example `%[Page:4]` starts the numbering as "0001, 0002, 0003...".

The second section determines the starting value for page numbers, and must therefore be an integer.

Please note that a semicolon must be used to delimit the sections of parameters. If the second section is not used then the semicolon can be omitted. However, if the first section is not used and the second section is used, then it is necessary to use the semicolon.

The syntax for this macro when both parameters are used is `%[Page:<Parameter 1>;<Parameter 2>]`

The syntax for this macro when only the second parameter is used is `%[Page;;<Parameter 2>]`

**Examples**

Follow the steps below to use the **Page Number** macro to insert page numbers as Bates numbering:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Bates Numbering** and click **Add**. The **Add Bates Numbering** dialog box will open.
3. Enter %[Page] in the desired text box. Page numbers are then inserted as Bates numbering:

![Figure 1. %[Page] Macro Example](image)

Alternatively, enter %[Page:R] to specify the use of upper-case roman numerals:
Alternatively, enter \%[Page:4;10] to specify a minimum of four digits for output values and a starting value of ten:
Alternatively, enter $\%[\text{Page};5]$ to omit the first parameter and specify a starting value of five:
Figure 4. \%\{Page\} Macro Example Four
The **Number of Pages** macro inserts the total number of document pages.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Pages]` and the following parameters are available:

- `'r'` specifies the use of lower-case roman numerals.
- `'R'` specifies the use of upper-case roman numerals.
- `'L'` specifies page labels as the page numbering format in cases where page labels have been specified. If page labels have not been specified then standard page numbers are used.
- `<integer>` specifies the minimum number of digits used. This value can be any positive integer from 1 to 12 - for example `%[Pages:4]` starts the numbering as "0001, 0002, 0003...".

The syntax for this macro when parameters are used is `%[Pages:<Parameter>]`

**Examples**

Follow the steps below to use the **Page Number** macro to insert the total number of document pages as a watermark:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**, then hover over **Watermarks** and click **Add**. The **Add Watermark** dialog box will open.

2. Enter `%[Pages]` in the **Text** text box. The total number of document pages is then inserted as a watermark:
Alternatively, enter \%[Pages]:R in the Filename text box to insert the total number of document pages as a watermark and specify the use of upper-case roman numerals:
Figure 2. Add Watermark Dialog Box, %[Pages] Macro Example Two
The FileName macro inserts the name of the source file.

The syntax for this macro is %[FileName]

Example

Follow the steps below to use the FileName macro to insert the name of the source file as the stamp title when creating a new stamp:

1. Click Stamp in the Shortcut Toolbar, then click Stamps Palette. The Stamps Palette will open.

2. Click Add New, then click Add New Stamp from File:
The **Open Files** dialog box will open.

3. Select a file to use as the stamp and then click **Open**. The **Add New Stamp** dialog box will open.

4. Enter `%[FileName]` in the **Stamp Title** dialog box and select a target collection:
5. Click **OK**.

A new stamp will then be created and the name of the source file will be used as the title:
Figure 3. New Stamp
Folder Name

The **Folder Name** macro inserts the path of the folder that contains the source file. Note that folder names end with a backslash when local files are used.

The syntax for this macro is `%[FolderName]`

**Example**

Follow the steps below to use the **Folder Name** macro to insert the path of the folder that contains the source file when a new watermark is created:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Watermarks** and click **Add**. The **Add Watermark** dialog box will open.

3. Enter `%[FolderName]` in the **Text** text box. The path of the folder that contains the source file is then used as the watermark text:
Figure 1. %[FolderName] Macro Example
The **Date** macro inserts the current date. Multiple date formats are available, as detailed below.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Date]` and the following parameters are available:

- **d** inserts the day of the month and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **dd** inserts the day of the month and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **ddd** inserts the day of the week as a three-letter abbreviation.
- **dddd** inserts the day of the week.
- **M** inserts the month and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **MM** inserts the month and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **MMM** inserts the month as a three-letter abbreviation.
- **MMMM** inserts the month.
- **yy** inserts the year as two digits and adds a zero in cases of values lower than 10.
- **yyyy** inserts the year.

The syntax for this macro when parameters are used is `%[Date:<Parameter>]`

Note that several parameters can be used in sequence in order to insert a customized date. For example, `%[Date:dddd, dd MMMM yyyy]` inserts the day of the week followed by the day of the month, the month name in full and the year as four digits (as detailed below). If parameters are not specified then output values revert to default, which is the date on the local machine in the format **dd/MM/yyyy**.

**Example**

Follow the steps below to use the **Date** macro to add a header that uses a customized version of the current date:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.
2. Hover over **Header and Footer** and click **Add**. The **Add Header and Footer** dialog box will open.

3. Enter `%[Date:dddd, dd MMMM yyyy]` in a header text box. A customized version of the current date is then added to the document:

![Add Header and Footer dialog box](image)

**Figure 1.** `%[Date]` Macro Example

Note that a range of preset date formats are provided in **PDF-XChange Editor**:
Figure 2. Default Date Macro Formats
The **Year** macro inserts the current year as a four-digit value.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Year]`

**Example**

[Figure 1. %[Year] Macro Example]
Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros $\%[\text{Time}:H:mm]$ $\%[\text{Date}:dd \ \text{MMMM}]$ $\%[\text{Year}]$ output the current time, date and year:

![Add Watermark](image)

*Figure 2. $\%[\text{Year}]$ Combined Macro Example*
Month

The Month macro inserts the current month as a numerical value from 1-12.

The syntax for this macro is %[Month]

Example

If the current month is April then the %[Month] macro inserts "4":

Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros `%[Time:H:mm] %[Month]/%[Day]` output the current time followed by the month and the day of the month:
Figure 2. \%[Month] Combined Macro Example
The **Day** macro inserts the current day of the month.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Day]`

**Example**

If the date is 10th April then the `%[Day]` macro inserts "10":

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The **Day** macro inserts the current day of the month.
Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros `%[Time:Hmm] %[Month]/%[Day]` output the current time followed by the month and the day of the month:
Figure 2. %[Day] Combined Macro Example
The **Time** macro inserts the current time. Multiple time formats are available, as detailed below.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Time]` and the following parameters are available:

- **h** inserts the hour and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **hh** inserts the hour and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **H** inserts the hour, includes a zero in cases of single-digit values and uses a 24 hour-clock.
- **m** inserts the minutes and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **mm** inserts the minutes and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **s** inserts the seconds and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **ss** inserts the seconds and includes a zero in cases single-digit values.
- **t** inserts a single character to reference the a.m./p.m. variable: **a** or **p**.
- **tt** inserts two characters to reference the a.m./p.m. variable: **AM** or **PM**.

The syntax for this macro when parameters are used is `%[Time:<Parameter>]`

Note that several parameters can be used in sequence in order to insert a customized time. For example, `%[Time:H:mm tt]` inserts the current hour and minutes, and inserts two characters to reference the a.m./p.m. variable (as detailed below).

**Example**

Follow the steps below to use the **Time** macro to create a watermark that inserts a customized version of the current time:

1. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar**.

2. Hover over **Watermarks** and click **Add**. The Add Watermark dialog box will open.

3. Enter `%[Time:H:mm tt]` in the **Text** text box. A customized version of the time is then added as a watermark:
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Figure 1. %[Time] Macro Example

Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros %[Time:H:mm] %[Month]/%[Day] output the current time followed by the month and the day of the month:
Figure 2. %[Time] Combined Macro Example
The **Hour** macro inserts the hour value from the current time.

The syntax for this macro is %[Hour]

**Example**

If the current time is 11:32 then the [Hour] macro inserts ‘11’: 
Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros `%[Hour]:%[Minute]` output the hour followed by the minutes of the hour:
Figure 2. $\%$ [Hour] Combined Macro Example
The **Minute** macro inserts the minute value from the current time.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Minute]`

**Example**

If the current time is 11:32 then the `%[Minute]` macro inserts '32':

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Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros %[Hour]:%[Minute] output the hour followed by the minutes of the hour:
Figure 2. %[Minute] Combined Macro Example
The **Seconds** macro inserts the seconds value from the current time.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Seconds]`

**Example**

If the current time is 11:32 and 42 seconds then the `%[Minute]` macro inserts '42':
Figure 1. [%Seconds] Macro Example

Note that this macro is often used in conjunction with other macros in order to create combined output. For example the combined macros `%[Hour]:%[Minute],%[Seconds]` output the hour followed by the minutes of the hour and the seconds of the minute:
Figure 2. %[Seconds] Combined Macro Example
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Computer Name

The **Computer Name** inserts the name of the local computer as defined by the Windows **Computer Name**.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Computer]`

**Example**

![Add Watermark screenshot](image-url)
Figure 1. %[Computer] Macro Example
The **Username** macro inserts the name of the current user.

The syntax for this macro is `%[User]`

**Example**

![Add Watermark dialog box](image)

*Figure 1. `%[Username]` Macro Example*
Environment Variable

The **Environment Variable** macro inserts information taken from user-specified environment variables.

The syntax for this macro is `%[Env:<Parameter>]`

Note that a parameter must be used in order for this macro to return information. The following parameters are available:

**ALLUSERSPROFILE**

> Inserts the full path to the *All Users* profile directory.

**APPDATA**

> Inserts the full path to the *Application Data* directory of the current user.

**CommonProgramFiles**

> Inserts the full path to the *Common Files* directory.

**CommonProgramFiles(x86)**

> Inserts the full path to the *(x86)* *Common Files* directory in 64-bit versions of **Windows**.

**CommonProgramFilesW6432**

> Inserts the full path to the *Common Files* directory in 64-bit versions of **Windows**.

**COMPUTERNAME**

> Inserts the computer name.

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Inserts the drive letter on the local computer that is connected to the user's home directory.

**HOMEPATH**

Inserts the complete path of the current user's *Home* directory, as defined by the user's account properties.

**LOCALAPPDATA**

Inserts the complete path to the current user's *Application Data* directory.

**LOGONSERVER**

Inserts the name of the domain controller that authenticated the client's logon request.

**OS**

Inserts the name of the operating system.

**PROCESSOR_ARCHITECTURE**

Inserts the chip architecture of the CPU.

**ProgramData**

Inserts the full path to the *All Users* profile directory.

**ProgramFiles**

Inserts the full path to the *Program Files* directory.

**ProgramFiles(x86)**

Inserts the full path to the (x86) *Program Files* directory in 64-bit versions of Windows.

**ProgramFilesW6432**

Inserts the full path to the *Program Files* directory in 64-bit versions of Windows.

**PUBLIC**

Inserts the full path to the *Public* directory.
SESSIONNAME

Inserts the session name and number when a client is connected via a terminal server.

SystemDrive

Inserts the name of the drive on which the system folder was placed.

SystemRoot

Inserts the name of the system folder.

TEMP

Inserts the name of the default temporary folder used by the operating system and applications available to the current user.

TMP

Inserts the name of the default temporary folder used by the operating system and applications available to the current user. (Note that some applications require the TEMP environment variable, whilst others require TMP. The values for both should be identical).

USERDOMAIN

Inserts the name of the user domain that contains the account of the current user.

USERDOMAIN\ROAMINGPROFILE

Inserts the name of the user domain for RDS or standard roaming profile paths.

USERNAME

Inserts the name of the current user.

USERPROFILE

Inserts the location of the current user's profile directory.

windir

Inserts the full path to the Windows directory.
Example

%[Env:CommonProgramFiles] inserts the full path to the Common Files directory:

![Figure 1. [Env:CommonProgramFiles] Macro Example](image)

Further information on environment variables is available [here](#).
The **Auto Number** macro inserts a numerical value as the name for output files.

The syntax for this macro is `[%[AutoNumber]]` and two sections of parameters are available.

The first section determines the format of page numbers:

- `'r'` specifies the use of lower-case roman numerals.
- `'R'` specifies the use of upper-case roman numerals.
- `'L'` specifies page labels as the page numbering format in cases where page labels have been specified. If page labels have not been specified then standard page numbers are used.
- `'<integer>'` specifies the minimum number of digits displayed for page numbers. This value can be any positive integer from 1 to 12 - for example `%[AutoNumber:4]` starts the numbering as "0001, 0002, 0003...".

The second section determines the offset for the start value. Note that the default offset is zero and the default starting value is 1. This means that if, for example, you want to start from 5, then you must specify `4`.

Please note that a semicolon must be used to delimit the sections of parameters. If the second section is not used then the semicolon can be omitted. However, if the first section is not used and the second section is used, then it is necessary to use the semicolon.

The syntax for this macro when both parameters are used is `%[AutoNumber:<Parameter 1>;<Parameter 2>]`.

The syntax for this macro when only the second parameter is used is `%[AutoNumber;<Parameter 2>]`. For example, `%[AutoNumber:;3]` sets the start value as four.

Note that the starting value for output files depends on files contained in the destination folder. If the folder is empty, or does not contain files with names that match the output parameters detailed above, then the default values are used. If the folder does contain files that match the output parameters detailed above, then the starting value will be the lowest possible integer.
Example

Follow the steps below to use the **Auto Number** macro to name extracted document pages:

1. Open a multi-page document in **PDF-XChange Editor**.

2. Click **Document** in the **Menu Toolbar** then click **Extract Pages**. The **Extract Pages** dialog box will open.

3. Enter the desired page range for extraction in the **Page Range** section.

4. Enter the desired **[AutoNumber]** macro in the **Filename** text box:

![Extract Pages Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1.** Extract Pages Dialog Box
5. Click **OK**. The pages will then be extracted from the document and autonumbered:

![Figure 2. Output Files](image)

Note that the starting value is ‘000004.pdf’ as the files 000001.pdf, 000002.pdf and 000003.pdf are already present in the destination folder, and each file name uses six digits as the parameter ‘6’ was used.
The **Application Version** macro inserts the build and version of **PDF-XChange Editor** on the local computer.

The syntax for this macro is `%[AppVersion]`

**Example**

![Add Watermark dialog box](image)
Figure 1. %\text{Application Version} Macro Example
Macro-Enabled Operations

Macros are available for the following operations:

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<td>Add Header and Footer</td>
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| From Image File(s) | 1. File Tab> New Document> From Image File(s) then click Options. The Images to PDF dialog box will open. Select Image Labels in the Categories menu. Macros can be used in the text box.  
                          2. Document Tab> Insert Pages > Insert Images then click Options. The Images to PDF dialog box will open. Select Image Labels in the Categories menu. Macros can be used in the text box. |
| From Text Files  |                                               |
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1. **File Tab > New Document > From Text Files** then click **Options**. The **Options** dialog box will open. Select **File Separator** in the **Categories** menu. Macros can be used in the text box.

2. **Document Tab > Insert Pages > Insert Text** then click **Options**. The **Options** dialog box will open. Select **File Separator** in the **Categories** menu. Macros can be used in the text box.

### Launch Application

**Edit Tab > Preferences** then select **Launch Applications** in the **Categories** menu and click **New**. The **New Launch Application** dialog box will open. Macros can be used in the **Parameters** text box. Note that a different set of macros is used for this feature. See [here](#) for further information.

### Stamps Palette

**Tools Tab > Comment And Markup Tools > Stamps Palette** then click **Add New** and select a file to be used as a stamp, or click **New Stamp from Active Document**. The **Add New Stamp** dialog box will open. Macros can be used in the **Stamp Title** text box.

### Summarize Comments

**Comments Tab > Summarize Comments**. Macros can be used in the **Filename** text box.

### Watermarks

**Document Tab > Watermarks > Add**. Macros can be entered in the **Text** text box.
7.8 Page Boxes

PDF documents feature five boxes that determine their content and appearance. They are the Media Box, Crop Box, Bleed Box, Trim Box and Art Box:

![Document Boxes Diagram]

**Figure 1.** Document Boxes

**PDF-XChange Editor** uses four of these boxes:
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Crop Box

The Crop Box defines the region to which page contents are clipped when displayed or printed. Programs use the dimensions of this box for screen display and printing. Unlike the other boxes, the Crop Box has no defined meaning in terms of physical page geometry or intended use - it merely imposes clipping on page contents. However, in the absence of additional information, the Crop Box determines how the page contents will be positioned on the output medium.

Bleed Box

The Bleed Box defines the region to which the contents of the page are clipped when output in a production environment. This may include the "bleed area" needed to accommodate the physical limitations of cutting, folding and trimming equipment. Usually the Bleed Box is three to five millimeters larger than the Trim Box. When a page is printed it may include printing marks that fall outside the Bleed Box. The default value of the Bleed Box is the value of the Crop Box.

Trim Box

The Trim Box defines the intended dimensions of the finished page after trimming has taken place. As opposed to the Crop Box, the Trim Box is very important because it defines the actual page size. Programs use the Trim Box as the basis for positioning pages on a press sheet. The default value of the Trim Box is the value of the Crop Box.

Art Box

The Art Box defines the extent of the page’s meaningful content (including potential white space) as intended by the page’s creator. The default value for the Art Box is the value of the Crop Box.

See here for further information on document boxes.

Note that the Loupe Tool contains a feature that can be used to display page boxes.
7.9 Page Range Settings

Page range settings are available in many of the PDF-XChange Editor dialog boxes. Follow the rules detailed below to customize page ranges:

- Use commas to delimiter individual pages.
- Use hyphens to delimiter page ranges.
- Use commas to delimiter page ranges if multiple page ranges are being defined.
- Use a dash before a page number to determine all pages from the beginning of the document to the specified page. For example -7 defines all pages from the beginning of the document to page seven.
- Use a dash after a page number to determine all pages from the specified page to the end of the document. For example 7- defines all pages from page seven to the end of the document.
7.10 Read Out Loud Feature

This feature of **PDF-XChange Editor** enables the software to "read out loud" document text. Follow the steps below to use this feature:

1. Open the document that contains the text.

2. Click **Select Text Tool** in the **Standard Toolbar**.

3. Select the text to be read out loud.

4. Right-click the text.

5. Select **Read Out Loud Selected Text**.

6. The selected text will be read out loud according to the specifications determined [here](#).

7. Select **Stop Reading** to halt the process.
7.11 Shell Extensions

Shell Extensions

PDF-XChange Editor features a Windows shell extension that causes thumbnails of PDF files to display in Windows Explorer when thumbnails are selected as the file display mode. The first page of PDF documents is displayed, instead of the standard PDF document icon, which makes the process of viewing/selecting files more efficient. Note that the folders must set to display medium, large or extra-large icons for this feature to be visible.

iFilter

The shell extension includes a very powerful search tool - the PDF iFilter. This tool can be used to index PDF documents with Microsoft iFilter indexing. This means that Windows will locate search terms through not only document names, but also text within documents, annotations, bookmarks, document XMP information and files attached/embedded within documents. This process takes place automatically when the standard Windows search option is used. The PDF iFilter integrates into existing Windows operating systems and thus provides a convenient way to search text within PDF documents on the local computer and company network/intranet.
7.12 Text Editing Options

When tools that contain text options are being used, text-editing options are enabled in the Properties Toolbar. Available properties depend on the active tool. All available properties are detailed below:

- **Fill Color** determines the text color.
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- **Stroke Color** determines the color of the text border.
- **Border Width** determines the width of the text border.
- **Font** determines the text font.
- **Font Size** determines the font size.
- **Grow Font** increases the font size.
- **Shrink Font** decreases the font size.
- **Bold** emboldens text.
- **Italic** italicizes text.
- **Underline** underlines text.
- **Strikethrough** strikes text through.
- **Subscript** transforms text into subscript, which is used in special cases, such as chemical compounds.
- **Superscript** transforms text into subscript, which is used in special cases, such as mathematical formulae.
- **Align Text Left** aligns text to the left.
- **Center Text** centers text.
- **Align Text Right** aligns text to the right.
- **Justify Text** justifies text.
- **Clear Style** reverts selected text to the default style for the current tool.
- **Make Current Text Format Default** sets the current style as the default style for the current tool.
- **Apply Default Style** applies the default text style for the current tool to selected text.
- **Properties** opens the Properties pane, which can be used to view/edit the properties of selected text.

Right-click text for further editing options:
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Figure 2. Right-Click Text-Editing Submenu

- Click **Undo** to undo the most recent editing action.
- Click **Cut, Copy, Paste** or **Select All** to perform these editing options on selected text.
- Click **Paragraph** to view/edit paragraph options:
  - Use the **Alignment** options to align text to the left/center/right or justify text.
  - Use the **Left** and **Right** indentation number boxes to determine the left and right indentation.
  - Use the **Special** dropdown menu to add indentation for the first line/hanging indentation.
  - Use the **Spacing** options to determine paragraph spacing.
- Click **Text Style** edit the style of selected text. The options in this submenu are detailed beneath (figure 1) except for the following two options:
  - Click **Copy Text Style** to copy the style properties of selected text. These properties can be viewed/edited in the **Properties** pane.
  - Click **Apply Copied Text Style** to apply copied styles to selected text.
- Click **Hyphenate Text** to enable/disable text hyphenation for words at the end of lines.
7.13 Tool Content Options

A range of editing options are available for content created with **PDF-XChange Editor**. Available options depend on the format of selected content. Right-click content to view editing options. The submenu below contains all available options:
Figure 1. Tool Content Right-Click Menu
• Click **Open Pop-Up Note** to view the content pop-up note. Pop-up notes are created automatically when content is created. (Note that in the case of the [Measuring Tools](#) it is necessary to use the **Edit Label** and **Delete Label** options, detailed below, to edit/delete note content). Highlight note content and then use the options in the [Properties Toolbar](#) in edit its appearance.

• Click **Hide Pop-Up Note** to close the view/edit pane of content pop-up notes.

• Click **Reset Pop-Up Note Location** to reset the location of content pop-up notes.

• Click **Cut, Copy, Paste** or **Delete** to perform these operations on selected content.

• Click **Flatten Selected Comments** to flatten comments to the content layer. Please note that this process deletes content pop-up notes. The blue [Undo](#) arrow above the [Menu Toolbar](#) can be used to reverse the flattening process.

• Click **Fit Box by Text Content** to fit the size of the selected box to the text that it contains. This feature is available for the [Text Box](#), [Callout](#) and [Typewriter](#) tools.

• Click **Add Reply** to add replies to existing pop-up notes.

• Select an option from the **Status** submenu to define the status of content for subsequent editing. The options are [Accepted](#), [Cancelled](#), [Completed](#) and [Rejected](#).

• Use the **Arrange** submenu arrange/edit selected content:
  - Click **Rotate 90° CCW, Rotate 90° CW** or **Rotate 180°** to rotate selected content.
  - Click **Flip Horizontal/Vertical** to flip selected content horizontally/vertically.
  - Click **Transform** to edit the position and/or size of selected content as detailed [here](#).
  - Click **Duplicate** to duplicate selected content as detailed [here](#).
  - Click **Bring Forward** to bring selected content items forward one step in cases of multiple objects overlapping.
  - Click **Send Backward** to send selected content back one step in cases of multiple objects overlapping.
  - Click **Bring to Front** to bring selected content to the front in cases of multiple objects overlapping.
  - Click **Send to Back** to send selected content to the back in cases of multiple objects overlapping.

• Use the **Set Scale** submenu to select a scale for selected content:
  - Click a scale to select a predefined scale from the list.
  - Click **Manage Measurements** to view/edit the list of predefined scales. Use **Delete** and **Edit** buttons to delete/edit selected scales. Use the **Clone** button to clone predefined scales. Cloned scales can be edited and saved for subsequent use.
  - Click **Calibrate Measurement** to create a new scale as detailed [here](#).

• Click **Export Measurements To CSV File** to export output of the **Measuring Tools** to a comma-separated-values file.

• The **Restore Caption Placement** feature will be added in a future build.

• Click **Edit Label** to edit the pop-up note of selected content. Please note that it is not possible to remove the scale reference figure that the **Measuring Tools** create.

• Click **Delete Label** to delete information that has been added to the label. Please note that it is not possible to remove the scale reference figure that the **Distance Tools** create.

• Click **Deselect** to deselected selected content.
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- Use the **Control Points** submenu to add/delete control points as desired:
  - Click **Add Point** to add new control points.
  - Right-click control points and then select **Delete Point** to delete points.
- The **Auto Adjust Arm Position** option is used in conjunction with the callout arm of the **Callout Tool**. When this setting is enabled the control point from which callout arms originate changes automatically. The control point closest to the end of the callout arm is used. When this setting is disabled the control point from which the callout arm originates remains constant when callout text boxes are repositioned.
- Click **Flip Line** to flip content through one hundred and eighty degrees.
- Click **Transform to Quadrilateral** to enable link shape editing when using the **Link Tool** or the **Redaction** feature. Click and drag the inner control points to edit the shape. When this option is enabled it is replaced in the submenu with the option to **Transform to Rectangle**. Click this option to revert to the default mode. Selected links will update automatically. Please note that the **Link Creation Tool** must be selected in order to edit/delete links.
- Click **Style Tools** to view style options for selected content:
  - Click **Copy Comment Style** to copy the style properties of selected content, such as the Fill Color, Border Style and Opacity value. (Use the Properties pane to view/edit content properties).
  - Click **Apply Copied Comment Style** to apply copied comment and text properties to selected content.
  - Click **Apply Copied Comment Appearance** to apply copied comment properties to selected content.
  - Click **Apply Copied Text Style** to apply copied text styles to selected text. Right-click selected text to copy text styles, as detailed here.
  - Click **Make Current Properties Default** to set the properties of selected content as the default properties for subsequent content of the same format.
  - Click **Apply Default Properties** to apply default content properties to selected content.
  - Click **Make Current Text Format Default** to set the current text properties as the default text properties for the selected annotation format.
  - Click **Apply Default Text Format** to apply the default text format to selected text. Note that each annotation format has a different default text format.
- Click **Export** to view export options for selected content. Available options depends on the format of selected content. All options are detailed below:
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Word Document** to export selected content to (*.docx) format.
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Excel** to export selected content to (*.xlsx) format.
  - Click **Export selection to Microsoft Powerpoint Presentation** to export selected content to (*.pptx) format.
  - Click **Properties** to view/edit content properties in the Properties pane, as detailed here. Note that the **Comment Styles Palette** is a useful resource that can be used to view/edit comment style properties.
### 7.14 Tool Properties

The table below contains all properties available for the PDF-XChange Editor tools. Click Properties in the Properties Toolbar when tools are selected to view/edit tool properties in the Properties pane.

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<td>Diameter</td>
<td>The Diameter property determines the diameter of the Eraser Tool.</td>
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<td>Exclusive Mode</td>
<td>The Exclusive Mode property simplifies the process of using tools. When it is enabled, the pointer ignores all interactive elements of documents other than base content. This makes it possible to create content on areas that overlap with other content without the risk of accidentally selecting undesired items. When Exclusive Mode is disabled, the pointer recognizes and interacts with all underlying elements in the usual manner.</td>
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<td>Inertial Scroll</td>
<td>The Inertial Scroll property is a dynamic scrolling option. When it is enabled, document pages will continue to scroll and come to a stop gradually after scrolling actions are performed. When it is disabled document pages will scroll in synchronization with the pointer.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Keep Selected</td>
<td>The Keep Selected property is an editing convenience for tools. When it is enabled tools will remain selected after they are used.</td>
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When it is disabled the active tool reverts to the designated default tool after a single use.

**STYLE**

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<td>The <strong>Border</strong> property determines the border style of content.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Blend Mode</td>
<td>The <strong>Blend Mode</strong> property determines how content blends with underlying/overlapping content. Further information on this property is available <a href="#">here</a>.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Fill Color</td>
<td>The <strong>Fill Color</strong> property determines the fill color of content.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Highlight Mode</td>
<td>The <strong>Highlight Mode</strong> property determines the visual effect when links created using the <strong>Link Tool</strong> are selected.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Icon</td>
<td>The <strong>Icon</strong> property determines the icon that content uses.</td>
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<td>Opacity</td>
<td>The <strong>Opacity</strong> property determines the transparency level of content.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Stroke Color</td>
<td>The <strong>Stroke Color</strong> property determines the border color of content.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Underline</td>
<td>The <strong>Underline</strong> property determines the underline style when the <strong>Underline Text Tool</strong> is used.</td>
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<td>Width</td>
<td>The <strong>Width</strong> property determines the width of content.</td>
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**DEFAULT TEXT FORMAT**

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<td><strong>Font Size</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Font Size</strong> property determines the content font size.</td>
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**OTHER**

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<th>End</th>
<th>The <strong>End</strong> property determines the style of line endings.</th>
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<td><strong>End Scale</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>End Scale</strong> property determines the scale used for line endings.</td>
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<td><strong>Inline Caption</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Inline Caption</strong> property is not currently available. It will be available in future builds.</td>
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<td><strong>Leader Extension</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Leader Extension</strong> property determines the length of optional lines that extend from leader lines when using the Line/Arrow/Distance Tool.</td>
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<td><strong>Leader Length</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Leader Length</strong> property determines the length of leader lines.</td>
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<td><strong>Leader Offset</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Leader Offset</strong> property determines the length of the offset between the pointer and leader lines.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Scale</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Scale</strong> property determines the scale used for content.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Show Caption</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Show Caption</strong> property determines caption visibility in the Line/Arrow/Distance Tool. When it is enabled, the content of</td>
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<td>Annotations Pop-Ups</td>
<td>annotations pop-ups is displayed in text format above the baseline. When it is disabled, this content is not displayed.</td>
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<td><strong>Start</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Start</strong> property determines the style at the beginning of lines.</td>
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<td><strong>Start Scale</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Start Scale</strong> property determines the scale used at the beginning of lines.</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Subject</strong></td>
<td>The <strong>Subject</strong> property determines the content subject title. Note that it is not possible to edit this property in all tools.</td>
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| **Subject Kind**    | The **Subject Kind** property determines the content subject value:  
  - **Custom** renders a custom value for the subject. Enter the desired value in the **Subject** text box.  
  - **Default** renders the default subject value.  
  - **Global** renders the global subject value. Use the **Subject** text box to enter a new global subject value. All tools that feature a global option in their **Subject Kind** property will then be updated with the same information. |
PDF-XChange Lite V7 is the lite version of our best-selling software for the creation and virtual printing of industry-standard PDF files - PDF-XChange Standard V7. It's compatible with files from almost all Windows applications such as MS Word, Excel and AutoCAD.

PDF-XChange Lite features an optimized engine that significantly increases the quality of conversion for images and image-based text characters. Converted files are smaller in this version too - allowing for faster uploads/downloads, a reduction in storage space and increased data retention – even at high levels of compression.

PDF-XChange Lite installs as a virtual printer that generates fully-compatible, industry-standard, native PDF files. The files that PDF-XChange Lite creates feature searchable text, which greatly increases the efficiency of searching, selecting and editing files.

After PDF-XChange Lite has been installed, select files to print virtually and click Print. Select PDF-XChange Lite when prompted on which printer should be used. Files will then print virtually. There are several adjustable settings that determine the parameters of created documents. For example, it is now possible for documents to retain the name of the document from which they were created, and macros have been introduced to increase workflow efficiency.

The PDF-XChange Lite User Manual is composed of the following sections:

- **Features Overview** details the main features of the software.
- **PDF-XChange Lite Printer Settings** details the product settings, and is structured to match the UI of the software.

Note that the icons in the upper left of the screen can be used to browse/search the manual:
Click the **Table of Contents** to view/move to chapters of the manual.

Click the **Keyword Index** to view keywords, and click keywords to move to their location in the manual.

Click **Search Topics** to enter custom search terms.
8.1 Features Overview

**PDF-XChange Lite** is a reduced version of **PDF-XChange Standard** that contains basic features for use when printing documents virtually. It combines high quality conversion with optimized compression to create professional documents that are comparatively small in size. The main features of **PDF-XChange Lite** are detailed below:

- **Hybrid Conversion Engine** that prints to both **GDI** and **XPS**. Use the **Driver Mode Rules** to designate **GDI** or **XPS** printing for specified printing applications as desired.
- **Document Information** options that support both basic and advanced settings, including the option to add XMP Metadata, when documents are printed.
- **Font Embedding** to ensure compatibility on all computers. Chinese, Japanese and Korean fonts are now also available.
- **Enhanced Saving** options that determine how files are saved/named, including **macro** functionality that increases workflow efficiency and dynamics.
- **Language** options that support a wide range of languages.
- **Paper Properties** that offer dynamic options for paper size, resolution, scaling and output.
- **Custom Forms** can be created and saved for subsequent use.
- **Mirrored Printing** and **Mixed Raster Content (MRC)** support.
8.2 PDF-XChange Lite Printer Settings

PDF-XChange Lite features many customizable settings. These are accessible from the printers list. Follow the steps below to adjust settings:

1. Click the **Windows Start Button**.

2. Click **Control Panel**. The **Control Panel** dialog box will open.

3. Click **Devices and Printers** in the **Control Panel** dialog box.

4. Move to the **Printers** tab and right-click **PDF-XChange Lite**.

5. Click **Printing Preferences**. The **PDF-XChange Lite Printing Preferences** dialog box will open:
6. Use the **Settings** tab, which is highlighted in *(figure 1)*, to select settings. All sections are detailed below:

- **Paper**
- **Custom Forms**
- **Fonts**
- **Document Info**
- **Save**
- **Languages**

**About**

The **About** tab can be used to access further information about the product, view help pages, check for updates and register new serial keys/activation codes.
The **Paper** settings are used to determine the size, orientation, margin, scaling factor, layout and printing order of pages, and the DPI (resolution) of images. Please note that some programs, such as **Microsoft Word**, override the properties determined in the **Paper** settings. This is because they use values determined within their own parameters and give those values priority over the options in **PDF-XChange Lite**.

Click **Paper** in the **Settings** tab to customize paper settings:

![Paper Settings Dialog Box](image)

*Figure 1. Paper Settings Dialog Box*
Page Size

- **Standard** features industry-standard standardized sizes.
- **Custom** enables custom dimensions (to a maximum of two hundred inches). Use the number boxes to determine document dimensions. Use the dropdown list to determine the units of measurement.
- **Margins** adjusts the size of document margins.

Please note that AutoCAD may present issues when printing, especially when it plots to virtual print drivers such as the PDF-XChange Lite print driver. If problems arise, especially in regard to portions of output exceeding the defined margin/page limits, we recommend setting a margin of at least 3.2mm.

Graphic

- **Resolution** is measured in DPI (dots per inch). Use the Resolution number boxes to determine DPI. (Increasing DPI usually decreases file size).
- **Scaling** determines the size of converted documents in relation to original content.
- **Orientation** sets Portrait or Landscape as the page orientation.

Page Layout

- **Standard** layout features one page per PDF page. See [here](#) for further options.
- **Booklet** layout features adjacent pages and is used for booklets and similar documents. See [here](#) for further options.
- **Multiple Pages Per Sheet** features multiple document pages per PDF page. Select a value to view the layout in the preview window. See [here](#) for further options.

Sheet Size

- **Auto** sets sheet size automatically.
- **Custom** enables custom dimensions.
- The remaining options are industry-standard dimensions.

Advanced Printing Options

- Select **Mirror by X Axis** to print a mirror version of the document that is reversed on the horizontal axis.
- Select **Mirror by X Axis** to print a mirror version of the document that is reversed on the vertical axis.

Click **OK** to save changes.
Standard Layout

The **Standard** layout is used to print one document page per PDF page. The options detailed below are available when **Standard** is selected in the **Layout Type** dropdown menu:

![Paper Settings Dialog Box, Layout Type Dropdown Menu Selected, Standard Option](image)

**Figure 1.** Paper Settings Dialog Box, Layout Type Dropdown Menu Selected, Standard Option

The **Sheet Size** options determine document dimensions:

- **Auto** sets sheet size automatically.
• **Custom** enables custom dimensions. Enter the desired dimensions in the **Size** boxes.
• The remaining options are industry-standard dimensions.

**Further Options**

• If the **Scale To Fit** box is selected then layout options scale to the page size. Clear the box to disable this setting and then enter values in the **Size** and **Scale** number boxes or use the preview pane to resize pages.
• If the **Center** box is selected then documents are centered on the page and will remain centered when the size is adjusted. Clear the box to disable this setting and then enter values in the **Position** number boxes to determine page position.

Click **OK** to save changes.
Booklet Layout

The **Booklet** layout is used to print booklets and similar documents. When it is selected in the **Layout Type** menu the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Paper Settings Dialog Box, Booklet Options](image)

The **Sheet Size** options determine document dimensions:

- **Auto** sets sheet size automatically.
- **Custom** enables custom dimensions. Enter the desired dimensions in the **Size** boxes.
• The remaining options are industry-standard dimensions.

The **Booklet Type** options determine the booklet format:

- **Brochure** creates brochures, which are usually two or four pages in length and fit on a single sheet.
- **Books** have more pages than brochures and usually feature double-sided printing.
- Use the **Sheets in signature** number box to determine how sheets are folded.
- Use the **Gutter size** number box to determine the binding margin area, which the gray area in the preview pane represents. The default size is the industry-standard 12.7mm

Click **OK** to save changes.
Multiple Pages per Sheet

The Multiple Pages per Sheet layout is used to print multiple document pages per printed page. When it is selected in the Layout Type menu the following options are available:

![Figure 1. Paper Settings Dialog Box, Multiple Pages Per Sheet Options](image)

The Sheet Size options determine document dimensions:

- **Auto** sets sheet size automatically.
- **Custom** enables custom dimensions. Enter the desired dimensions in the Size boxes.
• The remaining options are industry-standard dimensions.

**Further Options**

• The **Page Per Sheet** dropdown menu determines how many pages feature on each sheet.
• The **Page Order** menu determines how pages are ordered in the PDF document. Select an option to view the layout in the preview pane.
• Select the **Print Pages Borders** box to print page borders.

Click **OK** to save changes.
Custom Forms

The **Custom Forms** settings are used to save custom forms for subsequent use:

![Custom Forms Dialog Box](image)

- Click **Add** to add a new custom form. The **Add/Edit Custom Form** dialog box will open, as detailed below.
- Click **Edit** to edit selected forms.
- Click **Remove** to remove selected forms.
Enter a name in the **Custom Form Name** text box to name the custom form.

Enter dimensions in the **Width** and **Height** boxes and select a unit of measurement.

Click **OK** to save custom forms. They will then be detailed in the **Custom Forms** dialog box, and can also be selected in the **Sheet Size** dropdown menu of **Paper Settings** dialog box:
**Figure 3.** Paper Settings Dialog Box, Sheet Size Dropdown Menu, Custom Forms
Fonts

The Fonts settings are used to determine font embedding options:

- Select the Embed All Used Fonts box to embed all fonts. This increases the file size but ensures that fonts can be viewed on all machines.
- Select the Force Embed Protected Fonts box to force the inclusion of protected fonts in documents. Please note that some fonts are not licensed for widespread distribution and therefore it is necessary to check license permissions when this option is used.
• Select the **Embed Extended Font/Character Info** box to embed extended fonts and character information.

• Select the **Force Embed Temporary Fonts** box to force the inclusion of temporary fonts in documents.

• Select the **Embed a subset of fonts only, if percentage of characters used is less than** box to embed a subset of fonts when the percentage of total fonts they represent in files is less than the percentage entered into the adjacent number box. This optimizes the size of files as it saves a subset of fonts as opposed to the entire character set, but it should only be used when there is no intention to edit documents subsequently.

• The **Available Fonts** window displays all fonts available for embedding. Select fonts and then use the arrow icons to add them to the **Always Embed Fonts** or **Never Embed Fonts** panes. The best approach, in order to optimize file size, it to embed uncommon fonts and leave common fonts unembedded. This is because it is probable that common fonts will be available on the computers of subsequent users, and therefore embedding these fonts will increase the size of files unnecessarily.

Click **OK** to save settings.
Document Info

The Document Info settings are used to determine document information:

- Select the Place Additional Information Into the Document box to add metadata to documents. When this option is enabled, the PDF Information section of the dialog box can be edited. Enter the desired metadata in the text boxes.
- Select the Ask For Document Information on Printing Start box to enter document metadata when documents are printed.
- Select the **Add XMP Metadata to the Document** box to add the (*XMP) extension to documents. See [here](#) for further information.

Click **OK** to save settings.
The **Save** settings are used to determine how **PDF-XChange Lite** names and saves files:

![Save Settings Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1.** Save Settings Dialog Box

- Select the **Show Save As** box to view the **Save As** dialog box when files are saved. Use this option to update the filename when files are saved.
- Use the **Path** text box to determine the location of saved files. Click **Browse** to select a folder, or click the arrow to view/select common file locations such as **My Documents** or the desktop.
Use the **File Name** text box to name files. Note that macros can be used in this text box.

- Select the **Strip Path From Document Name** box as desired.
- The **When File Already Exists** dropdown menu determines the action taken when entered file names are already in use:
  - **Show Warning Dialog** displays a warning and prompts the user for action.
  - **Always Overwrite** uses the new file to overwrite the existing file.
  - **Auto Number** uses the same file name and appends a number.
  - **Merge with Existing (Append To)** appends the new file to the existing file.
  - **Merge with Existing (Insert Before)** inserts the new file before the existing file.
  - **Ask for new file name** prompts for a new file name.
- Select the **Run Application After Printing** box to view printed documents when printing is complete.
- Select the **Default Application for PDF files** option button to view printed documents in the default PDF viewer.
- Select the **Application** option button to view printed documents in an alternative application. Enter the name of the application in the text box, or click **Browse** to select an application manually.
- Enter application parameters in the **Parameters** text box as desired.

Click **OK** to save settings.
Macros can be used when saving files in PDF-XChange Lite. 'Macro' is an abbreviation of 'macroinstruction' - a term in computer science for a rule that specifies how input characters should be entered to create corresponding output. This means that components of the output process can be simplified during the input process, which makes the work involved less intensive and more dynamic.

Use macros in the Filename when files are saved in PDF-XChange Lite to create the names of saved files. Note that multiple macros can be used simultaneously as desired. Click the macro button to view the list of macros, then click macros to add them to the text box. Macros can also be entered manually.

Please note that certain symbols are not compatible with macros and therefore are not permitted in document names. If inconsistencies are noticed between the name used when files are saved and the final file name then it is advised to change the name used when files are saved.

The format for macros is:

%[<Macro Name>] or, when it is customizable: %[<Macro Name>:=<Parameter>]. The <Parameter> step is optional in all cases except for the Environment Variable macro.

An example of the filename that entered macros will create is displayed beneath the File Name text box. For example, if the [%Docpath] macro is entered, then the example displays the source path of the printed document:
All macros are detailed below:

- **Application Name**, which uses the syntax `%[AppName]` and adds the executable filename extension of the application that calls **PDF-XChange Lite** to print the document. For example, if **Microsoft Word** is used then 'WINWORD' is added.
- **Document Name**, which uses the syntax `%[DocName]` and adds the name of the document. Further information about this macro is detailed below.
- **Document Path**, which uses the syntax `%[DocPath]` and adds the path of the printed document.
- **Date**, which uses the syntax `%[Date]` and adds the current date. Multiple date formats are available, as detailed below. Please note that if parameters are not used in conjunction with this macro then the output will be different from what is expected. This is because the output from the default settings includes forwardslashes, which are not compatible with file names. **PDF-XChange Standard**, the ‘full’ version of **PDF-XChange Lite**, contains a range of features for the `%[Date]` macro. These features require the date in standard format, which is the reason for
the format of the default settings and why they do not create the expected output when saving files in PDF-XChange Lite.

- **Year**, which uses the syntax `%[Year]` and adds the current year as a four-digit value.
- **Month**, which uses the syntax `%[Month]` and adds the current month as a numerical value from 1-12.
- **Day**, which uses the syntax `%[Day]` and adds the current day of the month as a two-digit value.
- **Time**, which uses the syntax `%[Time]` and adds the current time. Multiple time formats are available, as detailed below.
- **Hour**, which uses the syntax `%[Hour]` and adds the hour value from the current time.
- **Minute**, which uses the syntax `%[Minute]` and adds the minute value from the current time.
- **Seconds**, which uses the syntax `%[Second]` and adds the seconds value from the current time.
- **Computer Name**, which uses the syntax `%[Computer]` and adds the name of the local computer as defined by the Windows Computer Name.
- **User Name**, which uses the syntax `%[User]` and adds the name of the current user.
- **Page Number**, which uses the syntax `%[Page]` and adds the page number of source pages.
- **Pages Count**, which uses the syntax `%[Pages]` and adds the number of document pages.
- **Environment Variable**, which uses the syntax `%[Env]` and adds information taken from user-specified environment variables. This macro must be qualified with a parameter in order to return information. Available parameters are detailed below.

`%[DocName]`

The `getDocumentName` function of the `titrules.js` JavaScript uses the document name at the time of printing to define this macro. This JavaScript is included to give PDF-XChange Lite priority over other applications when documents are saved. This is a necessary process because of the complicated manner in which Microsoft defines document names. Please note that modifying the `titrules.js` JavaScript is a complicated process that only experienced JavaScript programmers should perform. If assistance is required then please Contact Us.

**Available Parameters**

`%[Date]`

- **d** inserts the day of the month and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **dd** inserts the day of the month and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **ddd** inserts the day of the week as a three-letter abbreviation.
- **dddd** inserts the day of the week.
- **M** inserts the month as a numerical value and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **MM** inserts the month as a numerical value and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **MMM** inserts the month as a three-letter abbreviation.
- **MMMM** inserts the month.
- **yy** inserts the year as two digits and adds a zero in cases of values lower than 10.
- **yyyy** inserts the year.

Note that several parameters can be used in sequence in order to insert a customized date. For example, `%[Date:dddd, dd MMMM yyyy]` inserts the day of the week followed by the day of the month, the month name in full and the year as four digits:

![Figure 2. Example Date Macro](image)

**%[Time]**

- **h** inserts the hour and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **hh** inserts the hour and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
- **H** inserts the hour, includes a zero in cases of single-digit values and uses a 24 hour-clock.
• **m** inserts the minutes and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
• **mm** inserts the minutes and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
• **s** inserts the seconds and omits the zero in cases of single-digit values.
• **ss** inserts the seconds and includes a zero in cases of single-digit values.
• **t** inserts a single character to reference the a.m./p.m. variable: **A** or **P**.
• **tt** inserts two characters to reference the a.m./p.m. variable: **AM** or **PM**.

Note that several parameters can be used in sequence in order to insert a customized time, and a range of delimiter options can be used. For example, %[**Time**:h-mm tt] inserts the current hour and minutes followed by two characters to reference the a.m./p.m. variable:

![Figure 3. Example Time Macro](image.png)

If parameters are not specified then output values revert to default, which is the time from the local computer in the format **hh_mm_ss AM/PM.pdf**

%[**Env**]
- **ALLUSERSPROFILE** inserts the full path to the *All Users* profile directory.
- **APPDATA** inserts the full path to the *Application Data* directory of the current user.
- **CommonProgramFiles** inserts the full path to the *Common Files* directory.
- **CommonProgramFiles(x86)** inserts the full path to the *(x86) Common Files* directory in 64-bit versions of *Windows*.
- **CommonProgramFilesW6432** inserts the full path to the *Common Files* directory in 64-bit versions of *Windows*.
- **COMPUTERNAME** inserts the computer name.
- **HOMEDRIVE** inserts the drive letter on the local computer that is connected to the user's home directory.
- **HOMEPATH** inserts the complete path of the current user's *Home* directory, as defined by the user's account properties.
- **LOCALAPPDATA** inserts the complete path to the current user's *Application Data* directory.
- **LOGONSERVER** inserts the name of the domain controller that authenticated the client's logon request.
- **OS** inserts the name of the operating system.
- **PROCESSOR_ARCHITECTURE** inserts the chip architecture of the CPU.
- **ProgramData** inserts the full path to the *All Users* profile directory.
- **ProgramFiles** inserts the full path to the *Program Files* directory.
- **ProgramFiles(x86)** inserts the full path to the *(x86) Program Files* directory in 64-bit versions of *Windows*.
- **ProgramFilesW643** inserts the full path to the *Program Files* directory in 64-bit versions of *Windows*.
- **PUBLIC** inserts the full path to the *Public* directory.
- **SESSIONNAME** inserts the session name and number when a client is connected via a terminal server.
- **SystemDrive** inserts the name of the drive on which the system folder was placed.
- **SystemRoot** inserts the name of the system folder.
- **TEMP** inserts the name of the default temporary folder used by the operating system and applications available to the current user.
- **TMP** inserts the name of the default temporary folder used by the operating system and applications available to the current user. (Note that some applications require the **TEMP** environment variable, whilst others require **TMP**. The values for both should be identical).
- **USERDOMAIN** inserts the name of the user domain that contains the account of the current user.
- **USERDOMAIN_ROAMINGPROFILE** inserts the name of the user domain for RDS or standard roaming profile paths.
- **USERNAME** inserts the name of the current user.
- **USERPROFILE** inserts the location of the current user's profile directory.
- **windir** inserts the full path to the *Windows* directory.

For example, the macro `%[Env:CommonProgramFiles]` inserts the full path to the *Common Files* directory:
Figure 4. Example `%[Env:CommonProgramFiles]` Macro
Languages

The **Languages** settings are used to determine the language of the user interface:

![Choose Interface Language Dialog Box](image)

**Figure 1. Choose Interface Language Dialog Box**

Click **Use Regional Settings** to use the regional language of the local computer. Alternatively, click to select a language from the list of languages, then click **Set as Default** to enable it.

Click **OK** to save settings.
Driver Mode

The **Driver Mode** determines the print mode of **PDF-XChange Lite**:

![Driver Mode Options](image)

**Figure 1.** Driver Mode Options

Printer drivers on **Microsoft Windows** systems make use of **GDI** (Unidrv or P-Script-based) or **XPS** (XPSDrv) in order to print documents. **PDF-XChange Lite** supports both of these modes, and the **Driver Mode** settings determine which mode is used:

- **Auto** allows **PDF-XChange Lite** to determine the print mode.
- **GDI** specifies **GDI** printing to **GDI**.
- **XPS** specifies **XPS** printing to **XPS**.

**Driver Mode Rules**

The driver mode rules are used to set printing to **GDI** or **XPS** for specific applications. Click the icon next to the **Driver Mode** dropdown menu in order to specify driver mode rules:

![Figure 2. Driver Mode Rules Icon](image)

The **Driver Mode Rules** dialog box will open:
• Click Add to add applications to the list. The Add/Edit Driver Mode dialog box will open, as detailed below.
• Click Edit/Remove to edit/remove selected applications. The Add/Edit Driver Mode dialog box will open, as detailed below.
• Use the Default driver mode dropdown menu to determine the default driver mode in PDF-XChange Lite.

• Enter the name of the application in the Application name text box. Note that the executable file of the application must be used. Alternatively, click Browse to select an application manually.
• Use the dropdown menu to determine the Driver Mode for the specified application. PDF-XChange Lite will then print in the specified mode when this application is used.
Click **OK** to save changes.

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**PDF Saver**

The **PDF Saver** feature facilitates the combination of multiple print jobs into a single PDF document. This increases the speed at which files are generated, which allows users to queue new jobs before the final file assembly and generation.

Enter ‘pdfsaver’ in the **Windows Search Box** and click **PDFX-Change Lite pdfsaver** to view/edit the **PDF Saver** settings:

![Figure 1. Windows Search Box Results](image-url)
The PDF-XChange Lite: pdfSaver dialog box will open:

![PDF-XChange Lite: pdfSaver Dialog Box](image)

Figure 2. PDF-XChange Lite: pdfSaver Dialog Box

- Select the **Show Icon in System Tray** box to display an icon the taskbar when PDF Saver is open.
- Select the **Show Printing Progress Window** box to view the printing progress window when documents are printed.
- Select the **Autounload pdfSaver after** box to unload PDF Saver when printing is complete. Use the number box to determine the period after which PDF Saver closes.
- Select the **Do not Remove Temporary Files** box to retain temporary files after documents are printed.
- Select the **Do not Erase Temporary Folder at pdfSaver startup** box to retain the temporary folder when PDF Saver is launched.
- Use the Help dropdown menu to navigate to the PDF-XChange Lite online manual, the PDF-XChange Lite product page on the Tracker Software Products website or the Support Forums as desired.
- Click Hide to minimize the window.
- Click the **About** tab to view build and version information about PDF-XChange Lite.
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