

Deneba Software

Read Me • Canvas™ 8

PROFESSIONAL EDITION

Electronic Evaluation Version

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Thanks for evaluating Deneba Canvas 8! This document contains information about installing and trying out Canvas 8.

Before beginning the installation process, you may need to obtain an evaluation serial number. Please visit <http://www.deneba.com/download/evaluate/>.

After entering an evaluation serial number during installation, you can use the full-featured Canvas 8 Evaluation version for 15 days. This version Canvas 8 will expire at the end of the 15-day evaluation period.

Note: If you cannot obtain an evaluation serial number, you can run this version of Canvas in "demonstration" mode by installing it without entering a serial number. In demonstration mode, Canvas will not save or export documents, and documents you print will have a "Canvas" banner on each page. All other features are fully available.

In order to reduce the download size, the interactive html help system is not included in the downloadable evaluation version. You can access the complete help system and HTML documentation at the following URL:

Help: <http://www.deneba.com/cv8help/>

If you need additional help, refer to the end of this document for information about contacting Deneba Software.

INSTALLING Canvas 8

Before you install Canvas, please verify that your system meets the minimum requirements for running Canvas:

- Pentium™ II -class processor
- Microsoft® Windows 95 / 98 / ME / 2000/ XP or Windows NT 4.0 or later
- 64 MB RAM
- 80 MB free hard disk space
- 16-bit color (24-bit is best)
- 800 x 600 or higher screen resolution

Installing Canvas



Setup.exe To begin installation, double-click the file SETUP.EXE located in the same directory as this Read Me file. The Canvas Setup program displays instructions and options for you to select.

- On the Software License Agreement screen, read the license agreement and indicate your acceptance of the license agreement by choosing I accept the terms.
- You can choose to install Canvas with its complete feature set by choosing Complete; or, if you only want to install certain components or install Canvas in another directory, select Custom.

Choosing a default color space

The Setup program asks you to choose color presets based on your typical work. You can choose RGB or CMYK color presets. The installation screen explains the typical uses for these types of colors. The color system you choose determines which default inks Canvas loads into the Inks palette. It also affects colors in the Strokes palette, the mode of the Color Dropper tool, and the default printer calibration setting. However, this choice does not limit your ability to use any color system that Canvas supports. You can choose either color option during installation, and later change color system settings in Canvas.

RELEASE NOTES

This section describes new features, changes, and corrections since the printing of the Canvas 8 documentation.

PDF Export Filter - Save as...Acrobat (*.PDF)

1) Exporting transition effects into a PDF file:

Canvas 8 can now embed presentation slide transition effect information within PDF files. Since a one-to-one conversion between Canvas transition effects and those available within Acrobat do not always exist, the export filter will map effects that don't correlate directly as follows:

a) Effects that are the same or almost the same:

Canvas	Acrobat
NO DISSOLVE	Replace (i.e. 'no effect')
SLIDES	Wipe
VENETIAN BLINDS	Blinds
HORIZON	Split (horizontally)
DOORS	Split (vertically)
SHRINK BOX	Box (closing)
GROW BOX	Box (opening)
DISSOLVE	Dissolve

b) Effects that are similar:

Canvas	Acrobat
SWITCHER	Wipe
STRETCH OUT	Split (horizontally)
IRIS IN	Box (closing)
IRIS OUT	Box (opening)
CORNERS	Box (opening)
JAIL BARS	Blinds (vertical)
CHECKERS	Glitter (0 degrees)
CASCADE	Glitter (270 degrees)
CROSS CUT	Glitter (315 degrees)

b) Other effects:

Canvas	Acrobat
CLOCK	Dissolve
BUBBLES	Dissolve
SPEED BOX	Dissolve
STAR BURST	Dissolve

Note: See the documentation that accompanies Adobe™ Acrobat for more information on Acrobat transition effects.

2) Timing

In Canvas, the duration of an effect can be set on a scale that goes from 'min' to 'max'. That settings will be used in a PDF file as a time that goes from 0.5 sec up to 4.0 sec.

Since there is no option for setting how long an individual slide will stay visible during a slide show, a default time of 15 seconds will be used (i.e. if the user won't go to the next slide, the next slide will come up automatically after 15 seconds).

3) Exporting hypertext links and URLs

The PDF Export filter now supports all links that have been set through the URL palette. Links to individual pages of a multi-page document will result in the creation of hypertext links within the PDF file. Links to external HTML or PDF files are also supported.

It should be noted that PDF supports rectangular (orthogonal) hot-spots only. This means, that if a URL is assigned to a rotated text object, the bounding box of the text will be defined as the hot-spot area. This should not be a problem if there is just one such link on a page. However, you should be aware that when more than one rotated text (or other not rectangular objects) with a URL are used on a page, their bounding boxes may intersect each other. This may cause links that are located beneath another's bounding area to not work as expected.

More details about how to use URLs can be found in the PDF documentation.

4) Default outline tree of a multi-page document

When exported, a document containing more than one page will link to each individual page of the document. Names of each page will be used as titles for the outline. Because they are exported as Unicode text each title may contain any letter that is supported by your current locale.

The Outline tree in Acrobat can be accessed (displayed or hidden) either from the Acrobat's menu or from the toolbar.

5) Using Multiple Master PostScript Fonts

The PDF Export filter cannot embed Multiple Master fonts. If a Multiple Master font is used in a document the PDF filter will export all standard properties of the font. However, it will not embed the actual data of the font, regardless of the current setting in the PDF Export dialog.

HTML Export Filter (Save as...HTML)

Exporting tabs

Tabs are not supported in HTML. Therefore all tabs will be ignored during an HTML export.

In order to create justified or indented text viewable in an HTML browser, you will need to:

- Use non-breaking spaces as a spacer
- Use text justification and paragraph indentation
- Split one text object into more objects when designing a column-like paragraph (such as list of contents)

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