



Compare two versions of a PDF file with Adobe[®] Acrobat[®] XI Pro

Quickly pinpoint changes by comparing two versions of a PDF file. Acrobat XI analyzes the files and presents a report detailing differences between the documents.

- 1. In Acrobat, select View > Compare Documents.
- 2. Choose the documents to compare. You can limit the comparison to a portion of the documents by entering the page numbers in the First and Last page fields under each filename.
- 3. Under Document Description, select the type of documents that you are comparing. To ignore differences between the graphic elements, select Compare Text Only. Click OK.

Acrobat displays the results in a new document. The first page summarizes the results, including:



- a. Differences between the files
- b. Files compared
- c. Get Started hyperlink to take you to the first difference
- d. Moved or deleted pages
- e. Key to the symbols used within the report

- 4. Select how to review the differences.
 - a. Use the Compare panel on the left side (default).
 - Page through the thumbnails in the Compare panel. An icon below a thumbnail indicates a difference. A green arrow signifies moved or deleted pages. A purple arrow designates a change on the page.
 - Return to the first page and click Get Started to go to the first difference.
 - Changes are highlighted on the main screen. Hover your mouse over the highlight to see the details. The color legend in the top right provides a guide.

- b. Use side-by-side view.
 - In the Compare panel on the left, click the options icon, and select Show Documents Side by Side.
 - Changes are highlighted on the main screen. Hover your mouse over the highlight to see the details. The color legend in the top right provides a guide.



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