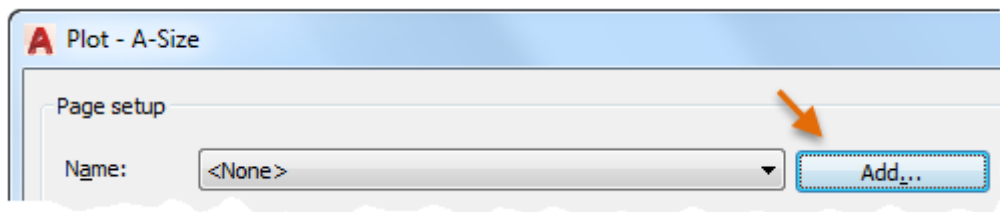


Have You Tried: Create and Import Page Setups

Have you tried saving time when you plot by creating *page setups*?

When you add a page setup in the Plot dialog box, you're saving a snapshot of all the plot settings and assigning them a name.



You can think of a page setup as similar to saving dimension settings in a dimension style. This means that the same plot settings can be assigned to multiple layouts making it easy to maintain consistent settings in plot outputs. You can also assign a default page setup for the Model tab and for each layout tab.

Tip: It's a good idea to create and save page setups in a drawing template (DWT) file, and then to use that file when creating new drawings.

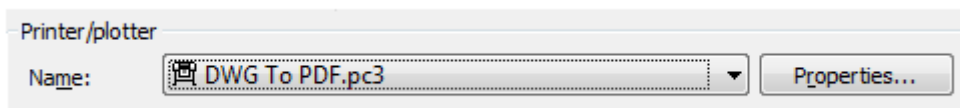
Save a Page Setup

1. Open a drawing file of your choice.

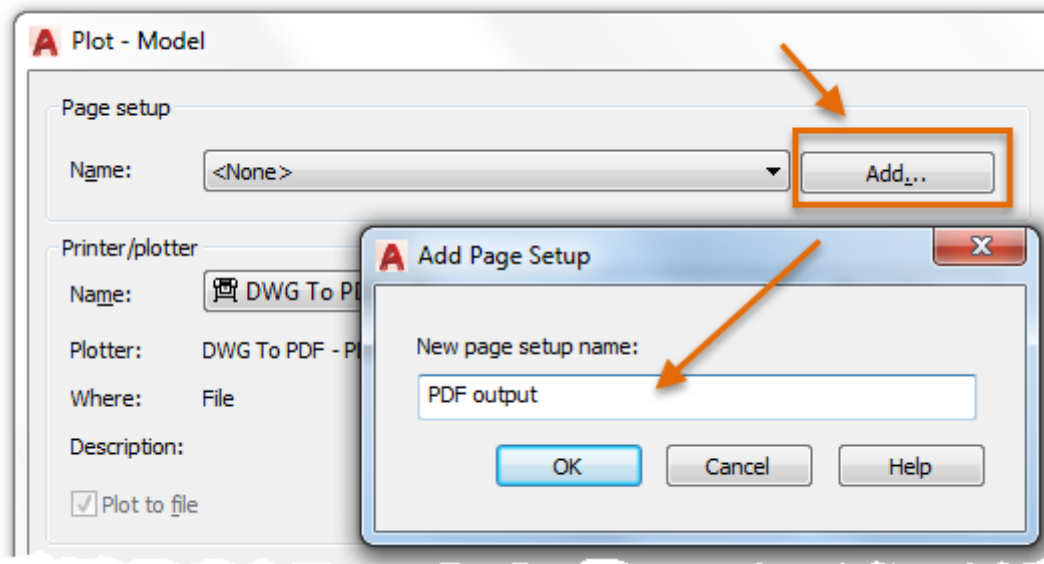
2. On either the Model tab or a layout tab, click Plot.



3. In the Plot dialog box, choose the settings that you want to save. For example, for the name of the Printer/plotter, scroll through the dropdown list and click DWG To PDF.pc3.



4. Make any other changes and then click the Add button. Enter a name for the page setup such as *PDF output*, and click OK.



5. At this point, you have several choices:

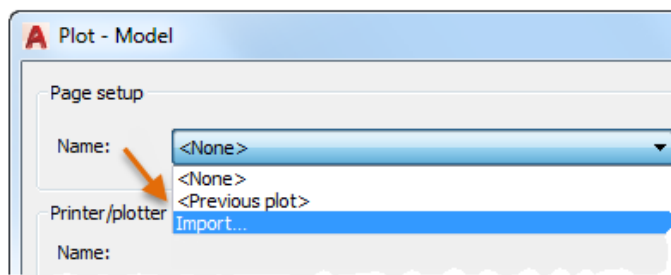
- Click Apply to Layout to associate this page setup as the default for the current tab.
- Click OK to create the PDF file.
- Click Cancel to abort the plot, but the page setup is still saved.

Note: As an alternative, you can open the Page Setup Manager with the PAGESETUP command.

Import a Page Setup

Sometimes you'll open a drawing that doesn't include your page setups. This can occur with a drawing that you receive from someone else, or maybe an older drawing. Here's what you can do.

1. Choose the Import option in the Name drop-down.



2. Choose a drawing that already uses your page setups.
3. Click the page setup that you want to import and click Ok. Choose one of the following:
 - If you want to import all of them, press Shift and choose the first and last one in the list.
 - If you want to import several of them, press Ctrl and choose the ones you want.
4. Click OK or Cancel.
5. Save your drawing.

Note: You can reduce the number of times that you need to import page setups by opening your drawing template files and importing them. Then, all new drawings will automatically have them available.

Additional Operations on a Page Setup

When you choose a named page setup in the Plot dialog box, all of your settings are loaded.

- If you want to override a setting from a page setup, simply change it in the Plot dialog box. The name of the page setup will then change to <none> to show that the settings no longer conform to that page setup.
- If you want to always use the specific page setup for the current layout, click the Apply to Layout button at the bottom of the Plot dialog box.
- If you want to modify a page setup, use the PAGESETUP command. In the Page Setup Manager, click the page setup name, and click Modify.

Note: Page setups created for the Model tab are available only from the Model tab, and those created for a layout are available only for layout tabs.

So, the next time you're getting ready to plot a drawing, click the Add button before you plot, and save your page setup for the future. By doing so, you can save time when you switch between plotters and PDF output. By importing your page setups, you take advantage of your previous work and avoid mistakes.

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