
How to setup PDF Creator for TeklaStructures

- **Features**

PDFCreator is a free software application for converting documents into Portable Document Format (PDF) under a Microsoft Windows operating system. Once installed, it allows the user to select PDFCreator as their printer, allowing almost any application to print to PDF.

Besides being installed as a printer driver, PDFCreator can be associated with .ps files to manually convert PostScript to PDF format.

PDF creator allows you to disable printing, copying of text or images and modifying the original document. You can choose between two kinds of passwords, user and owner, to protect PDF files in several ways. The user is required to open the PDF file, while the latter is necessary in order to change permissions and password. Encryption varies from 40bits, compatible with Adobe Acrobat 3.0 or 4.0, to 128 bits for Acrobat 5.0 or higher.

- **Downloading**

Downloading PDFCreator can be done in the following link:

<http://sourceforge.net/projects/pdfcreator/>

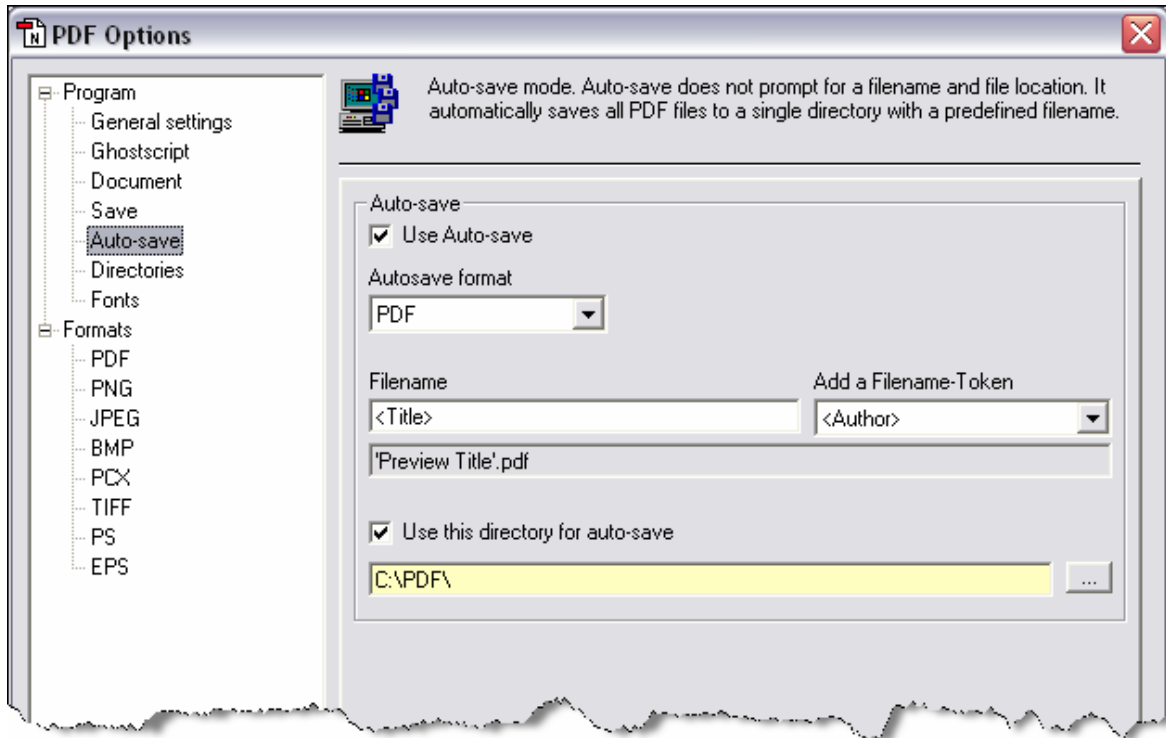
- **Setup**

Once the software has been installed, you need to do the following:

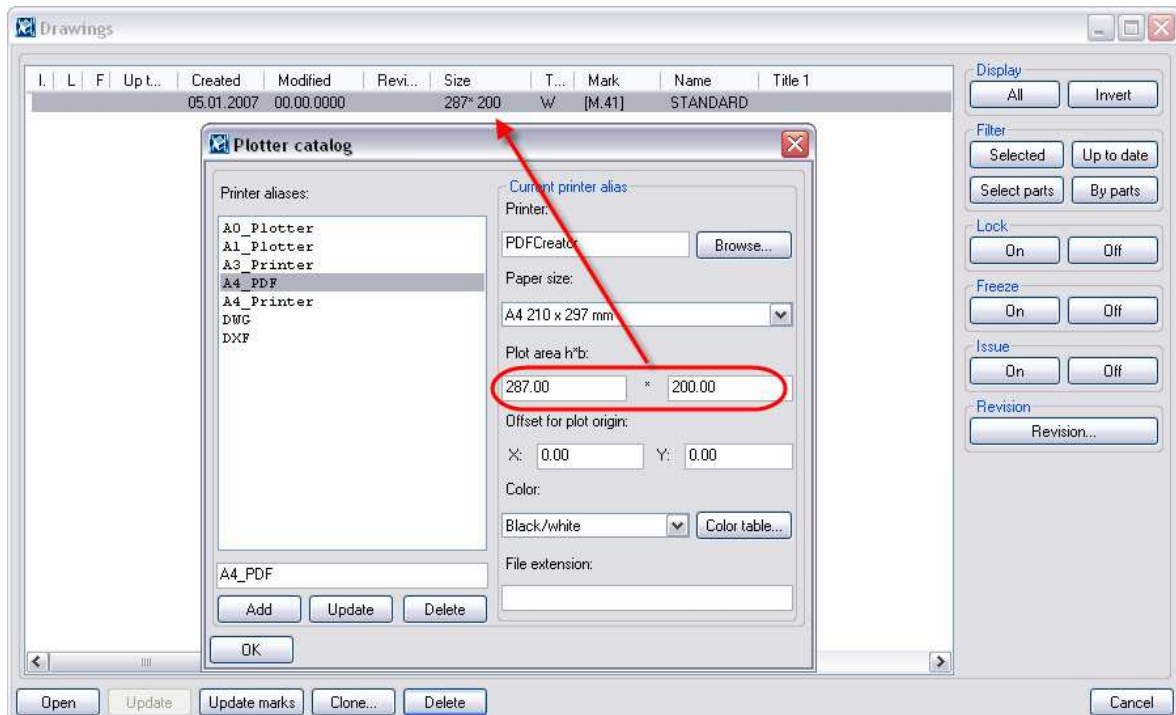
1. Add this variable to your user.bat file. This will force TS to use the Drawing Name (eg. B1.pdf) as the Plot file Title instead of the Document Name (eg. Tekla Structures Drawing [A - B.1].pdf).

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set XS_USE_DRAWING_NAME_AS_PLOT_TITLE=TRUE
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2. Set the configuration of the Auto-save as per image in next page if desired.



3. Add a new plotter setting in TeklaStructures for each paper size you want to print to.



- **Other options**

Apart from PDFCreator, you could also try PDF Factory. This is the one that Tekla recommends to their local users and costs about AU\$70 per license.
Below is the link where you can acquire a copy:

www.fineprint.com