

Importing Images into Flash

This information sheet explains how to import vector files from Adobe Illustrator, and raster files from Adobe Photoshop, into Adobe Flash.

Clipart.com

You may use images from the follow site for which we pay a subscription fee.

<http://schools.clipart.com>

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For vector images search for Media: **Clipart**. Download vector images as EPS. First select the desired image then click on **Download** for EPS image.

For raster images search for Media: **Photos**. Download raster images as JPEG. First select the desired image, click on **Download**, then right click on the image (control-click on a Mac).

Vector Images

This explains how to import files with the .ai file extension, Adobe Illustrator.

1. Open or create a vector image in Adobe Illustrator
 - a. Vector files from Clipart.com are often CMYK, which will not work in Flash.
Make sure all files are RGB; **File** ➔ **Document Color Mode** ➔ **RGB Color**
 - b. **File** ➔ **Save As**
 - c. Provide a good filename and the desired location.
 - d. Format: **Adobe Illustrator (ai)**
 - e. Click **Save**
 - e. **Illustrator Options**
Version: **Illustrator CS4**
Uncheck all Options
 - f. Click **OK**

2. Set Flash Settings
 - a. **Flash** ➔ **Preferences**
 - b. Choose **AI File Importer**
 - c. General: Show import dialog box
 Exclude objects outside crop area
 - d. Import Text as: • Editable text
 - e. Import paths as: • Editable paths
 - f. Select the center box in the Movie clip registration
 - g. Click **OK**

3. Import AI File

- a. **File > Import > Import to Library**
- b. Select the .ai file to import
- c. Click **Import to Library**
- d. Convert layers to: **Single Flash Layer**
- e. Click **OK**

Raster Images (Bitmaps)

This explains how to import files with the .psd file extension, Photoshop Document.

1. Open a raster image in Adobe Photoshop

- a. **File > Save As**
- b. Provide a good filename and the desired location.
- c. Format: **Photoshop** (top choice)
- d. Click **Save**
- e. **Image > Image Size**
Set to the desired size with a Resolution of 72 pixels/inch
- f. Click **OK**
- g. **File > Save**
- h. **File > Close**

2. Set Flash Settings

- a. In Flash, **Flash > Preferences**
- b. Choose **PSD File Importer**
- c. Import image layers as: **Flattened bitmap images**
- d. Import text layers as: **Flattened bitmap images**
- e. Import shape layers as: **Flattened bitmap images**
- f. Select the center box in the **Movie clip registration**
- g. Click **OK**

3. Import PSD File

- a. **File > Import > Import to Library**
- b. Select the .psd file to import
- c. Click **Import to Library**