

How to Make a Digital Signature in Acrobat

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Digital ID

before making a digital signature in Acrobat, you need to know what a digital ID is. according to Adobe, "A *digital ID* is like an electronic driver's license or passport that proves your identity". It is security for your signature to be valid.

Digital IDs contain two keys: the *public key* locks, or encrypts data; the *private key* unlocks, or decrypts that data.

Adding a Digital ID

1. In Acrobat, click the **Edit** menu and choose **Preferences > Signatures**.
2. On the right, click **More** for **Identities & Trusted Certificates**.
3. Select **Digital IDs** on the left, and then click the **Add ID** button



Specify where to store the digital ID,



in the file name section, put where you want the key to be located.

The ID is created. You can export and send your certificate file to contacts who can use it to validate your signature.

Register a digital ID

1. In Acrobat, click the **Edit** menu and choose **Preferences > Signatures**. In Identities & Trusted Certificates, and click **More**.
2. Select Digital IDs on the left.
3. Click the Add ID button.