

# Software: PADS Maker Documentation Home

## General

Welcome to the **PADS Maker Schematic**, **PADS Maker Layout**, and **PartQuest** documentation home page. Here you will find links to help you get started with your **Maker** or **MakerPro** edition of **PADS Maker**. and

- Review PADS Maker Specifications per version below.
- Review System Requirements for PADS Maker below.
- Purchase **PADS Maker** software. [Link to Purchase](#)
- Create accounts for access to [Software: PADS Maker Documentation Home](#), a free tool for Symbols and Footprints.
- Need help getting your **PADS Maker** products up and running? See the [Getting Started with PADS Maker](#) page.
- For community support, visit [PADS Maker Community](#) or [PADS MakerPro Community](#)

For those upgrading from **Designer** to **PADS Maker** or **PADS MakerPro**, click [here](#). This link will provide you with the following information:

- How to upgrade from **Designer 1.0** or **1.1** to **PADS Maker**
- Compatibility of **xDX Designer** projects/files with **PADS Maker**
- How to take **PADS Maker Layout** files into **PADS Layout**
- How to take **PADS Maker Schematic** files into **DX Designer** for **PADS Flow**
- How to import symbols and footprints created using **Designer 1.0** or **1.1** to **PADS Maker**

## PADS Maker Specifications by Version

Name	SplashScreen	No.# of Connections	Board Size	No.# of Layers
PADS MakerPro Schematic	MakerPro	unlimited	N/A	N/A
PADS Maker Schematic	Maker	1500	N/A	N/A
PADS MakerPro Layout	MakerPro	unlimited	50 sq. inches	8 total/6 signal
PADS Maker Layout	Maker	1500	25 sq. inches	6 total/4 signal

## Helpful Links

- [Link to Purchase Maker](#)
- [PartQuest](#)
- [Getting Started with PADS Maker](#)
  - [Create Accounts for PartQuest and Support Resources](#)
  - [Installing](#)
  - [Activating](#)

## System Requirements

### Operating System

- Windows 7 SP1 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 8 (32-bit and 64-bit)
- Windows 10 (32-bit and 64-bit)

### Hardware Requirements

- Memory/RAM: 2GB or higher
- Disk space for installation: 1.2GB

For additional information, please see our [PADS Maker FAQ](#).

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