

Acrobat DC: Completing PDF Forms

Overview

This fact sheet is specifically for users who are completing **PDF forms** electronically.

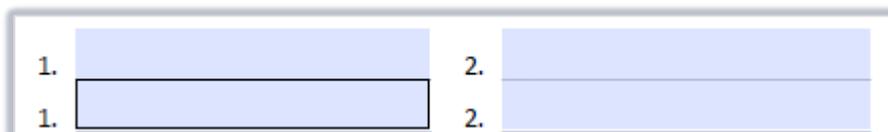
Before you start

Software requirements

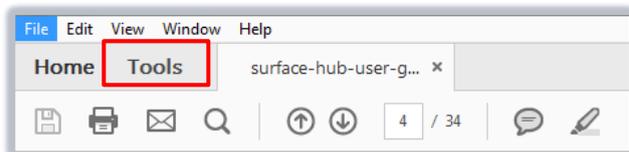
- Adobe Acrobat DC¹

Completing form fields

1. Open **Adobe Acrobat DC**, click **File**, then **Open...**
2. Navigate to your PDF and click **Open**.
3. If the form fields are already visible (active form areas are pale blue) start to complete the form.



4. If not click on the **Tools** menu option:



5. Scroll down to the **Forms & Signatures** section.
6. Click **Fill & Sign**.



Text fields

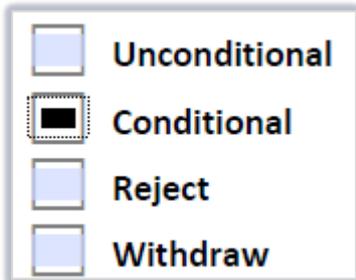
- Click in a text field to type content:
- Text will automatically resize to fit, if necessary:



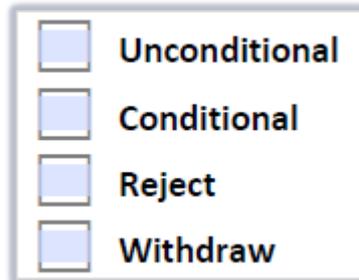
¹ Don't have Acrobat DC? You can request the software for your University managed device via the IT Service Desk using [MYIT](#).

Checkboxes

- To select a checkbox, click it once:



- To deselect a checkbox, click it again:

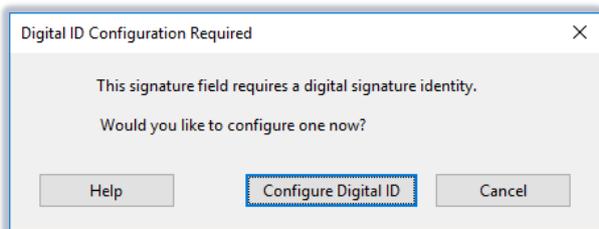


Signature fields

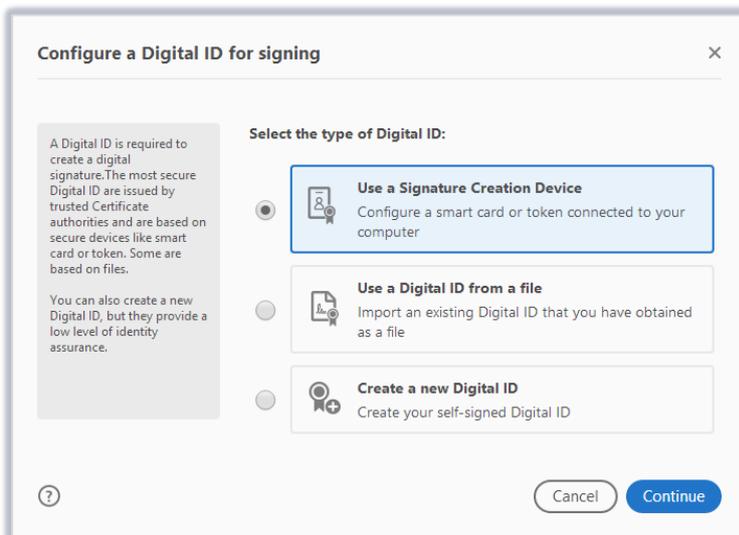
Signature fields display a red flag at the top left.



- When you click in a signature field, a pop-up opens requiring **Digital ID Configuration**.



- Click **Configure Digital ID** and choose your preferred method from the options below:



Additional Options

- If there are no form fields, the following options appear in the top toolbar.



Click on any of these, then click on the PDF to add a text box or one of the characters.

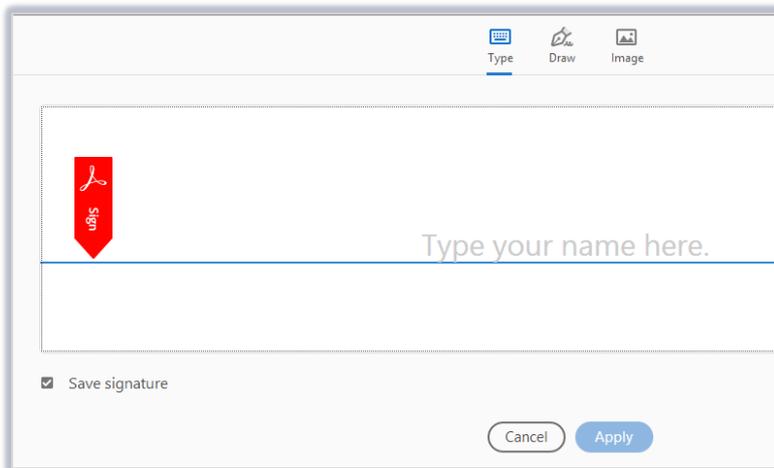
- If there is no signature field, you can still sign the form by using the **Sign** option on the **Fill & Sign** toolbar.



Click this and select either **Add Signature** or **Add initials**.



In either case, complete the window that appears.



You can enter this by typing, drawing or adding an image (e.g. a scanned image of your written signature).

7. Once everything is completed choose **Close** at top to return to the document.



8. Save the completed PDF form.

Further information and help

Use MyIT to report an issue with the IT Service Desk: <https://myit.abdn.ac.uk>