How to: Import or export a user profile

Import:
1. In the AutoCAD application window, click the Application Menu button and then click Options.
2. In the Options dialog box, Profiles tab, in the Available Profiles list, select the profile to export and click Export.
3. In the Export Profile dialog box, navigate to the location in which you want to export the user profile and enter a name for the user profile (ARG) file.
   If you plan on sharing the profile with others, make sure to export it to a shared location.
4. Click Save.
5. Click Cancel to close the Options dialog box.

Export:
1. Switch to a different workstation that has the same release of the AutoCAD product in which the profile was exported, or you can import the user profile into the same installation of the AutoCAD program from which it was exported.

Note: It is recommended to not import a user profile from a different release of the AutoCAD product than the release in which the user profile was exported.

2. In the AutoCAD application window, click the Application Menu button and then click Options.
3. In the Options dialog box, Profiles tab, click Import.
4. In the Import Profile dialog box, navigate to and select the exported user profile (ARG) file to import.
5. Click Open.
6. In the Import profile dialog box, accept the default name or enter a new one which can be helpful if you want to create a copy of the original profile.
7. Optionally, accept the default behavior to include the path information contained in the profile which are the settings on the Files tab primarily. If you don't want to include the path information, clear the Include Path Information checkbox.
8. Click Apply & Close to import the user profile and return to the Options dialog box.
9. In the Options dialog box, with the imported profile selected, click Set Current to make the profile current.
10. Click OK to close the Options dialog box.

Tip: A profile can be set current during the startup of the AutoCAD program with the /p command line switch. You can find out more about command line switches and their benefits in the Basic AutoCAD Customization: Your Desktop Shortcut article on the AutoCAD Blog or the About Customizing Startup topic in the AutoCAD Online Help system.