

Nudge

version 23 for Adobe Illustrator CC 2019 - 2022

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Nudge is a plugin for Adobe Illustrator that performs several functions:

- It fine-tunes the position of an art object (native art only, excluding graphs and some live or plugin objects)
- It fine-tunes the position of an object's pattern fill, either from buttons on a panel or a tool to drag to a new position
- "Slides" dash pattern forward or backward along a path (in the Path dialog, "Preserves exact dash and gap lengths" must be selected)
- Untransforms a dash pattern, fill pattern, or placed or embedded object

To use the Nudge filter, select Nudge from the Window menu. The palette can be docked just like other palettes, and its location will be saved next time you open Illustrator. Select the object(s) you wish to modify, then click on the arrow buttons to move the object, pattern fill, or dashed pattern by one point. Hold down the Command/Control key to move 1/2 point, the Option/Alt key to move 1/4 point, the Control (Mac only) key to move 1/8 point. Holding down combinations of these keys will divide the distance it moves even further. Hold down the Shift key to move 2 points, Shift-Command for 4 points, Shift-Option for 8 points, Shift-Control for 16 points, or combinations of Shift and the other modifier keys for larger increments.

You may also use the Nudge Tool in Illustrator's toolbox to manually drag a pattern to a new position. Hold down the shift key to constrain the movement to the nearest multiple of 45 degrees.

Click the "Untransform" button to restore a fill pattern, dash pattern, placed EPS or imbedded raster object to its default setting. This will remove any transformations such as scaling, rotating, etc., that may have been done to the dash or fill.

To install the plugin, just drop it into Adobe Illustrator's "Plug-ins" folder. It doesn't matter if you put it in a subfolder you create (just to keep things tidy) or at the top level of the Plug-ins folder.

The correct path to the main plugins folder under **Windows (64-bit)** is:
Windows (C:)\Program Files\Adobe\Adobe Illustrator[version]\Plug-ins

The **Windows 32-bit** path just adds the "(x86)" like this:
Windows (C:)\Program Files (x86)\Adobe\Adobe Illustrator [version]\Plug-ins

On a **Mac**, the path to the plugin folder is:
/Applications/Adobe Illustrator [version]/Plug-ins

To activate the plugin, please purchase a license at <https://rj-graffix.com>. Activation codes will be emailed to you, which you can enter after clicking the *Activate* button in the plugin's About Box window.

For more support information, please visit <https://rj-graffix.com/support/>

Feel free to use this plugin for an evaluation period of 1000 uses. During this period it will be fully functional, and not limited in any way.

To license the plugin, go to the Graffix web site at <http://rj-graffix.com> and follow the menus to the Nudge product page, or just navigate to <http://rj-graffix.com/product/nudge-plugin/> and choose your platform and license type. After completing your purchase, you'll be sent an email confirming the transaction and a second email containing your activation codes. To enter the codes, go to the plugin's About box and click the Activate button. You can type in the code (without hyphens) or simply copy and paste it into the first field. By default the plugin will automatically check for plugins every 30 days, but with the update button in the About box you can configure the settings.

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