



Autodesk®  
FBX® for 3ds Max

## Interoperability Chart

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LEGEND	V	<b>Perfect compatibility</b>  Data passed from a source application is recognized by the destination application, yielding identical results.
	C	<b>Data (Converted) compatibility</b>  Two applications do not use identical algorithms to achieve certain functionality. Data passed between the applications is converted or interpolated to yield results that are functionally equivalent. The converted data, to some extent, can still be manipulated and edited.
	B	<b>Emulated (Bake) compatibility</b>  Two applications have completely different capabilities, so transferring data between them requires that data be baked on export to an FBX file using the bake animation feature of the FBX plug-in. Baked data transfers visual fidelity. The ability to manipulate and edit baked data is limited.
	X	<b>Not Supported</b>  Data is not recognized and therefore ignored on export.

		3DS MAX	.FBX	MAYA	MOTIONBUILDER	MUDBOX	SOFTIMAGE	SHOWCASE	FLAME/SMOKE
<b>GENERAL</b>	<b>Environment and Effects</b>	Background Color / Map	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Ambient Global Lighting	√	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Exposure Control	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Atmosphere	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Effects	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	<b>Export Options</b>	Audio Embedding	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Texture Embedding	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
		Export Selected	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	<b>Names</b>	Named Selection Sets	√	√	x	√	√	x	x
		Object Names / Name Clash	√	C	C	√	C	x	√
	<b>Time Configuration</b>	Frames Per Second (FPS) Rate	x	x	C	x	√	x	x
		Start / End Times	C	C	C	x	√	√	√
	<b>Render Setup</b>	Pixel Aspect	√	√	√	x	x	x	x
		Output Size (Width/Height)	√	√	x	x	x	x	x
	<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Groups / Assemblies	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		Display Layers	√	√	x	x	x	√	x
		Animation Layers	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Level of Detail (Utility)	C	C	x	x	C	x	C
		File Link	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		X-REF Objects	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		X-REF Scene	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	<b>Transforms</b>	Position/Rotation/Scale	√	√	√	√	C	√	√
	<b>OBJECTS</b>	<b>Camera Types</b>	Target	√	C	C	C	C	C
Free			√	√	√	C	√	C	√
<b>Geometry</b>		Editable Mesh	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
		Editable Poly	√	√	√	√	√	x	√
		Patch	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		NURBS	C	C	C	x	C	x	C
		Primitive	C	C	C	C	C	C	√
		Instances	√	√	√	x	C	C	C
		References	C	C	C	x	C	C	C
Wire Body Objects		C	C	C	C	C	x	C	
<b>Helpers</b>		Standard (Dummy Objects)	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Containers	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Atmospheric Apparatuses	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Manipulators	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Reactor Objects/Mass FX	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Standard Lights</b>		Target Spot	√	√	√	x	√	x	C
		Free Spot	√	√	√	x	√	x	C

		Target Direct	√	√	√	x	C	x	C	
		Free Direct	√	√	√	x	C	x	√	
		Omni	√	√	√	x	√	x	C	
		Skylight	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		mental ray Area Omni	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		mental ray Area Spot	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
	<b>Photometric Lights</b>	Target Light	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		Free Light	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		mental ray Sky Portal	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
	<b>Shape Objects</b>	NURBS Curves	√	√	x	x	C	x	x	
		Splines / Editable Splines	C	C	C	C	C	x	x	
	<b>Systems</b>	Biped Solver	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		CAT Solver	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Bones	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		Particle Systems	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Daylight	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
		Sunlight	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
	<b>MODIFIERS</b>	<b>Morpher</b>	Editable Mesh	√	√	√	C	√	x	√
			Editable Poly	√	√	√	C	√	x	√
			NURBS	√	√	√	x	x	x	√
			Patch	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Progressive Morph			√	√	C	x	√	x	√	
<b>Physique</b>		All Geometry Types	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
<b>(.PC2) Point Cache 2 (OSM/WSM)</b>		Editable Mesh	√	C	C	x	C	x	√	
		Editable Poly	√	C	C	x	C	x	√	
		NURBS	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Patch Object	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Primitive	√	C	C	x	C	x	√	
<b>(.MC) Autodesk Cache (OSM/WSM)</b>		Editable Mesh	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
		Editable Poly	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
		NURBS	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Patch Object	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Primitive	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
<b>Skin</b>		Editable Mesh	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
		Editable Poly	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
		NURBS	x	x	x	x	x	x	√	
		Patch Object	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Primitive	√	√	√	x	√	x	√	
<b>Turbosmooth</b>		All Geometry Types	√	C	x	x	x	√	x	
<b>Meshsmooth</b>		All Geometry Types	C	C	C	C	x	√	C	
<b>UVW Mapping</b>		Editable Mesh	√	√	√	√	√	√	C	
		Editable Poly	√	√	√	√	√	x	C	
		NURBS	x	x	x	x	x	√	x	
		Patch Object	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	
	Primitive	√	√	√	√	√	√	√		
	Pro Optimizer	C	C	C	C	C	C	C		

<b>MATERIALS</b>	<b>Unwrap UVW</b>	Editable Mesh/Patch/Poly/Prim	√	√	√	√	√	√	x	√	
	<b>Types</b>	Standard Materials: Standard	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	x	C
		Standard Materials: Composite	√	√	x	√	√	√	√	x	x
		Standard Materials: DirectX (HLSL)	√	C	x	x	√	√	√	x	x
		Standard materials: Multi/Sub	C	C	C	x	C	√	√	√	√
		mental ray Materials: All	√	x	x	x	√	√	√	C	x
		Autodesk Material Library: All	√	x	x	x	√	√	√	C	x
	<b>Basic / Extended Parameters</b>	Anisotropic Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	x	C
		Blinn Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		Metal Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		Multi-Layer Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	√	C	C
		Oren-Layer Blinn Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
		Phong Shader	√	√	√	C	√	√	√	C	C
		Strauss Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	x	C
		Translucent Shader	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	x	C
	<b>Map Channels (Map Coordinates)</b>	Values	C	C	C	C	C	C	√	C	C
		Ambient Color	√	√	C	x	√	√	√	x	√
		Diffuse Color	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	x	√
		Secular Color	√	√	C	√	√	√	√	x	√
		Secular Level	√	x	C	x	√	√	√	x	C
		Glossiness	√	√	C	√	√	√	√	C	x
		Self-Illumination	√	√	C	x	√	√	√	x	x
		Opacity	√	√	C	x	√	√	√	x	√
		Filter Color	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Bump / Normal Bump	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	x	C
		Reflection	√	√	C	√	√	√	√	x	x
		Refraction	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	B	x
Viewport Canvas		√	√	√	√	√	√	√	B	√	
Displacement		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	B	x	
<b>ANIMATION</b>	<b>Constraints</b>	Attachment	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	
		Link	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	
		LookAt	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	
		Orientation	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	
		Path	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	x	B
		Position	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
		Surface	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
	<b>Position Controllers</b>	Audio	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
		Bezier	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	√	√
		Expression	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
		Linear	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	√	√
		Motion Capture	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	x	x
		Noise	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
		Quaternion (TCB)	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	B	B
		Reaction	B	B	B	x	B	B	C	B	B
		Spring	B	B	B	x	B	B	B	x	B
		Script	B	B	B	x	B	B	C	B	B

		XYZ	√	√	√	x	√	C	B
	<b>Rotation Controllers</b>	Audio	B	B	B	x	B	B	B
		Euler XYZ	√	√	√	x	√	B	B
		Linear	C	C	C	x	C	C	C
		Motion Capture	B	B	B	x	B	B	x
		Noise	B	B	B	x	B	B	B
		Quaternion (TCB)	C	C	C	x	C	C	C
		Reaction	B	B	B	x	B	x	x
		Script	B	B	B	x	B	C	B
		Smooth	C	C	C	x	C	B	C
	<b>Scale Controllers</b>	Audio	B	B	B	x	B	B	B
		Bezier	√	√	√	x	√	B	B
		Expression	B	B	B	x	B	B	B
		Linear	B	B	B	x	B	C	B
		Motion Capture	B	B	B	x	B	B	x
		Noise	B	B	B	x	B	B	B
Quaternion (TCB)		C	C	C	x	C	C	B	
Reaction		B	B	B	x	B	C	B	
Script		B	B	B	x	B	C	B	
XYZ		C	C	C	x	C	C	B	
<b>Bezier Tangent Types (PR)</b>	Smooth	√	C	C	x	C	C	C	
	Linear	√	√	√	x	C	C	√	
	Step	√	√	√	x	C	C	C	
	Slow	C	C	C	x	C	C	C	
	Fast	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
	Spline (broken or flat)	√	√	√	x	C	x	C	
	Auto Tangent	C	C	C	x	C	x	C	
<b>IK Solvers</b>	HD	B	B	B	x	B	x	x	
	HI	C	C	C	x	C	√	x	
	IK Limb	B	B	B	x	B	x	x	
	SplineIK	B	B	B	x	B	x	x	
<b>Special Key Types</b>	Parameter Curve Out-Of-Range	C	C	B	x	C	x	C	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	Reaction Manager	B	B	B	x	B	x	B	
<b>MISC.</b>	<b>Custom Attributes</b>	Angle	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		Array	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		Boolean	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		RGB	C	C	C	x	C	x	x
		Float	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		fRGBA	C	C	C	x	C	x	x
		Integer	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		Material	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Node	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Percent	√	√	√	x	√	x	x
		String	√	√	√	x	x	x	x
		Texture	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		World Units	√	√	√	x	x	√	x
	<b>User Defined Properties</b>	All Object Types	√	C	C	x	C	x	x