

1. What is the Autodesk Inventor Certified Application Program?

Autodesk works with select third-party developers to help provide complete manufacturing solutions. Partner products bearing the Autodesk Inventor Certified logo provide the highest level of interoperability by ensuring that partner product development is based on the Autodesk Inventor® API (application programming interface). Furthermore, certified applications have met the guidelines and testing criteria established by Autodesk, which means they are high-quality, up-to-date products.

2. What kinds of certified products are available?

A wide range of applications is available, including engineering analysis, CAM (computer-aided manufacturing), data management, rapid prototyping, and graphic translation. See a complete list of certified products at www.inventor-certified.com.

3. Why should my product be certified? What is the value of certification?

Getting your product certified for Autodesk Inventor software gives you marketing assistance in the form of marketing materials such as the Autodesk Inventor Certified Logo, an entry in the Autodesk Inventor Certified Products Directory (which ships in every box of Autodesk Inventor software), a listing on the Autodesk website, and quotes from Autodesk for press releases. You also get the opportunity to exhibit at Autodesk-sponsored events such as Autodesk University, the annual One Team Conference, and various other regional events.

Certification also gives you the opportunity to engage with the Autodesk sales channel. You can present your product to Autodesk application engineers, product managers, and others. In this way, you gain internal Autodesk exposure and Autodesk can begin to offer your product as part of a complete solution to certain customer problems.

Finally, certification provides a greater level of technical assistance. You get direct technical feedback from the certification team (such as information about new builds and development timelines) and can send requests directly to the API development team.

4. Is my product eligible for certification on Autodesk Inventor?

If you are an active Autodesk Developer Network (ADN) member and your product integrates with latest version of Autodesk Inventor through the Autodesk Inventor API, your product is probably eligible for certification. Refer to the Autodesk Inventor Certification Requirements document for a full list of criteria.

5. How do I apply for Autodesk Inventor certification?

Step 1: Add Your Products to the ADN Database

To apply for certification, your applications must be listed in the ADN database as compatible with Autodesk Inventor:

1. Log on to <http://adn.autodesk.com>. (Contact your ADN representative if you do not have your login information.)
2. From the left sash select My Product/Company Data.
3. In the middle pane select the My Product and Company Data button to open the ADN Member Database Maintenance window. This is where you can enter information about your company and products, which is then viewable to the public. Visit <http://partnerproducts.autodesk.com/compatiblewith/inventor.asp> to see examples of other partners' products.
4. Once you have added information about your company and products, ADN reviews your information and then makes it public. You can then apply for certification. The review process usually takes 3–5 business days.

Step 2: Apply for Certification for the First Time

Now that your products are in the ADN database, you can apply for certification:

1. Log on to <http://adn.autodesk.com>.
2. From the left sash select My Product/Company Data.
3. Select the link in Part 4: Products.
4. Select the appropriate product that is to be certified.
5. Select the first link in Step 3.1: General Product Information.
6. Select the link in Autodesk Inventor Certification. Note: this link appears only if you have selected Autodesk Inventor under the Compatible Autodesk Products section on the same page (General Product Information).
7. Fill out the certification form, providing as much detail as possible, and click the Submit button when finished. Clicking Save retains the data entered thus far so that you can come back to it later; but it *does not* submit the form.

The certification process varies from product to product but generally takes 1–2 weeks.

6. Can products be certified for other Autodesk products, such as Autodesk® Mechanical Desktop® or AutoCAD® Mechanical software?

Currently, Autodesk Inventor is the only MSD product with a certification program.

7. Are certified products available worldwide?

Yes. Moreover, many partners include support for multiple languages and have local sales and support offices around the world.



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