

DXF Import for Solid Edge Help

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Welcome to *DXF Import for Solid Edge* Help!

This help file provides all the information you need to understand and use *DXF Import for Solid Edge*. Click the links below or use the Contents tab on the left to browse help topics. You can also scroll the topics on the above right hand pane.

The *DXF Import for Solid Edge* help file is divided into the following sections:

- [Introduction](#) - Introduction to *DXF Import for Solid Edge*.
- [Command Reference](#) - Quick reference of all the commands added by *DXF Import for Solid Edge*.
- [Tutorial](#) - Tutorial to get you started in the shortest possible time.

If you need any additional information please [contact](#) SYCODE.

Note:

- If you have trouble loading the *DXF Import for Solid Edge* add-in file into the Solid Edge environment, please refer to the [ReadMe](#) file.
- Please read the [License Agreement](#) before using the software.

Introduction

DXF Import for Solid Edge is an AutoCAD DXF file import add-in for Solid Edge®. It gives Solid Edge the ability to import solid objects from AutoCAD DXF files as solids models in Solid Edge.

Solid Edge already has an AutoCAD DXF import feature. However, this import feature creates a 2D drawing in Solid Edge by reading 2d geometric objects such as curves and ignores 3d solids. *DXF Import for Solid Edge* removes this limitation by giving Solid Edge the ability to read 3d solid geometric data such as ACIS 3d solids, bodies and regions in an AutoCAD DXF file and create corresponding 3d solid models in an Solid Edge part or assembly document.

DXF Import for Solid Edge is very easy to use. It adds new commands to Solid Edge. Once installed, it automatically loads itself into Solid Edge and adds a new submenu called "DXF Import for Solid Edge" to the Solid Edge Applications menu containing these newly added commands.

DXF Import for Solid Edge comes with detailed documentation as well as a [tutorial](#) to get you started in the shortest possible time.

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The DXF File Format

The AutoCAD DXF (Drawing Interchange Format, or Drawing Exchange Format) is a CAD data file format, developed by Autodesk as their solution for enabling data interoperability between AutoCAD and other programs. DXF was originally introduced in December 1982 as part of AutoCAD 1.0, and was intended to provide an exact representation of the data in the AutoCAD native file format, DWG (Drawing), for which Autodesk didn't (and doesn't) publish specifications.

DXF is probably one of the most widely supported vector formats in the world today. DXF is rich in features, including: support for 3D objects, curves, text, associative dimensioning, etc. Although DXF was developed to represent the data used in a CAD program, it is used by many programs as a "least common denominator" format for the exchange of many different types of data, most commonly vector-oriented information but also text and 3D polygons

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ReadMe

This is an *DXF Import for Solid Edge* ReadMe file.

DXF Import for Solid Edge is an add-in for Solid Edge

Installation:

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The installer adds DXF Import for Solid Edge to the list of available add-ins installed for Solid Edge. To verify whether DXF Import for Solid Edge has been properly loaded into Solid Edge invoke the "Add-In Manager" by clicking on the "Applications" menu, then "Add-Ins" and finally "Add-In Manager". Verify that "DXF Import for Solid Edge" is present in the list of "Available Add-Ins" and make sure that its check box is checked.

Now DXF Import for Solid Edge is ready for use.

Usage:

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DXF Import for Solid Edge adds new commands to Solid Edge. It also adds a submenu to the Solid Edge menu called "DXF Import for Solid Edge" containing these new commands. This submenu is located in the Applications -> Add-Ins submenu. Simply click on the menu items in this submenu to run these new commands.

The new commands are:

- 1) Import - Imports a DXF file
- 2) Help - Display the DXF Import for Solid Edge help file
- 3) Register - Display the DXF Import for Solid Edge product registration dialog box
- 4) About - Display the DXF Import for Solid Edge about box"

Note: The "DXF Import for Solid Edge" submenu is available only when a document (part, assembly, etc.) is open. This is due to the way Solid Edge is designed.

Support:

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Command Reference

DXF Import for Solid Edge adds a new menu to Solid Edge. The 'DXF Import for Solid Edge' menu consists of the following commands:

The new commands are:

Import	Imports a DXF file
Help	Displays the <i>DXF Import for Solid Edge</i> help file
Register	Displays the <i>DXF Import for Solid Edge</i> product registration dialog box
About	Displays the <i>DXF Import for Solid Edge</i> about box

Note:

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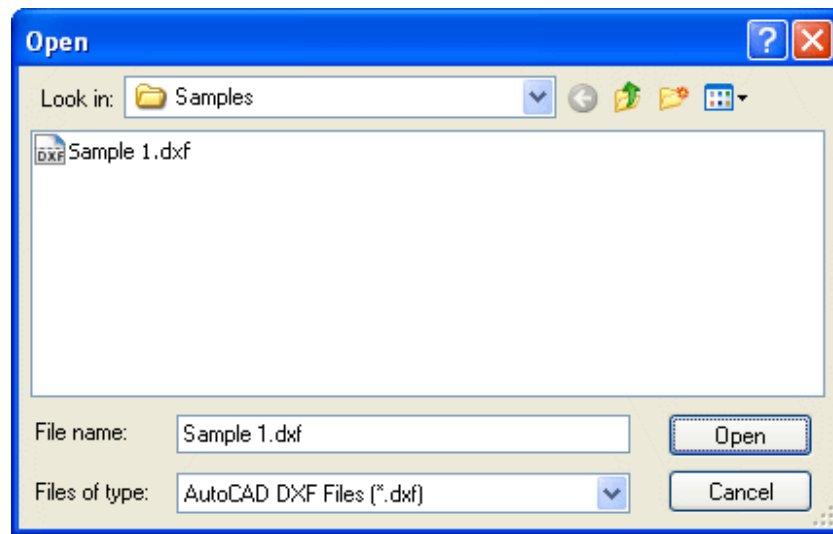
Import

Menu Button Applications > Add-Ins > DXF Import for Solid Edge > Import

This command imports an AutoCAD DXF file.

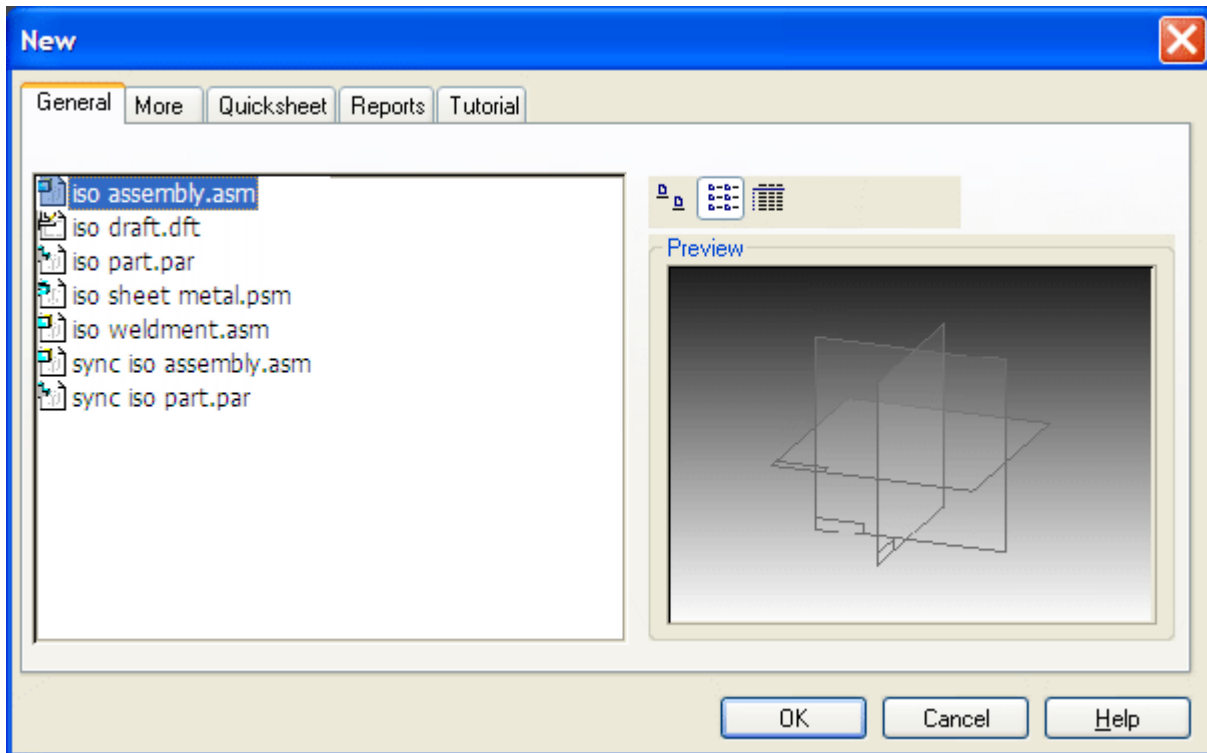
To Import a DXF file

1. Select *Import* from the *DXF Import for Solid Edge* submenu.
2. You will be presented with a *Open* dialog box. Select the DXF file you wish to import and click *Open*



3. The DXF file you selected will be processed. You will then be presented with the Solid Edge *New* dialog box. Select the appropriate kind of document you wish to create. It is recommended to select a Part or Assembly since other types (such as Draft) do not support 3D objects.

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A new document of the type you selected in Step 3 will be created and the DXF file will be imported into it.

Help

Menu Button Applications > Add-Ins > DXF Import for Solid Edge > Help

This command displays the help file. The [Welcome](#) page is a good place to start.

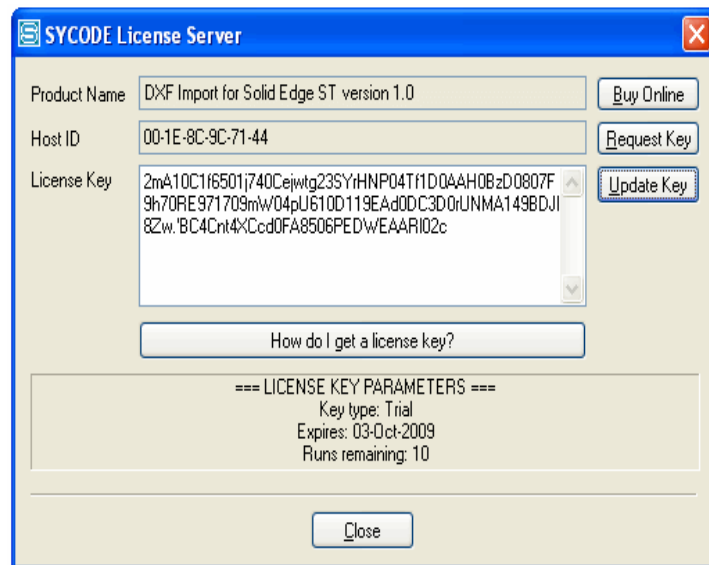
Register

Menu Button Applications > Add-Ins > DXF Import for Solid Edge > Register

This is used to register your copy of *DXF Import for Solid Edge*.

The dialog box contains the product name (including version) and lock number. During the trial period this dialog box will be displayed every time you run the command. You can click the "Continue Trial" button to close the dialog box and continue evaluating the software. After the trial period ends, you will have to enter the key to continue working.

The Product Registration dialog box is shown below.



Note:

- To avoid disruption in your work-flow we urge you to place your order before the trial period ends.

About

Menu Button Applications > Add-Ins > DXF Import for Solid Edge > About

This command displays the *DXF Import for Solid Edge* About box. The About box lists the software version and name of the person and company the software is licensed to.

The software version has three parts: major version, minor version and build number (in the form #.#.#). In the About box shown below the version is 1.0, which translates as major version = 1, minor version = 0. There is no build number.

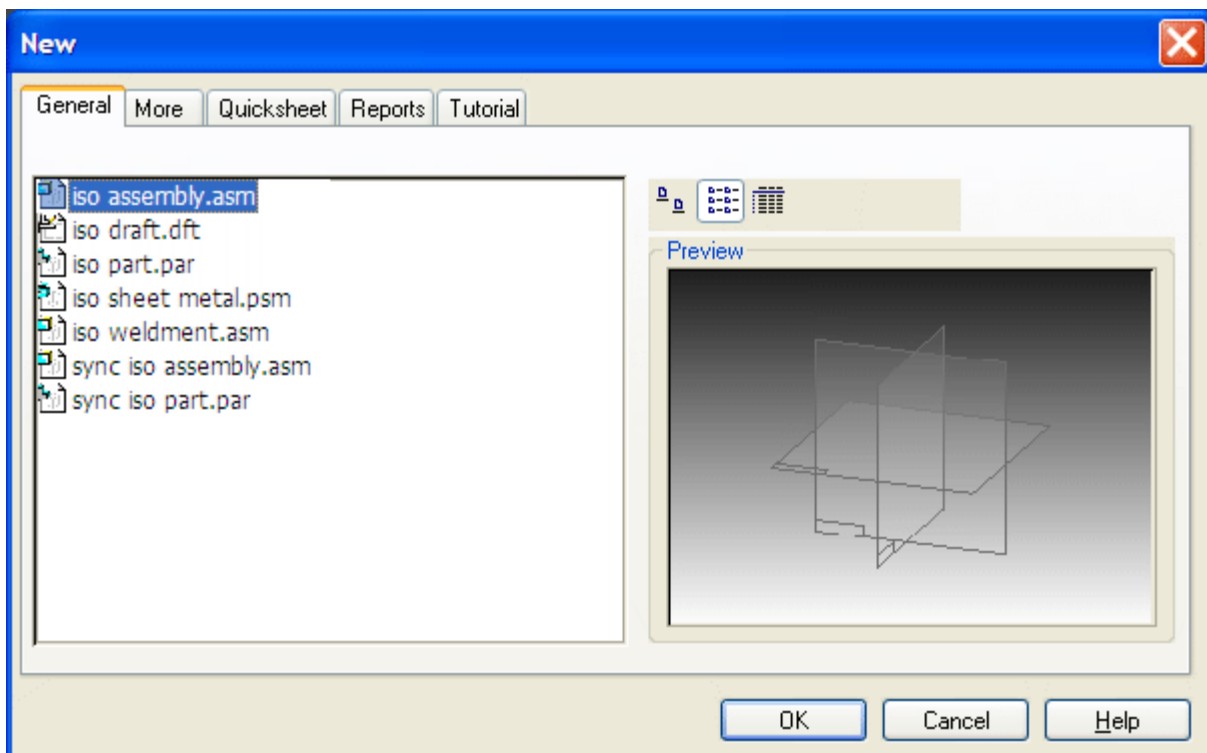


Tutorial

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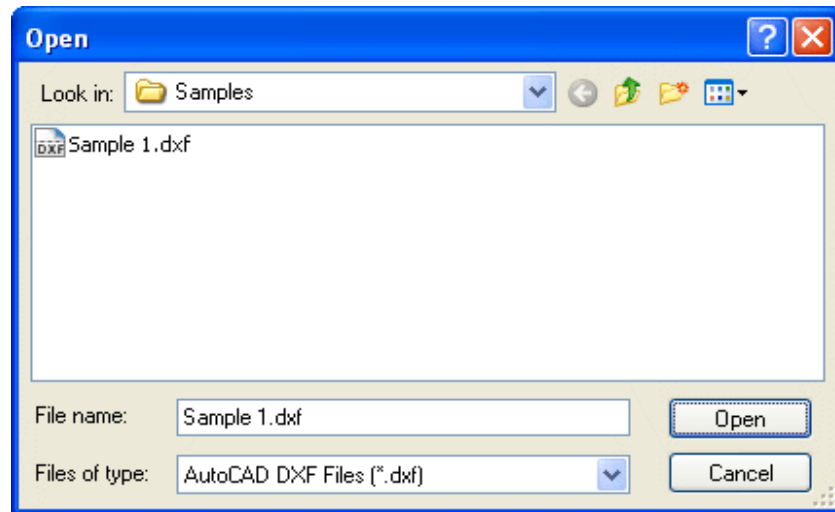
Step 1: Start Solid Edge (if you haven't already).

Step 2: If you already have a document opened skip to step 3. Otherwise select *New* from the *File* menu. You will be presented with the *New* dialog box. Select any type of document and Click *OK*. This is because the "DXF Import for Solid Edge" submenu is displayed only if there is a document currently opened in Solid Edge". So in this case, an empty document will do.

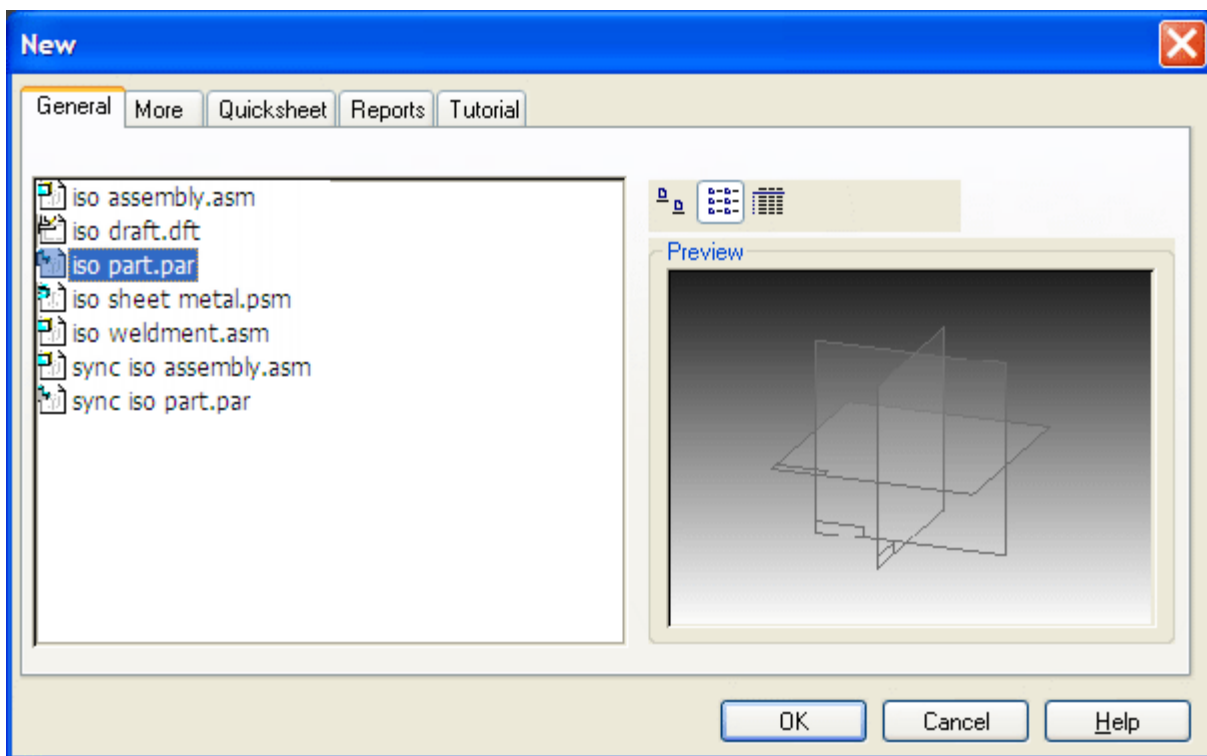


Step 3: Run the *Import* command (Applications >> Add-Ins >> DXF Import for Solid Edge >> Import).

Step 4: The *Open* dialog box is displayed. Select C:\Program Files\SYCODE\DXF Import for Solid Edge\Samples\Sample 1.dxf.



Step 5: The *New* dialog box is displayed. Select any ".par" file and click *OK*.



The DXF file is imported into a new part document

