

# HOW TO INSTALL FONT

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## ***How to install a font under Windows ?***

Unzip the files you have downloaded.

**Details :** Click on the "Download" button, save the zip somewhere on your hard disk, go to the place where it is saved, double-click on the zip to open it, then either click on "Extract all files" or drag and drop the files elsewhere from the zip window (hold down the CTRL key to select several files at once)

For the 20th century versions of Windows (Windows 2000 and under) you must install an unzip tool first. You can download winzip from [www.winzip.com](http://www.winzip.com)

### **Windows Vista :**

Select the font files (.ttf, .otf or .fon) then Right-click > Install

### **Any version of Windows :**

Place the font files (.ttf, .otf or .fon) into the Fonts folder, usually C:\Windows\Fonts or C:\WINNT\Fonts

(can be reached as well by the Start Menu > Control Panel > Appearance and Themes > Fonts).

Note that with the internal unzip tool of Windows (unlike Winzip), you cannot install a font by a simple drag and drop of the .ttf from the zip window to the Fonts window. You must first drag and drop it anywhere (for example on the desktop) then in the Fonts folder.

You can also go through: File > Install a new font... in the Fonts folder menu then browse the fonts, instead of drag and drop the fonts into the window. Although this method is laborious, it would seem that it functions better in certain cases.

Tip : if you punctually need a font, you don't need to install it. Just double-click on the .ttf file, and while the preview window is opened you can use it in most of the programs you'll launch (apart from a few exceptions like OpenOffice).

## ***How to install a font under Mac OS?***

Mac OS X recognizes TrueType and OpenType fonts (.ttf and .otf) but not the PC bitmap fonts (.fon).

Files are compressed; you may need an utility like Stuffit Expander.

Under Mac OS X :

Put the files into /Library/Fonts (for all users),  
or into /Users/Your\_username/Library/Fonts (for you only).

If your OS includes the Font Book, you can as well double-click on a font file, then a preview pops with an "Install font" button.

Under Mac OS 9 or less :

The old Mac fonts are not supported anymore at dafont. First, you have to convert the font files (.ttf or .otf) you have downloaded.

Then drag the fonts suitcases into the System folder. The system will propose you to add them to the Fonts folder.

## ***How to install a font under Linux?***

Copy the font files (.ttf or .otf) to fonts:/// in the File manager.

## ***How to use a new font with software?***

It is sometimes necessary to relaunch the current application to be able to use the new font.

Then you may proceed as usual, the font will appear in your software's font combo-box (word processing, drawing etc.).

## ***Why the fonts don't show up in e-mails / instant messengers?***

Your correspondent can only view the fonts installed on his computer. Better avoid sending an email or an instant message (MSN Messenger, etc.) with a non-standard font; or then make sure your correspondent has installed it too, otherwise he/she will see a default font.

## ***Nothing is working!***

Relaunch the target application after the new font's installation.

Make sure to have copied the .ttf file, and not the zip into the Fonts folder.

In the worst of the cases, reboot your computer.