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Kindle Fire Software Update

We have a new, free over-the-air software update available for Kindle Fire. This update enhances fluidity and performance, improves support for manually set up e-mail providers in the Email app, and offers a new full screen mode for viewing web pages. The update will be automatically delivered to your Kindle Fire.

If you are not sure what software version you're running, tap the Quick Settings icon, tap "More," then tap "Device." If your System Version is "Current version: 6.2.2," you are running the latest software. If your System Version is "Current version: 6.0, 6.1, or 6.2.1" follow the instructions below to take advantage of all of the features available for Kindle Fire.

To update your Kindle Fire, ensure you are connected to a Wi-Fi network and that your battery is fully charged. Tap the Quick Settings icon in the upper right corner of your device, then tap "Sync." The software update will automatically download in the background and will be applied once download is complete and the device is asleep.

If you'd like to manually download and install the software update on your Kindle Fire, follow the instructions below. Please note that you'll need a USB cable (sold separately) to transfer the update to your Kindle Fire.

Download Version 6.2.2

Here's how to download the Kindle Fire software update version 6.2.2 and transfer it to your Kindle Fire via USB:

1. **Determine your software version:** Tap the Quick Settings icon, tap "More," then tap "Device." If your System Version is "Current version: 6.2.2" you are running the latest software. If you see a System Version other than "Current Version: 6.2.2," please proceed with the steps below to update your Kindle Fire to the latest software.

2. **Download your software:** Click on the link below to download the software update file directly to your computer:

Download Software Update 6.2.2

- 3. **Transfer software to your Kindle Fire:** Turn your Kindle Fire on and unlock the screen. Then connect it to your computer using a USB cable (sold separately). Drag and drop the new update file from your computer to the kindleupdates folder on your Kindle drive. (The drive is typically displayed as a "device" icon).
- 4. **Monitor file transfer and disconnect:** Check your file transfer progress to ensure the file transfer to your Kindle Fire is complete before disconnecting. After the file has transferred successfully, tap the "Disconnect" button on your Kindle Fire screen to safely disconnect your Kindle Fire from your computer. Disconnect the USB cable from your Kindle Fire and your computer.
- 5. **Start the software update:** Ensure your battery is fully charged. Tap the Quick Settings icon in the top right corner of your screen, then tap "More..." then Device. Select "Update Your Kindle." (This option will be grayed out if the most recent update has already been installed or if the file transfer was not successful.) Your Kindle Fire will restart twice during the update. After the first restart, you will see the Kindle Fire logo on the screen.
- 6. **Once the update is complete**: The Device screen will display "Current Version: 6.2.2" when the update is complete.

If you cannot successfully update your Kindle Fire software using the instructions above or encounter any difficulty with your software update, please contact Kindle Support by clicking the "Contact Us" button in the right hand column of this page.

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Shortcuts for Computer Drives

Sometimes it may save time to be able to doubleclick a desktop shortcut to open a Drive on your computer.

Create a Drive Shortcut:

Doubleclick MY COMPUTER. On the screen that appears, you should see a C:\ drive, an E:\(CD-ROM) drive and F:\(DVD) drive. You may also see a D:\(Recovery) drive.

Rightclick the CD-ROM drive and from the drop down menu select Create a Shortcut. You will get a message that it can't create the shortcut here but will put it on the desktop. Say OK.

Now, rightclick the DVD drive and select create a shortcut. Again, you'll get the message stating that you can't create a shortcut but can put one on the desktop.

Say OK.

Go to the desktop and you'll see these new shortcuts. Doubleclick one of them and it should bring that one into view. Showing the list of it's folders, etc.

Explore and Control Panel Shortcuts Created

Explore Shortcut.

- 1. Click START...ALL PROGRAMS...ACCESSORIES...
- 2. Rightclick WINDOWS EXPLORER.
- 3. Select SEND TO: from the drop down menu.
- 4. Click DESKTOP (shortcut).

Control Panel.

- 1. Rightclick START and click EXPLORE.
- 2. Scroll down to Windows,
- 3. Click the +.
- 4. Scroll down to the System32 folder and doubleclick it.
- 5. Scroll down to Control Panel.exe.
- 6. Rightclick Control Panel.exe
- 7. Select SEND TO: from the drop down menu. Click DESKTOP (shortcut)

Note: Once the shortcuts are on the desktop, you may rightclick on the taskbar and click LOCK TASKBAR to unlock it. Then drag the two shortcut icons to the Launch area of the taskbar. Then, rightclick the taskbar again and select LOCK TASKBAR.

Windows keyboard shortcuts overview

Use shortcut keys as an alternative to the mouse when working in Windows. You can open, close, and navigate the Start menu, desktop, menus, dialog boxes, and Web pages using keyboard shortcuts. Keyboard shortcuts may also make it easier for you to interact with your computer.

Click a heading, or press TAB to highlight a heading, and then press ENTER.

General keyboard shortcuts

Press	То
CTRL+C	Copy.
CTRL+X	Cut.

CTRL+V Paste.
CTRL+Z Undo.
DELETE Delete.

Delete selected item permanently without placing the item in the Recycle Bin.

Create shortcut to selected item.

Select more than one item in a window

or on the desktop, or select text

CTRL while dragging an item Copy selected item.

CTRL+SHIFT while dragging an item

SHIFT+DELETE

F2 Rename selected item.

CTRL+RIGHT ARROW Move the insertion point to the beginning of the next word.

CTRL+LEFT ARROW Move the insertion point to the beginning of the previous word.

CTRL+DOWN ARROW

Move the insertion point to the beginning of the next paragraph.

CTRL+UP ARROW Move the insertion point to the beginning of the previous paragraph.

CTRL+SHIFT with any of the arrow keys

Highlight a block of text.

SHIFT with any of the arrow keys

CTRL+A Select all.

F3 Search for a file or folder.

ALT+ENTER View properties for the selected item.

within a document.

ALT+F4 Close the active item, or quit the

active program.

ALT+Enter Displays the properties of the

selected object.

ALT+SPACEBAR Opens the shortcut menu for the active

window.

Close the active document in programs

CTRL+F4 that allow you to have multiple

that allow you to have multiple documents open simultaneously.

Switch between open items. ALT+TAB

Cycle through items in the order they ALT+ESC

were opened.

Cycle through screen elements in a F6

window or on the desktop.

Display the Address bar list in My F4

Computer or Windows Explorer.

Display the shortcut menu for the

selected item.

Display the System menu for the active ALT+SPACEBAR

window.

CTRL+ESC Display the **Start** menu.

a menu name

SHIFT+F10

ALT+Underlined letter in Display the corresponding menu.

Underlined letter in a

command name on an open Carry out the corresponding command.

menu

Activate the menu bar in the active F10

program.

Open the next menu to the right, or RIGHT ARROW

open a submenu.

Open the next menu to the left, or LEFT ARROW

close a submenu.

Refresh the active window. F5

View the folder one level up in My **BACKSPACE**

Computer or Windows Explorer.

ESC Cancel the current task.

SHIFT when you insert a Prevent the CD from automatically CD into the CD-ROM drive playing.

Dialog box keyboard shortcuts

Press То

CTRL+TAB Move forward through tabs. CTRL+SHIFT+TAB Move backward through tabs. TAB Move forward through options. SHIFT+TAB Move backward through options.

ALT+Underlined Carry out the corresponding command or

letter select the corresponding option.

ENTER Carry out the command for the active option

or button.

SPACEBAR Select or clear the check box if the active

option is a check box.

Arrow keys Select a button if the active option is a

group of option buttons.

F1 Display Help.

F4 Display the items in the active list.

BACKSPACE Open a folder one level up if a folder is selected in the **Save As** or **Open** dialog box.

Natural keyboard shortcuts

You can use the following keyboard shortcuts with a Microsoft Natural Keyboard or any other compatible keyboard that includes

the Windows logo key () and the Application key ().

Press To

Display or hide the **Start** menu.

 $_{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathsf{+BREAK}}}$ Display the **System Properties** dialog box.

 $_{+D}$ Show the desktop.

 $_{\scriptscriptstyle{+M}}$ Minimize all windows.

Restores minimized windows.

+Shift+M

Open My Computer.

 $_{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathsf{HF}}}$ Search for a file or folder.

CTRL+

Search for computers.

+F

Display Windows Help.

Lock your computer if you are connected to a network domain, or switch users if you are not connected to a network domain.

Open the **Run** dialog box.

Display the shortcut menu for the selected item.

Open Utility Manager.

Accessibility keyboard shortcuts

Right SHIFT for eight seconds
Left ALT +left SHIFT +PRINT
SCREEN
Left ALT +left SHIFT +NUM LOCK
SHIFT five times
NUM LOCK for five seconds

+U

Switch FilterKeys on and off. Switch High Contrast on and off.

Switch MouseKeys on and off. Switch StickyKeys on and off. Switch ToggleKeys on and off. Open Utility Manager.

Windows Explorer keyboard shortcuts

Press To

END Display the bottom of the active

window.

HOME Display the top of the active

window.

NUM LOCK+ASTERISK on Display all subfolders under the

numeric keypad (*) selected folder.

NUM LOCK+PLUS SIGN on Display the contents of the selected

numeric keypad (+) folder.

NUM LOCK+MINUS SIGN on numeric keypad (-)

Collapse the selected folder.

LEFT ARROW Collapse current selection if it's expanded, or select parent folder.

RIGHT ARROW

Display current selection if it's collapsed, or select first subfolder.

Notes

- You must associate a password with your user account to secure it from unauthorized access. If you do not have a password associated with your user account, pressing the
 - +L will not prevent other users from accessing your account information.
- Some keyboard shortcuts may not work if StickyKeys is turned on in Accessibility Options.
- If you are connected to Windows through Microsoft Terminal Services Client, some shortcuts have changed. For more information, see the online documentation for Terminal Services Client.

Keyboard Shortcuts AOL Calendar Settings Page

Shortcuts can help you save time.

These are the key combinations for the actions on the Calendar Settings page.

Key Combination	Action		
control+alt+N	Compose		
control+alt+M	Check Mail		
control+alt+H	Show or hide the keyboard shortcuts table		
control+alt+B	Back to Mail		
control+alt+S	Save		

escape	Cancel
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How do I export contacts from AOL Mail?

From the AOL HELP file. Click here: How do I export contacts from AOL Mail? - AOL Help

Unfortunately, the feature to export the AOL Address Book is not available when using AOL Desktop software. You may only use the feature using Mail on Web, refer to this help article:

How do I export contacts from AOL Mail?

It's easy to export your contacts as a file -- in your choice of CSV, TXT or LDIF format.

Here's how:

1. In the left panel, click **Contacts**.

2. In the toolbar at the top, click **Tools** and select **Export**.

3. Where will you be *importing* your contacts (Gmail, Outlook, Thunderbird, Mac AddressBook etc.)? Take a quick look in the Help for that application to figure out which format to use for the

contacts file you're creating here (CSV, TXT or LDIF). Then select the File Type by clicking the radio button next to it, and click **Export**.

4. When you click **Export**, a file called "contacts.csv", "contacts.txt" or "contacts.ldif" is downloaded to your computer depending on the format you selected. Nice work! You have exported your contacts.

Now go do some importing! :-)



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- 4. The Villages Computer Club's web page: Click here: Welcome To The Villages Computer Club

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5. Fred Benson's website www.thevillagescomputerbasics.com