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Introduction

Electronic forms have clear advantages over standard paper forms. Not only can they be made available to users online or distributed via email, but they can include interactive functionality that makes them easier and more reliable to use.

Using Adobe Acrobat Pro DC, you can create interactive forms that users can fill in and submit as a complete form, or, you can just collect the data that the users fill in. Acrobat Pro DC also allows you to build in added functionality, such as data validation, automatic calculation of numbers, and exporting of values to a database.

Adobe Acrobat Pro DC provides a simplified, more task-based interface than prior versions of Acrobat, with easy access to the tools you use most for PDF creation. To view the interface and opening screens, see the [Adobe Acrobat Pro DC: Quick Start Guide](#).

Learning Objectives

After completing the instructions in this booklet, you will be able to:

- Navigate the newly designed interface
- Prepare a form from electronic document, scanned document, or scratch
- Add and edit elements such as text fields
- Arrange and adjust the layout of your elements
- Set the tab order of your elements
- Distribute and collect form responses
- Use the tracker to keep track of your responses
- Export responses from a returned form to a spreadsheet

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