

Comparing PDF files

1. Click the **PDF Compare** toolbar button.
2. In the Prinerger Compare Documents dialog box, click **Browse** next to the **Compare Document** box to locate and select the original PDF file.
The two documents that you compare can be single-page or multi-page PDF files, as long as both documents have the same number of pages.
3. Click **Browse** next to the **To Document** box to locate and select the revised PDF file that you want to compare to the original.
Tip: If you already have multiple files open in Acrobat, PDF Compare populates the **Compare Document** and **To Document** boxes with the names of the open files, and you can select a file from each list without having to click **Browse**. If you have only two files open in Acrobat, PDF Compare automatically enters one file name in the **Compare Document** box and the other file name in the **To Document** box.
4. Select **Ignore Kodak generated traps** if you do not want trap differences to be included in the comparison.
You might not want to include traps, for example, if you already know that there are many traps in the original file and none in the revised file. In this case, seeing every trap as unique to the original file would be of little interest to you, especially if you plan to trap the new file and don't care about the traps in the original file.
5. Select **Ignore paint-order differences** if you do not want stack order differences to be included in the comparison.
If you clear this check box, and an object in the original file is exactly the same as an object in the revised file except for the order in which it is stacked among other objects, the objects appear in the unique layers but with no apparent differences.
6. In the **Highlight Types** area, select one of the two options. To highlight differences between:
 - The objects in the two files, select **Object differences**.
 - The color separations of the two files, select **Ink differences**.
7. The **Highlight color** box indicates the color in which object or ink differences will be highlighted. By default, the highlight color is red, but you can change it. To do so, click the **Highlight color** box. In the Color dialog box, select the desired highlight color and click **OK**.
The new color appears in the Prinerger Compare Documents dialog box.
8. Click **Compare**.

PDF Compare displays the results of the comparison in a .tmp file.