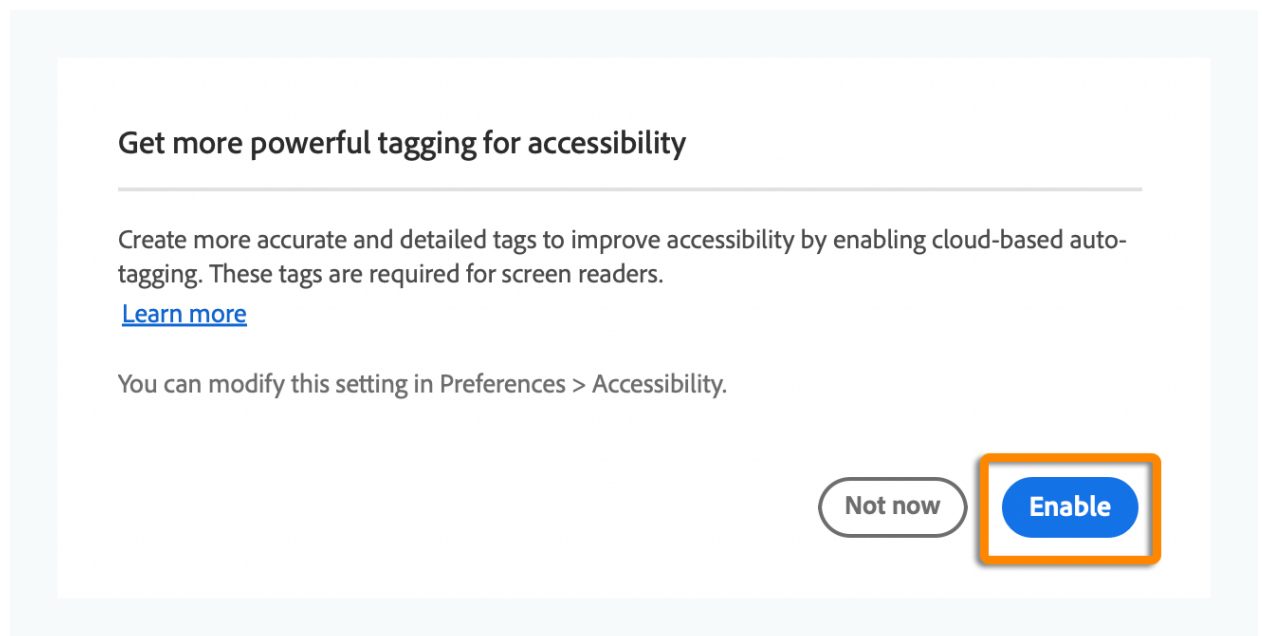Acrobat now offers a cloud-based auto-tagging feature to enhance accessibility and generate detailed tags for eligible PDF documents. When a document is opened for auto-tagging, Acrobat assesses its layout, structure, and content to determine if it's eligible. The feature provides accurate results, identifies scanned text, and includes capabilities like:

- Identifying heading levels across the document.
- Spotting tables, regardless of borders.
- Detecting lists and nested lists.
- Establishing reading order for multicolumn layouts.

Use the cloud-based auto-tagging feature from the Accessibility tool

1. Open a PDF in Acrobat and choose **All tools** > **Prepare for accessibility** > **Autotag document**.

2. Acrobat prompts if you want to enable cloud-based auto-tagging for accessibility. Select **Enable**.

3. Acrobat analyzes your PDF and, if found suitable, applies tags using its cloud-based auto-tagging feature. After tagging, Acrobat shows a successful tagging message. For more information, select the info icon.

Note:

The cloud-based auto-tagging doesn't save your PDF on the cloud.

Added accessibility tags in the cloud

Get improved accessibility and more detailed tags with cloud-based tagging. Although your file may be processed in the cloud, it is not stored.

Tags identify each piece of content and define the reading order in a hierarchical tree structure. The reading order is the order in which content is read aloud. Tags and reading order make it possible for assistive technologies, such as screen readers, to read the document.

To change other accessibility preferences, go to Preferences > Accessibility.

OK

If Acrobat determines the PDF is unsuitable for the new cloud-based auto-tagging, it will tag the PDF locally using the existing tagging method. For more information on unsupported files, select the info icon.

Added accessibility tags locally

This PDF was tagged locally on your computer because the cloud-based auto-tagging feature does not yet support:
- Files larger than 100MB
- PDFs with more than 200 pages and scanned PDFs with more than 100 pages.
- Files hosted on cloud storage
- Languages that do not use a Latin-based alphabet, such as Japanese, Russian, and Arabic
- Form fields
- Secured and protected files that do not allow copying
- Text within annotations

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OK

Preference to enable or disable cloud-based auto-tagging

1. Open Preferences in Acrobat by pressing Ctrl + K (Windows®) or Command + K (macOS).

2. In the Categories on the left, choose **Accessibility**.

3. To enable, select **Enable cloud-based auto-tagging for accessibility**, or deselect it to disable, then select **OK**.

Preferences

Categories:

Commenting
Documents
Full Screen
General
Page Display

Accessibility
Action Wizard
Adobe Online Services
Catalog
Color Management
Content Editing
Convert From PDF
Convert To PDF
Email Accounts
Forms
Identity
Internet
JavaScript
Language

Document Colors Options

☐ Replace Document Colors

○ Use High-Contrast colors   High-contrast color combination: [Green text on black ⇅]

○ Custom Color: Page Background: ☐   Document Text: ▦

☑ Only change the color of black text or line art.

☑ Change the color of line art as well as text.

Override Page Display

☐ Always use Page Layout Style   [Single Page ⇅]

☐ Always use Zoom Setting   [Fit Page ⇅]

Other Accessibility Options

☑ Use document structure for tab order when no explicit tab order is specified
☑ Enable assistive technology support
☐ Always display the keyboard selection cursor
☐ Always use the system selection color
☐ Show Portfolios in Files mode

☑ Enable cloud-based auto-tagging for accessibility   ⓘ

Screen reading and reading order options are available on the Reading panel. Multimedia accessibility options are available on the Multimedia panel. Other document color settings are found on the Forms, Full Screen, Measuring, Spelling, and Units & Guides preferences.

Cancel   OK