

AUTODESK® MOTIONBUILDER® 2009

HARDWARE QUALIFICATION

README FIRST

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About this Document

The information contained in this document applies to all hardware qualification executed on the Autodesk MotionBuilder 2009 software product release and should be acknowledged by all users prior consulting the qualification charts.

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IMPORTANT NOTES

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- To determine whether your system is qualified to run MotionBuilder, you must have a qualified processor, operating system, graphics card, and graphics driver. You must also make sure your system meets the [minimum systems requirement](#) for MotionBuilder.
- The configurations shown are subject to change, and additional qualified configurations may be added after qualification testing has been carried out.
- It may be possible to successfully use MotionBuilder with a non-qualified or partially qualified configuration, but support and maintenance programs will be subject to the Autodesk Support services guidelines.
- The Autodesk qualification team does not have the bandwidth to qualify all combinations of workstations/laptops and graphics cards on all operating systems.
- The graphics drivers specified in the [MotionBuilder2009_qualifiedgraphics_win.pdf](#) document are the drivers used for the qualification process. While it may be possible to use MotionBuilder successfully on earlier or later drivers, Autodesk cannot guarantee their performance or behavior.
- Due to the many operating system and architecture differences between the supported platforms, some operation results differ depending which platform is used.

Important Notes

- (1) There are many cards based on GeForce™ GPU chipsets. NVIDIA® and Autodesk do not recommend these cards for use with MotionBuilder as you may experience various refresh, display and stability problems, and inadequate performance. We suggest you choose NVIDIA workstation cards instead, such as cards from the Quadro® family which are much better suited for high-end 3D packages like the MotionBuilder software. See the *Nvidia GeForce VS Quadro White Paper* [\[PDF\]](#)
- (2) For the same reasons as the ones listed in Note (1), ATI™ and Autodesk do not recommend the use of ATI Radeon™ GPU chipsets cards.
- (3) For a productive user experience with MotionBuilder, it is recommended to use a card which has a minimum of 256 MB of video memory.
- (4) Microsoft® Windows® XP does not automatically install OpenGL® drivers. You must access the web site of your graphics card manufacturer and download the qualified OpenGL driver(s).