TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron README

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Any references to CD, DVD, game discs, optical drives and related functionality, such as Autoplay or disc installation process, do not apply to software purchased via digital download.

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INTRODUCTION

Refer to this document if you encounter difficulties with one or more aspects of installation or running TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron. Many of the most commonly encountered issues are covered here.

If you encounter any problems not covered in this document, please contact Activision Customer Support.

INSTALLATION AND SETUP

1. Minimum System Requirements

Please note that TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron does not support Microsoft(R) Windows(R) 2000.

Minimum System Requirements for Microsoft(R) Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7:

- 3D hardware accelerator card required - 100% DirectX(R) 9.0c-compliant 512 MB video card and drivers*
- Microsoft(R) Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7
- Intel® Core™ 2 Duo E6750 2.66 GHz or AMD Phenom™ X3 8750
- 2 GB of RAM
- 8.1 GB of uncompressed hard disk space
- A 100% Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7-compatible computer system including:
- DirectX(R) 9.0c (Included)
- 100% DirectX(R) 9.0c-compliant true 16-bit sound card and drivers
- 100% Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7-compatible mouse, keyboard and drivers
- 100% Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7-compatible DVD-ROM drive (600 K/sec sustained transfer rate) and drivers

*Supported Chipsets for Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R) / Windows(R) 7
512 MB NVIDIA GeForce 8800 GTS or equivalent/better graphics cards
512 MB ATI Radeon™ HD 4850 or equivalent/better graphics card
Recommended: ATI Radeon HD 5850 1 GB / GeForce 9800 GT / 512MB
Motherboard integrated video chipsets not supported

NOTICE: This game contains technology intended to prevent copying that may conflict with some disc and virtual drives.

INTERNET REQUIRED: Broadband connection and service required for Multiplayer Connectivity. Internet connection required for activation.

WINDOWS XP: Windows XP users may need to install .Net Framework 3.5 SP1 on their PC to play the game. Please visit Microsoft's download center at www.microsoft.com for more details.

2. Autoplay

If the Windows Autoplay feature is enabled on your computer, the installer will begin when you insert TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron DVD into your DVD-ROM drive. Follow the on-screen instructions to continue the installation. If the game is already installed on your system, the Game Launch screen will appear.

If the Autoplay feature is disabled, you can begin the installation by doing the following:

a) Go to the Start Menu and select Run.
b) Type D:\SETUP.EXE (assuming D is your DVD-ROM drive letter) and press Enter.

-or-

a) Double-click on My Computer
b) Double-Click your DVD-ROM drive icon.

-or-

a) Navigate to your DVD-ROM drive with Windows Explorer
b) Double-click on SETUP.EXE

3. Installation

- Insert Disc 1 into your DVD-ROM Drive, and wait for autoplay to run. If prompted, select Run Program.
- Select Install from the autorun menu.
- Agree to the license agreement, and press Install.
- Microsoft DirectX 9.0c will automatically be installed in the background.
- Log in to your existing Steam Account, or follow the on-screen instructions to create a new Steam account.
- TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron" will automatically be selected as the games to install. Press next. * Note that Disk space is listed for user information. 8.1GB of free space is required.
- Select whether to install desktop and Start Menu shortcuts.
- The installer will now install the game.
- TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron will now be available under the "LIBRARY" list in the Steam client.
- Please allow Steam to make any necessary updates to game.
- Once the game status is set to "100% - Ready", Double-click on "TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron" to play.

4. Uninstalling

- Insert Disc into your DVD-ROM Drive, and wait for autoplay to run. If prompted, select Run Program.
- Select "Uninstall" from the Autorun menu.
- Log into your Steam Account.
- When prompted, select "Delete game files" for "TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron”.

5. DirectX(R)

You will need to have DirectX(R) 9.0c and the latest runtime updates installed on your computer for TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron to run properly.

At the end of TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron install setup, the installer will automatically install DirectX(R) 9.0c and all required runtime updates on your computer. If you already have other Windows(R) XP games on your computer, chances are you already have a version of DirectX installed. In this case, the Microsoft installer will detect it and will not overwrite any files. You will not need to restart your computer after installation in order to run the game. If, however, you do not already have DirectX(R) 9.0c installed the Microsoft installer will detect and overwrite any previous versions with DirectX(R) 9.0c. At that point, you will need to restart your computer for the changes to take effect.

If you encounter the following error message, then you have tried to start the game without the correct version of DirectX(R) installed on your computer:

"DirectX(R) 9.0c is not installed on this computer. Install it and try again."

You can also download and install the latest version of DirectX from Microsoft at www.microsoft.com

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VIDEO ISSUES

1. Monitors

- Please make sure your monitor supports the game resolution you are trying to play in. To check what resolutions your monitor supports, do the following:

For Windows(R) XP / Windows Vista(R):

1. Open up My Computer
2. Double-Click on Control Panel
3. Find the Display icon and open it
4. Choose the Settings tab.
5. Locate the resolution slider that says Screen Resolution or the slider labeled Resolution and drag it to the far right.

For Windows(R) 7:

1. Click on the Start button > Control Panel.
2. Select Appearance and Personalization > Display.
3. Select Display > Adjust Screen Resolution.
4. On Resolution bring down the pulldown menu and slide the resolution pointer all the way up toward High.

2. Resolutions

The resolution choice shown is the maximum resolution your monitor is capable of displaying. If you do not want to change to this resolution now, select cancel. Your Desktop Area should be set to the game resolution you are trying to play in or higher.

TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron supports the following resolutions.

Standard:
800 x 600
1024 x 768
1280 x 1024
1600 x 1200

Widescreen:
800 x 480
1152 x 720
1280 x 720
1680 x 1050
1920 x 1080
1920 x 1200

We recommend playing at 1280 x 720 or better.

GENERAL ISSUES

1. General DVD Read Problems

There are a few things that could be wrong with DVD read problems, as such, we have a few things for you try.

- First, try holding down the left shift key when inserting the game disc. This should prevent the AutoPlay splash screen to come up.
- Next, try another DVD disk in the same drive to make sure that Windows(R) can properly read this other disk.
- Additionally, if you have burning software Alcohol 120%(R) installed you may need to turn off all of the emulation options.

1. Go to File > Options.
2. Click on Emulation in the menu to the left.
3. Uncheck all options in the window to the right.

2. Administrator Privileges

If you are experiencing the following error:

“Please login with administrator privilege and try again”

The game must be installed by an account with administrator privileges. Please re-install the game. Run the game the FIRST TIME within an account with Admin or Power User privileges. The program must install Windows(R) XP or Windows Vista(R) drivers onto the system, which requires administrator privileges. Subsequent plays are allowed from any account level.

3. Options for Lower End Systems

On lower end systems, it is advised to close any and all programs (including anti-virus software) that are running in the background, followed by choosing the lowest resolution in the Options Menu. If the game runs well at these settings, then slowly increment the quality with a single resolution change to a higher setting. If the game continues to perform well under the new circumstances, then continue this process until it performs at the best visual quality, without any loss or effect to gameplay.

4. General Audio Problems

Most sound issues are remedied by installing the latest version of DirectX(R), or obtaining newer sound card drivers. Sound issues can include corrupted or distorted sound or even choppy game play. Generally, updated drivers can usually be found on the manufacturer's website. Updating drivers is highly recommended and easy to do. If choppy game play is your problem, please make sure your system meets the Minimum System Requirements. Any deviation from these may cause problems with the game and its overall performance. If you have questions about your sound card's DirectX(R) 9.0c compatibility or for information about which drivers are right for your hardware, you should contact your sound card's manufacturer for details. Please note that DirectX(R) 9.0c and all necessary runtime updates are included on the game disk; you may want to consult the DirectX(R) section of this help document for more information. IMPORTANT NOTE: You may encounter distorted sound and/or choppy game play if your sound card is not 100% DirectX(R) 9.0c compatible. You may want to contact your sound card manufacturer to see if your card is 100% DirectX(R) 9.0c compatible.

5. If you are experiencing crashes...

First you need to make sure you computer meets the minimum system requirements.

You also need to make sure you have the latest drivers for your video and sound cards and in some cases updated motherboard drivers. You can generally find these on your manufacturer's website, refer to your hardware documentation for further instructions on updating your hardware drivers.

If controllers are being used, after checking all drivers, please unplug controllers and restart.

Also check to make sure the 3D hardware acceleration is turned all the way up.

For Windows(R) XP:

1. Click on the Start button > Settings > Control Panel.
2. Double-click the Display icon.
3. Click the Settings tab.
4. Click the Advanced button.
5. Click the Troubleshoot tab.
6. Make sure the acceleration slider is set to Full.

For Windows Vista(R):

1. Click on the Start button > Control Panel.
2. Select Personalization > Display Settings.
3. Choose Advanced Settings > Select the Troubleshoot Tab.
4. Make sure the acceleration slider is set to Full.

For Windows(R) 7:

1. Right Click on the Desktop.
2. Select Screen resolution.
3. Select Advanced settings.
4. Choose the Troubleshoot tab.
5. Make sure the acceleration slider is set to Full.

You can also try setting your desktop to a resolution of 800x600, 32 bit True Color.

For Windows(R) XP:

1. Right-click on your desktop and select Properties.
2. Click the Settings tab.
3. Set your screen area to 800x600.
4. Set the colors to 32 Bit (True Color).
5. Click Apply and OK.

For Windows Vista(R):

1. Right-click on your desktop and select Personalize.
2. Select Display Settings.
3. Set your screen area to 800x600.
4. Set the colors to 32 bit (True Color).
5. Click Apply and OK.

For Windows(R) 7:

1. Right Click on the Desktop.
2. Select Screen resolution.
3. Set your screen area to 800x600.
4. Select Advanced settings
5. Select Monitor Tab
6. Set the colors to 32 bit (True Color).
7. Click Apply and OK.

6. Compatible Control Pads

TRANSFORMERS: Fall of Cybertron gives you the option to use the Microsoft(R) Xbox 360(R) controller for gameplay.

7. Patches and Additional Support

Patches, if available, can be accessed through Steam. As long as you're connected to the internet, Steam will notify you if an update is available.

For additional support, please check:

www.activision.com

CREDITS

Game Developed by High Moon Studios

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For full credits, please see the extras menu in the game.

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