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Chapter 1 - Overview

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Foxit PDF IFilter supports PDF 1.7 specification and can be used in many Microsoft search engines, such as Windows Indexing Service, MSN Desktop Search, Internet Information Server, SharePoint Portal Server, Windows SharePoint Services (WSS), Site Server, Exchange Server, SQL Server, and all other products based on Microsoft Search technology. With Foxit PDF IFilter, all these search engines can find PDF files with ease.

Why PDF IFilter?

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- Microsoft creates and maintains office file formats, such as .doc, .xls, .ppt, etc. However, many other file formats are created and maintained by other companies. For example, PDF was created by Adobe.
- With the advantages of security, reliability and accessibility, PDF is now being used by more and more people all over the world.
- PDF IFilter is a plug-in that allows Microsoft search engines to index PDF files so that they become searchable. Without an appropriate PDF IFilter, contents of a PDF file cannot be indexed.

Why Foxit PDF IFilter?

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- Foxit PDF IFilter helps to do PDF indexing, which makes finding information much easier.
- Foxit PDF IFilter supports multi-threading and makes full use of multi-CPU/core in a server.
- Foxit PDF IFilter supports native 64-bit code.
- Smaller and faster than other PDF IFilters.
- Supports twelve languages. Please go to Language Support part for details.
How Foxit PDF IFilter works?

Foxit PDF IFilter acts as a plug-in for full-text search engines. A search engine usually works in two steps:

**Step 1**, the search engine goes through a designated place, e.g. a file folder or a database, and indexes all documents or newly modified documents, including PDF documents, in the background and creates internal data to store the indexed result.

**Step 2**, a user specifies some keywords for search and the search engine looks up the indexing result and responds to the user with all the documents that contain the keywords.

During Step 1, the search engine looks in the windows registry for appropriate IFilter implementations and uses those filters for indexing. It filters out embedded formatting and extracts text from the document and returns the result. Foxit PDF IFilter is one such implementation. Further information about the IFilter specification can be found on the Microsoft Web site.

**Key Benefits**

- Integrates with existing operating systems and tools within your company.
- Provides an easy solution to search within PDF documents located on the local computer, local network, and/or intranet.
- Greatly increases your ability to accurately locate information.
- Much smaller and faster than PDF IFilters offered by other vendors.
- Supports Chinese/Japanese/Korean PDF documents.
- Supports native 64-bit code.
- Supports searching and indexing PDFs by extracting subject, author and content of annotations.
- Supports multi-threading and takes full use of multiple-CPU in a server.
Chapter 2 - Getting Started

Installing Foxit PDF IFilter

To install Foxit PDF IFilter on your environment, please first download the current version with the link provided in the sales email after purchasing the license. Also, you could apply for 30-day trail from Foxit Website (http://www.foxitsoftware.com/products/ifilter/).

There are two packs of Foxit PDF IFIlter, which are respectively for 32bit OS and 64bit OS. Please get the proper one and install it as follows.

1. Stop all the appropriate clients.
2. Uninstall any previous version of Foxit PDF IFIlter if installed.
3. Launch the installer of Foxit PDF IFIlter and follow the step to finish the installation.
4. Restart all the appropriate clients after finishing the installation.

Notes:

- More installation steps are required for SQL, WSS and Moss environments. Please refer to the corresponding chapter.
- Foxit PDF IFIlter item will appear in program list of Control Panel after installation.
- Foxit PDF IFIlter has no user interface.
- The installer will unzip an add-on called fpdfcjk.bin to the installation folder. The add-on will help you to index PDF documents containing Chinese/Japanese/Korean characters.

Configuring Foxit PDF IFIlter

There are five registry items for configuring Foxit PDF IFIlter. They are under the directory: “HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Foxit Software\Foxit PDF IFIlter”.

FilterAnnotation[REG_DWORD] - sets the value to specify whether to filter out annotations. 0 represents no and other values represent yes.

FilterBookmarks[REG_DWORD] - sets the value to specify whether to filter out bookmarks. 0 represents no and other values represent yes.

FilterAttachFile [REG_DWORD] - sets the value to specify whether to filter out attachments. 0 represents no and other values represent yes.

LogLevel [REG_DWORD] - sets the log level. Value can be from 0 to 3.
0 - no output

1 - Error log only. Includes error information when errors happen, and stack message when the application crashes.

2 - Simple log which only includes the main calling functions and returned values.

3 - Detailed log which includes specific information such as date and chunk.

**LogFilePath [REG_SZ]** - sets the output path of log file.

**Note:**

*The default setting in Foxit PDF IFilter is to filter out bookmarks. Restart the application if you made any changes to the registry.*

**Updating Foxit PDF IFilter**

To update Foxit PDF IFilter, please download the current version from Foxit website and then install it. During installation, the old version will be covered.

**Uninstalling Foxit PDF IFilter**

To remove the old version of Foxit PDF IFilter, please uninstall it from Control Panel or with the help of the installer as below:

1. From Control Panel:

   - Choose **Start > Control Panel > Add or Remove Programs**.
   - Choose the “Foxit PDF IFilter” item and then click “Remove” button to uninstall it.

2. From the installer:

   - Double-click the Foxit PDF IFilter.msi setup file that was used to install Foxit PDF IFilter.
   - In the Foxit PDF IFilter dialog box, select **Remove Foxit PDF IFilter**.
   - Click the **Finish** button to uninstall it.
Chapter 3 - Foxit PDF IFilter for SharePoint/MOSS

Foxit PDF IFilter can help search text in PDF files. After installing Foxit PDF IFilter, you should upload your PDF documents and perform a full crawl with Microsoft Office SharePoint Server (MOSS) before you start searching.

You don’t have to do full crawls every time you add new PDF files. You may schedule the incremental crawls for all the new ones.

Working in SharePoint 2013

Foxit PDF IFilter can work successfully on SharePoint 2013 with the hotfix KB2883000. So for SharePoint 2013, please make sure that you have installed the hotfix KB2883000.

Installing Foxit PDF IFilter

There are two packs of Foxit PDF IFilter, which are respectively for 32bit Windows OS and 64bit Windows OS. Please choose one to install according to your server environment. Before installing Foxit PDF IFilter, please make sure that Microsoft Office SharePoint Server has been installed successfully.

To install Foxit PDF IFilter, please follow these steps:

1. **Download Foxit PDF IFilter.**
   
   You could get the download link by email after purchasing Foxit PDF IFilter or applying for the 30-day trial version. Then please download Foxit PDF IFilter onto the machine where you want to install it.

2. **Stop the IIS Admin service.**
   
   Click Start > Administrator Tools > Services (Local) > IIS Admin Service > Stop > close window.

3. **Install Foxit PDF IFilter.**
   
   Run the Foxit PDF IFilter Setup program to install it on the server.

4. **Set PDF icon for PDF Search.**
   

   B. Save the Foxit PDF file icon to the following file location:
"Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\15\TEMPLATE\XML\DOCICON.XML".

C. Add the mapping entry to the DOCICON.XML.
   a. Locate to the XML file "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web server extensions\15\TEMPLATE\XML\DOCICON.XML";
   b. Right-click DOCICON.XML file > click Open With > select Notepad.
   c. Add an entry for the .pdf extension to XML file.
      For example, “pdficon.gif” is the name of Foxit PDF file icon.
      <Mapping Key="pdf" Value="pdficon.gif"/>
   d. File menu > click Save > exit Notepad.

      Note: This directly changes the icons shown on the search result. Make sure this change takes effect in the appropriate server where search results are displayed, such as any web front end (WFE) that supports user interface.

5. Use a third PDF IFilter.

   To have a third PDF IFilter worked, you should replace the built-in PDF IFilter.
   A. Click Start > choose SharePoint 2013 Management Shell.

      Please make sure that you have run it as Administrator. Or you may fail to perform the commands in the following two steps.
   B. To replace the built-in PDF IFilter with a third one, please perform the following two commands:
      a. $ssa = Get-SPEnterpriseSearchServiceApplication
      b. Set-SPEnterpriseSearchFileFormatState -SearchApplication $ssa PDF $TRUE
C. Please run the following command to retrieve information about "pdf" in the Search service application.

```
Get-SPEnterpriseSearchFileFormat -SearchApplication $ssa pdf
```

The returned value "UseIFilter: True" means that you have successfully used a third PDF IFilter.

6. **Perform an iisreset.**

To make the changes to take effect, you need to perform an iisreset.

D. Click Start > Run > type "cmd" to go into the command prompt window > then type "iisreset".

E. Exit the command prompt window once if IIS stops and restarts successfully.

7. **Restart the SharePoint Search Service.**

To restart the SharePoint Search Service, please perform the following commands:

- a. net stop spsearchhostcontroller
- b. net start spsearchhostcontroller
- c. net stop osearch15
d. net start osearch15

Note:

If you changed the settings for PDF IFilter in the configurable registry, please perform the following commands in the command prompt window:

a. iisreset
b. net stop spsearchhostcontroller
c. net start spsearchhostcontroller
d. net stop osearch15
e. net start osearch15

Indexing PDFs

To index PDF files on your computer, please follow these steps:

1. **Add the .pdf file type to the SharePoint content index list.**
   
   A. Go to Application Management > Manage service applications > Search Administration
   
   B. In Search Administration page > go to Crawling section > click File Types
   
   C. Click New File Type > type “pdf” in the File extension field > click OK.

   ![File Type Addition](image)

   D. Click New File Type > type “pdf” in the File extension field > click OK.
   
   E. Then you could find that pdf file type has been added to the page and it connects to the pdf file icon added.
2. Upload a PDF file and then perform a Full Crawl.
   A. Go to Documents and click new document.

   B. In the Add a document page, click Browse button to choose a PDF and click OK.

   C. Once uploaded successfully, you will see that the PDF has been listed in the Documents page.
D. (Optional) To the PDFs uploaded, you could modify the properties, including Name, Title and so on, to whatever you want in the Edit Properties window.
E. Go to Search Service Application > click Content Sources > In Search Service Application: Manage Content Sources page > drop down your Local SharePoint sites > choose Start Full Crawl

F. (Optional) If a full crawl has been done before, you could also choose Start Incremental Crawl only for all the PDFs newly uploaded.

   A. Go to Documents page.
   B. Right-click a PDF and then choose Properties.
   C. In Properties window of a PDF, copy the link from Address (URL) without the PDF filename part.
D. Go to Manage Content Sources page, open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select View Crawl Log

E. In Crawl Log page, click URL View > paste the copied URL to the box (Type a URL or host name.) > click search.

Once completed, all the uploaded PDFs will be listed, including the PDFs’ whole URL and the crawling status.
Searching PDFs

After finishing indexing PDF files, you can start a PDF search. A PDF could be found by its text, properties, bookmark, annotation and so on.

To start a search, please follow these steps:

1. In Documents page, type a keyword in the box to start a search.

![Documents page](image)

   - In Documents page, type a keyword in the box to start a search.

2. All the PDFs which contain the keyword will be listed.

![SharePoint PDF](image)

   - All the PDFs which contain the keyword will be listed.

3. Click any search result and then you could open the PDF with the default PDF viewer.

More Help

For more information on how to work with Microsoft Office SharePoint Server (MOSS), please refer to Microsoft Office SharePoint Server (MOSS) Help included in the product.
Working in SharePoint 2010

Installing Foxit PDF IFilter

Foxit PDF IFilter has two versions respectively for 32-bit Windows and 64-bit Windows. You can choose one of them to install into your machine according to your system requirements. Before installing Foxit PDF IFilter, please note that Microsoft Office SharePoint Server has been installed successfully.

To install Foxit PDF IFilter, please do the following:

- Download Foxit PDF IFilter from Foxit Website (http://www.foxitsoftware.com) onto the machine where you wish to install it.
- Stop the IIS Admin service: Start > Administrator Tools > Services(Local) > IIS Admin Service > Stop. Close window.
- Run the Foxit PDF IFilter Setup program to install the filter on the server.
- Copy the downloaded .GIF file to "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\14\Template\Images".
- Edit the file "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web server extensions\14\Template\Xml\DOCICON.XML":
  1. Right-click DOCICON.XML file > click Open With > select Notepad.
  2. Add an entry for the .pdf extension. For example, where ICPDF is the name of the .gif file:

  <Mapping Key="pdf" Value="pdficon.gif"/>
1. On the File menu, click Save, and then quit Notepad.

Note: This directly changes the icons shown on the search result. Make sure this change takes effect in the appropriate server where search results are displayed i.e. any web front end (WFE) that supports user interfacing.

- Perform an iisreset:
  1. Click Start > Run > type "cmd" in the Open line > click OK > type "iisreset" at the command prompt > hit Enter.

2. Close the window.
• Stop and start the Sharepoint Search Service by running the following commands:
  1. net stop spsearch4
  2. net start spsearch4
  3. net stop osearch14
  4. net start osearch14

Note:

If you changed the settings for IFilter in the configurable registry, please perform the following commands in the command prompt window:

  1. iisreset
  2. net stop spsearch4
  3. net start spsearch4
  4. net stop osearch14
  5. net start osearch14

Indexing PDFs

To index PDF files on your computer, please do the following:

• Add the .pdf file type to the index list:
  1. Go to the Search Service Application: Search Administration page, in the Crawling section, click File Types.
  2. Click New File Type > type “pdf” in the File extension field > click OK.
The PDF file type has been added

- Upload a PDF file, and perform a Full Crawl on the Search content indexes:
1. Go to the **Shared Documents**, and click **Add new document**.

2. Click the **Browse** button to upload a PDF document and click **OK**.

3. In Edit page, you can give the title, keywords, if you like, to your uploaded PDF file. Click the **Save** button.
4. When you are done, you will be returned to the Documents page where you will see that your PDF file has been uploaded.

5. Return to the Search Application: Search Administration home page, in Crawling section, click Content Sources link.

6. On the Manage Content Sources page, open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select Start Full Crawl to index all files. This will start the indexing process.

7. (Optional) To start an incremental crawl, please open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select Start Incremental Crawl.

   - View Crawl Logs.
1. Return to the **Shared Documents**.

2. Right-click the PDF document you have uploaded > choose **Properties**.

3. Select the **address (URL)** of the PDF file except [filename.pdf] > right-click the selected area > choose **Copy**.

4. Go to the **Manage Content Sources** page, open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select **View Crawl Log**

5. In **Crawl Log** page, click **URL**, paste the URI to **URL or Host name** > click **search** button. When you’re done, you can see the whole URL of the uploaded PDF file appear on the list.
Searching PDFs

After you finish indexing PDF files, you can start a search to find text within PDF files. Also, you can search PDF document properties, such as author, title, etc.

To start a search, please perform the following:

- Go to the Shared Documents: All Documents page, type the text you want to search in the search box > hit Enter.

- You will see your search results. Click to open one of the PDF files.
Working in Moss 2007

Installing Foxit PDF IFilter

Foxit PDF IFilter has two versions respectively for 32-bit Windows and 64-bit Windows. You can choose one of them to install onto your machine according to your system.
requirements. Before installing Foxit PDF IFilter, please note that Microsoft Office SharePoint Server has been installed successfully.

To install Foxit PDF IFilter, please do the following:

- Download Foxit PDF IFilter from Foxit Website (http://www.foxitsoftware.com) onto the machine where you wish to install it.
- Stop the IIS Admin service: Start > Settings > Control Panel > Administrator Tools > Services > IIS Admin Service > Stop. Close window.
- Run the Foxit PDF IFilter Setup program to install the filter on the server.
- Copy the downloaded .GIF file to "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\12\Template\Images".
- Edit the file "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web server extensions\12\Template\Xml\DOCICON.XML":
  1. Right-click DOCICON.XML file > click Open With > select Notepad.
  2. Add an entry for the .pdf extension. For example, where ICPDF is the name of the .gif file:

```xml
<Mapping Key="pdf" Value="pdficon.gif"/>
```
2. On the File menu, click Save, and then quit Notepad.

*Note:* This directly changes the icons shown on the search result. Make sure this change takes effect in the appropriate server where search results are displayed i.e. any web front end (WFE) that supports user interfacing.

- Perform an iisreset:
  1. Click Start > Run > type “cmd” in the Open line > click OK > type “iisreset” at the command prompt > hit Enter.

2. Close the window.

- Stop and start the Sharepoint Search Service by running the following commands:
  1. net stop spsearch
  2. net start spsearch
  3. net stop osearch
  4. net start osearch

You don’t have to do full crawls every time you add some new PDF files. You may schedule the incremental crawls for all the new ones.

*Note:*

- Click to check the parts of [Updating Foxit PDF IFilter](#) and [Uninstalling Foxit PDF IFilter](#).
- If you changed the settings for IFilter in the configurable registry, please perform the following commands in the command prompt window:
  1. iisreset
  2. net stop spsearch
  3. net start spsearch
  4. net stop osearch
  5. net start osearch
Indexing PDFs

To index PDF files on your computer, please do the following:

- Add the .pdf file type to the index list:
  1. Go to the Shared Service Administration: SharedServices 1 home page, click Search Settings link> under Crawl Settings click File Types.
  2. Click New File Type > type “pdf” in the File extension field > click OK.

- Upload a PDF file, and perform a Full Crawl on the Search content indexes:
  1. Go to the Document Center, and click Documents.
  2. Click Upload, and then Upload Document.
3. Click the **Browse** button to upload a PDF document and click **OK**. When it has uploaded, the **Documents Edit Item** page is displayed. You can give a title, if you like, to your uploaded PDF file. Click the **Check In** button.

4. When you are done, you will be returned to the Documents page where you will see that your PDF file has been uploaded.

5. Return to the **Shared Service Administration: SharedServices 1** home page, click **Search Settings** link> under **Crawl Settings** click **Content sources and crawl schedules**.

6. On the **Manage Content Sources** page, open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select **Start Full Crawl** to index all files. This will start the indexing process.
7. (Optional) To start an incremental crawl, please open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select **Start Incremental Crawl**.

- View Crawl Logs.
  1. Return to the **Document Center**, and click **Documents**.
  2. Right-click the PDF document you have uploaded > choose **Properties**.
  3. Select the **address (URL)** of the PDF file except [filename.pdf] > right-click the selected area > choose **Copy**.

4. Go to the **Manage Content Sources** page, open the content source’s context menu by left-clicking the down arrow and select **View Crawl Log** > paste the URL to **Find URLs that begin with the following hostname/path** field > click the **Filter** button.
5. When you're done, you can see the whole URL of the uploaded PDF file appear in the Crawl Log list.
Searching PDFs

After you finish indexing PDF files, you can start a search to find text within PDF files. Also, you can search PDF document properties, such as author, title, etc.

To start a search, please perform the following:

- Go to the Document Center, and click Search to visit the Search Center > type the text you want to search > hit Enter.

You will see your search results. Click to open one of the PDF files.
Open one of the search results
Chapter 4 - Foxit PDF IFilter for Microsoft SQL Server

Foxit PDF IFilter can help search text in PDF files. After installing Foxit PDF IFilter, it asks to upload the PDF documents and perform a full population with Microsoft SQL Server before you start a search.

**Note:**

Generally, all the instructions in this chapter are for Microsoft SQL Server 2014/2012/2008/2005. And the screenshots are from Microsoft SQL Server 2012 by default. If there is any difference between SQL Server 2012 and 2014/2008/2005, we will point it out as well as attach a screenshot.

**Installing Foxit PDF IFilter**

Foxit PDF IFilter has two packs respectively for 32-bit Windows and 64-bit Windows. You can choose one of them to install into your machine according to your system requirements. Before installing Foxit PDF IFilter, please make sure that Microsoft SQL Server has been installed successfully.

To install Foxit PDF IFilter on SQL server, please follow the steps as below.

1. **Create a new functioning database to store PDF files.**
   
   A. Run SQL Server Management Studio.
   B. Create a new database.

   Right click the Database folder in the Object Explorer and select New Database. Type your Database name and click OK.

   C. Create a table.

   Right click the Table folder in the new database and select New Table.

   D. Complete the details in the “Column Name” column, the “Data Type” column, “Length” column, and “Allow Nulls” column.

   Foxit PDF IFilter indexes PDF files in SQL Server based on your specified column names. For example, you may add some fields for PDF files as below:
PdfText: stores binary PDF files, whose data type should be varbinary(MAX).


PdfID: designates a unique ID for each PDF file, which will act as the return value when you're trying to search PDFs.

Note:

The example of the table above is applied for Microsoft SQL Server in this manual.

E. Click Save button and enter a name for the table.

2. **Install Foxit PDF IFilter.**

   A. Download Foxit PDF IFilter installation pack by the given link in the sales email after purchasing the license. Also, you could get the 30-day trial version of Foxit PDF IFilter from Foxit Website ([http://www.foxitsoftware.com](http://www.foxitsoftware.com)).

   B. Run the Foxit PDF IFilter Setup and follow the steps to complete the installation on your server.

   Notes:

   - Foxit PDF IFilter appears in the program list after installation.
   - Foxit PDF IFilter has no user interface.
   - The installer will unzip an add-on called fpdfcjk.bin into the installation folder. This add-on will help index PDF documents containing the Chinese/Japanese/Korean characters.

3. **Register Foxit PDF IFilter.**

   After the installation of Foxit PDF IFilter, it asks to register Foxit PDF IFilter.
A. Click the “Database Engine Query” button on the toolbar, and execute the following command to register Foxit PDF IFilter:

```
Exec sp_fulltext_service 'load_os_resources', 1
Exec sp_fulltext_service 'verify_signature', 0
```

B. The message “Command(s) completed successfully.” means you have registered Foxit PDF IFilter successfully.

4. Restart the server, or you can stop and start SQL server and the Full-text Search engine by right-clicking them.

For SQL Server 2014/2012/2008:

A. Click Start > Programs > Microsoft SQL Server 2014/2012/2008 > Configuration Tools > SQL Server Configuration Manager.

B. In the pop-up SQL Server Surface 2014/2012/2008 Area Configuration dialog box, please select Surface Area Configuration for Services and Connections.

C. Select MSSQLSERVER > Service > click Stop button and then Start button.

D. Select Full-Text Search > Service > click Stop button and then Start button.

For SQL Server 2005:

A. Click Start > Programs > Microsoft SQL Server 2005 > Configuration Tools > SQL Server Surface Area Configuration.

B. In the pop-up SQL Server Surface 2005 Surface Area Configuration dialog box, please select Surface Area Configuration for Services and Connections.

C. Select MSSQLSERVER > Service > click Stop button and then Start button.
D. Select Full-Text Search > Service > click Stop button and then Start button.

5. Confirm the registration.

A. To check if PDF document type has been associated to Foxit PDF IFilter, execute the following commands.

```
select document_type, path from sys.fulltext_document_types where document_type = '.pdf'
```

B. Check the result under the Results tab. Check the results to confirm success visually.

Note:

To update and uninstall Foxit PDF IFilter, please refer to [Updating Foxit PDF IFilter](#) and [Uninstalling Foxit PDF IFilter](#).

Setting up full-text search

To set up full-text search, you should take the following steps.

1. Confirming the Full-text search service.
A. Launch Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio and execute the following command.

```
print FULLTEXTSERVICEPROPERTY('IsFullTextInstalled')
```

B. Check the result by the returned value.

- 1 = Full-Text installed
- 0 = Full-Text not installed
- Null = invalid input, or error

2. Installing Full-Text component and service.

3. Enabling Full-Text indexing

In order to use Full-Text indexing function, you must first check if it has been enabled.

To enable Full-text indexing, please use one of the following two methods.

- Launch Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio. Right-click the database you have created > select Properties > choose Files tab > check "Use full-text indexing" > OK.
- Execute the following command:

```
exec sp_fulltext_database 'enable'
```
4. Creating a full-text catalog to store full-text indexes.

   Please execute the following command.

   ```sql
   create fulltext catalog pdfCatalog
   ```

5. Creating a unique index.

   A. Open the table you have created > right click one of the column names > select “Set Primary Key”.

   B. Execute the following command:

   ```sql
   create unique index ui_pdfIndex on dbo.pdfTable(PdfId)
   ```
6. Create a full-text index

For SQL Server 2014/2012/2008

Right-click the table you have created > choose “Full Text Index” > set for it with all the default value. Please note the “PdfText” should be checked in Available Columns and “Ext” should be selected in Type Column.

For SQL Server 2005

Execute the following command:

```sql
create fulltext index on dbo.pdftable
(PdfText – Please assign the column name for full-text index.)
key index ui_pdfIndex on pdfCatalog
   with change_tracking auto
```

Uploading PDFs

1. To upload PDF files to Microsoft SQL Server, please write a segment of codes.

You could also copy the following example.

For SQL Server 2014/2012/2008

```csharp
using System;
using System.Collections.Generic;
using System.Web;
using System.Web.UI;
using System.Data.SqlClient;
namespace WebApplication1
{
    public partial class _Default : System.Web.UI.Page
    {
        protected void Page_Load(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
        }
        protected void Button1_Click(object sender, EventArgs e)
        {
            //Create a byte[] from the input file
            int len = FileUpload1.PostedFile.ContentLength;
            byte[] PdfText = new byte[len];
            FileUpload1.PostedFile.InputStream.Read(PdfText, 0, len);
        }
    }
}
```
for SQL Server 2005

using System.Web.UI.HtmlControls;
using System.Data.SqlClient;
using System.IO;
public void OnUpload(Object sender, EventArgs e)
{
    // Create a byte[] from the input file
    int len = File1.PostedFile.ContentLength;
    byte[] PdfText = new byte[len];
    File1.PostedFile.InputStream.Read(PdfText, 0, len);
    // Insert the image and comment into the database
    SqlConnection connection = new SqlConnection(@"server=IP address or server name;database=pdfindex;uid=username;pwd=password");
    try
    {
        connection.Open();
        SqlCommand cmd = new SqlCommand("insert into pdftable " + "(PdfText, Pdffld, Ext) values (@PdfText, @Pdffld, @Ext)", connection);
        // Insert values into the three columns.
        cmd.Parameters.Add(new SqlParameter("@PdfText", PdfText));
        cmd.Parameters.Add(new SqlParameter("@Pdffld", 17));
        // You can only upload a pdf file at a time.
        cmd.Parameters.Add(new SqlParameter("@Ext", ".pdf"));
        cmd.ExecuteNonQuery();
    }
    finally
    {
        connection.Close();
    }
}
cmd.Parameters.Add("@PdfText", PdfText);
cmd.Parameters.Add("@PdfId", 1);// You can only upload a pdf file at a time.
cmd.Parameters.Add("@Ext", ".pdf");

finally
{
    connection.Close();
}

2. Once if it succeeds, you will be prompted to upload your PDF files as below:

   For SQL Server 2012

![Image of upload interface for SQL Server 2012]

   For SQL Server 2005

![Image of upload interface for SQL Server 2005]

Note:

The codes above uses ADO.NET as the data access mechanism, and C# as the development language.

Starting a full population

After completing the steps above, you should start a full population for the uploaded PDFs. Actually, there are two ways under SQL Server 2012/2008/2005 to synchronize full-text indexes with their table data: Full Population and Incremental Population.

1. Full Population
A population when the index entries are built for all the rows in all the full-text catalog's tables.

2. **Incremental Population**

   A population only adjusts index entries for rows that have been added, deleted, or modified after the last population.

You may select to start a full population or an incremental population according to your needs.

1. To start a full population, right-click the table you created > Full-Text index > Start Full Population.

2. To start an incremental population, right-click the table you created > Full-Text index > Start Incremental Population.

**Searching PDFs**

After you finish indexing PDF files, you can start a search to find text within PDFs. Before you start a search, you have to verify if the full-text catalog or full-text index has been fully populated.

To check the population status, please execute the following command:

```sql
select fulltextcatalogproperty('PdfText','populatestatus')
```

You can start a search if the return value is 0.

To start a search, please execute the following command:

```sql
USE pdfindex;
GO
SELECT PdflId
FROM Table_1
WHERE CONTAINS(PdfText, 'Foxit');
GO
```
More help

For more information on how to work with Microsoft SQL Server, please refer to Microsoft SQL Server Help included in the product.
Chapter 5 - Foxit PDF IFilter for WSS

Foxit PDF IFilter can help search text in PDF files. After installing Foxit PDF IFilter, you should upload your PDF documents with Windows SharePoint Services (WSS) before you start searching.

Installing Foxit PDF IFilter

Foxit PDF IFilter has two versions respectively for 32-bit Windows and x64 Windows. You can choose one of them to install into your machine according to your system requirements. Before installing Foxit PDF IFilter, please note that Microsoft SharePoint Services 3.0 has been installed successfully.

To install Foxit PDF IFilter, please do the following:

- Download Foxit PDF IFilter from Foxit Website (http://www.foxitsoftware.com) onto the machine where you wish to install it.
- Run the Foxit PDF IFilter Setup program to install the IFilter.
- Add the following registry entry, and then set the registry entry value to pdf:

  HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Shared Tools\Web Server Extensions\12.0\Search\Applications\<GUID>\Gather\Search\Extensions\ExtensionList\38

  Please do the following:
  - Click Start > Run, type “regedit”, and then click OK.
  - In “Registry Editor” dialog box, locate and then click the following registry subkey:

    HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Shared Tools\Web Server Extensions\12.0\Search\Applications\<GUID>\Gather\Search\Extensions\ExtensionList

  - On the Edit menu, point to New, and then click String Value.
  - Type 38, and then press ENTER.
  - Right-click the registry entry that you created, and then click Modify.
  - In the Value data box, type pdf, and then click OK.

  Verify that the following two registry subkeys are present and that they contain the appropriate values.
Note: These registry subkeys and the values that they contain are created when you installed the Foxit PDF IFilter on the server.

- Locate and click the following registry subkey:
  HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Shared Tools\Web Server Extensions\12.0\Search\Setup\ContentIndexCommon\Filters\Extension\.pdf

  This registry subkey must contain the following registry entry:

  Name: Default  
  Type: REG_SZ  
  Data: {987f8d1a-26e6-4554-b007-6b20e2680632}

- Locate and click the following registry subkey:
  HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Shared Tools\Web Server Extensions\12.0\Search\Setup\Filters\.pdf

  This registry subkey must contain the following registry entries:

  1) Name: Default  
     Type: REG_SZ  
     Data: (value not set)
  2) Name: Extension  
     Type: REG_SZ  
     Data: pdf
  3) Name: FileTypeBucket  
     Type: REG_DWORD  
     Data: 0x00000001 (1)
  4) Name: MimeTypes  
     Type: REG_SZ  
     Data: application/pdf

Copy the downloaded .GIF file to "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web Server Extensions\12\Template\Images".

Edit the file "Drive:\Program Files\Common Files\Microsoft Shared\Web server extensions\12\Template\Xml\DOCICON.XML":
- Right-click DOCICON.XML file > click Open With > select Notepad.
- Add an entry for the .pdf extension. For example, where ICPDF is the name of the .gif file:

```xml
<Mapping Key="pdf" Value="pdficon.gif"/>
```

- On the File menu, click Save, and then quit Notepad.

**Note:** This directly changes the icons shown on the search result. Make sure this changes take effect in the appropriate server where search results are displayed i.e. any web front end (WFE) that supports user interfacing.

Perform an iisreset:
- Click Start > Run > type “cmd” in the Open line> click OK > type “iisreset” at the command prompt > hit Enter.
• Close the window.

**Note:** In WSS2.0, Foxit PDF IFilter is installed on the computer which has SQL2005 server. In WSS3.0, Foxit PDF IFilter is installed on the computer which has WSS3.0.

Click to check the parts of [Updating Foxit PDF IFilter](#) and [Uninstalling Foxit PDF IFilter](#)

### Uploading PDFs

To upload PDF files to Windows SharePoint Services 3.0, please do the following:

1. Open your Windows SharePoint Services site and click Shared Documents.


3. Click the Browse button to upload a PDF document and click OK. When it has been uploaded, you will be returned to the Documents page where you will see that your PDF file has been uploaded.

4. Stop and then start the Windows SharePoint Services Search service. Please do the following:
● Click **Start > Run**, type “cmd”, and then click **OK**.

● Stop the Windows SharePoint Services Search service. To do this, please type "net stop spsearch" at the command prompt, and then press ENTER.

● Start the Windows SharePoint Services Search service. To do this, please type "net start spsearch" at the command prompt, and then press ENTER.

● Exit the command prompt.

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**Searching PDFs**

After you finish uploading PDF files, you can start a search to find text within PDF files. Also, you can search PDF document properties, such as author, title, etc.

To start a search, please perform the following:

● Go to the **Shared Documents**, please type the text you want to search in the search box > and then click the **Search** button .
You will see your search results. Click to open one of the PDF files.

Note: If the Windows SharePoint Services 3.0 Web site already had PDF documents before you installed the Foxit PDF IFilter on the server, you may have to perform an additional step. After you install and configure the Foxit PDF IFilter on the server, modify a property of the existing PDF documents on the server. For example, modify a metadata property such as the title, or upload the PDF documents to the Windows SharePoint Services Web site again. When you do this, the Windows SharePoint Services Search service crawls the existing PDF documents again.
More Help

For more information on how to work with Windows SharePoint Services (WSS), please refer to Windows SharePoint Services (WSS) Help included in the product.
Chapter 6 - Foxit PDF IFilter for Microsoft Exchange Server

Working in Exchange 2010

Modifying registry information

1. Install Foxit PDF IFilter on the platform where Exchange 2010 was installed.

2. Modify the registry information

1) Click start > run > type regedit to open the Registry Editor (regedit)

2) Locate the registry subkey through the following path:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\ExchangeServer\v14\MSSearch\CLSID\{987f8d1a-26e6-4554-b007-6b20e2680632}

Add the following string value to the subkey by double-clicking \[Default\] :

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subkey</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>{987f8d1a-26e6-4554-b007-6b20e2680632}</td>
<td>Drive:\Program Files\Foxit Software\Foxit PDF IFilter\pdffilt.dll</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3) Create the following string value in the subkey you modified in Step 2):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Value Data</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ThreadingModel</td>
<td>String (REG_SZ)</td>
<td>Both</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4) Locate the registry subkey through the following path:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\ExchangeServer\v14\MSSearch\Filters

Add the following string value to the subkey by double-clicking .pdf.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subkey</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>.pdf</td>
<td>{987f8d1a-26e6-4554-b007-6b20e2680632}</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please refer to the following picture:
3. Please restart the Exchange Search service with following the step shown below:
   1) Click Start > Run > type “cmd” > click OK > type “iisreset” in the command prompt window > press Enter.

   ![Command Prompt](image)

   2) Restart the Microsoft Search (Exchange) Service through the services console or type the following commands in the Exchange Management Shell.

   ```
   Stop-Service msftesql-Exchange -Force
   Start-Service MSExchangeSearch
   ```

**Indexing PDF attachments**

1. Start ‘services.msc’.
2. Restart MSExchange Information Store service.
3. Create an index by executing the following command in the Exchange Management shell.

   ```
   ResetSearchIndex.ps1 -force -all
   ```

After the system completes the indexing, the result will be saved in the same location with Mailbox database.
Alternatively, you can use the resetSearchIndex.ps1 script. This PowerShell script accepts the name of the database you want to work with as an input parameter. As shown above, to get started, enter cd $env:exchangeInstallpath\Scripts, then run the script by entering .\resetSearchIndex.ps1 which is followed by the name of the database, i.e. \resetSearchIndex.ps1 EngineeringMailboxDb.

**Searching PDFs**

After finishing indexing PDF files, you can find the target PDF file with Foxit PDF IFilter by searching the text within PDF files or its properties, such as author, title, etc.

To search a PDF file, please perform the followings:

1. Visit the website [https://exchangesever/owa](https://exchangesever/owa) to open OWA (Outlook Web App). (i.e. https://ex01.cpandl.com/owa)
2. Login the mailbox in which you want to search PDFs.
3. Please type the words you want to search in the search box, and then click the **Search**
The PDFs that contain the search terms will be showed under the Search box.

4. Double-click to open the target PDF.

Work in Exchange 2007

Modifying the registry information of Foxit PDF IFilter

1. Install Foxit PDF IFilter on the platform where Exchange 2010 was installed.
2. Modify the registry information.

1) Click start > run… > type regedit to open the Registry Editor (regedit)

2) Locate the registry subkey through the following path:
Add the following string value to the subkey by double-clicking \(\text{[(Default)]:}\)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Subkey</th>
<th>Value</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>{987f8d1a-26e6-4554-b007-6b20e2680632}</td>
<td>C:\Program Files\Foxit Software\Foxit PDF IFilter\pdffilt.dll</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3) Create the following string value in the subkey you modified in Step 2):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Value Name</th>
<th>Type</th>
<th>Value Data</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ThreadingModel</td>
<td>REG_SZ</td>
<td>Both</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flags</td>
<td>REG_DWORD</td>
<td>1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4) Locate the registry subkey through the following path:

HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Exchange\MSSearch\Filters.
Add the following string value to the subkey by double-clicking \(\text{[(Default)]:}\).

<table>
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<th>Subkey</th>
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<td>.pdf</td>
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Please refer to the following picture:
3. Please restart the Exchange Search Service with following the step shown below:

1) Click Start > Run > type “cmd” > click OK > type “iisreset” in the command prompt window > press Enter.

2) Restart the Microsoft Search (Exchange) service through typing the following commands in the command prompt window.
net stop msftesql-exchange
net start msexchangesssearch

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1. Visit the website https://IP/owa/ (i.e. https://192.168.0.128/owa)
2. Click to open a category that contains the target PDF file.
3. Please type the words you want to search in the search box, and then click the Search button.

The PDFs that contain the search terms will be showed under the Search box.

4. Double-click to open the target PDF.
Chapter 7 - Additional Information

Microsoft Developer Support

Foxit PDF IFilter is a Dynamic Link Library (DLL) file that provides a bridge between a Microsoft indexing client and a library of PDF files. It consists of code that understands the PDF Format as well as code that can interface with the indexing client. When an indexing client needs to index content from PDF files, it will look in its registry for an appropriate DLL and will find the Foxit PDF IFilter. Foxit PDF IFilter will return text to the indexing client. The indexing client will then index the results and return the appropriate results to the user.

Language Support

This section lists languages supported by Foxit PDF IFilter.

- German
- French
- Italian
- English
- Spanish
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Chinese (traditional and simplified)
- Korean
- Japanese
- Arab
- Hebrew
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