



XML Flash Slideshow v3

Embedding Custom Fonts Guide

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Introduction

Welcome to the XML Flash Slideshow v3. This guide describes how to embed custom fonts in the Slideshow SWF file, allowing yet another level of customization.

Preparing in Dreamweaver

Before starting the font embedding process, you will need to have already created a slideshow using Dreamweaver.

Not familiar with how to create slideshows in Dreamweaver?

See the Usage Introduction Guide and other tutorials available on the Support page:
<http://www.dwuser.com/flashslideshow/v3/support.php>

In the Dreamweaver Files panel, find the location of the (site root)/v3flashslideshow/slideshow.swf file. This file will be in the folder you specified for the XFS v3 support files to be copied into.



Find the slideshow.swf file

This is the SWF file which must be updated to include new embedded fonts. Prior to replacing this file, **it is recommended that you make a backup copy**. You can simply rename the original file to 'slideshow_orig.swf' to do this.

Opening the Flash Template

Browse to the ZIP file you downloaded when you purchased the extension. You will see a zip file, with contents that look like this:



The ZIP file

Open the **fl_extension/** folder (highlighted above). Double-click the `slideshow_salone fla` file to open it in Flash.



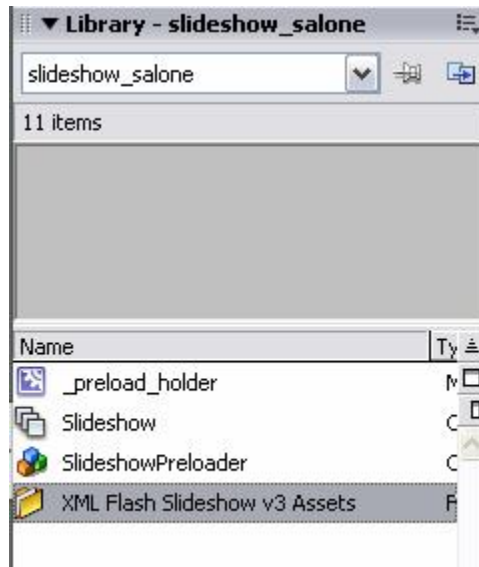
Open the `slideshow_salone fla` file

If you receive an 'Unexpected File Format' error message, make sure that you're using Flash MX 2004 or higher. Flash MX and older versions are unsupported.

This file is the FLA file which creates the `slideshow.swf` file you located earlier.

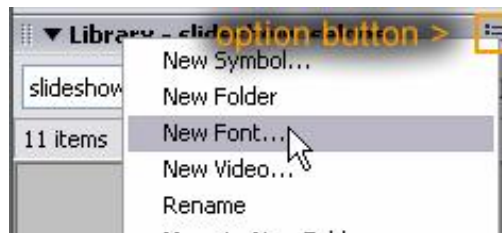
Embedding the Font in Flash

Now that you have the `slideshow_salone.swf` file opened, make sure that the Library Panel is visible by selecting `Window > Library`:



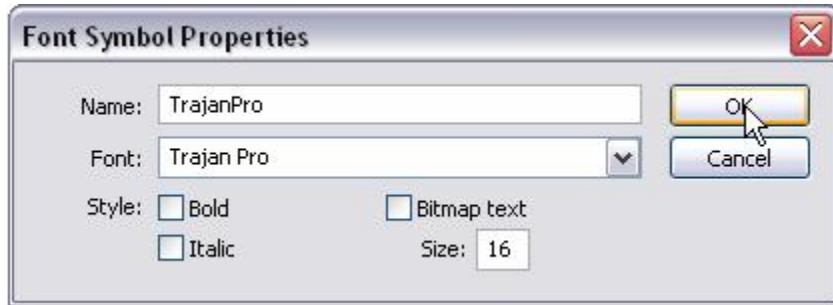
Open the Library

Click the Options menu in the upper-right corner of the library, and select `New Font` from the menu.



Select New Font

The Font Symbol Properties dialog box opens, allowing you to set the desired font, styles, size, and font name.



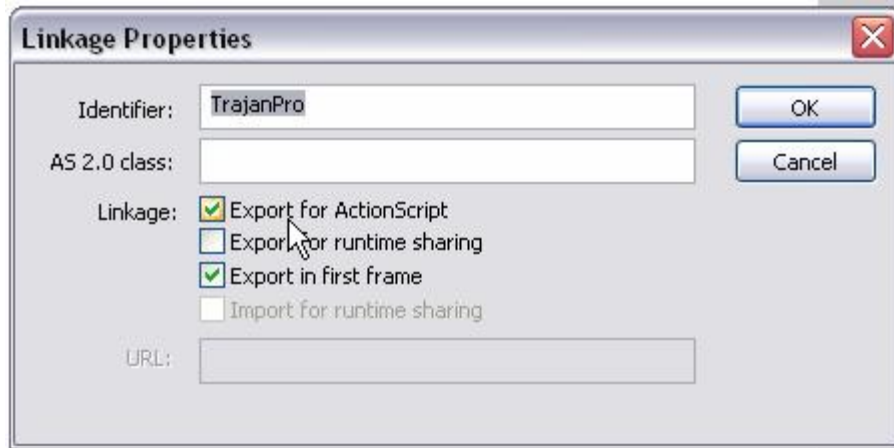
Creating the Font Symbol

Set up the font, and then click the OK button to close the dialog box. The new font symbol will appear in the Library. Right-click this item, and click 'Linkage...' to modify the linkage settings:



Font Symbol in Library

In this dialog, check the 'Export for Actionscript' option, which will by default check the 'Export in First Frame' option as well:



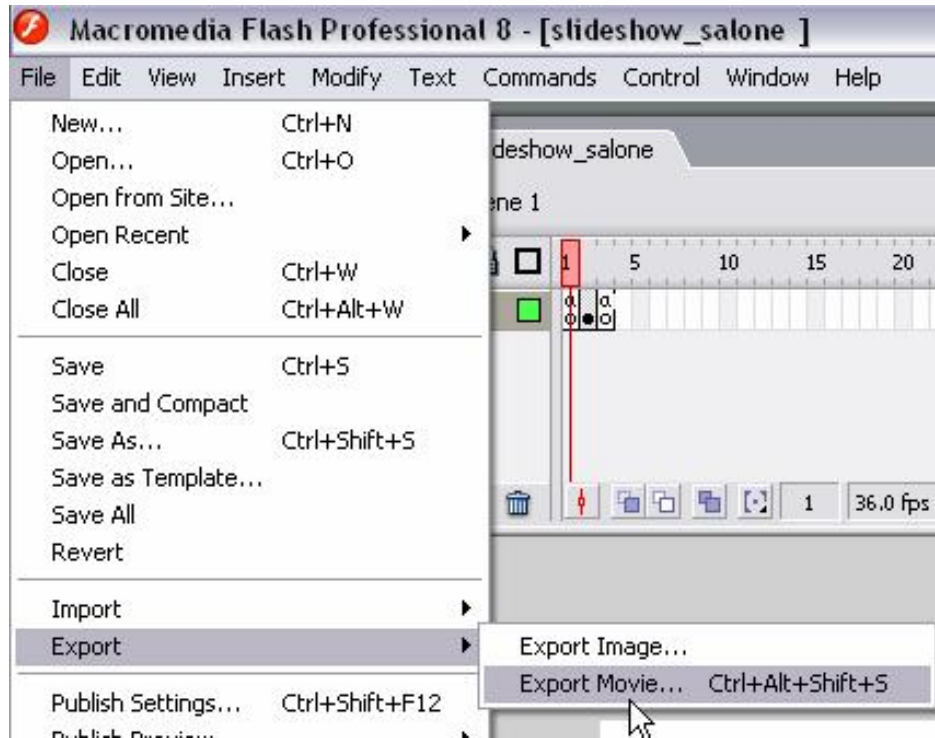
Enable Export for Actionscript

The value in the Identifier field represents the 'name' value of the font. This will be used later when you integrate the font in Dreamweaver.

Click OK to save the changes. Select File > Save to save the document. You are now ready to export the file.

Exporting the Updated Flash File

To export the file, select File > Export > Export Movie...:



Select the Export Movie Option

In the Save File dialog, browse to the location where you earlier located the slideshow.swf file. In the 'File name' field, specify **slideshow.swf**. This filename is very important. Now, click the Save button. The Export Settings dialog will open. The correct export settings are already built into the FLA file, and thus no changes are necessary. Simply click the OK button.

Once Flash finishes exporting the SWF file, you are now ready to integrate the new font into your slideshow using Dreamweaver.

To ensure that the updates are displayed, **you must clear your Temporary Internet Files at this time.** After doing this, open the slideshow's HTML page in the web browser. Your new font should be displayed in all its typographic glory.

If the fonts simply don't show up, make sure that you specified `` in the XML document.

Conclusion

Thanks for going through this Custom Font guide. You should now be familiar with how to integrate custom fonts in your XFS v3 slideshows. If you have further questions or issues, visit our support page: <http://www.dwuser.com/flashslideshow/v3/support.php>

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