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TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Importing and Exporting DWG files in DataCAD 8

Tips
- Before reading in a DWG file, be certain it is in AutoCAD 12 format.
- When exporting DWG files, perform a Purge Sym and LayerUtil before writing out the file.

Exporting a DWG File
1. Open the DataCAD drawing you want to translate into a DWG file.
2. Choose Export / DWG from the File menu on the Menu Bar.
3. Choose Layer and Units options if necessary.
4. Choose Begin.
5. Enter a drawing name for the DWG file.
6. Drawing names should not exceed 8 characters plus a 3 character extension.
7. Choose Save.
8. Select TRANSFER. DWG as the default file (located in the DATACAD \ DEFAULT folder) and choose Open.

DataCAD will export the DWG file. A dialog box will indicate progress and close when complete.

Importing a DWG File
1. Copy the DWG file into the C:\ DATACAD \ XFER directory.
2. Choose Import / DWG from the File menu on the Menu Bar.
3. Choose Layer and Units options if necessary.
4. Choose Begin.
5. Select a file to read from the DATACAD \ XFER directory and choose Open.

DataCAD will import the DWG file. A dialog box will indicate progress and close when complete. Perform a recalculation of the screen by selecting WindowIn Recalc from the View menu on the Menu Bar.