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General information.

To display the list of the parameters, you have to click with the **ALT** key down.

The preferences of JLG-DimensionLight are written in a separate file named **JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt**.

You need two files: JLG-DimensionLight (CC).aip and JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt, both in the plug-ins folder of Illustrator.

The file JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt has to exist and must be accessible for read and write.

Put JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt in the plug-ins folder, select this file, with a right click, change the properties of this file.

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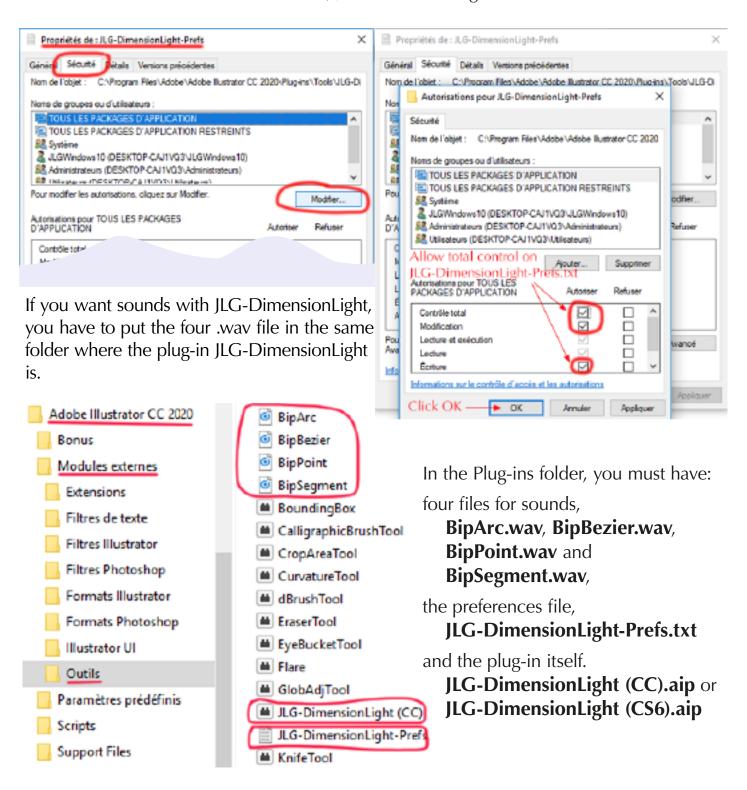
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The file JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt has to exist and must be accessible for read and write.

Change the properties of the file JLG-DimensionLight-Prefs.txt. This file needs to be read and written. If it's not the case, JLG-DimensionLight will not work.



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General information.

JLG-DimensionLight uses contextual annotations. For example, if the cursor is over a segment, the scale and its length appears. If this segment is part of an uncrossed polygon, the area of the polygon appears, etc.

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Choice of the parameter to modify:

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		Tolerances.	No, No		
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		Segment Tool.			
Click-ALT to display the list of		Angle Tool.			
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		Bezier Tool.			
		Lengths & areas Tool.			
How to modify a dimension?		Registration.	Jean-Louis Garrivet		
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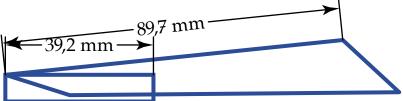
To change the position of a dimension line (for segments, angles or circles), just click on the dimension line when the cursor is $\mathbf{h}_{\rm m}$, which has the effect of activating the dimension. You can then change the characteristics of the dimension line or move it.

With **Clic-ALT**, the characteristics of **all the dimension lines** are changed.

Example: I have drawn a rectangle and I have measured its length (39.2 mm).

If I change the rectangle with the white arrow, the dimension is no longer suitable for the segment it measured.

If I click on the dimension line with the JLG-DimensionLight tool (when the cursor is \mathbf{h}_{H}), the dimension line will be suited to the new length (89.7 mm).



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General informations (Continuation and end).

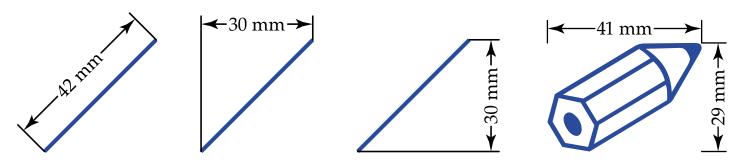
Enabling the next tool :

Segment tool.

One of the tools of JLG-DimensionLight being selected (Segment, Angle, Circle, Bezier or Lengths & Areas), clicking outside any path pressing the **SHIFT** key, enable the next tool in the cycle (Segment, Angle, Circle, Bezier, Lengths & Areas).

How to use tools.

The type of dimension can be oblique, horizontal, vertical or Horiz & Verti.



For the oblique dimension:

If you press the **ALT** key while dragging the dimension, the dimension line follow the cursor.

If you press the **LEFT SHIFT** key while dragging the dimension, you get the horizontal dimension.

If you press the **RIGHT SHIFT** key while dragging the dimension, you get the vertical dimension.

For the horizontal dimension:

If the **SHIFT** key is pressed while dragging the dimension, the dimension becomes vertical and becomes again horizontal when you release the **SHIFT** key.

For the vertical dimension:

If the **SHIFT** key is pressed while dragging the dimension, the dimension becomes horizontal and becomes again vertical when you release the **SHIFT** key.

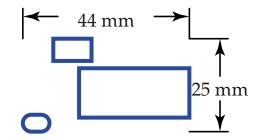
For the Horiz & Verti dimension:

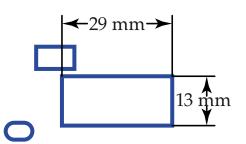
The two dimensions follow the cursor position while you drag the dimensions. The **CONTROL** key can be used to reverse the arrows.



– Horiz & Verti 🔲 Group

The box Group is checked, the group The box Group is unchecked, only the containing the clicked path will be measured clicked path will be measured.

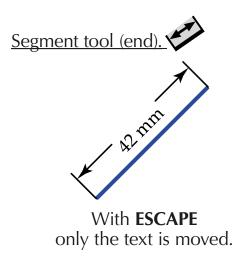


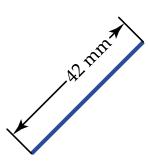


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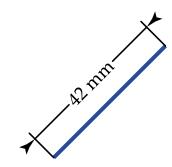
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How to use tools?





With the **SPACE** key, only the text is moved but staying on the dimension line.



With the **CONTROL** key, the arrows are reversed.

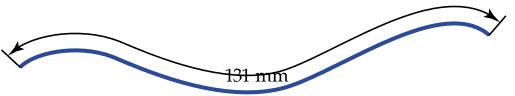
If you press the **ESCAPE** key while dragging the dimension, the dimension text follows the cursor, which allows you to place the text where you want.

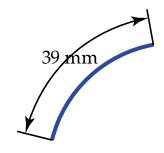
If you press the **SPACE** key while dragging the dimension, the dimension text moves remaining on the dimension line.

If you press the **SHIFT** key while dragging the dimension, the ties lengths vary discontinuously (the value of preferences Attaches is used, by 12 points in 12 points by default).

If you press the **CONTROL** key while dragging the dimension, the arrows are reversed.

You can also click on an arc of a circle to measure its lenght.

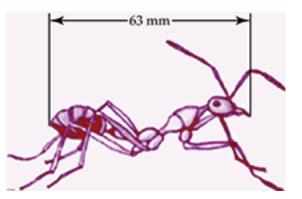




You can also click on any curve to measure its length.

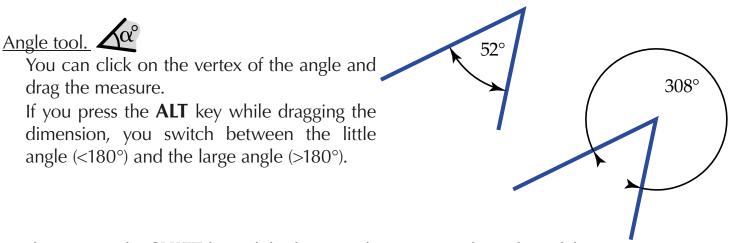
You can also click anywhere (not necessarily on an anchor point or a path) and freely measure the distance between the clicked points.

For instance, you can click inside a bitmap picture.



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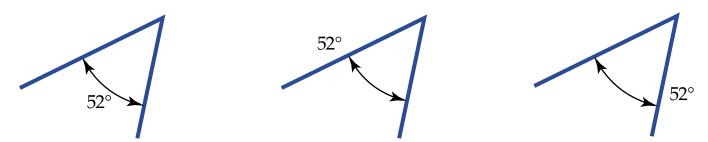
How to use tools?



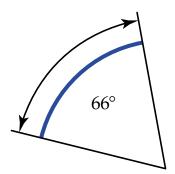
If you press the **SHIFT** key while dragging the measure, the radius of the arc vary discontinuously (the value of the parameter Radius of the arc is used). If you press the **CONTROL** key while dragging the measure, the arrows are reversed.

You can also click successively on each of the sides of the angle and drag the measure.

If you press the **ESCAPE** key while dragging the measure, only the text moves and follows the cursor.

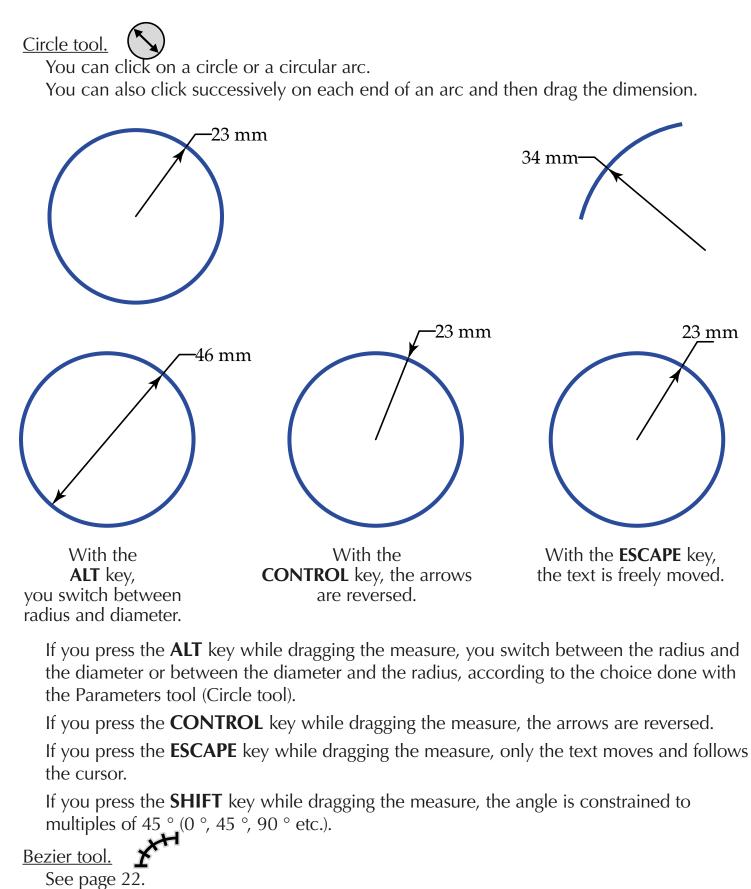


You an also click on a circular arc to measure the angle at the center.



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How to use tools?



<u>Lengths & Areas.</u> See page 23.

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The parameters.

Parameters list.

Click-ALT to display the list of the parameters appears. The color used by the parameters is the color of the smart guides. To modify it, go in Illustrator's preferences **CONTROL-K**.



Using these four radio buttons, you can **quickly** select one of the 4 sets of preferences.

In each set, you have the unit, the number of decimal places after the decimal separator, the scale, the line weight, the shape and the size of the arrows and the size of the text.

Choice of the parameter to modify:						
\bigcirc	Unit and frame.	Millimeters, framed				
O	Dual measure.	Without				
O	Number format.	34 562 803,1				
O	Scale.	1 /1				
	Arrowhead.	← 150 %				
	Line type.	1,00 pt, solid, round cap				
	Font.	MyriadPro-Regular				
	Character size.	12,00 pt				
	Colors.					
	Tolerances.	No, No				
	Sound.	Yes				
	Name of the layer.	Dimensions				
	Segment Tool.					
	Angle Tool.					
	Circle Tool.					
	Bezier Tool.					
	Lengths & areas Tool.					

Unit & frame.

Watch out! in the demo version, all units are not available.

Micrometers, millimeters, centimeters, decimal inches, fractional inches and feet and fractional inches are dimmed.

Once your version is registered, all units become available.

When the unit has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.

Display unit.

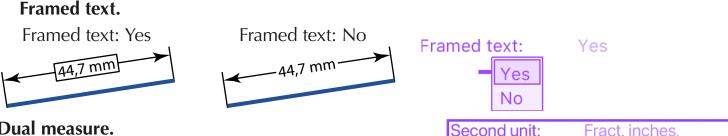
If the unit is millimeters for example, you will hav 84.56 mm when the unit is displayed and

Choice of the unit: micrometers Micrometers mm cm Millimeters micro Centimeters Decimal inches pt Fractional inches Fractional feet and inches Points Picas Meters Kilometers Without measure Unit display: Yes Yes No

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The parameters.

Unit & frame (end). Framed text.



Dual measure.

Watch out! in the demo version, all units are not available.

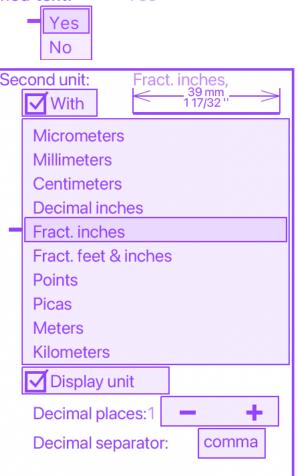
Micrometers, millimeters, centimeters, decimal inches, fractional inches and feet and fractional inches are dimmed.

Once your version is registered, all units become available.

With.

When this box is checked, the measure with the segment and the circle tool, will be done with two units.

When this box is uncheckked, there will be a simple measure.



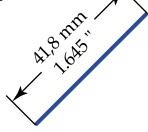
Display unit.

According the box is checked or unchecked, you'll get for instance 84,56 mm or 84,56.

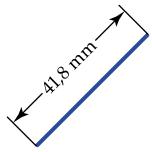
Number of decimal digits.

Number of decimal digits after the decimal separator for the second measure.

Deimal separator. Compa or point for the second measure.



With dual measure. Unit: millimeter Nombre de chiffres après la virgule : 1 Decimal separator: comma Second unit: decimal inches Numer of decimal digits: 3 Decimal separator: point



Without dual measure. Unit: millimeter Numer of decimal digits: 1 Decimal separator: comma

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The parameters.

Number format.

Choice of accuracy.

The number of decimal digits of dimension can range from 0 to 6.

When the number of decimal digits has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.

Choice of the decimal separator.

You can choose a point or a comma.

Choice of the thousands separator.

If the decimal separator is the comma, the thousands separator can be space, apostrophe or none.

If the decimal separator is the point, you can use the comma for the thousands separator.

Arrowheads.

Choice of the shape.

Seven shapes are available.

When the shape has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.

Choice of the size.

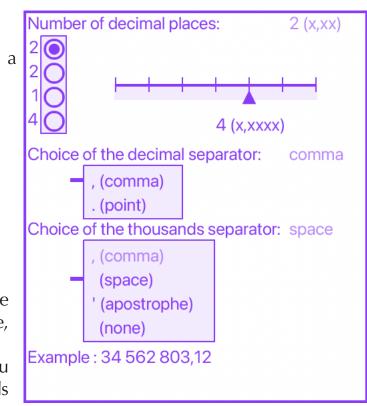
You can use a predefined value or any size with the buttons + and -.

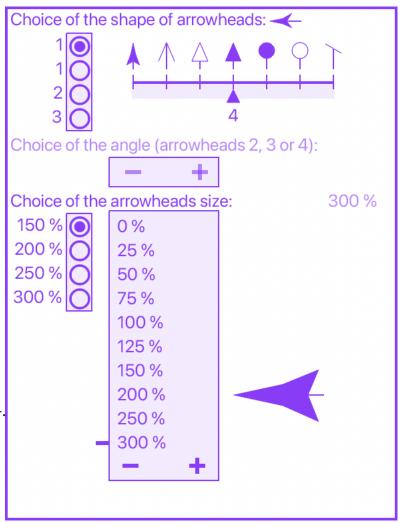
The size ranges from 5% to 5% at each click on + or -.

With the **SHIFT** key, the size ranges from 50% to 50% at each click on + or -.

With the **ALT** key, the size ranges from 1% to 1% at each click on + or -.

When the size has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.





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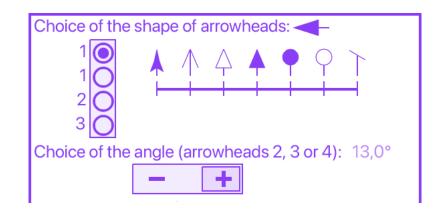
The parameters.

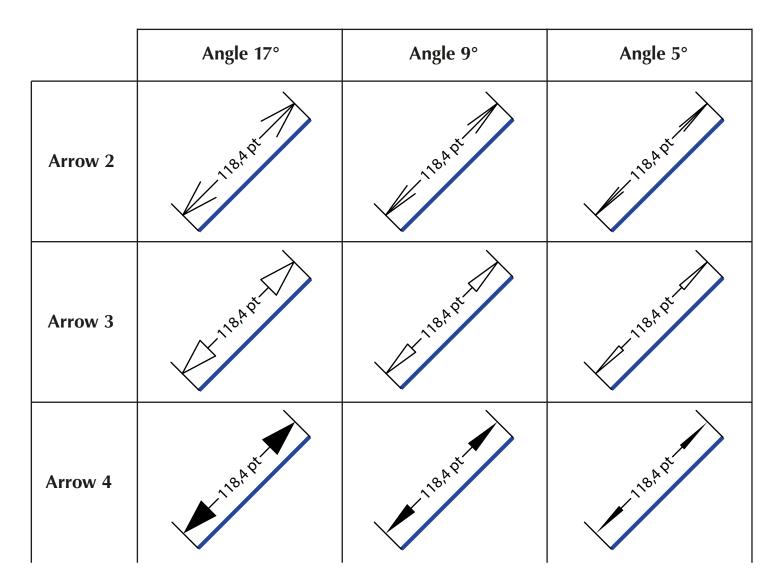
Arrowheads.

been set to 11°.

Angle of the arrowheads.

When the shape of the arrowheads 2, 3 or 4 is selected, you can change the angle of the arrowheads. The default angle is 17° and in this example the angle has





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The parameters.

Choice of scale.

It's possible to choose a preset value or any scale using the $+\ \text{and}$ - for the numerator and denominator.

If the x10 and x100 boxes are not checked, the numerator or denominator ranges from 1 to 1 at each click on + or -.

When using the **SHIFT** key, the numerator or denominator ranges from 10 to 10 at each click.

When using the ALT key, the numerator or denominator ranges from 100 to 100 at each click.

When the scale has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.

Choice of the sca	If the boxes x10 et x100 are not checked, th number ranges from 1 to 1 at each click on + or	
1/10 1/100 10/1 Scale 1/100 Scale 1/75 Scale 1/50 Scale 1/25 Scale 1/20 Scale 1/100	If the x10 box is checked, the number ranges from 10 to 10 at each click on + or With the SHIFT key, the number ranges from 10 to 100 at each click on + or With the ALT , the number ranges from 50 to 50 at each click on + or	om 00
Scale 1/5 Scale 1/4 Scale 1/3 Scale 1/2 Scale 1 Scale 2 Scale 3	If the x100 box is checked, the number ranges from 100 to 100 at each click on + or With the SHIFT key the number ranges from 1 000 to 1 000 at each click on + or With the ALT key the number ranges from 500 to 500 at each click on + or	to
Scale 3 Scale 4 Scale 5 Scale 10 Scale 20 Scale 25 Scale 50 Scale 75 Scale 100 Scale 125	If the two boxes x10 and x100 are checked, the number ranges from 1 000 to 1 000 at each click on + or With the SHIFT key the number ranges from 10 00 to 10 000 at each click on + or With the ALT key the number ranges from 5 000 to 5 000 at each click on + or	ck 00
Numerator Denominator	• + ✓ ×10 • + ✓ ×100	

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The parameters.

Choice of the line weight.

It's possible to choose a preset value or any line weight using the + and buttons.

The line weight ranges from 0.1 point to 0.1 point at each click on + or -.

When using the **SHIFT** key, the line weight ranges from 1 point to 1 point.

When using the **ALT** key, the line weight ranges from 0.01 point to 0.01 point.

When the line weight has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.

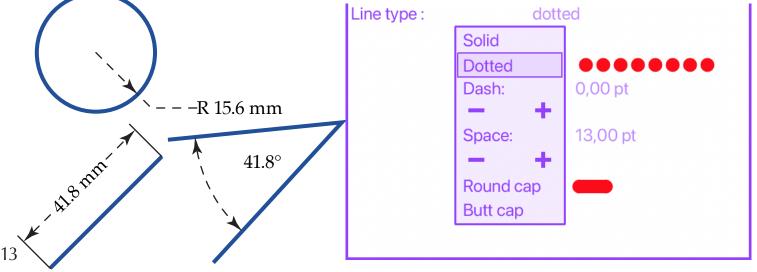
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	1.7 pt	
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Line type :	solic Solid Dotted	
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Line type :	solic Solid Dotted Dash:	
Line type :	solic Solid Dotted Dash:	
Line type :	solic Solid Dotted Dash: Space:	

Choice of the line type.

It's possible to choose a solid line or a dotted line.

For the dotted lines, you can change the dash and the space using the + and - buttons.

You can also choose between a round cap or a butt cap.



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The parameters.

Choice of the font.	e (
A page with 16 fonts is displayed.	Ν
A page with to tonis is displayed.	N
Each time you click + or -, the next (or the previous)	N
page in alphabetical order is displayed.	0
Using the ALT key, the page number ranges from 2 to 2	0
and using the SHIFT key, the number ranges from 5 to 5.	000
	0
	0
Choice of the characters size.	0
The size is in points or in millimeters when the checkbox	0
mm is checked.	0
You can use the preset values or any size using the + and	0
the	0
The size ranges from 0.1 to 0.1 at each click on + or	0
	0

When using the **SHIFT** key, the size ranges from 1 to 1 or from 10 to 10 with the x10 checkbox checked.

When using the **ALT** key, the size ranges from 2 to 2 or from 20 to 20 with the x10 checkbox checked.

When the size of the characters has been selected, you can save it in one of the four sets of preferences, clicking on one of the four radio buttons.



Choice of the font:



the font page

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The parameters.

Choice of the colors.

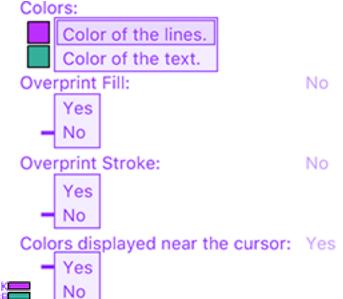
By clicking on Color of the lines or Color of the text, a dialog box appears that allows you to choose colors.

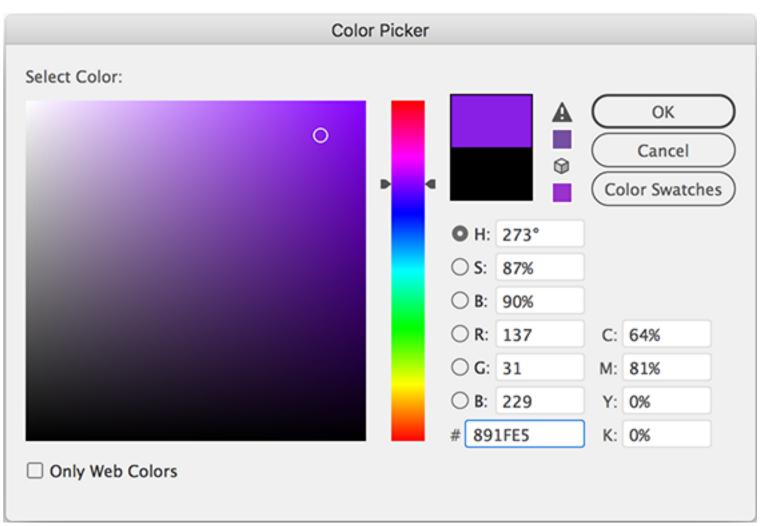
You can choose a RGB color, a CMYK color, a process color or a spot color.

You can choose to overprint the background.

You can choose to overprint the outlines.

You can choose to display colors near the cursor or not. G pour gray, SP for spot color, PC for process color, RC for registration color, RGB or CMYK.





When you click Color Swatches you can choose a process color or a spot color.

For instance, I choosed PANTONE 137 C for the lines and FOCOLTONE 2193 for the text.

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× << Color \equiv When I draw a dimension the selected 0 1 color (PANTONE 137 C) is used for the 100 % lines. PANTONE 137 C \times << Color 215P \equiv Q. • 100 % FOCOLTONE 2193 When I draw a dimension the selected color (FOCOLTONE 2193) is used for the text.

The parameters.

Sound.

Each time, you click on a point, a segment, an arc or a Bezier curve, a brief sound is emitted.

The files BipPoint.wav, BipSegment.wav, BipArc.wav and BipBezier.wav have to be in the same folder where JLG-DimensionLight (CC).aip is.



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The parameters.

Tolerances.

If the checkboxes With tolerance 1 and With tolerance 2 are unchecked, you don't have any text of tolerance.

When only With tolerance 1 is checked, you'll have one text of tolerance, and of course, when the two boxes With tolerance 1 and With tolerance 2 are checked, you'll have two texts of tolerance.

You can choose +, - or \pm to be displayed in front of the tolerance value.

You can adjust the tolerance value, using the + and - buttons.

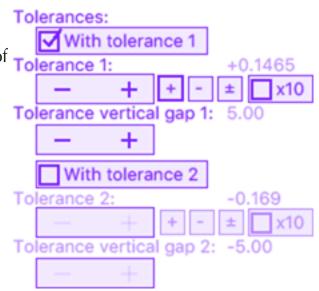
When the x10 checkbox is unchecked,

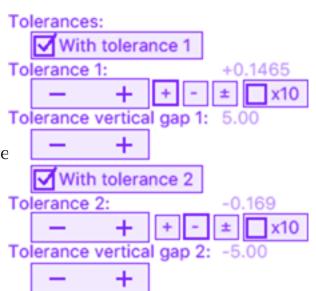
The tolerance value ranges from 0.001 to 0.001 at each click on + or -.

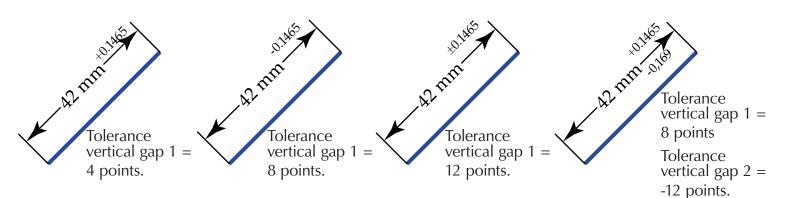
With the **SHIFT** key, from 0.01 to 0.01. With the **ALT**, from 0.0001 to 0.0001

When the x10 checkbox is checked, these values are muliplied by 10.

Tolerance vertical gap lets you adjust the position of the tolerance text







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The parameters.

Choice of the layer's name.

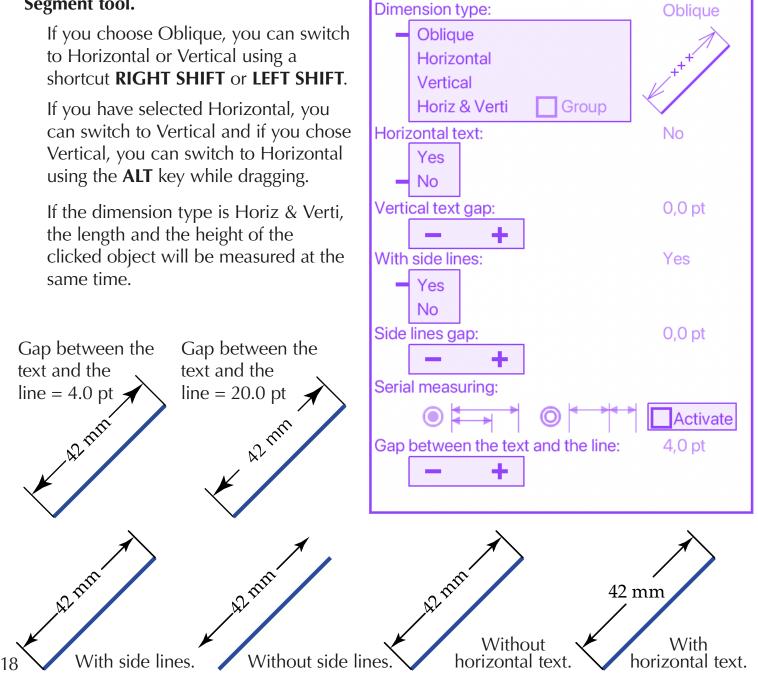
By default, dimensions are created on a layer named Dimensions. You can change this name, clicking the keys of the little keyboard.

< to delete the last character.

^ to switch from lowercase to uppercase.

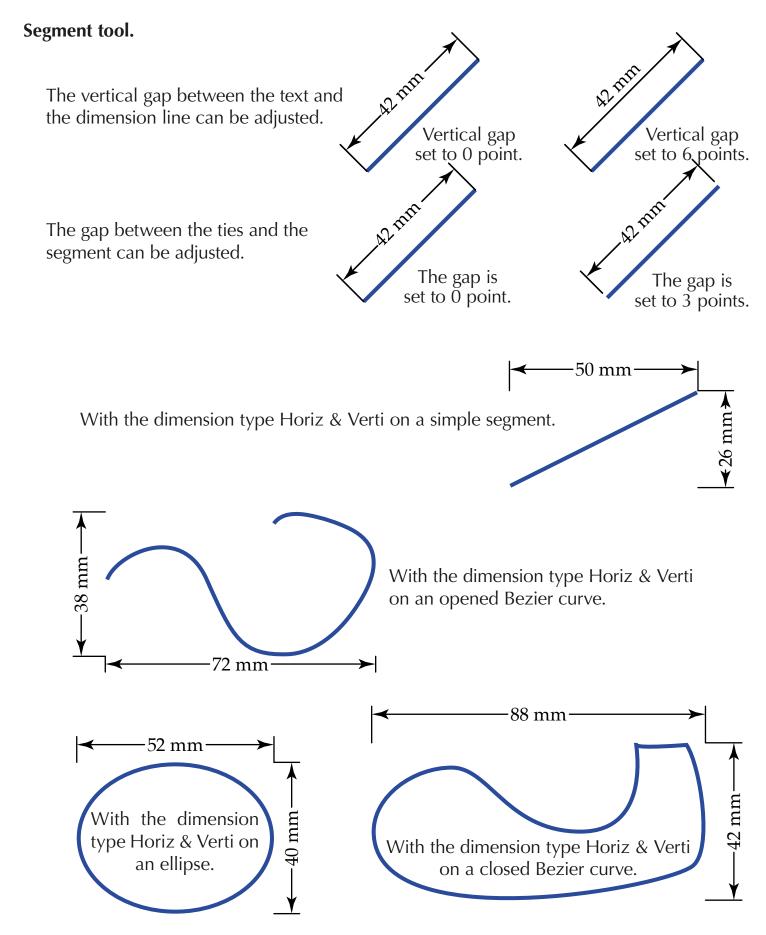
Choice of the layer's name: Dimen_							
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Segment tool.



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The parameters.



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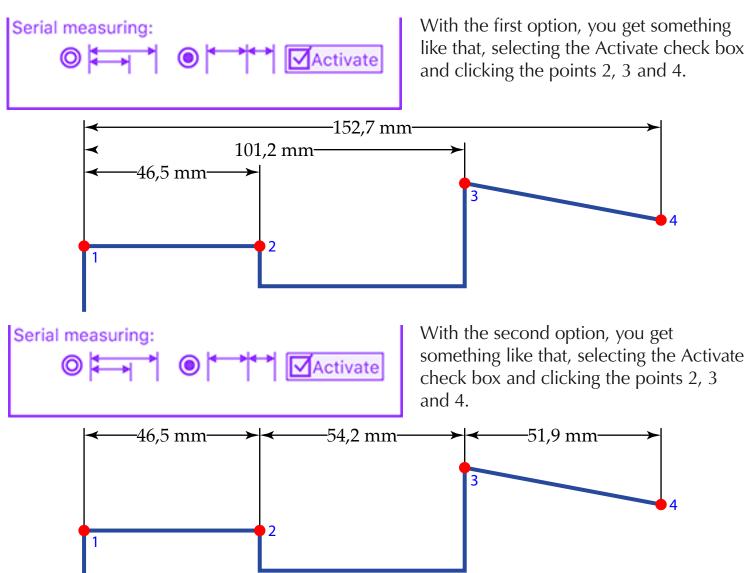
Segment tool (measuring the distance between two segments).

To measure the distance between two segments, just click the first segment with the keys **SHIFT** and **ALT** down. Then click the second segment and drag the cursor to display an position the measure.

Segment tool (serial measuring).

To start the serial measuring, select the Activate check box. Then click at least two anchor points (the maximum is 10) and drag the cursor to display an position the measures.

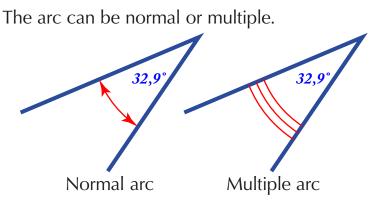
44,6 mm



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The parameters.

Angle tool.

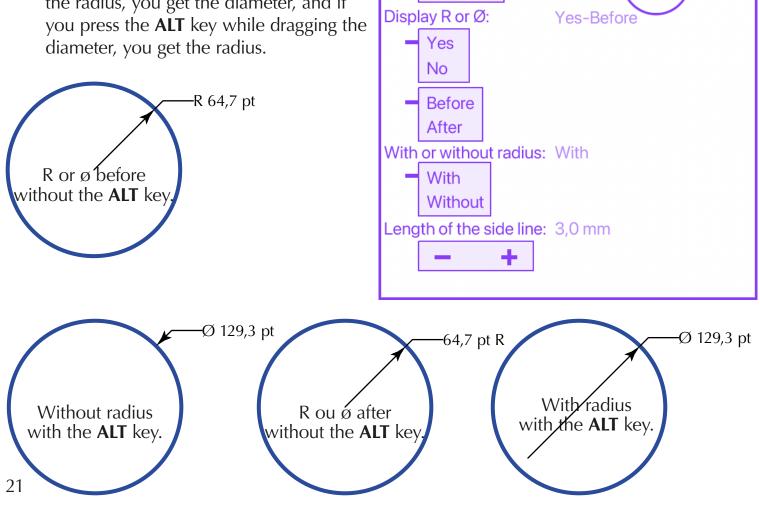


When the arc is multiple, you can change the number of arcs and the gap between the arcs.

The radius of the arc is used when you drag the dimension with the SHIFT key down, the radius is multiple of the chosen value.

Circle tool.

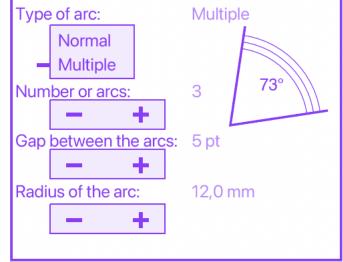
If you press the **ALT** key while dragging the radius, you get the diameter, and if



Radius or diameter?

Diameter

Radius

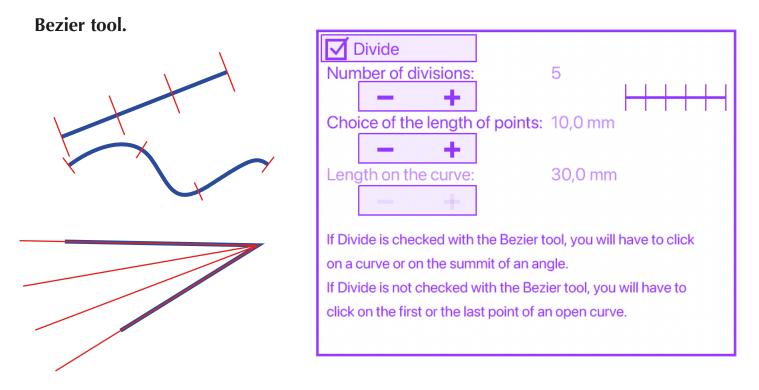


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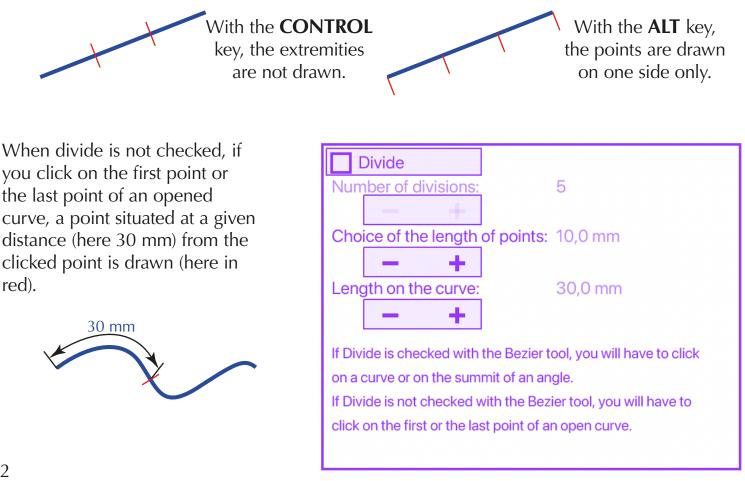
New simple tools to measure with Illustrator.

The parameters.



With the **CONTROL** key, the extremities are not drawn.

With the **ALT** key, the points are drawn on one side (for the segments or curves) and for angles, it's the angle >180° that is divided.



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Lengths & Areas tool.

Paths can be selected using the Lengths & areas tool by clicking on one or more paths or by drawing a selection rectangle.

In this case, all paths touched by the selection rectangle will be selected.

I can add a path to the selection, a + indicates that the path is going to be added to the selection.

Total length of the selection.

- Partial length of the curve.
- Total area of the selection.
- Number of paths in the selection.
- Number of points in the selection.

I can remove a path from the selection, a - indicates that the path is going to be removed from the selection.

By default, the tool Lengths & Areas tool diplays the total length of the selected paths, the total area of the selection, the number of paths and the number of points.

You can choose to display fewer things unchecking some checkboxes.

When you click outside any path after having selected certain paths, one or more texts objects will be created.

Example :

I want to know the area of the blue area.

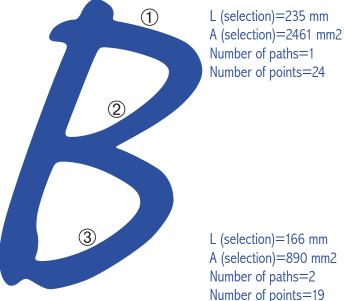
It's a vectorized letter made of three paths.

First I click on the paht ①. It has 24 points (the area of this path is 2461mm²).

Then, I click on the path ② and the path ③. The areas of these two paths are added (890mm²)

I calculate the difference

2461,5 - 890 = 1572.The area of the blue region is 1572 mm².



New simple tools to measure with Illustrator. Registering JLG-DimensionLight.

To remove the restrictions of the demo version of JLG-DimensionLight (all the units are not available the parameters are not saved and the number of clicks is limited), you need to send your user name to **jlgarrivet@orange.fr**.

The user name is shown on the right side of the Registration parameter (in red) at the end of the parameters list. In my case, it is Jean-Louis Garrivet.

This red line is no longer displayed after you have registered your version.

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Choice of the parameter to modify:

To find this name, you can also use the menu Help/System info...

In the dialog that appears, scroll to see User Name:

WATCH OUT! THIS USER NAME CANNOT BE CHANGED!

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When you sent me your username, you received a serial number in the format xxxx-xxxx.

Select the Registration parameter (bottom of the list and red) and enter your serial number clicking the small keyboard keys.

< to delete the last character. ^ to switch from lowercase to uppercase.

When you click outside the keyboard, a dialog will inform you that the full version is available.

You can check it going to the unit parameter and noting that now, all units are available.

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