

AMD Proprietary Linux Release Notes

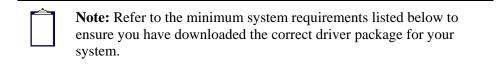
This release note provides information on the latest posting of AMD's Proprietary Linux driver. This particular driver updates the software version to 8.771.

The AMD Linux release notes provide information on the following:

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Web Content

The ATI CatalystTM Linux Graphics Driver software suite is available through an installer executable.





ATI Mobility™ and Integrated Mobility™ Product Family Support

The ATI Catalyst TM Linux software suite is designed to support the following ATI Mobility TM products:

AMD Mobility TM Product Family Support	
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 5800	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4300
ATI Mobility Radeon TM HD 5700	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4200
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 5600	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3870
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 5400	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3850
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4870	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3670
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4860	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3650
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4850	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3430
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4830	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 3400
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4670	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 2600
ATI Mobility Radeon TM HD 4650	ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 2400
ATI Mobility Radeon™ HD 4500	

ATI Desktop Product Family Support

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite is designed to support the following ATI desktop products:

AMD Desktop Product Family Support	
ATI Radeon TM HD 5900 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 4670 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 5800 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 4650 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 5700 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 4600 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 5600 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 4550 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 5500 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 4350 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 5400 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 3800 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 4890 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 3600 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 4870 X2 Series	ATI Radeon TM HD 3400 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 4850 X2 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 2900 Series
ATI Radeon TM HD 4800 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 2600 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 4700 Series	ATI Radeon™ HD 2400 Series

Note: The ATI Radeon TM HD 3870 X2 series of product is currently
not supported by the ATI Catalyst TM Linux software suite.

Note: All-in-Wonder [™] variants based on the above are also supported. However, video capture is not supported.
Note: Software driver support for ATI FireGL TM , Integrated, Mobility TM and Desktop products prior to the ATI Radeon TM 9500 is available from <i>www.amd.com</i> .
Note: Specific Workstation products are enabled but not supported in the ATI Catalyst TM Linux Graphics Driver software suite. Official Workstation drivers can be downloaded from <i>www.amd.com</i> .

ATI Integrated Product Family Support

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite is designed to support the following ATI desktop products:

AMD Chipset Product Support	
ATI Radeon™ HD 4290	ATI Radeon™ 3200 Series
ATI Radeon TM HD 4250	ATI Radeon TM 3100 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 4200 Series	ATI Radeon TM 3000 Series
ATI Radeon™ HD 3300 Series	

AMD FireStream™ Product Family Support

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite is designed to support the following AMD products:

AMD FireStream™ Product Support	
AMD FireStream TM 9350	AMD FireStream™ 9250
AMD FireStream TM 9270	AMD FireStream TM 9170

ATI Embedded Product Family Support

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite is designed to support the following ATI Embedded products:

AMD Embedded Family Product Support	
ATI Radeon™ E2400	ATI Radeon™ E4690



Operating Systems Distributions Supported

The latest version of the ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite is designed to support the following Linux distributions:

- Red Hat Enterprise Linux suite
- Novell/SuSE product suite
- Ubuntu

Note: The ATI Catalyst TM Linux software suite may install on a number of other Linux distributions. Refer to the Package Generation installation instructions for more information.
Note: AMD has contributed packaging scripts to allow creation of other packages, but does not necessarily test, verify or warrant the reliability. Currently Red Hat Enterprise Linux suite and Novell/SuSE product suite are supported Linux distributions.

System Requirements

Before attempting to install the ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite, the following software must be installed:

- XOrg 6.8, 6.9, 7.0, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 or 7.5
- Linux kernel 2.6 or above
- glibc version 2.2 or 2.3
- POSIX Shared Memory (/dev/shm) support is required for 3D applications

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite no longer provides precompiled Kernel Modules; all installations require GCC compiler and kernel-headers or kernel-source in order to enable 2D and 3D acceleration.

For best performance and ease of use, ATI recommends the following:

- Kernel module build environment
 - o Kernel source code include either the Kernel Source or Kernel Headers packages
- The RPM utility should be installed and configured correctly on your system, if you intend to install via RPM packages

The following packages must be installed in order for the ATI Catalyst™ Linux driver to install and work properly:

- XFree86-Mesa-libGL
- libstdc++
- libgcc
- XFree86-libs
- fontconfig

- freetype
- zlih
- gcc

New Features

This section provides information on new features found in this release of the ATI RadeonTM Display Driver. These include the following:

• Support for New Linux Operating Systems

Support for New Linux Operating Systems

This release of ATI CatalystTM Linux introduces support for the following new operating system:

• RHEL 6 early look support

Resolved Issues

The following section provides a brief description of resolved issues with the latest version of the ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite. These include:

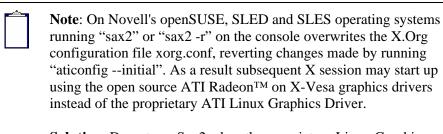
- System no longer fails while launching fgl_glxgears window when Anti-Aliasing and Desktop Effects are enabled
- [SUSE 11.1] Hardware playback now functions properly
- [OpenSuSE 11.3] Corruption no longer visible on Firefox while scrolling the window by dragging the scrollbar
- [SUSE 11.2] With a DP display connected to the adapter, a hot-plugged DFP display will now light up properly in clone mode

Known Issues

The following section provides a brief description of known issues associated with the latest version of ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite. These issues include:

- Killing X-server after resuming from hibernation may cause the system to stop responding
- System may fail to display error message when improper position values are used in "aticonfig --tv-geometry" resulting in invalid "TVHPosAdj" and "TVVPosAdj" values in xorg.conf file
- Rotated screen may fail to properly restore after running full-screen OpenGL application in dual-head mode; a switch VT will restore screen correctly
- Mouse cursor might be blocked from entering the taskbar area after applying specific rotations
- Significant delay may be observed while rotating screen with XRandR
- Segmentation fault may occur when running "Quake 4" and "Enemy Territory: Quake Wars" at 1280x1024 or resolutions higher than current desktop resolution





Solution: Do not use Sax2 when the proprietary Linux Graphics Driver is installed. Instead configure all display parameters using the ATI CatalystTM Control Center--Linux Edition or the aticonfig command line interface.

Installing the AMD Proprietary Linux Software Driver

Installation information and instructions can found on the AMD website:

- Go to http://support.amd.com/us/gpudownload/Pages/index.aspx
- Select "Linux x86" or "Linux x86 64"
- Select your product family and product
- Click on the GO! button
- From the ATI CatalystTM Display Driver page, click on the "Installer Instructions" link to download the PDF document

Driver Update Notification

To receive driver notifications, add the following RSS feed to your RSS reader: http://www2.ati.com/rss/catalyst.rss



Note: In order to receive notifications you will need to have an RSS reader installed.

Linux Feedback Program

The ATI CatalystTM Linux software suite releases may incorporate suggestions received through the Linux feedback program.

Please refer to http://www.amd.com/us/LinuxCrewSurvey to provide us with feedback.

