

## Re: Saving down from PPT 2004 for mac so Windows/Office 2003 can read my preso

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Regardless of Windows version, Office 2003 apps should be able to open files created by the corollaries in 2004 & vice-versa. There should be little or no difference if the files were created properly. In fact, even if the client is using Office 2007 there should be no problem. Prior to 2007 PC & Mac Office apps have used identical file formats for several versions now.

Your problem most likely stems from either or both of two things:

1- Make sure you save the files with the appropriate extensions – just use the checkbox in the Save As dialog or type them yourself, and

2- The method by which you're providing the files to the client... Odds are you're sending them by email as attachments and the client is using Exchange Server – which will chew up & spit out fragments of files from outside its domain:-) Zip the files before sending them & make sure the client understands that they have to SAVE the files to disk & open them from there rather than just double-clicking the attachment icon. If they don't need to edit the files you would also be better off to send PDFs in the first place. If they \*do\* need to edit them send BOTH a PDF version so they know what it looks like as well as the native version for revisions.

Fonts can also contribute to cross-platform files so that is another consideration. However, "can't read" doesn't give anyone much to go on as far as troubleshooting goes.

HTH |:>)  
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[MVP] Office:Mac

On 9/7/07 4:04 PM, in article c22e975dc1be4bc28a1ff5092ce4b911@xxxxxxxxxxxxx, "Anne Cramer" <[anjicramer@xxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:anjicramer@xxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Anyone know how to do this? I have to get a PC loaner because my client can't read any of my docs (word, ppt, excel) if I created them on my mac

Re: Saving down from PPT 2004 for mac so Windows/Office 2003 can read my pres  
(MacBook, Office 2004 suite). My client has Vista, but is using Office 2003.

If you know how I might be able to save the document as an earlier version  
of PPT, or some other solution, that would be great, thanks!

Anne