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Frequently Asked Questions

What is “The Little CAD Engine That Could” Website?

The developers at Carlson’s website that work on desktop programs with IntelliCAD are constantly chasing bugs and updating the program. In addition, the IntelliCAD developers at the ITC are also updating that platform program regularly.

Across all software platforms, the nature of bug fixes is that, when you fix one… you might create several more. And the new ones may be absolute show-stoppers that Murphy’s Law guarantees will happen on a weekend when projects need to be completed and no one is on-duty at Carlson to help.

Fear of that happening on a broad-scale is one reason that Carlson only posts a new Build, with updates to both the IntelliCAD and Carlson programs, every few months.

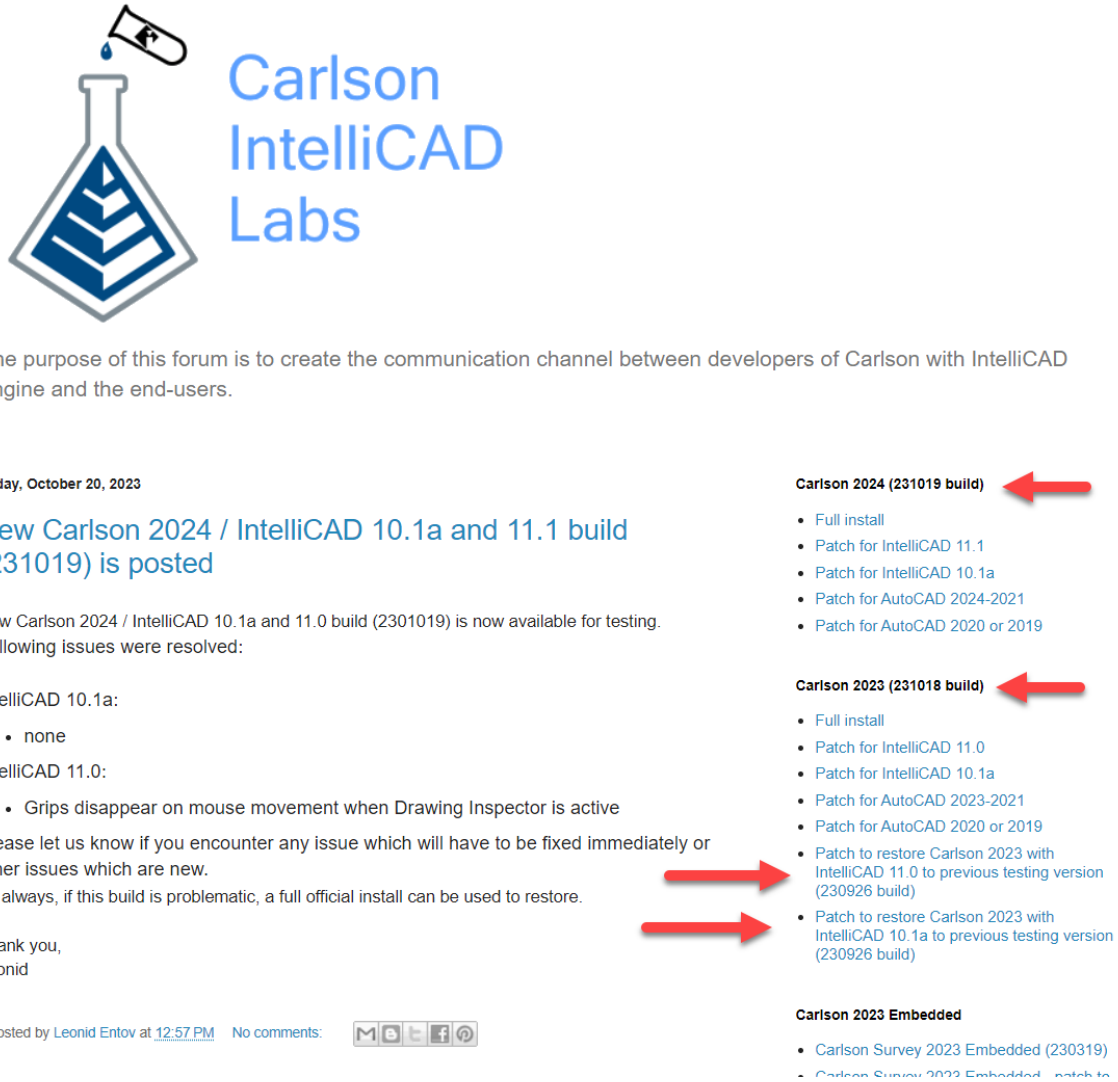
So, as a way to incorporate and test more often, Carlson’s development team has been posting interim TESTING Builds to a separate website – The Little CAD Engine That Could – for many years.

Users who are comfortable working in testing/beta releases of Carlson with IntelliCAD can find additional testing Builds at this website and, if you report a bug to Carlson Support, they may point you here as well.

Two of my favorite things about the posted Builds at The Little CAD Engine That Could are

1) there is a Comment section that allows the developers to describe the bugs that have been fixed in the Build and allows users to provide feedback and comments and

2) in addition to providing links to update to the newer testing Build, they also provide links to revert to previous Builds that may end up being more stable.



Regardless of whether you are getting your updated Build from

Carlson’s Download page or from The Little CAD Engine That Could, I always recommend waiting to install any new Build for 1-2 weeks after it’s been posted.

FAQ: How do I know if I’m running the latest build of my Carlson Software?

FAQ: How can I find out when new versions or builds of Carlson are released?

FAQ: What is the latest and greatest version/build of my Carlson Software? (a running thread)

FAQ: Where do I find the build date or build number of my Carlson Software?

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