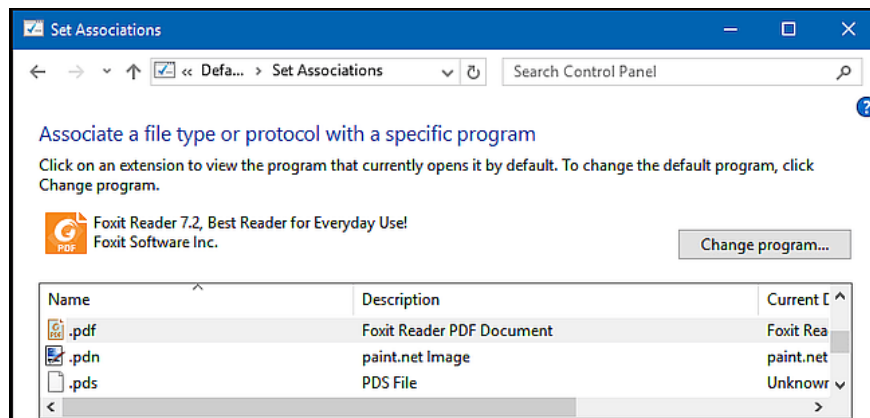


Instructions for changing the default PDF file reader application in Windows 10

If you want to change another program in your computer to open the PDF file instead of using Edge in Windows 10. In the following article, Network Administrator will introduce and guide you in two extremely simple ways.

Microsoft Edge is not the default Web browser on **Windows 10** but the **PDF reader** is set by default in **Windows 10** . If you want to change another program in your computer to open the **PDF file** instead of using **Edge** in **Windows 10** . In the article below, Network Administrator will introduce and guide you 2 very simple ways.

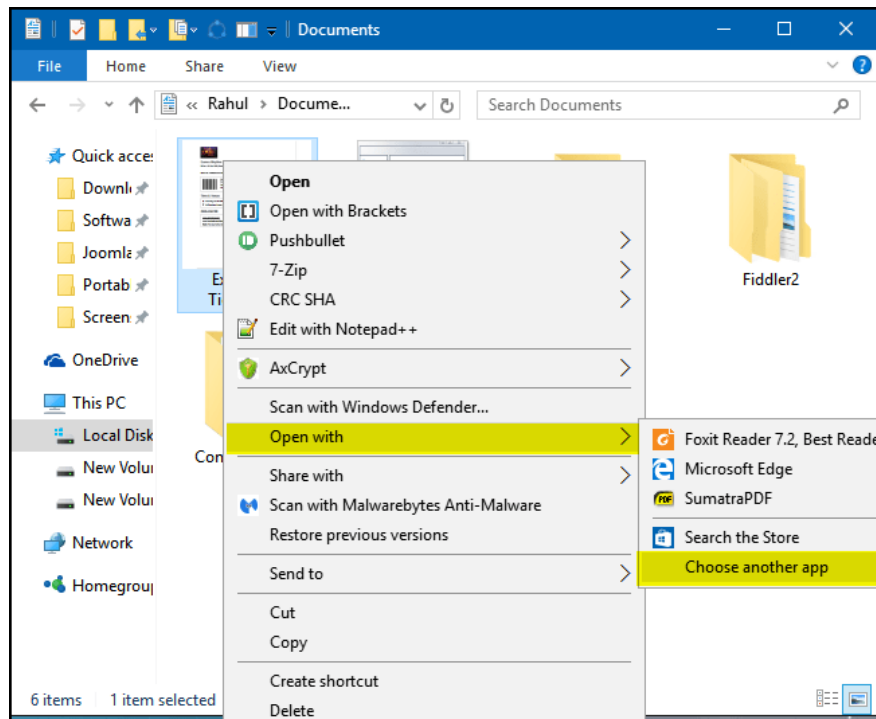


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1. Change the default with File Explorer

To change your **PDF** default by using **File Explorer** , first open **File Explorer** and then navigate to the folder containing your **PDF file** . Right-click on that folder and select **Open with** choose **Choose another app**.



A new popup window allows you to select one of the programs to open the **PDF file** once. Or you can tick the link "**Always use this app**" (always use this application) at the bottom of the popup window to open the **PDF file** fixed with the program you have chosen.

On the window, select the program you want to open the default **PDF file** .

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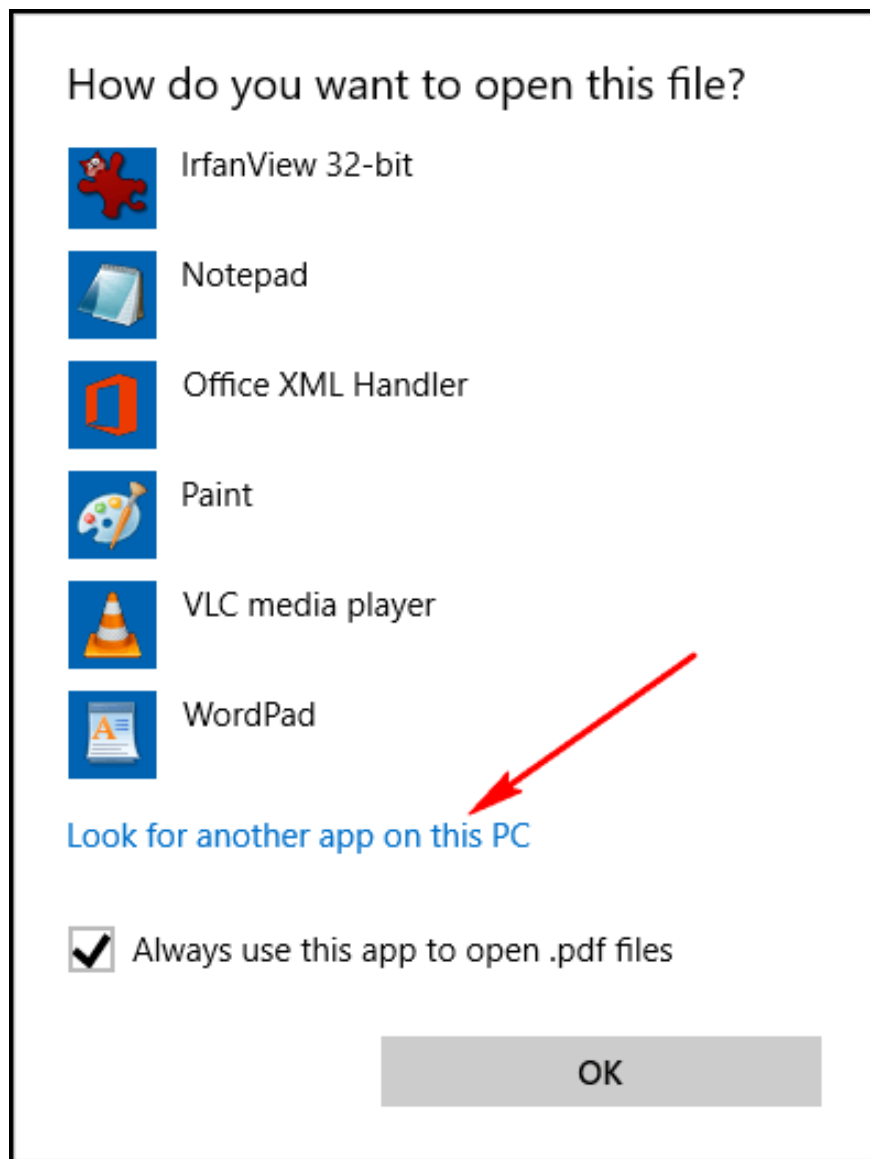
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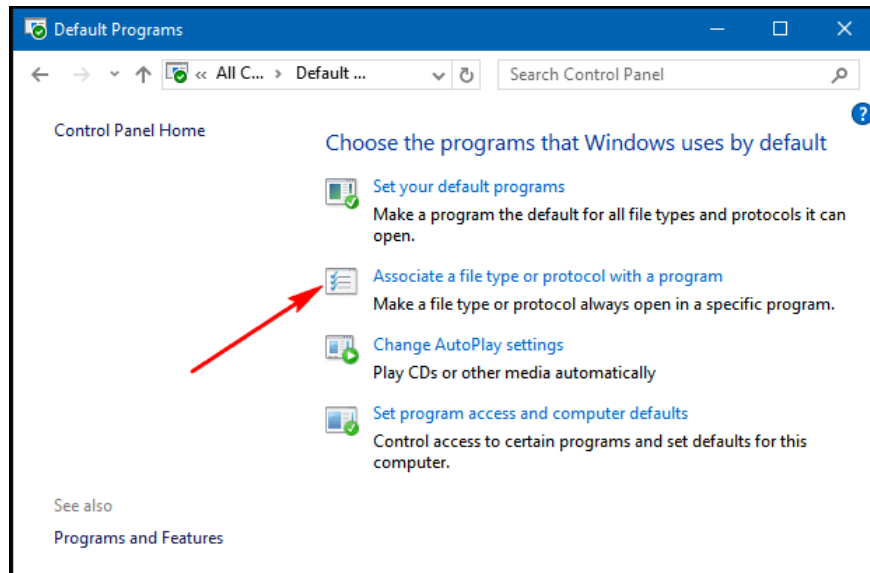
If the default applications are not displayed on this window, you can select another program available in your computer by clicking on "**More apps**", selecting an application or dragging down to select the link "**Look for another app in this PC**" to find the program you want to set as default to open the **PDF file**, then select "**Open**" to set the default.



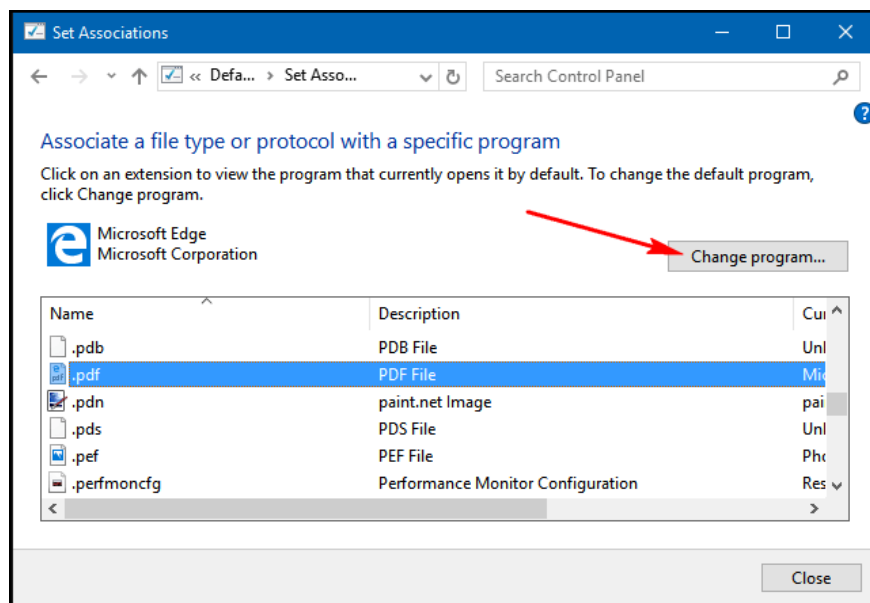
2. Change the default with Control Panel

First open the **Control panel** then select "**Default Programs**".

Click "**Associate a file type or protocol with a program**" and wait for a few seconds to load all file formats.



Scroll down to find **".PDF"**. Then click on **".PDF"** and then click on **Change program**.



A new popup window allows you to select one of the programs to open the **PDF file**.

How do you want to open this .pdf file from now on?

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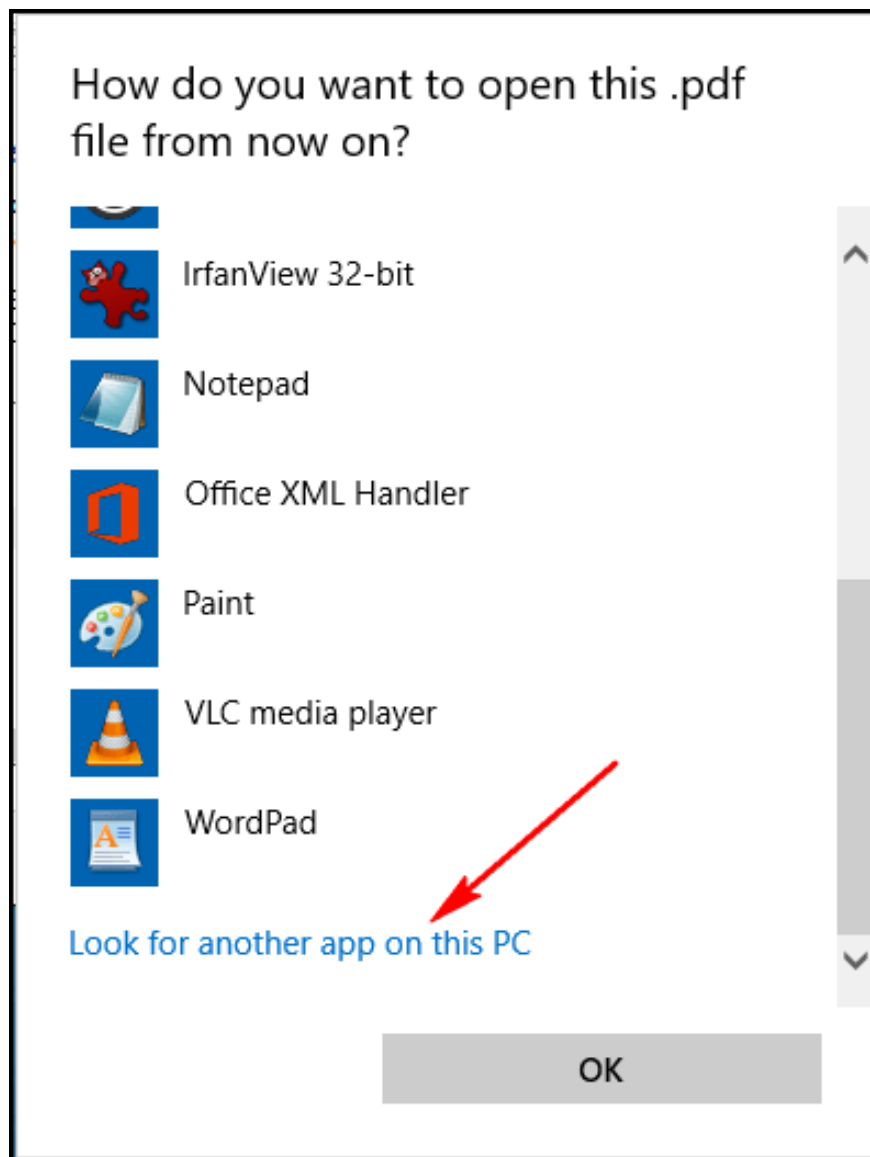
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