

Illustrator Tutorials

Dotted Lines

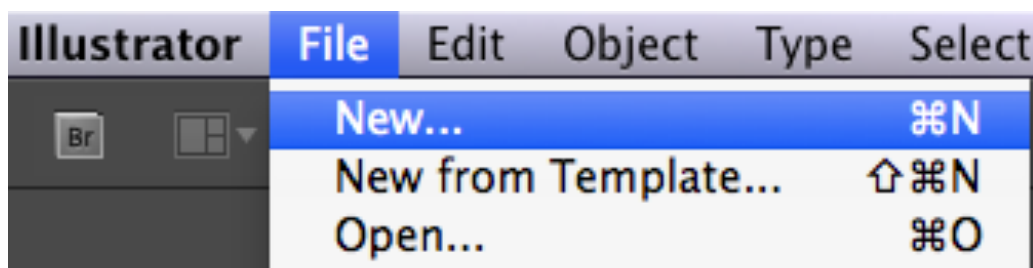


HOW TO DRAW A DOTTED LINE IN ILLUSTRATOR

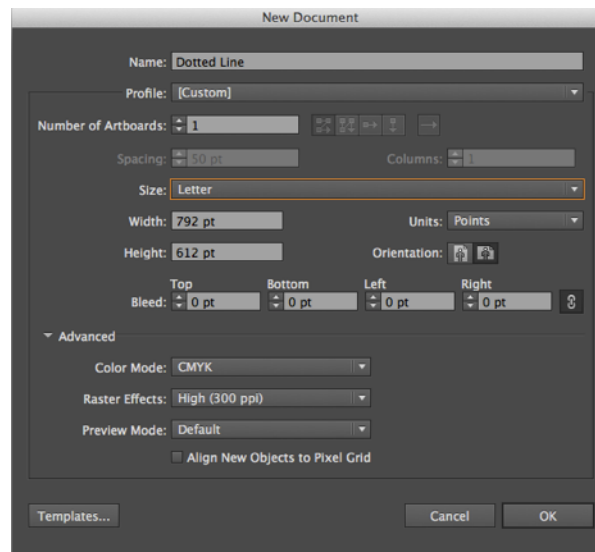


Creating a dotted line in Adobe Illustrator is fairly easy. Here are the basic steps in drawing your own dotted line.

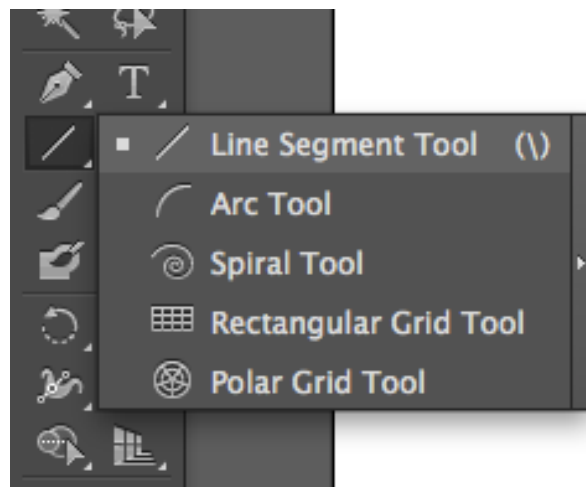
1. Open a new document by clicking on FILE -> NEW



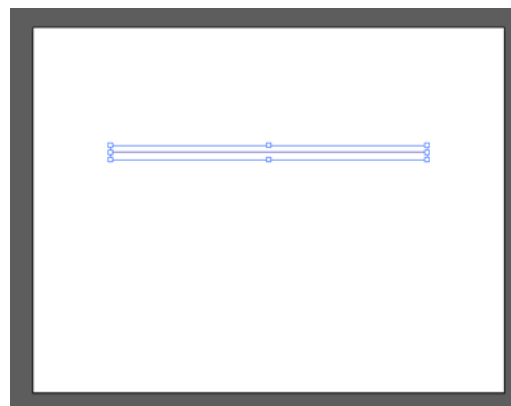
2. The NEW DOCUMENT window will pop up, supply all necessary properties then press OK.



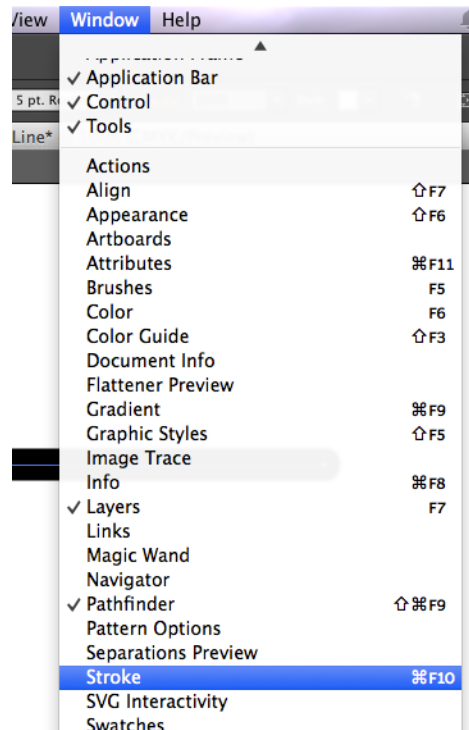
3. Select the LINE SEGMENT TOOL from the tools on the left side of your window.



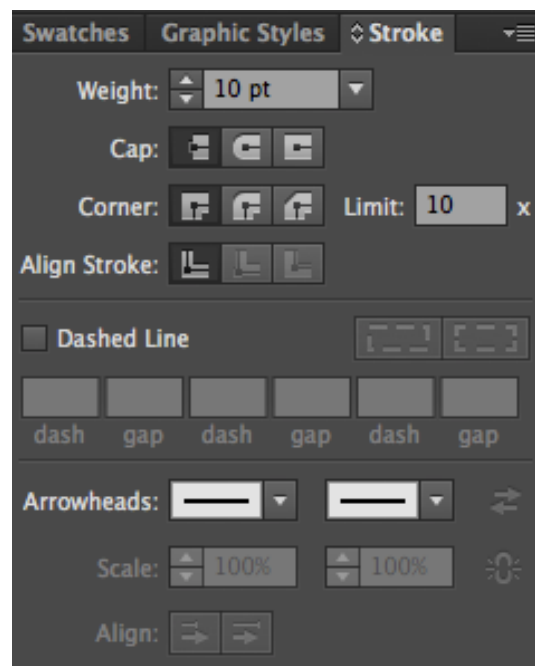
4. In your artboard, drag hold-click your mouse until you've created a new line.



5. After creating a line segment, select WINDOW -> STROKE to open the STROKE Panel.



6. Once the Stroke Panel has been opened, increase the Stroke weight according to preference. In this example, we are going to set the weight to 10 pt.



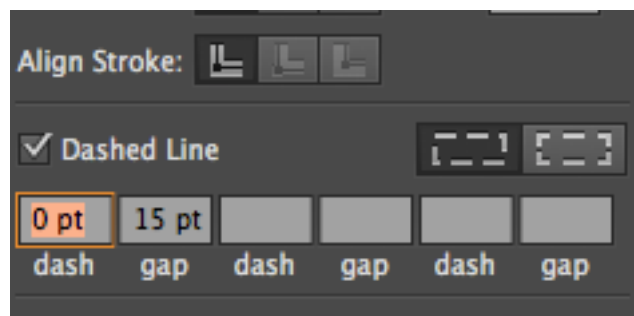
7. Select the ROUND CAP button. This will make our line have a rounded edge.



Click the ROUND CAP button.



8. Check the box beside “DASHED LINE” and in the field above “Dash” type in “0”. This will make sure that your points won’t be elongated into a dashed line and in the field above “Gap” type in a value that’s more than 2. Note that the larger the value, the bigger space you’ll have between points.



8. You've now created a dashed line. Feel free to add more elements such as stock vector images, which you can get from [VectorToons.com](https://www.vector.toons.com/), or more lines and customize it (color, width, etc) according to your preference.

