

System requirements

Affinity has very modest system requirements:

System requirements:

Mac OS 7.1 to 9.2.2

or

Mac OS X⁶

or

Windows 95 or later

All above must display at a minimum of 256 colours

The Mac version combines 64x and PPC code (i.e. is 'fat'). This requires approximately 10 megabytes of hard disk space. The Windows version requires approximately 8 megabytes of hard disk space. On both platforms the video tutorial requires approximately 125 megabytes of disk space.

It was previously recommended that *Affinity* was not used with a monitor larger than 15". This was to prevent users 'losing' the pointer on the larger screen, which would adversely affect their performance on the assessment.

This recommendation no longer applies. Modifications to the program means that losing the pointer is now unlikely on timing critical items, and it is also now possible to prevent the assesee accidentally clicking outside the *Affinity* window by use of an optional 'backdrop' to the entire screen.

⁶ Available mid 2005

It is strongly recommended that *Affinity* is **not** used on a computer connected to a local network. This would both compromise security and could also adversely affect the performance of the program in such a way as to bias results.

A laptop may be used, as long as the assessee can use a mouse or trackball controlled pointer, and not the built in trackpad or (in the case of Toshiba laptops) a control 'stick'.

Affinity 2.0 has not been tested using a touch screen, so no advice or recommendations can be offered in this respect.