

# Squash & Stretch Free Installation Guide

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## 1. Automatic Installation (Recommended)

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*Note: Although it's free, you still need to add Squash & Stretch Free to your cart and complete checkout in the aescrpts store so it appears in your customer account and the Manager.*

### 1. Install the aescrpts + aeplugins Manager

- Download and install from: <https://aescrpts.com/learn/aescrpts-aeplugins-manager-app/>
- 2. **Launch the Manager** and sign in to your aescrpts account.
- 3. **Locate** "Squash & Stretch Free" under your products list.
- 4. **Click Install.**
  - The Manager installs the **SquashAndStretch\_Free.zxp** extension and places it in After Effects.

## 2. Manual Installation

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1. Download the **Squash & Stretch Free** product ZIP from: <https://aescrpts.com/downloadable/customer/products/> and unzip it.
2. **Locate** `SquashAndStretch_Free.zxp` in the unzipped folder.
3. Open the aescrpts ZXP/UXP Installer: <https://aescrpts.com/learn/zxp-installer/>
4. Drag `SquashAndStretch_Free.zxp` onto the installer window.
5. Restart After Effects and open the panel via **Window → Extensions → Squash & Stretch Free**.

## 3. Troubleshooting & Support

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- **Where to Find the Panel?** In After Effects, navigate to `Window → Extensions → Squash & Stretch Free` to open the panel.
- **Panel Not Showing?**  
Confirm the CEP extension is installed, then restart After Effects.
- **Need Help?**  
Submit a support ticket: [https://aescrpts.com/contact/?direct=1&product\\_id=2675](https://aescrpts.com/contact/?direct=1&product_id=2675)