


22. As stable or even more stable than AutoCAD 14 if that is possible!
21. The combination of new features has dramatically reduced my time on projects over R14. without missing any occurrences.
20. **FIND** command is very efficient at hunting down all examples of text, attributes, dims, that you want to replace working on the screen, but don't want to forget to freeze it for plotting.
19. Ability to declare a layer as non-plottable is very handy for reference lines that you need to see when you're in place editing of XREFs is a great convenience.
18. In place editing of XREFs is a great convenience.
17. **BLOCK** and **WBLOCK** commands are now very intuitive and very efficient with intelligent defaults. many regular shapes and angles.
16. New Polar Snap, Polar distance snap, Object snap tracking provide an easy way to design geometry that has
15. Separate UCS settings in each viewport for much more efficient 3D work.
14. Greatly improved Properties dialogue is much more powerful, allowing global editing of any common properties like the radius of different sized circles. Great substitute for LIST command.
13. Use of the **wheel** on the Microsoft mouse for 3 **VERY TRANSPARENT** functions:
 - ◆ Real time Zooming, ◆ Real time Panning and ◆ Zoom extents in a **very intuitive** fashion.
12. The new **Shade toolbar** allows for some excellent quick viewing of 3D models.

11. 3DORBIT command allows very intuitive viewing/positioning of a 3D model.
 - Continuous orbit option feature is an awesome attention getter for great presentation viewings!!!

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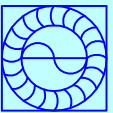
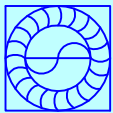
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After using and teaching AutoCAD 2000 intensively for over one year now I have grown very fond of many of it's great new features and stability. Even though R14 was the best AutoCAD ever in it's time, R2000 has far surpassed it. A few of my favorite features that come quickly to mind include:

1. **Layouts** (Paperspace) new refinements **greatly improve** usability, learnability and efficiency.
 - Viewports toolbar with it's built in **viewport scale selector and readout**.
 - Use of any closed shape as a viewport. (e.g. Ellipse, Polygon)
 - Multiple layout tabs which store all the information for a plotting job.
 - **CTRL R** toggles you between viewports that sit on top of other viewports.
2. **DWF e-plots** allow quick transmission of plans to non-AutoCAD users by e-mail or to a web site:
 - ◆ for viewing and discussions ◆ for comments and markup ◆ for plotting with all of your pen settings intact.
3. **DESIGN Center** allows you to recover or search for anything you need from another drawing.
 - Blocks, Layouts, Layers, Dimension Styles, Text Styles.
4. Works very reliably with the new, exceptionally stable and reliable Windows 2000 as well as NT4.
5. Easy to link any object to any Internet, (e.g. Manufacturer's products) Intranet or file link. (Shortcut **CTRL K**)
6. **Multiple documents** open at once allows very quick cutting and pasting between drawings. (**CTRL Tab** toggle)
7. **Line weights** can be assigned to objects and viewing toggled on or off with **LWT** switch on status bar.
8. Ability to re-size the **MTEXT** window is a great convenience for larger paragraphs..
9. Dimensions have several great new conveniences:
 - ◆ **QDIM** command allows for rapid multiple dimension placement.
 - ◆ **QLEADER** command has a very intuitive new dialogue box to set some great new options.
 - ◆ Improved real time previews and user friendly labelling in the Dimension Style dialogue boxes.
10. New **Pack'nGo** Express tools utility actually works by pulling together ALL the relevant files linked to a drawing and placing them all wherever you direct it to, like a ZIP disk for example.

