Optical Flares Installation - Mac

Step One:

- Login to your Video Copilot account https://www.videocopilot.net/account/
- Once logged-in to your account, click on the “Downloads” tab.
- Find the Optical Flares product and click on the download button.
- Download the correct MAC version for your version of After Effects (32bit or 64bit). ***If you’re using After Effects CS5 or later, use the 64bit version. If using AE7 through CS4, you’ll need the 32bit version.***

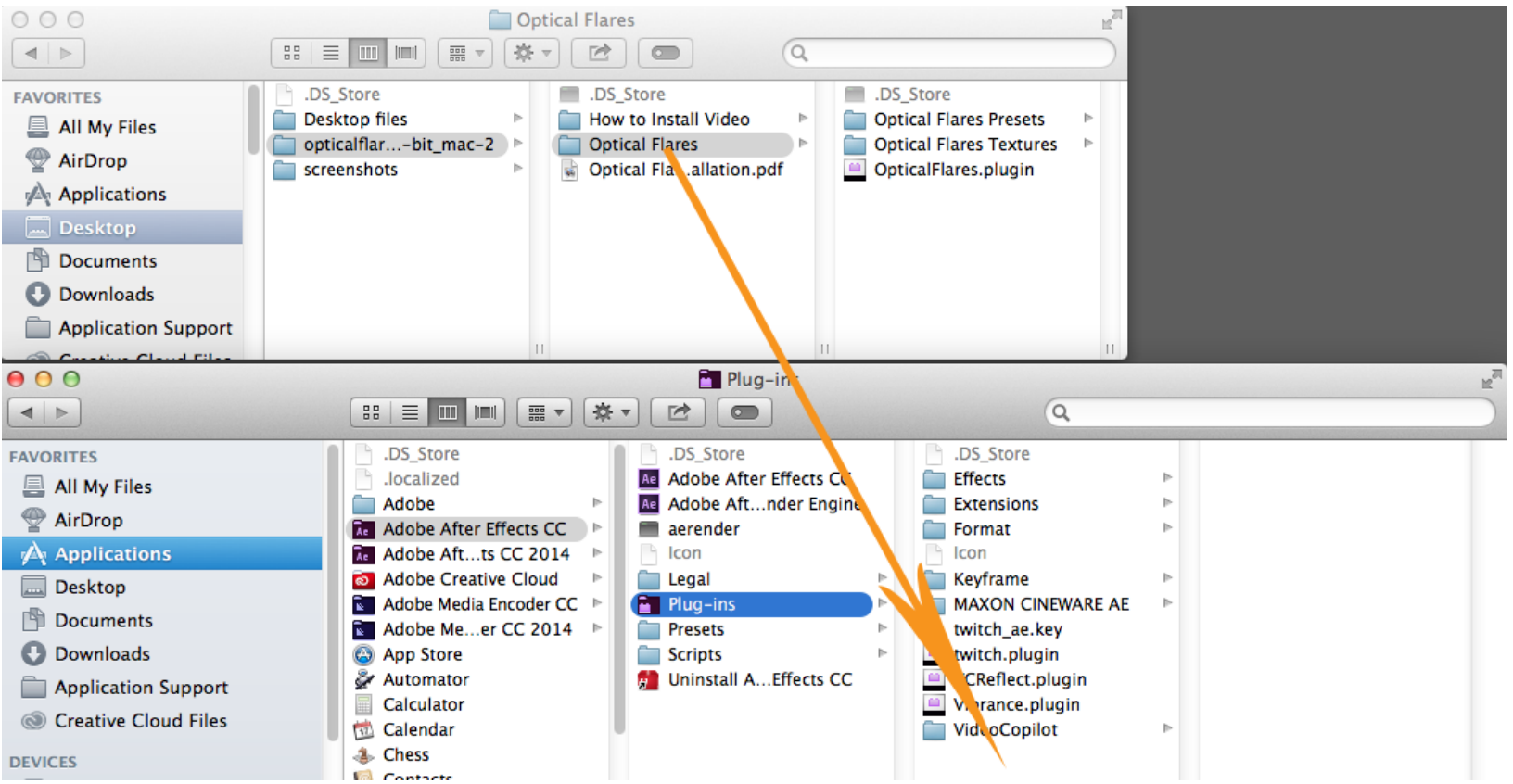
Step Two:

- Drag the entire ***Optical Flares*** folder into your Adobe After Effects Plug-ins folder.

  Here is an example path:

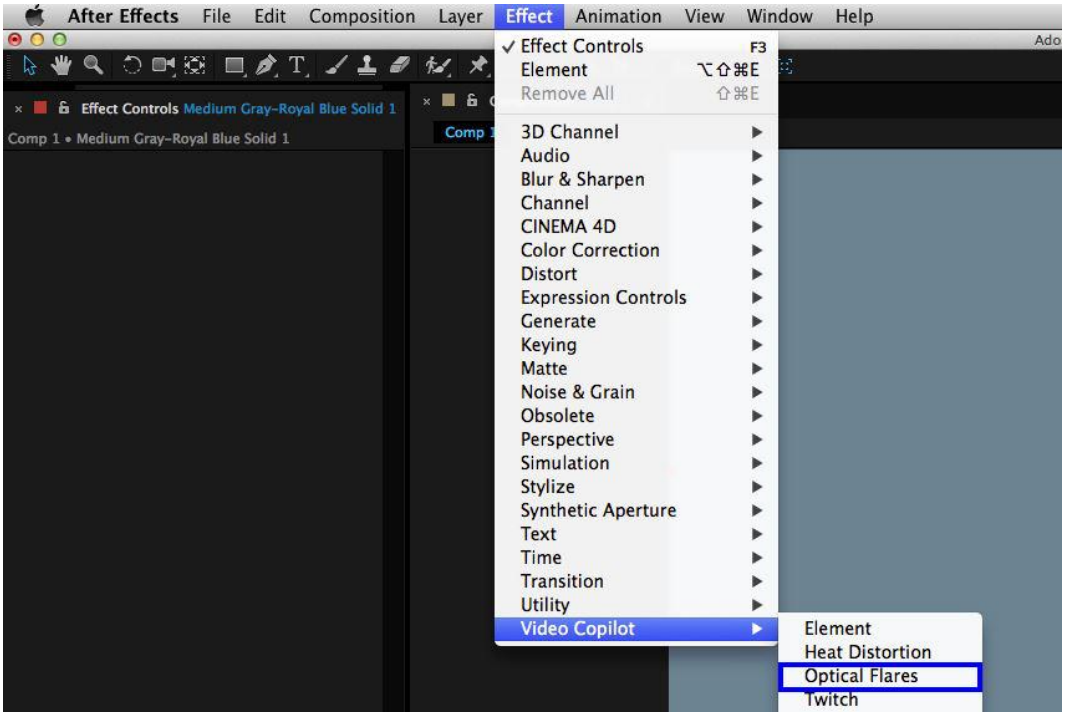
  Applications\Adobe After Effects CC\Plug-ins\Optical Flares\Optical Flares

******Install into the version of After Effects that you have if not CC, as shown in example below******

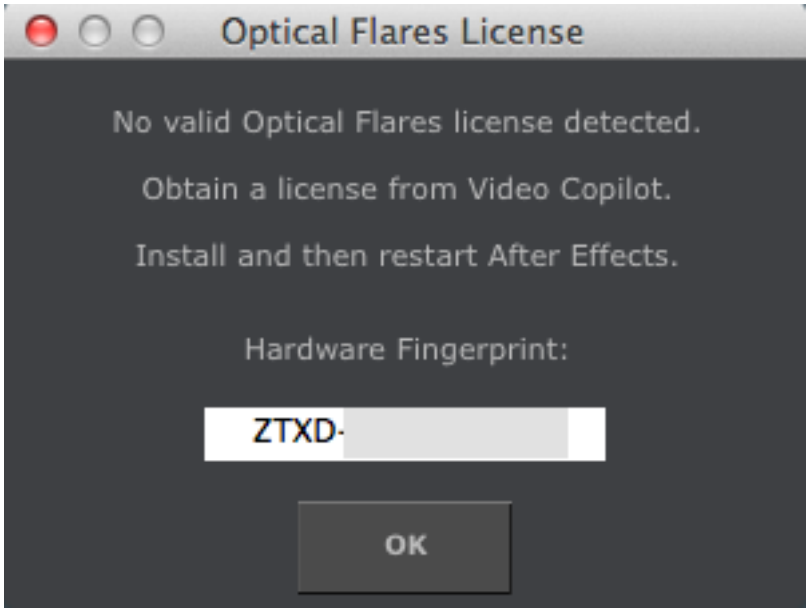


Step Three:

- Open Adobe After Effects, create a new composition, create a new solid, and then apply Optical Flares to the solid. *See screenshot below for how to open Optical Flares inside of After Effects.*



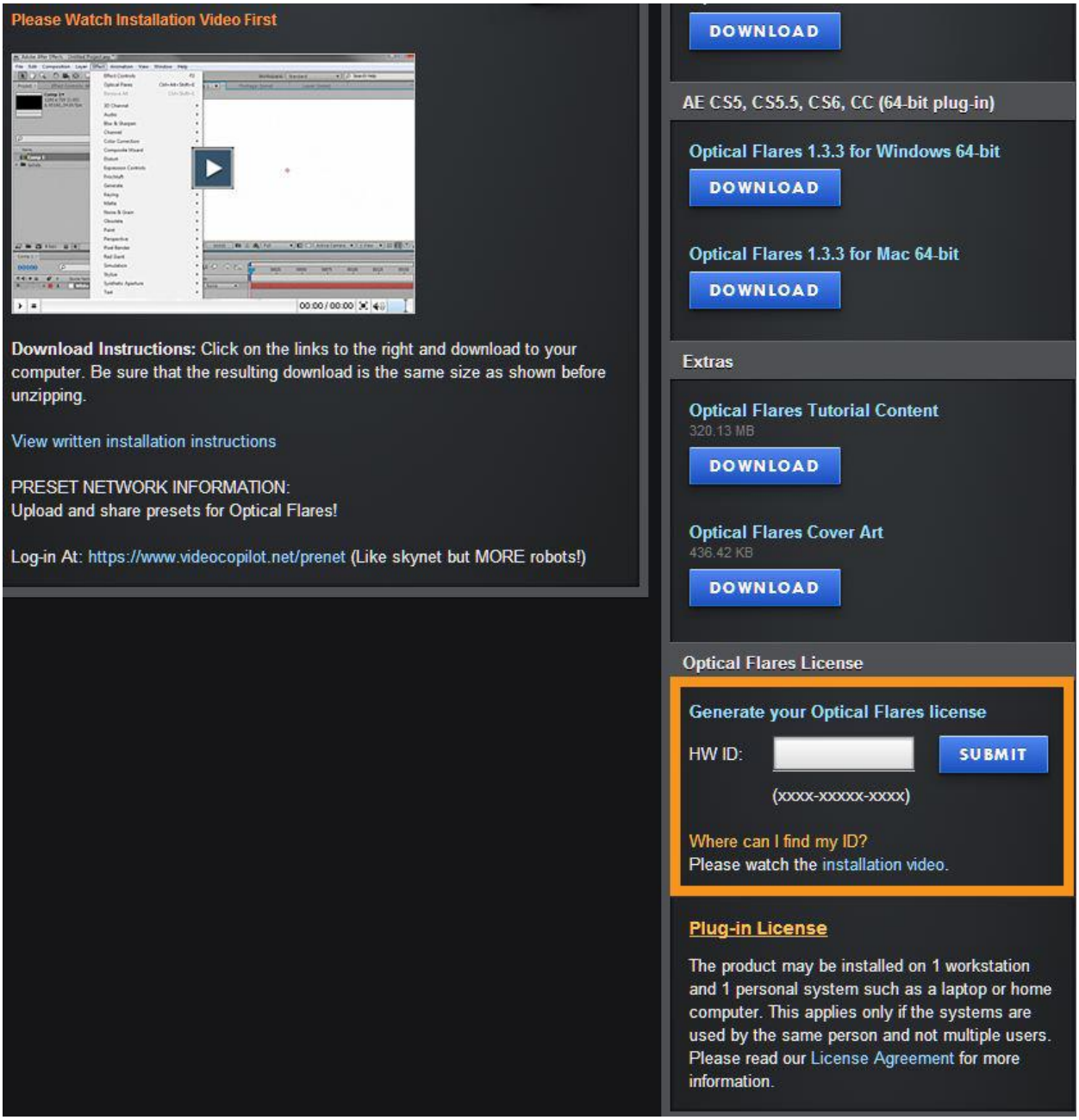
- Once it opens, copy or write down the HW-ID Fingerprint that is displayed (example below).



Step Four:

- Log back into your Video Copilot download account. Click on the Optical Flares download button to get to the page where you downloaded the plug-in during Step One. The license generator will be on that page.

- Enter in your HW-ID Fingerprint exactly as it's shown. Sometimes "5's" can be confused with "S's" and "1's" for "I's" which can cause an invalid HWID error. **Then click SUBMIT.** Your license file will be downloaded to your computer.



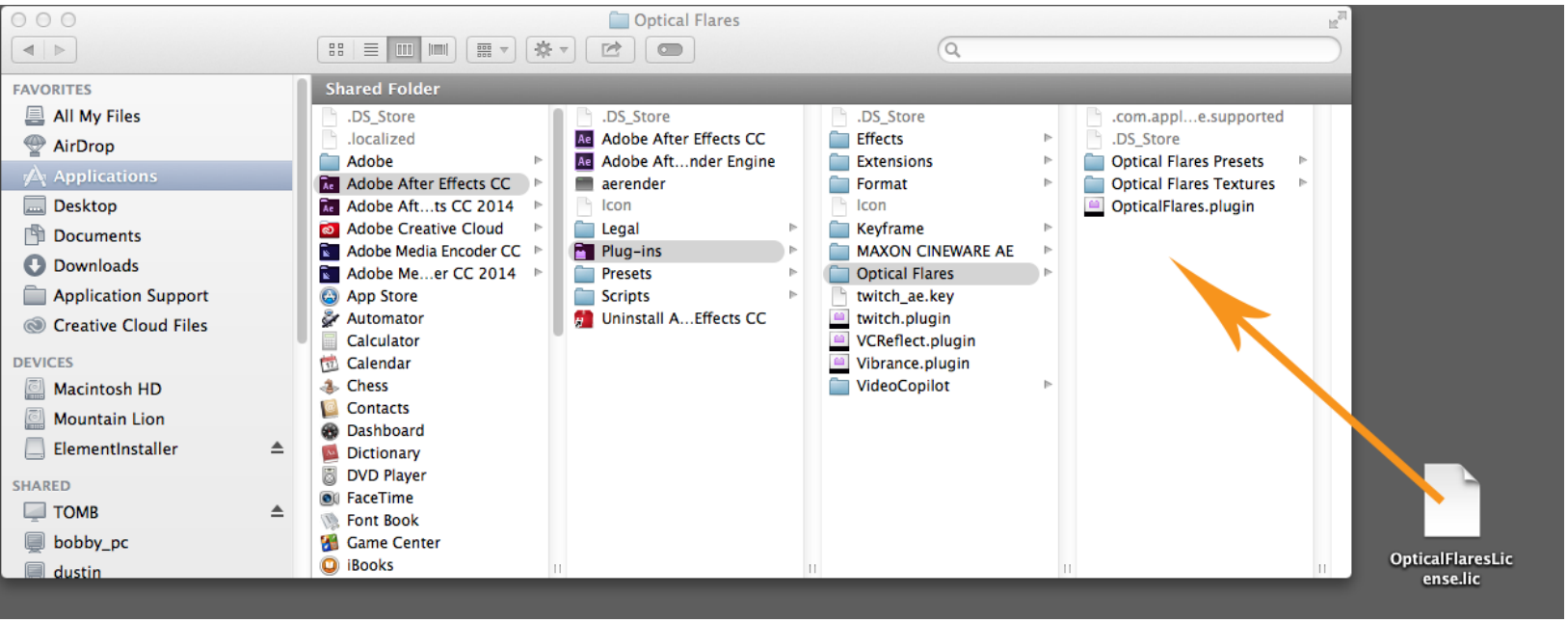
Step Five:

- Open the ***Optical Flares*** folder that you put inside of your AE Plug-ins folder.
- Then drag the Optical Flares license file "***OpticalFlaresLicense.lic***" *directly* into the ***Optical Flares*** folder.

  ****Make sure you drag the **OpticalFlaresLicense.lic** file **directly** into the "Optical Flares" folder that should be in the AE Plug-ins folder and NOT directly into the AE Plug-ins folder*****

Optical Flares folder path:
Applications\Adobe After Effects CC\Plug-ins\Optical Flares\Optical Flares

****Install into the version of After Effects that you have if not CC, as shown in example below*****



You have successfully installed Optical Flares!