

## Tutorial - Using Picnik.com to resize images for EID competitions

For those who do not have commercial image processing software available, good alternatives for preparing images for EID competitions can be found online. One of these is [picnik.com](http://picnik.com).

This tutorial on how to use Picnik.com to resize images has been written so that people with limited computer experience should be able use it.

The instructions will show you how to resize your images to meet EID competition requirements. The maximum number of pixels in width is 1024 and the maximum number for height is 768.

Once you have your photo downloaded from your camera to your computer, you are ready to begin.

First, open your Web browser and go to [picnik.com](http://picnik.com). Then click the **Get started now!** button as shown below.

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**Get started now!**

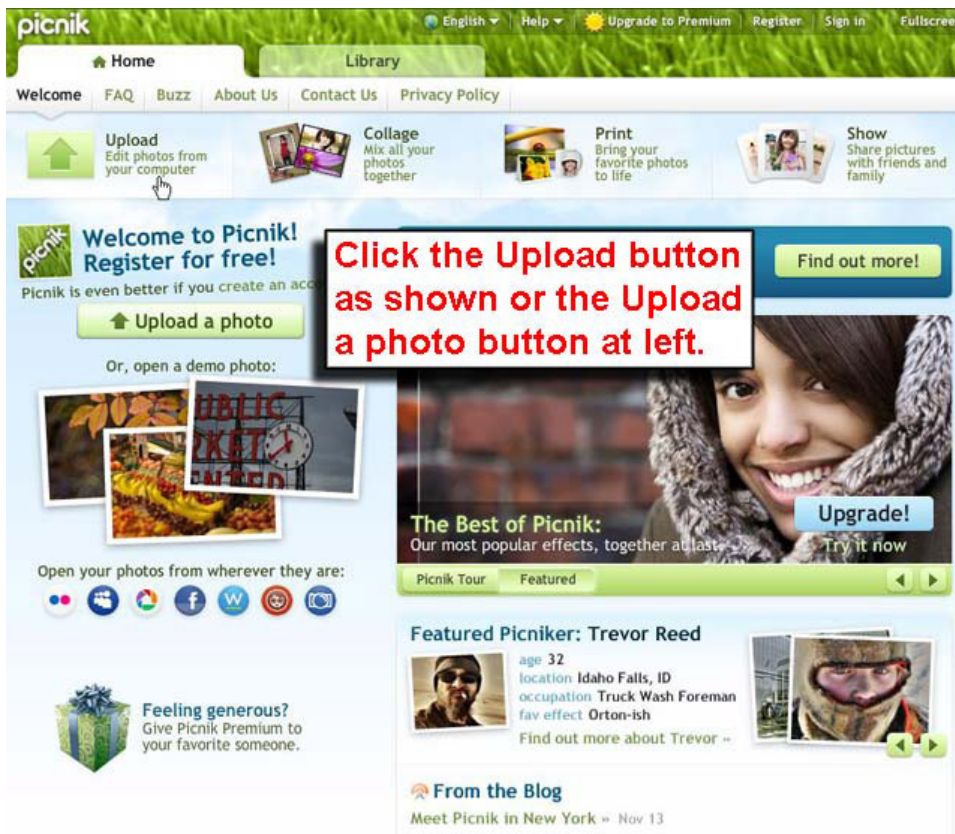
Free! No registration required.

**Click the Get Started now! button.**

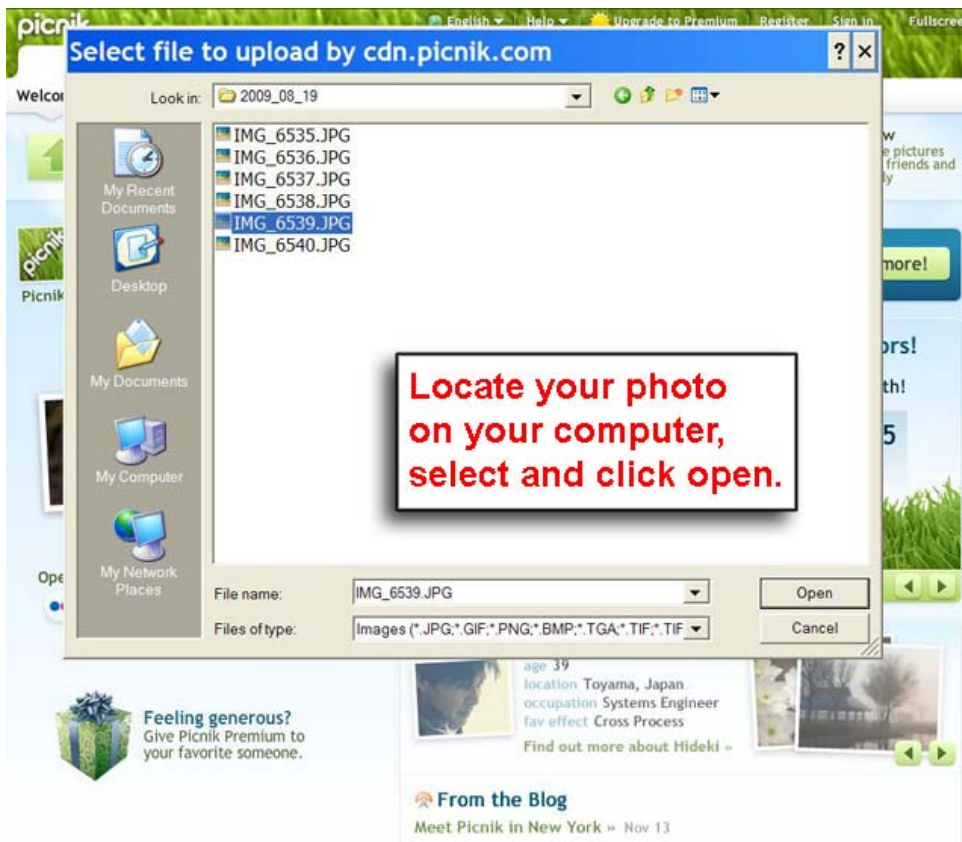
- Tons of special effects, from artsy to fun
- Astoundingly fast, right in your browser
- Awesome fonts and top-quality type tool
- Basketfuls of shapes from hand-picked designers
- Works on Mac, Windows, and Linux
- No download required, nothing to install

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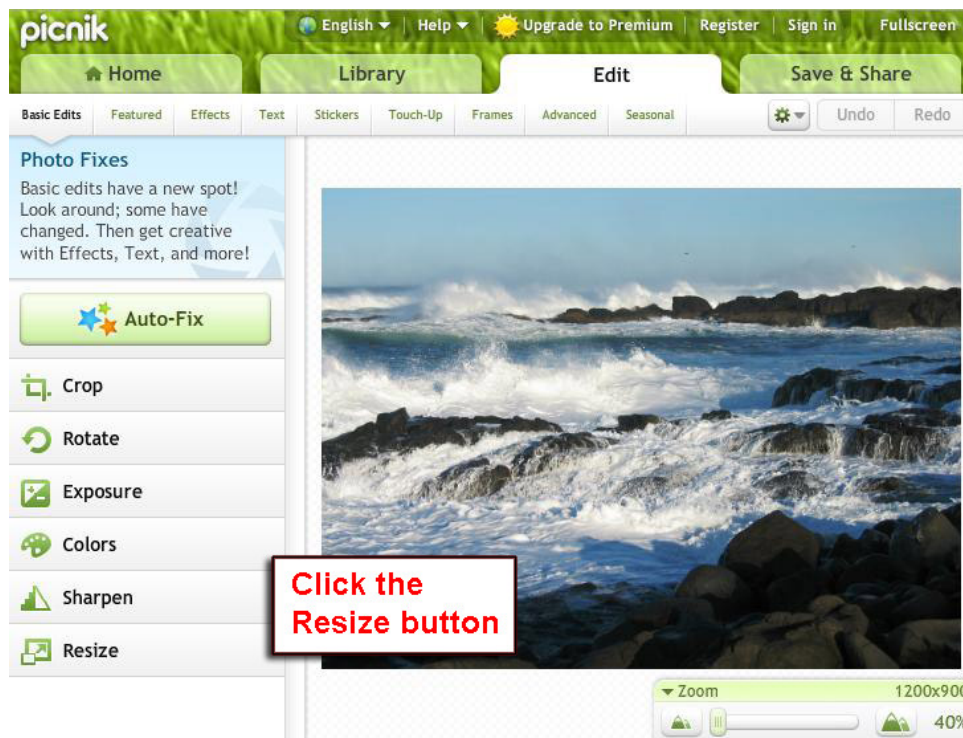
Next click one of the two upload buttons on the page that appears.



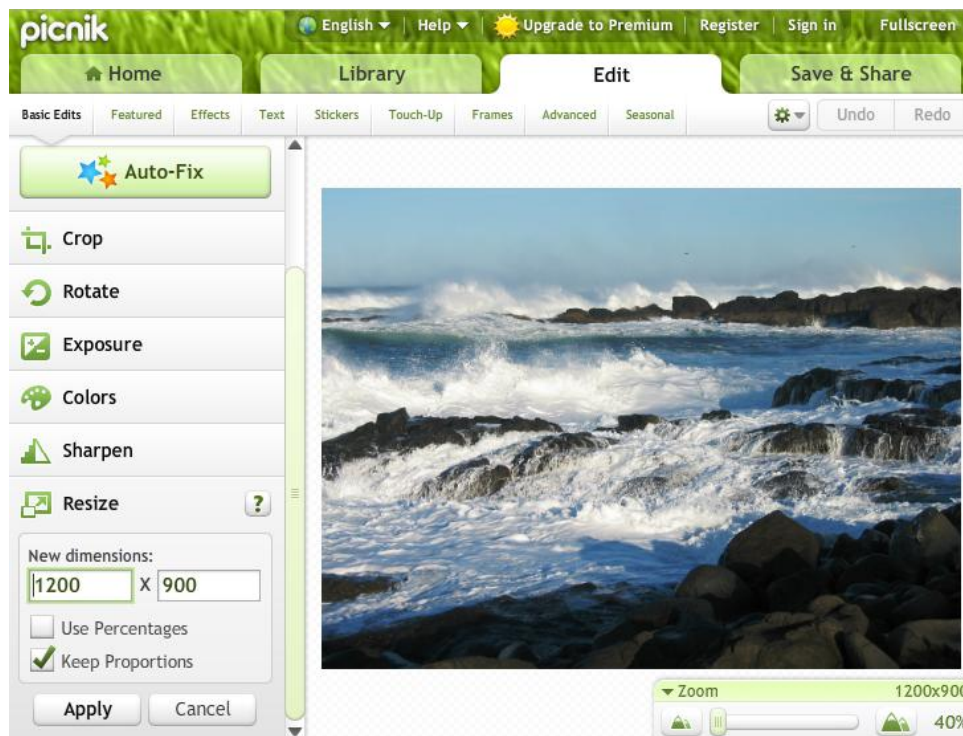
Locate your photo on your computer disk and select it, then click **Open**.



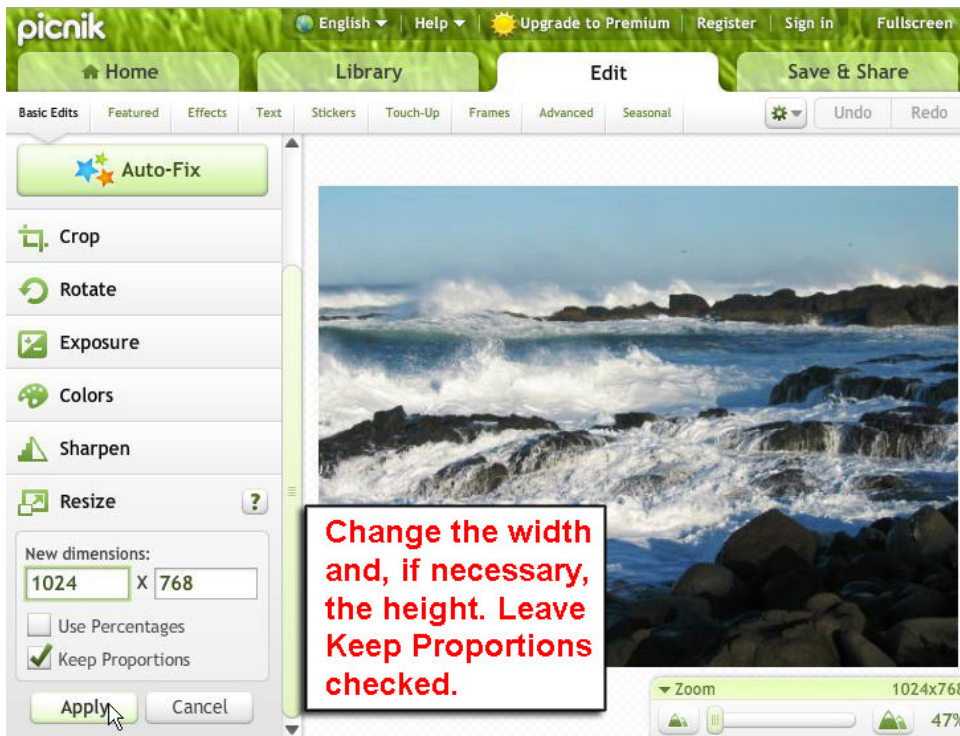
You see your image and a number of options and information on the page that appears. On the lower right are the current image dimensions, 1200x900, and the amount the image is zoomed, 40%. Along the left you see various tools which you can use such as **Crop, Exposure, and Sharpen**. The option we are going to look at here is **Resize**. Click on the **Resize** button.



You will see the **New dimensions** box appear at left.

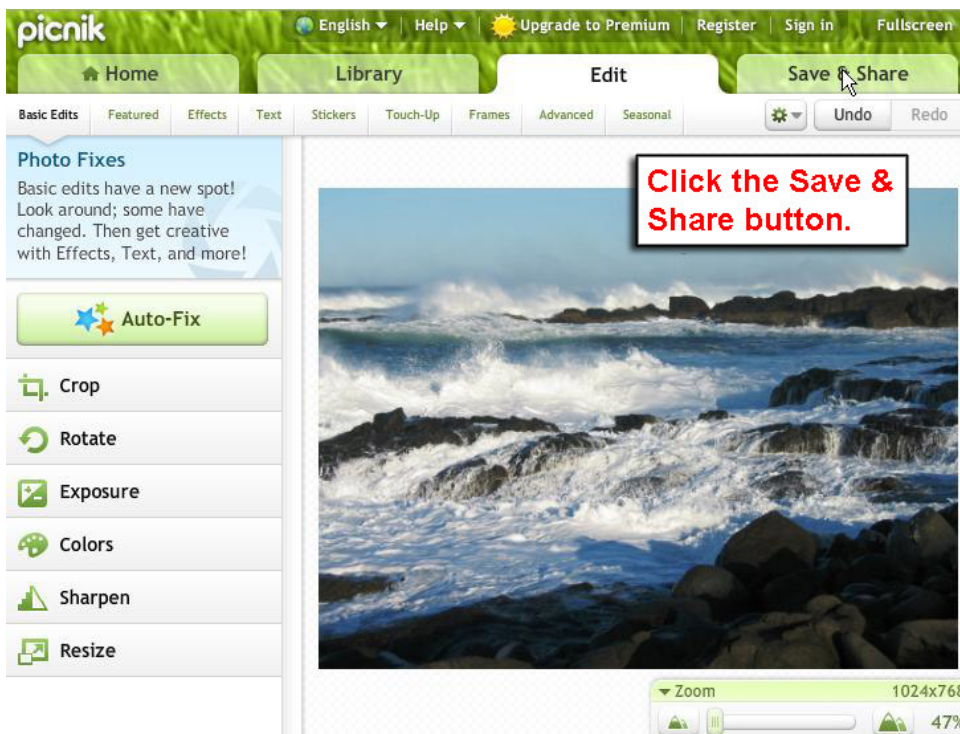


Leave **Keep Proportions** checked. If a horizontal, change the width to 1024 pixels, the maximum width for EID entries. You will see the height change automatically, in this case changing to 768. If your image is a vertical, or if the height is greater than 768 after changing the width for a horizontal, change the height to 768. This will make the image fit within the 1024x768 EID size limits. Click **Apply**.



When you click **Apply**, the New Dimensions box will disappear. The new dimensions are visible in the lower right corner.

Then click on the **Save & Share** tab at the upper right as shown below.



In the window that then appears, you need to do a few things:

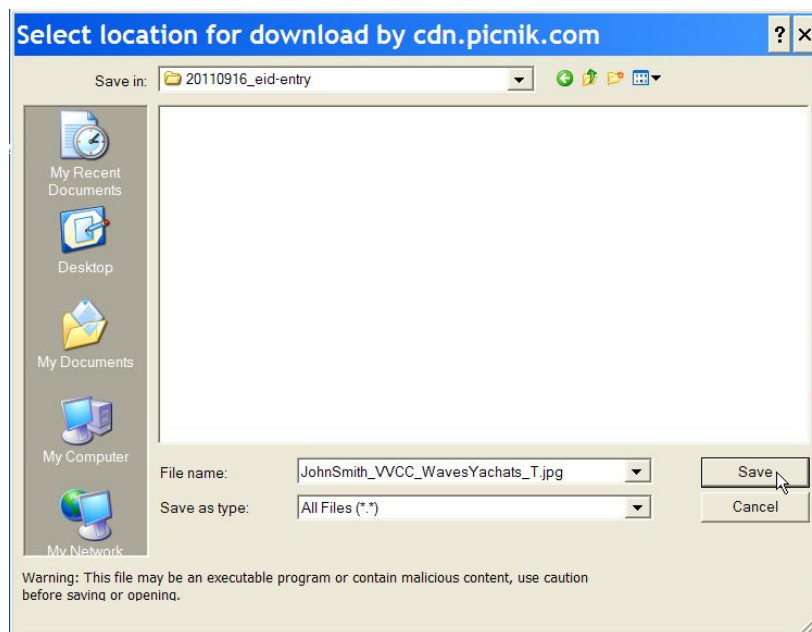
Type your **File name**. You can use the proper format for EID so it will be ready to submit. Make sure **Format** is set to **JPG**.

For compression quality, you can use the **JPG Compression Quality** slider to select the highest File Size possible without going over the 350 kb limit for EID competitions (8 is a typical quality number). Watch the **File Size** below the slider.

Then click **Save Photo**.



A window will pop up, allowing you to select the location on your computer disk to save the photo. Navigate to the location you want, then click Save.



When done, your image is saved and ready to send off attached to an email.