Chapter 5

Moving, Docking, and Deleting Icons

iPads are very customizable. In this chapter we will show you how to move icons around and put your favorite icons just where you want them. You’ve got up to eleven pages of icons to work with, and you can adjust the look and feel of those pages so it suits your tastes.

Like a Mac computer or an iPhone, the iPad has a **Bottom Dock** where you can put the icons for your favorite apps. iPads come with four standard icons in the **Bottom Dock**, but you can replace these or add to them to have up to six icons always available at the bottom of your screen.

*TIP:* You can also move or delete icons using iTunes on your computer. Check out our **Bonus iTunes User Guide** in Chapter 26 for more information.
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Moving Icons to the Bottom Dock—Docking Them

When you turn your iPad on, you’ll notice the four icons locked to the bottom dock: Safari, Mail, Photos, and iPod.

Suppose you decide you want to change one or more of these for apps you use more often. Fortunately, moving icons to and from the bottom dock is easy.

If you prefer, you can keep the standard four and add two more for a total of six icons in the Bottom Dock for easy access.

Starting the Move

Press the Home button to get to your Home Screen. Now, touch and hold any icon on the Home Screen for a couple of seconds. You’ll notice that all the icons start to shake.

Just try moving a couple of icons around at first. You’ll see that when you move an icon down, the other icons in the row move to make space for it.

Once you have the feel for how the icons move, you are ready to replace one of the Bottom Dock icons. While the icons are shaking, take the icon you wish to replace from the Bottom Dock and move it up to the main screen.

NOTE: You can have up to six icons in the Bottom Dock, so if you already have six there, you will have to remove one to replace it with a new one.

Suppose you want to replace the standard iPod icon with your App Store icon. The first thing to do is just hold the iPod icon and move it up a row—out of the Bottom Dock, as shown in Figure 5–1.