

File Management

1-4a Rename

Easily rename batches of files from a digital camera or other unimaginative device. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,23765-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

2xExplorer

Replace Windows Explorer with this lightweight lookalike that allows keyboard shortcuts. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22040-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

ActualDoc Standard

Windows' Recent Documents menu would be a great convenience if some thought went into making it practical; Flexigensoft put that thought into Actualdoc. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,62019-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Agent Ransack

Search for files and look into documents without opening the actual file. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,16100-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

AnnotSX

Add memory-jogging notes to your files with this utility. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,67194-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

BCArchive

Compress and encrypt your data simultaneously with this archiving utility. <http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,63042-order,2-page,1-c,compression/description.html>

Bulk Rename Utility

Rename groups of files or folders with little fuss.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,63042-order,2-page,1-c,compression/description.html>

CatFish

Find stray files on hard drives and Zip disks by creating a database.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,15960-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Cathy

Catalog the files and folders residing on hard drives and removable media.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,16020-order,2-page,1-c,peripherals/description.html>

ChangeExt

View a wealth of information about any file--without actually opening it.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22984-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

CleanIt

Keep your Temp folder clean by automating that deletion of its files.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,20180-order,2-page,1-c,systemresourcestuneup/description.html>

CloneSpy

Home in on duplicate files and free up space by deleting the unneeded ones.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,20180-order,2-page,1-c,systemresourcestuneup/description.html>

Comparator

Lighten your hard drive's load by deleting obsolete files.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,8416-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Copy Handler

Copy files in a flash with this customizable tool.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,23179-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Crawler Download Manager

IE toolbar has download manager, Web search, other plug-ins.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,62025-order,2-page,1-c,internettools/description.html>

DK Finder

Replace Windows' built-in file finding utility with this speedy gem.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,69924-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Data Eraser

Data Eraser claims to let you scrap files without letting them be recoverable.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,64125-order,2-page,1-c,utilities/description.html>

Dedaulus System Cleaner

Freebie that cleans temp files, Internet files, duplicate files, and more.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,67265-order,2-page,1-c,harddisk/description.html>

Deleted File Analysis Utility

Scan your hard drive to list deleted files that may still be recoverable.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22718-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

DoubleKiller

Remove duplicate files from multiple folders or from the other side of the partition.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,24152-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Driver Sweeper

Clean out old drivers to keep your system in tip-top shape.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,67286-order,2-page,1-c,systemresourcestuneup/description.html>

Duplicate File Finder

Locate duplicate files with this easy-to-use tool.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,57067-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

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<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,25706-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Easy Duplicate File Finder

Find and kill duplicate files.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,67281-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Encryption Analyzer

Scan for encrypted, password-protected files on your PC.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,70954-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

ExplorerXP

Navigate your files with this tabbed file manager instead of with Windows Explorer.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,25874-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Fast Destination Finder

Index folders on your hard drive, and avoid long searches.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22941-order,2-page,1-c,harddisk/description.html>

File Sieve v0.97

Sort your files automatically into alphabetical folders with by this tiny utility.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,24151-order,2-page,1-c,desktop/description.html>

FileTargets

Make Windows Explorer easier to use by adding context menus with your favorite folder names.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,22942-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Filesort

Need to get regularly move a hodgepodge of files from hither to yon?

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,64121-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Find Duplicates.NET

A simple, quick and easy tool for finding duplicate files.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,64306-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

FlexTk Express

Catalog and analyze disks and directories with this powerful, easy, utility.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,68950-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Folder Guide

Easily summon your oft-used folders with this freebie.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,68969-order,2-page,1-c,filemanagement/description.html>

Folder View

Ferret out the scattered files you seek with this Windows add-on.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,25148-order,2-page,1-c,desktop/description.html>

FileSort Need to regularly move a hodgepodge of files from hither to yon (or maybe to another folder)? This is a utility that's definitely misnamed--it should be FileMover.

http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,64121;order,1;page,1/description.html?tk=nl_hsxdown

3XCommander 3XCommander is a free file manager for Palm OS devices, such as the Treo line of smart phones. It lets you easily copy, move, delete, and even beam files stored within your device or on external memory cards. The utility also lets you view the directory tree of files and access most features via an intuitive "Tap & Hold" process.

<http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file/fid,64104-order,0-page,1-c.palm/description.html>

Core FTP. Manage your files remotely and securely via FTP with SFTP and SSL. This release includes various bug fixes, keeping this client at the top of its class.

http://www.download.com/Core-FTP-LE/3000-2160_4-10195752.html?tag=nl.e415

Sync Your Data to a USB Flash Drive. That cute little USB drive can't protect your files unless you actually put them there--and a synchronization program does that job faster and more thoroughly than dragging and dropping does. GoodSync is an attractive, easy-to-use utility for synchronizing files and folders--and if you synchronize a small number of files each month, the free version may meet your needs.

GoodSync's profile window shows the two folders or drives you choose to check against one another. When you click Analyze, GoodSync displays the contents of each folder with each file lined up across from its counterpart. New files are flagged in red; an arrow between two versions of the same file points toward the older one, which is presumed to need updating. You select a radio button to choose which file to update, or decline to change either. Clicking Synchronize starts the process.

GoodSync is very easy to use with a portable USB drive. Vendor Siber Systems states that the program works with different forms of storage, such as flash drives and Zip drives, and it can also synchronize two computers over a network.

GoodSync uses a proprietary synchronization algorithm that doesn't rely on the PC's file system; Siber Systems says this enables GoodSync to identify the newest data even when a computer clock or file system isn't working properly.

GoodSync and its \$20 sibling, GoodSync Pro, work exactly the same way, but the free version restricts the number of file syncs to 20,000 per month. GoodSync offers free technical support through e-mail and online help tickets for both versions; GoodSync Pro adds toll-free telephone support.

http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file_description/0,fid,62374,tk,srxdown,00.asp

FolderShare: FolderShare is designed to share folders. Once you sign up and download the free software, you can begin sharing folders over the Internet.

You have plenty of options. For example, you can create a peer-to-peer network with family and friends. This is handy when it comes time to share your family photos.

You can also use it to synchronize files between computers. This is always a great tool when you use multiple computers.

Your data are kept private. Only those you allow can access them. Just remember to keep your security software up-to-date.

www.foldershare.com/

DoubleKiller is a free program that can deal with the problem of searching for and alerting you to any files that are in more than one location.

The program doesn't just look at filenames; it compares the filename, size and does a quick scan of the files to find the real duplicates. And once you've found them, you can either delete the files or move them to another location, freeing up the space with a couple of mouse clicks. However, be careful: on a typical system, this program will find hundreds of duplicates, but that doesn't mean that you should delete all of them: some are useful (such as programs that install files into the Windows directory, but keep a copy in their own directory as well). So, only remove the duplicates you are sure that you don't need. This is the free version: There's also a Pro version which does more sophisticated searching, scans faster, but costs \$20.

<http://tinyurl.com/f9s7x>

PowerDesk: Moving and copying files and folders can be a tedious business, but PowerDesk tries to make it easier by providing an interface that's better designed than Windows Explorer.

http://www.pcworld.com/downloads/file_description/0,fid,3491,tk,nl_wbxdwn,00.asp

FileZilla: The best things in life are free. This handy, open-source FTP freebie can manage all your file-transfer needs.

http://www.download.com/FileZilla/3000-2160_4-10308966.html?tag=nl.e415