

***** Documentation for 1Trash Emtier 1.0b1 *****

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This program is freeware, you can distribute it so long as you don't modify it nor its documentation.

This is a 'drag and drop' application i.e you have to drag the icon of a disk, folder or file into 1TrashEmtier icon. Opening it by 'double-clicking' on its icon brings the 'about' alert.

This program performs two functions: selective wastebasket file trash and immediate disk, file and folder deletion.

1- MAIN FUNCTION.

When dragging and dropping the icon of a volume (disk, hard disk, SyQuest etc...) onto 1TrashEmtier, all the files put in the wastebasket are deleted. There is no confirmation dialogue unless a file is locked. In the case that several files are locked, clicking 'OK' to confirm will erase them all.

When pressing 'Option', 1TrashEmtier ejects the volume(s) after emptying the trash apart from the start-up disk.

2- SECONDARY FUNCTION.

1TrashEmtier allows you to delete immediately and definitively a file or a folder. THIS OPERATION IS IRREVERSIBLE but you have the safeguard of a confirmation dialogue.

If you are sure of what you are doing, pressing 'Control' + 'Command' will by-pass the confirmation.

As for the first function, pressing 'Option' will eject the disk.

Selecting all files and folders with 'Cmd-A', then dragging on 1TrashEmtier while pressing 'Option' will empty a disk in one step.

***** **IMPORTANT** *****

Because of the way the Finder resolves aliases, dragging one over 1TrashEmtier deletes the ORIGINAL and not the alias. The confirmation dialogue will indicate the name of the original, hence the interest of giving other names to aliases.

However, aliases put in the Wastebasket or in a Folder dropped into 1TrashEmtier will be deleted, not the originals.

ORIGIN of 1TrashEmtier.

I make incremental backup using SyQuest cartridges and I often need to empty them to start a new backup. Until now, I was obliged to empty the Wastebasket and thus I was deleting the other files put in it as well. I looked for a shareware or freeware program able to perform a selective deletion and could not find anything. I wrote 1TrashEmtier as soon as I had time, and added the secondary function for the commodity of users.

All comments welcome

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