JVDE ICQ Backup

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What is ICQ

The following description is taken from the help file of ICQ 99a:

ICQ ("I Seek You") is a revolutionary; user-friendly Internet program that notifies you who's online at all times and enables you to initiate contact with those people at any time. No longer will you search in vain for friends or associates on the Internet. ICQ does the searching for you, alerting you in real time when they sign on.
With ICQ, you can chat, send messages and files including sound files, play games, create your own web page, send Internet greeting cards or just hang out with your fellow surfers while still surfing the Internet. The ICQ program runs in the background, taking up a minimum of memory and Internet resources. While you work on other applications, ICQ alerts you when friends and associates sign on, allowing you to work efficiently while having a whole range of Internet functions at your fingertips. Among the functions available are chat, message, e-mail, file transfer and URL. ICQ also supports a variety of popular external Internet applications. With ICQ, launching an Internet Telephony or video call is a breeze. With the click of a button, you and your friend (or friends) are instantly connected. You can also execute these events among multiple users, so you can conduct a conference or just hang out together online.

All these functions are organized in one easy-to-use program that integrates smoothly into your desktop.

You can download ICQ from: http://www.icq.com/

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Version History

11th September 1999:
Version 2.00 - Completely rewritten and works even better ! ICQ 99b support and fixed a few small bugs.

12th February 1999:
Version 1.02 - Fixed a few bugs.

3rd February 1999:
Version 1.01 - Fixed a small bug with the 'c:\backup' directory

1st February 1999:
Version 1.00 - Completely rewritten the program. You can now backup your ICQ better, better use of the ZIP function and a Restore WiZard is now also included !

8th October 1998:
Version 0.10 beta - The first beta release of this program

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System Requirements

JVDE ICQ Backup requires the following requirements:

- A Pentium computer is recommended.
- Windows 95/98.
- ICQ 98 or 99(a/b).

The following files are required to start this program:

- **JVDEICQB.HLP -** this help file
- **ICQBACKUP.EXE -** the executable file to start the program
- **ZIPDLL.DLL -** required to zip the files
- **UNZDLL.DLL -** required to unzip the files

No additional files are required (like the Visual Basic runtime files).

How to backup your ICQ files

To backup your ICQ files, please follow the follow steps:

1. Close ICQ.

2. JVDE ICQ Backup automatically locates your ICQ directory. If JVDE ICQ Backup cannot find your ICQ directory, it will give a warning and say that you must locate your ICQ directory manually.

When you have selected your ICQ directory, a text below the directory list will say that it has found your ICQ directory.

3. Enter the output filename you want to give to your backup at the 'Output filename' section.
You can also, if you want, change the compression level of your backup at the 'Compression Level' section. It is recommended that you use the default level (9).
If you want to protect your backup, you can encrypt your backup file (using 40-bit encryption). The encryption strenght (40-bit, max. 5 characters) is pretty weak. To give your backup more encryption strenght, please download JVDE EBackup at: http://www.jvde.demon.nl/JVDE_Software/

And finally select which files you want to backup: UIN(s) and/or Contact List(s) and/or Bookmark.

4. If you have completed all this, you can start backuping by clicking on 'Start Backup'. Your files will be backuped.

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How to restore your ICQ files

To restore your ICQ files, please follow the following steps:

1. Close ICQ.

2. Select your ICQ Directory at the 'ICQ Directory' tab.

3. Go to Actions - Restore Backup.

4. Select your JVDE ICQ Backup ZIP file.

5. If the file is encrypted, a password will be asked.
Please note: you **MUST** have created the backup with JVDE ICQ Backup. If not, no files will be restored to your ICQ Directory.

6. JVDE ICQ Backup will now restore your backup. If your restore went succesfully, JVDE ICQ Backup will ask if you want to execute ICQ. Your ICQ data has been restored !

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ZIP Package

The ZIP Package used by JVDE ICQ Backup is DelZIP v1.52L. DelZIP v1.52L is created by Chris Vleghert.
If you are a C++ Builder or Delphi programmer and you want to use ZIP in your program, you can download a freeware version of DelZIP at: http://www.geocities.com/SiliconValley/Orchard/8607/

DelZIP v1.52L is based on the Info-ZIP Official Freeware ZIP/UnZIP source code. You can reach Info-ZIP at http://www.cdrom.com/pub/infozip/

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