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Introduction

The purpose of MasterSplitter is to split large files in order to move them via floppies or for transmission via E-mail. MasterSplitter is an ultra-fast 32 bit file splitter. The file can either be a binary or a text file. The program features an intuitive graphical user interface that makes splitting files easy. There is currently also a version for Microsoft Windows 3.1 with the same great interface.

The program can also be easily be invoked directly from Windows Explorer by simply right-clicking on any file and then selecting Send to MasterSplitter.

If you want to send the pieces to someone who doesn't have MasterSplitter, simply check the "Create Reassemble Batch File" check box and either a DOS/Windows 3.1 or a Win95/NT 4.0 compatible batch file will automatically be created that you can send with the pieces to put it back together.

Installing and System Requirements

MasterSplitter has been tested under Microsoft Windows 95 and Windows NT 4.0 with a Intel Pentium based PC. There is currently also a version for Microsoft Windows 3.1 with the same great interface.

To install MasterSplitter, simply unpack the zip file and run the setup.exe program. To uninstall it, select MasterSplitter from the Add/Remove Programs in the Control Panel.

Splitting Files

To start MasterSplitter, choose it from the Start Menu OR simply start it directly from Windows Explorer by simply right-clicking on any file and then selecting Send to MasterSplitter. The split tab from MasterSplitter controls the file splitting operation. Enter the file name including the full path of the file you wish to split. If you can't recall the name, just select the browse button and you can find it. Or create a shortcut on your desktop, and you can drag files you want to split to it.

Enter the size of the pieces you want to create. The default corresponds to a full 3.5 high density diskette. IF AND ONLY IF you're confident that you will no longer need the original file, select the check box for delete original when done. I DON'T recommend doing this until your comfortable with using the program.

Be sure that you have free disk space at least equal to the size of file your splitting or it won't work. When you're ready to go, click on the split button to get things started. If you click on the split button without changing any other options, the pieces will be created in the same directory. If you don't want that, click on the alternate directory radio button and you'll be prompted for a different location. You can choose another drive, directory, or your floppy drive.

If you want to send the pieces to someone who doesn't have MasterSplitter, simply check the "Create Reassemble Batch File" check box and either a DOS/Windows 3.1 or a Win95/NT 4.0 compatible batch file will automatically be created that you can send with the pieces to put it back together.

Note that MasterSplitter will not split folders, although this can be done quite easily by zipping the folder first with a zip program, and then splitting the zip file with MasterSplitter.

Many people wonder what the point of the tiny .000 file is. The original file is contained in pieces .001 to .00n. You can think of the .000 file an .INI or information file that contains important information about the properties of the original file when you split it. Things like its creation dates, and size, etc.

Joining Files

To start MasterSplitter, choose it from the Start Menu. The join tab from MasterSplitter controls the file joining operation. Enter the file name of the FIRST of the previously split pieces including the full path. If you can't recall the name of a piece, just select the browse button and you can find it.

IF AND ONLY IF you're confident that you will no longer need the file pieces, select the check box for delete pieces when done. I don't recommend doing this until your comfortable with using the program.

When you're ready to go, click on the join button to get things started.

When you are using the batch file to re-join the pieces, remember to copy all of the file pieces and the batch file to ONE folder before trying to run the batch file. Remember to pass this instruction on to anyone you might be sending the pieces to as well. While the batch file does work, the preferred method of joining files is to use MasterSplitter to do the job.

Comparing Files

The compare tab from MasterSplitter controls the file comparison operation. You may want to use this as a double check before deleting anything. Enter the original (BIG) file name including the full path of the file you wish to compare with its pieces. If you can't recall the name, just select the browse button and you can find it.

Enter the file name of the FIRST of the previously split pieces including the full path. If you can't recall the name of a piece, just select the browse button and you can find it.

When you're ready to go, click on the compare button to get things started.

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What's New?

What's new in version 1.9?

- Update the help files.
- A few minor changes to the program.

What's new in version 1.7?

- Fully supports multitasking. Split, join, or compare in the background.
- Can generate either DOS/Windows 3.1 or Windows 95/NT 4.0 compatible batch files.
- Fully compatible with the Windows 3.1 Version of MasterSplitter.
- Automatically preserves the last modified time of the original file.
- Automatically preserves the file permissions original file.
- Automatically calculates a digital CRC checksum signature for each file. This protects against bit corruption during transmission by e-mail or floppy.
- Setup program missing source files bug fixed.

What's new in version 1.0?

Initial commercial release.

Advanced Features

- Fully supports multitasking. Split, join, or compare in the background.
- Fully compatible with the Windows 3.1 Version of MasterSplitter.
- Can generate either DOS/Windows 3.1 or Windows 95/NT 4.0 compatible batch files.
- Automatically preserves the last modified time of the original file.
- Automatically preserves the file permissions original file.
- Automatically calculates a digital CRC checksum signature for each file. This protects against bit corruption during transmission by e-mail or floppy.
- Compatible with many other file splitters on other platforms.

