

FEmail

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Chapter 1

FEmail

1.1 FEmail v1.2 01/11/96

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                «« FEmail 1.2 »»  
        «« File Encoded Mail »»  
  
                «« Sam Becket »»  
        «« Cellblock4!/SharkByte © 1996 »»
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What is FEmail for?

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1.2 What is FEmail for?

Description of FEmail:

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If you want to send a binary file with email you can either:

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- 1) Use separate hard-2-use uuencode and uudecode programs
- 2) Use FEmail which boasts the following:

- \* 4 NEW Encoding methods (all better than uuencode)
- \* Password feature for 'sensitive' binary files
- \* Splits and Joins large files
- \* Amiga & PC compatibility
  - \* Simple to use!

I think you'll agree that Choice 2 sounds the better option.

The binary file is usually a picture or archive, but can be anything you want.

### 1.3 Installing FEmail

Installation

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Installing FEmail is easy, simply move all the FEmail and Guide icons wherever you want to use it, although I would recommend putting them into a FEmail directory.

1.4 FEmail Requirements

Requirements:

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- \* An Amiga!
- \* FEmail was developed on an A1200, but i cant think of any reason why it should not work on other amiga's.

Note: a hard drive is not necessary , but is highly recommended.  
FEmail is faster when used on an accelerated amiga.

### 1.5 Encoding with FEmail

Encoding:

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Select one of four Encode methods from either the buttons or the menu.

JIM-1 (Safe)

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This method is a Safe method that should be 100% compatible with all modern email systems. Only use this if you are getting corruption from the other methods.

JIM-2 (UU)

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This is a modified version of the standard uuencoding method, although if JIM-2 is used the file created will be smaller than standard uuencoding, because JIM encoding does not use line checksums which modern email-servers do not need.

JIM-3 (UU2)

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This is another modified version of the standard uuencoding, but the file created is much smaller than standard uu. But some email-servers may not like this method.

JIM-4 (Max)

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This is the best encoding method, and creates files much smaller than standard uuencoding. Again, some email-servers may not like this method. Sometimes the file created with JIM-3 may be smaller than with JIM-4, this depends on the file structure. Although JIM-4 is much faster than JIM-3.

- * I have tested all these methods via my internet provider on the PC at globalnet, and they ALL worked fine, with no corruption.
- * I recommend that you try using JIM-4 (default) first, and if you are getting corruption try JIM-3, then JIM-2 and finally JIM-1.
- * JIM-1 & JIM-4 methods, are much faster than JIM-2 & JIM-3.
- * It is not recommended to use JIM-3 and JIM-4 with unix operating systems, as FEmail was only designed for emails from Amiga->Amiga, Amiga->PC, PC->Amiga or PC->PC.

Usage:

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Either press the 'Encode' button or select it from the menu. Then select the file you want to encode from the file requester. The file will then be encoded for you, then just select a save filename.

JIM Encoding is © Sam Becket - Cellblock4!/SharkByte.  
If you want to use a JIM encoder/decoder in your own programs, then contact me for permission and technical details.

## 1.6 Decoding with FEmail

Decoding:

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If you receive an email that has a JIM encoded file embedded into it then Cut & Paste it into a separate file. For FEmail to decode, it needs to have a header, eg:

---jm4/an/image.jpg/18512---

The saved file must start with this line. Future versions of FEmail will automatically scan emails for embedded JIM files.

Header Description:

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jm4           = encode method (jim1,jim2,jim3,jim4)  
a             = a - amiga compatibility  
              p - PC compatibility  
n             = n - no password  
              p - passworded  
image.jpg    = filename  
18512        = size of original file, in bytes.

You do NOT have to select the correct modes etc.. from the menu's to decode. All the info needed to decode the file is already in the encoded files header.

Usage:

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Either press the 'Decode' button or select it from the menu. Then select the file you want to decode from the file requester. The file will then be decoded for you, and then just select where you would like the original file to be saved.

1.7 Password Function

Password:

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Used for giving 'sensitive' files a password. The password can then be given via email, irc, fax, voice etc..

This unique FEmail feature will encrypt the encoded file with a given password. If the password feature is enabled (from either the button or menu), then when you Encode a file as normal, you will be prompted for a password.

Also, when Decoding, if the file had been given a password, you will be prompted to enter the password you gave that file.

The password must only contain either letters, or letters and spaces and have a maximum length of 50 characters. The password is NOT case sensitive. The longer the password, the better the protection is.

**WARNING:** If you forget the password you have given a file, that file cannot be decrypted. I (the author) will not be held responsible for any data lost due to a forgot password.

## 1.8 Other Commands

Split Output:

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Some email-servers will restrict the size of email that you send through them, usually to about 60K.

If you select this option from the menu, you will be asked to enter a split size, eg. Enter 64 for 64K (64,000 bytes) or 5 for 5K (5,000 bytes) segments.

If you now Encode a file, then the output will be saved into segments of the size that you entered. The files will be saved as follows:

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file.jim.001 (segment 1)
file.jim.002 (segment 2)
file.jim.003 (segment 3) etc..
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Join Files:

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This simply allows you to 'glue' back the files that you split using the split option. When you select Join from the menu, you will be asked to enter the number of segments the file is in. Then you must select Filename 1, Filename 2 etc.. from the file requesters that appear. The final requester will ask you what to save the joined file as.

Amiga:

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For reasons best not discussed here, the PC uses a different 'End of Line' marker to the Amiga. If you select Amiga, then the Encoded files will be created using the Amiga way. If you are using an Amiga and also emailing to an Amiga, then use this option.

PC:

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If the file however, is to be sent to a PC, or from a PC, then it is best to use the PC method.

1.9 History of FEmail

History

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01/11/96 1.20 - Released version  
AmigaGuide written etc..

18/10/96 1.19B - Beta tested version  
Fixed password decryption bug  
Improved GUI

15/10/96 1.10 - Added Password option  
Amiga & PC compatibility options

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## How to Register

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Instead of disabling features of the un-registered FEmail, i just made it a bit annoying to use. I hope this will persuade you to register.

So, Get lickin those stamps!!!

CURRENT REGISTRATION FEE = £5 (Yes!!, only FIVE POUNDS!!!)

Here are a few foreign conversions:

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|-------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| GERMANY = 12 DM   | JAPAN = 920 Yen      | DENMARK = 47 DKr  |
| FRANCE = 42 Fr    | SWITZERLAND = 10 SFr | NEWZELAND = \$11  |
| BELGIUM = 250 BFr | ITALY = 12000 Lir    | AUSTRALIA = \$10  |
| USA = \$8         | SPAIN = 1000 Pta     | NORWAY = 52 Nkr   |
| CANADA = \$10     | HONGKONG = \$62      | GREECE = 1900 Dra |

To Register your copy of FEmail, send £5 (or foreign equivelant) to this address:

James Ramsden.  
9 Brogden View,  
Barnoldswick,  
Lancs. BB8 5LH.  
England, UK.

- \* Please make all cheques/postal orders payable to J.A.Ramsden
- \* For a fast reply please send me your email address (if you have, or have access to one)

You will be sent your own personal FEmail Registration code. To use this code simply select Register from the menu, and enter the code exactly as given.

When Registered FEmail will:

- \* Get rid of those annoying About requesters.
- \* Quit immediatly.
- \* Have the registration code that will work on all future versions of FEmail 1.x
- \* If i have your email address, you will be emailed when new versions are released.

So dont let the Amiga die, and support the future of Amiga software development.

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