

Aliazer

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Chapter 1

Aliazer

1.1 Aliazer

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»»»» Aliazer V0.9 beta ««««  
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1.3 Introduction

The description of this archive is rather easy. It consists of (for now) different executables which allow you to convert the alias files of some mailer programmes to the ".addressbook" of YAM 1.3.x. Currently supported are elm and pine. In the future there will probably be only one binary (if there seems need for it) to do all the jobs... Please note, that the executables found in this archive are in beta stage! They don't handle errors and depend very much on the user giving the the correct syntax! I would suggest that the outputfile given should be in RAM: as the programme might crash, if the source file is buggy or of a wrong type.

1.4 Disclaimer

This software is provided AS IS. Neither do I claim it bugfree (or complete) nor do I give any warranty at all. Any damage that might happen to your system by using this package is not my fault. Use this software at your own risk!

Be warned, THIS IS BETA SOFTWARE!!!

1.5 It does and does not

What this software does :-)
What this software does NOT! :-(

1.6 What this software does

- It converts elm or pine (for now) alias files to YAM 1.3.x .addressbook-file
- It handles comments containing spaces!
- It should work with any alias file created (non manually changed) with the supported mailers
- It converts elm groups to YAM lists!

1.7 What this software does NOT!

- It does not handle names containing spaces (would this make sense? :)
 - Number of email addresses per group/list is limited to 40 (no shareware limitation ;^)
 - FCC of pine is not supported... well, does YAM support it?
 - If you did edit the source files by hand, and did it not 100% like the mail soft would (e.g. TABS, syntax), conversion will probably be buggy, or your Amiga might even crash.
 - The entries will not be sorted.
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1.8 Requirements

Of course you need an Amiga, well UAE should work, too ;-)

Additionally you need at least:

- AmigaOS 2.x (not included ;)
- ixemul.library V41.1 (not included either)
- enough free memory :)

1.9 Usage

Usage should be very easy, as the options are not really a lot ;-)
Start it from shell by typing:

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elm2yam sourcefile destinationfile
```

or :-)

```
pine2yam sourcefile destinationfile
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NOTE You MUST specify source- AND destinationfiles (I would suggest maybe you should use RAM as destination... for the safety of your HD ;)

1.10 FEEDBACK

This software (of course) is FREEWARE... BUT :-)

If you like it *please* have a look at my others project, which can be found at <http://fsinfo.cs.uni-sb.de/~cattaneo/projekte.e.html> or aminet. There are:

- TinyMWBCollection
- SmileFonts
- MagicMenu2MUI
- pad-Diavolo (prerelease)
- ...

And If you like those (or at least some) too, please contact me, write me a postcard, just FEEDBACK, feedback...

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1.11 Future

As this software is a kind of "ones used only soft". I don't know if there will be any updates (at least is successfully converted my database ;). It will totally depend on the FEEDBACK I get.

Of course I have some ideas, like:

- error handling (checking) :-)
- sorting the entries
- removing the limit of email addresses per list/group
- joining output with existing YAM .addressbook
- mixing output (integrating) with existing YAM .addressbook
- putting all into one conversion tool
- supporting more mailers (source and destination)
- get rid of the need for ixemul.library (it is not really needed :)
- a user interface?! I guess not :)

1.12 History

V0.9 beta: initial release (08/29/1995)