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Overview: What is TrashMan?

Microsoft Windows has a lot going for it. But even Windows version 3.1, with its greatly enhanced File Manager, feels like it's missing "something." Namely, the literal cornerstone of the graphical interface - the trash can.

The solution? Well, you can buy a **Macintosh**. Or an expensive desktop replacement package. Or you can save a ton of cash, headaches, and hassles by using **Trash Manager** with your existing hardware and software.

Trash Manager (often abbreviated with fondness to **TrashMan**) works hand-in-hand with the Windows File Manager you already own. Drag files from File Manager to **TrashMan** and they're moved to the "trash" - a special storage area that gives your files a second chance. From there, you can restore or permanently delete them... if and when you want to. Because your "trashed" files stay intact, safely tucked away, even after exiting and re-starting **TrashMan**, Windows, or the PC itself.

TrashMan even takes advantage of Windows 3.1's new multimedia abilities. You can easily assign your own sounds to different **TrashMan** events, realizing the ultimate in customization.

To put it simply: With **TrashMan** installed, Windows is finally complete. Don't trust your valuable data to anything less.

TrashMan is not free software. It is being offered through the shareware distribution method. This is an evaluation version which you are free to use for a period of thirty (30) days. More information on shareware and registering your copy of **TrashMan** can be found in the [Registration Information](#) section.

Menu Items

Double-clicking the **TrashMan** icon displays the **TrashMan** window. The window contains two menus and a list of any and all trashed files. The following are descriptions of the various menu items...

Menu Name	Menu Item Name	Menu Item Description
File	Empty Trash	Deletes all files stored in the trash.
	Restore File(s)	Restores ("undeletes") the selected file or files.
	Select All	Selects all files stored in the trash.
	Sounds...	Presents a dialog box that allows the user to assign WAV format sounds to various TrashMan events.
	Register...	For newly registered users. Presents a dialog box that allows entry of registration codes which "transform" the program into a registered version.
	Exit	Quits TrashMan . If the program is not registered, a registration reminder dialog box is displayed before exiting.
Help	Contents	Brings up this Windows Help file.
	Search for Help on...	Search for help on a certain topic in this Windows Help file.
	How to Use Help	Brings up the "How to Use Help" help file from Microsoft.
	About...	Tells the current version of TrashMan , displays a copyright notice, and reveals whether or not this copy is registered. If so, the name of the registered user or entity is displayed. Unregistered users will see a registration reminder dialog box.

Using TrashMan

The following topics are available related to the use of TrashMan...

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Trashing Files

Moving files to the trash is known as "trashing" them, after which they are called "trashed" files. Files are trashed by dragging them from the Windows File Manager to the **TrashMan** icon.

When files are present in the trash, the **TrashMan** icon changes to appear "bloated" or "full," as a visual reminder that there are trashed files pending.

Trashed files will remain in the trash (even after exiting and re-starting **TrashMan**, Windows, or the PC itself) until either the files are restored or the trash is emptied. To accomplish this, **TrashMan** creates a hidden directory on your hard disk to store trashed files. Whenever there are no more trashed files to store (because they have been restored or the trash has been emptied), this directory is removed.

NOTE: Files from removable media (such as floppy diskettes) cannot be trashed.

Restoring Trashed Files

To restore trashed files, you must first select them.

Double-clicking the **TrashMan** icon displays the **TrashMan** window. The window contains two menus and a list of any and all trashed files. Trashed files are selected in essentially the same way normal files are selected in the File Manager. You can single-click to select an individual file, single-click while holding down the Control key to select multiple files, or choose "Select All" from the File menu to select all trashed files.

Once selected, trashed files can be restored (to their original position on your disk) by choosing "Restore File(s)" from the File menu.

Emptying The Trash

Emptying the trash permanently deletes all files that remain in the trash. This can be done by selecting "Empty Trash" from the File menu.

Positioning The TrashMan Icon

TrashMan can be permanently positioned anywhere you like on the desktop - including the traditional lower, right-hand corner. Wherever the **TrashMan** icon is positioned when the program is exited is where it will be positioned the next time it is started.

Assigning Sounds To TrashMan Events

Selecting "Sounds..." from the File menu brings up a dialog box that allows you to assign WAV format sounds to three different **TrashMan** events (trashing files, restoring files, and emptying the trash).

Each of the three events has an edit box (where you can directly type in the path to the sound you wish you use), a "Browse..." button (which brings up a file selection dialog box so that you can more easily locate and select a sound), and a "Test" button (to play the assigned sound).

NOTE: In order to take advantage of this feature, you must have a waveform audio sound driver installed. Drivers for most popular sound boards and the standard PC speaker can be found on many pay services and BBS systems. If you are unable to locate a driver for your system, contact Microsoft or the manufacturer of your sound board for more information.

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To register, you need to pay the required registration fee. As a registered user, you will be granted a license for continued use of the software. You will also receive a diskette containing the latest version of **TrashMan** along with several other utilities and a set of unique registration codes.

These registration codes will "transform" the program into a registered version. The registered version contains no reminder screens and will display you or your company's name in its About dialog box.

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