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Purpose

WinTaper is designed to make your live tape collection fun and easy to manage. As both a database and tape label generator, WinTaper handles the many tedious tasks of maintaining a tape list - quickly and efficiently. WinTaper can print your list, save it as an ASCII file (for BBS's), or copy it to the clipboard for pasting into your favorite word processing or desktop publishing application. Individual tapes may be copied via the clipboard to another running instance of WinTaper. Jam Codes, a WinTaper exclusive, handle not only the traditional "arrows" (indicating a segue) but also other information such as cut songs, reprise's, encores, special notes, and more. In addition, Jam Codes provide a handy way of formatting tape labels. WinTaper also features advanced search features, allowing a variety of searches on any data fields, including songs, tape formats, and tape quality.

Customer Feedback & Support

WinTaper users (registered or not) can send feedback via E-Mail to the following electronic addresses:

<u>Service</u>	<u>User Name / ID</u>
CompuServe Mail:	75103,2616
Internet Mail:	75103.2616@compuserve.com
<u>Terrapin Station</u>	Morning Dew
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Although I'm always on the road, I do check my E-mail almost daily, especially CompuServe/Internet. I also eventually reply to all mail received. If you are writing me concerning a problem or question, try to be as specific about your problem as you can.

Thanks for using WinTaper!

Dan Tepper



File | New

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[File Open](#)

Select **File | New** to create a new WinTaper data file. The default extension is .wtf, which will be added automatically if you do not specify a file extension. In order to use WinTaper, a file **must** be opened either with **File | New** or with [File | Open](#) menu commands.



File | Open

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[File New](#)

[Program Launching](#)

Select **File | Open** to open an existing WinTaper data file. The default extension is .wtf. In order to use WinTaper, a file **must** be opened either with **File | Open** or with [File | New](#) menu commands.

.wtf files

The default extension for Wintaper data files is **.WTF**. In almost all cases, WinTaper will add the default extension, where necessary, if none is specified. Also, the WinTaper installation program modifies your win.ini file to associate wintaper.exe with the .wtf extension, thus enabling program launching and drag and drop functions.

In short, unless you have a really good excuse, use .wtf as the extension for all your WinTaper data files.

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File | Export As Text...

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Export Text Dialog Box](#)

WinTaper can export the current file as a tape list, similar to the list in the main window, to an [ASCII](#) text file, the Windows Clipboard, or both simultaneously. Once data is in the clipboard, it can be pasted into any application which accepts text input. The ASCII text file, similarly, can be read by any ASCII editor. Options for delimiting the data make it possible to format ASCII data for exporting to other file formats as well as formatting text for output to a device.

ASCII

Text file format common & interchangeable among different platforms. ASCII files are text information only files.

File | Print Tape List...

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Print Tape List Dialog Box](#)

To print the current tape list to an output device, select **File | Print Tape List...** Then select the appropriate options in the Print Tape List Dialog Box and press OK.

Print Tape List Dialog Box

In the Print Tape List Dialog Box you can select the appropriate printing options for a particular printing task, such as font and column contents information. In addition, your favorite settings can be saved using the make default option. These options are:

<u>Use Current Filter</u>	<u>Line Spacing</u>
<u>Add Filter Name</u>	<u>Page Numbers</u>
<u>Add Printing Date</u>	<u>Page Margins</u>
<u>Add Personal Info</u>	<u>Copies</u>
<u>Add Filename</u>	<u>Font and Size</u>
<u>Column Headings</u>	<u>Column Contents</u>

Export Text Dialog Box

In the Export Text Dialog Box you make selections controlling options to copy the current tape list to either the clipboard, an ASCII text file, or both. In addition, your favorite settings can be saved using the make default option. These options are:

Column Contents

Save To File

Browse

Filename

Run Editor

Copy To Clipboard

CR or CRLF

Use Current Filter

Add Form Feeds

Delimited Fields

Use Current Filter

When this option is checked, the current procedure will only process tapes that match the currently active filter. Otherwise, all tapes in the file will be processed.

Add Filter Name

When this option is checked WinTaper will print the name of the current filter on the top of page one of the current print job. If the current filter has no name or no filter is active, this option will have no effect.

Add Printing Date

When this option is checked, WinTaper will print the current date on top of page one of the current print job.

Add Personal Info

When this option is checked, WinTaper will add the Name, Address, Phone, etc., associated with the current file. To enter, view or change the personal info of a given file, select **File | Personal Data...** from the main menu.

Add Filename

When this option is checked, WinTaper will print the full name and path of the current file centered on the top of page one of the current print job.

Column Headings

When this option is checked, WinTaper will put column heading titles (i.e. location, source, quality, etc...) left justified at the top of each column. Depending on the current procedure, this data will appear either on top of each page (for printing and text file saves) or once at the head of each column (when saving to text clipboard).

File | Personal Data

See Also:

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[Personal Data Dialog Box](#)

Selecting **File | Personal Data** displays the Personal Data Dialog Box, wherein the user may display and edit any personal data associated with the current file - assuming the person's file you're looking at has entered this info. This is very handy for people trading & exchanging their tape lists in the WinTaper .wtf format.

Power User's Tip:

Adding your name, address, phone, etc... assures that anyone who obtains your WinTaper .WTF file knows exactly who you are and how to get in touch with you. Make sure that any files you create or use have this info!

Personal Data Dialog Box

This is the dialog box where the user may enter or edit the **Name**, **Address**, **City**, **State**, **ZIP**, Phone Numbers and a brief comment, all of which become a part of the current file. It's a good idea to add this info to your file, this way your name and address can be added to tape labels automatically. Also, If you trade WinTaper lists electronically, another person will always know whose file he has. Press **OK** to close this box and accept the current entries or **CANCEL** to abort.

File | Preferences

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Preferences Dialog Box](#)

Select **File | Preferences** to edit user-configurable WinTaper preferences. The options include control over windowing behavior, button responses, 3-D dialog boxes, confirmations, use of sounds, and many more options.

Preferences Dialog Box

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Edit | Cut

See Also:

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[Tools | Pack / Un-Delete](#)

Delete the currently selected item(s) and place them in the clipboard. Disabling [Verify Deletions](#) in the [Preferences Dialog Box](#) will prevent the Yes/No confirmation dialog from displaying each time. At this point, the tape is not actually removed from the file, but rather hidden from the user and marked for deletion. To permanently remove tapes marked for deletion, you must pack the file by selecting **T**ools | **P**ack / **U**n-Delete from the main menu. To Un-Delete a tape marked for deletion, select **T**ools | **P**ack / **U**n-Delete from the main menu.



Edit | Copy

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

Copy the currently selected item(s) to the Windows Clipboard. The data format itself will determine which applications may access the clipboard data.



Edit | Paste

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

Pastes tape data in from the clipboard, provided that clipboard data is in a compatible format, i.e. originated from another running WinTaper program.

Program Launching

See Also:

[File Open](#)

After proper installation, WinTaper will be configured to "launch" any .wtf files. In other words, double clicking on any .wtf file in any icon group window or drive pane (like the ones in File Manager or Norton Desktop) will start up WinTaper and automatically load in the selected .wtf file.

Verify Deletions

When this option is checked, WinTaper will prompt for confirmation before any data is deleted. It is generally a good idea to leave this option on.

Verify Dropped Files

When this option is checked, WinTaper will prompt for confirmation before opening any dropped files. Since it's sort of hard to accidentally drop a valid file into WinTaper (it automatically ignores stray drops), I tend to like this option un-checked, i.e. no confirmation for dropped files, just open them right up.

Verify Data Alerts

When this option is checked, WinTaper will alert the user that data has changed but has not been saved. This includes all relevant data to a given tape entry, including font info, song info, tape flip data, etc. In general, it is best to leave this option turned on (checked). It is very easy to accidentally lose changes without this safeguard enabled.

Verify List Sort

When this option is checked, WinTaper will prompt for confirmation before sorting the current file. Unless you work with BIG files, leave this option un-checked.

Verify Program Exit

When this option is checked, WinTaper will prompt for confirmation before exiting (closing). This option is purely up to the user. (default = on)

Audible Beeps

When this option is checked, WinTaper will beep to alert the user to errors, important notifications, confirmations, and various other events. Unless you need the silence, leave this option checked. (default = on)

Print Comments

When this option is checked, WinTaper will print the Comments field of the current tape onto the bottom flap of the printed tape label.

Print Quality

When this option is checked, WinTaper will print the quality rating of the current tape onto the front of the printed label using the currently selected quality format. (see above)

Print Generation

When this option is checked, WinTaper will print the generation of the current tape onto the front of the printed label

Invert Comments

When this option is checked, WinTaper will invert the comments 180 degrees on the bottom flap of the current printout. To see the difference better than I can explain it here, print a label with this option *on* and then one with this option *off* and compare them. Make sure that the Print Comments box is also checked - if the Print Comments box is not checked, this option will be ignored!

Use Local Printer

When this option is checked, WinTaper will use the default printer and settings from the wintaper.ini file instead of the normal win.ini file. This is particularly useful in situations where multiple printers are installed on a network and you regularly use a printer which is **not** the default printer for the network (saves having to select printers every time). Note that when use local printer is active, WinTaper stores separate default printer settings for label printing and for list printing. When this option is off (un-checked) WinTaper will collect all default printer info from win.ini. (default = off)

Personal Data

When this option is checked, WinTaper will add personal data from the current file to the bottom flap of the tape label printout. Note that if **Invert Comments** is checked, this data will also be inverted.

Letter grading system

When this option is checked, WinTaper will use a letter graded (A, B+ etc.) quality rating system.

Descriptive grading

When this option is checked, WinTaper will use a descriptive (Excellent, Good, Poor etc.) quality rating system.

Number grading system

When this option is checked, WinTaper will use a number graded (6.0,8.0,9.5 etc.) quality rating system. Note that higher numbers represent better quality.

Use days of week on label fronts

When this option is checked, WinTaper will use the long format for dates which appear on the front of a tape label printout. This format is as follows: "Monday, June 6, 1994". If the tape being printed has a non-standard date, WinTaper will override this setting and use the appropriate date formatting for the current tape printout. When this option is disabled, the default date format is mm/dd/yy "06/06/94". Note that WinTaper will add leading zeros where needed.

Date Delimiter

This controls the delimiter used in all listboxes and printouts.

There are four options:

1) / slash 06/06/94 3) , comma 06,06,94

2) - hyphen 06-06-94 4) . period 06.06.94

All printouts receive this setting. Default setting is 1 (slash /)

Save button closes dialog boxes

When this option is checked, pressing the save button in any dialog box will close that dialog box after saving the information. When this option is un-checked, pressing save will save the data, but the box will remain open. If you are adding a tape, the title bar will change from Add to Edit after the save button is pressed. (default=on)

Power User's Tip:

If you are entering large amounts of data, i.e. adding many tapes, un-check this option so you do not have to wait for the dialog box to be redrawn each time you press save to add a tape.

Main window acts as parent

When this option is checked, any child windows or dialog boxes created by WinTaper will always appear in front of the main WinTaper window. For the most part, this affects the behavior of the Label Preview Window and Label Fonts Dialog Box. When the main windows acts as parent, minimizing the main WinTaper window will also minimize any open WinTaper child windows and dialog boxes.

Verify/prompt aborted procedures

When this option is checked,

All windows act independently

When this option is checked, all windows and dialogs created by WinTaper are considered main program windows by Windows itself. As such, any window may appear in front of any other window or dialog. Minimizing the main WinTaper window does not minimize child windows and dialog boxes, and clicking on any part of any WinTaper window or dialog will bring that window or dialog to the front.

Prompt for filename to spawn instances

When this option is checked

Use cool 3-D dialog boxes

When this option is checked, WinTaper uses the newer gray-shaded dialog boxes and three dimensional Windows controls, instead of the standard white dialog boxes and two dimensional Windows controls. While these 3-D effects are certainly cool, they do exact a slight performance penalty on the system in both speed and available resources. On most machines, there is no problem this option. However, if you are spending an inordinate amount of time waiting for screen redraws, or experiencing unusual GDI performance or GDI error messages, you may want to disable 3-D dialogs.



Edit | Add Tape...

See Also:

Main Menu Commands

Press **Edit | Add Tape** to add a new tape to the current file. This will display the Add Tape Dialog Box, where you can enter data such as Artist, Date, Location, a songlist, and more.



Edit | Delete Tape

See Also:

Main Menu Commands

Tools | Pack / Un-Delete

Select **Edit | Delete Tape** to delete the currently selected tape. At this point, the tape is not actually removed from the file, but rather hidden from the user and marked for deletion. To permanently remove tapes marked for deletion, you must pack the file by selecting **Tools | Pack / Un-Delete** from the main menu. To Un-Delete a tape marked for deletion, select **Tools | Pack / Un-Delete** from the main menu.



Edit | Edit Tape...

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Edit Tape Dialog Box](#)

Press **Edit | Edit Tape** to enter data for the current tape. This will display the Edit Tape Dialog Box, where you can enter data such as Artist, Date, Location, a songlist, and much more. Double-clicking any entry in the main list box is another way to edit a tape.



Edit | Jam Codes...

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

Select **Edit | Jam Codes** to edit the WinTaper [Jam Codes](#). This will display the [Jam Codes Dialog Box](#), where all attributes related to Jam Codes, such as font, character(s), placement and descriptions, may be modified.

Quality Rating Systems

Overview & Comparison

WinTaper offers 3 different and interchangeable quality rating systems: **Letter Grading** uses the familiar school-type A+, A, A-, B+ system of grading we all learned to hate in grammar school. **Descriptive Grading** uses comparative words such as Excellent, Good, Poor, etc... **Number Grading** uses a more Olympic-style 1.0-10.0 rating system. These quality systems are fully interchangeable at anytime through the **File | Preferences** option.

The following list shows the relative values of each quality system:

Letter	Number	Descriptive
A++	10.0	Outstanding
A+	9.5	Excellent
A	9.0	Excellent
A-	8.5	Very Good
B+	8.0	Very Good
B	7.5	Good
B-	7.0	Good
C+	6.5	Good
C	6.0	Average
C-	5.0	Average
D+	4.0	Average
D	3.0	Poor
D-	2.0	Poor
F	1.0	Very Poor

Jam Codes

Jam Codes are the arrows and commas which traditionally represent what occurs between two songs. Each song in WinTaper has one Jam Code associated with it. This code may be used to indicate what happens **after the song**, or may indicate something **about the song**. In most cases, songs just end. But some "jam into" others, some get cut, some fade out, etc... WinTaper has expanded the use of Jam Codes by using them to represent things such as notes and references, and to indicate that a particular song may be an encore, text, or whatever. In addition, the user may add his own custom Jam Codes for specific or reoccurring situations, up to a total of 32 Jam Codes. Jam Codes may be one or more characters in length, thus symbol fonts may be used for arrows, scissors, etc., and text may be entered for codes like *encores* or *continued*. In addition, Jam Codes may be used to exclude certain text entries (which appear in the songs) from song searches. WinTaper comes with many pre-defined Jam Codes which may be modified or added to via the [Jam Codes Dialog Box](#).

Norton Desktop 3.0 Compatibility

There is a slight incompatibility between WinTaper and the **File Assist** feature of the Norton Desktop for Windows version 3.0. Specifically, there is a problem with the shaded 3-D look that File Assist adds to the **Windows Common Dialog Boxes**. After running WinTaper several times in one Windows session, double-clicking on the desktop drive icons produces the following error message:

"Drive xx: is inaccessible. Check network connection or floppy disk."

If you do get this message, there is a simple solution:

- 1) Select **Options | Customize** from the **Norton Desktop Main Menu**.
- 2) Click the **File Assist Icon**. *It's the icon with the crossed spotlights that form a star, the right icon of the four along the bottom left of the desktop's Control Center Dialog Box.*
- 3) In the File Assist settings box, **de-select** (un-check) the **3-D Look and Feel** box.
- 4) Press **OK** to close the File Assist Settings dialog box.
- 5) You will need to select **Options | Save Configuration** from the **Norton Desktop Main Menu** if you haven't set up Norton Desktop to save changes on exit.
- 6) You must now **Exit and Re-Start Windows** for the changes you have made to become effective.

I am working on a fix for this, although I strongly suspect the problem lies in either the Borland ObjectWindows Library or the Norton Desktop itself. Until then, you may have to do without the fancy 3-D file open dialog boxes. The 3-D dialog boxes within WinTaper have no effect on this situation and may be used without problems.

Troubleshooting

Reporting Errors

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Program does not run

Tape list does not fully load

Search Sets

See Also:

[Filter Sets](#)

Search Sets provide a convenient way to save frequently repeated searches. The results of a search appear in a separate child window, if successful. WinTaper allows searching on any combination of fields, with both inclusion and exclusion as options. Search Sets and [Filter Sets](#) are interchangeable, that is, they are stored in the same file, [wintaper.flt](#), and adding a set to the Filter Sets also adds a Search Set. The difference is that in a search, the data is displayed in a separate child window, and filtering places its results in the main WinTaper List window. Incidentally, Searches search only tapes matching the current filter. Thus, Filtering for Artist=Phish and then Searching for Source=Soundboard will yield a child window with Phish Soundboards, provided the search is successful, of course. Search Sets provide a powerful way to view your data in smaller, easily digestible, pieces.

Filter Sets

See Also:

[Search Sets](#)

Filter Sets provide a convenient way to save commonly used filters. The results of filtering, if successful, appear in the main WinTaper List Window. WinTaper allows filtering on any combination of fields, with both inclusion and exclusion as options. [Search Sets](#) and Filter Sets are interchangeable, that is, they are stored in the same file, [wintaper.flit](#), and adding a set to the Filter Sets also adds a Search Set. The difference is that in a search, the data is displayed in a separate child window. Incidentally, filtering affects all subsequent searches while the filter is active. Thus, Filtering for Artist=Phish and then Searching for Source=Soundboard will yield a child window with Phish Soundboards, provided the search is successful, of course. Also, the current filter may be applied to either a [Tape List Printout](#) or a [File Text Export](#) . Filter Sets provide a powerful way to view your data in smaller, easily digestible, pieces.

wintaper.flt

Wintaper.flt is the file in which WinTaper stores user-defined Search Sets and Filter Sets. These sets may be used interchangeably. Sets created as filters can be used in searching, and sets created as searches can be used in filtering. Corrupting this file may cause WinTaper to run incorrectly, or even worse, not run at all.

WARNING: USERS SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO EDIT THE FILE WINTAPER.FLT MANUALLY.

File Assist

A feature of the **Norton Desktop 3.0** which adds features to Windows' Common Dialog Boxes. These features include a pick list and file description field. For best compatibility with WinTaper, **disable the 3D Look and Feel** of File Assist. Consult your Norton Desktop documentation for more information on how to do this.

1 Column Songs

When this option is selected, songs will be arranged in a single, centered column on the printed tape label. This will override the default song format for a given label. 1 column format is the default song format for all non-cassette formats except when the tape type (sets) is 1 long tape.

2 Column Songs

When this option is selected, songs will be arranged in a two columns on the printed tape label, generally the columns represent sides A & B. This will override the default song format for a given label. 2 column format is the default song format for all cassette formats except when the tape type (sets) is 1 long tape.

Paragraph Songs

When this option is selected, songs will be arranged in paragraph-like style on the printed tape label. This will override the default song format for a given label. If the tape format is Cassette, the A and B side designators will appear at the top of each "paragraph." Paragraph songs is the default song format for all 1 Long Tape styles and 1 DAT/2 Cassette styles when the tape format is non-cassette.

Default Songs

When this option is selected, songs on a tape label will be formatted according to WinTaper song layout defaults. WinTaper will decide what song layout is appropriate based on the number of tapes (1,2,1 long tape,etc...) and also the format of the label being printed.

Song Layout Defaults

There are 3 different ways that songs may appear on a tape label: 1 Column, 2 Columns, and Paragraph Style. WinTaper assigns default song layouts based on the current tape format and tape types. These defaults are as follows:

	<u>1 or 2 Tapes</u>	<u>1 Long Tape</u>	<u>1 DAT / 2 Cassette</u>
Cassette	2 Column	Paragraph	2 Column (2 labels)
DAT	1 Column	Paragraph	Paragraph (1 label)
VHS	1 Column	Paragraph	Paragraph (1 label)
8mm	1 Column	Paragraph	Paragraph (1 label)

Song Formats

See Also:

[Song Layout Defaults](#)

WinTaper can display (and, of course, print) songs on a tape label in 3 different ways: one centered column, two columns, and paragraph style. Some layouts are better suited to certain types of tapes and song data than others, i.e. two columns work well to display the A and B sides of a cassette tape, whereas paragraph style helps to accomodate longer set lists possible with non-cassette tape formats. Unless the user overrides song settings in the [Preferences Dialog Box](#), WinTaper will automatically select an appropriate format, based on the current tape format.

Run Failure Error

There are several possible causes of WinTaper not running properly, or not running all. The most common cause is the corruption of critical support files, wintaper.ini, wintaper.flr, and wtaprfnt.dat. To remedy this situation, simply re-install WinTaper. Be sure to re-name your sample.wtf file if you have added tapes to it, as the install process will overwrite sample.wtf with the original sample file. Another reason WinTaper may fail is the inability to locate or load DLL files which it needs to run. Again, re-installing the program should remedy this problem.

Song Searches

To search for instances of a particular (single) song, first display the Song Window by pressing the appropriate icon button or selecting **Window | Open Song List...** from the main menu. When the song window is visible, simply double-click on any song title to search for all occurrences of that song. Remember that if a filter is active, only songs on tapes matching the current filter will appear in the search results. To search for more than one song at a once, select **Tools | Multi-Song Search** from the main menu , then select the desired target songs / options in the Multi-Song Search Dialog Box.

Filtering Data

As with all databases, there may be times when the entire tape list may be more data than you wish to deal with at one time. Other times, you may want to print a list of one particular artist's tapes in your collection. Or you may want to see only your soundboard tapes. Or whatever! Filters provide an easy way to do just that. By filtering out data, you display only tapes matching certain search criteria. Once a filter is active, all subsequent activity on the file is limited to tapes passing the filter selections. Thus, when filtering is active, searches and song lists display only tapes matching the filter. Filter settings can be saved for re-use by saving them as Filter Sets.

List Overflow Error

Occasionally, with very large WinTaper .wtf data files, such as the complete Grateful Dead files, WinTaper may be unable to place all the tapes into the main list box. The problem is actually caused by Microsoft Window's inability to store more than 64K of data in a single listbox. To solve this problem, you need to reduce the amount of data in the main list box by limiting the number of columns in the listbox to a bare minimum - say Artist-Date-Location. To do this, select **File | Preferences...** from the main menu. In the Preferences Dialog Box, press the **ListBoxes...** button. This should solve the overflow problem for all but the most incredibly huge files. But then, remember that really huge files slow the performance of WinTaper (and Windows in general), so maybe it's time to think about creating a second file and splitting up that huge file. <hint> <hint>

wintaper.ini

WinTaper stores information needed at runtime in the file wintaper.ini. Most of these are stored and retrieved transparently by WinTaper as necessary, and are not stored in a user-editable format. Any preferences allowed to be set by the user should be set either from the [Preferences Dialog Box](#), or by pressing the **Make Default** button (when one is present) in any WinTaper dialog box. Corrupting this file may cause WinTaper to run incorrectly, or even worse, not run at all.

WARNING: USERS SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO EDIT THE FILE WINTAPER.INI MANUALLY.

wtaprfnt.dat

WinTaper stores user-defined Font Groups in the file wtaprfnt.dat. This file contains binary data, which is not directly editable by the user. Any changes to wtaprfnt.dat should be made in the Label Fonts Dialog Box. Corrupting this file may cause WinTaper to run incorrectly, or even worse, not run at all.

WARNING: USERS SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO EDIT THE FILE WTAPRFNT.DAT MANUALLY.

Font Groups

WinTaper allows frequently used sets of fonts to be saved in user-definable Font Groups. This makes it very easy to apply similar font scenes to any tape - instantly. Define different font groups for each Artist, different formats, whatever you like! Any number of font groups may be created. Adding a new font group is simply a matter of pressing the **Add Group** button in the Label Fonts Dialog Box and entering a name for the new font group. To update or modify a font group, select the font group from the list box, make any font changes, and press the **Save Group** button. To remove an existing font group, select the font group and press **Delete Group**. WinTaper stores font group data in the file wtaprfnt.dat.

Label Fonts Dialog Box

The Label Fonts Dialog Box allows the user to select fonts for the currently selected tape. It is also where the users may create, modify or delete user-defined Font Groups. The Label Fonts Dialog Box may be displayed while selections are made from the main list box, and the data will automatically update as selections change. This dialog box may also be minimized and restored as needed. Label Fonts Dialog Box's options are organized into categories, as follows:

Font Selection Options:

Data & Tyeface Front Spine

Font Group Buttons:

Add Save Edit Delete

Font Default Options:

Get Default Make Default Reset Default

Other Dialog Box Options:

Preview Copy Fonts... Font Group Drop List

Data & Typeface

Select the font you wish to use for the selected data field, i.e. artist, date, location, etc... As you change font selections, the font sample window will automatically update with the current field's data shown with the current font selection. If the current data field is blank, WinTaper will substitute the font name for the sample text display string.

Front

Selects the font size for data which appears on the front of the cassette label. The front of the label is the larger part of the label where the songlists appear. Some drivers only accept even values or round up to the next even size in the background.

Spine

Selects the font size for data which appears on the spine of the cassette label. The spine of the label is the folded thin strip, visible when tapes are stacked. Currently, the only data fields appearing on the spine are Artist, Date & Location. Some drivers only accept even values or round up to the next even size in the background.

Add Group

Press the Add Group button to create a new Font Group with the current font selections. You will be prompted to enter a name (mandatory) for the new font group. To save the current settings over an existing font group, either type in an existing font group name or select an existing name from the drop list box. If the group exists, you will be prompted before the data is overwritten.

Save Group

Press the Save Group button to update the current Font Group with the current font selections.

Caution: *You will be not prompted before the font group data is overwritten.*

Edit Group

Press the Edit Group button to **edit the name** of the current font group. If the font data has changed, these changes will be saved as well, just like pressing Save Group.

Delete Group

Deletes the currently selected font group. This option is not reversible - use with care!

Caution: *You will be not prompted before the font group data is deleted.*

Jam Codes Dialog Box

The Jam Codes Dialog Box is where there user may edit WinTaper Jam Codes. These options include the Jam Code's font, character(s), and various other options associated with Jam Codes.

General Settings:

<u>Jam Code</u>	<u>Font</u>	<u>Character(s)</u>
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Options:

Excludes from song search

Precedes song on line

Print song on next line

Blank line preceding

Appearance:

Normal

Superscript

Bold & Italic

Leading | Trailing Blank

Push Buttons:

Add

Edit

Delete



Label | Select Label Fonts...

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Label Fonts Dialog Box](#)

[Copy Fonts Dialog Box](#)

Select **Label | Select Label Fonts** to display the Label Fonts Dialog Box, wherein the user may select fonts to use for the current tape, create and use font groups, and copy fonts to other tapes in the current file. The Label Fonts Dialog box is modeless, that is, it may be left open while you continue to work in WinTaper, and will update itself as necessary



Label | Preview Tape Label

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Preview Window](#)

Select **Label | Preview Tape Label** to display the Label preview window, where you may view a tape label before printing. This is especially useful (necessary) when creating or modifying fonts for a label. The Preview Window may be left open and will update itself as necessary.

Character(s)

Select the character you wish to represent the Jam Code or enter (up to 32 chars) Jam Code text. This is what will actually appear on the tape labels. By using a Windows combo-box for selection, it is easy to select a character from the symbol font sets or type in text for non-symbolic Jam Codes. The combo-box always displays in the currently selected font. If the font selected is **songtitle font**, a generic font will be used in the combo box.

Font

Selects the font for the current Jam Code. When the user changes fonts, the **character(s)** combo-box will update its display using the new font selection. Any installed Windows fonts, including **TrueType** and **ATM**, may be used for Jam Codes.

Jam Code

Selects a Jam Code to be edited or modified. All other options in the dialog box will update for each Jam Code selected. To make changes to existing Jam Codes, select the appropriate Jam Code, make any necessary changes, then press **OK**. You may make as many changes to as many Jam Codes as you like before pressing OK. To add a new Jam Code, press the **Add** button at the bottom of the dialog.

Normal

Select Normal to have a Jam Code appear as normal (non-superscript) text. Except for notes, which tend to look better as superscripted numbers, most Jam Codes appear as normal text. In normal text mode, the Jam Code will be the same point size as the songs, for a given label. Note that because different fonts vary in their actual size for the same point size, some Jam Codes may not be the exact same size as their song counterparts.

Excludes from song search

Checking this box causes any songs with this Jam Code to be excluded from [Song Searches](#). This is handy when you have text like "*...with so & so, percussion...*" in a song field, and you don't want it to come up in the song window or song searches. References and text comments tend to make good candidates for exclusion, as do reprises of songs. This option has no effect on tape labels whatsoever.

Superscript

Select Superscript to have a Jam Code appear as superscripted text or symbols. Usually, the only Jam Codes superscripted are notes, which are represented by superscripted numbers and refer to numbered notes below.

Precedes song on line

When this option is selected, the Jam Code will appear before the song, on the same line as the song. Good choices for this option are references, which are like numbered lists referring to correspondingly noted songs above, or the word **encore** preceding a song on the same line. (Although I personally like the word encore on its own line)

Bold & Italic

Choose bold and italic options for the currently selected Jam Code.

Print song on next line

When this option is selected, the Jam Code will appear on its own line, with its corresponding song appearing on the next line. This is the default behavior for the **encore** Jam Code. If this option is selected, the **precedes song on line** setting is ignored.

Leading | Trailing Blank

Selecting this options places a blank space between the songtitle and Jam Code.

Blank line preceding

Selecting this options places a blank line between the previous song and this songtitle.

Add

Adds a new Jam Code...

Edit

Edits the current Jam Code...

Delete

Delete the current Jam Code. Note: WinTaper preset Jam Codes cannot be deleted.

Number of Tapes

See Also:

[Song Formats](#)

Select the number of tapes which comprise a given concert. WinTaper allows a maximum of two tapes per concert, with each having a maximum of 17 songs (34 total per show). Generally, if you have a recording of Set 1 Only, select [Tape 1 Only](#). If you have Set 2 Only, choose [Tape 2 Only](#). If you select either tape 1 or tape 2 only, be sure to enter songs in the appropriate column. By putting each setlist in the correct column, it will be easier to add the other set if you start out with only one set of a given show and then later acquire the other set. If you have both sets of a given concert, select [Two Tapes](#) and put set 1 songs in column 1 and set 2 songs in column 2. If the performance is only one set (or tape) but has more than 17 songs, select [One Long Tape](#) for number of tapes. This will allow you to enter up to 34 songs for the given concert. When entering songs for one long tape, start in column 1 and continue on to column 2. All the songs will appear on one tape. Since more than 17 songs may not fit displayed as columns on the tape label, especially on cassette labels, WinTaper will automatically use the [Paragraph Songs](#) style (unless you have overridden the default song layouts by selecting a different song layout in the [Preferences Dialog Box](#)). Also, tape designation information, i.e. 1st Set, 2nd Set etc..., are ignored (not printed) when one long tape is selected. For concerts where you have both sets of a two set show on a single DAT, which is common with the newer 180min DAT tapes, select [1 DAT / 2 Cassette](#) for number of tapes. When this is selected, WinTaper will layout all the songs on one tape when printing a DAT, VHS, or 8mm label, but will split the two sets into two separate labels when printing a cassette label for the given show. This makes it very easy to generate either single label DAT liners or double label Cassette liners simply by selecting the desired target format in the Print Label Dialog Box.

Tape 1 Only

Select Tape 1 Only when you have only one tape of less than 17 songs or you have only set one of a two set show.

Tape 2 Only

Select Tape 2 Only when you have only the second set of a two set show.

Two Tapes

Select Two Tapes when you have both tapes of a given show with one set on each tape.

One Long Tape

Select One Long Tape when the performance is only one set but more than 17 songs.

1 DAT / 2 Cassette

Select 1 DAT / 2 Cassette for situations where the entire performance fits on one DAT/VHS/8mm tape, but requires two cassettes.

Tape Data Dialog Box

The tape data dialog box is where you select information applicable to the current tape, such as source, format, etc...

Tape Format:	Select the format, cassette, DAT, VHS etc for the current tape.
Tape Source:	Select the source of the recording of the current tape.
Number of Tapes:	Select the <u>Number of Tapes</u> for the current tape
NR / Speed:	Check the appropriate button for noise reduction or tape speed / sampling rate, etc.
Generation:	Select the recording generation which best applies to the current tape.
Quality:	Choose a quality for this tape. How you assign this is totally up to you.
Select First Song:	Highlight the first song on Side B of each tape (cassette only, ignored for other formats)

Print Label Dialog Box

Select options to apply to a printed tape label.

Output Format

Print Format

Lines...

Label Outline

Fold Lines

Other Lines

Data:

Generation

NR / Speed

Printer Info:

Printer

Tape Flip Information

Select The First Song On Side B

Songs

1 Column

2 Column

Paragraph

Print Info:

Comments

Invert

Personal Data

Generation

Number of Tapes

Select The First Song On Side B

Highlight the first song you want to appear on side B of a cassette label or the first song column 2 of a two column non-cassette label. If the current song format does not require this data, i.e 1 Column or Paragraph (with number of tapes set to one long tape) it is ignored.

Print Format

Select the format you wish to print. WinTaper will automatically set this field to the value of the currently selected tape. To print a different format i.e. you dub someone a cassette from your DAT tape, just select the form you wish to print. Changing this value will not affect the current tape's settings.

Label Outline

Select the line width/style you wish to use for the outline of the tape label. The outline is the line you cut along, by the way.

Fold Lines

Select the line width/style you wish to use for the fold lines of the tape label. The fold lines are the lines directly above and below the Artist/Location/Date information which comprises the label spine.

Other Lines

Select the line width/style you wish to use for the lines which appear between location & date and also below the date, on the label front.

label spine

The tape spine is the thin part of the label, visible when tapes are stacked or placed in a tape rack.

label front

The tape front is the largest area of the label, where the location, date, songs and (optionally) tape data appear.

label bottom

The label bottom is the area of the label below the fold lines where (optionally) comments or personal info may appear. Data printed here may also be inverted 180 degrees.



Label | Print Tape Label

See Also:

[Main Menu Commands](#)

[Print Label Dialog Box](#)

[Number Of Tapes](#)

Select Label | Print Tape label to print a label for the current tape. This will display the Print Label Dialog Box where you are prompted for data and options before printing commences.

Add/Edit Tape Dialog Box

The Add/Edit Dialog box is where you enter data for a given tape, such as artist, date, location, etc...

DataFields:

<u>Artist</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
<u>Tape 1</u>	<u>min.</u>	<u>Tape 2</u>
<u>Songs</u>	<u>Jam Codes</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<u>Artist Alpha Sort</u>		

PushButtons:

<u>Data</u>	<u>Fonts</u>	<u>Songs</u>	<u>Print</u>
<u>Cut</u>	<u>Copy</u>	<u>Paste</u>	<u>Insert</u>

Artist

Enter the name of the performing artist, up to 20 characters.

Date

Enter the date of the performance using either / or - as a delimiter. The format should be mm-dd-yy.

Location

Enter the location of the performance, up to 43 characters.

Tape 1

Select the type/designation for tape 1. May also be left blank.

Tape 2

Select the type/designation for tape 2. May also be left blank.

minutes

Enter the length (in minutes) for a tape. Currently, the maximum value possible for this field is 255 min per tape.

Songs

Enter the titles of songs, up to 34 songs, maximum length of **32 characters per song**.

Comments

Enter 2 lines of comments, up to 78 characters each.

Jam Codes

Select the appropriate Jam Code (from the drop list box) for each song which requires one. Each jam code applies to the song preceding it.

Data

Press the data button to enter additional data pertaining to the current tape. This will bring up the Tape Data Dialog Box.

Fonts

Press the fonts button to select or modify fonts for the current tape. This will bring up the Label Fonts Dialog Box.

Songs

Press the songs button to open the Song Toolbox, from which you can enter songs into the current tape by selecting them from a list.

Print

Press the print button to print a label for the current tape. This will display the [Print Label Dialog Box](#).

Cut

Cuts **all** text from the control window with the current focus into and places it in the Windows' clipboard. If the focus is currently on a songtitle, all remaining songs on the same tape are moved up.

Copy

Copies **all** text from the control window with the current focus into and places it in the *Windows'* clipboard.

Paste

Places text from the clipboard (if available) into the control window with the current focus, overwriting and text currently in the window.

Insert

Places text from the clipboard (if available) into the control window with the current focus. If the focus is in a songtitle window, all songs for that tape are moved down so the song is *inserted* into the list. If the current focus is not a song title, this button has the same effect as pressing the Paste button.

Artist Alpha Sort

Artist Alpha Sort is special text used only for file sorting. This field is useful for instances when the "artist" field contains a name, i.e. Bob Dylan, which you want to sort by "last name-first name", but you want to appear "first name-last name" on the tape label. In this case you would enter "Bob Dylan" into the artist field, and "Dylan,Bob into the "Artist Alpha Sort" field. If this field is left blank, sort will use the text in the "Artist" field and ignore the "Artist Alpha Sort" field.

Distributing Copies of WinTaper

Because WinTaper is shareware, there are certain rules to follow when you want to give out copies. Basically, you MUST distribute ALL of the original files and ONLY the original files - without any modifications. WinTaper MUST be installed by running the supplied install program, which creates files in directories other than wintaper itself. Do not attempt to distribute Wintaper by copying already installed files. It won't work. The following are recommended ways to distribute copies of WinTaper:

Distributing WinTaper electronically (i.e. BBS's, etc):

- 1) Distribute the original archive file (should be **wtaper10.exe** or **wtaper10.arc**)

Please make sure you have the latest version of WinTaper.

Distributing WinTaper via diskette:

- 1) If you have a WinTaper install diskette, simply DISKCOPY it.
- 2) If you have a WinTaper archive file, you can create a diskette with one of the following commands:
 - if you have the **self extracting** file wtaper10.exe...*
 - a) wtaper10.exe a:\ (or b:\)
 - if you have the **.ARC** version...*
 - b) pkxarc wtaper10.arc a:\ (or b:\)
- 3) You may distribute the original archive file (*wtaper10.exe* or *wtaper10.arc*) via diskette.

Please make sure you follow these instructions when passing out copies of WinTaper, so that everyone down the line gets a copy of WinTaper that runs properly, and I don't get phone calls late in the night asking for missing DLL or INI files! Thanks!

Getting the latest version of WinTaper

The latest version of WinTaper is always available at the following locations:

<u>Service</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Filename</u>
Terrapin Station BBS, Darien, CT	(203) 656-0134 (8-N-1)	wtaperxx.arc
The DeadBoard, Bethesda, MD	(301) 530-9346 (8-N-1)	wtaperxx.exe
Compuserve Information System	GO ROCKNET LIB 7	wtaperxx.exe

where **xx** = the version number, i.e. wtaper10.exe = version 1.0 *oh, the new math!*



Tools | **P**ack / **U**n-Delete

See Also:

[Pack | Undelete Tapes Dialog Box](#)

[Main Menu Commands](#)

Select Tools | Pack / Un-Delete either to Pack the current tape file or to Un-Delete tapes marked for deletion. If tapes are marked for deletion, the Pack / Un-Delete Dialog Box will allow you select individual tapes for un-deletion, or allow you to pack the file. If there are no tapes marked for deletion, this menu item and the corresponding pushbutton will be disabled.

Packing a file permanently removes deleted tapes so be careful!

packing a file

When you delete a tape using **Edit | Cut**, **Edit | Delete**, or whatever way you may have figured out to delete tapes, they do not actually get deleted, rather, they are hidden from the user and marked for deletion. Packing a file permanently removes these marked tapes from the file, making the file smaller. Having too many deleted tapes in a file will adversely affect Wintaper's performance. If you delete a lot of entries, it helps to periodically pack the file. If the amount of deleted tapes in a file exceeds 25%, WinTaper will warn you and suggest (strongly) packing the file at that point. You also have the option of Un-Deleting tapes.

undeleting a tape

When you delete a tape using **E**dit | **C**ut, **E**dit | **D**ele~~t~~e, or whatever way you may have figured out to delete tapes, they do not actually get deleted, rather, they are hidden from the user and marked for deletion. Selecting **T**ools | **P**ack / **U**n-Delete from the main menu will display all tapes currently marked for deletion. To undelete a tape, highlight the desired tape in the listbox and press the Un-Delete button. The undeleted tape will appear at the bottom of the list in the main window, but physically it remains in the same slot in the file it occupied when it was deleted, thus, it is not necessary to sort the file in order to place the undeleted tape in the proper slot. The undeleted tape will appear in its normal position when the file is opened again.



Tools | **S**ort Tape List

See Also:

[Sort Options Dialog Box](#)

[Main Menu Commands](#)

Select **T**ools | **S**ort Tape List to sort the current file. You will have the option of selecting up to 3 data fields to sort by, and control over whether the sort will be ascending or descending. If the current tape list contains tapes marked for deletion, you will have the option of packing the file while sorting.

Sort Options Dialog Box

Select the various options for sorting the current file. WinTaper will remember the options selected when the file was last sorted. Pressing cancel aborts the sort process and does not update the last sort options.

Sort By:

Field 1: The primary sort index. WinTaper sorts by this field first, if two or more tapes have the same value in this field (i.e. same artist) WinTaper will then attempt to sort these tapes by Field 2.

Field 2: If two or more tapes have the same values in Field 1, WinTaper will compare and attempt to sort by the values in Field 2. Thus you could sort your list "ascending by artist" but within each artist list most recent tapes first by selecting "descending by date" for field 2. If two or more tapes have the same values for Fields 1 and 2, WinTaper will attempt to sort them by Field 3.

Field 3: If two or more tapes are the same through comparisons between fields 1 and 2, say, the same artist on the same day in two different locations, WinTaper will sort these tapes by the values in Field 3.

Other Options:

Pack file while sorting: If there are tapes marked for deletion in the current file, checking this option makes WinTaper pack the file while sorting, thus permanently deleting any such tapes. When this check box is disabled, it indicates that there are no tapes marked for deletion, thus the checkbox is ignored, regardless of whether it is checked or not.

Clear Filter after sorting: If there is a filter currently active, checking this option will disable the filter after the file is sorted, thus after sorting, all tapes in the file will be visible in the main window. When this check box is disabled, it indicates that there is no filter active, and the checkbox is ignored, regardless of whether it is checked or not.

Reset: Pressing the reset button sets all sort options back to their defaults, sorting ascending by artist, date, location. These defaults are not updated to the last sort options until OK is pressed and the file is sorted.

Pack | Undelete Tapes Dialog Box

The Pack | Undelete tapes dialog box allows you to view tapes marked for deletion, and either permanently delete the or un-mark them for deletion, thereby "undeleting" them. *This dialog box can only be accessed when there are tapes marked for deletion in the current file, otherwise, it's button and menu item will be disabled.*

To Undelete Tapes:

Select a tape to undelete from the list box and press undelete. The tape will be added to bottom of the main list box. Repeat this procedure for as many tapes as you wish to undelete. If you undelete all tapes marked for deletion, the dialog box will close itself.

To Pack the File:

Press pack to permanently delete all tapes in the pack/undelete listbox from the current file. Tapes cannot be recovered after packing a file, so be careful.

Song Toolbox

The song toolbox enables the user to select songs from a listbox and paste/insert them into the current songlist, rather than having to type in all song data manually - *provided the song already exists somewhere else in the file*. There are a number of different ways to use the song toolbox in conjunction with the Add/Edit Tape Dialog Box to enter or modify a songlist. Before using the song toolbox, be sure to select a paste/insert point in the Add/Edit Tape Dialog Box. To do this, simply click the left mouse button on the song you wish to replace or insert before, otherwise, WinTaper will use Song 1 of Tape 1 as the current paste/insert point. If you have been editing the songlist of the current tape already, the paste/insert point will be the last song edited before the songs button was pressed. To update or change the current paste/insert point, click the left mouse button on the song you wish to replace or insert before in the Add/Edit Tape Dialog Box.

Paste Insert Select Using the Song Toolbox

Paste

Gets the text currently in the edit window of the Song Toolbox and places it in the edit window of the currently selected song (the current paste/insert point) of the Add/Edit Dialog box, thereby replacing the text currently at the paste/insert point. The paste/edit point (of the Add/Edit Dialog) is set to the next song, i.e. after the song just replaced.

Insert

Gets the text currently in the edit window of the Song Toolbox and places it in the edit window of the currently selected song (the current paste/insert point). The song previously at the paste/insert point, and all songs after it, are moved down. If the list exceeds the allowable limit, it is truncated, i.e. songs that scroll off the bottom are gone.

Select

Get the text currently selected in the listbox of the song toolbox and places it in the edit window of the song toolbox, ready to be pasted or inserted as desired. If you are selecting songs by clicking the mouse on the listbox of the song toolbox, the edit window is updated automatically so you don't need to press this button.

Using the Song Toolbox

Before performing any of the following procedures, **be sure to set the paste/insert point** in the Add/Edit Dialog Box by clicking on the song you wish to paste over/ insert before. Otherwise, WinTaper will default to song 1 of tape 1. Also remember that **after** every Paste or Insert command, the current Paste/Insert point is incremented by 1.

Method 1: Mouse Only

- 1) Select a song from the listbox by single-clicking it.
- 2) The songtitle should now appear in the edit box.
- 3) Click **Paste** or **Insert** to paste the text into the Add/Edit dialog box
- 4) **Repeat steps 1 - 3** as needed to complete the setlist.

Method 2: Mouse & Keyboard

- 1) **Click** in the **edit window** of the song toolbox. Delete any text already present in the edit box.
- 2) Start typing a song title. The listbox below will follow/update if a song match is found.
- 3) When you have typed enough so the song you want is highlighted in the list box click **SELECT**.
- 4) The complete songtitle should now appear in the edit box.
- 5) Press **ENTER** to paste the text into the Add/Edit dialog box.
- 6) **Repeat steps 2 - 5** as needed to complete the setlist.

Method 3: Keyboard (*fastest way*)

- 1) **Click** in the **edit window** of the song toolbox. Delete any text already present in the edit box.
- 2) Start typing a song title. The listbox below will follow/update if a song match is found.
- 3) When you have typed enough so the song you want is highlighted in the list box press **ALT-S**.
- 4) The complete songtitle should now appear in the edit box.
- 5) Press **ENTER** to paste the text into the Add/Edit dialog box.
- 6) **Repeat steps 2 - 5** as needed to complete the setlist.

WinTaper Button Bar



Open File

Opens an existing WinTaper .wtf file



New File

Creates a new WinTaper .wtf file



Print Label

Prints a label for the current tape



Edit Cut

Cut the current tape and place in Windows Clipboard



Edit Copy

Copy the current tape into the Windows Clipboard



Edit Paste

Paste a tape from the clipboard into the current file



Edit Tape

Edit data for the currently selected tape



Preview

Preview a tape label for the currently selected tape



Song Window

Hides or Shows the Song Window



Label Fonts

Select fonts to appear on label for the current tape



Edit Jam Codes

Edit WinTaper Jam Codes



Add Tape

Add a tape to the current tape file



Delete Tape

Delete the currently select tape



Sort Tape List

Sort the tape list



Pack / Undelete

Pack or Undelete tapes marked for deletion



Search

Search for tapes matching search criteria



Filter

Filter data in the main window



Multi Song Search

Multi Song Search



Help

This handy help file

Reporting Errors

In the unlikely event that you do encounter an error or problem, the only way I can fix the problem is if you let me know it exists. If the problem is a **General Protection Fault** or **Application Error**, I need to know the address(es) at which the error is occurring. This is the hexadecimal number that looks like this:

0001:0A48. If there is some other problem, try to be as specific as possible as to exactly what is going wrong, what steps lead up to the problem, and any other observations you think may be helpful in solving the problem.

Report any problems with WinTaper to the following Electronic Addresses:

<u>Service</u>	<u>User Name / ID</u>
CompuServe Mail:	75103,2616
Internet Mail:	75103.2616@compuserve.com
<u>Terrapin Station</u>	Morning Dew
RIME DeadNet:	DAN TEPPER

Or write to:

**WinTaper - Dan Tepper
107 10th Ave #8
Belmar, NJ 07719**

Copy Fonts

See Also:

[Copy Fonts Dialog Box](#)

[Label Fonts Dialog Box](#)

Allows you to copy fonts from the current tape into other tapes in the list. Allows you to copy typefaces, sizes, or both. This is useful if you come up with a font scheme for a particular artist, and you wish to have all your other tapes by that same artist also have the same fonts. Select the master tape, (from which you wish to copy fonts), open the Label Fonts Dialog Box, and then press the **COPY** button.

Copy Fonts Dialog Box

See Also:

[Label Fonts Dialog Box](#)

Artist(s):

All: Tapes by all artists are included in the copy process, subject, of course, to other selected options.

Selected: Enter an artist name or select one from the drop list box. Only tapes by the selected artist will be included in the copy process, subject to other options.

*Choosing **selected** and leaving the edit window blank has the same effect as selecting **All**.*

Include Formats:

Check the formats you want included in the font copy process. Those unchecked will not be included. Thus, you can update fonts for only DAT tapes, or Cassettes, etc...In combination with the **Fonts To Copy** options, this makes a powerful tool in maintaining a consistent look in your tape labels. If no formats are selected, no fonts will be copied, regardless of other options selected.

Fonts To Copy:

Check the fonts you wish to copy. This way you can change any specific fonts, and leave others unchanged. In combination with the **Include Formats** options, this makes a powerful tool in maintaining a consistent look in your tape labels.

Other Options:

Verify Changes: When selected, WinTaper will prompt before each font change. Not recommended!

Copy Sizes: When selected, font size attributes will be copied to each tape in the process.

Copy Typefaces: When selected, typefaces will be copied to each tape in the process.

If neither Copy Sizes or Copy Typefaces is checked, nothing will happen, regardless of other options selected!

Preview Window

The preview window lets you see what a tape label will look like when printed. It is indispensable for creating custom tape labels because you can see how font changes affect the look of your label. Also, the preview window mimics some of the controls available in the main WinTaper window, such as [Edit Tape](#), [Print Tape Label](#), and [Select Label Fonts](#). The view of the label may be zoomed either in preset increments, supported both by menu commands and buttons on the preview window button bar, or by a custom zoom selectable from the preview menu.

Song Window

The song window displays all songs in the current tape file. If a filter is active, only songs on tapes matching the filter are displayed. Double clicking on any song launches a song search for occurrences of the selected song.



Window | Open/Close Song Window

See Also:

[Song Window](#)

[Song Searches](#)

Displays or Hides the Song Window - an alphabetical listing of all songs in the current file matching the current [filter](#) (if any).

Multi Song Search Dialog Box

Select parameters to search for tapes containing more than one target or search song, i.e. partial setlist.

Information:

- File:** Current File Name
Filter: Name of the currently active filter, if any.

Song Search Data:

- Search For:** List of songs currently selected for searching.
Songlist: List of songs available in the current tape list.
< Add < : Adds the currently selected song in the *songlist* to the *search for* list.
Remove: Removes the currently highlighted *search for* song from the *search for* list.

Options:

- Exact Order:** Songs must appear in the exact order as searched for, without any songs in-between.
This Order: Songs appear in the order searched for, however other songs may appear in-between.
Any Order: Songs may appear in any order, with any other songs before, after or in-between

Custom Search:

Enter a songtitle or partial song title to search for, and press **ENTER** or click the **Add to Search For List** button. While you are entering text, the songlist box will update itself. You do not need to enter an entire song title to search for, i.e. searching for "drum" will match with "drum", "drums", "drum solo" and, well, you get the idea.



Tools | **M**ulti-Song Search

See Also:

[Song Searches](#)

[Multi-Song Search Dialog Box](#)

Select Tools | Multi-Song Search to match partial setlists to tapes in the current list. To search for a single song, simply double click the desired song in the [Song Window](#).

Data Search Dialog Box

See Also:

[Filtering Data](#)

File:

The current filename

Sets:

[Search Sets](#)

Dates:

[Date Options](#)

Artist:

[All](#)

Location:

[All](#)

[Selected](#)

[Selected](#)

[Exclude](#)

[Exclude](#)

Other Search Options:

[Source](#)

[Quality](#)

[Formats](#)

Buttons:

[Add Set](#)

[Edit Name](#)

[Save Set](#)

[Delete Set](#)

Date Search/Filter Options

Uncheck Ignore to activate date options. Then select the desired date option and fill in the required target date. If range is selected, you must enter two dates to complete the range. Any valid date delimiter (/ - , .) may be used, even if it is not the current default date delimiter. Single digit numbers do not require leading 0's, i.e. entering 1/1/80 or 01/01/80 will work, except for the year, which will require a leading 0, as in 1/1/05 for Jan 1, 2005, for example. When before or after is selected, WinTaper interprets these to mean "before or on xxxx" and "on or after xxxx". When a range is selected, the two limiting values are included in the range.

All Artists

Artist field is ignored by the search/filter. All artists are included.

Selected Artist

Only tapes matching the artist (text) in the Artist Selection box are included in the search/filter.

Exclude Artist

All artists **except** the artist in the Artist Selection box are included in the search/filter. Great for searching/filtering things like "Non-Dead Tapes."

All Locations

Location field is ignored by the search/filter. All locations are included.

Selected Location

Only tapes matching the location (text) in the Location Selection box are included in the search/filter.

Exclude Location

All locations **except** the artist in the Location Selection box are included in the search/filter.

Source Search/Filter Options

Select the source you wish to search/filter for or check **Ignore** to search for all sources.

Quality Search/Filter Options

Select the quality rating you wish to search/filter for or check **ignore** to search for all quality ratings. You must also select a quality limiter, better than, equal to, or worse than when searching/filtering by quality.

Add Set

Add a new filter/search set with the current filter/search settings.

Edit Name

Edit the name of the current filter/search set.

Save Set

Saves the current filter/search setting into the current filter/search set. This command has the effect of an **update set** command.

Delete Set

Delete the current filter/search set. If you delete the active filter, the filter is reset.



Tools | Data Search

See Also:

[Data Search Dialog Box](#)

Select **Tools | Data Search** to search the current file for tapes matching certain criteria. Up to 8 search/results windows may be opened simultaneously.

File Filter Dialog Box

See Also:

Filtering Data

File:

The current filename

Dates:

Date Options

Location:

All

Selected

Exclude

Other Search Options:

Source

Quality

Formats

Buttons:

Add Set

Edit Name

Save Set

Delete Set

Sets:

Filter Sets

Artist:

All

Selected

Exclude

Formats Search/Filter Options

Check the tape formats you wish to include in the current search/filter. If all formats are unchecked, WinTaper will include ALL tape formats.



Tools | **F**ilter List Data

See Also:

[File Filter Dialog Box](#)

[Filtering Data](#)

Select **T**ools | **F**ilter List Data to filter data from the main WinTaper list box. You will have the option of selecting a preset filter or creating a new one. Filtering Data affects many other WinTaper functions/features.

Non-Standard Date Dialog Box

See Also:

[Add/Edit Tape Dialog Box](#)

When WinTaper detects a non-traditional date or the user presses the date button in the Add/Edit dialog box, WinTaper displays the Non-Standard Date dialog box, where you may enter incomplete dates.

List Box Preferences Dialog Box

See Also:

[Preferences Dialog Box](#)

Overview:

Select the data you wish to appear in each column of each different kind of listbox that WinTaper uses. You can also select **any font** and **any point size** for each font in each listbox. Keep in mind that if you use a proportional font (which is basically every standard windows font except for **System Fixed** and **Courier New**) columns will appear jagged because all the characters in a proportional font are not the same width.

Resetting Defaults:

To **reset** all fonts to one of the two WinTaper defaults, **check** the appropriate **radio button**, either **System Fixed** or **Courier New 14**, press the **Reset Defaults** button, then press **OK** to accept the new settings.

If the listbox column contents have changed, WinTaper will automatically re-read the file data with the new column contents.

Open/Close Song Window

See Also:

[Song Window](#)

[Song Searches](#)

Hides or displays the song window. When visible, the song window is the panel on the right of the main WinTaper window with all songs in the file (matching the current filter) displayed in ascending alphabetical order.

Refresh Song Window

Reads all songtitle data from the file into the Song Window. If you have added songs, they are added to the automatically. The only time you may want to refresh the song window is if you have deleted many tapes. The song window is refreshed each time a file is opened, and each time a filter is used.

Minimize all windows

Minimizes all open WinTaper Windows (including the main window) into the WinTaper icon. When the main **window is acting as a parent** (see [Preferences Dialog Box](#)), this has the same effect as pressing the minimize button on the main WinTaper window.

Minimize child windows

Minimizes all open WinTaper child windows, dialog boxes, etc. These "child windows" are the preview window, font window, edit window, any song search results, etc.. **The main Wintaper window stays open.**

Show/Hide Welcome Screen

Toggles displaying/hiding the opening bitmap from the WinTaper boot sequence on screen while Wintaper is running. WinTaper will automatically close this window when it terminates. (*people asked for this one!*)

Column Contents

Select the fields you wish to export to text/file/clipboard/printer.

Save To File

Check Save To File to save the ASCII export to an ASCII text file with the default .txt extension.

Filename

Enter the filename to save text to or click **Browse** to select an output file.

Run Editor

If you are exporting ASCII data to an ASCII text file and you check this box, WinTaper will load the newly created file into you default Windows text editor.

Copy To Clipboard

Selecting this option causes the current ASCII file export to be placed in the Windows Clipboard, from which it can be pasted into any windows application which accepts text via the clipboard, i.e. your favorite word processor or spreadsheet. This is a very useful feature.

Browse

Press Browse to create or find a file to export to, or to save a text file to a different directory than the current working directory.

CR or CRLF

Select whether lines exported to the clipboard are terminated with a carriage return or carriage return + line feed. This affects the formatting of certain word processors when pasting WinTaper ASCII text data into them. Experiment with what works for you here.

Delimited Fields

WinTaper will place a delimiting character of your choice between data fields of the ASCII export. A good delimiter choice for exporting to word processors is the TAB character, which expands to form columns.

Add Form Feeds

When selected, WinTaper will add an ASCII FF character. This is necessary for some direct ASCII to laser print dumps, or for simple formatting of an ASCII text file.

Line Spacing

Select the desired spacing between lines on the printed tape list, single, double or 1 1/2.

Page Numbers

When this option is selected, WinTaper will add page numbers to the tape list printout.

Page Margins

Set the four page margins, **top**, **left**, **bottom** and **right**, expressed in **decimal english**, i.e. $.50 = 1/2$ inch, $.25 = 1/4$ inch, etc.

Copies

Select the number of copies of the tape list you wish to print.

Font and Size

Select the typeface and size for the tape list printout. Usually, you need only **specify the typeface** and use **AUTO** for the size - WinTaper will calculate the best size for the typeface you select based on the actual data.

Generation

Select the generation to print in the current label.

NR / Speed

Check the NR / Speed / sampling rate to print onto the current label. This will not change any setting previously stored with the tape.

Printer

Select the printer to print to.

