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Introduction

File Sweeper is a convenient utility designed to allow the deletion of files created by the build tools of Microsoft Visual C++. It was designed to be used from the **Tools** menu in Visual C++.

File Sweeper presents a list of files that are created during the build process of Visual C++ and allows all or some of the files to be deleted.

Using File Sweeper

Using **File Sweeper** is quite simple. The main display consists of a menu bar, tool bar, and list box. All the **File Sweeper** specific speakers are available on the tool bar, so I will only describe those. Options such as those on the **View** menu are standard MS-Windows commands.



This option deletes all files listed in the list box. If the **Prompt Deletion** option is on, a message box will prompt you for confirmation of the deletion.



This option becomes available when files in the list box are selected. When **Delete** is pushed, selected files will be deleted. If the **Prompt Deletion** option is on, a message box will prompt you for confirmation of the deletion.



This option updates the list of files in the list box. This is useful after changing the list of extensions to be displayed in the list box. An Update operation is automatically performed whenever the current drive or directory is changed with the **Change Directory Dialog**.



This option displays the **Extentions Info Dialog**. The **Extentions Info Dialog** allows you to change the list of extensions. See [Configuring File Sweeper](#) for more information.



This option displays the **Change Directory Dialog**. The **Change Directory Dialog** allows you to change the current working drive and directory. If you press **OK** to exit the dialog, the current working drive and directory will be changed and an update operation will be performed.



This option displays the **About Dialog**.

Configuring File Sweeper

File Sweeper is configurable using the **Extentions Info Dialog**. This dialog allows the convenient editing of parameters stored in the SWEEPER.INI file (stored in the Windows directory). For each extension, you can change :

- 1) The path to files of this extension (relative to the current project directory).
- 2) The description of this extension type.
- 3) Whether or not files with this extension are displayed in the list of files to be deleted.

Once you press OK in the **Extentions Info Dialog**, configuration information is saved to the SWEEPER.INI file.

Shareware Information

This program is ShareWare. If you use **File Sweeper** for more than 14 days, you should register the software with the author. If you choose not to register, you should discontinue use of **File Sweeper**.

Registration entitles you to the latest version of the software on diskette. Also, the **About** dialog box will not pop up when the program is started.

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What's New

I have changed my policy. Now the unregistered version of the software has all the features of the release version (except for the About box which shows up when the program is run).

Version 1.2 of File Sweeper has many more features than the shareware release of 1.0. They include :

1. Lower Price.
2. HyperText Help System.
3. Ability to add and remove extensions from the list.
4. Real support for paths in the extensions dialog.
5. New/Snazzier icons.
6. The ability to change directories.
7. Automatic installation in the Visual C++ Tools menu.

