

# File Buddy™ 6.1.2

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What the Easy Install places on your disk:

## Application

A PowerPC-only version of File Buddy. There is no release of File Buddy 6 for 68K Macintoshes.

File Buddy CP - A control panel for using File Buddy as the default find file and Get Info applications.

If your system software supports contextual menus:

Open in File Buddy and File Buddy CM - Contextual menu plug-ins for users of MacOS 8.0 or later, installed in the Contextual Menu Items folder.

Change Creator CM - Another contextual menu plug-in, installed in a Contextual Menu Plug-Ins folder in the File Buddy folder.

Important Things to Read - A folder containing a Read Me file; the 'Purchasing/Upgrading FB' file; 'About the Online Help'; and the 'Read These FAQs' file.

File Buddy Support folder - The HTML help files, folder icon templates, and plug-ins.

Bookmark Files - Bookmark files for Navigator and Internet Explorer that will take you to the Kagi payment page for File Buddy.

## Custom Installs:

There is an installation option to install only the File Buddy application and documentation.

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### Changes and Fixes in 6.1.2 - August 11, 2001

#### Fixes

Fixed some cosmetic issues in the Find window.

### Changes and Fixes in 6.1.1 - July 12, 2001

#### Changes

In the Find window, the options 'File is not an alias' and 'File is not stationery' no longer keep the search from reporting folders.

#### Fixes

Some submenu selections were being ignored because of early code changes for the Carbon release. Fixed.

### Changes and Fixes in 6.1 - June 14, 2001

#### Changes

If in the process of copying files, a file cannot be copied, File Buddy will offer the option to create an alias to the file which could not be copied.

The Rename file dialog now has an option to shorten names if necessary.

Multiple file renaming now offers a choice for replacing once or multiple times so you can change names like "A file name with spaces" to "A\_file\_name\_with\_spaces". Droplets have been updated to take advantage of the change.

Preferences folder checking now checks for temporary desktop database files created when DVDs are mounted, and for large Remote Access log files.

With versions of the OS prior to OS 8.5, File Buddy now attempts to use InternetConfig to open the help in your preferred browser.

#### Fixes

File Buddy would hang if a file in a file list was moved in the Finder and then trashed from within File Buddy. Fixed.

Fixed a few minor issues.

### Changes and Fixes in 6.0.6 - February 26, 2001

#### Fixes

Fixed a bug that could cause a crash when searching for duplicate or unique files using both data and resource contents if no duplicates were found.

### Changes and Fixes in 6.0.5 - February 14, 2001

#### Changes

Better reporting if a problem is encountered renaming multiple files.

Changed the orphaned files progress window to use an extending progress bar.

Dialogs used to rename multiple files now allow switching to other applications.

#### Fixes

Fixed a bug that could cause a crash when deleting a large number of items from a file list.

The contextual menu items in the file list window to add types and creators to the info window pop-up menus now work correctly.

A change in v6.0.4 will keep File Buddy from launching with versions of the OS prior to 8.5. Fixed.

Droplets would not report memory settings if configured to changed an application's memory setting.

Fixed.

If File Buddy needed to create an Icon file to add a custom icon to a folder, the file was being left visible.

Fixed.

InternetConfig no longer needs to be loaded to launch File Buddy. People rarely disable it, but it's not required for File Buddy to run.

Minor issue fixed in file copying when a copied can't be completed.

Fixed a bug that could cause a drawing problem when using multiple monitors and crashes with some systems, though neither problem has been reported.

InternetConfig no longer needs to be loaded to get File Buddy to launch. People rarely disable it, but it's not required for File Buddy to run.

### Changes and Fixes in 6.0.4 - January 25, 2001

#### Changes

The duplicate file selection dialog (accessed from the file list window) is no longer modal. As a direct consequence, the online help opens to the correct page when the help button is clicked in that dialog.

Moved buttons at the bottom of the Questionable Preferences window to the upper right corner to be consistent with other windows.

Minor changes to the code to better accommodate translations to other languages.

Alerts now allow switching to other applications unless displayed as the result of a drag operation.

#### Fixes

Fixed a bug that could cause a crash when the Find window was opened and no searches had ever been done.

The Find and Cancel buttons in the Find Duplicates in Selection dialog now respond to keyboard input.

Some fixes to address problems in OS 8.1. Some problems still remain for some users.

Fixed a problem that could cause File Buddy to hang when you tried to add a column to a file list.

Fixed a problem that would keep the help from opening if the Help folder is removed from the File Buddy Support folder.

Editing version strings in the info window would cause a crash. Fixed.

Fixed a couple of other minor issues.

## Changed and Fixes in 6.0.3 - January 10, 2001

### Changes

File Buddy now displays an alert if an error is encountered while displaying the online help, and adds the option to move the File Buddy Help folder to the system's Help folder in addition to copying it.

### Fixes

Corrected the payment address in the payment form generated by File Buddy.

The custom install to install only the File Buddy application would not install all of the online help. Fixed.

Erasing unused space on large volumes could still cause File Buddy to hang. Fixed better.

Check Aliases could report one good alias as unattached. Fixed.

The Connect button in the Unattached Aliases window was not relocating when the alias list was resized. Fixed.

The View Icon Family window no longer draws 1-bit icons in the spaces for 32-bit icons if 32-bit icons are not supported.

Expanding the list of disks in the Find window could cause a crash. Fixed.

Information in the File Buddy CP control panel has been updated.

References in this document to beta releases have been removed.

A few people have reported that File Buddy crashes when they try to use the desktop rebuilding command. We believe what may be happening is a hang that results from a process that will not quit. That code has been rewritten to prevent hanging if a process won't quit, and it no longer tries to get background processes to quit.

## Fixes in 6.0.2 - January 3, 2001

### Fixes

Erasing unused space on large volumes could cause File Buddy to hang. Fixed.

Droplets would not open with versions of the OS prior to 9. Fixed.

## Fixes in 6.0.1 - January 3, 2001

### Fixes

The info window and icon viewer window were not displaying 32-bit custom folder icons. Fixed.

File Buddy would not open with versions of the OS prior to 9. This was a problem in one of the betas, and the one detail of the fix did not make it into the 6.0 release. Fixed.

## Compatibility with MacOS 8.1, 8.6 and 9.0

File Buddy was developed and tested using MacOS 8.6 and 9.0. While it has been designed to run on System 7.6 and later, has been tested to a lesser extent with versions of the Macintosh operating system prior to 8.5. No problems using File Buddy with OS 9.1 have been reported.

Read the Known Problems section in the installed Read Me for a description of some minor issues in MacOS 8.1 and earlier releases of the system software.

### Disclaimer:

Every effort has been made to insure File Buddy is as reliable and stable as possible. Nevertheless, as with all software, you use File Buddy entirely at your own risk.

Please send any information concerning bugs, unexpected behaviors, or suggestions to one of the e-mail addresses below.

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