

Registration

File Buddy is shareware.

Shareware is try-before-you-buy-software. (It is not use-it-as-long-as-you-like-for-free software. That kind of software is called freeware.) If you like it and use it, please register as follows:

Registered Alias Director users: \$20

Registered File Buddy 1.x users: \$15

Registered File Buddy 2.x users: \$5 if registered before Oct 1, 1994. If you registered after Oct 1, 1994, the upgrade is free when you ask for the new code.

All others: \$25

Alias Director and File Buddy users should include their registration codes.

As little as these amounts seem, it really makes a difference--at least in my case--when people send it in. It takes a lot of time to design, write, and debug software. It then takes even more time and some money to send out registration codes and provide technical support. And then there are taxes, but this has been so much fun, let's not get depressing.

CompuServe users: Users can register or upgrade via CompuServe's SWREG as soon as I get ID numbers for 3.0. Please don't register for 2.0 instead, as that will confuse my records and you may not get the correct code.

Why \$5 more?

1) Because CIS takes 15% for this service.

2) There is a delay of up to 60 days for me to get money from SWREG registrations.

The discount for Alias Director users is not available if you register via SWREG.

Site licenses are available at the following rates:

First copy: \$25

Copies 2 - 5: \$20 each

Copies 6 - 10: \$16 each

Copies 11 - 30: \$12 each

Copies 30 and above: \$10 each

For example, the fee for 8 copies would be:

$\$25 + \$20 \times 4 + \$16 \times 3 = \153

If you have a site license for a previous version of File Buddy, contact me for a site license upgrade.

Foreign Users: If you are outside the US, please send the fee in US funds. At best, my bank has to submit foreign currency and checks to a federal reserve bank to collect payment, which entails a delay. At worst is the case of the \$25 check from someone in Italy whose bank wanted \$35 to process it. US cash is OK by me, and brand new specimens of your currency are an option if I agree ahead of time.

One exception: due to the response of Japanese users, I will accept Japanese currency under the following conditions: 1) Paper only-no coins. 2) Add 5% to cover the cost of exchanging and possible changes in the exchange rate. Expect to wait a little extra for a response while I collect enough to make it worth exchanging it at the bank.

I do not take credit cards. I'm just a guy writing software and getting a few checks. I looked into this and it would be a big hassle for me at the present time to set myself up to accept credit cards.

Please do not send registered mail. The only practical difference seems to be that I usually have to make a special trip to the post office to get it.

When you register, PLEASE let me know where you got it, more important, what version you are registering (this is on the registration form if you print it out), and that you are registering File Buddy, as I have more than one piece of software out there, and they use different registration codes. If you send me a check and all you say is "for shareware" and I can't figure out what you're registering, I'll take your name down, cash your check, and when you write me and say "Why didn't you send my File Buddy registration code?", I'll send it.

If you have an e-mail address, PLEASE include it. I'll e-mail your registration code to you, and it will get there much faster. While my recent printer purchase has reduced the delay with written replies, they are still done on a batch basis, so it will still take a little longer to get a response if I don't have an e-mail address for you. I can mail to CompuServe, AOL, Internet, AppleLink, Genie, and NiftyServe addresses.