

Rename Delay Editor!

Rename Delay Editor! lets you modify the rename delay behavior of the Finder. The rename delay is one of the annoying features Mac users gained when upgrading to System 7. This program lets you turn the delay on and off and change the delay time. Written in response to MacWeek's 9/17/91 MacInTouch Column.

Credit For The Patches:

MacWeek, 9/17/91, page 46: "There is no direct user control over this rename delay, but reader Steve Kiene at Mindvision Software figured out how to make the adjustments by using a resource editor on Finder 7.0."

Steve deserves the credit for discovering these patches. I'm merely making it more accessible for a larger Mac audience who do not want to use a file editor.

Contents of the Rename Delay Editor! Package

- The Rename Delay Editor! Application is, of course, the primary item in the package.

Instructions for using it come a bit later in this file.

- The "Rename Delay Editor! READ ME!" file is this document.
- The "Blurbs f" folder contains information about other programs available from Insanely Great Software.
- The "Rename Delay Editor! Order Form" is what you'll use when you register your copy of the program. Just print it out and send it in, along with your check or money order. It's a text file, and can be read and printed with TeachText or most other word processors.
- The "Rename Delay Editor! Order Form.MW" is a MacWrite version of the order form. If you can read MacWrite files, use this document.

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Rename Delay Editor! Pascal Source Code is Available!

The complete Pascal source code to Rename Delay Editor! is now available. The Rename Delay Editor! Source Code, along with Rename Delay Editor! registration, is now only \$19.95! That’s only an additional \$9.95 for the source code. I’m sure that all programmers will be interested in learning how Rename Delay Editor! **really** works.

Using Rename Delay Editor!: An Example

1) Make a copy of the **Finder** from your System Folder. One way to do this is to hold down the option key while dragging the Finder out of your System Folder.

2) Double Click on the **Finder 7 Menus!** icon to launch the program.

3) Select the **Open a Finder...** menu item from the Control menu.

4) Find the Finder that you just copied and open it. Do not attempt to open the Finder that is in your System Folder. Nothing bad will happen. You will just have to repeat step 3 if you select the one in your System Folder.

5) You should see a check box and radio buttons.

6) If you’d like to turn off the rename delay, uncheck the “Delay” check box.

7) If you’d like to change the time delay, simply press the button you prefer.

You can turn off the delay and set a time delay at the same time if you’d like. In this case, the delay will be turned off so the change in time will not have an effect. All settings will be saved though.

8) Now, move the Finder that is currently in your System Folder into another folder for temporary safe-keeping. Just make sure that it is not in the System Folder and that it is not in the same place that the new Finder you were working on is.

9) Put the new Finder that you created into your System Folder.

10) Reboot. Your changes should now take effect. Now you can delete your old Finder if you’d like, since it isn’t necessary anymore.

11) If you liked this program, send in your registration! :)

Instead of copying the Finder and putting it back in the System Folder, you can run Application—Document Linker! from a different startup disk. Then you can edit the Finder on your hard drive or another floppy. I recommend that you make a startup disk and put the entire System 7 Pack on it. Then just boot from that disk whenever you want to make any changes.

More Information

The Apple Menu:

About Rename Delay Editor! - Shows about box.

The Control Menu:

Open an Finder application... - This option lets you open a copy of the Finder. You can also press Command Key “O” to access this menu item.

Close the Finder - This option lets you close the current Finder that you are working on. All settings will be saved. It is not necessary to use this option if you do not plan to open a different Finder in the same session.

Quit - Quits Rename Delay Editor! and saves any changes you made! You can also press Command Key “Q” to access this menu item.

Technical Support

Technical support is available to all owners of Rename Delay Editor! at no charge. You may also contact our technical support staff (i.e., the author!) if you have any problems with Rename Delay Editor! We’re also very open to suggestions for improvements to the program.

Also, if you have any ideas for other ways to Rename Delay Editor!, please contact me! I’m open to bundling Rename Delay Editor!, selling site licenses, or just about anything. It won’t hurt to ask! Maybe we can help each other out!

You can also call the author direct at (908) 549-0590 between the hours of 3 P.M. and 9 P.M. Ask for Adam Stein and he’ll be glad to be of service. He still believes in old-fashioned service with a smile!

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