

The Stuff and Add Match Dialogs

The Stuff Dialog

Adding items to the current archive, commonly called “Stuffing”, is accomplished using the Stuff dialog. The Stuff dialog is displayed by clicking the “Stuff” button in the Archive Palette, or by choosing “Stuff” (Command-S) from the Archive menu. Explanations of the controls in the Stuff dialog are explained below.

The directory list on the left of this dialog is similar to the Open dialog that allows you to select files, folders, and disks. The pop-up menu above the list indicates the folder in which the items in the list reside.

Checking “Delete item when finished” check box deletes the selected item from the disk after it has been Stuffed into the current archive.

The “Eject” button ejects the disk whose name is shown above this button.

Clicking the “Desktop” button will make the directory list display your desktop. If using System 6, a “Drive” button will appear in the place of the “Desktop” button. Clicking “Drive” will switch between the disks available at that time.

The “Open” button makes the directory list display the items found within the folder or disk that is currently selected.

Clicking the “Add” button moves the selected item from the directory list on the left, to the items list on the right.

Clicking the “Add Match” button displays the Add Match dialog for the selected folder or disk. The Add Match dialog allows you to define criteria to be used in adding items to the current archive. After you have defined the selection criteria, you will see an icon in the item list with some lines in it to indicate that it has “Add Match criteria” associated with it. Only when the “Stuff” button is clicked will StuffIt perform a search through that folder or disk, Stuffing items that match the specified criteria. The Add Match dialog is described in detail below.

The “Remove” button removes the selected item from the item list, and places it back in the directory list. This means that this item will not be subsequently Stuffed into the current archive.

The “Items to Stuff” list contains the items that will be Stuffed into the current archive when the “Stuff” button is clicked.

Checking the “Encrypt with password” check box encrypts all items in the item list when the “Stuff” button is clicked. This feature is enabled in registered copies of the software only.

Clicking the “Cancel” button will cancel the Stuff operation and close the dialog.

To add all the items shown in the item list to the current archive, click the “Stuff” button.

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his dialog implements one of the most powerful features of StuffIt Lite. It is used to define criteria to select specific items to Stuff into an archive. You don't have to manually search through your disk to find the items you want to Stuff into the archive. StuffIt automates this for you so backing up selected files becomes automatic and simple.

The check boxes to the left indicate the name of the category that will be matched. The right side of the dialog contains boxes where you can either fill in, or choose the values that the categories can contain. The pop-up menus in between allow you to choose a comparison condition that needs to be met involving the category and the category's value.

In the Add Match dialog above, "Date Created" is one of the categories chosen; its value is "4/11/92" and the comparison condition is "is on or after". The other criterion consists of the "Date Modified" category whose comparison condition is "is between" and whose value is a range from "4/11/92" to "5/11/92".

The final result when the "OK" button is pressed will result in criteria defined that will select the files which reside in the "Old Projects" folder which were created on or after 4/11/92 and that were modified between the dates 4/11/92 and 5/11/92.