

EDI LZSSLib - v1.00

Windows LZSS Compression library by
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How do I use LZSSLib?

You may use LZSSLib with any language that supports Windows DLLs. Included with the package are 3 sample files; one for Turbo Pascal for Windows, one for C/C++, and another for Borland's ObjectVision. It is very simple to use the two functions of LZSSLib. Following is the definition for the Pascal and C versions:

Turbo Pascal for Windows

```
Function LZSSPackFile(SrcFile, DstFile : PChar) : Integer; Far;  
  External 'EDILZSSA' Index 100;
```

```
Function LZSSUnPackFile(SrcFile, DstFile : PChar) : Integer; Far;  
  External 'EDILZSSA' Index 200;
```

C or C++

```
int FAR PASCAL LZSSPackFile(LPSTR srcFile, LPSTR dstFile);
```

```
int FAR PASCAL LZSSUnPackFile(LPSTR srcFile, LPSTR dstFile);
```

also requires a **.DEF** file with the following section:

```
IMPORTS  
  LZSSPackFile      = EDILZSSA.100  
  LZSSUnPackFile   = EDILZSSA.200
```

A call to LZSSPackFile will compress the file using the LZSS algorithm. It will insert a header at the start of the file that LZSSUnPackFile uses to verify the file during the unpacking. If the format is incorrect, you yhe routine will return an error. If a 0 (zero) is returned, all went well. Otherwise, the number returned is a MS-DOS standard error code.

The registered version includes 3 versions of the library, each is optimized for a different purpose. The first version, EDILZSSA.DLL, is the standard library, it is balanced between speed and size. EDILZSSB.DLL is optimized for speed rather than size. Finally, EDILZSSC.DLL creates the most compact files, but it takes the longest to pack and unpack. Note that the unpacking is generally quite fast, even with the "C" version.

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