



# Background File Dumper for Windows version 3

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The background file dumper is especially useful if you cannot run 'Windows' in 386enhanced mode or if you have a DOS application that does not work if you attempt to run it under windows in 386 enhanced mode.

**This is a shareware version of the program:- Registering**

## **Summary**

To use this program simply direct the output of your DOS application to a file using the in built capability of your application. Run 'Dumper' and press the 'DUMP' button. Select the file you wish to dump from the Dialog Box. Printing will then continue under windows while you continue to use your favourite windows application.

## **Commands**

Options

Dump

Cancel Printing

Exit

Pause

## **Miscellaneous**

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## **Dump**

You Press this to start of the dumping process

## **Cancel**

This will stop any dumping that is occurring

## Options

The Options dialog box is divided into 3 sections:

Print Using  
Port  
Number

### Print Using

The program can print directly using the BIOS and so avoiding windows or it can print using Windows and its print manager. The advantage of printing through the BIOS is that you do not need to have so much disk space spare. The print spooler creates a copy of the file before sending it to the printer. Printing via windows has the advantage that several jobs can be queued up. When printing via windows, printing will not start on the printer until all the document has been sent to the print manager. *Note: Not all printer drivers support the direct printing of information. If you have one of these printer drivers you will have to print via the BIOS.*

Because of the time taken to update the progress indicator you may find that printing documents which are shorter than about a page occurs more slowly than you might expect on some systems.

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### Port

Should you decide to print using the BIOS you have the choice of printing to an LPT port or a COM port. The baud rate and other information for the COM port can be set from the windows control panel.

### Number

When printing via the BIOS you can select one of the four ports avail for either the LPT ports or the COM ports. (Most computers don't usually have more than 2 of each!)

## **Exit**

This will terminate the program - if any printing is going on you will be warned

## **Pause**

This will temporarily suspend any printing that is going on

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## **BIOS**

**B**asic **I**nput/**O**utput **S**ystem of the computer. Dos programs usually use the BIOS to print. BIOS is stored in Read/Only memory in the computer