

Zippity Do Da

v1.03

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For Windows v3.1 and Pkzip v2.04G

What is needed to run the program?

- 1) Zipdoda.exe
- 2) Vbrun200.dll (must be on your path)(not included)
- 3) The Pkzip v2.04G files.(must be on your path)(not included)
- 4) Pkzip.pif (included)
- 5) Pkunzip.pif (included)
- 6) Dodahelp.wri (included)

How to use!

Place Zipdoda.exe in any directory you like. Place the Dodahelp.wri file in the same directory. Then place the (2) .pif files in the directory where you keep the Pkzip and Pkunzip files. Please be sure that your Pkzip directory is your path, and that you have Vbrun200.dll in a directory on your path also. You can start Zippity Do Da by double-clicking on the Zipdoda.exe file, or you can add it to a group.

Main Screen Help:

The first screen you see offers you 5 options:

About:

This will display a small screen giving some info on Zippity Do Da.

Help:

This displays this Windows Write file, as you obviously have figured out by now!

Create a Zip:

This is what you press to enter the screen for selection of files to Zip.

Unzip A File:

This is what you press to enter the screen for selection of files to Unzip.

Exit:

This is what you press to exit the program. Also, you can exit the program at any time by double-clicking the upper left corner button of any Zippity Do Da screen.

Zip Screen:

This screen allows you to choose the files to zip and the directory or disk to zip them to.

(Remember, what it shows in the source and destination boxes is what it will do).

Source Path:

This area lets you choose the files in a directory or a drive to zip. (Please note that v1.03 does NOT allow you to choose a single file. It does a zip of the *.* pattern in the directory that you choose. I will change this most likely in v1.04). Choose the drive by a single click, the directory by a double-click. When it shows what you want in the Source window you are set on this side.

Destination Path:

Works just like the source side. In the middle of the screen is a box that by default says NEW.ZIP. Here is where you put in the name of the new zip file. I strongly recommend keeping the extension .zip but you can edit the NEW portion to almost anything you like. In version 1.01 I added the feature of updating the destination window as you change this.

Volume Label:

Yes, Zippity Do Da supports volume labels. If you leave this unchecked, it will perform a normal zip. If you check this box, the volume label will be included in the zip archive. This feature is for Pkzip v2.04G or later only.

Extra Compression:(New feature in verion 1.03)

This switch will turn on the extra compression feature during the zipping of a file. If you leave this unchecked then Pkzip will use normal compression(which is still pretty good).

Do It:

When you press this button, the directory you have in the source window is zipped into a file you have listed in the destination window. This brings up a window that shows you Pkzip in action. I know there are a few programs out that do this without showing you the progress, but personally I like to see what is happening. I also like using Pkzip to keep absolute compatability. If you do not care to see the progress of the Zip/Unzip, edit the .pif files and change it to run minimized.

Return to Main:

Pressing this exits to the main screen.

Other Notes:

I added the directory switch to all the zip commands. What this means is that if you have sub-directories under the directory you choose to zip, the subdirectories and the files in them will be included in the zip file. I added it in because it does not hurt to have it in even if there are no subdirectories involved.

Unzip Screen:

This screen allows you to choose the file to unzip and the directory or drive to unzip to. This screen works exactly like the Zip screen. Again remember, what it shows in the source and destination windows is just what it will do.

Support:

Support for this product will be handled on Exec-Pc, one of the finest BBS systems in the world. Just leave me E-mail on that system and I will try to answer any questions as they come up. My name on Exec is Rick Todd, and I am there almost daily.

Exec-Pc phone numbers:

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Subscriptions are \$75 per year, well worth the money.

Other Info!

This software is released as Helpware. If it helps you, use it! No fee will be charged.

I would also suggest you register your copy of Pkzip/Pkunzip. Cost is \$47.

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