CHAPTER THREE: I DON'T DO MANUALS…

This chapter gives a brief "Getting Started" summary of the Acme Movers package. Even if you never read manuals, you should glance over the information in this chapter. It gives you the information you need to start using Acme Movers as quickly as possible.

The remaining chapters give detailed information on customizing the way you interact with Acme Movers. Acme Movers has multiple layers of complexity, particularly in the area of customizing its control settings, that allow it to conform to the way you want to do things.

INSTALLING ACME MOVERS:

You've probably already done it: all you have to do to install Acme Movers is to copy it to your hard drive. However, see Chapter 4, "A (Short) Tutorial" for tips on "finishing" the installation and making Acme Movers easier to work with.
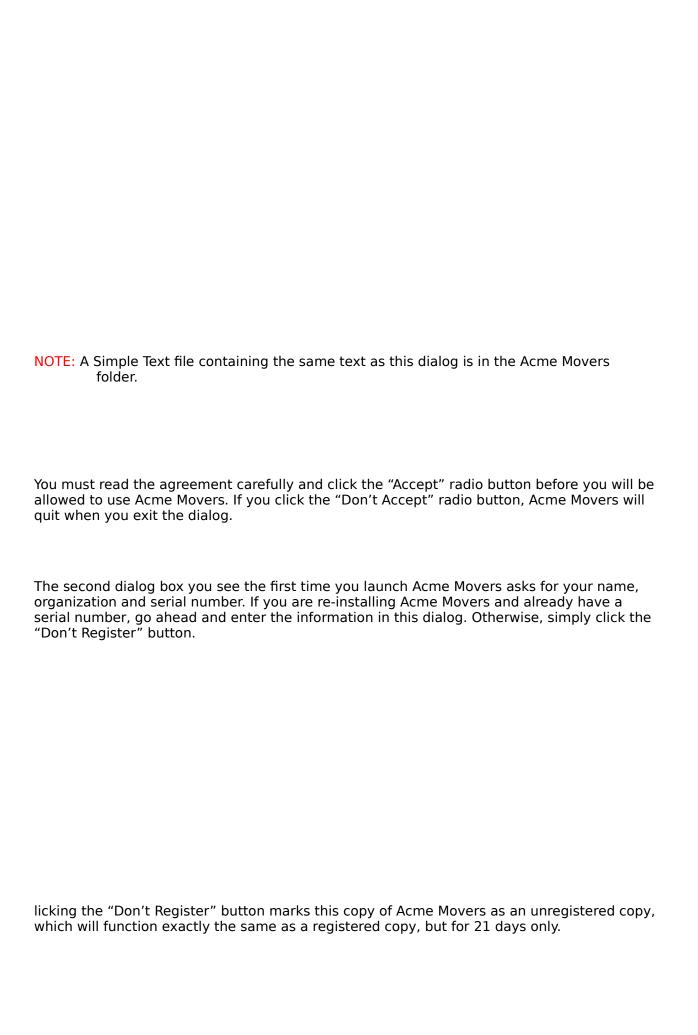
BEFORE YOU LAUNCH ACME MOVERS:

You should either duplicate the Acme Movers folder or place a copy of the compressed file (the one with the '.sit' extension) somewhere for safe keeping before you launch Acme Movers for the first time. Acme Movers allows you a 21 day free trial period. If you want to give a copy to your friends or upload a copy to a BBS or on-line service, make sure to give them a copy of the original (unlaunched) version you downloaded. That way, everyone will receive a full 21 day free trial period. Please note that this applies only to non-commercial distribution. For restrictions applying to commercial distribution, read the License Agreement (also in the Acme Movers folder).

It's also a good idea to have a copy of the unlaunched version in case the unthinkable happens and you have to re-install all the software on your hard drive.

THE FIRST TIME YOU LAUNCH ACME MOVERS:

When you first launch Acme Movers, two separate dialog boxes will come up. The first contains the License Agreement for Acme Movers.

A Simple Text file containing the same text as this dialog is in the Acme Movers folder.

You must read the agreement carefully and click the "Accept" radio button before you will be allowed to use Acme Movers. If you click the "Don't Accept" radio button, Acme Movers will quit when you exit the dialog.

The second dialog box you see the first time you launch Acme Movers asks for your name, organization and serial number. If you are re-installing Acme Movers and already have a serial number, go ahead and enter the information in this dialog. Otherwise, simply click the "Don't Register" button.

licking the "Don't Register" button marks this copy of Acme Movers as an unregistered copy, which will function exactly the same as a registered copy, but for 21 days only.

If you have not registered and received a serial number for your copy of Acme Movers before the end of the 21 day free trial period, whenever you try to launch Acme Movers a dialog box will come up offering you two choices: quit or enter your serial number.

If this happens to you, receiving a serial number to re-activate your copy of Acme Movers is a simple matter. Just fill out and return the registration form (also included in the Acme Movers folder) along with a check or money order (sorry, no credit cards) for $20.00 US to:

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3408 S. Rusk St.

Amarillo, TX 79109

If you register and receive your serial number before the end of the 21 day free trial period, you may enter your serial number by choosing the "Register Acme Movers…" item from the Apple menu (immediately below the "About Acme Movers…" item). Once you have registered your copy, the "Register…" item disappears from the Apple menu.

If you include an e-mail address when you register you will receive your serial number more quickly.

ACME MOVERS QUICK START:

The following sections outline the quickest ways to perform the various types of file/folder transfers.
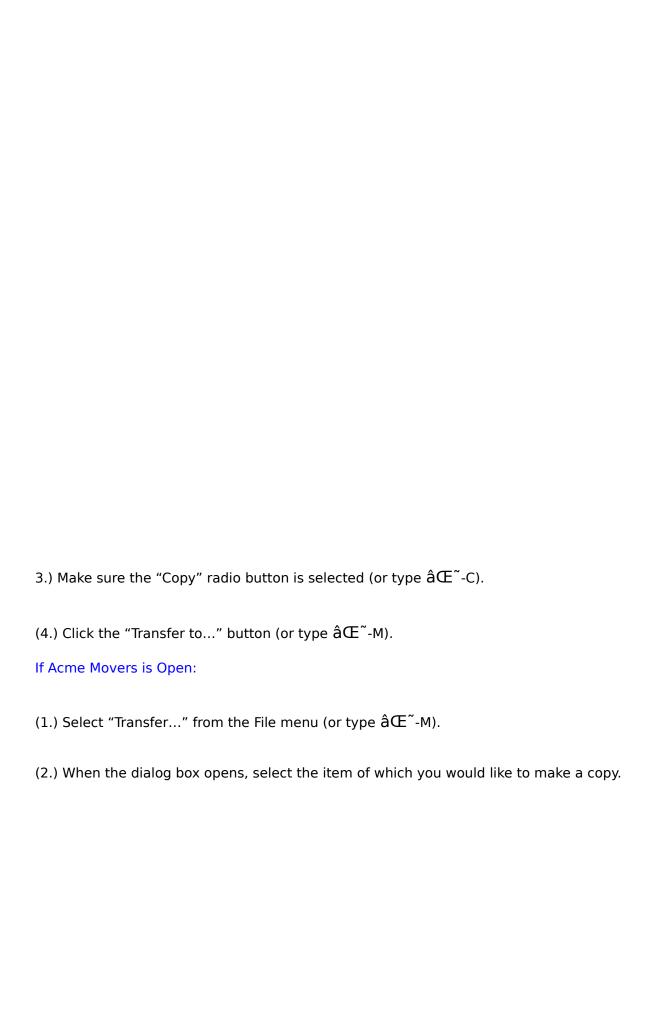
NOTE: The illustrations for the various modes are identical. Refer to the illustrations for "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders" to see what the dialogs for "Moving Files/Folders From One Location to Another" and "Move & Alias Files/Folders" look like.
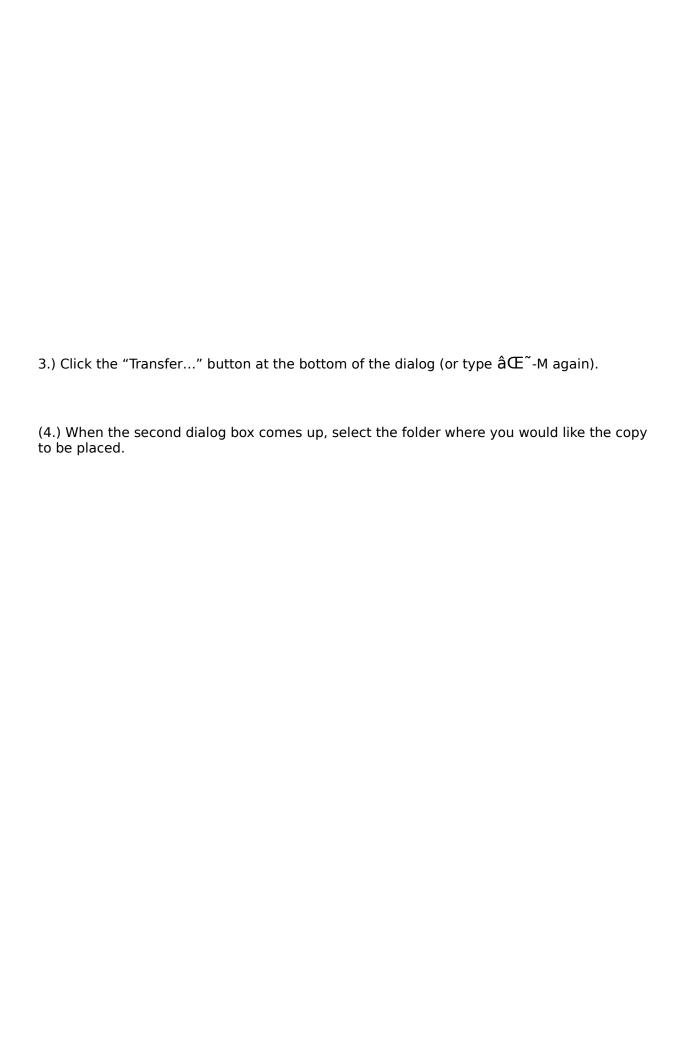
CREATING A COPY OF FILES/FOLDERS:

To create a copy of files or folders (whether on the same volume or different volumes):

(1.) Drag the item to Acme DropCopy. When Acme DropCopy highlights, release
        the item.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the copy to be
placed.

3.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).
Or…

(1.) Drag the item to Acme Movers. When Acme Movers highlights, release the
        item and then immediately press the Option key. Hold down the Option key until

        the dialog opens.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the copy to be
placed.

3.) Make sure the "Copy" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-C).

(4.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

If Acme Movers is Open:

(1.) Select "Transfer…" from the File menu (or type âŒ˜-M).

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the item of which you would like to make a copy.

3.) Click the "Transfer…" button at the bottom of the dialog (or type âŒ˜-M again).

(4.) When the second dialog box comes up, select the folder where you would like the copy to be placed.

5.) Make sure the "Copy" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-C).

(6.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

MOVING FILES/FOLDERS FROM ONE LOCATION TO ANOTHER:

To move files or folders from one location to another (whether on the same volume or different volumes):

If the Finder window containing the item is Open:

(1.) Drag the item to Acme DropMove. When Acme DropMove highlights, release
      the item.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).
Or…

(1.) Drag the item to Acme Movers. When Acme Movers highlights, release the
      item and then immediately press the Option key. Hold down the Option key until
      the dialog opens.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Make sure the "Move" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-V).

(4.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

If Acme Movers is Open:

(1.) Select "Transfer…" from the File menu (or type âŒ˜-M).

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the item you would like to move. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Click the "Transfer…" button at the bottom of the dialog (or type âŒ˜-M again).

(4.) When the second dialog box comes up, select the folder where you would like the item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(5.) Make sure the "Move" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-V).

(6.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

MOVE & ALIAS FILES/FOLDERS:

NOTE: The Finder has no direct equivalent of this transfer mode. This mode moves the original item to a new location (just as with the move mode, above) and then creates an alias of the item at the original location. This would be useful, for instance, for moving an application from the Desktop to your Applications folder and leaving an alias of the application on your Desktop where it's readily accessible.

To move and alias files or folders (whether on the same volume or different volumes):

If the Finder window containing the item is Open:

(1.) Drag the item to Acme DropAlias. When Acme DropAlias highlights, release the item.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the original item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).
Or…

(1.) Drag the item to Acme Movers. When Acme Movers highlights, release the item and then immediately press the Option key. Hold down the Option key until the dialog opens.

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the folder where you would like the original item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Make sure the "Alias" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-A).

(4.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

If Acme Movers is Open:

(1.) Select "Transfer…" from the File menu (or type âŒ˜-M).

(2.) When the dialog box opens, select the item you would like to move. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(3.) Click the "Transfer…" button at the bottom of the dialog (or type âŒ˜-M again).

(4.) When the second dialog box comes up, select the folder where you would like the original item to be placed. (See the illustration under "Creating a Copy of Files/Folders," above.)

(5.) Make sure the "Alias" radio button is selected (or type âŒ˜-A).

(6.) Click the "Transfer to…" button (or type âŒ˜-M).

DELETE FILES/FOLDERS:

NOTE: If you're wondering why you might want to have Acme Movers delete items for you instead of dragging items directly to the Trash, see Chapter 5, "Acme Droplets."

To delete files or folders:

If the Finder window containing the item is Open:

Drag the item to Acme DropDelete. When Acme DropDelete highlights, release the   item.