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TrashCan: The intelligent Windows trashcan

Yet another Windows TrashCan - but this one is different: It's intelligent! TrashCan is only visible on the desktop when the Windows File Manager is the active program.

How to use the program:

Copy it to your harddisk. Once running TrashCan will create the file TRASHCAN.INI in the directory where TrashCan resides. The TrashCan is useless without the Windows 3.1 File Manager (WINFILE.EXE). Therefore, if the File Manager isn't running when TrashCan starts, TrashCan starts the Windows File Manager. In this case, when you close the File Manager TrashCan will end, too. To make shure that TrashCan and the Windows File Manager are always running together, simply don't start the File Manager but start TrashCan. TrashCan will in turn start the File Manager.

To delete files, select one or more files in the Windows File Manager and drag them onto the TrashCan icon (drag & drop them).

In its system menu, TrashCan has a number of options:

System menu option **Keep in front when WinFile active:**

When this menu entry is checked (a checkmark is visible in front), TrashCan will always be visible and useable when the Windows File Manager is the active program. When you switch from the File Manager to another program, the TrashCan icon will disappear. If the File Manager becomes the active program again, the TrashCan icon will reappear.

System menu option **Confirm file deletion:**

When this menu entry is active (a checkmark is visible in front), TrashCan will ask you whether you really want to delete the files you've dragged from the File Manager to the TrashCan icon. TrashCan will only delete the files if you confirm the question with Yes.

System menu option **Save icon position:**

When you select this menu entry TrashCan will save its icons position. Next time you start the program, TrashCan will "remember" the position and move its icon to that place.

If you have any problems with the software or if you encounter bugs please contact me (CompuServe preferred).

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Writing software takes a lot of time, effort, and money. Please respect this. (Apart from that it's really fun!)

TrashCan was written using Borland Pascal 7.0, from my point of view the best tool for this job. If you would like the source code (fully commented in German) please send me a CompuServe mail to my CompuServe account 100 031, 35 36 or to my address given above (CompuServe preferred) and we can discuss the details (I basically want to cover my expenses for postage and packing).

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