Installing BBEdit

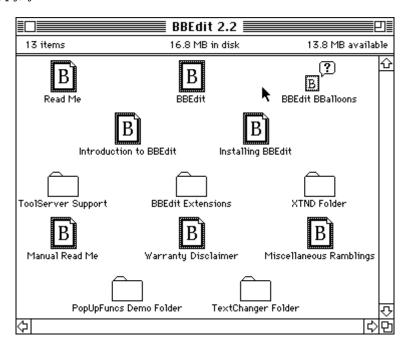
This section explains how to install BBEdit in your system. It also explains in detail what files BBEdit creates, where they're placed, and how to install optional parts of BBEdit.

Basic Installation

BBEdit consists of the following major components:

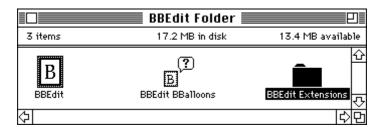
- The BBEdit application itself
- The "BBEdit BBalloons" file
- The "BBEdit Extensions" folder
- MPW Shell tools and scripts required to support ToolServer
- The XTND system file and XTND translators

When you expand the StuffIt[™] archive which contains the BBEdit distribution, or insert your BBEdit floppy, you'll see a window like this:



Only the BBEdit application file is required to use BBEdit. All other components can be installed, or not, at your discretion. For example, if you're putting together a minimal working disk for use on the road, you may not want the full suite of extensions, you may not need to use ToolServer, and you may have no requirement to import foreign file formats.

If you're planning to install the whole set of BBEdit files, such as extensions and Balloon Help, create a "BBEdit Folder". Copy the BBEdit application, the "BBEdit BBalloons" file (if you're using System 7), and the "BBEdit Extensions" folder into your BBEdit Folder. When you're done, your BBEdit Folder will look something like this:

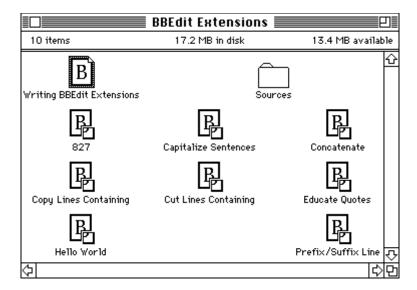


Note: Balloon Help is not available in System 6, so there is no benefit derived from installing the "BBEdit BBalloons" file. You can save about 15K of disk space by not installing this file.

For BBEdit to use the installed extensions, the BBEdit Extensions folder must be in the same folder as BBEdit, as illustrated above.

BBEdit Extensions

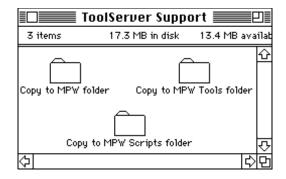
The "BBEdit Extensions" folder contains code modules which add additional functionality to BBEdit. Inside the "BBEdit Extensions" folder is a folder called "Sources", and a file called "Writing BBEdit Extensions". As shipped, the BBEdit Extensions folder occupies about 125K of disk space. If you're not planning to use any extensions with BBEdit, you can save this space by deleting the BBEdit Extensions folder altogether. If you're not planning to write extensions for BBEdit, you can save about 100K of disk space by removing the "Sources" folder and the "Writing BBEdit Extensions" document from the disk containing your BBEdit folder.



ToolServer Support

If you're planning to use BBEdit with ToolServer, first make sure that your MPW and ToolServer are correctly installed. As of this writing, ToolServer is only available as part of Apple's ETO ("Essentials, Tools, and Objects") CD-ROM subscription; the latest version of ToolServer is 1.0b3, found on ETO #8. As this manual went to press, Apple was actually on the verge of shipping ToolServer, so by now it should be available from APDA.

Your BBEdit distribution includes a folder called "ToolServer Support". This folder contains the following folders:

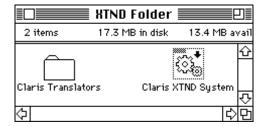


- **Copy to MPW folder:** Drag the items in this folder into the same folder as your ToolServer application.
- **Copy to MPW Tools folder:** Drag the items in this folder into the "Tools" folder that's in the same folder as the ToolServer application.
- **Copy to MPW Scripts folder:** Drag the items in this folder into the "Scripts" folder that's in the same folder as the ToolServer application.

Once you have dragged the items to the appropriate places in your ToolServer folder, delete the "ToolServer Support" folder.

Claris XTND Support

If you will be using BBEdit to import and export word processor files, you need to install the contents of the "XTND Folder" that comes with BBEdit:



If you're running System 7, drag the "Claris XTND System" file and the "Claris Translators" folder to the Extensions folder that is in your active system folder.

If you're running System 6, drag the "Claris XTND System" file and the "Claris Translators" folder to your active system folder.

There is no need to restart your computer after installing the XTND support files.

Note: If you already have an application installed which uses the Claris XTND translators and there's already a "Claris Translators" folder in your System Folder or Extensions folder, then there's no need to use the "Claris Translators" folder that comes with BBEdit.

Warning: If you're using System 7, make sure that there are no "alias loops" in your Extensions folder. An alias loop occurs when you have an alias in your Extensions folder that points to another folder (such as your Control Panels folder), and in that folder, you have an alias that points back to your Extensions folder, thereby creating a loop. In these circumstances, the Claris XTND software will hang or crash your machine when you start up BBEdit.

BBEdit Files

When you launch BBEdit for the first time on your system, it creates the following files:

- **BBEdit 2.2 Prefs**. This file contains settings and default preferences for various parts of BBEdit. This file resides in the appropriate place in your System Folder: if you're using System 7, the file will be placed in the Preferences folder in your active System Folder; if you're using System 6, BBEdit will look for a folder named "Preferences" in your active System Folder. If it finds a Preferences folder, the BBEdit Prefs file will be placed there; otherwise, the file will be placed in the System Folder itself.
- **ToolServer Worksheet**. The first time you use ToolServer with BBEdit, this file will be placed in the same location as the BBEdit Prefs file.