

## About the program

Detailed information about this software:

- Title : File and Folder Privacy
- Target OS : Microsoft Windows 98/ME/2000/XP
- Copyright : Ixis Research Ltd.
- Web form to contact: <http://www.pc-safety.com/contact.html>
- Home Page of the program: <http://www.pc-safety.com/ffpr.html>
- Latest release of the program: <http://www.pc-safety.com/download/ffpr.zip>
- Software type: Shareware
- How to register.

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- How to use.
- Technical support.

## File and Folder Privacy Evaluation License

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## How to register

This software is distributed as shareware. To keep the program on your personal computer you should register it.

- The first step is to obtain a registration code by paying a fee to the authors in the amount of single-user license = \$49 US or with some discounts depending on quantity of licenses(see information about the discounts on the Registration Form). You may buy the license(s) using Online Registration via Secure Server. If you do not wish to use Online Registration you may use the following alternatives: Telephone orders, Fax orders, or payment may be sent via postal mail or other delivery methods.
- The second step is to enter your registration code in the program:
  - 1) Click the right side of the Help button;
  - 2) Choose the Register menu item;
  - 3) On the Register dialog box enter the registration code and press the Register button. To avoid errors use Windows Clipboard when entering the code.

Use the following URL to register the program:

<http://www.pc-safety.com/ffprpurchase.html>

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## Purpose of the program

File and Folder Privacy is intended to control access to files and folders situated on local media of Windows 98/ME/2000/XP at Windows kernel level. It enables you to control access to certain files and folders by using the password requirement, or to hide them securely from viewing and searching.

The program does not modify your media: in protecting your files, it just uses a high-reliability VXD (SYS for Windows NT/2000/XP) driver working at Windows kernel level. This guarantees that File and Folder Privacy will never lose your data, as may happen if you use other file- and folder-protecting software. Excellent on-line help is available.

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## User interface

The main window is divided into several parts:

- **Main Toolbar** – This control is situated on top of the main window. Some functions of the program can be performed from the tool bar.
- **Popup menus** – They are applicable to the panels of the main window. Click the right mouse button to open a context popup menu.
- **Explorer** – The Explorer panel is situated under the Main Toolbar control. You can use it for viewing files (folders) you can protect.
- **Restricted Files and Folders** – The Restricted Files and Folders panel is situated under the Explorer panel. Use this panel for viewing the list of protected files (folders).
- **Status bar** – This bar is situated at the bottom of the main window. It displays some useful information and the current status.

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## Technical support

- If you have got a problem, contact us at : <http://www.pc-safety.com/contact.html>

Please, inform us about the following:


- Windows 98/ME/2000/XP version (including service packs and other fixes, US or international, OEM or not).
- Computer information.
- Description of your problem (as much information as possible to retrieve the problem).

If the problem is an internal bug then it will be fixed in the next release of the program in a month. If you have any comments or suggestions for the next releases, please do not hesitate to post them to us.

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## How to use

1. On the Explorer panel, select the file(s) or folder(s) you want to protect.
2. Drag and drop the selected item(s) to the Restricted Files and Folders panel.
3. On the Add to Restricted Files and Folders dialog, select the protection method you want to specify for the selected item(s).
4. On the Restricted Files and Folders panel, you can change the protection method. Select the item you want to change the protection method for, and double click it or press the  button. On the Change Protection Method dialog, select a protection method and click the Ok button.
5. It is not recommended to protect files (folders) by using the Password with auto-popup protection method in a root directory, because Windows Explorer starts reading a drive contents from it. Also, Windows Explorer reads contents of subfolders for each showed folder. It is a good idea to use this protection method for files (folders) located in subfolders of more than 2 level.
6. After you enter a password required to read a file (folder), all your protected files (folders) will be unlocked for the Unlock Time period you can define in the Options dialog.
7. The same effect will be after you unlock your files (folders) using the Unlock button on the main toolbar. Also, you can unlock the protected files (folders) using the Hot Keys or Magic Word feature.

When your files (folders) are unlocked, the Unlock button looks as Lock button and can be used to lock your files (folders). Also, you can lock the protected files (folders) using the Hot Keys or Magic Word feature.

8. You can stop the protection permanently using the Stop button on the main toolbar. When the protection is stopped, the Stop button looks as the Start button and can be used to start protection.

### **Note:**

After installing, your current password is "admin" (without quotes).


Use it to start the program. Change it using the Password button on the main toolbar and the Set Password dialog.

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## Explorer

Here you see the hierarchical structure of files, folders, and drives on your computer. File and Folder Privacy does not show files (folders) which cannot be protected. For example, the Windows directory (typically "C:\WINDOWS").

Select files (folders) you want to protect and press the  button. The selected files (folders) will be added to the restricted list. Also you can drag the selected files (folders) to the Restricted Files and Folders panel using your mouse.

To filter files listed on the right Explorer panel use two File Filter field. The left field affects file names, the right field affects file extensions. Specify text you want to occur in the names or (and) extensions of the listed files. If the fields are blank or contains asterisk marks File and Folder Privacy does not filter the listed files.

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## Protection Method


To protect your files (folders) you can use one of the following protection methods:

<b>Hide</b>	Files and folders protected by this method are invisible and inaccessible for Windows and other programs.
<b>Password with context menu</b>	Files and folders protected by this method are visible but inaccessible. To open a protected file (folder) you should use the context menu. The context menu is the popup menu you get when you right click a file on Windows Explorer. If a file (folder) is protected by this method, the context menu have the Unlock item. Select it to unlock the file and then enter your password. If a password is entered incorrectly or the Cancel button is pressed File and Folder Privacy denies access to this file (folder). If a password is entered correctly File and Folder Privacy permits access to this file (folder) and to all other protected files(folders). They will be unlocked within the Unlock Time time period. After this time period the files (folders) will be locked again automatically. Also, you can lock them manually by using the Lock button on the main toolbar.
<b>Password with auto-popup</b>	Files and folders protected by this method are visible but inaccessible. When a program tries to read (or write into) a protected file (folder) the password requirement dialog appears on the screen. If a password is entered incorrectly or the Cancel button is pressed File and Folder Privacy denies access to this file (folder). If a password is entered correctly File and Folder Privacy permits access to this file (folder) and to all other protected files(folders). They will be unlocked within the Unlock Time time period. After this time period the files (folders) will be locked again automatically. Also, you can lock them manually by using the Lock button on the main toolbar.
<b>Read only</b>	Files and folders protected by this method are visible and accessible. However, they cannot be deleted, renamed or modified.
<b>Hide name only</b>	Files and folders protected by this method are invisible but accessible. If a file (folder) is protected by this method, its name does not appear in the directory where this file (folder) is located. However, you or a program can open this file (folder) using the full file name.

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## Restricted Files and Folders

Here you can define the list of restricted files and folders. Use the  button to add items to the list and the



button to delete items from the list. Use the



button to change the protection method of the selected item(s). You can add not only certain files but also directories with files. You can protect files (folders) using the several [protection methods](#). Check boxes enable you to turn the protection on or off for certain files (folders).

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## Password page (Options)

Use the Password page of the Options dialog box to define two passwords you will use to get access to File and Folder Privacy or to protected files (folders).

### Note:

When the program is unregistered and expired, the Additional Password is undefined. In this case, you can use the default password “admin” to open the program or protected files (folders).

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## General page (Options)

Use the General page of the Options dialog box to customize the behavior of the program.

### **Unlock Time**

This is a time period, while protected files and folders are kept unlocked after you unlock them.

### **Allow to protect files or folders from the context menu**

If this checkbox is checked, some items in the context menu are available. So, you can right-click a file (folder) in Windows Explorer and then lock, unlock or protect this file (folder) using the popup menu.

### **Invisible Mode**

If this checkbox is checked, the folder where the program is installed is invisible. The installed shortcuts and the File and Folder Privacy item in the "Add or Remove Programs" list are invisible too.

The Invisible Mode checkbox is not enabled, if the Hot Key and Magic Word features for the Start Program operation are undefined. Open the Hot Keys page on this dialog box to define them.

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## Hot Keys page (Options)

Use the Hit Keys page of the Options dialog box to define Magic Word and Hot Key for the Start Program, Lock Files and Unlock Files commands.

<b>Hot Key</b>	You can use the Hot Key features to execute a command quickly by pressing key combinations. To define Hot Key, select this edit box and then enter a key combination you want to use.
<b>Use Hot Key</b>	If this checkbox is checked, the Hot Key feature is enabled, otherwise not.
<b>Magic Word</b>	You can use this feature to execute a command by typing a word. You can type this word everywhere in your computer while this program is started. To define this word, select the Magic Word edit box and then enter a word you want to use as a “magic” word.
<b>Use Magic Word</b>	If this checkbox is checked, the Magic Word feature is enabled, otherwise not.

Commands:

<b>Start Program</b>	Start File and Folder Privacy. This command requires a password.
<b>Lock Files</b>	Lock protected files (folders)
<b>Unlock Files</b>	Unlock protected files (folders). This command requires a password.

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## Set Password

Here you can change your password, which will be used to restrict access to the program and protected file(s) (folder(s)).

To set a password:

1. Enter your password in the Password field.
2. Confirm the password in the Confirm Password field.
3. Press the OK button.

**Note:**

A blank password is not allowed.

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**PC Security Tweaker** - *tweak to secure Windows PC*

This is a security tweaking utility you can use to tweak Windows-based computers. You can choose to tweak access to lots of Control Panel applet functions, including Display, Network, Passwords, Printers, System, Add/Remove Programs, etc. Additionally, by tweaking, you can: disable selected Start Menu items, lock and protect disk drives in My Computer, disable the DOS and command prompt, interruption boot keys, real DOS mode, Registry editing, taskbar, task manager, and network access, hide desktop icons, and much more. You can password-protect Windows and restrict users to running specific applications only. Security tweaks can be applied universally or just to specific users. This software also lets you tweak Internet Explorer to secure web browsing.

**Best Mass Mailer** - *mass email tool*

If you have a successful web-based business, you have a lot of customers you need to communicate with. Best Mass Mailer is the best mass mailer you can use for sending emails utilizing your mailing lists. It provides everything you need for managing mailing lists, creating email messages and sending them over the Internet. You can maintain a number of separate mailing lists for different audiences and needs. Message templates can be used to personalize your email messages. Program's database lets you store and use email addresses, names of your customers and up to 7 custom fields that may contain a various information about your customers. The search, sort and remove duplicates functions are also available in the program.

**Local SMTP Server Pro** - *use PC as SMTP server*

This is a SMTP server program that lets you send email messages without help of your ISP, directly from your local PC to recipient mailboxes. You can use your favorite email client along with this software the way you used to do it before. It is one of the best solutions for mobile PC users who travel a lot and have to switch between different ISPs on the run. Increase your privacy by using this server instead of your ISP's SMTP account. This way you will bypass your ISP's mail server. This server has a built-in firewall that lets you protect it from the outside of the Internet.

**Encrypt My Information** - *encrypt files on fly*

Encrypt My Information allows you to hide folders and encrypt files with on-the-fly AES encryption. Just create one or more encrypted secure folders from local folders and move your sensitive files into these specified folders and they will be encrypted/decrypted in real-time. You can work with the files as usual, and when you finish, lock the secure folder, which will store the files securely and also hide the entire folder from view.

**Lock My Computer** - *create a public access PC*

Lock My Computer is a powerful desktop security solution for personal or publicly accessible computers running the Windows 2000/XP/Server 2003 Operating Systems. It disallows unauthorized changes to various settings of the Windows system, such as Control Panel, Desktop, Local Security Policies, Outlook Express account settings, and many more others. It can disable access to local hard disks, Floppy, CDROM, and removable drives or make them read-only. By locking and hiding or making read-only of programs, files, and folders, Lock My Computer can prevent them from being launched, modified or deleted. Lock My Computer supports creating unlimited number of user accounts with each one has his own password and protection list. Additional features include password protected launching and uninstallation of itself, preventing malicious changes on the Internet Explorer, step by step easy-to-use security configuration wizard, export/load security profile, and supports for all formats of FAT/FAT32/NTFS.

**Advanced File Vault** - *hide & lock your files*

Hide or password-protect any file instantly by clicking on it. Advanced File Vault works with all file types including pictures and movies. Once a file is locked or hidden, it is completely encrypted and none of its contents can be viewed. To lock a file or folder, simply right-click on it and select the lock option. Extremely easy to use. Online help is also available.

**DVD Device Lock** - *control access to device drives*

Hide or restrict access to removable media devices such as CD, DVD, floppy, flash and USB drives, and deny access to partitions of your hard disk drives with the program. Stop copying data between removable media and hard disk drives, deny access to removable media, protect your PC against unauthorized software installations and prevent data leaks through removable media.

**IP Address Shield** - *hide your IP address*

Hides your IP address while you are browsing the Internet and protects your identity. Whenever you surf the Web or do something else on the Internet, this program will totally protect you. Freely use any web browsers, instant messengers, P2P file sharing, e-mail and any other applications without fear of being exposed to others - nobody will see your real IP address anymore. This utility has a great functionality and it is simple, inexpensive and easy-to-use. Hide your IP address and be safe before it is too late!

**Internet Trace Destroyer** - *remove history and tracks*

Erase history and tracks of your online activity before somebody reveals you. Clear web browser's online history, delete cookies, temporary Internet files, index.dat files, recent document lists, recently typed information, search history and other potentially dangerous tracks of your online activity. This software is easy-to-use and it includes a user manual. You can schedule cleaning process and use an advanced data erasing technique to totally erase unnecessary information. The program can clean a lot of well-known applications and works with all well-known Windows versions.



