



**This is the home of the *eRename* tool**

## About *eRename*

*eRename* is a tool that helps you to easily and quickly rename files.

## Quick & Dirty

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## Why?

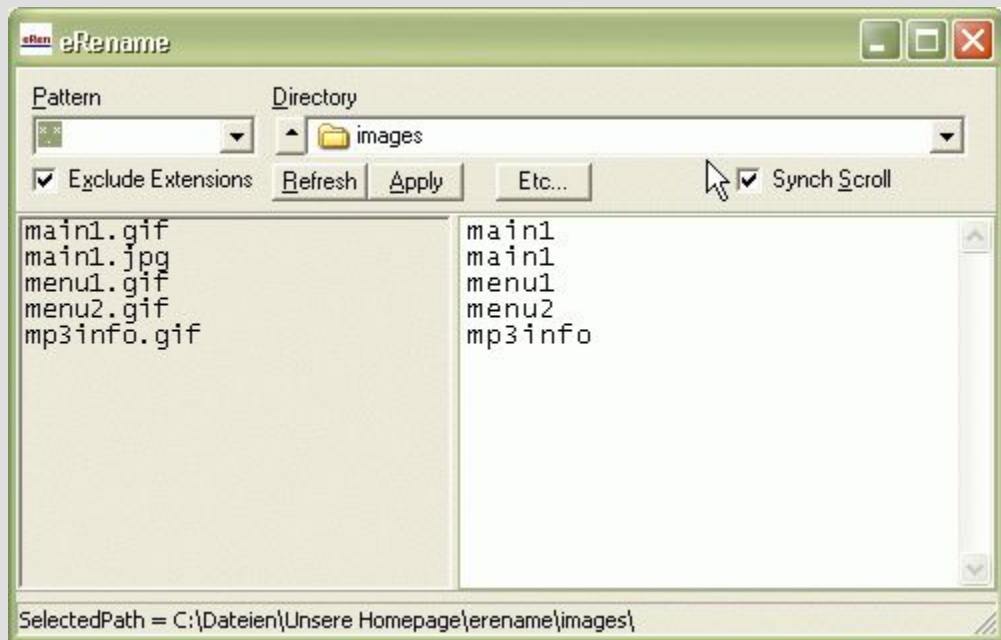
You all know that situation: you downloaded a lot of files to a directory e.g.

- photos from your digital camera
- MP3 music files
- images from internet pages
- ....

but all the file names are messy. Renaming those files using the build in OS support is painful!

# With *eRename* it is much easier!

- Simply drag the directory with the files in it onto it's main windows.
- On the left hand side the list of the original file names will be loaded.
- On the right hand side there is a multi line memo control.
- Edit the file names on the right hand side.
- Having edited the file names - simply click the "Apply" button - the files will be renamed.
- This way renaming files becomes as easy as editing text!

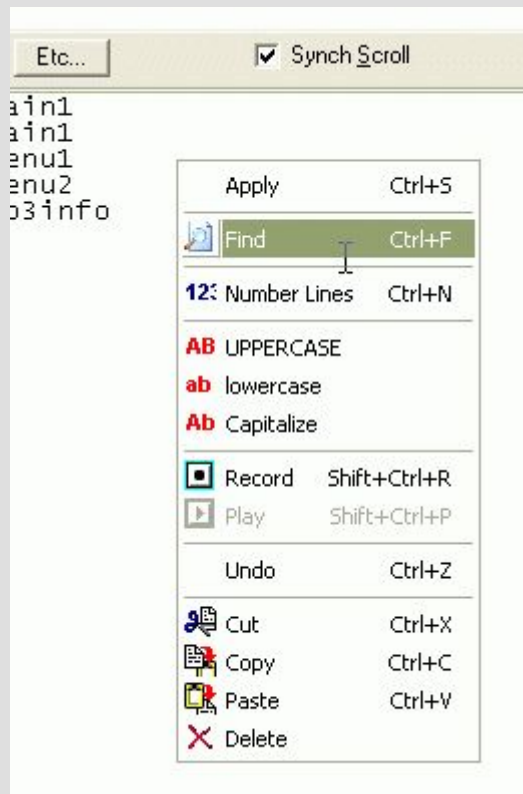


The only thing you have to take care about is to keep the files in the original sequence. Certainly you can not add new files.

## But what about powerful tools like search and replace or numbering list of items ...?

Know it's all in there! Just right click on the editor and choose from

- "Find" - call search function
- "Number Lines" - easily number lines using a counter
- "UPPERCASE", "lowercase" - to convert the selected text to UPPER or lower case
- "Capitalize" - to make each word start with a capital letter
- "Record" and "Play" to record key strokes as a macro and then replay them - it really rocks!
- ... - the usual copy, paste, stuff



## But I need a different function...

So what? Simply copy everything to the clipboard and paste in your most powerful editor or spreadsheet application to do even more sophisticated processing. Once done processing transfer it back to *eRename* using the clipboard again. Then click "Apply".

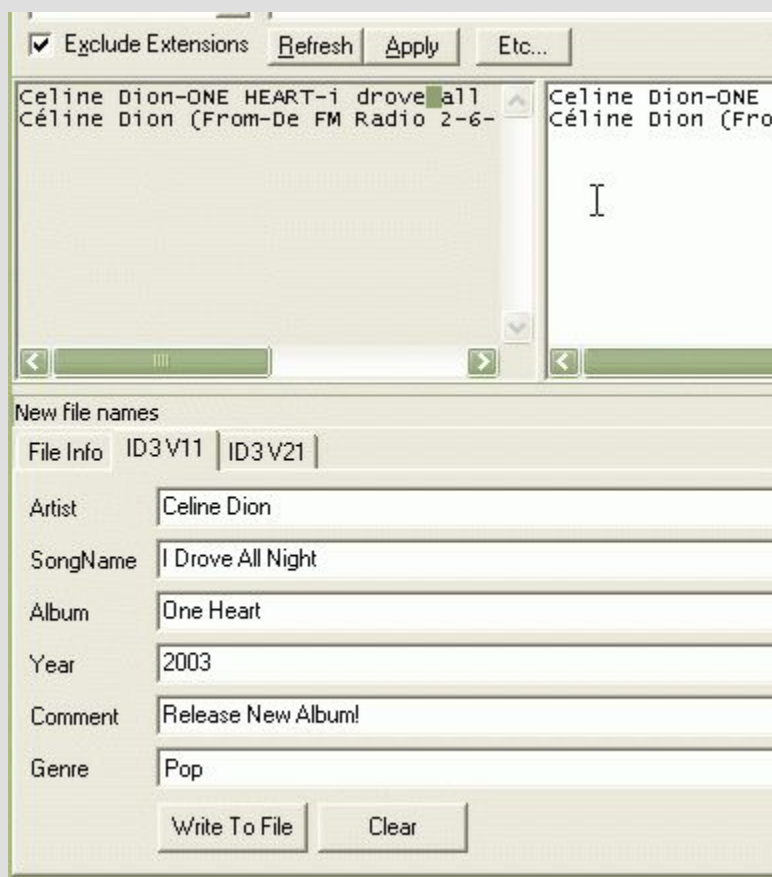
## That sound great - but is there more?

**Oh yes!** Need MP3 ID tag info?

Use the context menu of the original file list on the left and choose "File Info".

A new panel with all the file info and MP3 ID tag stuff will open. You can even change the ID settings for each file.

The context menu can also be used to call simple file handling function like "Delete", "Destroy", "Open" and "Open with...".



## What makes *eRename* outstanding compared to similar tools?

Well, most of the other tools are using on a rule based approach. This is e.g. add date to each file name and then append a counter, or something even more complex (not such a great idea because the several file dates are already stored along with the file)

I actually do use such a tool myself (not standalone but nicely integrated into the best file manager available: [Total Commander](#)).

But for me it turned out that almost every time some of the files did not

much any rules. This is actually very often the case when you copy MP3 files. I discovered that i had to think about finding a good matching rule for a long time. With eRename you simply edit those 20 file names and you are done even before you would have finished thinking about finding a rule to do the same job. I also discovered that too often the rule i used did not work properly - and then i had to fix the wrong result manually - not very efficient :-( The approach of eRename is to get the file names into a text editor. Once you got them in there you got 'em in the clip board. Having it there you can use **ALL** the functions of your OS! No standalone rule base approach can even get close to that! So the approach of eRename is to make reusage possible using the most common interface available - the good old text file.

## License

*eRename* is freeware!

It uses Delphi components of the JEDI project. Check out the JEDI JVCL home page, located at <http://jvcl.sourceforge.net/>. Those components are really great!

If also uses a control named TLsDirTreeCombo28 created by [Leo D. Shih](#)

The great memo on the right hand side with the makro recorder support is copyright © [TMemoEx.com team](#), 2001-2. [Offical wibe site](#)

## Usage

OK. Most of the handling is already explained above.

## Drag & Drop support

*eRename* supports drag & drop. To rename the files of directory drag the directory from the explorer onto it's main window. The files contained in the directory will be listed.

## Filtering

If you want to edit just a subset of the files e.g. the MP3 files use the filter list.

## Excluding file extensions

Most of the time you do not want to change the file extensions. So get rid of them. Just check the "Exclude Extensions" option. *eRename* will automatically leave them away copying the file names from the original file names. Applying changes the file extensions will be appended from the

original file names.

## Undo

Damned everything went wrong again - take me back to where I started. Click the "Refresh" button. Discard all changes choosing the option "No" in the message box popping to your face. All changes will be lost... losing something can sometimes be a good thing :-)

## Directory navigation

You can simply enter the name of the directory into editor "Directory". If you think typing all those directory names is boring click on the button "..." on the right of it. Or open the list. The first item will always be the parent directory. The other items are the sub directories.

## File Info

Right click on the list of the original file names. From the context menu choose the option "File Info". A new panel will show at the bottom of the window having three sheets:

### File Info

Shows the elementary stuff: size, date, attributes,...

### ID3 V11

Read, write and clear ID3 V11 tags (experimental!!).

### ID3 V21

Yet to be done...

## Download

Ok here we go. There are 4 ZIP archives plus the logo files you can download:

### Version 1.1.0.14

- [Standalone version \(zipped, 360k\)](#)
- [Normal version. Requires VCL50.BPL \(zipped, 122k\)](#)
- [VCL50.BPL \(zipped, 632k\)](#)
- [German user interface \(zipped, 17k\)](#)
- [eRename Icon](#)

If you already have the Borland Visual Component 5.0 runtime library installed on your system (c:\windows\system32\vcl50.bpl) then you can download the normal version. Else download the larger standalone version.

## Installation

As easy as using it - simply unzip the downloaded archives to somewhere e.g. c:\winnt\system32 (this way you can call it from the command line as well ;-)

If you are using the normal version and did not already have the VCL50.BPL installed on your computer then download [this](#) as well and unzip it to c:\windows\system32\vcl50.bpl.

Else take care you have the right version installed: must be 5.0.6.18 or later.

## Shell registration

Click on the button "Etc.". Choose the option "Shell register". This will register *eRename* for directories (HKEY\_CLASSES\_ROOT\Directory\shell\eRename\command) and for all other file types (HKEY\_CLASSES\_ROOT\\*\Shell\eRename\command).

## Contact

Send me an e-mail. Click on the button "Etc.". Choose the option "Contact". Choose the item "eRename Homepage" to open this page.