

# Overview of SoftX FTP Client



## What is SoftX FTP Client?

SoftX FTP Client is a File Transfer Protocol Client, which gives you a fast, easy and reliable way to transfer files and directories between an FTP server and your local computer. Whether you are a professional web designer, or simply maintaining your personal page in the Internet, the SoftX FTP Client will be a vital tool for you for managing your website.

By using SoftX FTP Client, you can upload files from your computer to a web server by simply dragging these files from Windows Explorer into the SoftX FTP Client window. Downloading files is also as simple as dragging files from SoftX FTP Client into Windows Explorer.

If you need to move some files from one directory on your FTP server into another on the same server, you can do it directly on the server, leaving no need to temporary download these files onto your local computer, and then upload them back into FTP server. This can be important if you are connected to the Internet from your Pocket PC via a mobile phone.

Using the built-in search function of SoftX FTP Client, you can quickly and easily find a file or directory directly on your FTP server.

By turning on the built in Filter, you can set the program to show only the files that you are working with at that moment, and free the screen from unnecessary information. This is useful if you have large number of files on your FTP directories.

## Mobility

SoftX FTP Client has two versions; one for your personal computer and one for your Pocket PC. You can use your personal computer for quickly and easily maintaining your website when you are at work or home, and your mobile Pocket PC for working with your website when you are on a trip. Your web site will always be under your full control, irrespective of where you are.

## Flexibility

By purchasing SoftX FTP Client, you will get both the Desktop and the Pocket PC version in one package. You can use the same serial number for both versions, leaving no need to purchase two separate licenses.

# Getting Started with SoftX FTP Client

## Downloading and Installing SoftX FTP Client

In order to use SoftX FTP Client, please go to the <http://www.softx.org/ftp.html>, download and install it onto your personal computer. If you have a Pocket PC connected to your personal computer, the Microsoft ActiveSync will prompt you to install the Pocket PC version onto your handheld device as well. If you don't have access to your personal computer, or want to install SoftX FTP Client only onto your Pocket PC; you can download and use a special installation CAB file for Pocket PCs only.

## Adding a site to the Site Manager

After running the SoftX FTP Client, you will see a startup dialog (Site Manager), giving you the option of managing the list of your FTP sites. If you plan to work with a large number of sites, then you can divide them into groups, making it more convenient to work with them. Click on

**New** and select **New Group** to add a group. Click on **New** and select **New Site** to add an FTP site. In the window that opens up, input the properties of your site, and (optionally) indicate which group it belongs to.

### **Uploading and downloading files and directories**

**Drag & Drop:** Connect to the required FTP server from your SoftX FTP Client on one side, and open the necessary files and directories in Windows Explorer on another side. Drag & Drop files and directories from Windows Explorer into the SoftX FTP Client window, and the upload operation should start immediately. In order to download files from the FTP server onto your local computer, Drag & Drop them from SoftX FTP Client window into Windows Explorer. Recursive directories will be processed automatically.

**Copy & Paste:** Alternatively, you can select all necessary files and directories in SoftX FTP Client, click on Menu, Edit then Copy (or press Ctrl+C). Then go to the Windows Explorer, click on Menu, Edit and then Paste (or press Ctrl+V).

*Note: This is the only option that you can use for the Pocket PC version, as handheld devices do not support the Drag & Drop operation.*

### **Finding files and directories on FTP server**

Click on Menu, Edit then Find (or press Ctrl+F). Input all or part of the file name that you want to find, and click on Find. The search begins from the root of the current directory. You can copy or delete found files. Double clicking on a file in the list navigates to this file into the SoftX FTP Client window.

### **Moving files between directories on the FTP server**

Select the required files or directories in the SoftX FTP Client window, and then click on Menu, File then on Move To (or press F6). In the window that opens up, input the full path of the directory on the FTP server to which you want to move them, and click on OK. The moving operation should start immediately, recursive directories will be processed automatically.

Please refer to the [SoftX FTP Client Manual](#) for more information about using SoftX FTP Client.