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WinRAR 3.40 Released!

win.rar GmbH and rarlab.com are proud to announce the final version of the new WinRAR 3.40. Version 3.40 is yet another step ahead for the already most complete archiving software on the market.

WinRAR 3.40 now supports even more archive formats and offers increased virus protection.

Of course, as always, the upgrade to 3.40 is absolutely free for all registered users! Upgrading is quick and easy. Users only need to download and install the newest version of WinRAR to continue using the best compression tool around! No complicated uninstalling of the previous version is necessary.

Highlights of the 3.40 release:

"Fastest" RAR compression method even faster!

"Fastest" (-m1) RAR compression method has been modified to provide much higher compression speed and lower ratio.

It may be useful for tasks requiring the high speed like regular backups.

WinRAR can now decompress .Z files!

WinRAR is able to decompress archives created by Unix 'compress' tool (.Z files). Like GZIP and BZIP2 archives, WinRAR opens tar.Z and .taz files in one step, so users do not need to unpack .tar manually

WinRAR can now decompress 7-Zip files!

WinRAR is able to decompress archives created by 7-Zip (.7z files).

WinRAR 3.40 offers increased virus protection!

New "Security" dialog in WinRAR settings:

- a) "File types to exclude from extracting" option to prevent extracting of potentially dangerous files like .exe, .scr and .pif;
- b) "Propose to select virus scanner" option modifies behaviour of "Scan archive for viruses" command. You may turn it off if you wish to skip the virus scanner selection dialog.

These are just some of the features that were added or improved. More information on all the 16 improved items can be found here <http://www.win-rar.com/index.php?aid=whatsnew>. Be the first to download the trial version at <http://www.win-rar.com/index.php?aid=download>

Of course Pocket RAR and the command line versions of RAR were also improved and are now available as version 3.40.