
O&O Defrag 15.8: Defragmentation under Windows 8

Defragmentation on a regular basis not only results in faster access times, it simultaneously reduces the wear on hard disk mechanics and so extends a computer's life expectancy. And this is now possible under Windows 8.

Berlin, June 19, 2012 - O&O Defrag does everything that can be done to get long-term, maximum speed out of every computer. The new O&O Defrag 15.8 has been optimized for use under Windows 8. The O&O Defrag 15.8 update also contains all the modifications that have taken place since version 15 was released. This update is free for owners of O&O Defrag 15. An optimized Server Edition for use in businesses will appear shortly.

Product features

- Remote control in the same network
- Analysis of all drives at program start
- Manufacturer-independent optimization of Solid State Drives
- Various defragmentation methods
- Zone filing for optimal file arrangement
- Optimized control of zone filing
- Enhanced automatic optimization in the background
- Screen Saver Mode: Optimizes the PC while not in use
- Quick configuration for an easy start
- Resource management with O&O ActivityMonitor
- Enhanced report management
- Job Assistant for defragmentation schedule

New and enhanced functions

Remote control in the same network: All users in the same network are able to control O&O Defrag remotely. Drives of computers can be optimized and analyzed, when, for example, executing jobs. It's also possible to generate and view reports for other computers from the network.

Shorter defragmentation times: With O&O Defrag 15, several drives can be defragmented simultaneously. In addition, the algorithms have been substantially accelerated, reducing the time required for a defragmentation by up to 40%.

Evaluation and Analysis: Whenever the program's started, all drives are automatically analyzed and each one's level of fragmentation will be visible. It's also possible to display the most heavily fragmented files as well as the physical location of fragmented files on the hard disk. A dynamic block view appears while defragmentation is taking place. With the help of a before and after view, the user can get a total picture of the system's optimization.

Live-Update: O&O Defrag 15 automatically checks if newer program versions are available and so can guarantee that defragmentation is always done using the latest technology.

History: Various statistical tools record how many file fragments were removed and how many files have been accelerated by this process. Users can see the benefits of periodic defragmentation, follow the evaluations over weeks and months, and adjust the settings for defragmentation to meet his or her changing requirements.

Automatic execution of the defragmentation: Automatic defragmentation is enabled by default after the installation of O&O Defrag and optimizes the disks in the background without slowing down the performance of the computer.

Manufacturer-independent optimization of Solid State Drives (SSDs): O&O Defrag 15 makes it possible to optimize SSD drives regardless of their manufacturer even under Windows XP and Vista. Access times for SSDs are sped up, and early wear and tear effects are prevented.

Defragmentation methods STEALTH, SPACE and COMPLETE: STEALTH and SPACE are optimized for the fastest possible defragmentation, while the COMPLETE methods allow for a more complete defragmentation. This of course, requires more time and memory. The optimal utilization of existing storage space also prevents any new fragmentation. All methods can be applied to any drive, including Volume and Stripe Sets, and of course guarantee maximum reliability.

Zone filing on drives: A logical separation of data into performance-critical and non-critical files is conducted through an alternative setting which divides drives into so-called Zones. Files are sorted based on their use and access frequency and moved into appropriate zones. For example, system and program files that need to be accessed very quickly are separated from other data such as documents and downloads. Fragmentation is prevented intelligently through the separation of files written rarely or frequently. This logical arrangement not only shortens the duration of the system or program start, but also prevents fragmentation of program files from ever occurring.

Power management for netbooks and notebooks: The defragmentation is interrupted in order to use the full battery power for mobile working, once mobile systems are not connected to external power sources, such as Notebooks or Netbooks.

Prices and availability

This product update is free as part of the maintenance for O&O Business Suite for customers and owners of O&O Defrag 15.

O&O Defrag 15.8 costs \$ 29.90. O&O Defrag 15.8 Family Pack for installation on up to three computers is available for \$ 49.90. All prices include VAT where applicable.

Interested users can download a free 30-day trial of O&O Defrag 15 Server Edition from the O&O Website: <http://www.oo-software.com/oodefrag/>.

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