



## **NEW FILE RECOVERY SOFTWARE O&O UNERASE RELEASED**

**O&O UnErase searches the user's hard disks and brings back supposedly lost files under Windows NT/2000/XP which have been accidentally deleted**

September 4, 2002 – O&O Software announces the publishing of the new O&O® UnErase and adds a new important file recovery tool to its 'Tools for Windows' product family. O&O UnErase allows Windows users to rescue important files that have been deleted from the hard disk as a result of a virus, malfunctioning software, or simply by accident. It is easy to use and works on systems operating with Windows NT, Windows 2000, or Windows XP. Anytime users accidentally delete important files that haven't been backed up, they can use O&O UnErase to search the hard disks quickly and recover the data.

One single keystroke can inadvertently delete an important file and hours of effort will be lost and gone forever. Everything must be re-entered, numbers recalculated, and phrases rechecked. This is the nightmare of every computer user, and of course, it often happens at times when no backup or printout exists.

Damage caused by accidental deletion of information stored on computers amounts to billions of dollars every year. Affected files and data can often only be recovered through costly effort and, if at all, generally only partially. When a backup does exist, determining which files are missing is labor-intensive and, therefore, expensive. Even in the best of cases, the only information which can be retrieved through traditional methods is whatever was stored at the time of the last backup. All later changes and additions still appear to be lost.

Fortunately, deleting a file and emptying the recycle bin does not mean that this file is irretrievably lost. When you delete a file, your Windows system only marks the space that this file occupies on your hard disk as free. The file's information still exists, hidden but unchanged, on your hard disk or other storage media.

With O&O UnErase users can now bring back the supposedly lost files. When they realize that files have been accidentally erased, they simply start O&O UnErase! O&O's new O&O UnErase is able to find and completely restore the deleted files.

O&O UnErase includes advanced file search options that obviate the need for digging through long lists of files to find certain desired files. They allow to search for deleted files according to chosen parameters: by file name, file type, file size, or date of last change. With the advanced file search users can start a pointed file search. This is especially useful when a large number of files have been deleted, such as on file servers or computers which are used a lot.

Regardless of how the users lost files have been erased, whether through a DOS prompt or from inside Windows Explorer, O&O UnErase will recover the deleted files and restore all parts that are still intact. The program also offers information about how much, if any, of a deleted file has already been overwritten and is therefore definitely not recoverable. Users can even restore data on the memory card of a digital camera, ZIP® drive, or any other media using an NTFS, FAT32, or FAT16 format. Compressed files can be recovered as well as encrypted files.

If O&O UnErase is not already installed on the user's system when a file deletion emergency occurs, the new O&O InstantUnErase feature offers the ability to safely start O&O UnErase from a disk. This feature increases the chance of restoring files completely, because no new data need be written on the hard disk drive. The easy to use wizard lets the user create an emergency disk. It allows to simply start O&O UnErase from a disk without installation and securely recover the deleted files. The O&O UnErase product CD also offers the O&O InstantUnErase feature.

O&O UnErase focuses on Windows NT/2000/XP home users as well as Windows NT/2000/XP system administrators in small to large organizations and is shipping right now through retail channels covering more than 50 countries. O&O UnErase is licensed per computer. The suggested retail price is US\$ 44.90 (approx. EUR 42) for a single-user license. Volume licenses are available as well as educational and governmental discounts.

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