ExifExtractor NG User Manual

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What is ExifExtractor NG?

The standalone software ExifExtractor NG allows the automatic processing of GPS photos and generates a multitude of output formats.

These facilitate the integration of GPS photos in various geographic information systems and mapping applications.

The most widely-used formats are the shapefile format and KML. The latter permits the publication of your images in Google Earth.

ExifExtractor NG enables the user to sustainable manage and sort photos with spatial information.

With the batch function, the photos may be collectively renamed following individual rules or may be moved. With subsequently inserted data fields and respective information during the batch processing, additional attributes may be recorded in the output file, like the weather conditions at the time the picture was taken. These informations are then for example collated in the attribute table of a shapefile.

What's new?

New in ExifExtractor NG 3.7:

- Presentation of photos in PDF Export in portrait and landscape format
- Improved compression of photos into PDF reports and reduction of PDF file size
- Added button to reread the input folder
- Presentation of photos within Google Earth (KML / KMZ)



- Presentation of 20 memo values within Google Earth (KML / KMZ)
- Direction arrows in KML files indicating the viewing direction of the photo



Installation and Licensing

In the following chapters you will find information that are necessary for installation and licensing.

System Requirements

Disk space	22 MB
Operating System	Windows 2000, NT, XP, Vista or 7
	Digital camera RICOH G700SE with GPS device or comparable system for digital image acquisition and storage of GPS information within the photograph's exif header
System rights	administrator rights are required for installation and uninstall

Installation

Please make sure that you have the relevant administration rights required for installation.

- 1. Start the MSI-file by double-clicking. The installation window will automatically appear.
- 2. Read the license agreement and accept it by checking the box "I Agree" and click "Next >".
- 3. Then you are requested to select the installation folder. When done, continue by clicking "Next >". By another confirmation the installation process is being started.

The installation is then complete. If you encounter problems, please refer to our technical support at alta4 (support@alta4.com).

The installation process has added a link for starting ExifExtractor to the Windows start menu and your desktop.

When you start the program you have the possibility to load your license file.

Licensing

Should you not yet own a license file, the ExifExtractor NG demo version will be loaded.



After acquiring a commercial license, you have the possibility to change to full functionality without a new installation.

Exif Extractor NG - Registry	3
Current license information License holder: Demo user License type: Demo Date of expiration: Samstag, 22. Juni 2013	
Change license Ok	

To load your license file (*.lic) to swap to full functionality, please click on the "Change license" button and navigate to your license file. A pop-up window appears informing you that the registration was successful.

In case you want to continue using the demo version, simply click "Ok". ExifExtractor NG will be opened.

Deinstallation

ExifExtractor NG can, like any other Windows software, be uninstalled via system control. You will need administrator rights to do so.

- 1. Exit ExifExtractor NG
- 2. Open the Windows Start menu and select "Start" > "System Control" > "Uninstall Program".

Choose ExifExtractor NG from the list and click on "Delete".

The User Interface

Please start ExifExtractor NG using the desktop link or the Windows start menu.

The ExifExtractor NG interface appears:

File ?	
Input	
Select inp	out folder
Include subfolders	
Path:	
Selected files: 0	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
Apply Rename-/Move-Functions	Settings
Name Pattern:	
Path:	
Output Formats	
Create "Character Separated Valu	es" (*.csv)
🔲 Create "Extensible Markup Langua	age" (*.xml)
Create Google Earth™ KML (*.kml)) (Subset of Exif values)
Create Google Earth™ KMZ (*.kmz	z) (Subset of Exif values)
Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, shx, d	lbf, prj)
Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exif F	ilter
Add User Defined Values	User Defined Values
Select output folde	er and file names
Path:	
File Name:	
	Start

Select Input Folder

Click the button "Select input folder" and mark the input directory you want to process. If you wish to integrate photographs stored in subfolders, check the box "Include subfolders".

Now you are shown the number of pictures which include Exif gps informations in their header.

File ?	
Input	
Select input	t folder
Include subfolders	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\	
Selected files: 39	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
Apply Rename-/Move-Functions	Settings
Name Pattern:	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\	
Output Formats	
Create "Character Separated Values	s" (*.csv)
Create "Extensible Markup Languag	je" (*xml)
Create Google Earth*** KML (*.kml) (Subset of Exif values)
Create Google Earth™ KMZ (*.kmz)	(Subset of Exif values)
Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, shx, dbf	f, prj)
Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exif Filte	er
Add User Defined Values	User Defined Values
Select output folder	and file names
Path: File Name:	
	Start

By clicking on "Update" ExifExtractor NG checks the specified directory again. This is for example necessary if you have moved new photos into the directory.

Rename / Move Files

The ExifExtractor NG offers a valuable "rename" and "move" function, in case you would like to rename your image files following a customized pattern.

Should your photos be renamed during the import process, please click the box next to "Apply Rename-/Move-Functions".

File ?	
Input	
Select in	put folder
Include subfolders	
Path:C:\gps_fotos\ Selected files:39	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
Apply Rename-/Move-Functions	Settings
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Create Google Earth [™] KMZ (*.km	z) (Subset of Exif values)
Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, shx,	dbf, prj)
Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exif	Filter
	User Defined Values
Add User Defined Values	
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Click the "Settings" button to make further configurations. This opens the following window:

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🗇 Originaldatei umbenennen	
Ausgabe-Verzeichnis	
Ausgabeverzeichnis auswählen	
Pfad:	
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Batch Rename Settings

The "Batch Rename Settings" allow the user to modify the structure of the new photo file names. Simply choose the desired exif information from the drop-down list and add it to the

"Name Pattern" i	nput box using the	+	button.

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The element will be placed in the text field "Name Pattern". The user may alter the order of the name elements and insert other strings to be used in the file names. If there is an error in the syntax, the test field will be highlighted in red.

With the element "index" you can number your images. If you choose indexing, an additional input field appears ("Index:"). Here you can enter the index number from which the numbering will start.

Index	+	
Name Pattem:	Index:	0

Example:

Index	+	
Name Pattern:	Index:	0

Following these settings, a file with the name *"0 Sightseeing in Trier 2013-01-01 - 10-15-23.jpg"* will be imported.

Options

Under "Options", the user may define if the output file names are kept or altered:

- If you want to keep the original name and rename only the copy, please select the first option.
- In case you want to rename the original file names and move them to the output folder, please select the second option.
- If the renamed original files are to remain in the same folder please choose the third option.

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Opt	ions	
۲	Keep original file, rename copy (recommended)	
\odot	Rename orginal files and move to output directory	
0	Rename orginal files	
- Ou	tput Directory	
	Select output directory	
Path	: C:\gps_fotos\	
Phe	otomapper Server	
	Create Metadata for Photomapper Server	Config

Output Directory

Please define the output directory by clicking on the button "Select output directory" and select or create the respective folder.

If you choose to rename the original files and not move them, no output directory is required.

Index	+
Name Pattern:	Index:
<index> Sightseeing in Trier <date> - <time></time></date></index>	>
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Rename orginal files	
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Select output direct	ory
Path: C:\gps_fotos\	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\ Photomapper Server	
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Output Formats

Under "Output format" you can select to which formats the scanned photos are exported.

File ?		
Input		
Select	t input folder	
Include subfolders		
Path: C:\gps_fotos\ Selected files: 39		Refresh
Rename / Move Files		
Apply Rename-/Move-Functio	ns 📃	Settings
Name Pattem: ⊲index> Sightseein Path: C:\gps_fotos\Neuer Ordner`	-	>- <time></time>
Output Formats		
Create "Character Separated \	/alues" (*.csv)	
Create "Extensible Markup Lar	nguage" (*.xml)	
Create Google Earth™ KML (*.	kml) (Subset of I	Exif values)
Create Google Earth™ KMZ (*.	kmz) (Subset of	Exif values)
Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, sh	ıx, dbf, prj)	
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Create PDF Report		User Defined Values
Create PDF Report Create PDF Report Add User Defined Values		User Defined Values
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Five different formats are available:

Character-Separated-Values - File (*.csv):

CSV-files permit the integration of your data into Microsoft Excel or into databases.

Extensible Markup Language (*.xml):

The in importance gaining XML-format offers a platform-wide integration of photos within your projects.

Google Earth Keyhole-Markup-Language (*.kml):

KML-files are the exchange format of the software Google Earth.

Use this format to illustrate your images in Google Earth.

The KML-file may also be used to plan a route with Google Maps. The route may then be downloaded and used in a mapping programme or in a GPS receiver.

Google Earth KMZ (*.kmz):

The KMZ-format is a compressed KML-file in ZIP format. In the KMZ-file, additionally, the photographs are stored so that this format is especially appropriate for sharing your projects.

ESRI Shapefile (*.shp + *.shx + *.dbf + *.prj):

Beside the SHP-file the SHX-, DBF- and PRJ-files are generated.

The format offers the possibility to integrate the image location as a point layer in shapefile-compatible geographic information systems. The name and paths of the associated photos are stored in the attribute table.

Portable Document Format (*.pdf) :

The PDF format can be illustrated and printed with Acrobat Reader and other illustration programs. Beside text and vector graphics, it may contain images. For more information on PDF export, please refer to section PDF Export.

PDF Export

The PDF-export allows to generate several PDF files containing not only the exif information but also the respective photographs. The selected photos are grouped with the help of exif fields, e.g. all images of a specific bar code, and then written to a PDF.

To configure the PDF-export, check the "Create PDF Report" box, select an output folder and finally click on "config PDF".

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Unterverzeichnisse einbeziehen	
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Ausgewählte Dateien: 13	Aktualisieren
Dateien umbenennen / verschieben	1
Bilder umbenennen/verschieber	n Einstellungen
Struktur für Dateiname: <index> Seh Pfad: C:\gps_fotos\umbenannt\</index>	nenswürdigkeiten in Trier <date> <tim< td=""></tim<></date>
Output Formats	
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📃 Erstelle "Extensible Markup Lang	guage" (*.xml)
Erstelle Google Earth™ KML (*.kr	ml) (nur Exif-Teilbereich)
Erstelle Google Earth™ KMZ (*.kr	mz) (nur Exif-Teilbereich)
Erstelle ESRI Shapefile (shp. shx	(, dbf, pri)
Erstelle PDF Report	PDF konfigurieren
Exif	Filter
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Benutzerspezifische Daten hinzuf	
	d Dateinamen auswählen
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The configuration menu appears, where you can set the exif information used for grouping, design the layout and title page.

Grouping

In this slider the scheme used to group the photos to PDFs may be defined. The PDFs will be named following the defined naming scheme using exif information. The selected output directory and file name will be used as a prefix. If only grouping parameters are used for naming, the file name should be given as "_" (without quotation marks).

In case grouping is not required, leave the input field "Parameters for grouping" empty. Then all images will be saved in one PDF.

The settings of grouping items are carried out analogously to the renaming of file names (see section <u>Batch Rename Settings</u>). In case you are confident with file renaming, you may skip the following description.

Config PDF	
Grouping Layout Title Page	
Grouping Based on image attributes the images are grouped to PDF files. For all images with the same selected attributes a PDF is created.	
Options to group images to pdfs Altitude +	
Parameters for grouping:	
<m1n><m1v></m1v></m1n>	
	Ok Cancel

Select the required exif information from the drop-down list and click on the button.

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Date	
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The element will then be place in the text field "Parameters for grouping:". Here, you can modify the order. In case of syntax errors, the text field will be highlighted in red.

Example:

Options to group images to pdfs	
Memo 1 name 💌	+
Parameters for grouping:	
<m1n><m1v></m1v></m1n>	

Consequently, a PDF is generated for all photographs with the same values in the first memo name and value field. The PDFs will be named following these values, e.g. "barcode123.pdf", "barcode124.pdf."

Layout

The layout slider helps you to configure the page layout. Templates can be selecetd which define how many photogaphs are illustrated on a page. The number of templates provided depends on the number of exif items selected for output. If a large number of exif items are to be exported, it may not be possible to place more than two images per page.

Furthermore, an image title may be used. You can choose between the following options:

- "None": no image title will be used
- "Filename": the file name will be used as image title
- "Full filepath": the complete directory path and file name will be used as image title.

Config PDF		
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Template: 1 image per page 2 images per page (vertical alig 2 images per page (horizontal a 4 images per page	Image title: None	
		Ok Cancel

Title Page

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For the PDF report, a title page may be designed by checking the "Create title page" check-box in the slider "Title Page". A logo may be included by clicking on the

Select image button. In the following dialog, the user can select the respective image file. Likewise, a title may be inserted by filling in the "Title:" text box. A click on the button opens the font dialog.

Additional text can be inserted with the help oft he "Description:" table. To insert a new row simply click on the bottom line. Similarly, the font may be modified using the *Abc* button.

Filter

ExifExtractor NG offers to import only selected items of the exif information.

The "Import Settings" pop up where you may define which exif items will be saved to the output file. You may uncheck all information you don't require.

File ?	
Input	
Select inpu	t folder
Include subfolders	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\ Selected files: 39	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
Apply Rename-/Move-Functions	Settings
Name Pattem: <index> Sightseeing in 1 Path: C:\gps_fotos\Neuer Ordner\</index>	Γrier <date> - <time></time></date>
Output Formats	
Create "Character Separated Value	s" (*.csv)
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🔲 Create Google Earth™ KMZ (*.kmz)	(Subset of Exif values)
Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, shx, db	f, prj)
Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exif Filt	er
Add User Defined Values	User Defined Values
Select output folder	and file names
Path: File Name:	
	Start

Here you can specify exactly which exif entries are stored in the output file. Simply deselect unneeded information.

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Import settings	
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Altitude reference	
Image direction	
Image direction reference	
Satellites	
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Speed	
Distance to Destination	
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Select all Clear selection Default	ОК
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Please note, that the filter will not be applied for the generation of KML- and KMZ-files.

User Defined Values

The user may attach additional customized information to each photo, e.g. to save the photographer or the weather for each shot. Simply click on the field "Add User Defined Values".

File ?	
Input	
Select	input folder
Include subfolders	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\	
Selected files: 39	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
Apply Rename-/Move-Function	ns Settings
Name Pattern: <index> Sightseeing</index>	in Trier <date> - <time></time></date>
Path: C:\gps_fotos\Neuer Ordner\	
Output Formats	
Create "Character Separated Va	alues" (*.csv)
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🔲 Create ESRI Shapefile (shp, sh)	c, dbf, prj)
Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exi	f Filter
Add User Defined Values	User Defined Values
Select output fo	lder and file names
Path:	
File Name:	
	Start

The input menu "Customize Data" appears:

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•	weather	String	-	sunny	
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Enter the desired name in the "Name" field. Please note that the rules below have to be followed:

- The field can contain up to 10 characters
- The following characters are supported: "az, AZ, 0-9, _"
- Caution! Spaces and points are not supported!

In the field "Type" you may define the relevant data type. For text use "String", for whole numbers "Integer" and for decimal numbers the data type "Double".

Finally, you may introduce default values used for each photograph. These are typed into the "Value" field.

Please note that your customized fields will not be saved to KML- or KMZ-file formats.

Output Folder and File Names

Under "Select output folder and file names", you can specify the path where the processed files which are defined under "Output Formats" shall be stored.

If you check one of the options under "Output formats" for the first time a selection window will pop up.

ExifExtractor NG	
Input	
Select inp	uit folder
Include subfolders	
Path: C:\gps_fotos\	
Selected files: 39	Refresh
Rename / Move Files	
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Create PDF Report	Config PDF
Exif Fi	ilter
Add User Defined Values	User Defined Values
Select output folde	er and file names
Path: C:\gps_fotos\output\	
File Name: mySightseeingTour.*	
	Start
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Example:

If the output formats KMZ and KML select and the file name is set to "mySightseeingTour", ExifExtractor NG creates the two files "mySightseeingTour.kml" and "mySightseeingTour.kmz" under the given path.

Service Menu

In the service menu, additional features are available.

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Saving and Resetting

Once you exit the ExifExtractor NG your settings will be saved. After a new start, the program recalls your configuration. If you like to reset the settings to the default values, choose "File" > "Reset settings".



Info Menu

The ExifExtractor NG service functions may be reached by the service menu.

ExifExtra	ctor NG	
File ?		
Input	Help	
	Registration	
📄 Ir 💙	AutoUpdate	
Path:	About	
Selecteur	ies. 19	

Registration

Choose "Registration" in the service menu to change the license type.



The following window appears:

All Excident	or NG - Registry			
Current li	cense information	1		
License	nolder: Demo use ype: Demo xpiration: unlimite			
		Change license	Ok	

Load your license file (*. Lic) by clicking on the button "Change license". The license change is effective immediately and you don't have to restart the program.

AutoUpdate

At each new start ExifExtractor NG verifies if an update exists. If an update is available, you

can download and install the patch.



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Previous Versions

What was new in ExifExtractor NG 3.7:

- Presentation of photos in PDF Export in portrait and landscape format
- Improved compression of photos into PDF reports and reduction of PDF file size
- Added button to reread the input folder
- Presentation of photos within Google Earth (KML / KMZ)
- Presentation of 20 memo values within Google Earth (KML / KMZ)
- Direction arrows in KML files indicating the viewing direction of the photo

What was new in ExifExtractor NG 3.6:

• Support of photos from Ricoh G700SE with 20 memo values in PDF report

What was new in ExifExtractor NG 3.5:

• Creation of PDF reports based on Exif fields

What was new in ExifExtractor NG 3.0:

- New output format KMZ
- Manual selection of read-out exif fields
- Comfortable batch processing for renaming and moving data following individual rules
- Batch function allowing subsequent adding of fields and contents to the output file