Remote Drive PC Client software User Guide

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The MTS Remote Drive service operates using the Remote Drive PC Client software, which is an automatic synchronization application that backs up your files online. The Remote Drive software is Windows-based and it resides on your local computer. It can be configured to quietly monitor and automatically back up any file or folder. Alternatively, it can be configured to back up selected files or folders only when you tell it to. See P.8 for details on configuring the software.

The MTS Remote Drive service offers an online portal environment where files, directories, and folders that you've uploaded from your computer are stored. The Remote Drive resides in a remote data warehouse that is monitored and designed for high redundancy to provide industry standard security and reliability. Together, the Remote Drive PC Client software and the MTS Remote Drive service portal provide a reliable online backup solution. You can upload your files directly to the MTS Remote Drive service, or you can use the third party Remote Drive PC Client software made available from the MTS website. The software should be downloaded to and configured on the computer that has the files the need to be backed up.

^{*} The term "Remote Drive PC Client" used throughout this Setup Wizard is used to describe third party software that can be used in connection with the MTS Remote Drive service.

System Requirements

Supported Operating Systems

The Remote Drive PC Client requires one of the following operating systems to operate:

- Windows 2000 SP4 or later
- Windows XP SP2 or later (all versions)
- Windows Vista (all versions)

Supported Web Browsers

The Remote Drive PC Client uses Internet Explorer core components and, as such requires Internet Explorer 6 or Internet Explorer 7.

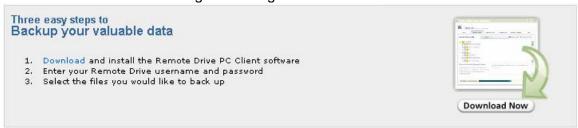
JavaScript must be enabled for Internet Explorer. You may need to customize the security level on the **Tools >Internet Options >Security** tab. In Security Settings, enable active scripting under the Scripting section.

Installing the Remote Drive PC Client

You can install the Remote Drive PC Client if you are logged in with an administrator level account on your computer. Once you've downloaded the Remote Drive PC Client to your local machine from the Remote Drive portal, run the installer. The Remote Drive PC Client Setup Wizard guides you through the setup process.

To install the Remote Drive PC Client:

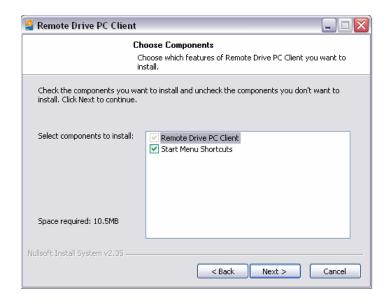
1. Upon successfully logging into the Remote Drive portal on mts.ca/remotedrive, click Download Now to begin installing the Remote Drive PC Client



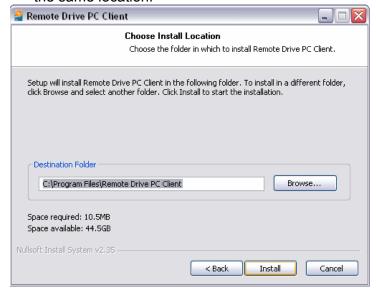
- 2. Run the Remote Drive PC Client Installer. If you already have an earlier version of the Remote Drive PC Client installed, you are prompted to uninstall it first.
- 3. The first screen of the Remote Drive PC Client *Setup Wizard is the Welcome screen. Click Next to go to the next screen.



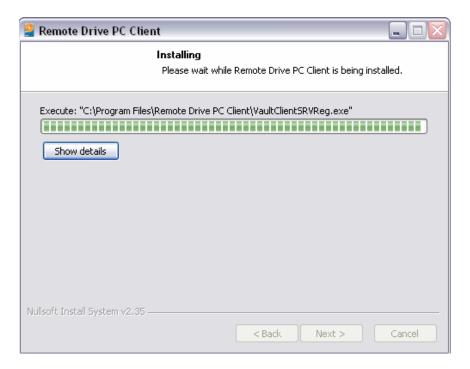
4. On the second screen of the Remote Drive PC Client Setup Wizard, select whether you would like to have Start menu shortcuts or not, and then click Next.



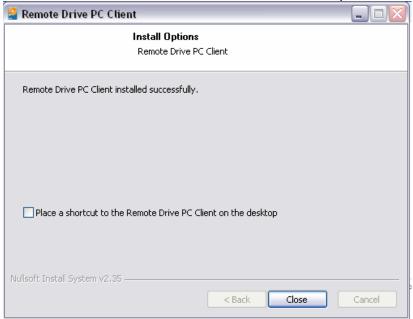
5. On the following screen, specify the destination folder for the software installation. The default location is C:\Program Files\Remote Drive PC Client, which is the recommended root directory. If you are upgrading your Remote Drive PC Client from a previous version, then the installation occurs in the same location.



6. When you are finished, click Install. The installer begins installing the Remote Drive PC Client software and shows the progress of the installation.



7. Once the installation is complete, you have the option of launching the Remote Drive PC Client right away. Also, you have the option of adding a shortcut icon to the Remote Drive PC Client on the desktop.

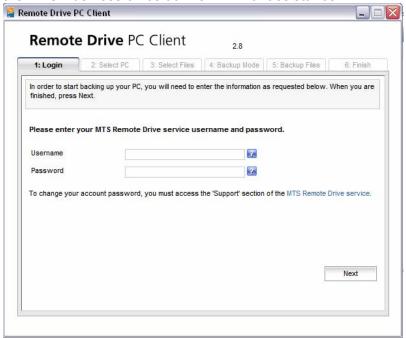


Remote Drive PC Client Configuration Wizard (Initial Setup)

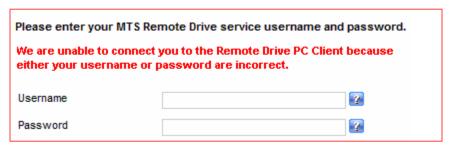
When you run the Remote Drive PC Client for the first time, there is an initial setup wizard that prompts you to specify the PC, backup mode, and backup file settings, To configure the Remote Drive PC Client, fill in the appropriate information on each screen and click the Next button to advance to the next step.

Step 1: Login

On the Login page, provide your username and password. This user name and password is the same used when logging into the Remote Drive portal. Please contact the MTS Business office at 225-4BIZ for assistance.

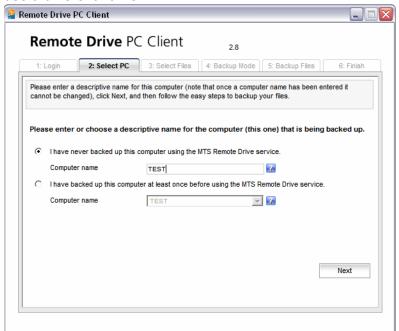


If you enter the wrong credentials, the following error message is displayed:



Step 2: Select PC

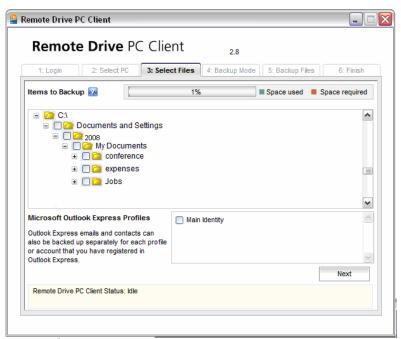
On the Select PC page, provide a name for the computer you are currently using. The default value is the Windows computer name, but you are able to change it if you want to use a different name.



If you are installing the Remote Drive PC Client on a computer that was previously backed up, you can select the corresponding option to look up and select the previously used machine name. For example, if you are reinstalling software, you can subsequently restore all previously backed up files and folders to this computer.

Step 3: Select Files

On the Select Files page, select which files and folders you would like to back up. You can also back up your Microsoft Outlook Express email account profiles (also called identities). If you have multiple Outlook Express profiles, you have the option to choose any for inclusion in the backup.



You can back up files from local storage data sources, which includes hard drives, floppy drives, removable storage devices (for example, USB keys), and optical drives. File systems accessed over a network, whether mapped to a local drive letter or accessed via URL, are not selectable by the Remote Drive PC Client.

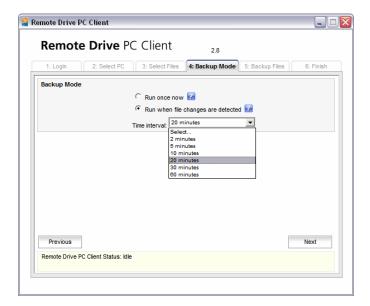
Note: During the initial setup configuration, you need to select at least one file or folder for backup before you can click Next.

Step 4: Backup Mode

On the Backup Mode page, specify how often you want the Remote Drive PC Client to operate. You can select one of the following options:

- Run Once Now- Backs up the selected files and folders just once. Of you want to run a backup operation again, you need to manually run it. (see Manually Running a Backup Operation). Click Next to run the backup immediately.
- Run When File Changes Are Detected- Continuously checks if any files have changed and automatically backs up those files. Specify how often you want the Remote Drive PC Client to check for file changes in the Time Interval box. Click Next to start the backup process.

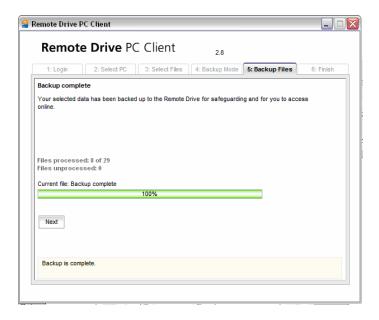
Note: You can change the Backup Mode on the Home page of the Remote Drive PC Client. For more information, see Viewing and Changing the Backup Mode.



Step 5: Backup Files

On the Backup Files page, the Remote Drive PC Client performs the actual backup and displays a status bar to indicate its progress. If a file is not processed for any reason, then this will be reflected in the Files Unprocessed count. For example, a file may not be processed if it is in use by another application.

A detailed list of all files included in the backup can be found in the Remote Drive PC Client Logs. For more information, see Help Tab.



Step 6: Finish

Once the backup process is complete, the Finish page is displayed. Click Finish, which brings you to the Remote Drive PC Client window.

Introducing the Remote Drive PC Client

The Remote Drive PC Client determines which files and folders to backup by comparing the differences between the files already contained in the Remote Drive with the ones selected for the backup set. In addition, time stamps for all files are checked for changes before and after the Remote Drive PC Client performs operations to ensure that any files that are changed during operation are included.

The Automatic Backup Mode

The automatic backup mode continuously checks if any files have changed and automatically backs up those files based on the specified time interval. For example, if the interval is 20 minutes, files marked for backup are uploaded no more than once very 20 minutes.

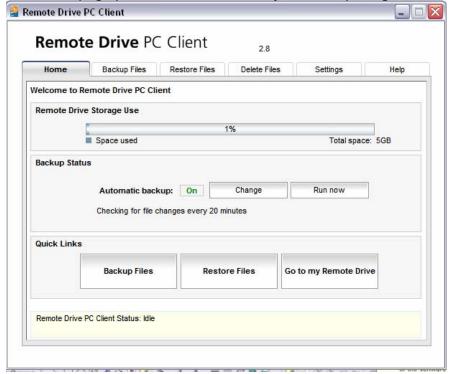
Any file that is in use during an automatic backup operation is added to a retry queue. While the file remains open, the automatic backup continuously retired the file for a retry period, which is based on the threshold value.

Remote Drive PC Client Window

Once you've successfully installed and configured the Remote Drive PC Client, you can backup additional files, restore files to your computer, delete files from your Remote Drive, modify your Remote Drive PC Client settings, find the product version information, view the log summary, and read the detailed systems logs.

Home Tab

The Home page provides an overview of your backup usage and backup schedule.



Viewing Your Space Usage

You can view the amount of space that you've used in your Remote Drive as well as the total storage capacity of your subscription. If a backup is currently running, you can view the progress of the backup and information on the files being uploaded to your Remote Drive.

To view your space usage:

On the Home page, view the bar graph in the Remote Drive Storage Use area.

Viewing and Changing the Backup Mode

You can find out if the automatic backup mode is on or off by referring to the Backup Status area. If the automatic backup is off, you need to manually run any backup operations. You can also activate the automatic backup and modify how often files are checked for changes.



If you are accessing the Home page for the first time, the automatic backup mode depends on the option you selected in Step 4: Backup Mode of the Remote Drive PC Client Configuration Wizard. If you selected the Run Once Now option, the Automatic Backup is Off. If you selected the Run When File Changes Are Detected option, the Automatic Backup is On.

To change the Backup Mode:

- 1. On the Home page, click Change in the Backup Status area.
- On the Setting page, specify how you want the Remote Drive PC Client to operate and click Finish. When you change the backup mode, the status is also updated on the Home page. For more information, see Modifying the Backup Mode.



Manually Running a Backup Operation

You can manually start a backup operation at any time. If you do not have the automatic backup turned on, you must manually run all backup operations, or you can activate the automatic backup mode so that the backup operations occur automatically.

To run a backup process manually:

On the Home page, click Run Now to manually run a backup process.

Using the Quick Links

You can quickly access the most common function by clicking one of the quick links.

To use the Quick Links:

On the Home page, click one of the following links on the Quick Links area:

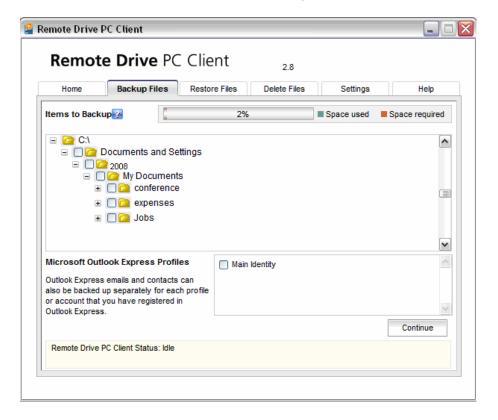
- Backup Files- Opens the Backup Files page.
- Restore Files- Opens the Restore Files page.
- Go to My Remote Drive- Launches the default web browser and displays the main Remote Drive web page, where you can log in and access your uploaded files.

Backup Files Tab

The Backup Files tab lets you select files and folders for inclusion in the backup set. You can also back up your Microsoft Outlook Express email account profiles (also called Identities). If you have multiple Outlook Express profiles, you have the option to choose any for inclusion in the backup set.

You can back up files from local storage data sources, which includes hard drives, floppy disks, removable storage devices (for example, USB keys), and optical drives. File systems accessed over a network, whether mapped to a local drive letter or accessed via URL, are not selectable by the Remote Drive PC Client for security purposes.

A status bar indicates the space already used for backing up files, the space required for the newly selected files, and the total amount of space available. The space currently being used in shown in blue and the approximate storage required for all new selections is shown in orange. For example, a user has used up 33% of his storage space and is about to back up about 36% of total capacity in new files.

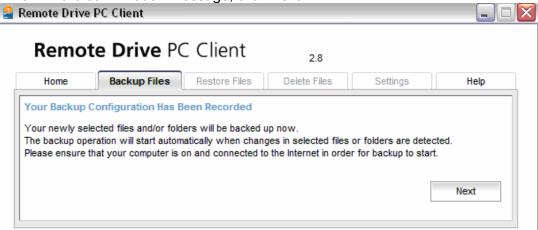


Adding Files to the Backup Set

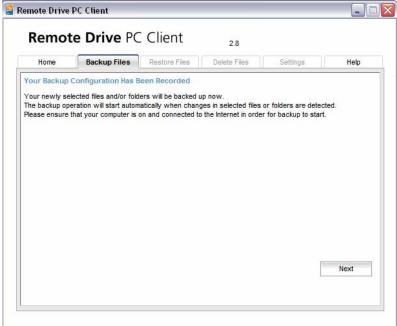
You can easily add files and folders to the backup set by selecting them in the Remote Drive PC Client Window.

To add files to the backup set in the Remote Drive PC Client window:

- On the Backup Files page, select the files and folders that you want added to the backup set. If you select a folder, all files contained in that folder are automatically selected as well- you can deselect the files that you do not want included in the backup set.
- 2. Once you've selected the files to back up, click Continue.
- 3. In the confirmation message, click Next.



4. Click Next to begin the backup process. If you want to stop the backup, click Stop. Once the backup process has completed, click Finish.



Removing Files from the Backup Set

If you deselect any files that have been previously backed up, these files will not be included in the next backup procedure. However, the deselected files will be available on the server if they were backed up successfully in the past.

To remove files from the backup set in the Remote Drive PC Client window:

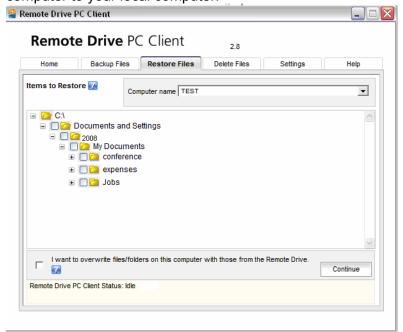
- On the Select/Backup Files page, deselect the files and folders that you want removed from the backup set. If you deselect a folder, all files contained in that folder are automatically deselected as well. If you want certain files included in the backup set, select them.
- 2. When you are finished, click Continue to save the changes to the backup set.
- 3. In the confirmation message, click Next.
- 4. Click Finish.

Restore Files Tab

You can restore your backed up data to your local computer on the Restore Files page. Since the Remote Drive PC Client supports multiple computers on an account, you can restore backed up files from a specified computer. The file tree displays all files previously backed up from the selected computer.

By default, the Remote Drive PC Client does not overwrite files on your local computer that have the same name and location as the backed up file. The Remote Drive PC Client skips any file that is already present on your local computer. If you want to overwrite existing files on your computer with the ones available from your Remote Drive, select the corresponding option.

For example, If you select TEST from the Computer Name box. The file tree then displays all files previously backed up for the TEST computer. You can select exactly which folders and files you want to restore, or you can restore all data from the TEST computer to your local computer.



To restore files to your computer:

- 1. On the Restore Files page, select the computer that was used to backup files that you now want to add to your computer in the Computer Name box.
- 2. In the file tree, select which files and folders you want to restore to your local computer. If you select a folder, all files contained in that folder are also selected.
- To overwrite files on your local computer that have the same name and location as the backed up file, select the I Want to Overwrite Files/Folders On This Computer option. By default, the Remote Drive PC Client does not overwrite files.

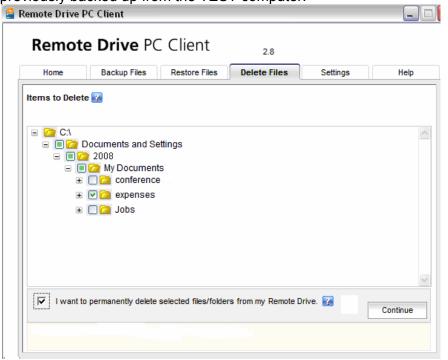
Note: The Remote Drive PC Client skips any file that is already present on your local computer.

- 4. Click Continue to start the restore files process. The progress of the restore process is displayed. During the restore process, some options in the Remote Drive PC Client are disabled since changes to the backup, delete, and configuration cannot be performed while your computer is restoring files. If you want to stop this process, click Stop.
- 5. Once the backup process is completed, click Finish.

Delete Files Tab

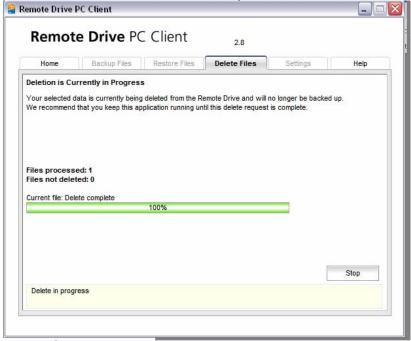
The Delete Files page lets you delete files from your Remote Drive. Since the Remote Drive PC Client supports multiple computers on an account, you can delete files that were previously backed up from a specific computer by selecting it in the Computer Name box.

For example, you select TEST in the Computer Name box. The file tree displays all files previously backed up from the TEST computer.



To Delete Files from My Remote Drive:

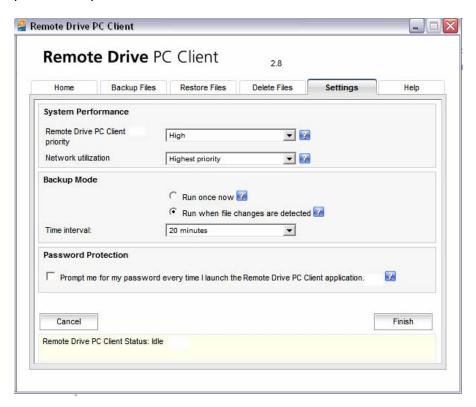
- 1. On the Delete Files page, select the computer that contains the backup files you want to delete from the Remote Drive in the Computer Name box.
- 2. Select the files you want to delete from the file tree. If you select a folder, the files contained in that folder are automatically selected for deletion. You can deselect the files and folders that you want to keep.
- You must select the I Want to Permanently Delete Selected Files/Folders option to confirm that you agree to permanently remove the selected files from your Remote Drive.
- 4. Click Continue to begin the delete files process.
- 5. When the file deletion is complete, click Finish.



Note: Deletion is normally completed within 72 hours however circumstances may arise that cause permanent deletion to occur on a different timeframe than targeted. Please note that once you have activated the deletion process, the permanent deletion process will be underway and you will not be able to retrieve any of your deleted materials.

Settings Tab

The Settings page lets you specify system performance, backup mode, and password protection options for the Remote Drive PC Client.



Optimizing System Performance

You can optimize your system performance by modifying the priority of the Remote Drive PC Client and specifying the network utilization.

Remote Drive PC Client Priority

You can specify the priority of the Remote Drive PC Client over other running programs.

- A High setting dedicates more computer resources to the backup operation, which decreases the possibility of interrupting the backup process by other programs that may be running on your computer at the time of the backup.
- A Low setting utilizes more computer resources for other programs that may be running on your computer at the time of the backup, which may result in slower backup operations.

To specify the Remote Drive PC Client priority:

On the Settings page, select the computer priority of the backup process in the Remote Drive PC Client Priority box and then click Finish. To give backup operations a higher priority over other running programs, select High. To give other running programs a higher priority over backup operations, select Low.

Network Utilization

You can control the network data transfer priority of the backup and restore processes based on bandwidth. For example, a high resolution digital photograph (1 MB) takes approximately 2 seconds to transfer at Highest Priority setting, and approximately 40 seconds to transfer at Lowest Priority setting. Note that higher priorities may noticeably affect other programs on your computer that are using the network for web browsing file transfers.

To specify the network utilization:

On the Settings page, select one of the following options in the Network Utilization box and then click Finish:

Highest priority: 800 Kb/s
High priority: 450 Kb/s
Medium priority: 100 Kb/s
Low priority: 65 Kb/s
Lowest priority: 25 Kb/s

Modifying the Backup Mode

In the Backup Mode page, specify how often you want the Remote Drive PC Client to operate.

To change the backup mode:

On the Settings page, select one of the following options and click Finish:

- Run Once Now- Backs up the selected files and folders just once. If you
 want to run a backup operation again, you need to manually run it (see
 Manually Running a Backup Operation). Click Finish to run the backup
 immediately.
- Run When File Changes Are Detected- Continuously checks if any files
 have changed and automatically backs up those files. Specify how often you
 want the Remote Drive PC Client to check for file changes in the Time
 Interval box. Click Finish to start the backup process. When it is finished, the
 Remote Drive PC Client goes into a monitoring mode so that changed files
 are backed up.

Note: You can change the Backup Mode on the Home page of the Remote Drive PC Client. For more information, see Viewing and Changing the Backup Mode.

Using Password Protection

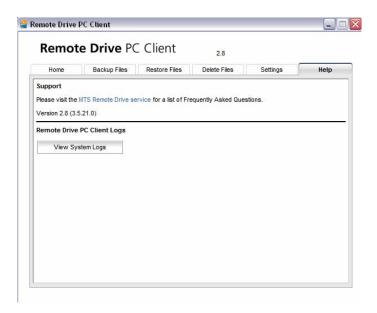
The Password Protection area lets you protect your Remote Drive PC Client with your password. We recommend that you select this feature so that the Remote Drive PC Client will prompt you for a password on startup. Use this feature to limit access to the Remote Drive PC Client by other users.

How to Activate the Password Protection feature:

On the Settings page, select the Prompt Me For My Password option and then click Finish. If you do not want to use password protection for the Remote Drive PC Client, deselect this option.

Help Tab

The Help page provides support information for the Remote Drive PC Client, including the product version number and a link to more product information. You can also view the most recent operations in the Remote Drive PC Client log.



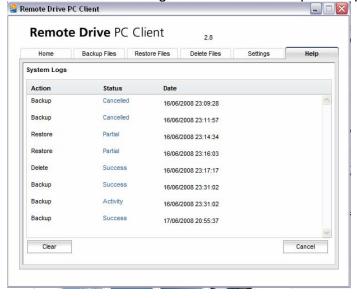
Viewing Support Information

To view support information:

Visit mts.ca/support for more information regarding the Remote Drive PC Client and Remote Drive portal.

Viewing the Remote Drive PC Client Logs

Every major operation by the Remote Drive PC Client generates an entry in the log list with a link to detailed log information for the specific operation.



To view the system logs:

- 1. On the Help page, click the View System Logs button. The most recent operations, including backup, restore, and delete operations are listed by type, status, and date and time.
- 2. In System Logs, do any of the following:
 - a. To view details for a particular action, click the corresponding Status link. The log opens in a separate window and contains a summary of the operation. Depending on the operation type, this information includes the processed files that are backed up or unprocessed as well as a breakdown of the actual files transferred.
 - b. To delete all logs, click the Clear Logs button.
- 3. Click Cancel to go back to the main Help page.

Log Examples

All backup operation contains the product version number, the operation type, and the date of the operation.

Backup Operation – Success

The log for a successful backup operation contains a summary of the files that have been processed, backed up, and unprocessed. The log also contains a list of each file that have been backed up or not processed. For example, a log indicates that 1 out of 1 has been successfully processed and backed up, and no files have been unprocessed.

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Remote Drive PC Client [ver. 3.5.21.0] - Backup Operation Summary

Date: 27/05/2008
Time: 21:34:01

Files processed: 1
Files backed up: 1
Files unprocessed: 0

Files successfully backed up: C:\Documents and Settings\2008\My Documents\expenses\account.xls

Files unprocessed: [none]
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Backup Operation – Cancelled

The log for a cancelled backup operation contains a summary of the files that have been processed, backed up, and not processed. The log also contains a list of each file that has been backed up or not processed.

For example, a log indicates that a backup was cancelled after processing 5 files out of 6 in the selection set. In particular, 4 files were successfully backed up (Icons.bmp, d4php_trial.exe, DemoWatcher.zip, DRTCPO21.exe) and 2 files were unprocessed (EVE_Setup.exe, FileSpy.zip).

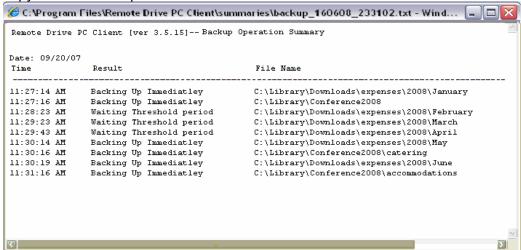
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Remote Drive PC Client [ver. 3.5.21.0] - Backup Operation Summary
Date: 11/21/2007
Time: 17:14:24
Total files:
Files kacked up:
Files unprocessed:
Files successfully backed up:
   C:\Icons\Icons.bmp
   C:\Library\Downloads\d4php_trial.exe
   C:\Library\Downloads\DemoWatcher.zip
   C:\Library\Downloads\DRTCF021.exe
Files skipped:
                                 C:\Library\Downloads\EVE_Setup.exe
   [Server Error]
   [Operation Cancelled Error] C:\Library\Downloads\FileSpy.zip
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Backup Operation— Activity

The log for an activity type backup operation contains a list of file events, results for each file, and the file name and path.

For example, a log indicates that 3 file changes are detected at 11:35:11 AM, 11:35:17 AM, and 11:35:17 AM, and the changed files are immediately backed up. The d4php_trial.exe file is changed again a few seconds later at 11:35:17 AM but since the Time Interval value for this backup operation is set to 5 minutes, the file is not backed up right away- instead, the file is added to the queue until the threshold period of 5 minutes is met. In this way, the Remote Drive PC Client ensures that frequently changing files do not cause continuous network traffic.

Not all file changes are a result of your own actions. For example, Windows operation systems sometimes generate multiple file change events over simple actions like file copy or file delete operations.



Username and Password Management

If you change your MTS Remote Drive service password in the Remote Drive portal, then you need to update your log in information for the next time the Remote Drive PC Client attempts to communicate with the MTS Remote Drive service, such as during startup or when navigation through the interface. In this instance, the PC Client displays a password prompt before it allows further interaction with the MTS Remote Drive service.

Remote Drive PC Client Components

When you close the Remote Drive PC Client window, the application continues to run in the background. The application is composed of several components: user interface, tray applet, and service. The user interface is the main window for the Remote Drive PC Client. The service performs all backup, restore, and delete operations, as well as other low level operations. The tray applet is a small application that provides menu access to some functions, displays various messages about the internal state of the software, and shows that the software is installed and running.

The Tray Applet

The Remote Drive PC Client tray applet is located in the notification area in the bottom right corner of your desktop. The icon displayed in the tray applet depends on whether the Remote Drive PC Client is online and idle, currently backing up, restoring, or deleting (hover over the icon to view the progress by percent completed), or offline (due to connection or authentication issue).



Displaying the Remote Drive PC Client Applet Menu

The Remote Drive PC Client menu in the tray applet lets you access some functions, such as open and shutdown the application and pause or resume operations.



To display the Remote Drive PC Client menu:

Right click the Remote Drive PC Client icon to display the following menu:

• Open- Launches the Remote Drive PC Client window if it's not already open.

- **Shutdown-** Closes the Remote Drive PC Client window and shuts down the tray applet and background service.
- Launch Every Time Windows Starts- Specifies whether you want the Remote Drive PC Client to startup every time that Windows is started.
- **Pause-** Pauses the current operation if a backup, restore, or delete operation is active. This option is available if an operation is running.
- **Resume-** Resumes a paused operation. This option is available if an operation is paused.
- Go to the MTS Remote Drive service online- Launches the default browser and opens the Remote Drive portal.

Handling Notification Messages

The Remote Drive PC Client tray applet also displays notification messages.



The following messages may appear:

- No backups have run in 7 day(s)- If no backup occurs for 7 days or more, the tray applet displays a message to inform you that the Remote Drive PC Client has been running without performing a backup operation. To remove this message, you can either manually start up a backup in the Remote Drive PC Client window, or set up an automatic backup schedule. For more information, see Manually Running a Backup Operation, and Manually Modifying the Backup Mode.
- Loss of authentication- The user changes their password for the web based Remote Drive but did not update their credentials for the Remote Drive PC Client.
- **Upgrade available-** An upgrade is available on the server and an administrator level user may perform the upgrade.
- Excessive retries- The automatic backup has attempted to backup a number of files many times and will continue trying.
- Reboot required- The user has installed the software but has decided not to reboot the PC. Please reboot the PC to complete the installation of the software.