

## Re: downloaded file is worthless

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On Tue, 27 May 2008 13:21:01 -0700, Nathan  
<[Nathan@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:Nathan@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

I have a Mac, trying to upgrade my Windows Media player from 7.1 to 9. I am using OS X. I download the file from the website. Then I have to unzip it with Sutfit. It creates another file. I have to unzip that. It creates another file. I have to unzip THAT ONE TOO! Finally it spits out a non-zip file, and it does nothing. it's a text file that, when I open in Text Editor, is gibberish, as if it's a program.

So how do I install this stupid update?

Did you know there's a mac WMP specific newsgroup ?  
microsoft.public.windowsmedia.player.mac

It only ever gets PC based WMP questions though ;-)

First off, you should be using the Flip4Mac components for WMV playback in Quicktime – it's pretty reliable and WMV9 on Mac is no longer supported (though available currently for download). You can get that from here

<http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/player/wmcomponents.mspx>

There will be no further development on WMP9 for Mac, but it sounds like your Stuffit expanded the file to a disk image (a file with a ..dmg extension).

That should end up on your desktop, from where you can directly install the WMP application.

Ask for Corentin on the Mac WMP discussion group above for further instructions, as I can't replicate your issue using free Stuffit expander and the current download image.

HTH

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Cheers – Neil

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