

Re: Renaming all files in a folder at once

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You forgot to mention that's in Windows Explorer ;-)
Works well, have used it a lot.

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Wesley Vogel wrote:

Here is one way, which I like.

Rename a series of files

1. Select the files you want to rename.
2. Right click the *first* file and click Rename.
3. Type the new name, and then press ENTER.

All of the files in the series will be named in sequence using the new name you type. For example, if you type Summer Vacation 2005 (1).jpg , the other files in the series will be named Summer Vacation 2005 (2).jpg , Summer Vacation 2005 (3).jpg , and so on.

Notes

? To select consecutive files or folders, click the first item, press and hold down SHIFT, and then click the last item. To select nonconsecutive files or folders, press and hold down CTRL, and then click each item.

? To specify the starting number for the series, type the starting number in parenthesis after the new file name. The files in the series will be numbered in sequence starting with the number you type. For example, if you type Birthday (10), the other files will be named Birthday (11), Birthday (12), and so on.

To select multiple files and folders

Do one of the following:

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? To select nonconsecutive files or folders, press and hold down CTRL, and then click each item.

? To select all the files and folders in the window, on the Edit menu, click Select All.

Notes

? If you have selected all files or folders and then want to clear the selection, click in a blank area in the folder window.

To change the name of a file or folder

http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/windows_fcab_rename_f

To rename a series of files

http://www.microsoft.com/resources/documentation/windows/xp/all/proddocs/en-us/windows_rename_series

HOW TO: Rename Multiple Files in Windows XP with Windows

Explorer <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/320167>

In news:179A8F91-8BB0-48A4-91C2-AA658446807C@xxxxxxxxxxxxxx,

PeterJordan <PeterJordan@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> hunted and pecked:

When I take photos, they're all by default named something like DSC-001, DSC-002, etc. When I copy them to a folder, I'd like to rename all of the files in the folder something like July1-pix-001, July1-pix-002, etc., so that if I copy a new set of pix into the same folder, the new DSC-001 doesn't try to overwrite the old DSC-001. Can I do an automatic partial renaming of every file in the folder?