

Disk Booster is a comprehensive disk defragmentation tool for delivering improved PC performance and eliminating the invisible threat of fragmentation on your PC. Disk Booster works to boost PC start-up times, shorter delays in launching demanding applications and faster data storage and retrieval.

Getting Started

The installation process for the Disk Booster is simple to perform and can be completed in just a few simple steps.

- You can download the program from <http://www.pcbooster.com/products/dbooster>
- When Disk Booster has finished downloading, find the installation file (diskbooster.exe) and double click it to initiate the installation process. When you double-click the installation file, the setup wizard will start the process of installing the program onto your PC and you will be guided through each installation step.
- Upon completion of the installation process, you will be prompted to activate your copy of Disk Booster. When you have successfully activated the program, you will be able to run the program for the first time. During this time, the update process will run in order to automatically update your version of Disk Booster.
- Please note: An internet connection is required in order to activate Disk Booster as well as receive any updates that may be necessary.

How do activate Disk Booster (Retail)?

If you haven't already done so, install Disk Booster onto your PC by double clicking the setup file that you received in the download. Otherwise, if you purchased a retail copy, insert the CD into the CD-ROM drive.

- If auto run is enabled on your PC, then the installation process should automatically run. If you do not have auto run enabled, then you can navigate to the CD-ROM drive in a windows explorer window, locate the installation file, and then double-click this to run the setup program.
- In order to use to activate your copy of Disk Booster, perform the following steps:
 - Run Disk Booster by double clicking the desktop shortcut (if created) or by navigating to All Programs > Disk Booster and then double clicking the application file. Locate the **Register now** on the main screen and then click the Enter Product Key menu item. Enter the serial number that you were given, and be sure to type the serial number correctly.

- It is advisable that you copy and paste the serial number from the order receipt that was sent to you or the confirmation email that you received. It is important that the serial number is typed exactly as you see it to properly activate your copy of Disk Booster.
- The program must have internet access so you may be prompted by your firewall to allow it. Internet access is required for finalizing product activation as well as receiving any product updates.

Interface Overview

Disk Booster can be run by performing these simple steps:

1. *Click Programs > Disk Booster.* Here you will find the main application file for Disk Booster. Double-click it and the program will open. You can also run Disk Booster by double-clicking the desktop shortcut icon that was created during the installation process if you elected to have one created.
2. Disk Booster will automatically check if any updates are available. If you have determined that your copy of Disk Booster is not up to date, or simply do not know whether or not your program is up to date, simply click Update to receive any updates that your program may need.
3. You will see the main interface when you run the program for the first time, which is where all of the major functions of Disk Booster will be accessible from. You'll want to get familiar with this screen because this is where you will be spending a lot of your time when you use Disk Booster.

How do I defrag my hard-drive?

To get started, start Disk Booster and press **Defragment Now**. You can then press **Analyze** to examine the level of fragmentation of your data as well as view a visual map of your hard-drive.

After Disk Booster has examined your hard-drive, it will then advise you whether defragmentation is necessary or not. You can ignore the advice and still proceed with defragmentation, by selecting **Defragment** rather than **Analyze**.

Disk Booster will then proceed to defrag your hard-drive. When you run defrag for the first time, this may take some time. After the first defrag is completed, subsequent defrags should take less time, as a proper maintenance regime is set in place to prevent excessive file defragmentation before it happens.

The Autodefrag option can continue to work silently in the background, defragging your hard-drive when your PC is idle. You can also customize these settings and add additional hard-drive or SSDs (solid-state drives) or SD memory cards by clicking on the **Autodefrag** icon. However, defragging these types of solid-state drives may not show any material benefit to your PC.

How do I optimize my free space?

Optimize Free Space option allows Disk Booster to re-organize your free space in continuous blocks. This allows fast write and read for heavy applications such as video editing or intensive gaming.

Optimize Free Space is faster than file defragmentation as it does not take into account the level of fragmentation on your hard-drive. It simply organizes free space into one continuous block for demanding PC applications and programs. Your free space may be optimized although your hard-drive may still be fragmented.

How do I automatically defrag my hard-drive?

Disk Booster can automatically schedule a defragmentation of your hard-disks when your PC is idle. To use this feature, select Autodefrag and then select I want to use Autodefrag and let Disk Booster automatically optimize my computer when it's idle. You can also choose when the auto-defrag process should begin after your computer becomes idle.

If you are leaving your PC for coffee when working in between documents, you may want to increase this period before disk defrag begins. If you want it to start immediately, just enter 0 in the edit field here. You can also specify which drives need to be defragmented by clicking their appropriate checkbox from the options presented there.

How do I replace Windows defrag with Disk Booster?

You can replace the default defragmenter program that is used by Windows, by going to **Defragment** in top menu in Disk Booster and then select **Use shell extension**. This will then replace the default fragmentation tool with Disk Booster. This offers increased flexibility and functionality than the standard Windows defrag tool.

How do I shred my Recycle bin securely?

In order to shred your Recycle Bin's content using Disk Booster, please right-click on your Recycle bin on your Desktop or using Windows Explorer. Then select '*Shred Recycle Bin with Disk Booster*' option.

You will then be shown an option to select shredding method. The *Quick method* does one overwrite time pass. The *Thorough option* completes seven overwrite passes.

Please note additional overwrite pass increases disk activity and will take additional time to complete. Please be warned, shredding these files will make them completely unrecoverable.

To begin shredding, click the **Shred Recycle Bin** button to proceed.