

## DirSpy Frequently Asked Questions

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1) Will DirSpy give me Window's NT user names?

No. DirSpy was designed to work on systems using Novell Netware only.

2) I have an ascii text file open on the file server but DirSpy tells me there is no one using the file, Why?

DirSpy will not work with text files. It will, however, work with most binary files with extentions of EXE (Executable), XLS (Excel), COM (Executable), DOC (Word), DWG (AutoCAD Drawing), MDB (Access Database), etc.

3) Is there any way I can speed up the directory scanning in DirSpy?

Yes. Click the Options Button and under "Connection Information" de-select one or more items. The rule of thumb is: The less items that are selected the faster the file scanning will be. Some selections that slow down scanning considerably are "Full Name", "Directory Rights" and "Address".

4) How come when I scan a particular file I'm getting duplicate user IDs?

Most likely because that user has that file open on more than one machine. Look at the connection number to see if this is the case.

5) Why does the Directory Rights item always show "NA"?

This is because you do not have the necessary network rights to see this information. See your LAN Administrator.

6) How do I set DirSpy so that it will scan a directory every n seconds?

Simply select the check box at the lower right corner of the screen "Update every n seconds". Here you can also specify the time interval in seconds, 1 through 65.

7) How do I set DirSpy so that it will notify me when all files within a specific directory have been released by users?

Click the Options Button. Under the "Notify Me When" heading select "No user has file". Next select how you want to be notified under the "Notify Me Via" heading. Finally, enable the

auto-scan feature explained above in step #6.

8) How do I set DirSpy so that it will notify me when a file has been opened within a specific directory by a user?

Click the Options Button. Under the "Notify Me When" heading select "A user has file". Next select how you want to be notified under the "Notify Me Via" heading. Finally, enable the auto-scan feature explained above in step #6.

9) How do I set DirSpy up so that it will automatically copy a file when it detects that no one is using a file within a specific directory?

Click the Options Button. Under the "Notify Me When" heading select "No user has file". Next select how you want to be notified under the "Notify Me Via" heading. Now you need to specify what file to copy from under the "Copy From" heading. Finally, enable the auto-scan feature explained above in step #6.

10) How do I enable DirSpy's directory activity feature?

Click the Options Button. Under the "Dir Activity Log File" caption select "Enable". If you want a new file to be created select "Overwrite". Finally, enable the auto-scan feature explained above in step #6. The log file will be stored in the same directory where the DirSpy program resides. The name of the log file will be LOG.TXT.

11) Is it possible to monitor more than one directory at a time?

Yes. This can be accomplished by running multiple instances of DirSpy in separate directories. The initial directory where DirSpy resides is \Program Files\DirSpy. You can create your own directories and copy the file DIRSPY.EXE to them. The log file is created in the same directory as DIRSPY.EXE.

12) Can I pass a directory to DirSpy?

Yes. Click Window's Start Button then select "Run...". Next, type in "C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" [directory path on file server]. An example is:

"C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" K:\MyDirectory

Note: The double quotes enclosing DirSpy's file path are necessary because of the space in the directory C:\Program Files.

13) Can I add DirSpy to the "Send To" menu item in Window's Explorer?

Yes. To add DirSpy to your SendTo folder follow the steps below:

- a) Create a shortcut to DirSpy on your desktop.
- b) Copy this shortcut to the Window's Clipboard. To do this select the shortcut, click the right mouse button, and select "Copy" from the drop down menu.
- c) Fire up Window's Explorer and open directory "\\Windows\SendTo" if you're using Window's 95 or 98 else if you're using NT open the directory "\\Winnt\Profiles\\SendTo".
- d) Paste the shortcut into the directory by selecting "Paste" from the Edit Menu.

Now when you're using Window's Explorer you can launch DirSpy by selecting a directory or file, clicking the right mouse button, selecting "Send To" from the drop down menu, and finally selecting "DirSpy".

14) How do I start DirSpy with the automatic file scanning feature enabled?

To start DirSpy with file scanning enabled (see #6 above) just pass the switch "-t" as shown in the example below:

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"C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" K:\MyDirectory -t
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15) How do I log directory and volume information to a text file?

A log file named VOLINFO.LOG is created in DirSpy's directory everytime you click the Vol Info Button.

16) How do I start DirSpy and create file VOLINFO.LOG?

Pass a path and switch "-v" to DirSpy. An example is:

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"C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" K:\MyDirectory -v
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17) How do I start DirSpy, create file VOLINFO.LOG, then end the program?

Pass a path and switch "-ve" to DirSpy. An example is:

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"C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" K:\MyDirectory -ve
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18) How do I start DirSpy, enable automatic scanning and create file VOLINFO.LOG?

Pass a path and switch "-tv" to DirSpy. An example is:

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"C:\Program Files\DirSpy\dirspy.exe" K:\MyDirectory -tv
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Each time a scan is executed file VOLINFO.LOG will be created.

## 19) How do I purchase DirSpy?

When you purchase DirSpy I email you a special code which you use to register it thus allowing you to use DirSpy indefinitely (i.e. the 40-day time constraint is removed).

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