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Information Security

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CYPHER personal security software.



The Cypher utility is designed to cypher and de-cypher any data file on a PC using key files or passwords created by the user. Key files are as their name implies keys to lock and unlock any selected data. Key files come in 3 levels of security described below.

Password – First level security:

Cypher and de-cypher using a personal password of no less than 6 characters.

User Key File – Second level security:

Any file to be used as a key to cypher and de-cypher. The user selected key file can be any document, picture, music, text or work file. It is recommended that you do not use files that contain large amounts of repeating characters such as bitmap files. However, files that are compressed such as zip, jpeg, MP3 or other media files that have been compressed are acceptable. DO NOT pick a file that will change. Just as with a physical lock on a door, a key file must be the same used to cypher (lock) a file in order to successfully de-cypher (unlock) the same data.

Crypto Key File - Third level security:

This is a key file created by the Cypher key maker that utilizes the computer Pseudo-Random Number Generator (PRNG) to create a very large set of random numbers. The Crypto Key maker utilizes several system features such as time, key strokes, position of the hard drive and many other variables to randomly seed and create large keys using a mathematical algorithm. The crypto key file is considered to be superior to the User key in that it is much more random than regular user data files.

Light Key File – Highest level security:

The light key is created by using your web camera equipped computer to sample light in three basic colors – red, green and blue. This system is known as a True Random Number Generator (TRNG) because the key is generated by the light recorded by your camera. The light key is the most secure because it is created using quantum physics by recording the values of photons electronically. The light key is similar in performance to keys generated by sensors inside Atomic clocks that detect radioactivity.

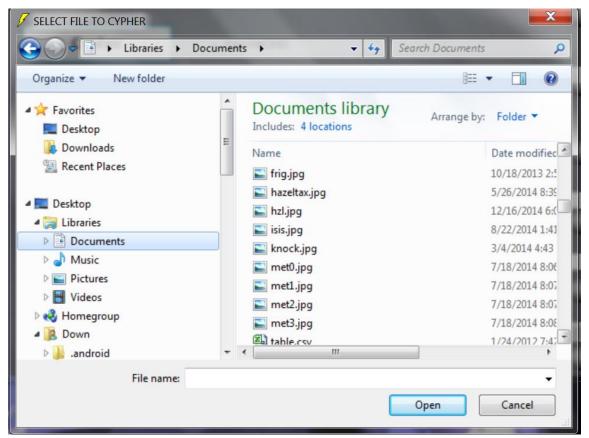
CYPHER Command:

Select the method to cypher a file using the radio buttons on the main menu:

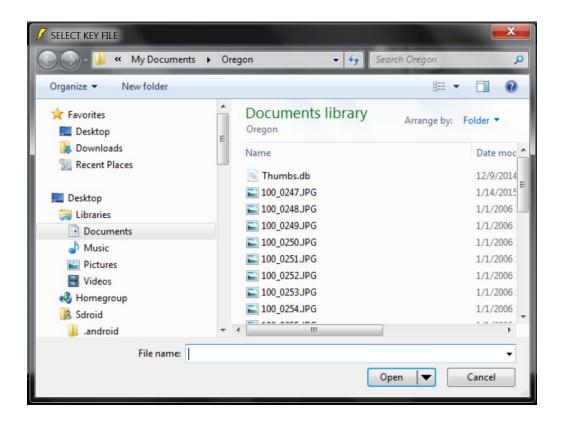
Password – enter a password in the space provided under the PASSWORD radio button. User Key file – any file selected on the system.

Crypto Key file – key file created with the Pseudo-Random Number Generator (PRNG). Light Key file - key file created with the light sensor True Random Number Generator (TRNG).

Select the file you wish to cypher using the file selection menu.



If you selected a key file method to cypher then you will need to select the key from the key file selection menu.



The cyphering process will display with a progress bar at the bottom of the main menu. Once the process is completed the status will note CYPHER COMPLETE.



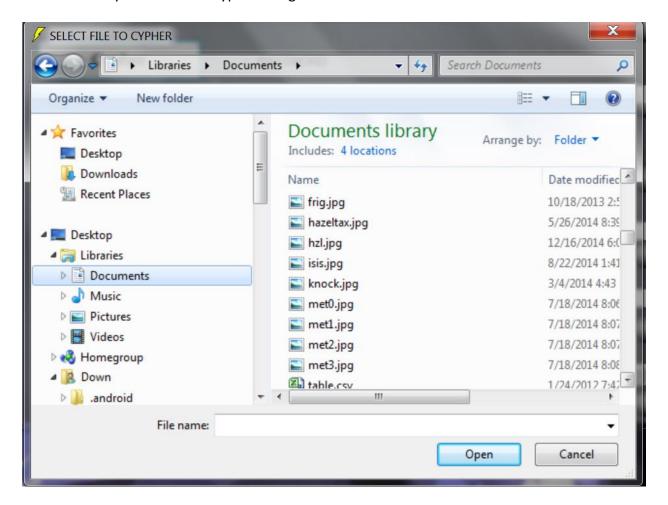
DE-CYPHER Command:

Select the method to de-cypher a file using the radio buttons on the main menu:

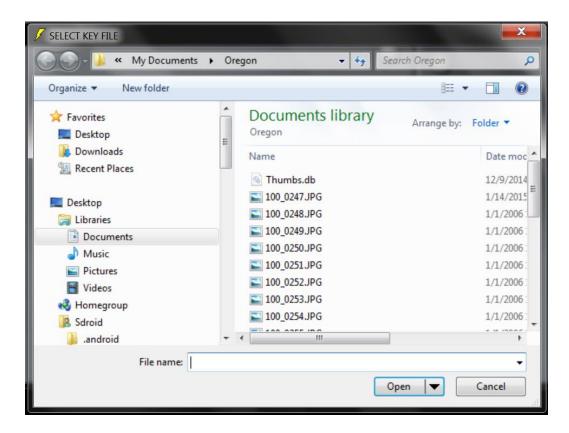
Password – enter a password in the space provided under the PASSWORD radio button. User Key file – any file selected on the system.

Crypto Key file – key file created with the Pseudo-Random Number Generator (PRNG). Light Key file - key file created with the light sensor True Random Number Generator (TRNG).

Select the file you wish to de-cypher using the file selection menu.



If you selected a key file method to de-cypher then you will need to select the key from the key file selection menu.



The de-cyphering process will display with a progress bar at the bottom of the main menu. Once the process is completed the status will note DECYPHER COMPLETE.



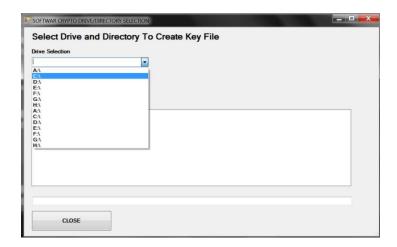
CREATE KEY:

There are two types of keys that you can make with cypher; Crypto-key files and Light Key files. Select the type of key you wish to create using the Crypto-Key File or Light Key File radio buttons on the main menu.

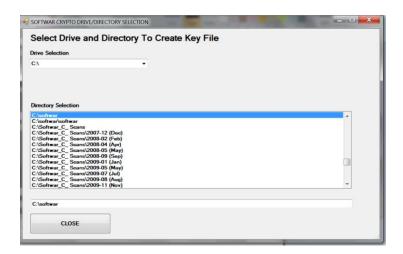
Enter a KEY FILE name in the main menu then select CREATE KEY. The name can be any name plus extension, for example: test.key, myface.jpg, data.txt, Jeffery.doc.

The key maker will then request what drive and directory you will to save the key in.

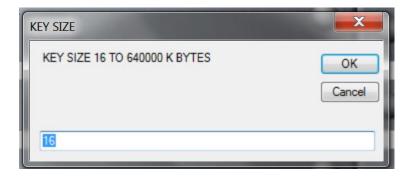
Select the drive using the drop down box.



Select the directory using the drop down box and click the close button.



The key maker will then request the size of the key file you wish to create. You may enter any value that is allowed.



The key size is limited to 16 Kbytes minimum to 640,000 Kbytes maximum (16,384 bytes to 655,360,000 bytes). Make sure you have enough space on the designated drive to store the key.

LIGHT KEY instructions:

If your computer is equipped with a web camera you can skip the installation and proceed to the key creation.

INSTALL THE SUPPLIED USB CAM

The camera supplied with Cypher is very simple to install into a USB port. It is designed to be a plug and play device that is automatically installed on Windows systems. In addition, the camera is also supplied with an install CD that contains the software drivers for operation. Simply run the SETUP.EXE from the CD to install.

To check to make sure the camera is properly installed:

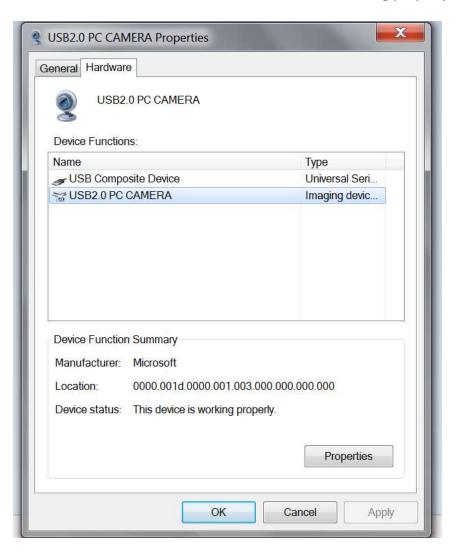
- Select START
- Select Devices and Printers

In the Devices and Printers menu you should see the Camera ICON



- Select the camera
- Select properties
- Select the hardware tab

The hardware status should indicate the device is working properly.

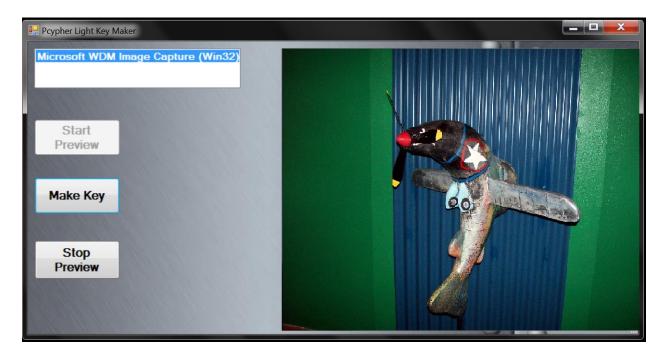


KEY CREATION

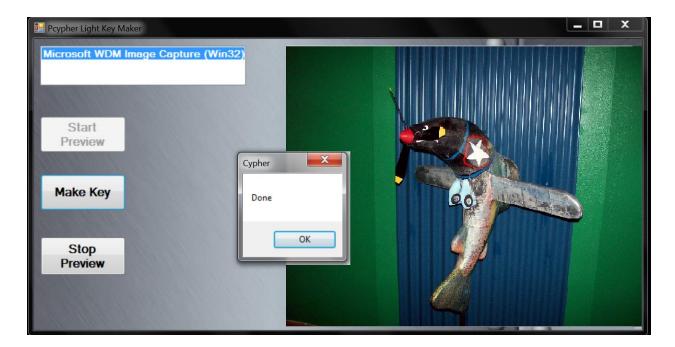
The light key preview menu



Select the desired camera in the camera selection box at the top of the menu and double click the START PREVIEW button. The menu will display the image from the selected camera.



The Light key creator will display a preview image of the image you wish to convert into a key file. When you are satisfied with the preview image hit the MAKE KEY button.



The light key creator will create a key to the size specified unless there is not enough data inside the image. If the image does not contain enough random data the creator will continue to take images until the key is completed. You may change the camera position to alter the image at any time

Once completed click the OK button on the pop up DONE message and hit the STOP PREVIEW button.

IMAGE KEY TIPS:

It is desirable to use images that have a large variety of objects and colors. Images of a single color such as sky or walls will yield a low amount of random values while complex images of many objects and moving objects will yield larger volumes of usable data.





GOOD IMAGE

NOT GOOD

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS:
Pentium 4 or later/Athlon or later
Windows Vista, Windows 7 or later
USB camera (supplied)

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

CYPHER is a symmetrical block cipher private key system that can be used in a ONE TIME PAD mode. This means that you must exchange keys with the individuals you wish to communicate to and use the entire key only ONE TIME. Private key systems are far more secure than any PUBLIC key encryption and the ONE TIME system has been used by US presidents to communicate with Moscow and by the US military to lock down nuclear weapons.

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