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AppleShare Client for Windows: Losing Resource Forks (7/95)

TOPIC --

This article describes how Macintosh resource forks can be damaged when making
them visible on Windows clients.

DISCUSSION ---

Macintosh files with resource forks are hidden from a Windows client user to
protect them from damage. To view hidden files, select the Views/By File Type
menu item in the File Manager and select the Show Hidden/System Files item.

WARNING: Hidden files can be made visible, if these hidden files are modified,
they can be permanently destroyed.

Macintosh files copied or moved on the server by a Windows client can lose their
icon information, and Macintosh long names because the Windows File Manager does
not support these file attributes. The workaround is to open the file within the
Macintosh application while icon information can either be replaced by using
ResEdit, or pasting the appropriate icon into the Get Info box for the desired
file.

Macintosh files where all data is contained in the data fork can be modified,
and no data is lost. However like before the Icon appears as a generic icon, and
the file name is shortened.

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