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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit other than that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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Congratulations on your purchase of FireLite. FireLite is fast, small, light, and portable. You can take it anywhere so that you always have access to your important applications, files, and data.

About this User Guide

This guide describes how to install and use FireLite. For last minute information, please refer to the *readme* file found on the FireLite Installation CD.

Features and Benefits

Your FireLite provides valuable features and benefits that will make your digital lifestyle easier:

- FireLite is small, thin, and light; you can carry it in your briefcase, handbag, or pocket. You can easily move FireLite from one computer to another and directly run applications, view videos, or play MP3 files.
- FireLite is hot-pluggable. You do not need to restart your computer when you connect or unplug FireLite. The FireLite icon automatically appears on the desktop (for Macs) and *My Computer* (for PCs).

Package Contents

Your FireLite package contains the following:

- FireLite Hard Drive
- Software Installation CD which includes Windows 98 Driver Software, user documentation, and 3rd party software for Mac users.
- USB Cable
- FireLite Carry Case
- QuickStart Card
- AC adapter
- Stacking adapter

For FireLite accessories such as USB cables of various lengths, please go to our website at: <http://www.smartdisk.com>

System Requirements

Mac OS Users

- A Macintosh computer with a USB port (USB 2.0 Hi-Speed Port recommended)
- Mac OS 8.6 or higher (Mac OS 10.1 or higher recommended)

PC Users

- A Windows-compatible PC with a USB port (USB 2.0 Hi-Speed Port recommended)
- Windows 98 or higher (Windows 98SE or higher recommended)

Additional Software

The FireLite CD contains additional software for Windows and Macintosh users.

Retrospect Express Backup for Windows

The FireLite Installation CD contains an automated backup application for Windows users called *Retrospect Express Backup*. This tool can be used to automatically back up FireLite according to your schedule. When disaster strikes, you can recover lost work by restoring a single file or the entire contents of FireLite in one easy step. You can also back up your internal hard drive to FireLite. For more information, refer to the *Retrospect Express Backup* documentation contained on the FireLite CD.

CopyAgent™ for Macintosh

The FireLite Installation CD contains an automated backup application for Mac users called *CopyAgent*. *CopyAgent* streamlines and automates your backups. It is flexible so you can perform copy jobs right away or schedule automatic and unattended backups. For more information, refer to the *CopyAgent* documentation contained on the FireLite CD.

Technical Support

If you have any questions or problems with FireLite, please go to our Technical Support website at: <http://www.smartdisk.com/support.asp>

Mac OS Users

FireLite is a USB Mass Storage Class device. Apple systems that feature USB have pre-installed USB drivers so no software installation is required. All you need to do is to connect FireLite as described on page 12 to begin transferring files. However, if you are using Mac OS 8.6, software installation is required as described below.

For Mac OS 8.6 Users Only

If you're using Mac OS 8.6, you'll need a software update from Apple before you can use FireLite. The necessary software is called "USB Mass Storage Support 1.3.5" and must be downloaded from Apple over the Internet.

To download the USB update:

- 1 Go to Apple's support web site at <http://www.apple.com/support/> and search for "USB Mass Storage Support". You may need to register with Apple and create an AppleID before you can use Apple's support website.
- 2 Click on the software link to download the file "USB Storage1.3.5.smi.bin".
- 3 When the download is complete, double click on the icon "USB Storage1.3.5.smi".
- 4 The file will open and a moment later there will be another icon on your desktop that looks like a disk with the name "USB Mass Storage Support". Double-click on it.
- 5 In the window that opens, double-click on "Apple SW Install."
- 6 Follow the instructions on your screen.
- 7 Once you've finished installing the update, restart your computer and follow the directions on page 12 to connect and use FireLite.

Windows Users

FireLite is a *USB Mass Storage Class* device. This means Windows 2000, Windows Me, and Windows XP users can simply connect FireLite as described on page 12 to begin transferring files. However, Windows 98 and Windows 98SE users must install FireLite Driver Software after connecting FireLite. This is because Windows 98 and Windows 98SE do not support *USB Mass Storage Class* devices.

For Windows 98 / Windows 98SE Users Only

- 1 Connect your FireLite as described page 13. The *Add New Hardware Wizard* appears. Click **Next**.
- 2 Choose “Search for the best drivers for your device”. Click **Next**.
- 3 Select “Specify a Location” and clear all other check boxes.
- 4 Insert the FireLite Installation CD into the CD-ROM drive and click **Browse**.
- 5 In the “Browse for Folder” window, look in the “Windows98 Driver” folder on “SmartDiskCD”.
- 6 Click **Next**.
- 7 The *Add New Hardware Wizard* notifies you that it is ready to install. Click **Next**.
- 8 After the *Add New Hardware Wizard* notifies you that it has finished installing, click **Finish**.

The FireLite drive letter is now visible in *My Computer*. Congratulations! You can now transfer files to and from FireLite.

Mac OS Users

Connecting FireLite to a Macintosh Computer



Caution

Before connecting and using FireLite, put it on a stable surface. Sudden movement during operation may cause data transfer errors and may damage the hard disk.

- 1 Plug the AC adapter into the power port on the FireLite and connect the cord to an electrical outlet.
- 2 Connect one end of the USB cable to an open USB port on your Macintosh.
- 3 Connect the other end of the cable to the USB port on FireLite. The FireLite icon appears on the desktop.



Caution

Do not force the connection as damage may occur to the connector or the USB port.

Disconnecting FireLite from a Macintosh Computer



Caution

Do not unplug FireLite while it is mounted on the desktop. If you unplug FireLite while accessing or copying files, data may be lost or FireLite may be damaged. To disconnect FireLite, complete the following steps.

- 1 Close all files and applications stored on FireLite.
- 2 Drag FireLite icon to the trash.
- 3 Wait until the yellow light stops flashing.

- 4 You can now safely unplug FireLite. Gently pull out the USB connector from the computer.

**Tip**

You can also safely unplug FireLite by shutting down the computer. Remember to ensure the lights are off before unplugging.

Windows Users

**Caution**

Before connecting and using FireLite, put it on a stable surface. Sudden movement during operation may cause data transfer errors and may damage the hard disk.

Connecting FireLite to a PC

**Note**

If you are a Windows 98 or Windows 98SE user, follow the instructions on page 11 after you perform the steps below.

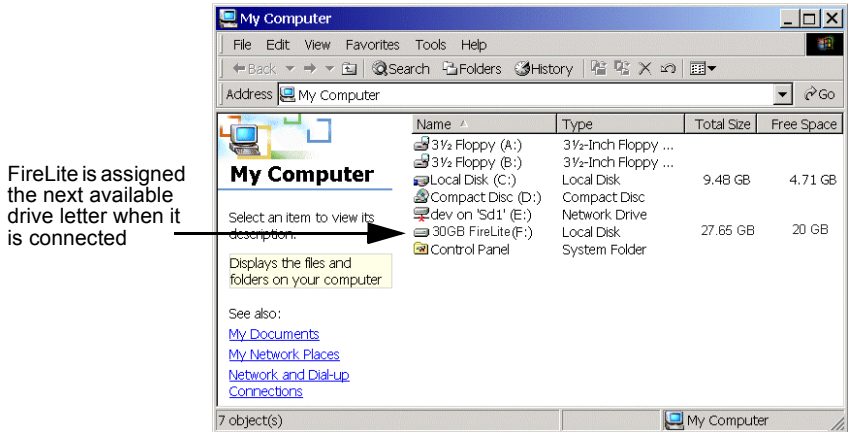
- 1 Plug the AC adapter into the power port on the FireLite and connect the cord to an electrical outlet.
- 2 Connect one end of the USB cable to the USB port on your computer.
- 3 Connect the other end to the USB port on FireLite. The FireLite icon appears in *My Computer* and in *Windows Explorer*.

**Caution**

Do not force the connection as damage may occur to the connector or the USB port.

The FireLite is assigned the next available drive letter. For example, if your hard drive is assigned the letter C: and a removable CD drive is currently installed on your computer using the letter D:, then the letter E: is assigned to the FireLite.

Congratulations! You can now transfer files to and from FireLite.




Disconnecting FireLite from a PC



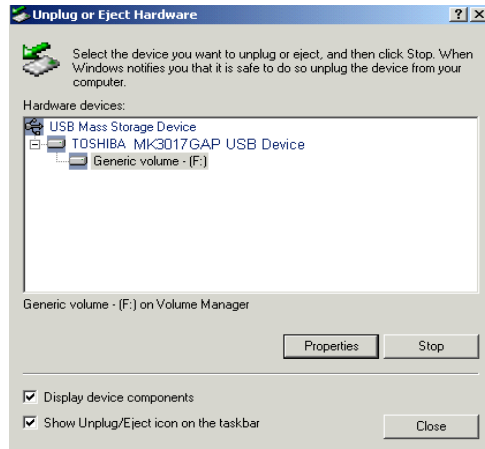
Warning

Do not unplug FireLite when data is being transferred between FireLite and the computer (when the yellow light is flashing). If you unplug FireLite while accessing or copying files, data may be lost or FireLite may be damaged. To disconnect FireLite, complete the following steps.

- 1 Click on the **Unplug or Eject** icon -  - in the Windows System Tray.
- 2 Select **Unplug or eject hardware** from the pop-up menu. A Windows dialog opens.



- 3 Select the FireLite drive from the list in the Windows dialog and select **Stop**.



- 4 Wait until the yellow light on FireLite stops flashing.
- 5 You can now safely unplug FireLite. Gently pull out the USB connector from the computer.

**Tip**

You can also safely unplug FireLite by shutting down the computer. Remember to ensure the lights are off before unplugging.

FireLite Lights

FireLite USB has LED indicators in the USB and SmartDisk logos to indicate:

- If FireLite is on or off.
- If FireLite is busy (reading or transferring files).
- USB speed status. The color of the light shows what version of USB you have on your computer. Blue indicates Hi-Speed or USB 2.0. Green indicates Lo-Speed or USB 1.1.

Status	USB Logo Light (Yellow)	SmartDisk Logo Light (Blue or Green)
Idle	OFF	Blue=Hi-Speed / Green=Lo-Speed
Busy	FLASH	Blue=Hi-Speed / Green=Lo-Speed
UnMounted	OFF	OFF
Sleep	OFF	OFF
Off	OFF	OFF



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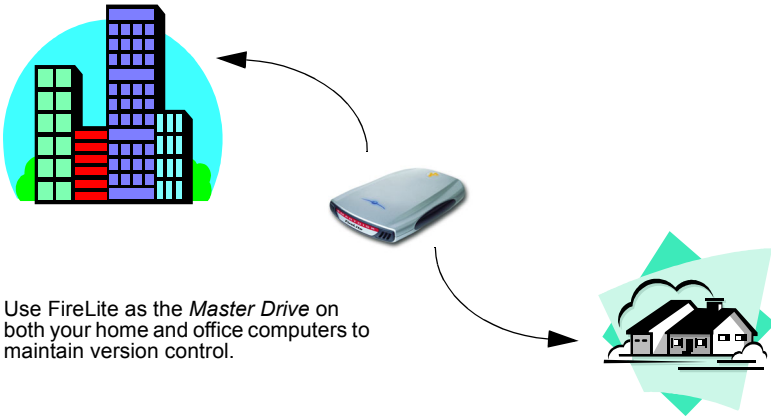
On Mac OS or Mac OS X systems, the SmartDisk logo light may stay on after the FireLite is unmounted. This is normal.

This chapter describes some of the many uses for FireLite including:

- Using FireLite between your home and office computers.
- Using several FireLite drives as project repositories.
- Using FireLite as an emergency backup when travelling.
- Using FireLite to transfer large files from one computer to another.
- Using FireLite to store and play back your multimedia files including MP3s, videos, and pictures.

Between your Home and Office Computers

Your FireLite is an ideal solution for working between your office and home computer. Take the FireLite with you when you leave and all your work files and applications are there for you when you need them. This means you don't have to carry your laptop to and from work anymore.



Version Control

Version control of files has always been a major problem for home and office workers. To solve this problem, use your FireLite as the *Master Drive*.

To ensure you are working on the master file, always edit and save the files directly to FireLite - the *Master Drive*. Do this whether you are at home or at work. This means you do not have to wonder if you are working on the right file or database; the content on FireLite is always the latest version.

Back up FireLite Frequently

Since this drive is the *Master Drive*, ensure your files and data can be recovered by making frequent backups. Copy essential files and data to removable media (such as CDs) or the hard drive on your home and work computer. Although not common, electrostatic discharge and shock (for example, dropping it on the floor) can damage your FireLite.



Tip

Macintosh users can automate this process using the *CopyAgent* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.



Tip

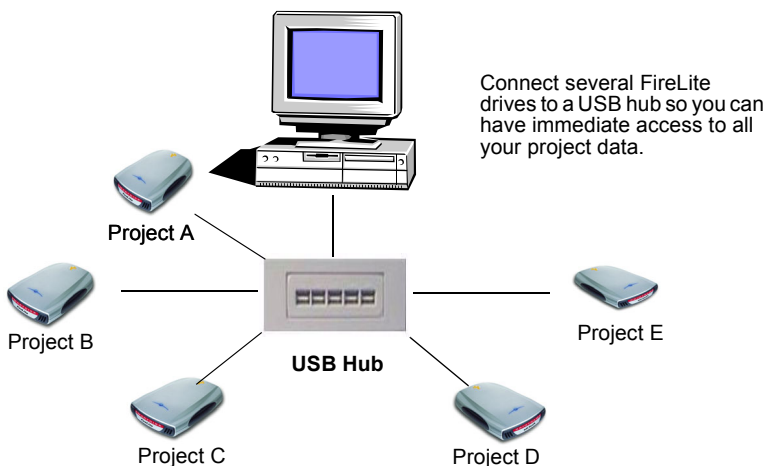
Windows users can automate this process using the *Retrospect Express Backup* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.

Disconnecting

Remember to properly unplug FireLite from the computer. For more information, see Chapter 3.

Project Repositories

You can use multiple FireLites to store files and data for individual projects. This is useful if most of your work is project oriented where each project generates a large set of files and data. Each project can have a designated FireLite to be used as the *Project Drive*.



Editing Files and Updating Data

Use the FireLite as the primary repository for all the files and data associated with the project. This drive then becomes the *Project Drive* for the project. When you need to work on the project, connect the *Project Drive* and ensure all changes to files and data are saved to this drive.

You can still work on local drives or other high performance drives; just remember to transfer all finished files to the *Project Drive*.

Visiting Clients

If you frequently travel to see clients, you can bring along all the relevant project files and data by bringing the *Project Drive*. This means you do not have to:

- Carry a laptop everywhere you go.
- Copy files and data to your client's computer (using up valuable hard disk space and running the risk of running out of disk space).
- Install licensed applications onto your client's computer.

All you have to do is connect the *Project Drive* to your client's computer. For example, you can show a Power Point presentation on a client's computer by connecting the FireLite directly to their computer.

Connecting Multiple Drives

Use a USB hub to connect several FireLite drives (*Project Drives*) to your computer simultaneously.

Back up Frequently

Periodically back up the contents of your FireLite to your desktop computer hard disk. Or, backup to a CD-R or CD-RW using the SmartDisk FireWire Portable CD-R/W.

**Tip**

Macintosh users can automate this process using the *CopyAgent* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.

**Tip**

Windows users can automate this process using the *Retrospect Express Backup* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.

Archive

Once a project is completed, archive the contents of the associated *Project Drive* to a CD or other storage device. Delete the files from the *Project Drive* so it can be used for a new project.

Emergency Backup when Traveling

Use your FireLite to back up important files when you are travelling. FireLite can then be used to recover the file if your laptop malfunctions.

Use FireLite as an emergency backup device when you are on the road.



Copy Files and Data Frequently to FireLite

If you are generating new files and data while traveling, frequently create backups to FireLite. You can copy entire folders from your laptop to FireLite.



Tip

Macintosh users can automate this process using the *CopyAgent* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.



Tip

Windows users can automate this process using the *Retrospect Express Backup* application found on the FireLite Software Installation CD.

Recovery

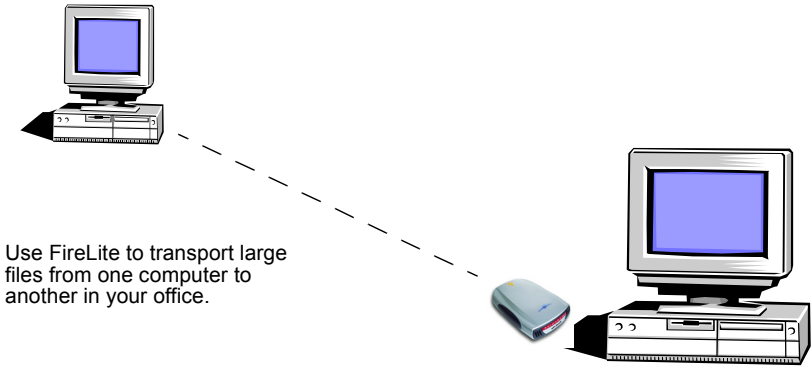
If your laptop malfunctions, your file and data is safe; everything is stored on FireLite. If you are on the road, all you need is access to a computer that has a USB connection to retrieve your files.

Archive

When you get back to the office, copy the files from the FireLite to a CD-R or CD-RW using SmartDisk's FireWire Portable CD-R/W. The CD then becomes the long term archive.

Transporting Large Files

Use FireLite to transport large files (such as graphics) to other computers in your office. This is useful if you cannot attach the file to an email or network connections are slow or not available.

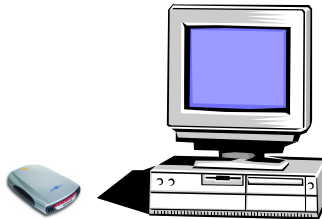


Use FireLite to transport large files from one computer to another in your office.

Storage and Playback of MP3, Video, and Photos

You can use your FireLite to store and play back your:

- Collection of MP3s.
- Video files including AVI, MPEG, and QuickTime.
- Digital photographs including JPEG, BMP, and GIF.
- Other non-essential or infrequently accessed files.



FireLite can be used to store and play back all your MP3 files or other multimedia when it is hooked up to a computer that supports USB.

To save disk space on your computer's internal hard drive, keep the aforementioned types of files on your FireLite. To play back your MP3s and videos, or to show your photos, connect FireLite to any computer that has USB. This means you don't have to carry several CDs to an event; all you need to bring is FireLite.

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