

# How to download a file using FTP

The following function shows how to connect to a ftp server and download a file. It uses the functions from wininet.dll.

You need a *TProgressBar* to show the progress and a *TLabel* to show progress information.

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uses
    WinInet, ComCtrls;

function FtpDownloadFile(strHost, strUser, strPwd: string;
    Port: Integer; ftpDir, ftpFile, TargetFile: string;
    ProgressBar: TProgressBar): Boolean;

function FmtFileSize(Size: Integer): string;
begin
    if Size >= $F4240 then
        Result := Format('%.2f', [Size / $F4240]) + ' Mb'
    else
        if Size < 1000 then
            Result := IntToStr(Size) + ' bytes'
        else
            Result := Format('%.2f', [Size / 1000]) + ' Kb';
    end;
end;

const
    READ_BUFFER_SIZE = 4096; // or 256, 512, ...
var
    hNet, hFTP, hFile: HINTERNET;
    buffer: array[0..READ_BUFFER_SIZE - 1] of Char;
    bufsize, dwBytesRead, fileSize: DWORD;
    sRec: TWin32FindData;
    strStatus: string;
    LocalFile: file;
    bSuccess: Boolean;
begin
    Result := False;

    { Open an internet session }
    hNet := InternetOpen(
        'Program_Name', // Agent
        INTERNET_OPEN_TYPE_PRECONFIG, // AccessType
        nil, // ProxyName
        nil, // ProxyBypass
        0 // or INTERNET_FLAG_ASYNC / INTERNET_FLAG_OFFLINE
    );

    {
        Agent contains the name of the application or
        entity calling the Internet functions
    }

    { See if connection handle is valid }
    if hNet = nil then
    begin
        ShowMessage('Unable to get access to WinInet.Dll');
        Exit;
    end;

    { Connect to the FTP Server }
    hFTP := InternetConnect(
        hNet, // Handle from InternetOpen
        PChar(strHost), // FTP server
        port, // (INTERNET_DEFAULT_FTP_PORT),
        PChar(StrUser), // username
        PChar(strPwd), // password
        INTERNET_SERVICE_FTP, // FTP, HTTP, or Gopher?
        0, // flag: 0 or INTERNET_FLAG_PASSIVE
        0 // User defined number for callback
    );
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if hFTP = nil then
begin
    InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
    ShowMessage(Format('Host "%s" is not available',[strHost]));
    Exit;
end;

{ Change directory }
bSuccess := FtpSetCurrentDirectory(hFTP, PChar(ftpDir));

if not bSuccess then
begin
    InternetCloseHandle(hFTP);
    InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
    ShowMessage(Format('Cannot set directory to %s.',[ftpDir]));
    Exit;
end;

{ Read size of file }
if FtpFindFirstFile(hFTP, PChar(ftpFile), sRec, 0, 0) <> nil then
begin
    fileSize := sRec.nFileSizeLow;
    // fileLastWriteTime := sRec.lastWriteTime
end else
begin
    InternetCloseHandle(hFTP);
    InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
    ShowMessage(Format('Cannot find file ',[ftpFile]));
    Exit;
end;

{ Open the file }
hFile := FtpOpenFile(
    hFTP, // Handle to the ftp session
    PChar(ftpFile), // filename
    GENERIC_READ, // dwAccess
    FTP_TRANSFER_TYPE_BINARY, // dwFlags
    0 // This is the context used for callbacks.
);

if hFile = nil then
begin
    InternetCloseHandle(hFTP);
    InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
    Exit;
end;

{ Create a new local file }
AssignFile(LocalFile, TargetFile);
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Rewrite(LocalFile, 1);
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if IOResult <> 0 then
begin
    InternetCloseHandle(hFile);
    InternetCloseHandle(hFTP);
    InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
    Exit;
end;

dwBytesRead := 0;
bufsize := READ_BUFFER_SIZE;

while (bufsize > 0) do
begin
    Application.ProcessMessages;

    if not InternetReadFile(
        hFile,
        @buffer, // address of a buffer that receives the data
        READ_BUFFER_SIZE, // number of bytes to read from the file
        bufsize // receives the actual number of bytes read
    ) then Break;

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if (bufsize > 0) and (bufsize <= READ_BUFFERSIZE) then
  BlockWrite(LocalFile, buffer, bufsize);
dwBytesRead := dwBytesRead + bufsize;

{ Show Progress }
ProgressBar.Position := Round(dwBytesRead * 100 / fileSize);
Form1.Label1.Caption :=
  Format(
    '%s of %s / %d %%',
    [
      FmtFileSize(dwBytesRead),
      FmtFileSize(fileSize),
      ProgressBar.Position
    ]
  );
end;

CloseFile(LocalFile);

InternetCloseHandle(hFile);
InternetCloseHandle(hFTP);
InternetCloseHandle(hNet);
Result := True;
end;
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