

How to Compile Your Software into One File Using WinRAR

If you are creating any type of re-brandable software, you are going to need to know how to compile all of your files into one, neat, easy to use software link.

This PDF training will take you step by step on how to use WinRAR to compile all of your files into one. The process is a few simple steps, and must be followed exactly. Enjoy!

The first thing you need to do is download WinRAR.

You can get a free version of Winrar here: http://download.cnet.com/WinRAR-32-bit/3000-2250_4-10007677.html

You don't need to use this link, you can find different versions of WinRAR just do a Google Search.

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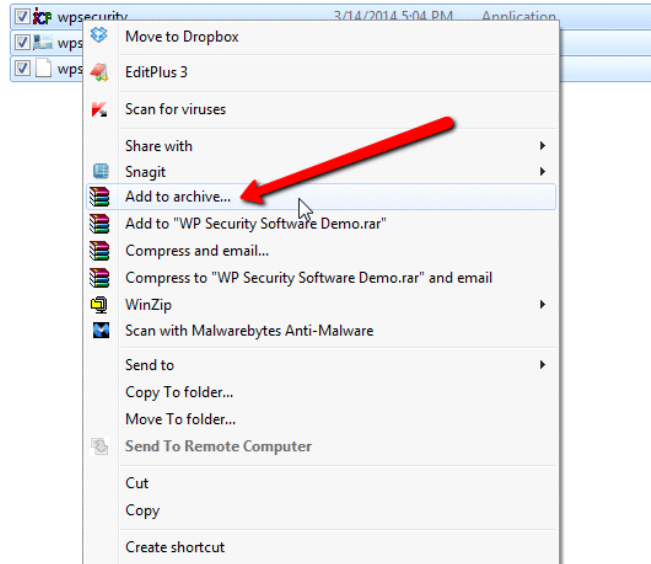
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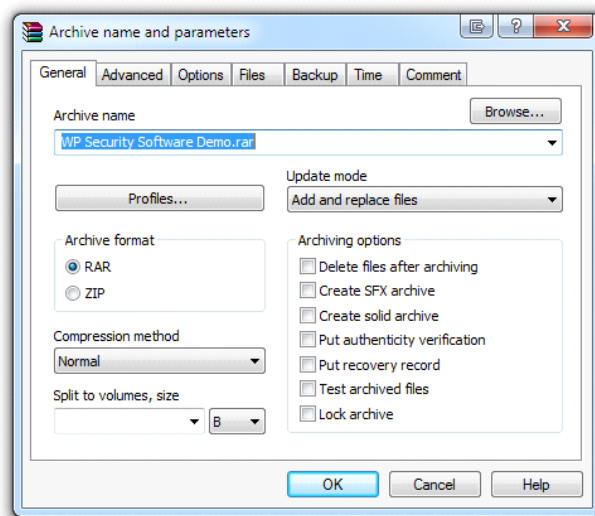
WinRAR is a lightweight, flexible, and easy-to-use archiving utility that can unpack most archive formats, as well as compress to both RAR and ZIP. Free to try for 40 days (\$29 for single license), WinRAR is a top dog in the compression category.

WinRAR's interface is about as simple as it gets. Start creating (or add to) an archive by dragging and dropping your files into the interface or by browsing through the Folder Tree side panel (when enabled). From there, the most common functions are laid out in the form of colorful, mostly intuitive icons along the top, which can all be customized by downloading themes from the company's Web site. You can Add files to, Extract, Test, Delete, or even Repair archives right from the main interface. Drop-down menus house the program's more advanced features.

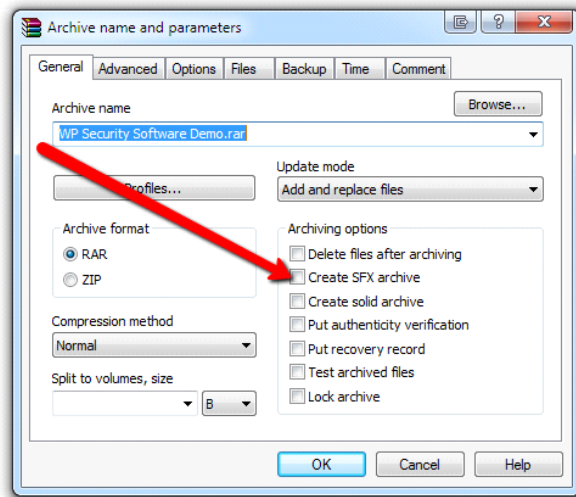
Once you have WinRAR installed, you will need to go to your folder where your software files are located, then highlight your software files, and right click on your mouse and select "Add to Archive"



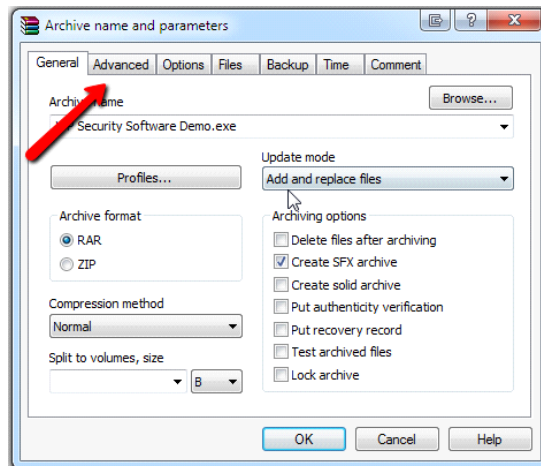
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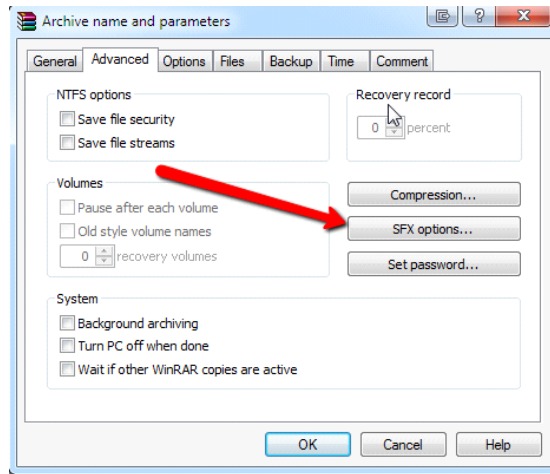
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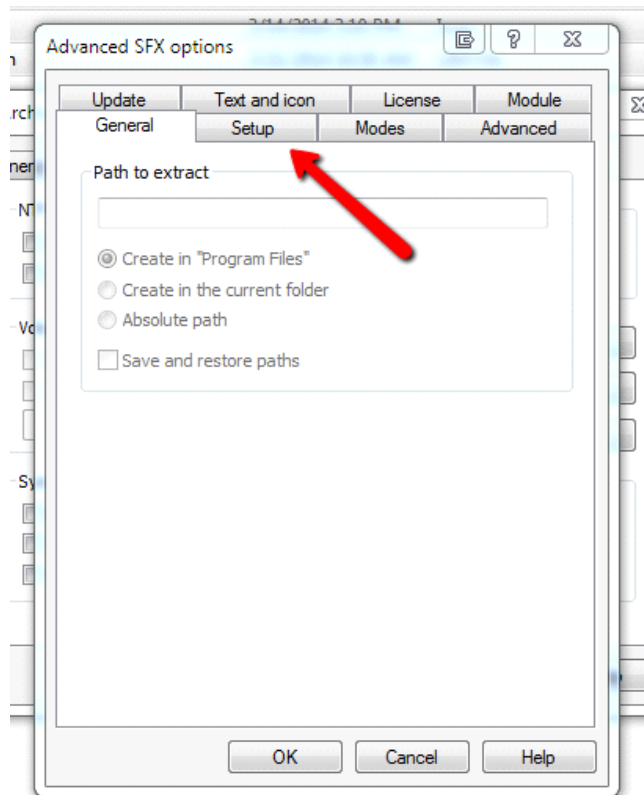
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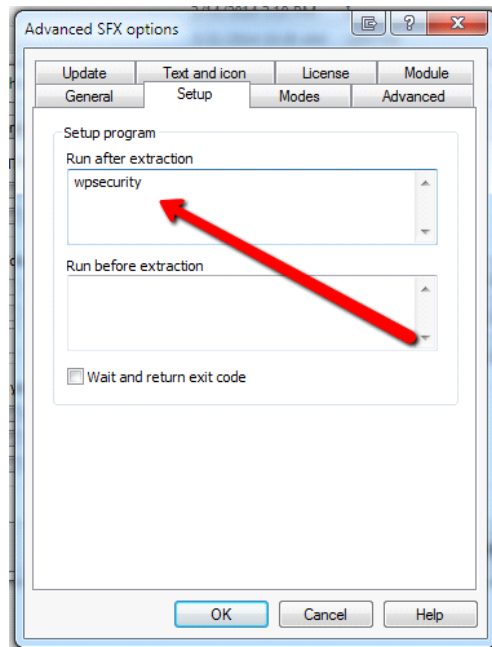
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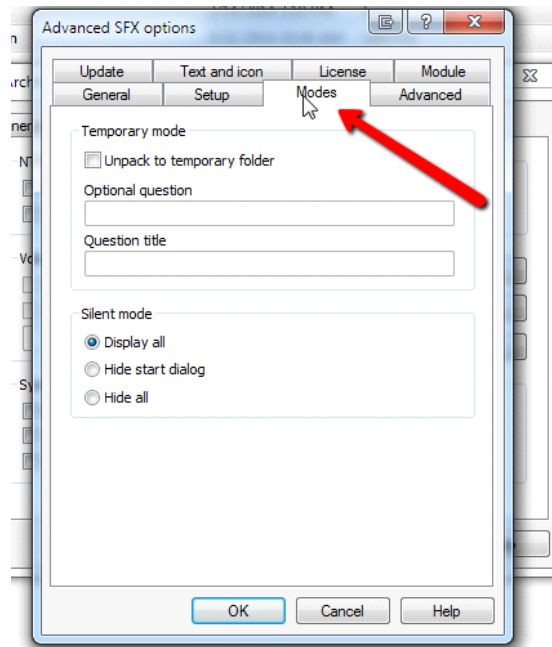
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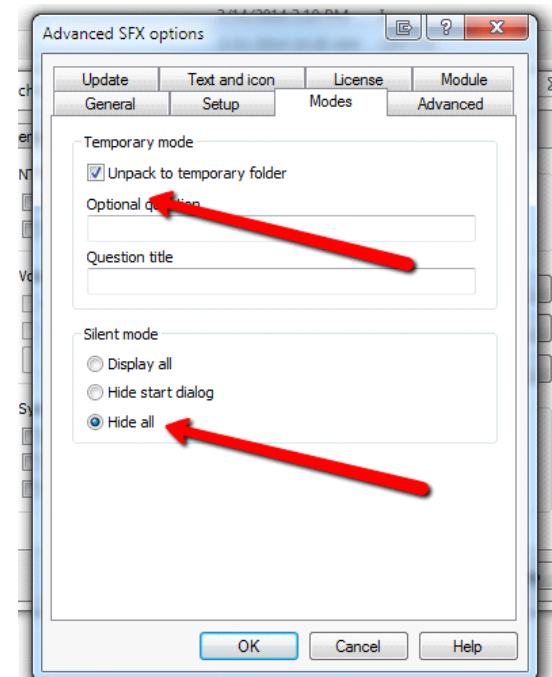
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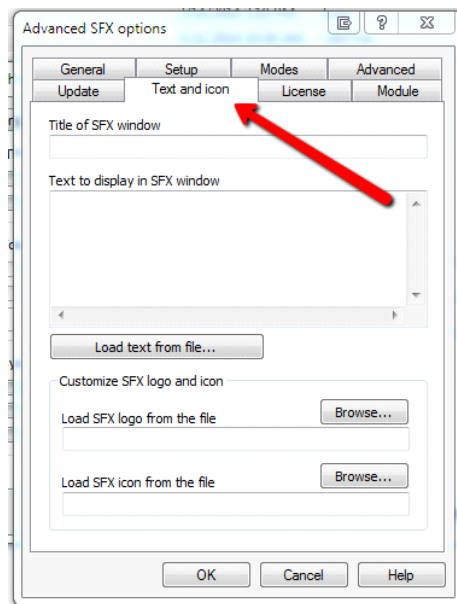
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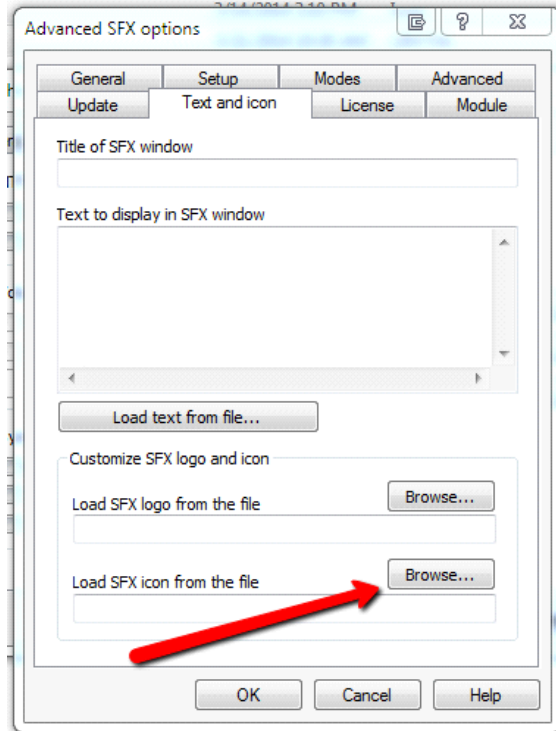
Select Unpack to Temporary Folder and Hide All buttons:



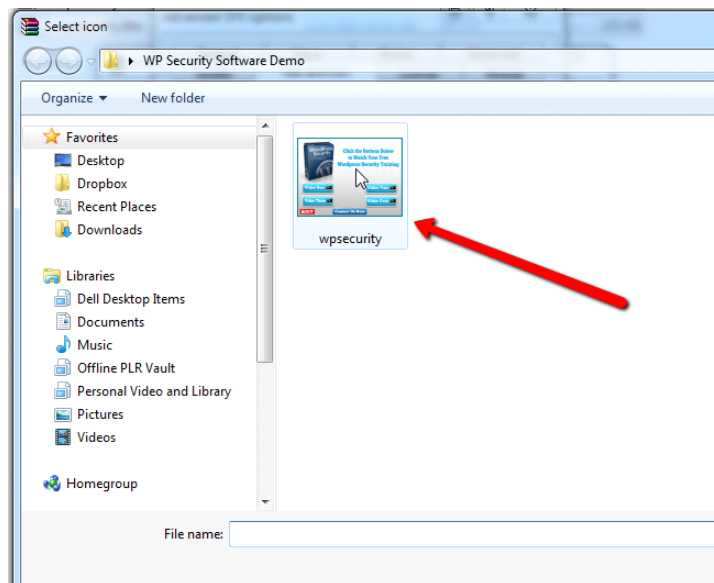
Click the Text and Icon Tab and click the Browse button:



Select Browse Button under "Load SFX icon from the file":



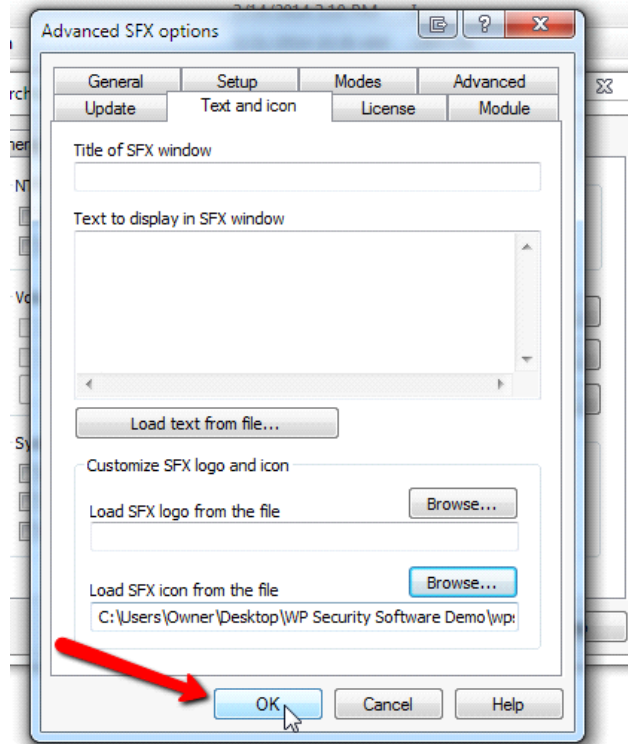
Select your ICO file:



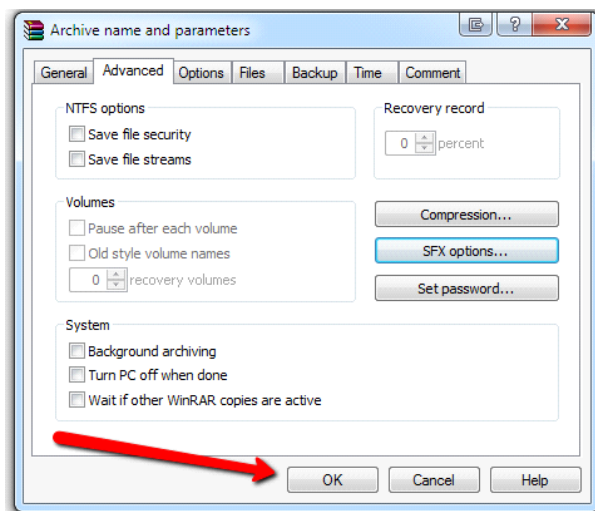
If a Software Icon File is included, you can select that one. If you would like to create a different ICON image to use, you can convert any image to an icon using this link:

<http://iconverticons.com/>

Then click OK:



And OK again:



Your software is now compiled into one file:

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This should help you package up all of your software files. This is how I do it, and I recommend your end user only gets one file rather than a few files, it will confuse them.

Best of luck using my software.



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