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How to use the DESlock+ Shredder?

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The DESlock+ Shredder is for use when deleting sensitive data that may be retreived using the conventional Recycle Bin or other OS deletion methods.

The DESlock+ Shredder makes sensitive data unreadable even if retreived.

The DESlock+ Shredder may use one of four methods to shred files. Either writing a cryptographically secure random number stream over the file, or applying the Gutmann algorithm which implements a file erasing method as described in Secure Deletion of Data from Magnetic and Solid-State Memory, or using the US Department of Defence 5220.22-M standard for sanitising data.

To shred files you can either:

1. **Drag** the files/folders you wish to shred onto the **DESlock+ Shredder icon** located on the Desktop **or**

2. **Right Click** the files/folders you wish to shred and **Click** '**Send to DESlock+ Shredder**'.

You will then be asked to confirm that you want to shred the data you've selected.

Note: Once shredded you will not be able to get this data back.

Shredder Options

You can select the DESlock+ Shredder options by **Right Clicking the DESlock+ Shredder Icon** then **Click 'Settings'...**

Once you have selected the shred pattern, **Click Ok**.

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The DESlock+ Shredder is only available when logged into DESlock+ See our article here: KB270 - How do I login to or logout of DESlock+?

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