

HOW TO TRANSFER TECBASIC SOFTWARE DATABASE FILES FROM ONE PC TO ANOTHER PC WITH SELCOM BASIC SOFTWARE ALREADY INSTALLED ON THE NEW PC.

This Technical Support Note outlines the steps to move the database files belonging to your old TecBasic installation from one computer (PC) for use with Selcom Basic. This does not apply to Selcom Secured v.7 or Selcom Premium. It will explain how to locate your existing database, move the file(s) to the new PC, and restore the database on the new PC.

KEY TERMS

GlobalD: A master database file consisting of a list of all the sites created by TecBasic or Selcom.

BlankD: : Template used for creating sites.

Ndb# Files: Database files containing the directory information and panel settings, one for each site.

INSTALL AND RUN SELCOM BASIC ONCE ON THE NEW PC

BEFORE transferring files, you **must have** installed Selcom Basic software on the new computer with the highest User Account Control (UAC) setting and full Administrator privileges, and then have **run it at least once**. Doing so creates the Selcom Basic “Working File Location”. **This folder must be present on the new computer;** otherwise this procedure **will not work**, because files from the old PC need to be transferred to the working folder. **After running once, close the Selcom Basic application.**

1) Locate the Tec Basic Folder on the Old PC

Location of Database Files in XP and Earlier

In older PCs (e.g. XP machines, etc.) database files are located in the folder **C:\Program Files\SES\Tec Basic**. See Figure 1 for an example of the database file location on a PC with Windows XP.

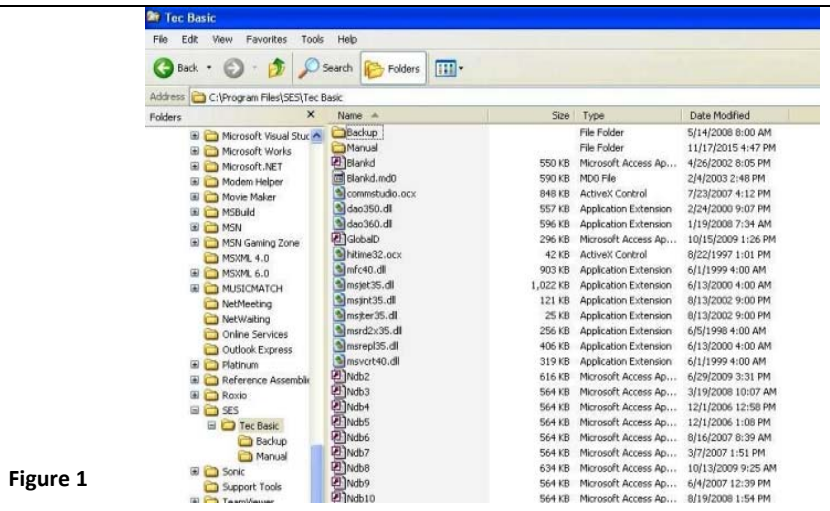


Figure 1

Location of Database Files in Windows Vista and Later

In newer PCs, database files are located in the folder **C:\SES\Tec Basic**. See Figure 2 for an example of the database file location on a PC with Windows 7. The folder is shown in the bar at the top.

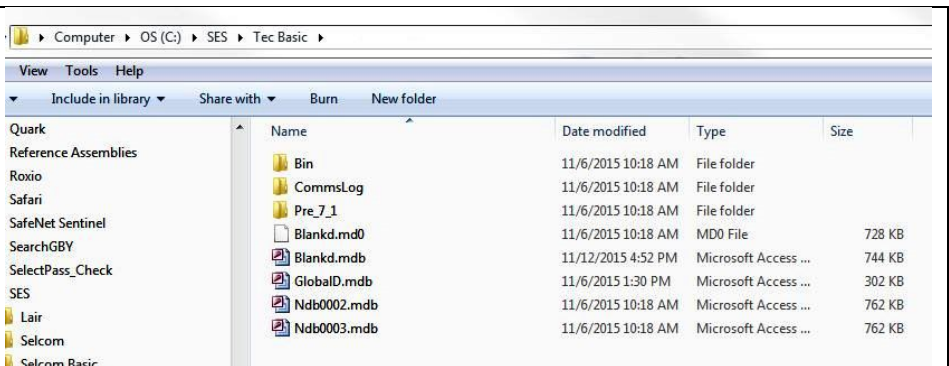


Figure 2

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2) COPY FILES FROM THE OLD PC ONTO YOUR STORAGE MEDIUM

First, make sure you have installed and run Selcom Basic as described above to create the Working File Location.

Next, if Tec Basic is running on the old PC, exit the application (**but do not shut down the PC**). Navigate to the Tec Basic folder on the **old PC**, copy the GlobalD.mdb, blankd.mdb and ALL the ndb#.mdb files (where # corresponds to a number) onto a flash drive or other storage medium. (See Figure 3 for copy files example.)

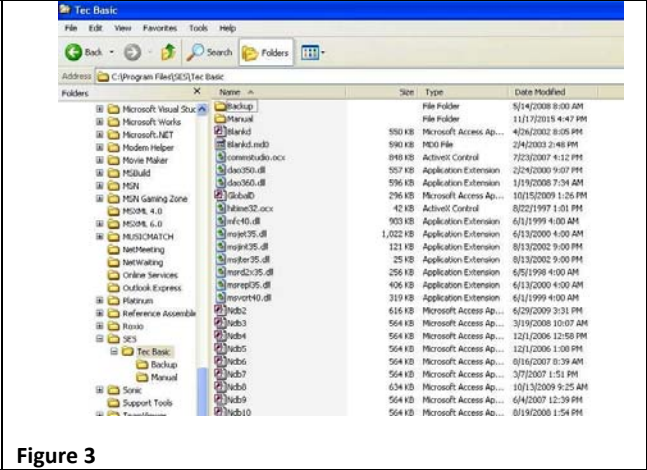


Figure 3

3) TRANSFER FILES TO THE NEW PC

If Selcom Basic is running on the new PC, exit the application (**but do not shut down the PC**). Place the storage medium (i.e. the flash drive) with the files copied from the old PC) into the new PC. Navigate to the Working File Location “C:\SES\Tec Basic” folder on the **new PC** installed with Selcom Basic and copy the files from the storage medium into the Working File Location.

Windows will ask if you want to copy or overwrite/copy and replace. Select **Copy and Replace**. If the option is offered, select “Do this for all...”, as we must replace the existing GlobalD and ALL Ndb# files with the GlobalD, BlankD, and Ndb files from the old computer.

See Figure 4 for an example of the Windows replace files prompt.

Note: Ndb 2 and 3 are Tec Basic samples; Ndb 4 and higher are user-created site databases.

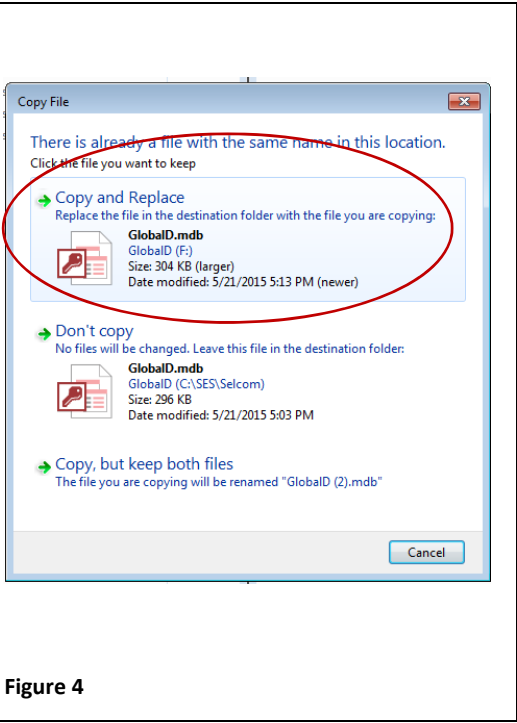


Figure 4

After copying, the next time you start up Selcom Basic on your new PC, it will open the old GlobalD.mdb that has all your site information. It will also be able to open ALL the user-created ndb4, 5, 6 ... site database files that hold your site information. Selcom Basic will also convert database files to Selcom Basic 7.1 file format.

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