

# Windows 10 Help on Commands

## C:\>HELP COPY

Copies one or more files to another location.

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COPY [/D] [/V] [/N] [/Y | /-Y] [/Z] [/L] [/A | /B ] source [/A | /B]  
[+ source [/A | /B] [+ ...]] [destination [/A | /B]]
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- source Specifies the file or files to be copied.
- /A Indicates an ASCII text file.
- /B Indicates a binary file.
- /D Allow the destination file to be created decrypted
- destination Specifies the directory and/or filename for the new file(s).
- /V Verifies that new files are written correctly.
- /N Uses short filename, if available, when copying a file with a non-8dot3 name.
- /Y Suppresses prompting to confirm you want to overwrite an existing destination file.
- /-Y Causes prompting to confirm you want to overwrite an existing destination file.
- /Z Copies networked files in restartable mode.
- /L If the source is a symbolic link, copy the link to the target instead of the actual file the source link points to.

The switch /Y may be preset in the COPYCMD environment variable.

This may be overridden with /-Y on the command line. Default is to prompt on overwrites unless COPY command is being executed from within a batch script.

To append files, specify a single file for destination, but multiple files for source (using wildcards or file1+file2+file3 format).