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## Highlights

- Helps optimize control over file transfer activity
  - Improves collaboration and revenue-generating opportunities
  - Reduces dependency on IT to transfer a file
  - Supports compliance with security and governance policies
  - Expands the use of personal-initiated file transfers
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# IBM QuickFile

*Helping business users solve the person-to-person file transfer dilemma*

## Gaining control over file transfer activity

As business gets more social, mobile person-to-person interactions are increasing and are becoming as important to operational processes as applications are. Today, business users like you need to share many kinds of large files quickly and securely, including media files, engineering specifications or computer-aided design/computer-aided manufacturing (CAD/CAM) drawings, medical images, and legal documents. Collaborating with others inside and outside of organizations is increasingly important, and it must happen across mobile, tablet and desktop platforms.

A primary way to share data is via file exchange, but as the breadth of content types expands and the size of files increases, so do challenges such as limits on email attachments; delays in physical media transfer (overnight delivery of DVDs or USB drives); and the security risks of public, cloud-based solutions for consumers. FTP servers are difficult to set up and use and present major compliance challenges for IT. As a result, there is no consistent way to deal with person-to-person file transfers, increasing the risk of exposing sensitive corporate data.



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#### Related offerings

- IBM Sterling Managed File Transfer
  - IBM Sterling Control Center
  - IBM Sterling Secure Proxy
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### Improving collaboration and revenue-generating opportunities

IBM QuickFile™ software helps you overcome the obstacles of large-file transfers. It removes software-imposed restrictions on the size of a file that can be transferred, so you no longer have to turn to IT, a parcel carrier or a consumer-grade service as an alternative to email. As a result, you can effectively remove delays associated with getting critical data into the hands of coworkers, trading partners, customers or consumers, which helps improve collaboration and speed processing of revenue-generating opportunities.

Because many companies want to brand interactions with trading partners and consumers, among others, using different logos and colors to differentiate them from one another, QuickFile software gives you the flexibility to brand each deployment separately.

### Decreasing dependency on IT to transfer a file

QuickFile software is designed to make transferring a file simple. No training is required; you can simply self-register and quickly follow the intuitive steps to start using the product in your preferred web browser. A user-friendly interface allows you to title the request and provide additional content for the recipient. After you send the request, you can monitor its progress without having to call or email for an acknowledgment. Should a disruption occur in a file transfer, QuickFile software gives you the control necessary to start from the point of disruption instead of starting over from the beginning.

For your IT organization, QuickFile software is built to be simple to install, set up and turn over to a business owner to manage. Security policies for passwords and limitations on file sizes are typically one-time setups, or you may require periodic review. As a result, your day-to-day file transfer activity can move forward without IT assistance or the delays you may previously have experienced.

### Facilitating compliance with security and governance policies

Having the ability to initiate a file transfer requires extra precautions. Transferring a file without adequate control and oversight exposes your company data to security risks, legal questions on its ownership and business process disruptions. That's why IT organizations are looking for alternatives to FTP or consumer-grade services for person-to-person file transfers initiated by a business user.

By using QuickFile software for business-to-business file transfers, your company can now enjoy the same capabilities and benefits as your IT organization. QuickFile software can help you transfer a file reliably and monitor its progress to avoid disruptions to a business process as well as maintain the security of your networks and data whether in motion or at rest. It also facilitates compliance with governance and audit mandates by providing a comprehensive audit trail of activity.

QuickFile capabilities at a glance	
Capability	Description
<b>Simplicity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-provisioning enables self-registration and use of the product.</li> <li>• Self-service allows users to transfer files without IT involvement.</li> <li>• Browser support includes Microsoft Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox, Apple Safari and Google Chrome.</li> <li>• Drag and drop makes it easier to select and transfer files.</li> </ul>
<b>Flexibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are no software or browser restrictions on the size of files that can be transferred.</li> <li>• Pause/resume enables users to self-manage disruptions to file transfers.</li> <li>• Single or multiple files can be embedded in the same transfer request.</li> <li>• Multiple recipients can be designated in the same transfer request.</li> <li>• Notifications help individuals monitor the delivery of files they send.</li> <li>• Policies can govern expiration dates for files.</li> </ul>
<b>Security</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• User ID and password authentication policies control expirations and login IDs.</li> <li>• Data encryption occurs when data is at rest and in transit.</li> <li>• File transfer events are logged for auditability.</li> </ul>
<b>Branding</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Company branding with logos and colors can be applied to each individual deployment.</li> </ul>

## Expanding the use of personal-initiated file transfers

QuickFile software can help expand the use of person-initiated file transfers. In situations where you want to request a file from another person, QuickFile software enables you to send an email request to transfer a file back to you, giving you more flexibility in interactions. In addition, in cases where an application needs to process the file—and the person transferring the file is integral to the business process—QuickFile software helps enable integration into work processes so the end destination for a personal-initiated file transfer becomes a business application.

## Why IBM?

IBM QuickFile software helps you solve the person-to-person file transfer dilemma by providing self-service capabilities that remove obstacles to the transfer of large files while helping your company apply the appropriate security and governance policies to their use.

## For more information

To learn more about IBM QuickFile software, contact your IBM sales representative or IBM Business Partner, or visit: [ibm.com/quickfile](http://ibm.com/quickfile)



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