ONIXEDIT Converter

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Introduction

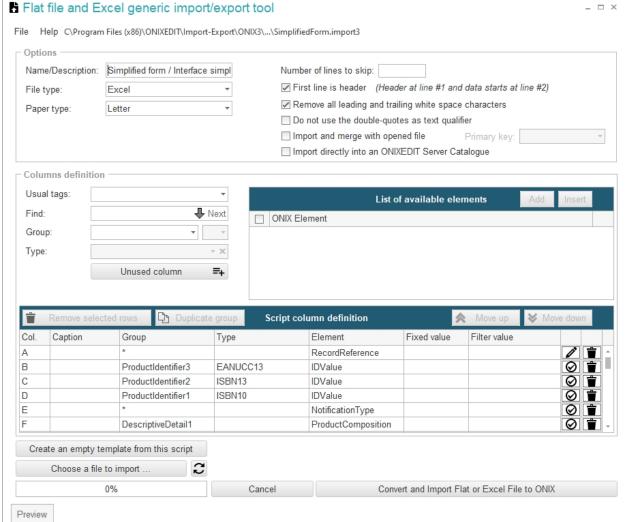


Welcome to Onixedit Converter ©

ONIXEDIT Converter is the perfect companion tool of ONIXEDIT. Its sole purpose is to automate books and ebooks' metadata conversion between ONIX files and flat files (Excel, CSV, tabulated or fixed length).

With ONIXEDIT Pro and with ONIXEDIT regular edition (including the import/export option), you can create import/export scripts defining what is the corresponding ONIX tag for each column of the flat file. Consequently, the import/export script is the recipe allowing ONIXEDIT to know how to convert, for example, an Excel file into an ONIX file or an ONIX file into Excel.

The ONIXEDIT Import/Export tool with a Sample script defined Flat file and Excel generic import/export tool



Once an import or export script is created, you must select the source/destination file and click on the "Convert" button to get the result. This is, then, a manual process.

ONIXEDIT Converter allows you to automatically apply an import or export script to a "hot folder" where files to process are dropped without any human intervention.

As an example, if you receive ONIX files from your clients or partners and you want to import some critical information to your legacy system that is able to read a simple tabulated file, you can create an export script using ONIXEDIT to retrieve the data you are looking for and generate a tabulated file with it. Then you can introduce ONIXEDIT Converter to your processing workflow of metadata files. The ONIX files will be uploaded by your partners to a specific folder (via FTP or other transmission method) and ONIXEDIT Converter will automatically convert it, applying your export script, and save the resulting tabulated file to a destination folder. Then, your legacy system will be able to take over and will process the new generated file.

ONIXEDIT Converter can process ONIX 2.1 and ONIX 3.0 files from and to flat files providing that you define the corresponding ONIXEDIT import or export scripts. Moreover, ONIXEDIT Converter is able to deal with very huge metadata files and does not need to load it completely in memory to process it. Consequently, you can operate it on a regular Windows station (see System requirements for details). ONIXEDIT Converter can also convert ONIX 2.1 files into ONIX 3.0.

System requirements

ONIXEDIT Converter must be purchased as an option of one of the following licenses:

- ONIXEDIT Pro
- ONIXEDIT Regular Edition with the import/export option

It is not mandatory to install ONIXEDIT Converter on the same PC as ONIXEDIT.

ONIXEDIT Converter requires one of the following operating systems with Microsoft .NET Framework 4.7 or higher installed:

- Microsoft Windows 10
- Microsoft Windows 8.1
- Microsoft Windows 7 SP1
- Microsoft Windows Server 2008 R2 SP1 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2012 R2 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016 (x64)
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019 (x64)

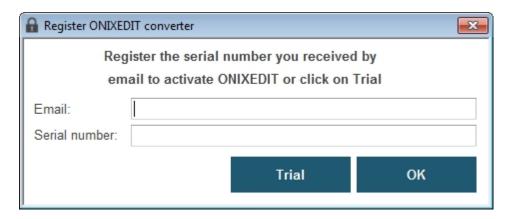
ONIXEDIT Converter requires a computer with 2 cores @ 2GHz or higher with at least 4096 MB of RAM.

Also, ONIXEDIT Converter requires Internet access for registration or updating of the user license.

Registration and Trial mode

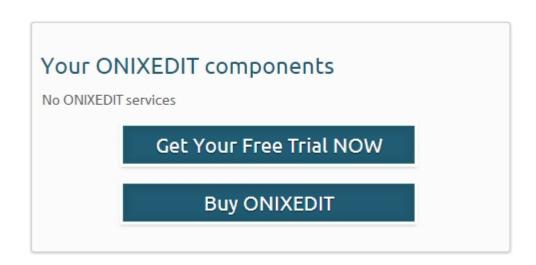
Registration

When you launch ONIXEDIT Converter for the first time, the following registration window will appear:

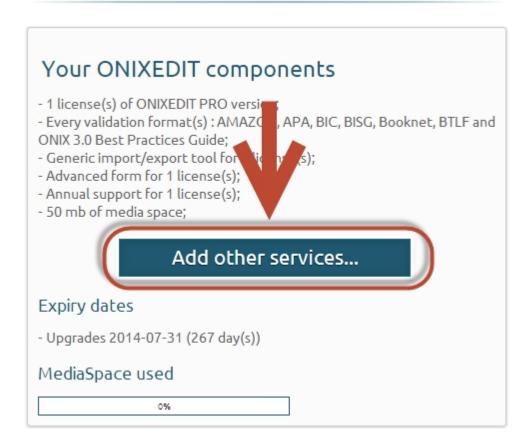


To register your copy of ONIXEDIT Converter, you must have a valid ONIXEDIT Pro license with ONIXEDIT Converter option or a valid ONIXEDIT Regular edition with the import/export and ONIXEDIT Converter options. If you don't have ONIXEDIT or if you didn't ask for the requested options, you can get them easily from our Website www.onixedit.com. After login, just go in "My Account/Upgrade and Renew" section and click on "Buy ONIXEDIT" if you don't have it or "Add other services" if you have ONIXEDIT without the required options.

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Once you have all the required options, all you have to do is register ONIXEDIT Converter using the same email and serial number as the one received by email after you bought ONIXEDIT or ONIXEDIT Converter.

Trial mode

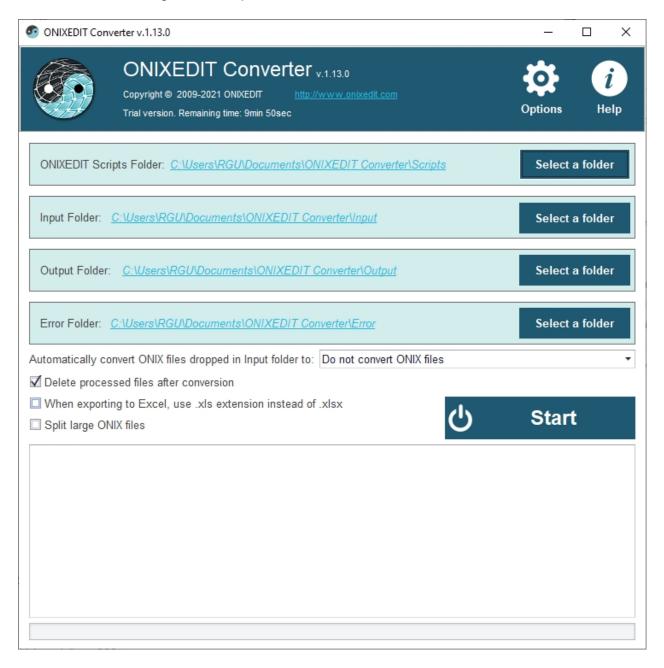
You can also launch ONIXEDIT Converter in trial mode. To do so, you just have to click on the Trial button without having to enter your email and serial number:



When launched in trial mode, ONIXEDIT Converter will work for 10 minutes and will close automatically after this deadline. You can start it again as many times as you want.

Configuration and Operation

ONIXEDIT Converter is pre-set to allow you to test it quickly. After installing it, you will find, in your Documents folder, a folder named "ONIXEDIT Converter" containing all the required sub-folders and sample import/export scripts. At first launch, you will see a configuration similar to the following screen capture:



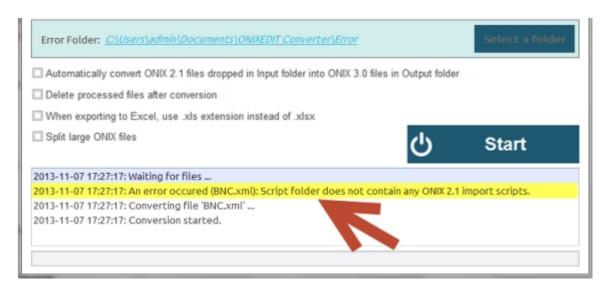
You can leave it that way or change the location of each folder following your needs. ONIXEDIT Converter will remember your settings next time you will launch it.

The first folder, **ONIXEDIT Scripts Folder**, is where you will place your ONIXEDIT import/export scripts. You can copy as many import/export scripts (2.1 or 3.0) as you want in that folder. ONIXEDIT Converter will choose those to apply, based on the metadata files that you will drop in the Input folder. You can also organize the scripts folder in sub-folders. Using sub-folders allows you to decide which import/export script to apply. Each sub-folder

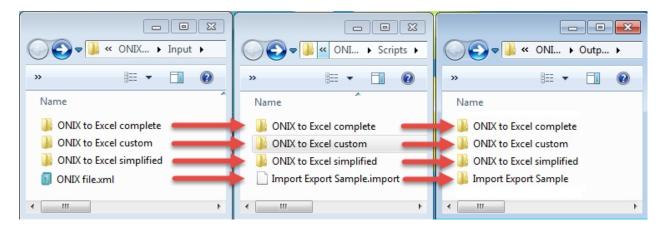
must be paired with a corresponding sub-folder having the same name in the Input folder.

The second folder is the **Input Folder**. It is where you or an automated process will place the metadata files to convert. This folder is usually empty.

The **Output Folder** is where the files converted by ONIXEDIT Converter will be generated when a metadata file will be dropped in the Input folder. If you drop an ONIX file (2.1 or 3.0), you will get, as a result, a flat file (CSV, tabulated, fixed length or Excel) based on the type of import/export scripts you have placed in the ONIXEDIT Scripts folder. The resulting flat file will be placed in a folder having the same name as the import/export script corresponding to the ONIX file you dropped. An ONIX 2.1 file will be converted using a import/export script made for ONIX 2.1 files. As well, an ONIX 3.0 file will be converted using a import/export script made for ONIX 3.0 files. If no such import/export script exists, the source file will be moved to the Error folder with a text file describing the error.



If a flat file is dropped in the Input folder (or sub-folders), it will be converted using each ONIXEDIT import/export script provided from the corresponding scripts folder or sub-folder. That is, if you provide 2.1 and 3.0 scripts, you will get, as a result, an ONIX 2.1 file and an ONIX 3.0 file, providing that the flat file dropped is compatible with the scripts. Otherwise, it will be moved to the error folder.



Other options:

Under the folders settings, you will find 4 other options:

- 1- Automatically convert ONIX 2.1 files dropped in Input folder into ONIX 3.0 files in Output folder
- 2-Delete processed files after conversion
- 3-When exporting to Excel, use .xls extension instead of .xlsx
- 4-Split large ONIX files

Check option #1 to automatically convert ONIX 2.1 into ONIX 3.0 files using our generic embedded translator.

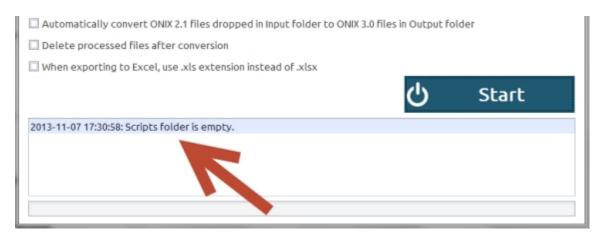
Check option #2 to delete files dropped in Input folder after processing. By default, the input file is moved to the Output folder.

Check option #3 if you want to generate Excel 2003 files. By default, Excel files produced are compatible with Excel 2007 and beyond.

Check option #4 if you want to have your resulting files split into smaller files when processing large metadata files.

Starting the Converter

Once everything is set, just click on the Start button and let ONIXEDIT Converter do the job for you. If something goes wrong, a notice will appear in the message box and ONIXEDIT Converter will stop automatically:



If everything is OK, you will see "Waiting for files..." in the message box. This means that ONIXEDIT Converter is ready to work.

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