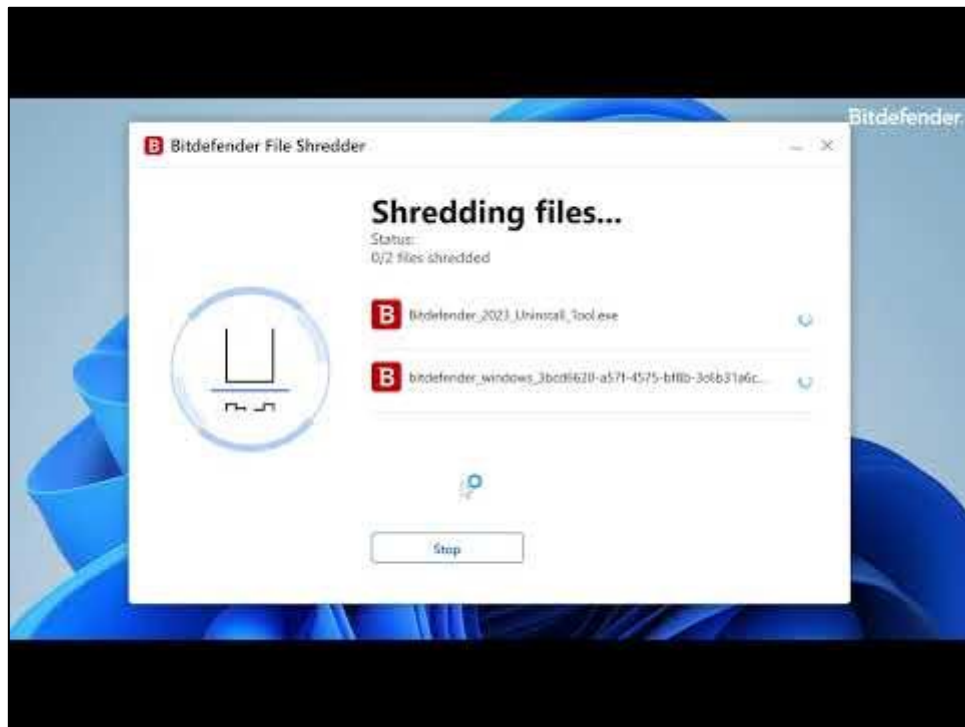


How to permanently delete a file with Bitdefender File Shredder

When you delete a file, it can no longer be accessed through normal means. However, the file continues to be stored on the hard disk until it is overwritten when copying new files. The Bitdefender File Shredder helps you permanently delete data by physically removing it from your hard disk.

Video

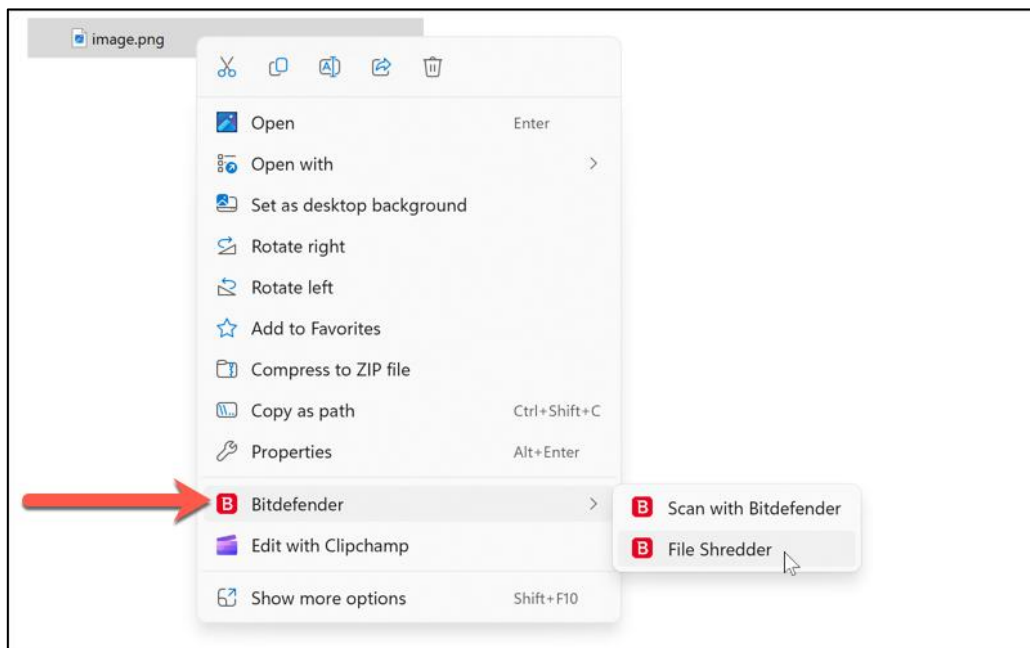
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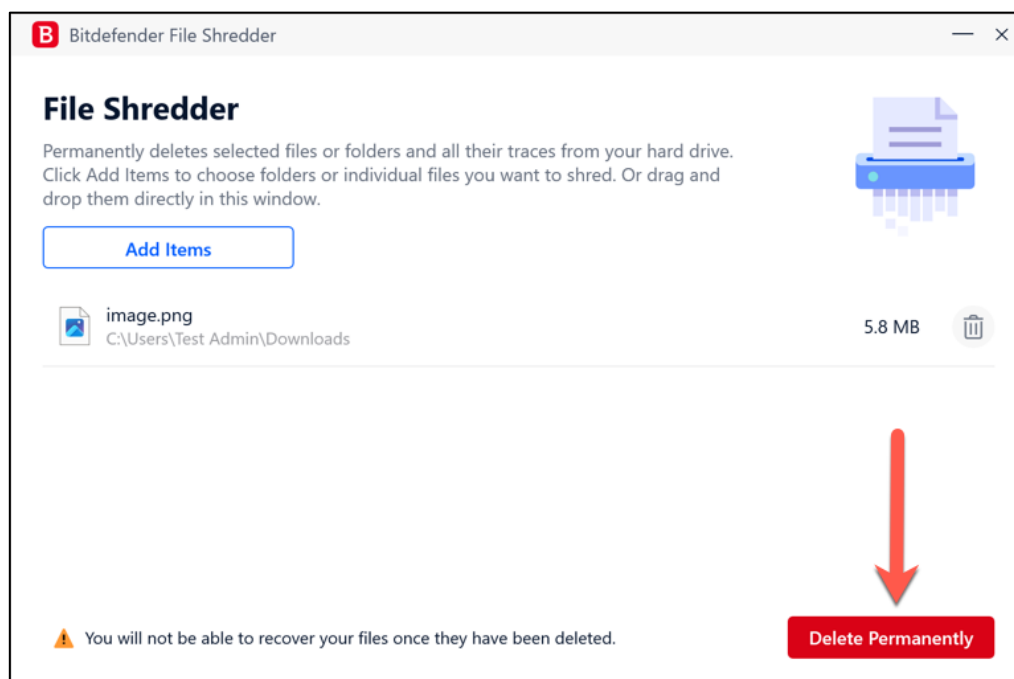
You can quickly shred files or folders from your device by following these steps:

1. Right-click the file or folder you want to permanently delete, point to **Bitdefender**, and select **File Shredder** in the menu.

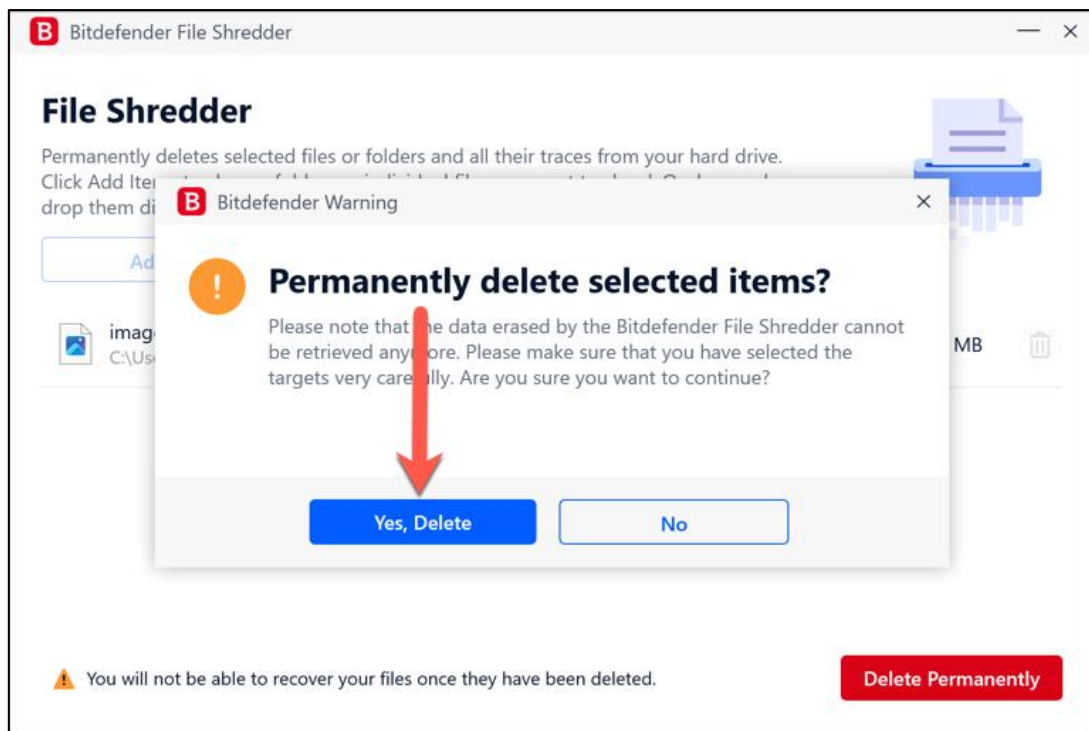


① **Note:** To permanently delete all files that are in your Recycle Bin, right-click on the bin icon on the Desktop and select Bitdefender > File Shredder.

2. Click on **DELETE PERMANENTLY**.



3. A confirmation window appears. Click **YES, DELETE** to start the File Shredder wizard.



4. Wait for Bitdefender to finish shredding the files.

5. The results are displayed. Click **FINISH** to exit the wizard.

