# VideoPad Video Editor

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- Drag and drop video clips for easy video editing
- Apply effects and transitions, adjust video speed and more
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For more assistance, visit the VideoPad Video Editor Help Site at <a href="http://help.nchsoftware.com/help/en/videopad/win/index.html">http://help.nchsoftware.com/help/en/videopad/win/index.html</a>.

# Add Videos

- 1. Open VideoPad Video Editor, and start a New Project.
- 2. Click Add File from the Home tab. Locate your file, and click Open.
  - a. You can also drag the file from your desktop into the media bin (the area that says **Drag** and **Drop Files here**).



3. Click and drag the file from the media bin to **Video Track 1** in the **Timeline** panel at the bottom of the window.





4. You can change the order of the clips by clicking and dragging them around on the **Timeline**.

5. Select a clip by clicking on it. It will open up in the **Clip Preview** pane so you can view it.



#### Trim a Video

- 1. Click on the clip you want to trim from the **Timeline**, and it will appear in the **Clip Preview** pane.
  - a. Double-check that you are on Clip Preview, not Sequence Preview.



- 2. Play the video to where you want the clip to begin, or drag the red cursor to the point.
- 3. Press **Start** to set the beginning point. Repeat the process



4. Repeat the process for where you want the clip to end, using the **End** button.

# Split a Video (or Remove Segments from the Middle of a Clip)

- 1. Click the clip in the **Timeline** panel to open the video up in **Clip Preview**.
- 2. Play the video or drag the red cursor to the point in the clip you want to split the video (or remove).
- 3. Click **Split** under the **Clip Preview** window. The clip is now split into two segments in the **Timeline**.



- 4. Click the second segment from the **Timeline**, and play it in **Clip Preview** until you reach the end of the segment you want to remove.
- 5. Click **Split** again, and you should have 3 segments in the **Timeline** now.
- 6. Click the second segment (the part you want to remove), and press the **Delete** key.

## Change the Speed of the Video

- 1. Right-click the clip that you want to change the speed from the **Timeline**.
- 2. Choose Change Clip Speed from the menu.



- 3. Choose your desired speed (based on %), and click Set.
  - a. Below 100 = slower. Above 100 = faster. You may have to play around to achieve the desired effect.



# Add Caption

- 1. Make sure none of your video files are selected by clicking in the white space in the Media Bin.
- 2. Click Add Text from the top toolbar. A Text Clip will open in the Clip Preview window.



3. Type your caption in the box that appears, and select your formatting.



4. Click off the textbox to close it. Your caption will be added as a file to the **Images** tab in the **Media Bin**.

5. Click your caption in the **Clip Preview** pane and move it around where you want it to appear on your video. (Where it appears in **Text Clip** will be where it appears on your video.)



6. If you need to edit your text, click in the white box below the **Clip Preview**. This will reopen the text editor.



- 7. You can rename your caption to help you find it later by right-clicking on the caption in the **Media Bin** and selecting **Rename**.
- 8. Click in the white space in the Media Bin to make sure nothing is selected.

- 9. Click the video clip you want to add the caption to from the **Timeline** panel.
- 10. Play the video or move the red cursor to point you want the text to appear.



- 11. Click your caption from the Media Bin. It will open in the Clip Preview pane.
- 12. Click the down arrow next to Place and choose Overlay on Sequence at Cursor.

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13. This will add the caption to video clip in the **Timeline**. It will be added wherever the red cursor is located as a separate video track.

14. To make your caption appear for a longer or shorter duration, click and drag the **bracket icon** ] on Video Track 2 in the **Timeline**.



- 15. If you're having difficulty grabbing the **bracket**, try to zoom in on the **Timeline** using the **magnifying glass icons** in the bottom right of the screen.
- 16. You can click and drag the caption around on **Video Track 2** if you need to adjust where it appears.
- 17. You can create additional captions the same way, adding them to Video Track 2.

#### Saving & Exporting Your Video

1. When you are ready to save, click **Save Project** on top toolbar.



2. Choose your project name and a location to save it. We recommend saving it to Drive, your network drive, or an external device.

THIS WILL ONLY SAVE YOUR WORKING FILE. YOU MUST FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO SAVE THE PROJECT AS A MOVIE FILE WHICH CAN BE VIEWED BY OTHER PEOPLE ON OTHER COMPUTERS.

3. Click Export Video from the top toolbar.



4. For Export Type, choose File and then Video File.



- 5. If your file is large, change the **Resolution** to **320 x 240 Low Resolution**. If your file is small, you can leave it at the default. (If you aren't sure, use the **Low Resolution** option!)
- 6. Make sure that the **File Format** is set to **.wmv** <u>or</u> .avi; other formats won't be available once your demo version expires.
- 7. Click **Browse** to choose where you want to save your video & name it.

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8. Click **Create** to save your video. The **Export Queue** window will say **Complete** when it is finished saving.