

10 ways to open Bluetooth File Transfer utility on Windows 11

Bluetooth is an incredibly popular means of connecting two devices. You can use Bluetooth to wirelessly connect audio accessories and other peripherals to your computer. Alternatively, you can also send and receive files using the Bluetooth File Transfer utility in Windows 11.

You might wonder why use such a slow medium to transfer files. In fact, Bluetooth works very well for sending and receiving small files, especially for users who cannot use WiFi direct or wired connection. The following article will list some methods for you to launch the Bluetooth File Transfer utility on Windows 11. Let's find out the details soon!

1. Using the Start menu

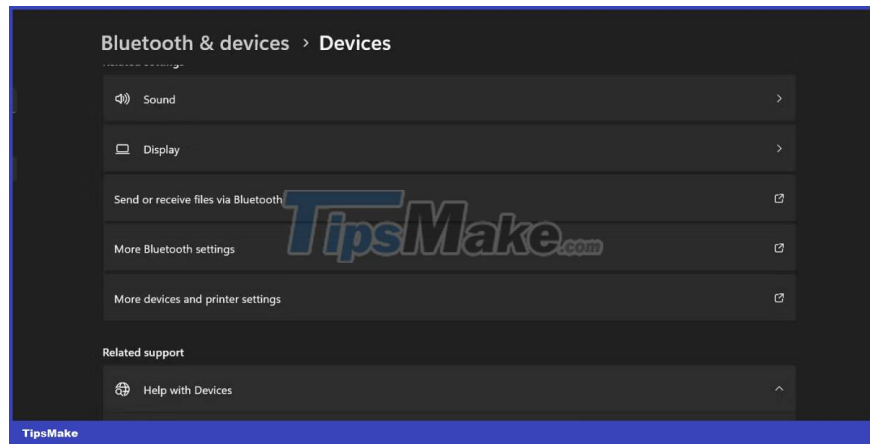
The easiest method is to use the Start menu to access and launch the Bluetooth File Transfer utility. Follow these steps:

1. Press the **Win** key to launch the Start menu.
2. Type **Bluetooth** and click on the option **Bluetooth and other devices settings** .
3. The Settings app will launch. Scroll down and click the option **Send or receive files via Bluetooth** .
4. When the Bluetooth File Transfer utility pops up, click the **Send files** or **Receive files** option to start the file sharing process.

2. Using the Settings app

Windows 11 has moved many of the Control Panel features to the Settings app. You can add and manage all devices including Bluetooth devices through the Settings app. Here's how to do it:

1. Press **Win + I** to launch the Settings application.
2. Navigate to the left menu and click on the **Bluetooth and devices** option .
3. Scroll down and click the **Device** option . Then, click the option **Send or receive files via Bluetooth** .

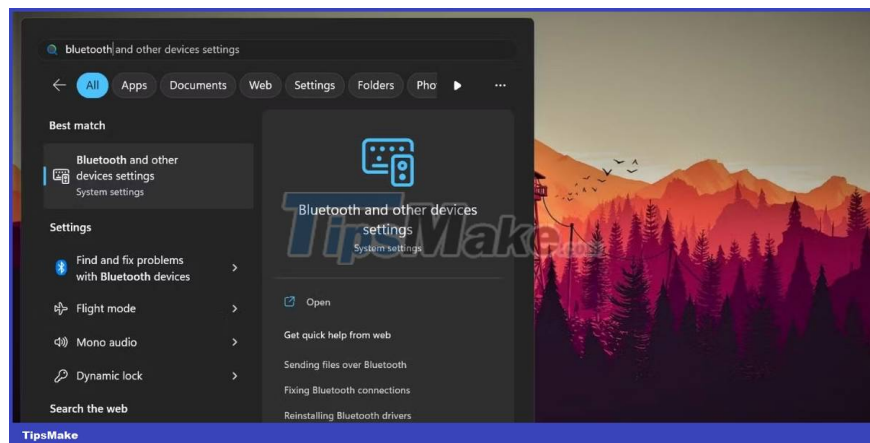


4. Now start the file transfer session with any paired device.

3. Use Windows Search

Windows 11 has a brand new search app that even fetches results from the web. Here's how to launch the Bluetooth File Transfer utility using the Windows search function:

1. Press **Win + S** to launch Windows search.
2. Type **Bluetooth and other devices settings** , then click the relevant search result.



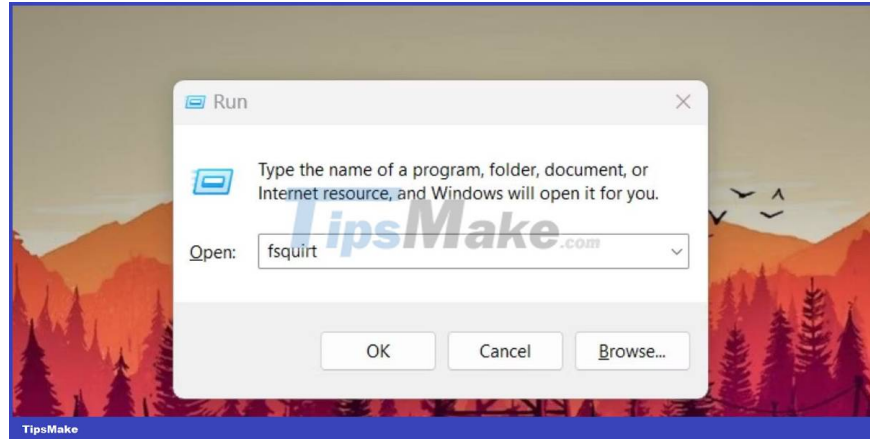
3. The **Bluetooth and devices** page will launch. Find the option **Send or receive files via Bluetooth** and click on it.

4. The Bluetooth File Transfer utility will launch on your system.

4. Use the Run command box

If you don't want to use the Settings app, you can launch the Bluetooth File Transfer tool using the Run dialog box. Here's how to do it:

1. Press **Win + R** to launch the Run command box.

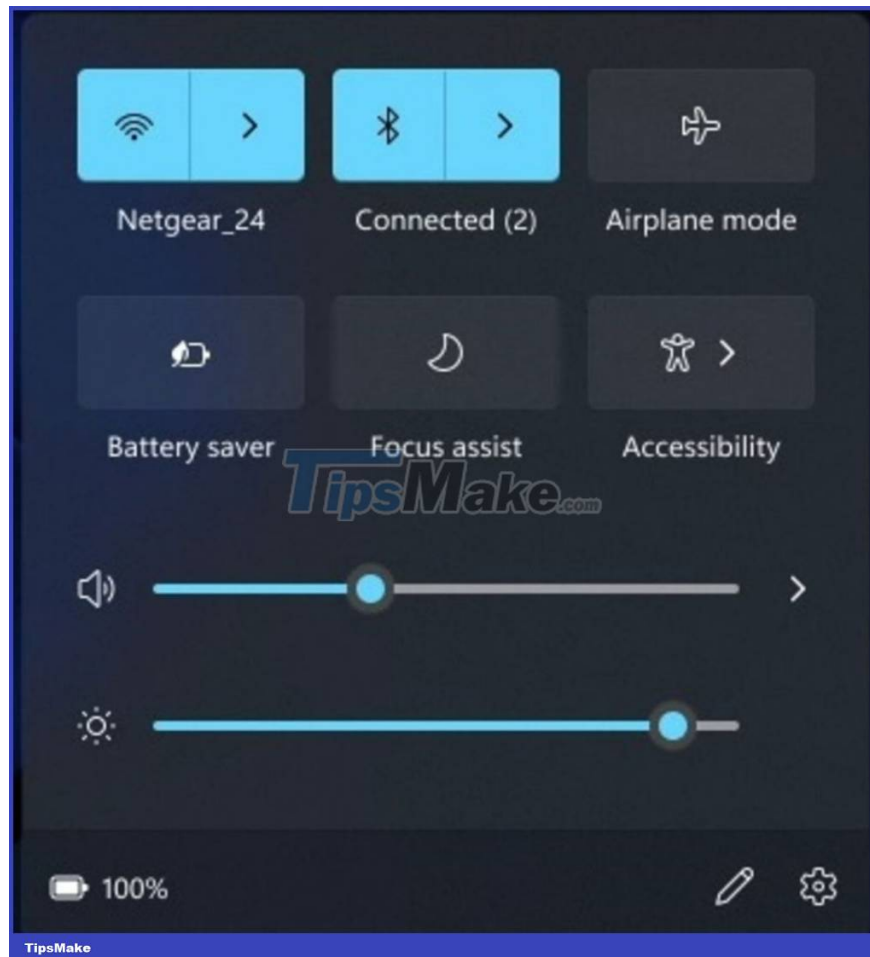


2. Type **fsquirt** and press **Enter** key to open the Bluetooth File Transfer tool.

5. Using Action Center

Windows 10 and 11 have an Action Center that serves as a quick access area for useful Windows features. Follow these steps:

1. Press **Win + A** to launch Action Center.
2. Click the arrow icon next to the **Bluetooth tile**.
3. Now click the **More Bluetooth settings** option . **The Bluetooth and devices** page will launch.

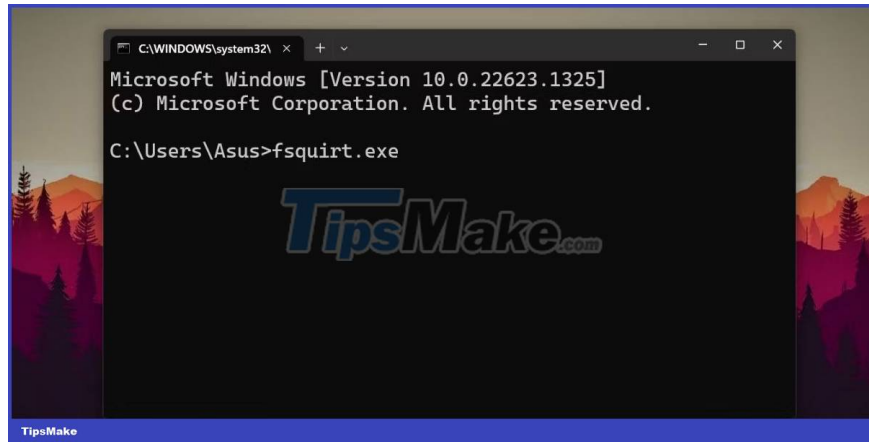


4. Navigate to the **Devices** section and click the **Send or receive files via Bluetooth** option .
5. Start a file transfer session with a paired device.

6. Using CMD

You can invoke the Bluetooth File Transfer utility from the Command Prompt application. This method is useful if you cannot access the Action Center or the Settings app on your system. Here's how to do it:

1. Press **Win + R** to launch the Run command box. Type **cmd** and press **Enter key**.
2. In the Command Prompt window, type **fsquirt.exe** and press the **Enter key**.

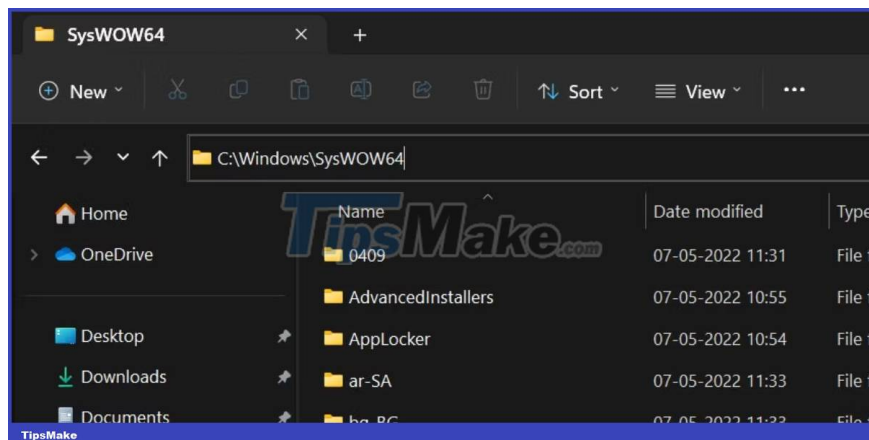


3. The Bluetooth File Transfer tool will automatically launch on your system.
4. Close the Command Prompt window and start the file transfer session.

7. Using the File Explorer App

Like all Windows tools, Bluetooth File Transfer is also available in the **SysWOW64 folder**. You can access it directly from the C: drive using the File Explorer application. Make sure you have admin rights to access the SysWOW64 folder. Follow these steps:

1. Press **Win + E** to launch File Explorer. Move to the navigation window and click on the C: drive.
2. Now go to the address bar and enter the following path: **C:WindowsSysWOW64**.

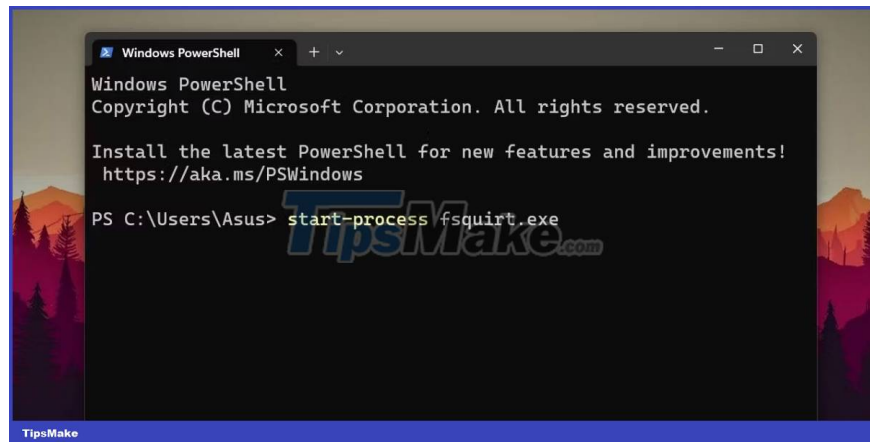


3. Press the **Enter** key to access the **SysWOW64 folder**.
4. Now, locate the file `fsquirt.exe` and click on it to launch the Bluetooth File Transfer utility.
5. Close File Explorer.

8. Using PowerShell

Like CMD, you can use PowerShell to start the Bluetooth File Transfer utility. You can use the **start-process** command to launch the tool. Here's how to do it:

1. Press **Win + S** to launch Windows Search.
2. Enter **PowerShell** and click the **Run as administrator** option on the right.
3. UAC will pop up. Click the **Yes** button .
4. In the PowerShell window, type **start-process fsquirt.exe** and then press **Enter**.



5. After the Bluetooth File Transfer utility window launches, type **exit** in PowerShell to close it.

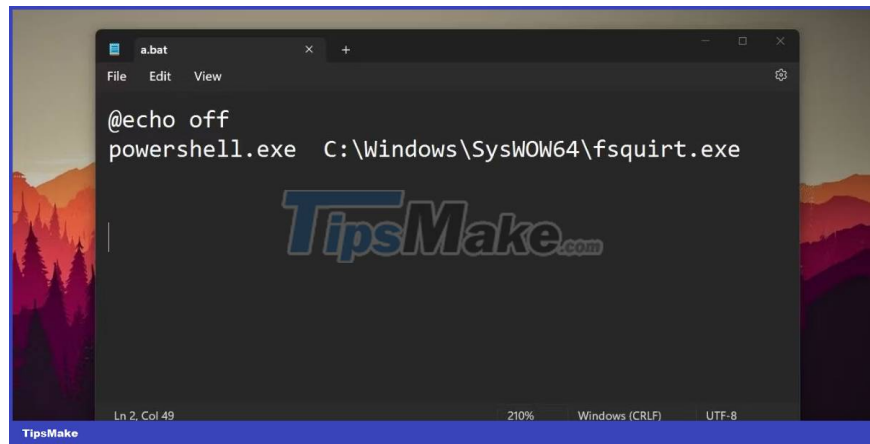
9. Use batch scripts

Batch script can save you a lot of time searching or browsing for Bluetooth sharing apps. Repeat the following steps to create batch files:

1. Press **Win + D** to go to the desktop. Right-click on the desktop and select **New > Text Document** .
2. Double-click the newly created file to open it in Notepad.
3. Now, enter the following code into the Notepad file:

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@echo off powershell.exe C:\Windows\SysWOW64\fsquirt.exe
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4. Then, press **Ctrl + Shift + S** to open the **Save as** window . Type **bfs.bat** and keep the type as **All Files**.



5. Click the **Save** button and close the notepad.

6. Now go to the desktop and right click on the saved .bat file. Select **the Run as administrator** option from the context menu.

7. Accept the UAC prompt and click the **Yes button**. The batch file will launch PowerShell, run the command to launch the Bluetooth File Transfer tool, and the PowerShell window will automatically close.

10. Use desktop shortcuts

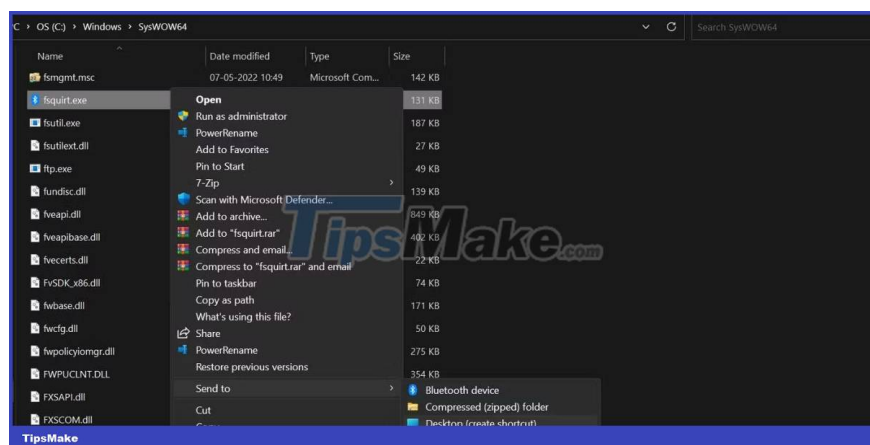
Desktop shortcuts are a pretty easy way to launch gadgets. Like the File Explorer method, you need to locate the file in the C drive and create a desktop shortcut. Here's how to do it:

1. Press **Win + E** to launch File Explorer.

2. Navigate to the C: drive and click the address bar. Type **C:WindowsSysWOW64** and press **Enter key**.

3. Now, find the file fsquirt.exe and right click on it.

4. Select the **Show more options** option and click the **Send to** option . Then click on the **Desktop (create shortcut)** option .



5. Press **Win + D** to switch to the desktop. Double-click the fsquirt.exe shortcut to launch the Bluetooth File Transfer tool.

You can also pin the tool to the Start menu or Taskbar with a desktop shortcut.

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