

How to move the Downloads folder to a different drive on Windows 10/11

In this article, TipsMake will guide you on how to move your Downloads folder to a different drive, even if the file is located on drive C or another location on your computer.

To avoid affecting the system or filling up the C drive, you can move the Downloads folder to another drive, effectively freeing up space and maintaining better performance for your PC or laptop.

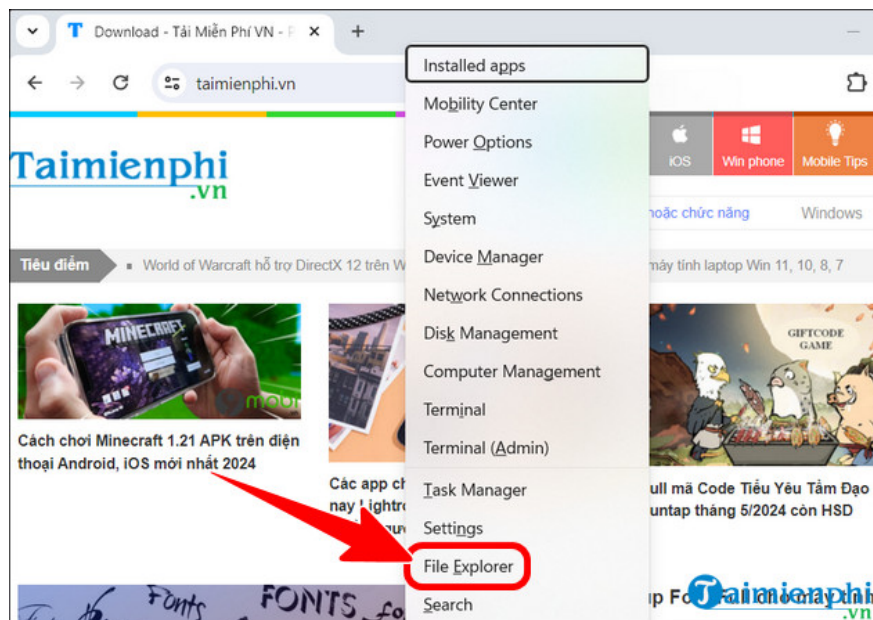


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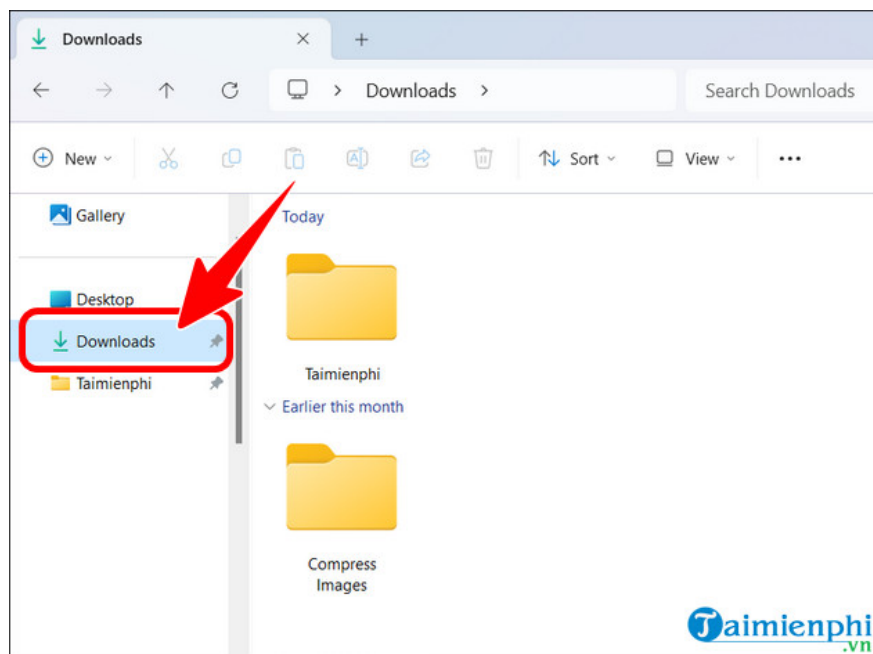
How to change the default Downloads folder to a different drive.

With our guide on moving downloaded files to another drive, readers can easily do this on both Windows 11 and Windows 10, and it only takes a few minutes to complete.

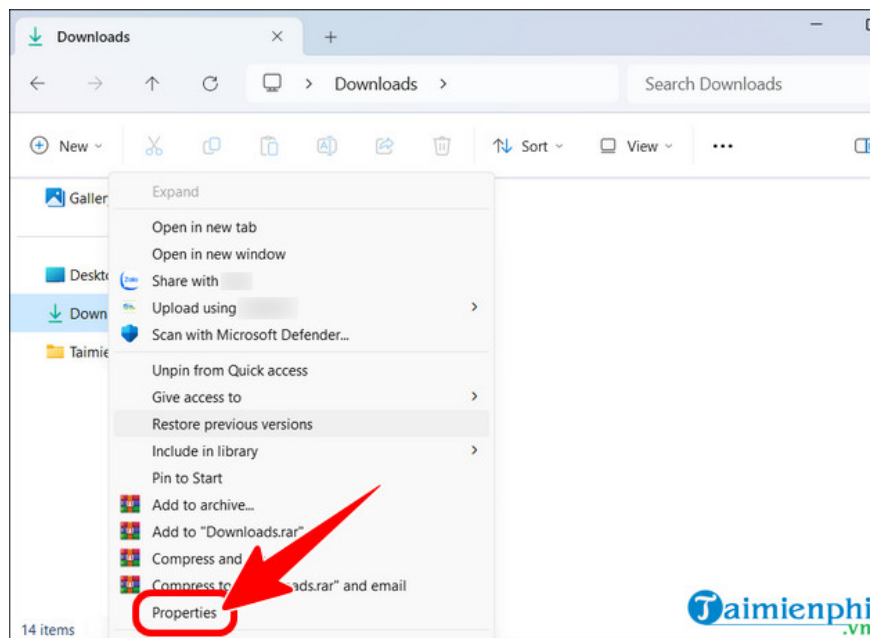
Step 1: Press **the Windows + X** key combination => click on **File Explorer** .



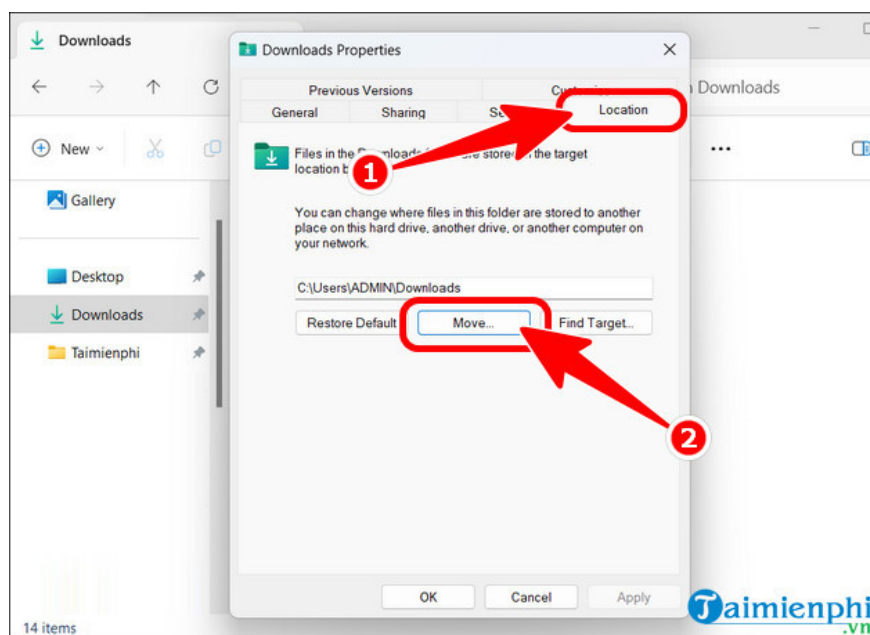
Step 2: Right- click on the **Download** file .



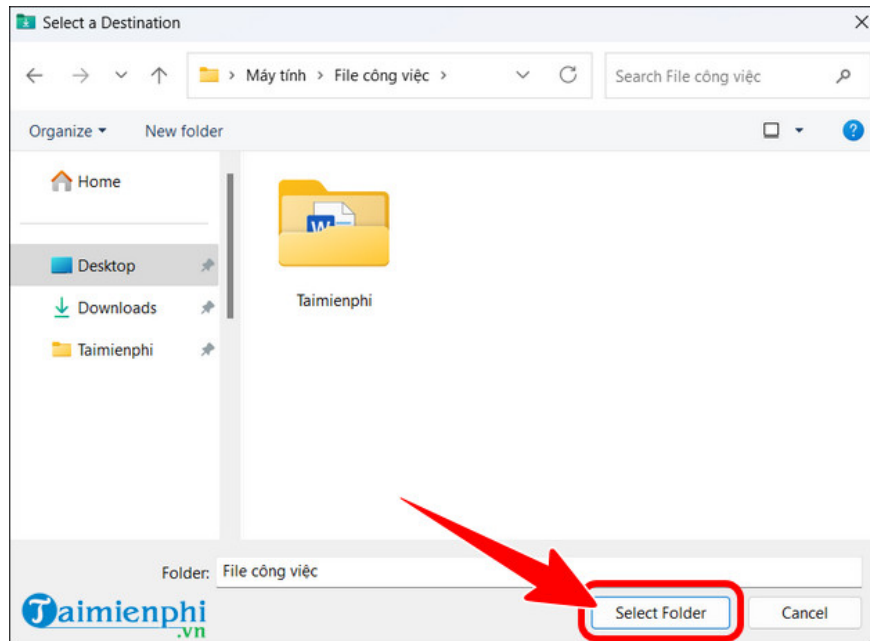
- Select the **Properties** option .



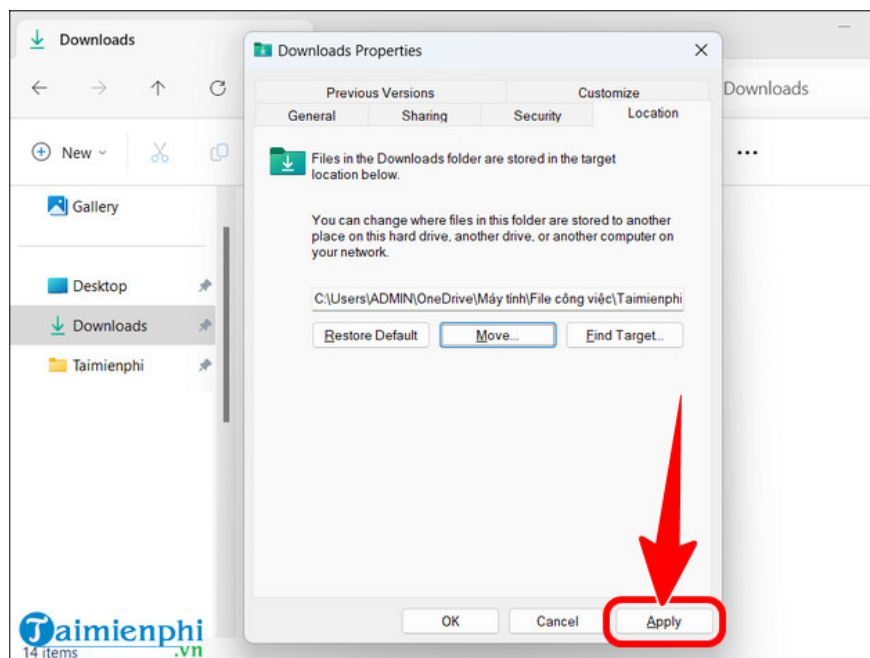
- Click **Location** => press **Move** .



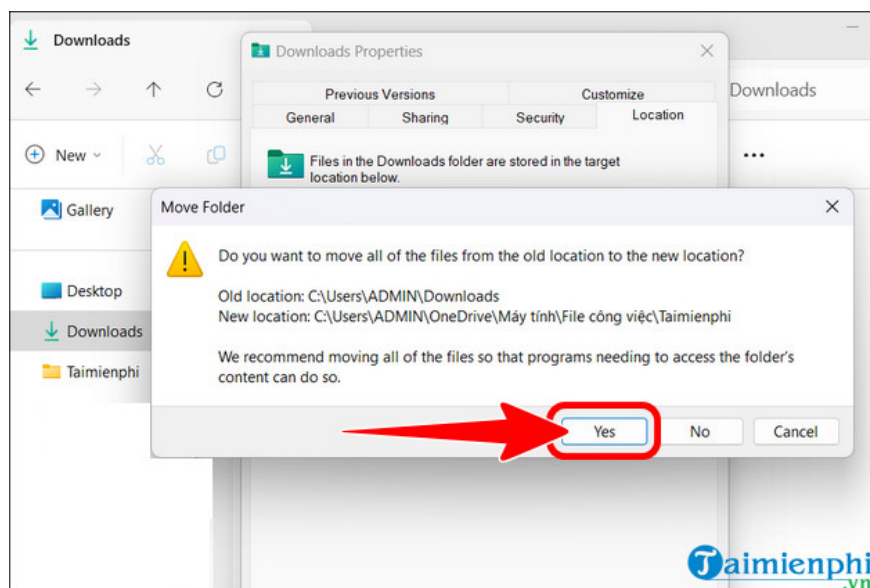
Step 3: Choose **the location** where you want to move the Download folder => click **Select Folder** .



- Click **Apply** .

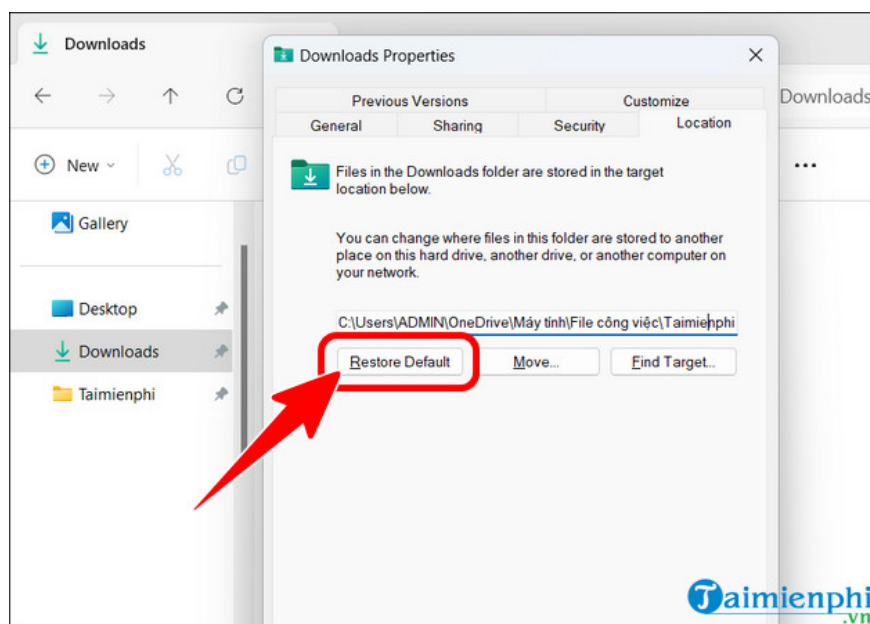


- Immediately, a **"Move Folder" notification** will appear as shown below. Press **"Yes"** to allow the system to begin moving the Download folder to another drive.



Instructions on how to restore the Downloads folder to its default location.

In case you accidentally selected the wrong location to move the files or want to restore the Downloads folder to its original location, you can follow the steps above to open **Download Properties** => select **Restore Default** .



If the downloaded file is successfully transferred but your computer slows or freezes when you open it, you can **fix the download folder opening error** here to resolve the issue and optimize your computer's performance.

We hope this guide on moving the Downloads folder to a different drive on Windows 11/10 will be helpful to you. Additionally, you can also explore other tips and tricks from our website to stay updated with the most

useful and practical advice. Good luck!

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