



Manage Migrate Rehydrate

HIGHLIGHTS

Full shortcut rehydration

End-to-end audit trail

Policy-driven compliance and retention

Seamless integration

CHOOSING ULTIMATE MIGRATOR

Ultimate Migrator is committed to delivering software that works. We help you move messaging data between platforms quickly, reliably and securely. We are asked to migrate some of the World's most complex messaging environments by some of the largest global organisations including banks and governments.

With a highly technical and business-aware team, Ultimate Migrator is focused on simplifying this notoriously painful process and providing a straight forward solution.

Ultimate Migrator provides a cost effective service that has minimum impact on users and reduces the demands on internal IT staff and the support infrastructure.

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Beyond the Inbox: Why Email Archive Migration Is More Than Just a Technical Task

The Customer

Many organisations approach email archive migration as if it's just another IT task: find a migration tool, move the data, job done. But in reality, moving archived email from legacy systems into platforms like Microsoft 365 is anything but simple. And it's never just technical.

Legacy archive platforms such as Enterprise Vault, Barracuda, HP EAS and ZANTAZ were once essential for offloading ageing emails and ensuring compliance with early retention requirements. But times have changed. These platforms are now often unsupported, costly to maintain, and completely disconnected from your modern workplace.

At the same time, your archived data is likely still valuable. It may contain legal records, contractual commitments, or audit trails that your business still relies on. Holding on to that data—but doing so within a modern, searchable, and policy-driven environment—is what archive migration is really about. So what makes archive migration complex?

For starters, there's the issue of shortcut rehydration. Users in older environments often had email stubs—shortcuts to archived messages—embedded in their inboxes. These shortcuts need to be replaced with the full email, including attachments, and placed back in the appropriate folder, without breaking metadata or triggering mailbox quota issues.

Then there's the need for auditability and chain-of-custody, especially in regulated sectors like finance, healthcare and government. If your archive migration process isn't fully documented and traceable, you could find yourself unable to prove that the data arrived in its new location intact and complete.

This is why we built Ultimate Migrator. It's not just a fast, automated archive migration tool—it's a compliance-aware, user-friendly solution that gives you control and visibility throughout the process.

With Ultimate Migrator, organisations can:

Maintain 1:1 message integrity

- Migrate in batches without disrupting users
- Clean up shortcuts as data is rehydrated
- Apply rules for mailbox or In-Place Archive placement
- Track every message for audit assurance



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Archive migration isn't a background task—it's a strategic investment in data security, operational continuity, and cloud ROI. If your organisation is preparing to retire legacy archive systems, make sure you choose a solution—and a partner—that understands the stakes.