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This article provides a technical description of the process Paperless follows when upgrading a library file.

When Paperless 2 upgrades a Paperless library 1 library file, it follows a two-step process:

- Paperless creates a new library, using information from the original Paperless 1 library.
- Paperless saves the existing Paperless 1 library as a backup.

The upgraded library displays with the file extension **.paperless**.

The backup copy of the Paperless 1 library displays in Finder with **-v1** at the end of the file's basename (the part of the file name that appears before the file extension).

Below, we outline how each type of Paperless 1 library (document library and receipt library) is upgraded to Paperless 2 format.

Upgrading a Paperless 1 document library

With a document library named **Document Library.dwl**library, here is how Paperless would handle the process of upgrading the library to Paperless 2 format:

- Paperless creates a new library named **Document Library.paperless**, using information from the original Paperless 1 library.
- Paperless saves the existing Paperless 1 library as a backup, named **Document Library-v1.dwl**library.

Upgrading a Paperless 1 receipt library

With a receipt library named **Receipt Library.rwl**library, here is how Paperless would handle the process of upgrading the library to Paperless 2 format:

- Paperless creates a new library named **Receipt Library.paperless**, using information from the original Paperless 1 library.
- Paperless saves the existing Paperless 1 library as a backup, named **Receipt Library-v1.dwl**library.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I use Paperless 2 libraries in Paperless 1?

No: Paperless 2 libraries cannot be used in Paperless 1.

We explain this in additional detail [in this knowledge base article](#).

Is there any way to downgrade a Paperless 2 library to Paperless 1 format?

No: Paperless 2 libraries cannot be downgraded to Paperless 1 format.

It should be possible, though, to continue using the backup copy Paperless saves of the original library file with Paperless. [In this knowledge base article, we outline how to downgrade from Paperless 2 to Paperless 1](#); in this article, we also explain how to resume use a backup copy of a library.

Where can I find a set of steps I can use to upgrade a Paperless 1 library to Paperless 2 format?

[We provide a set of steps to use to upgrade a Paperless 1 library to Paperless 2 format in this knowledge base article.](#)