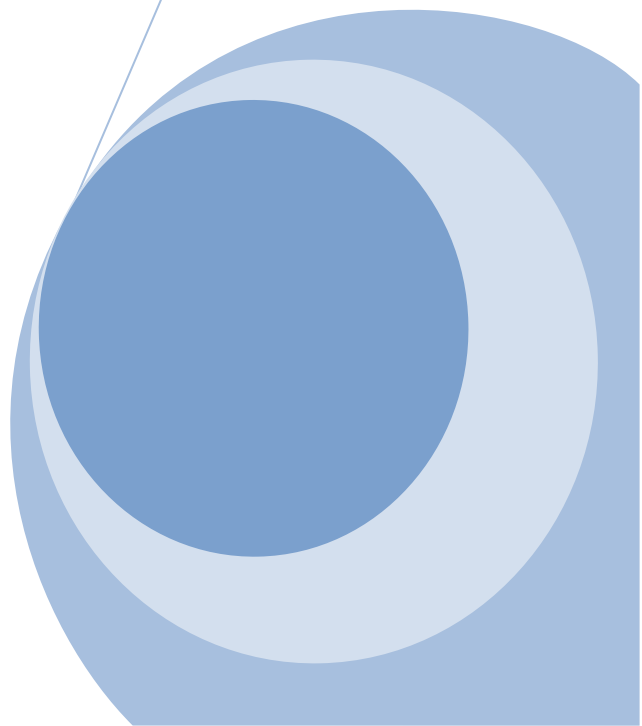
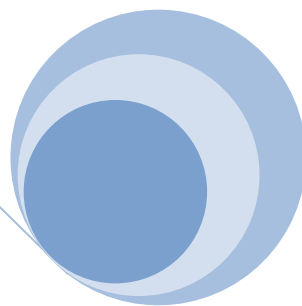
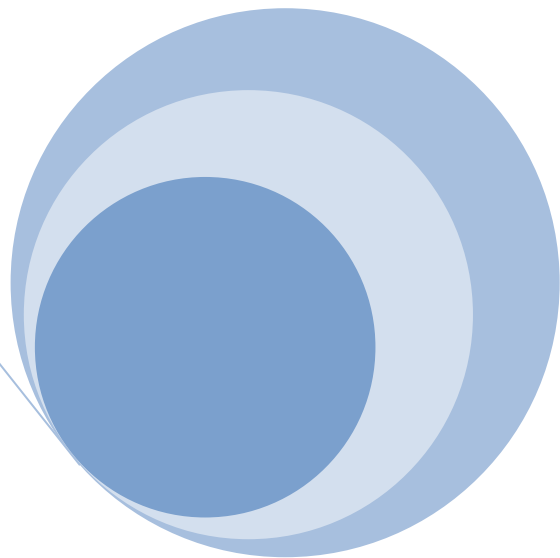


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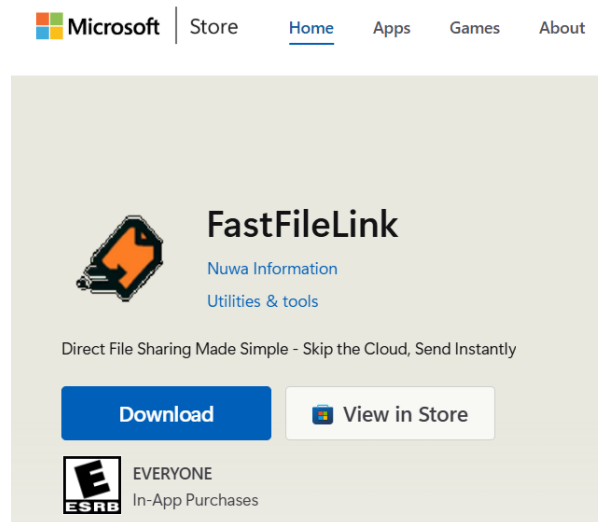
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# Installation

## Windows

You can download the free version or the Standard/Plus version from our official [FastFileLink](#) website. In addition, you can also download the free version from the [Microsoft Store](#).



## Linux & Mac

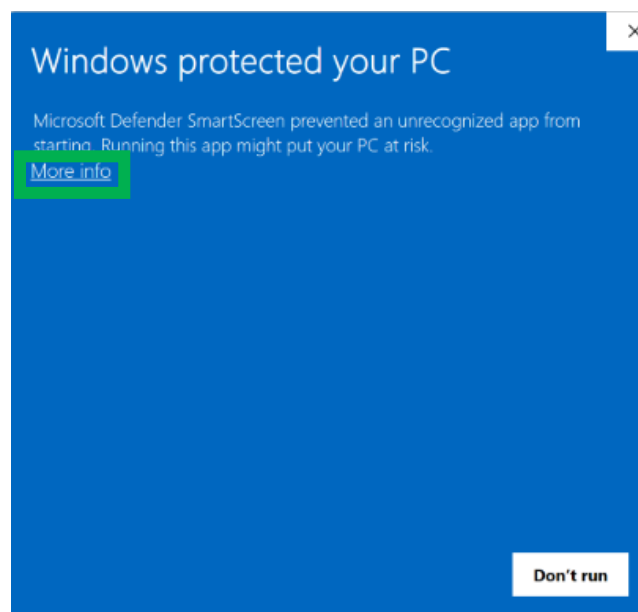
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# First use

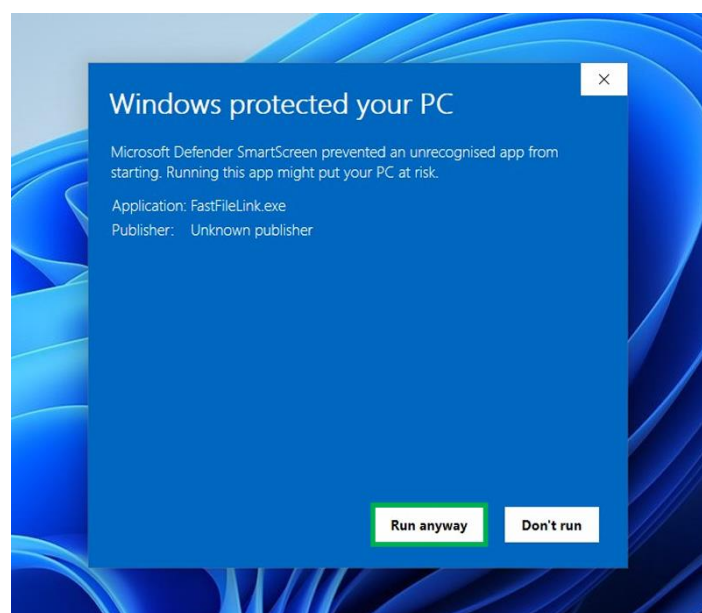
## Windows

### Unknown Publisher Security Warning

When first-to-use after download, you might receive user account control warning from Windows. Please click “More info” to show the detail and click "Run anyway" to trust it and make the application running normally. If you worried about the security of the application, please refer to the [FAQ Q1](#) & [Q2](#). Alternatively, you can directly download it from [Microsoft Store](#) for your peace of mind.



Click “More info” to show the detail

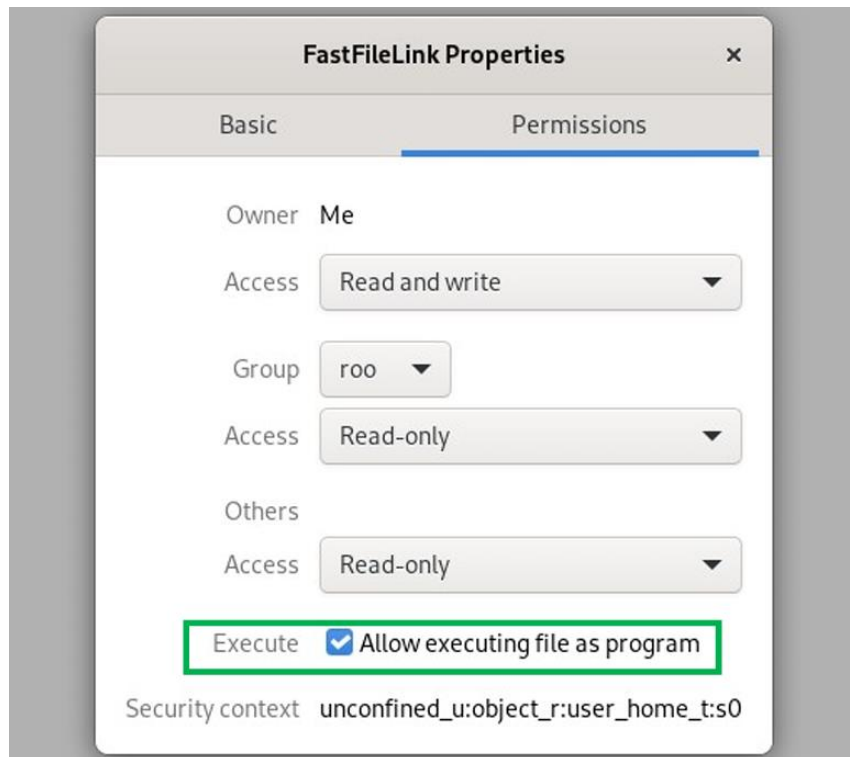


Click "Run anyway" to trust the application

## Linux

### Allow executing file as program

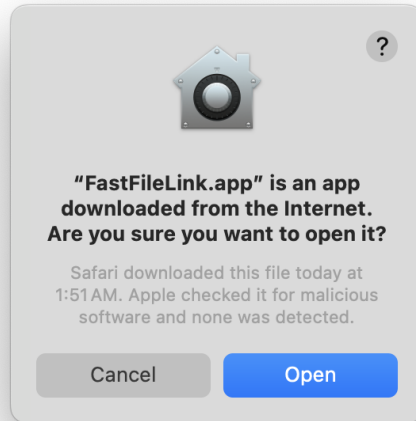
When first-to-use after download, you might need to right click on **FastFileLink** and click **Properties**. Choose the tab **Permissions** and click on “**Allow executing file as program**” to let **FastFileLink** can be executed by double click.



## Mac

### Download from the Internet warning

When you open FastFileLink.app for the first time after downloading it from the Internet, macOS may show a dialog.



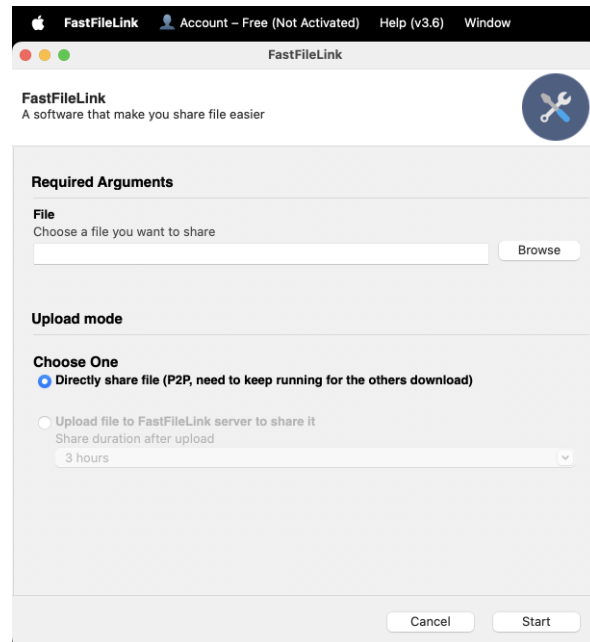
This is a normal macOS security feature called Gatekeeper. It appears whenever you launch an application that was downloaded outside of the Mac App Store for the first time. As long as you downloaded FastFileLink.app from our official website, you can safely click Open to continue.

After the first launch, macOS will remember your choice and you will not see this warning again.

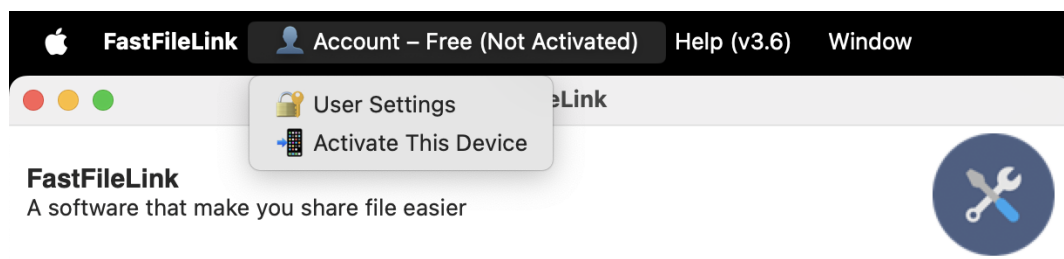
## Mac device activation process (For who have purchased our plan)

When you open FastFileLink.app for the first time after downloading it from the Internet, macOS may show a dialog.

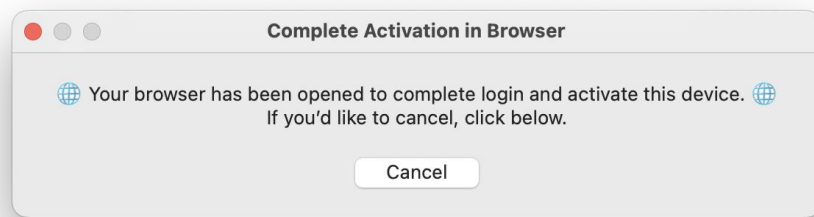
**Step 1.** Open **FastFileLink.app** and you will see a menu bar on the top left side.



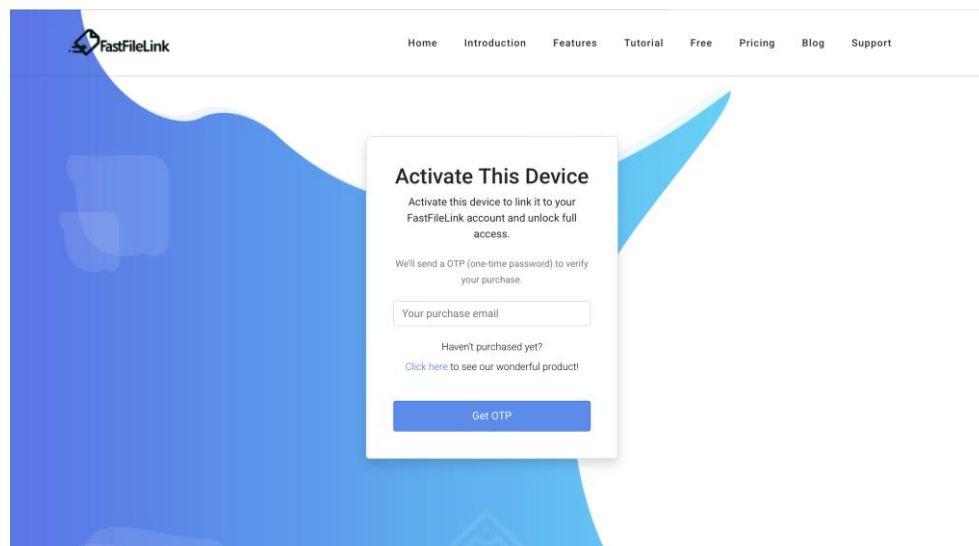
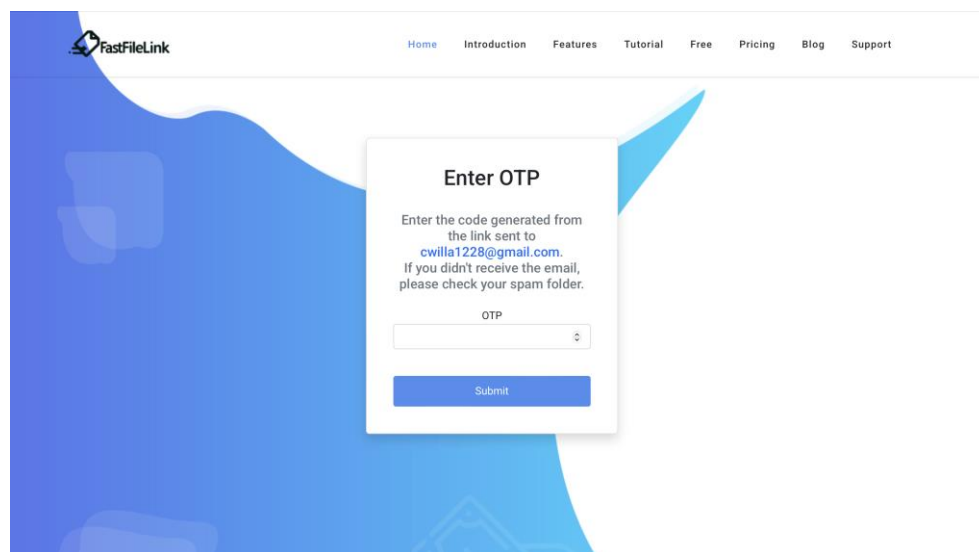
**Step 2.** Click on the "**Account – Free (Not Activated)**" and you will see "**Activate This Device**".



**Step 3.** Click "**Activate This Device**" and a window will pop up informing you that we are going to complete the activation process in your browser, and the browser will also open automatically.

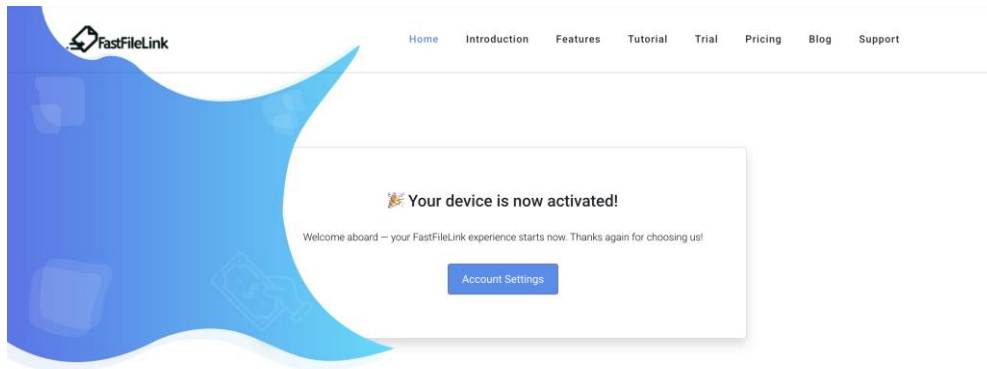


**Step 4.** Follow the instructions shown in your browser to finish the activation process.





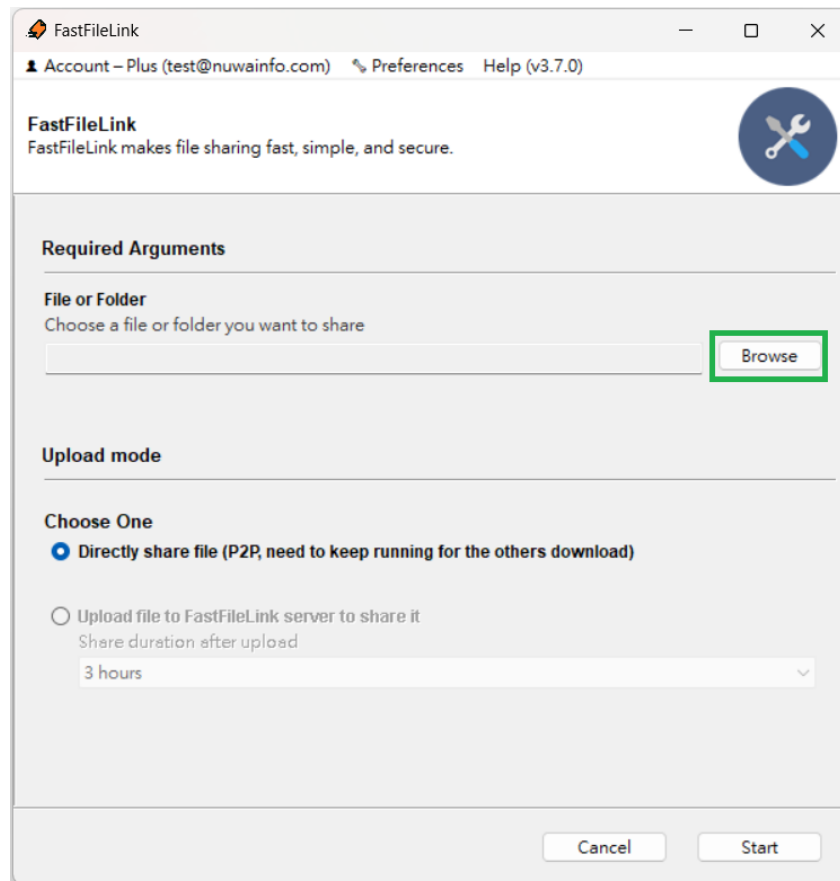
If successful, you will see the **"Your device is now activated"** page. You can then continue to use the app as a STANDARD/PLUS user.



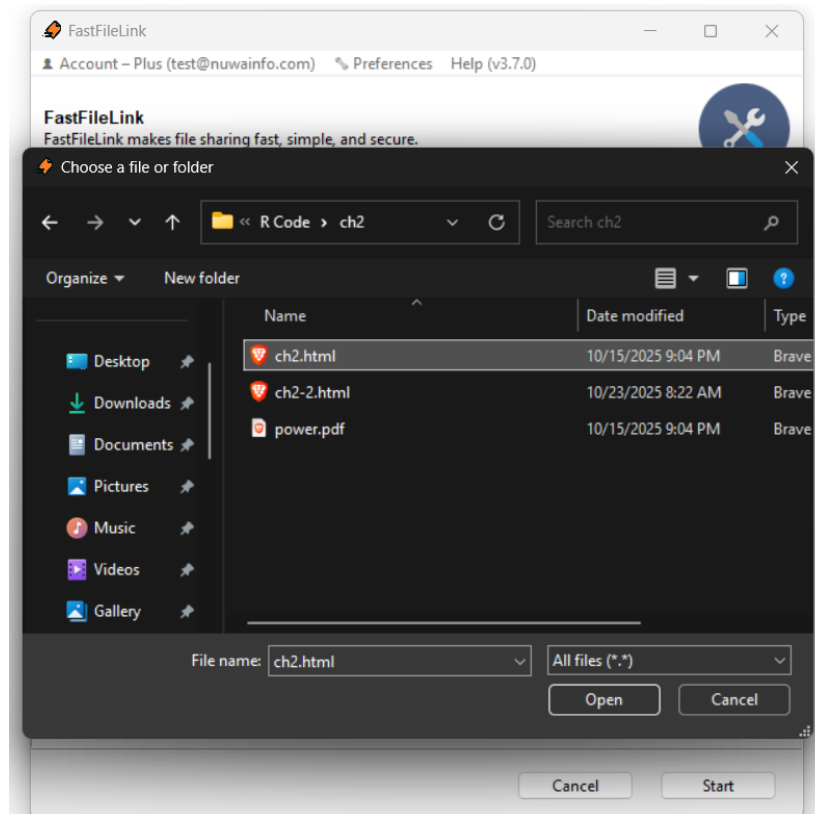
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## Windows

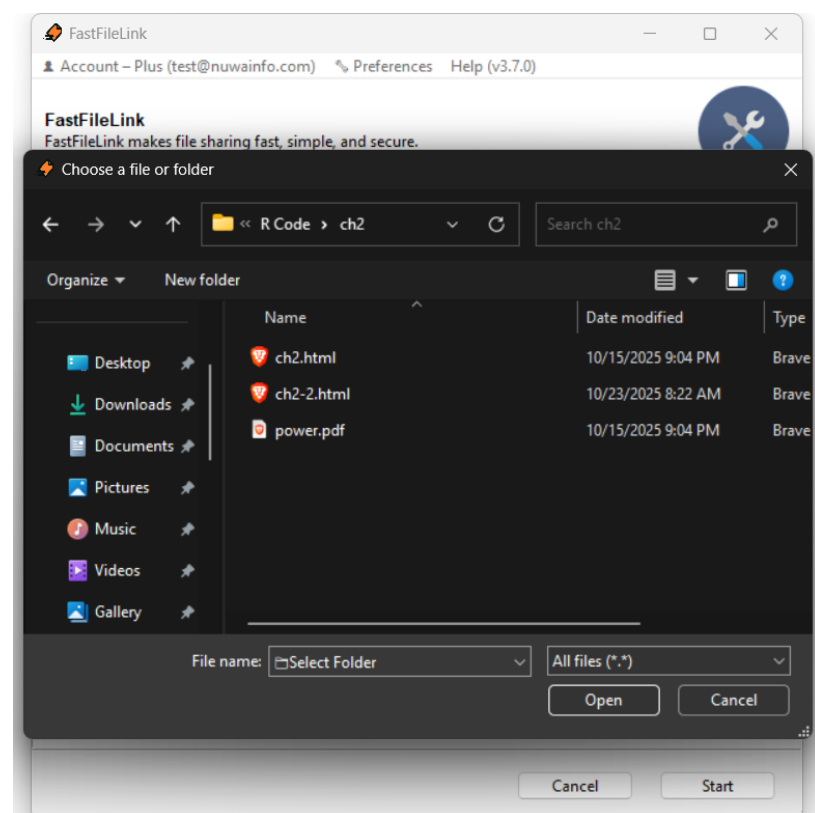
- 1 Click “browse” to select the file or folder which you want to share.



Click “browse” in the right



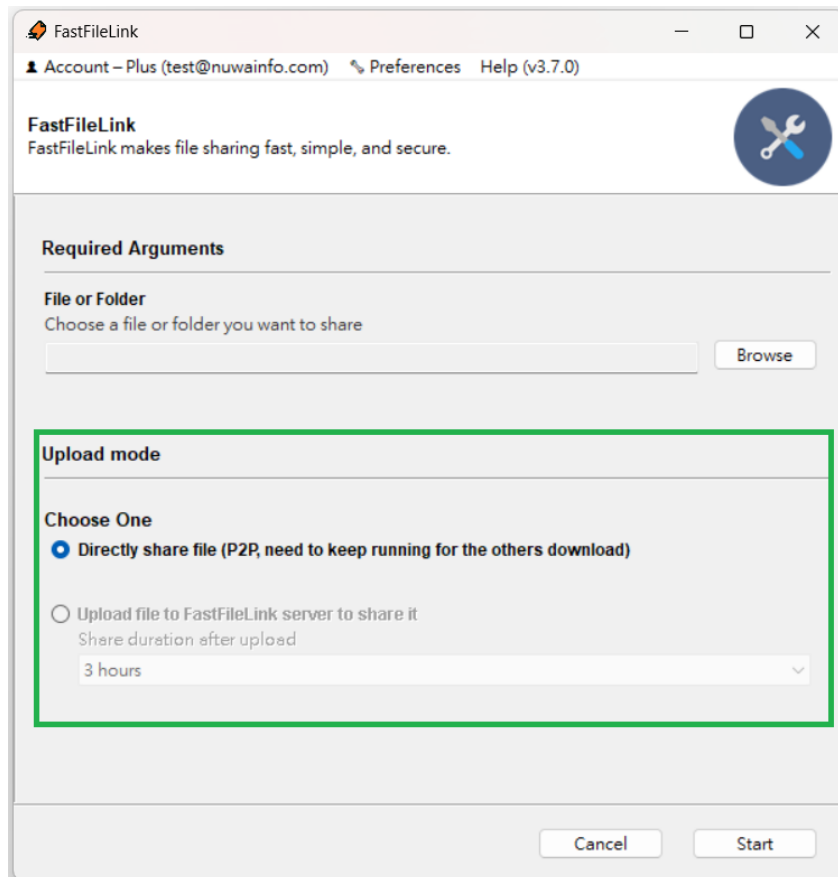
Select the file which you want to share



To upload a whole folder, open the folder and click “Open” without selecting any files.

2 Choose mode to share your file.

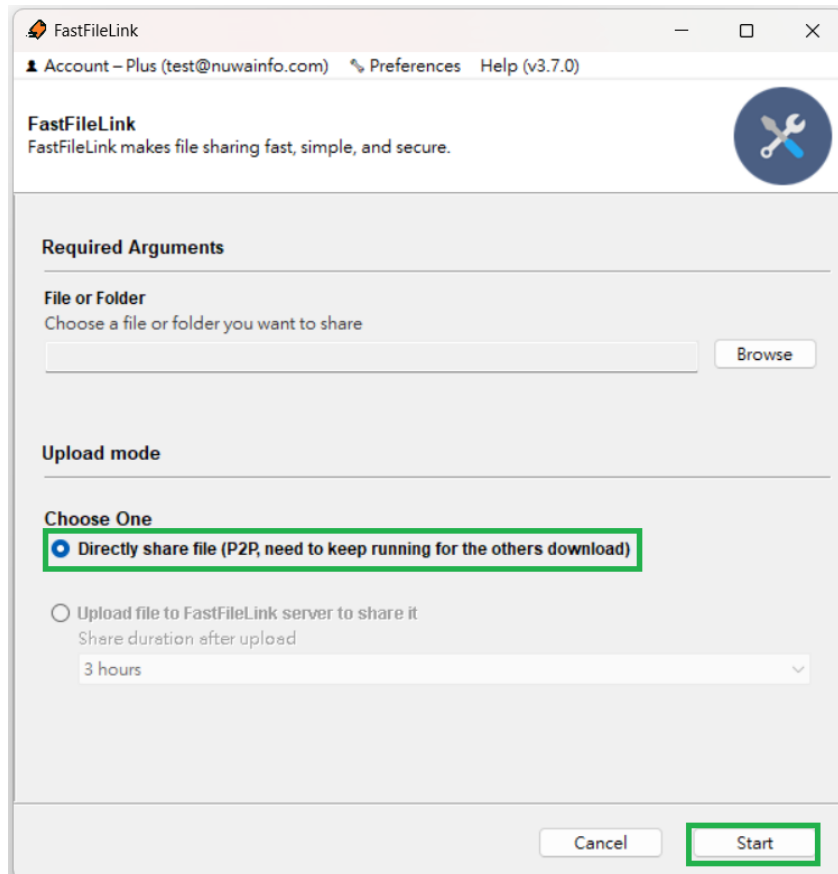
Here are 2 options to share file. One is to directly share ([FAQ Q11](#)) the file to others from your computer, but need to keep the application running until the others download file success. Another is to upload the file to FastFileLink server and let the others download file in limited reservation time.



Choose upload mode

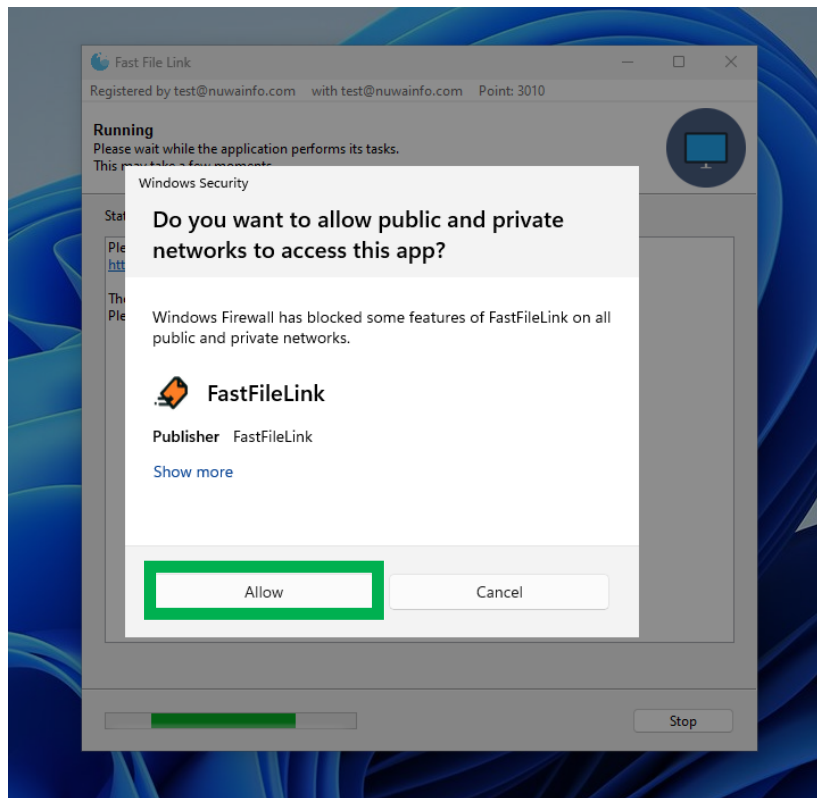
## 2.1 Directly share file (P2P)

2.1.1 Select “Directly share file (P2P) (Need to keep running for the others download)”, and click “Start” in bottom right.

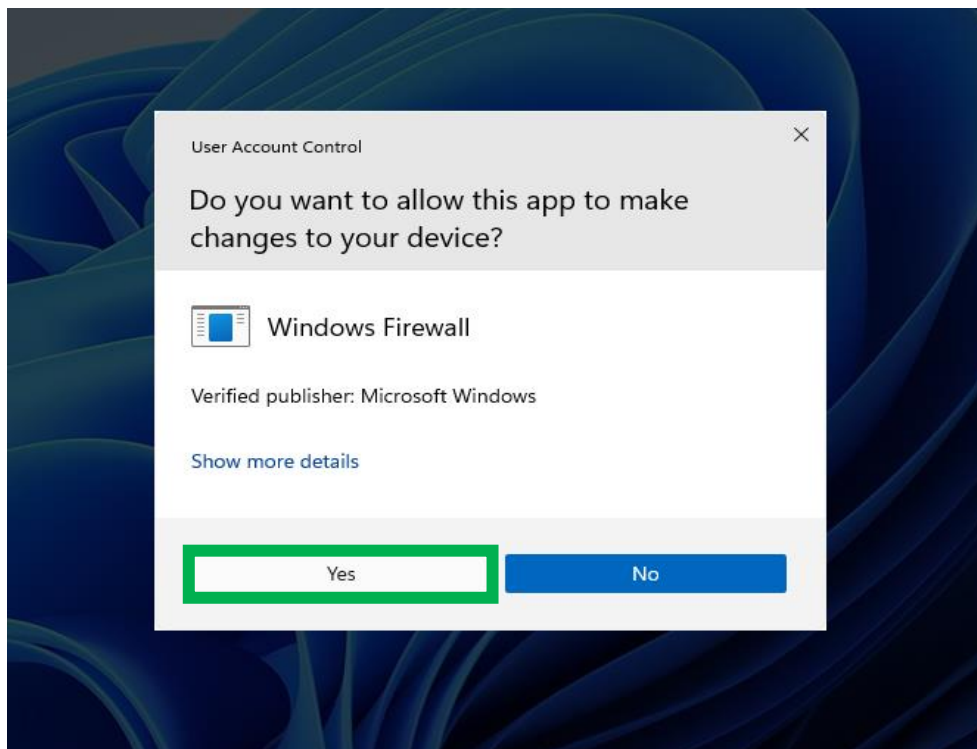


Select “Directly share file (P2P) (Need to keep running for the others download)”, and click “Start” in bottom right

### 2.1.2 Allow application pass firewall (first-to-use)

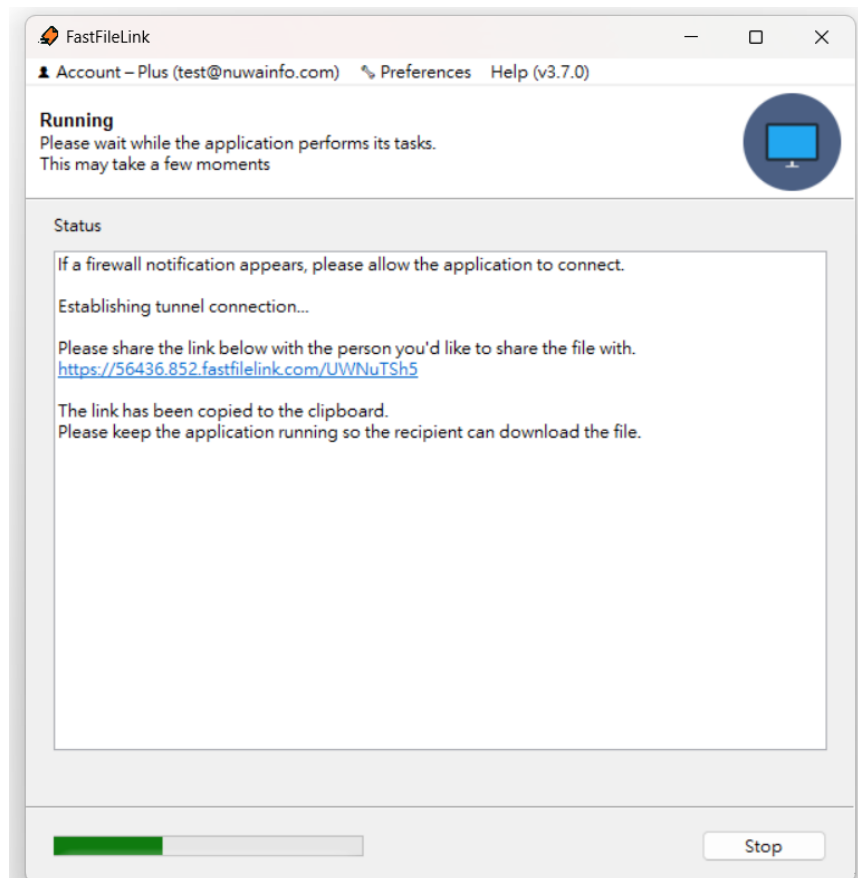


Click “Allow” to let application pass firewall



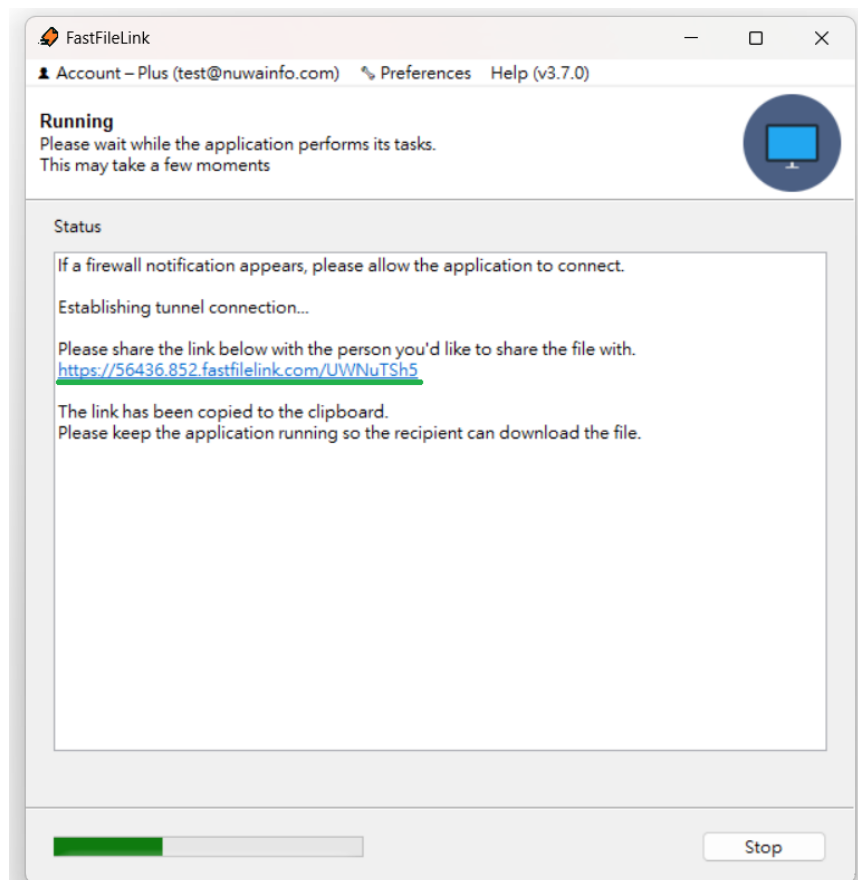
Click “Yes” to let firewall change its rule

### 2.1.3 Wait until share link shown



Wait until above text shown

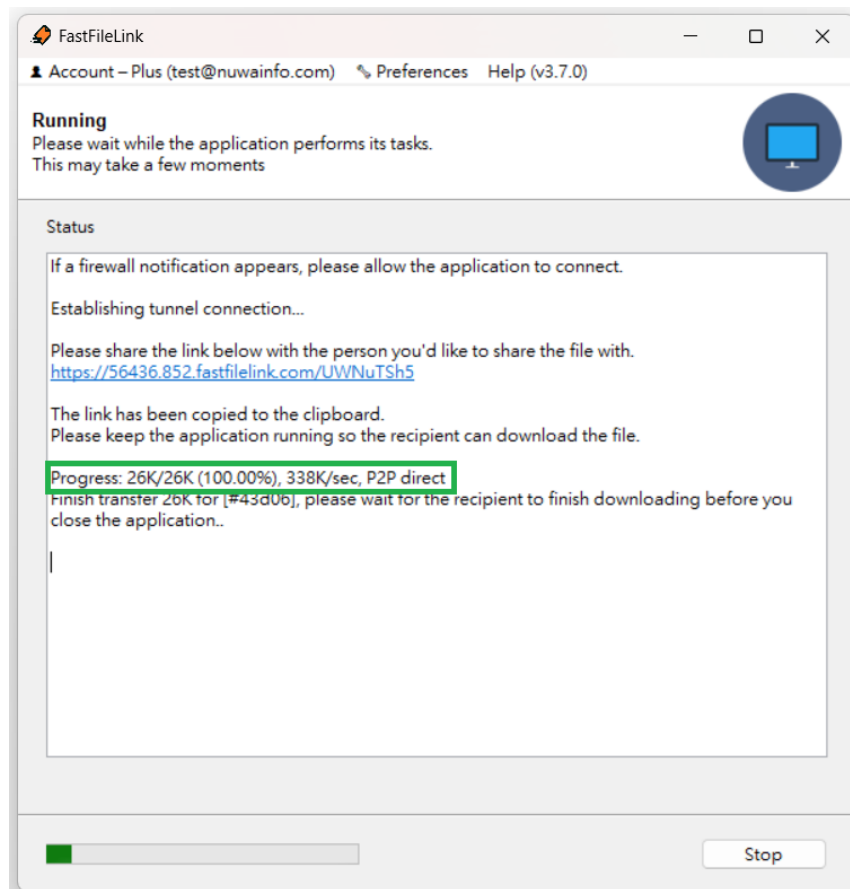
## 2.1.4 Copy share link to the others



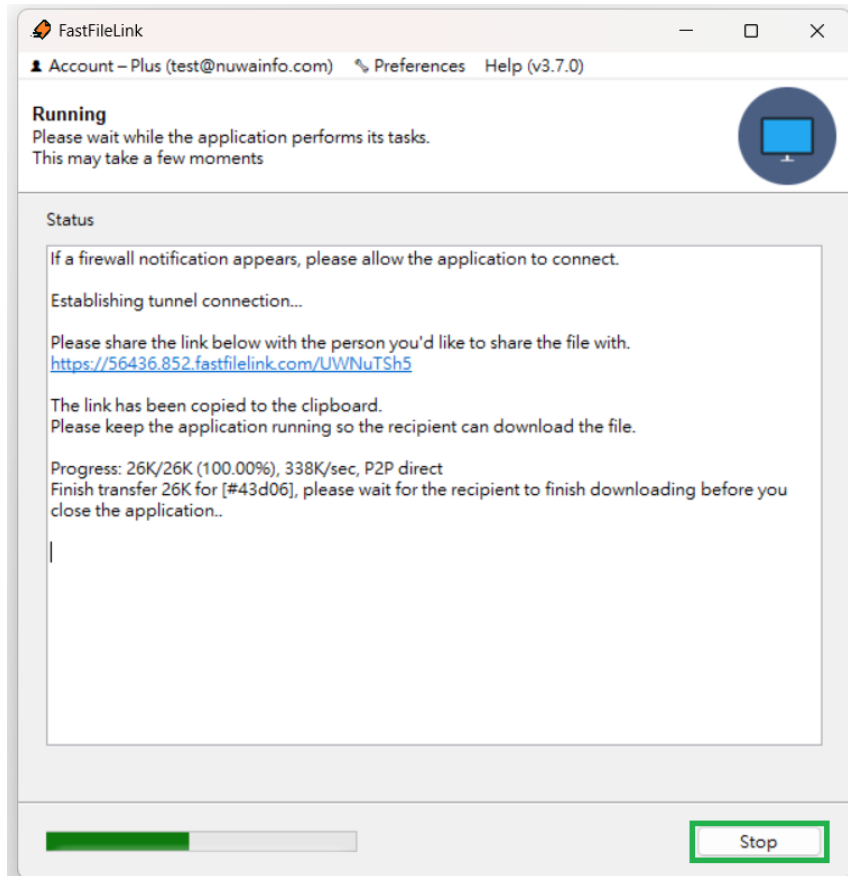
Copy share link to share file to the others  
(To make sharing easier, the app auto-copies the link to your clipboard.)



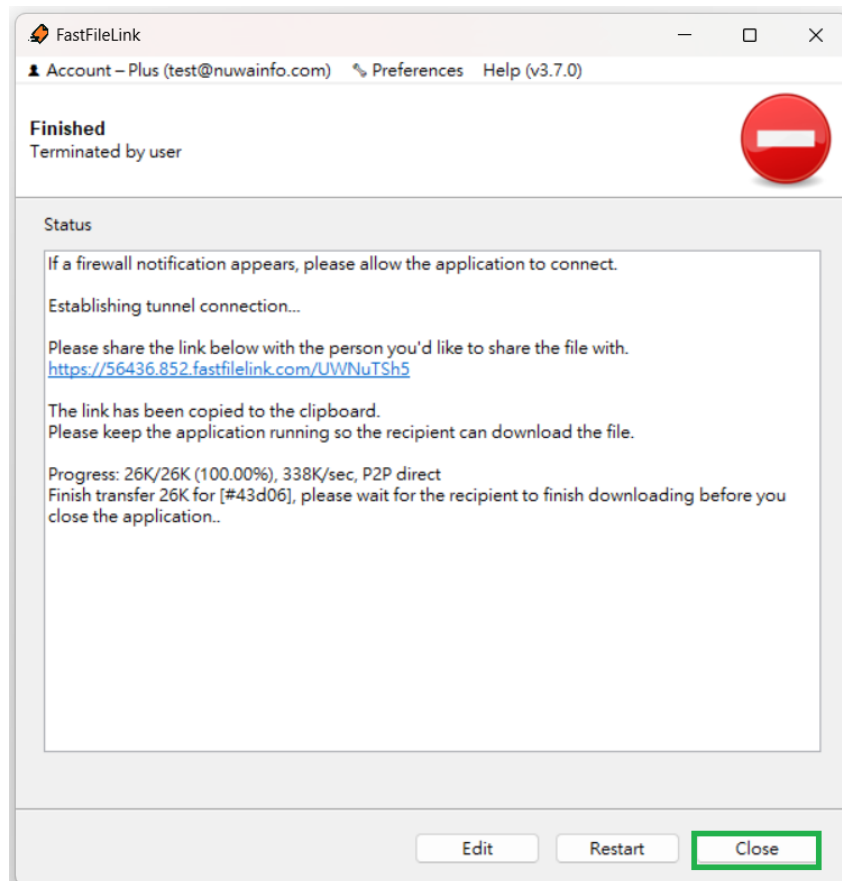
2.1.5 Wait until the others download success, and click “Stop” in bottom right to terminate sharing



When any user starts to download the file, the progress will be displayed in the app



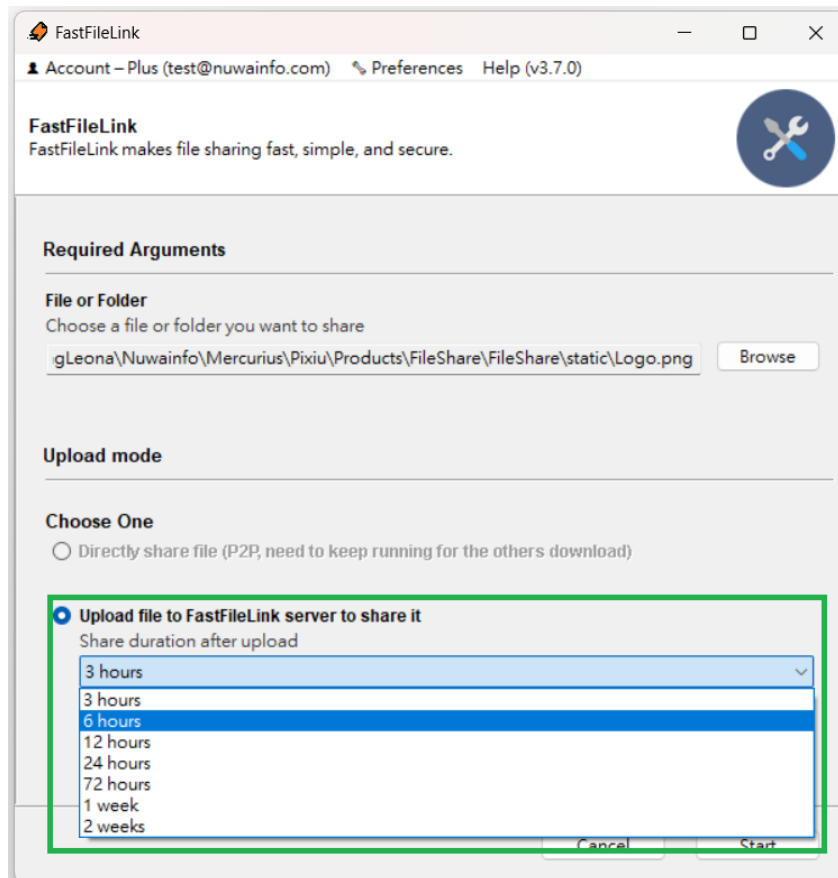
Click “Stop” in bottom right to terminate sharing after the others download successfully



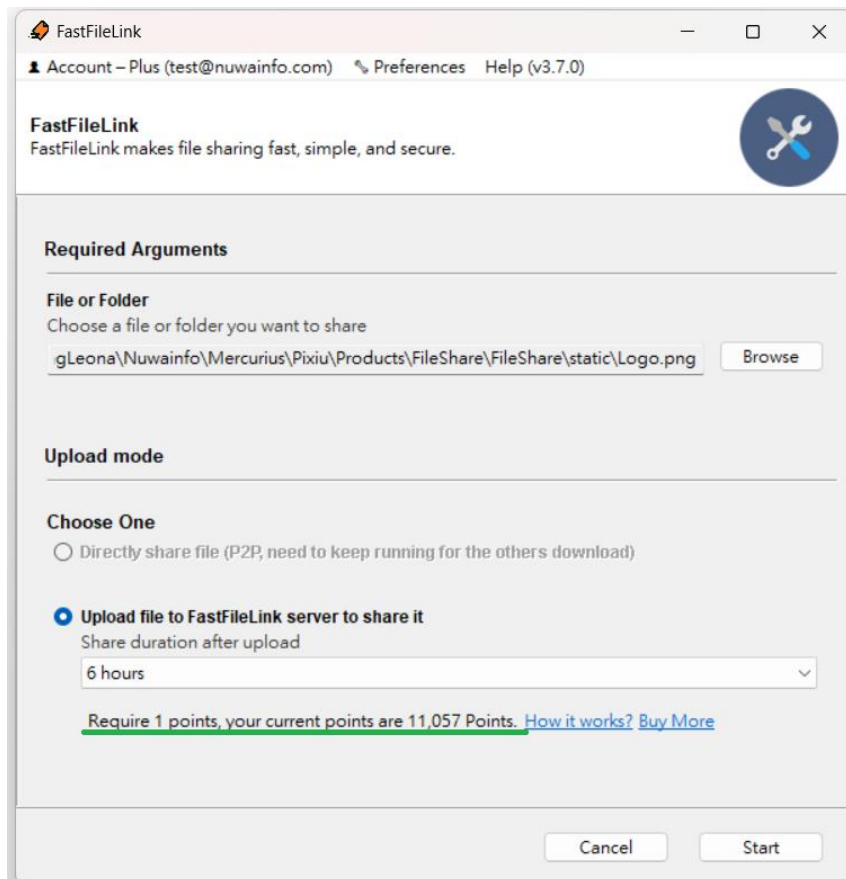
Click "Close" in bottom right to close application

## 2.2 Upload to server

### 2.2.1 Select “Upload file to FastFileLink server to share it” and choose one of file retention duration

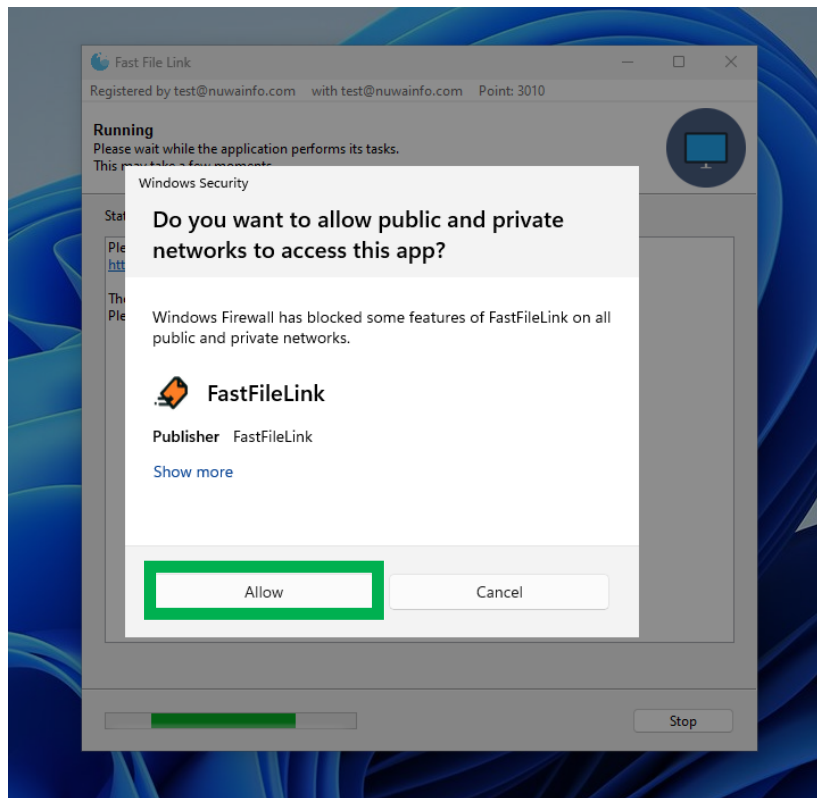


Choose one of file retention duration

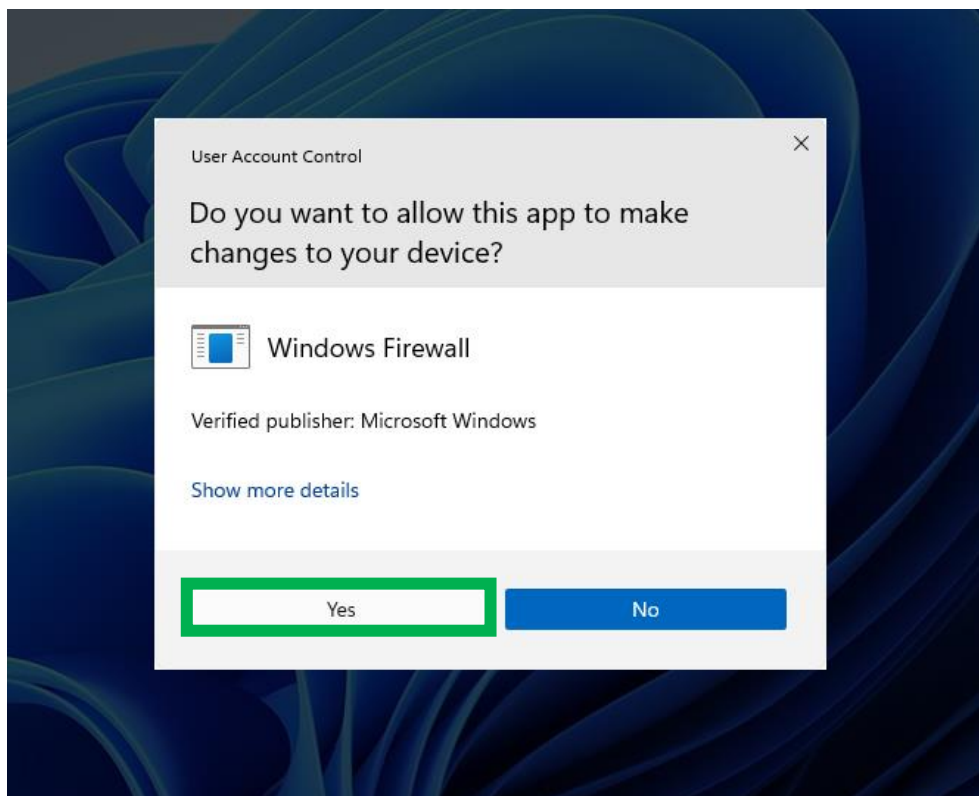


Click “Start” in bottom right to start upload. If your user points are not enough, the server will reject your upload request. ([FAQ Q3](#))

## 2.2.2 Allow application pass firewall (first-to-use)

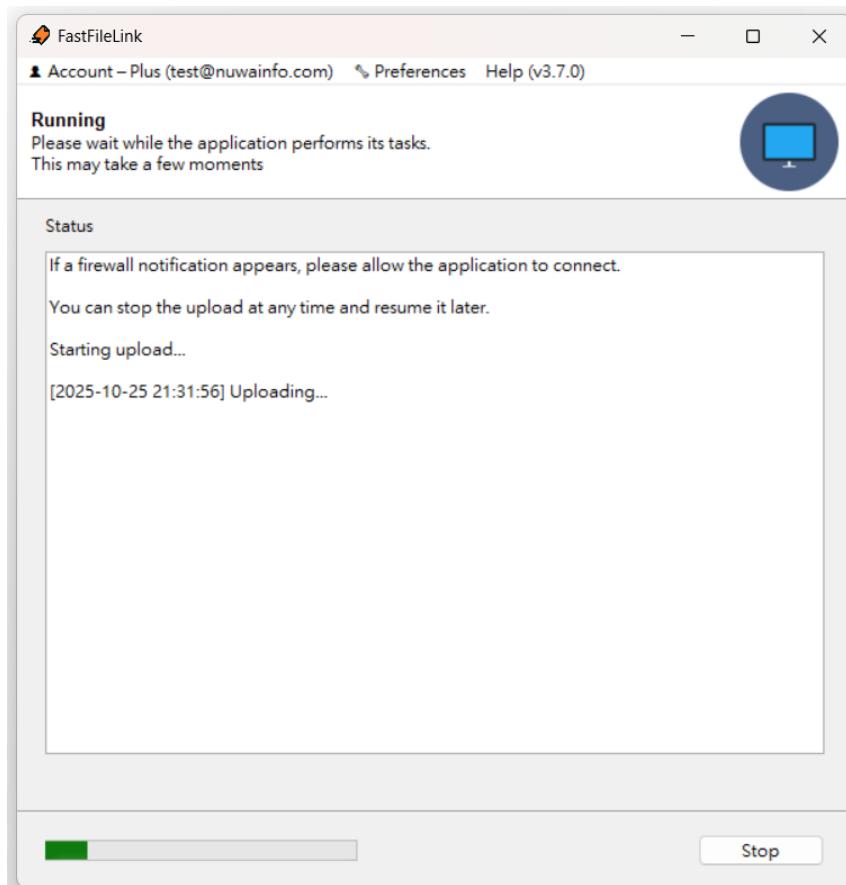


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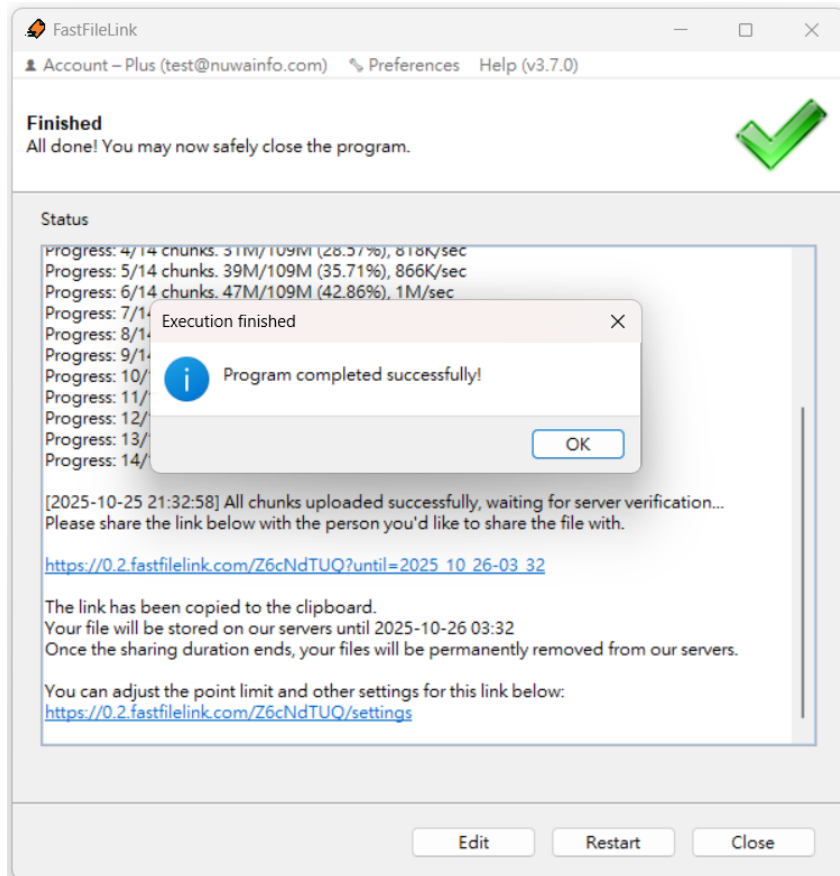


Click “Yes” to let firewall change its rule

### 2.2.3 Wait until upload successfully



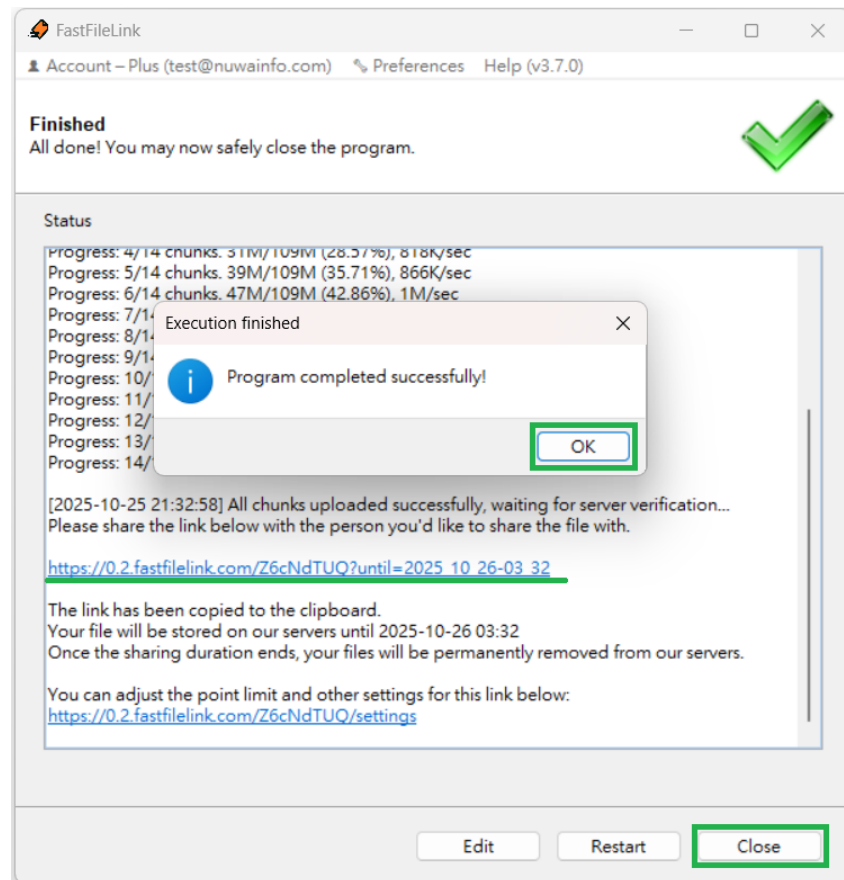
Wait until upload successfully



Upload successfully



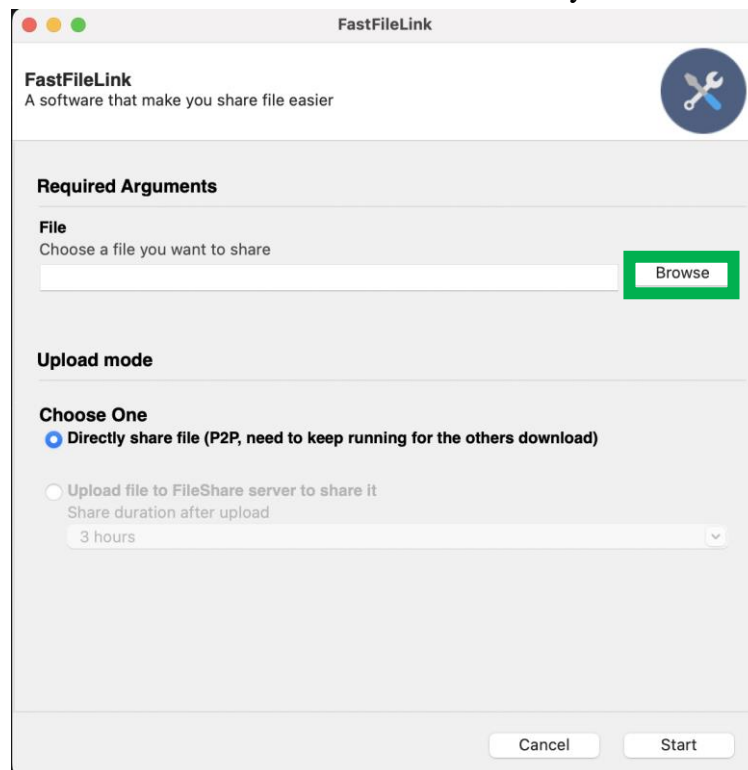
## 2.2.4 Copy share link to the others



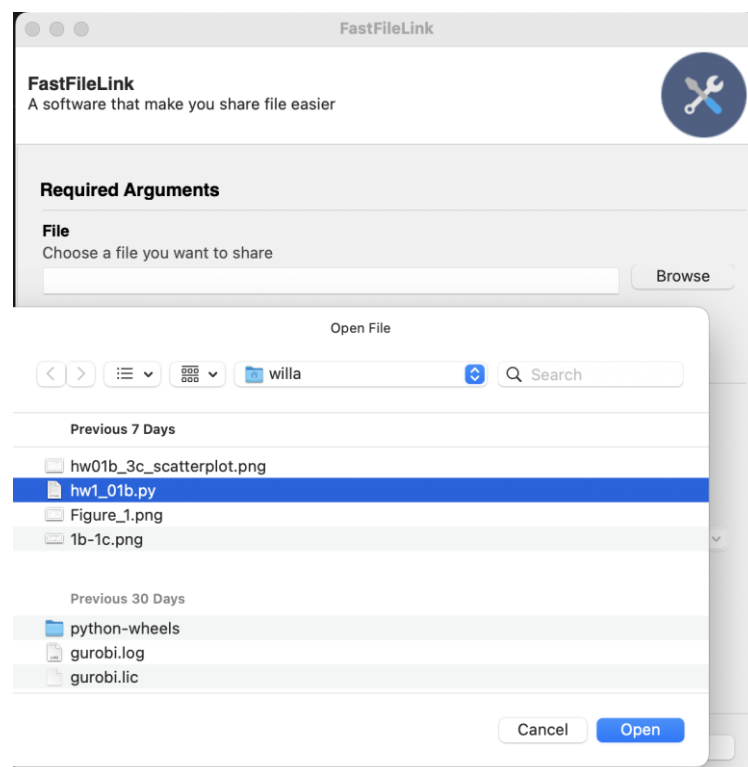
Click “OK” and copy share link to the others to share file. After that you can click “Close” in bottom right to close application.

## Linux and Mac

- 1 Click “browse” to select the file or folder which you want to share.



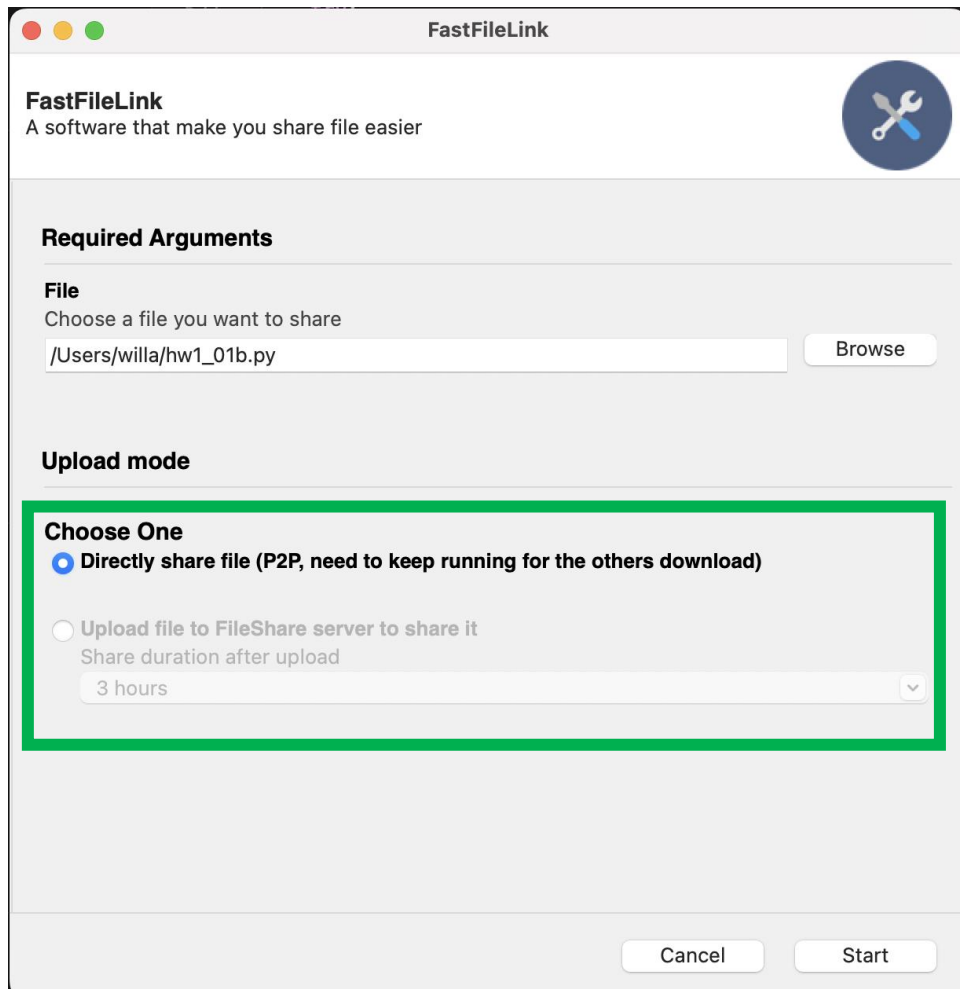
Click “browse” in the right



Select the file which you want to share

2 Choose mode to share your file.

Here are 2 options to share file. One is to directly share ([FAQ Q11](#)) the file to others from your computer, but need to keep the application running until the others download file success. Another is to upload the file to FastFileLink server and let the others download file in limited reservation time.

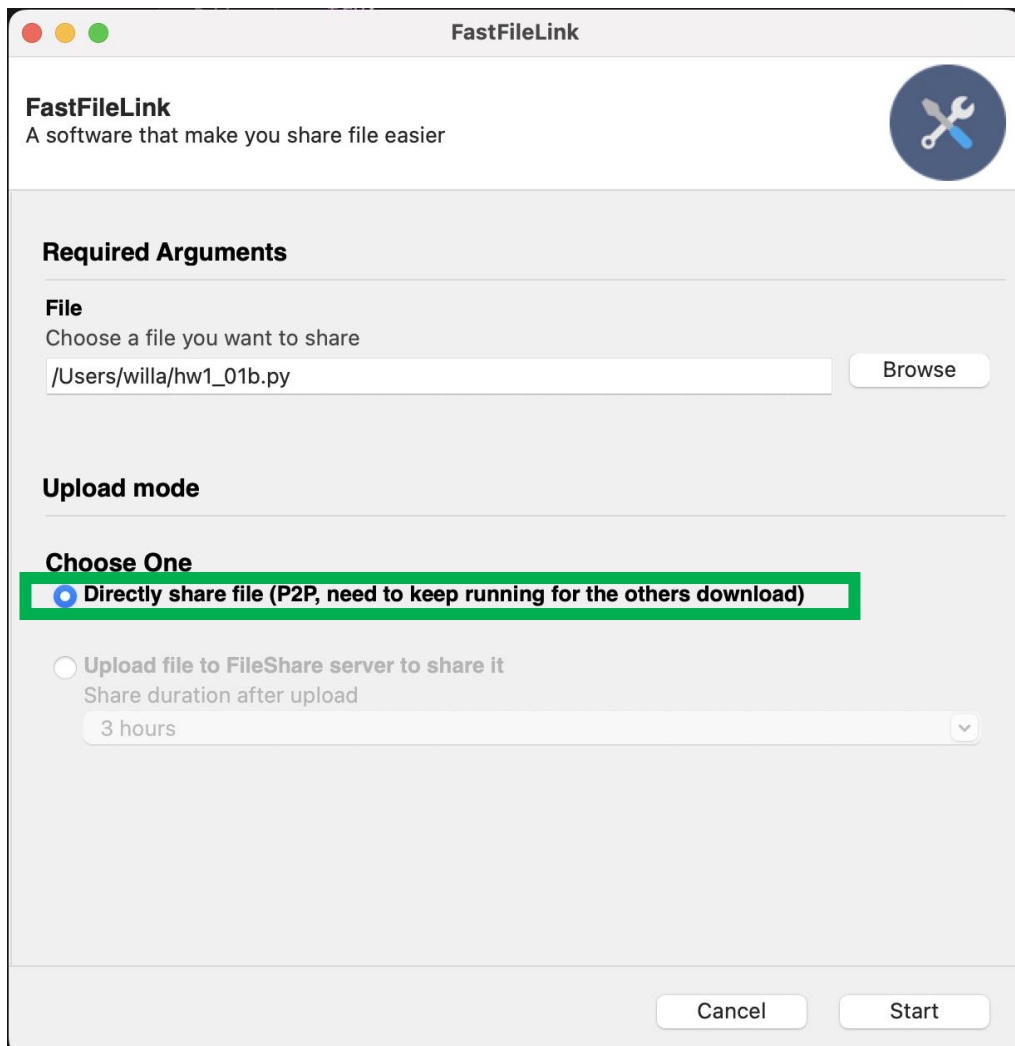


The image shows a macOS-style window titled "FastFileLink". The window has a title bar with red, yellow, and green window control buttons. Below the title bar, the text "FastFileLink" is displayed, followed by the tagline "A software that make you share file easier". In the top right corner, there is a circular icon containing a wrench and a screwdriver. The main content area is divided into sections. The first section is titled "Required Arguments" and contains a "File" section with the text "Choose a file you want to share". Below this is a text input field containing the path "/Users/willa/hw1\_01b.py" and a "Browse" button. The second section is titled "Upload mode" and contains a "Choose One" section. This section has two radio button options: "Directly share file (P2P, need to keep running for the others download)" which is selected, and "Upload file to FileShare server to share it". Below the second option is a label "Share duration after upload" and a dropdown menu showing "3 hours". At the bottom of the window, there are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Start".

Choose upload mode

## 2.1 Directly share file (P2P)

2.1.1 Select “Directly share file (P2P, need to keep running for the others download)”, and click “Start” in bottom right.

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**Required Arguments**

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**Upload mode**

**Choose One**

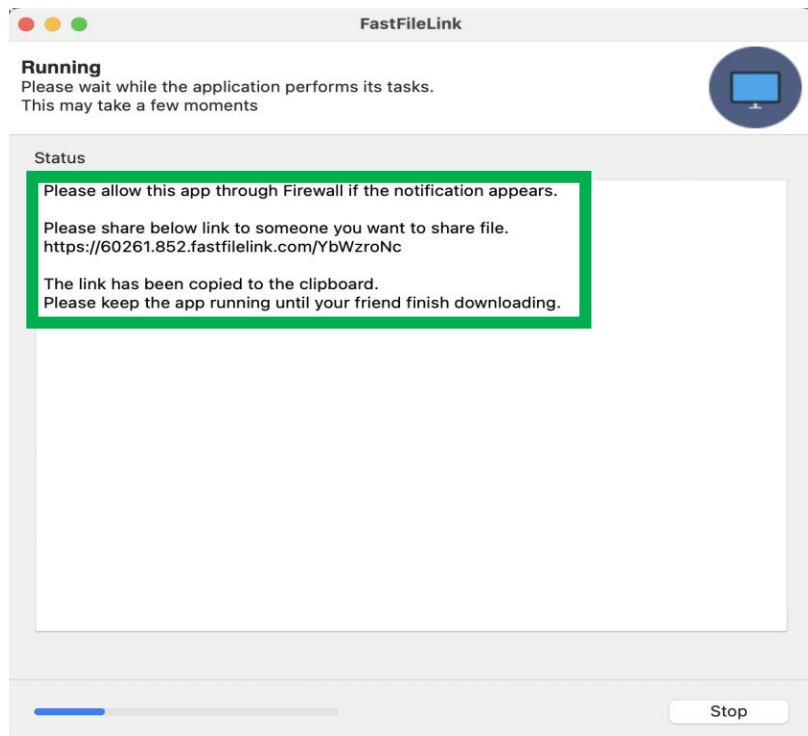
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☐ Upload file to FileShare server to share it  
Share duration after upload  
3 hours

Cancel Start

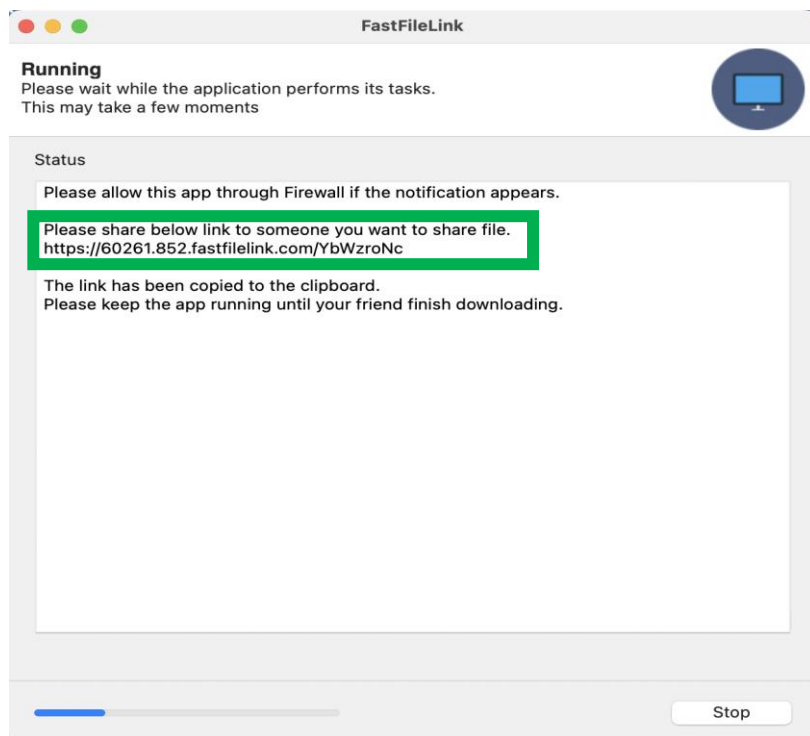
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### 2.1.2 Wait until share link shown



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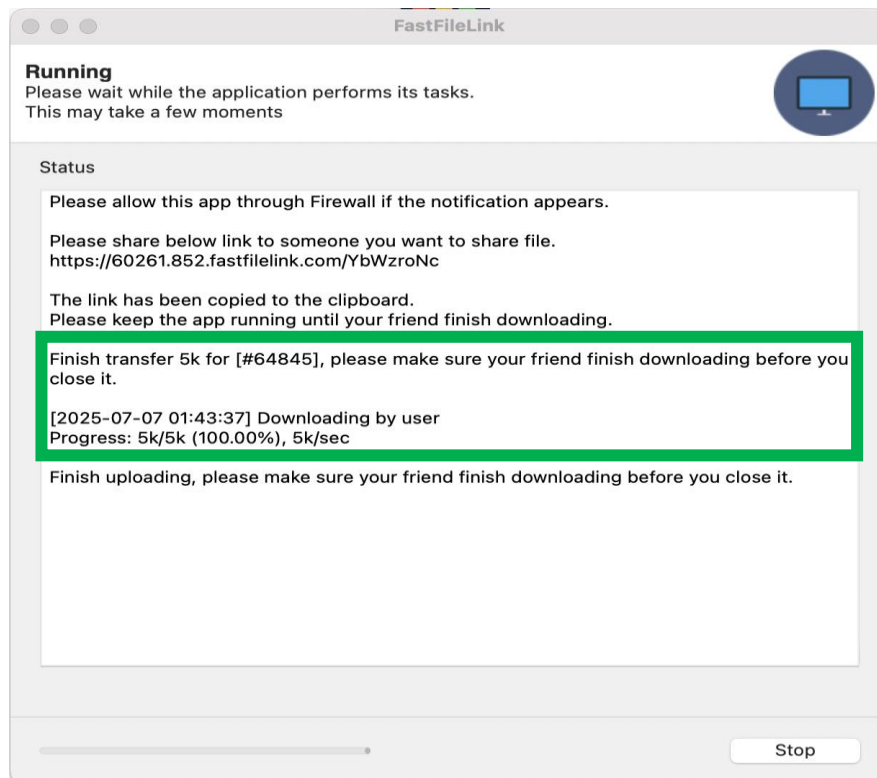
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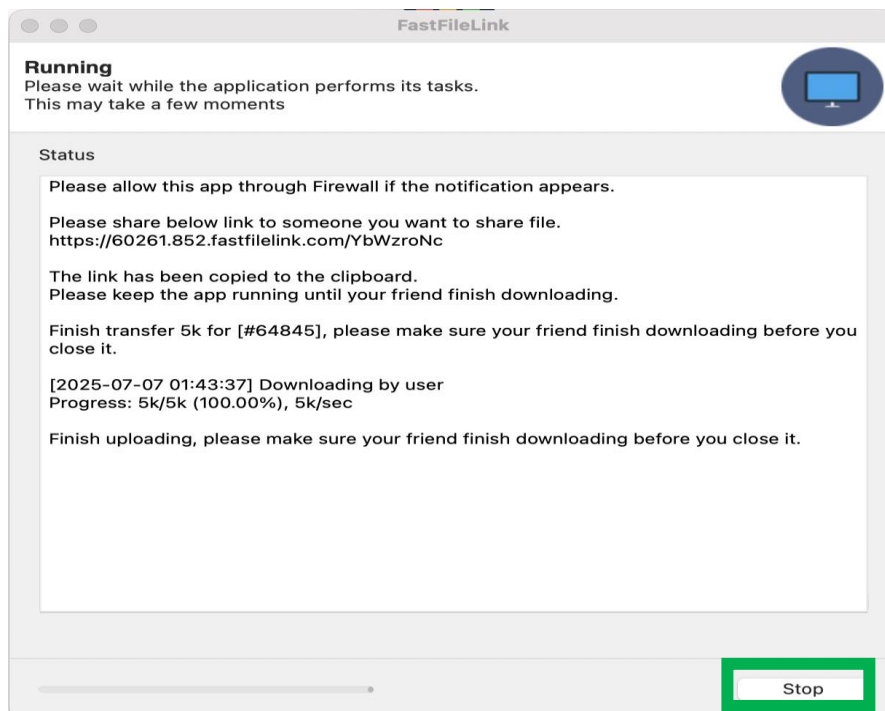
Copy share link to share file to the others

(To make sharing easier, the app auto-copies the link to your clipboard. If clipboard copy doesn't work, see the [FAQ Q9](#) for how to install the required tool.)

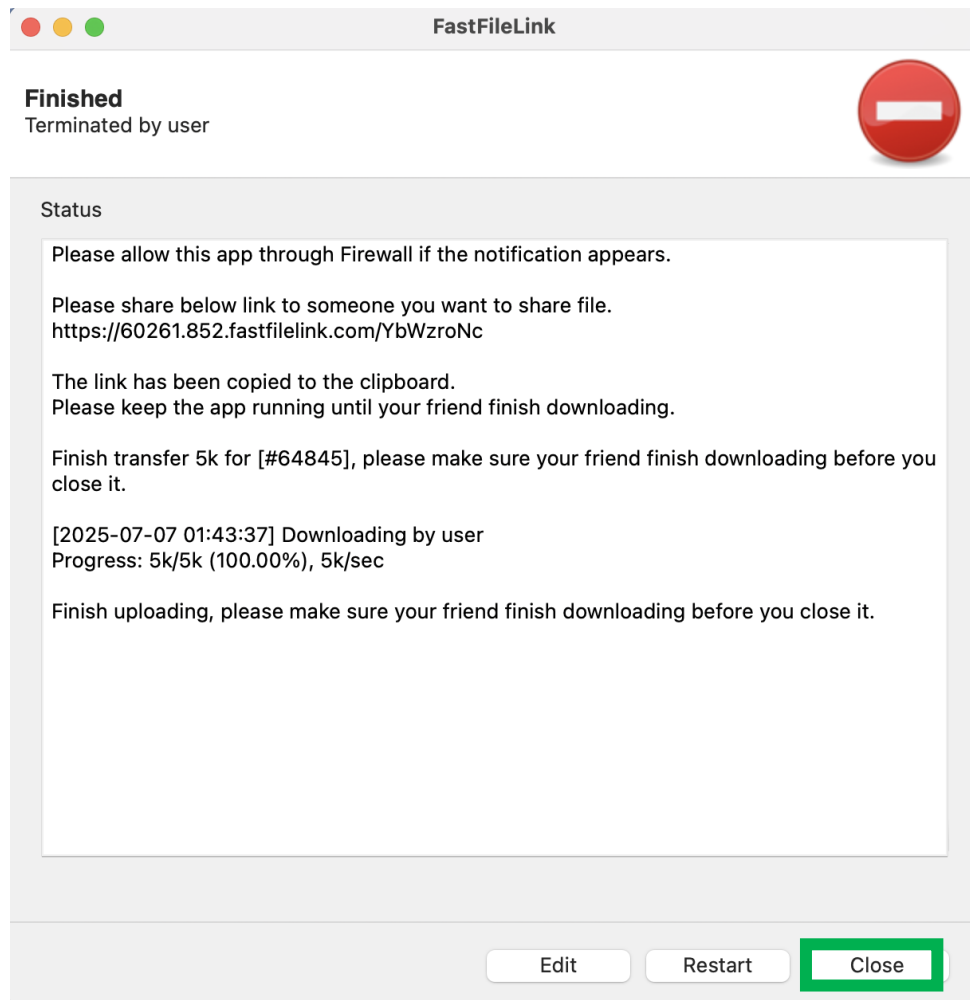
2.1.4 Wait until the others download success, and click “Stop” in bottom right to terminate sharing



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Click “Stop” in bottom right to terminate sharing after the others download successfully

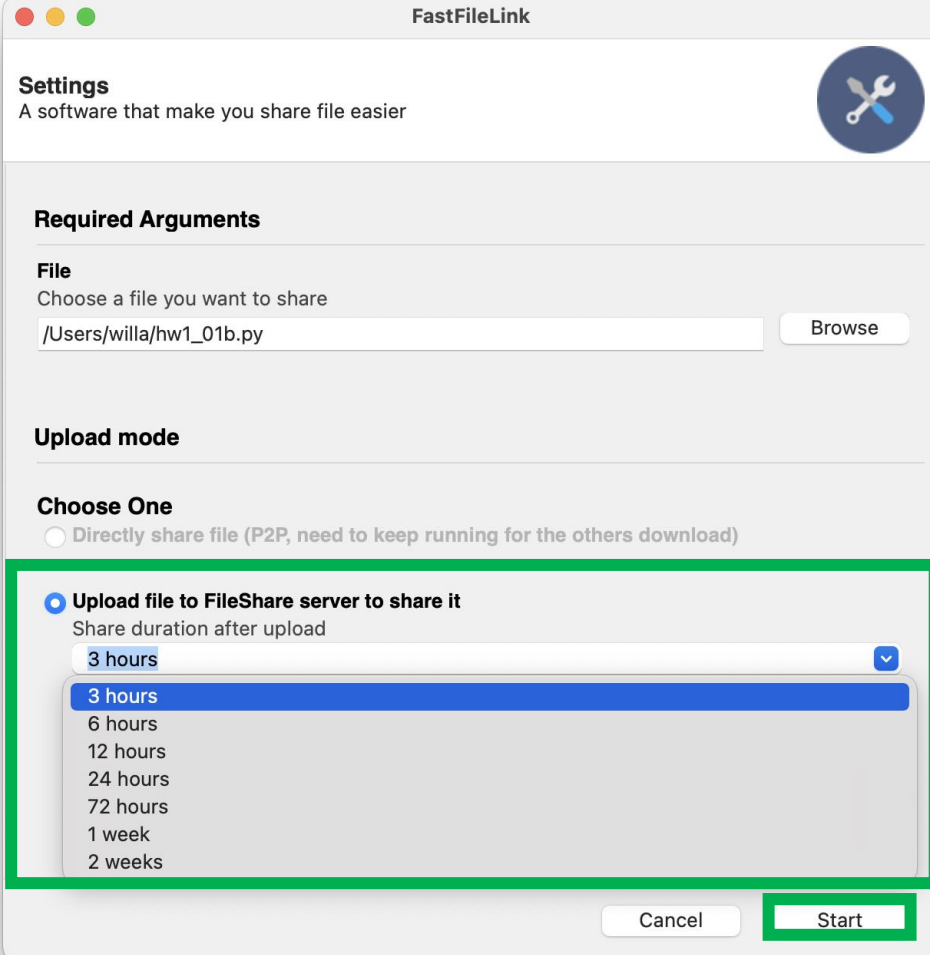


Click "Close" in bottom right to close application



## 2.2 Upload to server

2.2.1 Select “Upload file to FastFileLink server to share it” and choose one of file retention duration

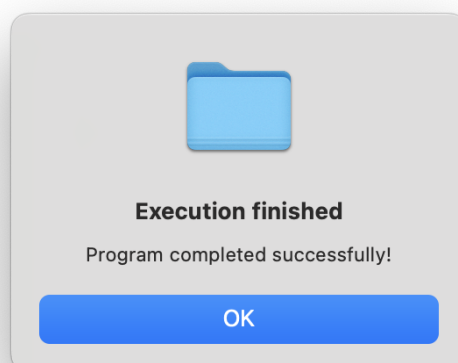
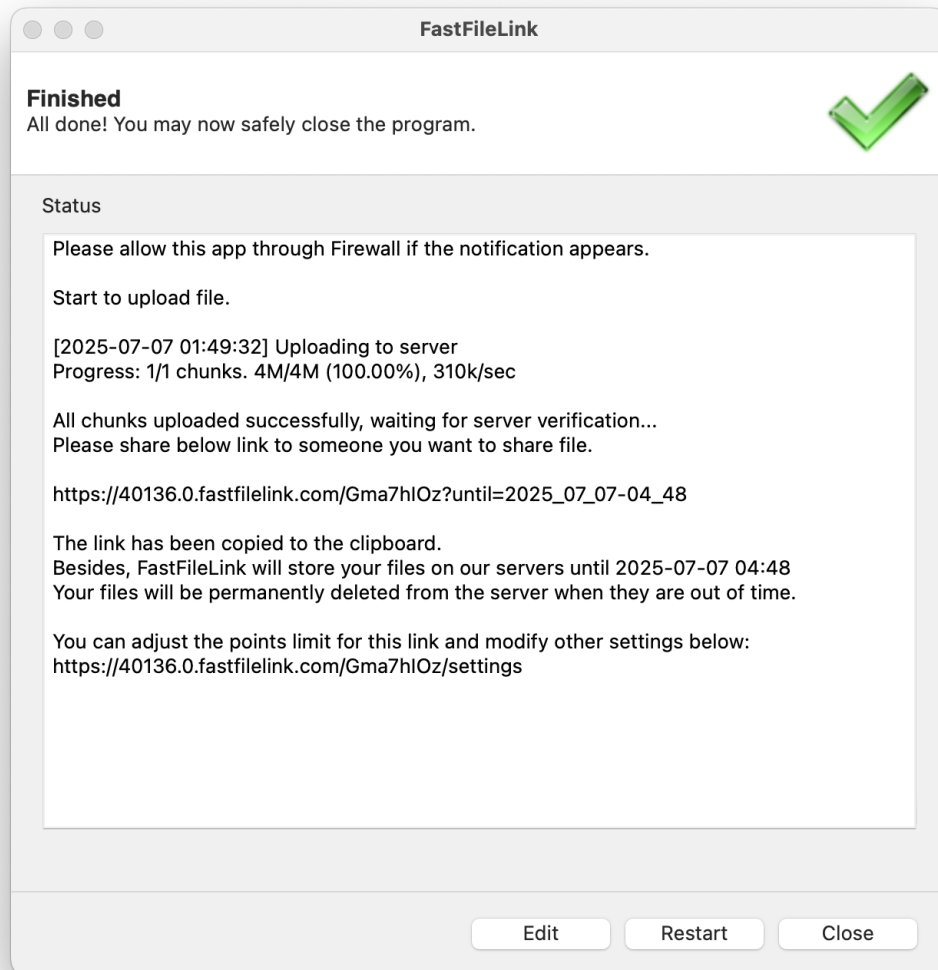
A screenshot of the FastFileLink application's Settings window. The window has a title bar with standard macOS window controls (red, yellow, green buttons) and the title "FastFileLink". Below the title bar, there's a header section with the word "Settings" and a subtitle "A software that make you share file easier". To the right of the subtitle is a circular icon containing a wrench and a screwdriver. The main content area is divided into sections. The first section is "Required Arguments", which includes a "File" section with the text "Choose a file you want to share", a text input field containing "/Users/willa/hw1\_01b.py", and a "Browse" button. The second section is "Upload mode", which includes a "Choose One" section with two radio button options. The first option is "Directly share file (P2P, need to keep running for the others download)". The second option, "Upload file to FileShare server to share it", is selected and highlighted with a green border. Below this selected option is a "Share duration after upload" section with a dropdown menu currently showing "3 hours". The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of options: "3 hours", "6 hours", "12 hours", "24 hours", "72 hours", "1 week", and "2 weeks". At the bottom right of the window are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Start". The "Start" button is highlighted with a green border.

Choose one of file retention duration and Click “Start” in bottom right to start upload.

If your user points are not enough, the server will reject your upload request.

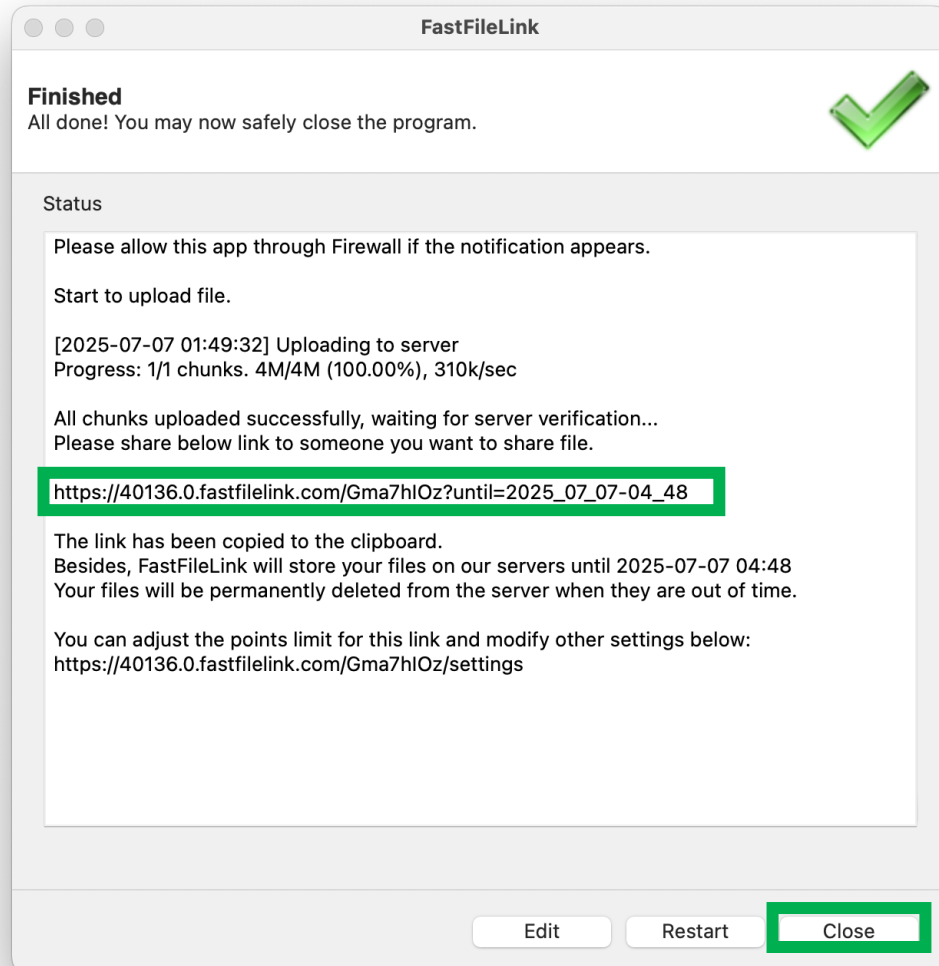
[\(FAQ Q3\)](#)

## 2.2.2 Wait until upload successfully



Upload successfully

### 2.2.3 Copy share link to the others



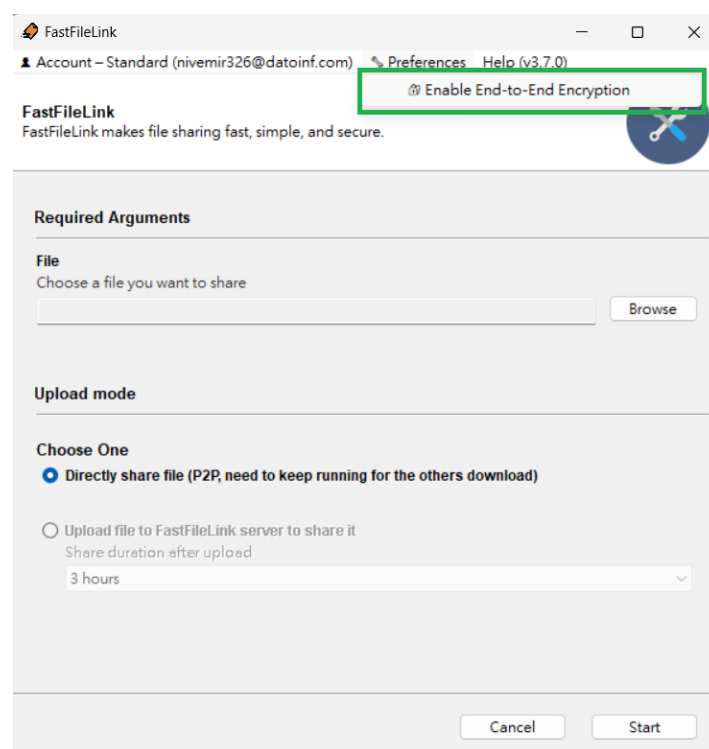
Click “OK” and copy share link to the others to share file. After that you can click “Close” in bottom right to close application.

# Advanced Functions

## End-to-End Encryption

We provide an End-to-End Encryption (E2EE) feature. To enable it, go to “Preferences → Enable End-to-End Encryption”.

For more information about how it works, please refer to our [Technical FAQ](#) article.



How to enable E2EE Encryption

## Extension for the GUI version

To enable extra functionalities (i.e., advanced options available in the CLI version), you can place a file named `ffl_arguments.txt` in one of the following locations:

1. The same directory as the software
2. Your home directory under `.fastfilelink/`  
(`C:\Users\<YourUsername>\.fastfilelink\` in Windows, or `$HOME/.fastfilelink` in Linux/macOS )

When this file is present, the advanced CLI options will also be applied while using the GUI version. For instance, you can enable features such as password protection. For a complete list of available options, please refer to our [GitHub documentation](#).

```
# Advanced FastFileLink arguments for GUI mode
# This file allows GUI users to access CLI-only features

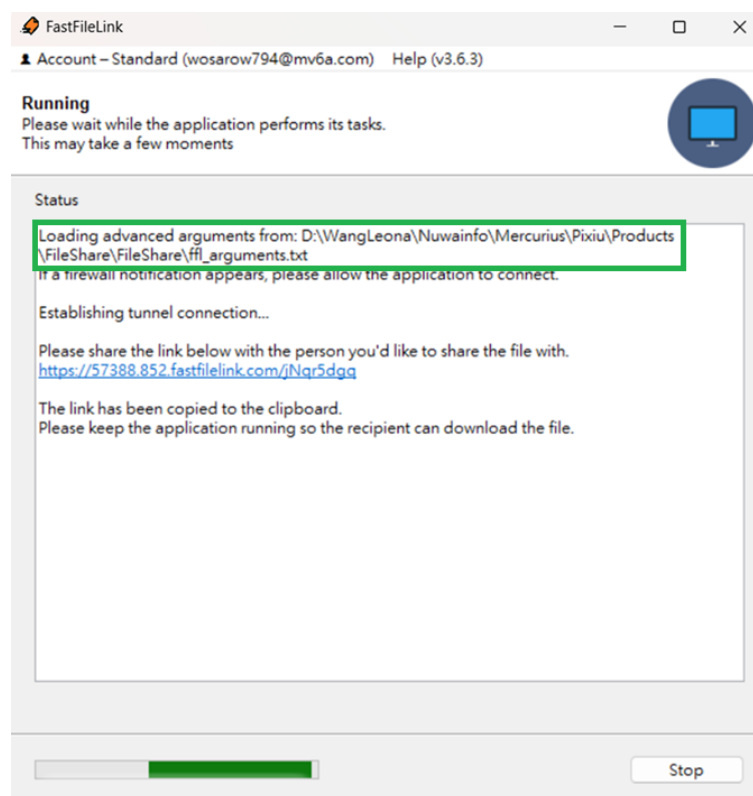
# Upload settings
--max-downloads 5
--timeout 3600

# Authentication settings
#--auth-user myuser
#--auth-password mypassword

# Output options
#--json output.json

--preferred-tunnel cloudflare
```

Example of ffl\_arguments.txt



Run after configuration

## CLI Version

In addition to the GUI version, we also offer a CLI version for your use. If needed, you can download it from our [GitHub repository](#).