


Clipboard History

It sounds kind of mundane but its one of the coolest new functions that has been added to Windows 10 in the 1809 update. Anybody who does word processing or uses Excel or Power Point probably uses the clipboard on a regular basis, whether they know it or not. Every time you use the key combination CTRL + X to delete text or numeric entries or use CTRL + C to copy those items you are sending them to the clipboard. When you use CTRL + V to re-insert the deleted or copied items you are calling on the clipboard to make them available again. The one drawback of the clipboard has been that it only holds one item at a time. As soon as you add something new to the clipboard, whatever was previously there is lost. But not anymore. The 1809 Windows 10 update has added “Clipboard History” which allows you to go back in clipboard time and access previously deleted or copied items even after you’ve added new material to the clipboard. Here’s how to do it.

First you have to turn on Clipboard History in your settings:

Settings () > System > Clipboard > turn on Clipboard History

Next you need to generate a clipboard history. You can do this easily by creating a text document, spread sheet document etc. Once created, add some data, then delete that data. This generates a clipboard history.

Once you have a clipboard history you can access it by using the key combination Windows Logo Key () + V. When the Clipboard History page opens, simply scroll to the entry you want to use and click on it. It will be inserted into whatever application you’re using at the time as long as that application can appropriately handle the type of information the clipboard is presenting.