

Unshelving Changes

Unshelving is moving postponed changes from a shelf to a pending changelist.

With IntelliJ IDEA, you can unshelve both entire shelves and separate files.

Unshelved changes can be [filtered out](#) from the view or [removed](#) from the shelf. Once shelved, a change can be applied as many times as you need by [unshelving](#) and subsequently [restoring](#) it on the shelf.

You can also import patches created inside or outside IntelliJ IDEA and apply them as shelved changes.

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Unshelving changes from an entire shelf

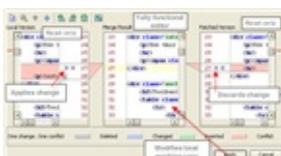
1. In the **Shelf** tab of the [Changes](#) tool window, select the shelved changelist to unshelve.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose **Unshelve Changes**.
3. In the [Unshelve Changes to Changelist](#) dialog box that opens, specify the changelist you want to add the unshelved changes to. Select one of the existing changelists, or create a new one.
4. Click **OK**.
5. If the conflicts occur between the patched version and the current version, resolve them as described in the section [Resolving Conflicts](#):



6. Select the changes in both versions to be merged to the resulting file and click **Apply**.

Unshelving specific changes

1. In the **Shelf** tab of the [Changes](#) tool window, select the files or a whole shelf to unshelve.
2. On the context menu of the selection, choose **Unshelve**.
3. In the [Unshelve Changes](#) dialog box that opens, specify the changes to unshelve by selecting the check boxes next to the relevant items.
4. Specify the changelist to add the unshelved changes to. Select one of the existing changelists, or create a new one.
5. Click **OK**.
6. If the conflicts occur between the patched version and the current version, resolve them as described in the section [Resolving Conflicts](#):



7. Select the changes in both versions to be merged to the resulting file and click **Apply**.

Applying external patches

You can also import patches created inside or outside IntelliJ IDEA and apply them as shelved changes.

- In the **Shelf** tab of the [Changes](#) tool window, choose **Import Patches** on the context menu. In the dialog box that opens, select the patch file to apply. The selected patch appears in the **Shelf** tab as a shelf. Select the newly added shelf with the patch and choose **Unshelve Changes** on the context menu of the selection.

See Also

Concepts:

- [Shelved Changes](#)

Procedures:

- [Shelving Changes](#)
- [Stashing and Unstashing Changes](#)

Reference:

- [Shelf Tab](#)
- [Version Control Reference](#)
- [Unshelve Changes Dialog](#)
- [Changes Tool Window](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#) 