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                          DosK V1.0 Release 1.0
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                           Amiga Dos Enhanser

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1.2 Distribution

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    This enhansed version of Amiga Dos is giftware. It can be distributed
    freely if the following conditions are met:
     1. It is kept fully intact
     2. It is not altered in any way
     3. No renumeration of any kind is received for it without my written
        consent except by Fred Fish's nominal fee for his disks or CDs
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1.3 System Requirements

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                       What is Needed to Run DosK

        1. You must be using Workbench 3.0 or above

        2. You need a Bootable Hard Drive.
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1.4   usage

HOW TO USE DosK

Nothing could be simpler. Type the usual Amiga Dos command but add a 'K' at
the end and you will be in DosK. The exception to this is a DosK Command that has
no Amiga Dos equivlent.

E.G. To use the directory command type DirK

An example of a unique DosK Command is VidK, is has no Amiga Dos equivlent

DosK HELP is also very easy to access, there are 2 ways to get to it:

1. Type the DosK Command and add a '?' at the end

E.G. DirK?

2. Type HelpK and a file requestor appears with a listing of
all command help and pick the one you want.

E.G. HelpK

Simple enough ?

REMEMBER NOT ALL AMIGA DOS COMMANDS HAVE BEEN ENHANSED BUT ALMOST ALL OF THE MOST
COMMONLY USED ONES HAVE BEEN.

1.5   PD PROGRAMS

UNIQUE DosK COMMANDS

I have and will be creating dos commands using the best of the Public Domain
Sys:C type programs and enhansing them to Create a DosK Command. An example
of this is VidK which uses the PAL and NTSC PD Programs that change your
screen mode. Thd DosK Command VidK changes your screen mode between PAL
and NTSC by the press of a button. When you use the installer you will
be given the option of installing the PD programs to your WorkBench C
directory where they MUST be in order for the DosK Command to operate.

1.6   HD SPACE NEEDED

HARD DRIVE SPACE REQUIRED TO RUN DosK V1.0 Rel 1.0

The DosK Commands use approximately 48,000 bytes of space

The Dosk Help files take up approximately 230,000 bytes of space

Trade Off to save storage space:

You can save approximately 156,000 bytes by NOT installing the
Dosk Help ICONS.

ADVANTAGE - THE SPACE YOU SAVE

DISADVANTAGE - YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE INDIVIDUAL HELP
FOR DosK THROUGH THE WORKBENCH BY OPENING THE DRAWER CALLED KHELP
AND CLICKING ON THE ICON, BUT EVERYTHING ELSE WILL STILL WORK THE
SAME WHEN USING DOS.

1.7 Copyright Information

1.8 heck

Q What the heck is DosK Anyway ?

A DosK is an enhansement to the Amiga Dos system. It does not replace Amiga
  Dos but rather improves it. While Amiga Dos has improved over the years
  it still uses the same interface. This interface is the typed line that
  scrolls past the screen and requires a great knowledge of the options
  available with each Amiga Dos Command. DosK allows you to use Amiga
  Dos commands without typing, in most cases, and very little in others.
  DosK will never scroll past the screen since it supplies a scroll bar
  which will allow you to scroll back up and see what slid past you. Now
  you can also print any text screen without having to use a dump program
  and it is done by using one of the menus that are now at the top of
  your screen along with bookmarks and many other goodies.

  More good news:

  DosK has its own commands that will increase the usefulness of Amiga Dos.

1.9 How to install

                    HOW TO INSTALL DosK

        1. OPEN THE TAB ON THE DISK CONTAINING DosK

        2. INSERT THE DISK IN DRIVE DF0:

        3. CLICK ON THE INSTALL ICON

        4. AFTER INSTALLATION COMPLETE RESET THE COMPUTER BEFORE USE

 Please Note - a copy of your origional User-Startup file will be saved in
               the drawer ORIGIONAL_US. This wasn't necessary but I thought you
               might like to save it.

1.10   DosK Commands Volumn 1.0 Release 1.0

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KCOMM      AMIGA DOS   DESCRIPTION
======     =========   ===========
AvailK   - AVAIL shows avail memory
AddbuffersK - ADDBUFFERS add and subtract device buffers
BlankerK- BLANKER screen blanker
BreakK   - BREAK halts running Dos Commands
CdK      - CD redirection
CmdK     - CMD intercepts parallel port  and sends data to file
ConclipK- CONCLIP reads clipboard and can close it
CopyK    - COPY copies files and directories
DirK     - DIR LIST shows directories and listings
DeleteK  - DELETE deletes files and directories
DiskCopyK - DISKCOPY copies a disk
FilenoteK - FILENOTE comments files and directories
FormatK - FORMAT formats a disk
HelpK  -  No Amiga Dos Equivlent. Brings up Dosk Help Commands
InfoK    - INFO shows much information
InstallK- INSTALL installs and checks bootblocks
JoinK    - JOIN joins files together as one
LockK    - LOCK lock devices to avoid writing, reading etc.
MakedirK- MAKEDIR creates directories
PrtK     - PRINT prints to printer or files
ProtectK- PROTECT protects and unprotects individual files
ReadK    - NO EQUILAVENT brings up Multiview, AmigaGuide and More
RenameK  - RENAME renames files and directories
ResidentK-RESIDENT shows and manipulates Resident Commands
RunK     - RUN runs programs etc.
SearchK  - SEARCH search for strings or files
SortK    - SORT sorts to a new file
TypeK    - TYPE types file to new file in Hex or Ascii Char.
VerK     - VERSION reads version of libraries etc.
VidK     - NTSC & PAL toggles screen mode between Ntsc and Pal
            (REQUIRES THE PUBLIC DOMAIN PROGRAMS PAL & NTSC)
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1.11   Things to know

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Things you should know:

MANY OF THE 'K COMMANDS' USE ENVIROMENTAL VARIABLES. IT IS IMPORTANT
THAT YOU NEVER REQUEST A GADGET TO CARRY OUT A FUNCTION AFTER YOU
HAVE PRESSED CANCEL ON A FILE REQUESTER BECAUSE THE LAST FUNCTION
OR FILE IDENTIFIED WILL STILL BE REPRESENTED BY THE VARIABLE, HENCE
YOU MAY, FOR EXAMPLE, CREATE A FILE WHERE YOU DIDN'T WANT ONE ETC.

WHEN USING A FILE REQUESTOR(S) MAKE SURE THE DESIRED INFORMATION
APPEARS ON THE LINES OF THE REQUESTOR(S) BEFORE SAVING. IF THERE IS
SOMETHING TO BE TYPED IN MAKE SURE YOU DO IT.

ONE DosK Command uses Sound. To fully ulitize this command you should
set the Workbench Prefs/Sound to Flash and Bell or Sampled Sound.

Future commands will, no doubt, use more sound so I suggest you set
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the sound as specified above.

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PLEASE NOTE - I am only explaining the few commands that are a
little unusual since all commands have their own help.

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AliasK:

BreakK:

BreakK ONLY WORKS ON DOS COMMANDS AND ITS OPERATION IS THE SAME AS
THE BREAK COMMAND. IT DOESN'T WORK IN ALL INSTANCES SINCE THE
BREAK COMMAND DOESN'T.

CmdK:

THE OPTIONS ON CmdK DO NOT SEEM TO DO MUCH. I HAVEN'T TRIED THEM ON
ANY BIG TEXT FILES, MAYBE THAT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE ?

ConclipK:

Conclip can be turned off by click the button but this doesn't
clear the clipboard of any clips.

InstallK:

THIS COMMAND ONLY USES THE FAST FILE SYSTEM SINCE IT HAS BEEN A
STANDARD SINCE WORKBENCH V1.3. IF YOU WANT TO INSTALL OLDER DISKS
FROM PRE WORKBENCH V1.3 USE THE REGULAR DOS COMMAND INSTALL.

SearchK:

I PUT A LOT OF INTERMEDIATE REQUESTORS IN THIS ONE TO LET YOU CHANGE
YOUR MIND AT DIFFERENT STAGES IN THE CHOICE MODES, IF TOO MANY PLEASE
DROP ME A LINE AND I WILL REMOVE SOME.

1.12   WHERE AM I

        You can leave me a message on any of the following:

        PORTAL - Kenneth McCormick
        AMUG BBS - Kenneth McCormick
        SAFE HARBOR BBS - Kenneth J. McCormick