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Sticky is a program where small text notes can be sent to one or more other computers on your Windows for Workgroups™ network. Messages received can be stored as text files for later reference.

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Installing Sticky on a Network

Sticky can be setup either on each individual machine or put into a shared directory so that other machines can access it (*Note: This means the computer with Sticky in the shared directory must be available all the time*). Some of the files Sticky needs may already be on your computer system. Here's a list of where you might find them.

VBRUN300.DLL	In your \SYSTEM directory.
COMMDLG.DLL	In your \SYSTEM directory.
CMDIALOG.VBX	In your \SYSTEM directory.

Hint: Include the command line option "/M" to load Sticky minimized.

Note: Before deleting any files, check the time and date to make sure you're deleting only the **OLDER** version.

Sending a Sticky message

To transmit a message to another computer, follow the steps below...

1. If you wish to type in a new message, select **New** under the **File** menu and type in your message. If you wish to send a text file, select **Open** under the **File** menu and select the text file you wish to send. Note: Sticky will only transmit up to 400 characters of text per note.

2. Under the *Mail* menu, select *Send Note* and choose the computer you wish to send to. If you desire to send a message to all computers in your workgroup, select *Send to All* under the *Mail* menu.

Your message is now sent!

Receiving a Sticky message

Sticky automatically checks at three second intervals to see if any messages have arrived for it. If a message has been sent to its mail slot, it will bring itself to the top of the screen displaying the new message.

Viewing Sticky messages

All messages send to Sticky are saved in memory until it is unloaded. To view other messages besides the newest one, choose under the *Mail* menu *Previous Sticky* to go back and *Next Sticky* to go forward. *Note: The Ctrl-P and Ctrl-N keys perform the same function.*

Saving Sticky messages

To save a message to a text file select *Save As* under the *File* menu. Then choose the file name you wish and click OK. If you wish to save all messages in memory, select *Save All*.

Personalizing Sticky

You can customize your Sticky by changing the colour and font of the note. Under the *Option* menu select *Font* and *Colour* to bring up the respective dialogue boxes.

Hint: Since the colour property of a note is also transmitted, it might be an idea to have either 1) Everybody use a different colour, or 2) set up a colour scheme in your workgroup to give priority your messages (ie. Blue = Low, Yellow = Normal, Red = High).

Sticky's version history

Version 1.0

Wrote Sticky after listening to Will Anderson whining for a program like this for two solid weeks!
Sticky was limited to 400 character messages and could only broadcast to all workstations in the workgroup.

Version 1.1

- Added loading & saving to text file feature.
- Added the ability to Hide Sticky.
- Added Next and Previous options.

Version 1.2

- Fixed bug in Save All.
- Added Colour and Font dialogue boxes.
- Added transmission of message colour.
- Added ability to send to one particular computer.

- Killed the Hide option because of a complaint about not being able to get Sticky back until a message from another user was sent.

Version 1.3

- Added Always on Top option.
- Added the saving of window information in the WIN.INI file under [Sticky Notes].
- Added the Help, Register, & ReadMe files.
- Added the Shareware Nag screen (Sorry).

(Coming soon with your support!) Version 1.4

- Ability to send text longer than 400 characters.
- Ability to send drag & drop files to other Stickys.
- Ability to run on any Windows network (not just WFW).

Registering Sticky

To register Sticky and to receive the latest release, send your name, address and disk size along with **\$21.00 per site copy** (+ G.S.T. if you're in Canada, + P.S.T. if you're in Ontario) to:

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Note: Print out the register.txt file accompanying this package, it's easier than writing it out by hand. Use Notepad, it comes out nice!

If you have any questions about Sticky or any other Beach Front Software, please get a hold of us at: Vox: 905 854-0651 (10AM - 6PM, EST) Fax: 905 854-1498 (24h) Net: duey@io.org

CompuServe™ Registration

An even easier way to register Sticky is to use CompuServe. Log onto CompuServe and type GO SWREG. From there, follow the steps to register a shareware product. *Sticky's registration number is 1854.*

A version registered version of Sticky will be sent to you via e-mail.

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From the Author

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Thanks,

Dwayne 'Duey' Bursey