

DeZkTop 1.7a

As of 26/4/94 this is the most up to date release of DeZkTop. This archive should contain the files:

DEZKTOP.EXE
DEZKLIB.DLL
DEZKTOP.HLP
DEZKTOP.INI
DEZKMENU.INI
DEZKFLT.INI
DEZKHKEY.INI
DEZKSIZE.INI
README.WRI (this file)
MSVCRT10.DLL (NT version only)

Installation

If this is a new installation just copy all the ini files to your windows directory. If it is an upgrade do not copy the dezktop.ini and dezkmenu.ini files. Put dezktop.exe, dezklib.dll and dezktop.hlp together in a directory of your choosing; these three files need to be kept together.

If you want an icon for DeZkTop in Program Manager add it using the New command from the Program Manager File menu. If you want to make DeZkTop your shell, which is the best way to use it, then follow the instructions in the help file.

New Features:

You can now have different desktops with different menus/hot-keys/floater etc. To change the desktop hold the shift key down and click on the desktop. Either choose a desktop from the list or create a new desktop by typing the id then optionally a space and a short description.

eg

john John's desktop

The id must be 1 to 4 characters long. The new desktop is described by the files <id>top.ini, <id>menu.ini, <id>flt.ini, <id>hkey.ini and <id>size.ini (hence the 4 character limit).

Changes:

v1.7a

There was a minor bug in v1.7 that meant the first floater in the list could not have no title. v1.7a fixes this bug.

v1.7

There are no changes that directly affect the user of DeZkTop. I have fixed some bugs, but nothing major. I have changed the way DeZkTop works internally (again). For the techies amongst you, the Windows 3.1 version has gone back to subclassing the desktop and the NT version still uses a transparent overlay. Neither of these versions will work satisfactorily with Windows 4 aka Chicago, but MS have promised there will be a feature in Windows 4 to enable apps like DeZkTop to work by the time Windows 4 is launched.

Shareware

DeZkTop is a shareware program. If you like it enough to use it do the decent thing and send ten pounds sterling to:

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