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Chapter 1

SCSISwitch

1.1 SCSISwitch 0.1 ©1995 Gérard Cornu - Guide summary

SCSISwitch 0.1 - Guide Summary - (9-Feb-95)
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1.2 SCSISwitch copyright and other boring stuff

SCSISwitch - version 0.1 9-Feb-95

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Gérard Cornu
- Compiled with
SAS/C ®

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1.3 NO warranty for SCSISwitch

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Amiga
library.

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is obviously allowed to include it on one of his CDROM.

Thierry Colin
is authorised to include it in the
D.P.A.T.
collection.

1.5 Fred FISH and the AmigaLibDisk library

FRED FISH and the AmigaLibDisk Library:

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As Fred has been releasing CDROMs from a while now, just choose carefully your Fish CDs retailers, if you don't buy them directly from Fred. Those resellers aren't supposed to make money with them.

## 1.6 Usage restrictions for SCSISwitch

USAGE RESTRICTIONS

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No program, document, data file or source code from this software neither in whole nor in part, may be used on any machine which is used

- * for the research, development, construction, testing or production of weapons or other military applications. This also includes any machine which is used in the education for any of the above mentioned purposes.
- * by people who accept, support or use violence against other people, e.g. citizens from foreign countries.

1.7 SCSISwitch requirements

REQUIREMENTS

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SCSISwitch needs at least System 2.04 to run, and has been developed and tested with KS 37.175 and WB 38.35. It should work with higher versions as well.

Due to the very nature of this little utility, one or several SCSI hard disk(s) are of course required ;-)

## 1.8 Installing SCSISwitch

Installing SCSISwitch:

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Just double-click on the Install icon of your choice. This suppose that you have Installer somewhere in your command path.

You prefer a hand made installation? OK, (me too ;-), just copy SCSISwitch in a directory on your command path.

1.9 Introduction to SCSISwitch

INTRODUCTION

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SCSISwitch allows you to switch off and on a given SCSI device unit.

Beware that if you switch off the unit where SCSISwitch is actually stored, you won't be able to switch the unit back on! And you'll have to reboot!

Because of this, SCSISwitch has been made pure and so is residentable.

I wrote it because I have an old and quite noisy Quantum LPS 105 hanging off my A590, (which itself holds a Maxtor 345 MB), (don't laugh, and the Quantum sits on top of an old PC power supply, to power it ;-)

I only use the Quantum very rarely, sometimes not even once during a day. And believe me it is quite noisy.

So I decided to write this simple switch!

SCSISwitch, unlike NoiseSaver (1.5), don't patch the scsi.device's BeginIO() function. So if you forgot to switch a unit back on before accessing it you'll get read errors, but there is nothing to worry about, just click cancel on all the requesters, and switch the unit back on!

## 1.10 Using SCSISwitch

Using SCSISwitch

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SCSISwitch is a Shell only utility.

Template

Examples

1.11 The template for SCSISwitch

The template is as follow:

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D=DEVICE/K,U=UNIT/K/N,ON/S,OFF/S,H=HELP/S
```

The first argument, D or DEVICE, must be followed by your scsi device name. This argument is optional, the default device is "scsi.device".

The second argument, U or UNIT, must be followed by the unit number of the device. This argument must be given.

The third and fourth arguments, ON and OFF, are of course mutually exclusive, and speak for themselves! One of them should be given.

The 5th argument, H or HELP, will give you some help about the usage of SCSISwitch.

1.12 How do I know which unit my HD is?

If you don't know the unit number for your SCSI hard disk(s), just run HDToolBox and once the window is opened you will see the following:

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Hard Drives in System
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Interface  Address  LUN  ...
SCSI       x
SCSI       x
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The unit number is displayed here, in the Addresses column.

If you used another utility to install your hard disk(s), it should have a similar layout, or at least tell you the address of your installed hard disks.

1.13 Examples

Examples:

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Assuming the unit you wish to switch on or off, uses a scsi device named "foo\_scsi.device" and is addressed as unit "0":

If you wish to switch it off, the syntax will be:

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SCSISwitch DEVICE=foo_scsi.device UNIT=0 off
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If you now wish to switch it back on:

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SCSISwitch DEVICE=foo_scsi.device UNIT=0 on
```

## 1.14 SCSISwitch author

Send any suggestion, bug report, compliment ;-), DARK ↔  
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(WPC)

Have plenty of nice days! ... me too!

Translations ...

## 1.15 W.P.C.

World People Community ;-)

## 1.16 Translations ...

I can translate commercial software's documentations or hardware manuals, in fact anything technical, from English (or American!) to French, and vice versa.

I have a very good knowledge and experience of the Amiga and computing in general.

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French PD library, Domaine Public Amiga Toulouse.
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Thierry Colin
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AmigaNews
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and/or the Amiga ;-)

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# 1.20 For the humor impaired ... ;-)

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