

Welcome to Hilarious for Windows.

Getting Started

System Requirements

Any PC with a hard drive and 386SX/16MHz or better.
SVGA display.
4MB RAM.
Windows 3.1 or better.
MPC compatible CD-ROM drive.
MSCDEX 2.2 or later.
A Windows compatible sound card.

"Quicktime for Windows" Installation

If you don't have "Quicktime for Windows" installed on your computer please follow these instructions -

1. Create a directory called "QTW" on the root directory of your hard drive.
2. In the newly created QTW directory, create a directory called "BIN".
3. Copy all the files from the "QTW" directory on the **Hilarious** CD into the newly created BIN directory.
4. Make sure to modify the path statement in your "autoexec.bat" file to include these files. For example, if your hard drive is drive C, you would add "C:\QTW\BIN;" to your existing path statement.
5. Reboot your computer for the changes to take effect.

Creating a Program Icon

To create a program icon for Hilarious follow these instructions -

1. Go to the "FILE" menu of the Windows Program Manager and select "NEW."
2. Choose "PROGRAM GROUP" from the selections in the dialog box and click "OK."
3. A dialog box will appear asking you to name the program group. We recommend naming this **Hilarious** in the "DESCRIPTION" box and then clicking "OK." The program group window will appear empty.
4. Once again, Go to the "FILE" menu of the Windows Program Manager and select "NEW."
5. Select "PROGRAM ITEM" (the default) from the selections in the dialog box this time and click "OK."
6. The "Program Item Properties" window appears. Click on the "BROWSE" button and

select the file "HILAR.EXE" on your **Hilarious** CD. Click "OK" to go back to the "Program Item Properties" dialog box. Select "OK" again. A dialog box will appear warning you that the program may not always be available (since it is on removable media). Click the "YES" button and you will be brought back to the Program Manager with your newly created icon displayed.

7. Double click on the icon to run the **Hilarious** program.

Produce your own show

The "Produce Your Own Show" section of this program is designed so that you can produce and edit your own shows with your favorite jokes from "**Hilarious.**" You must specify a path when loading or saving any of these shows. For example:

c:\shows\myshow

would save the file named "myshow" in the directory named shows, which is on the root directory of drive "c". We recommend writing the paths down so that you can remember where they are and what they are named. Keep in mind, however, that when you are saving and editing any of these shows, they are only a text file and will take up very little space on your computer. You will also be able to recall any of these files at a later date by storing the files on your drive.

Problems, Solutions, and Recommendations

Memory Full Error - HILARIOS.EXE requires 4meg. of RAM to run. If your machine has 4meg. and you still get this error, you should enable "Virtual Memory" in the Windows control panel. Please refer to your Windows manual for more information about using Virtual Memory.

General Protection Fault - If this message is displayed there may be a conflict with the current graphics driver. The problem can be resolved by switching to a standard VGA graphics driver with the "Windows Setup" program.

SMARTDrive - SMARTDrive is a program that decreases the time your computer spends reading data from your hard disk. In some cases HILARIOS.EXE will perform better with SMARTDrive enabled. Please refer to your DOS user's manual for more information about using SMARTDrive.

Invalid Working Directory Error - If this message is displayed, your computer cannot find the **Hilarious** CD to run the program. You must insert the CD and then double click the **Hilarious** icon that was created in your program manager group.