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ABC FLOWCHARTER 1.11 (RELEASE DATE: 7/20/90)

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Version 1.11 is completely compatible with Windows 3.0. If you are using the Windows 2.11 runtime version of Windows included in some ABC Flowcharter packages, contact your Microsoft dealer for information regarding special upgrade offers to users of Windows runtime.

{Changes to User's Guide}

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The documentation says:

- Choose Hide palette from the Shape menu, or press [F9].

The documentation should say:

- Choose Hide palette from the Options menu, or press [F9].

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Thick line widths do not work with dash, dot, or dash-dot line styles. To use thicker lines, use the solid style.

{Exporting charts}

The Export chart command saves a chart in the Windows metafile format. This file can be read by Aldus Pagemaker and other Windows applications.

{Additional messages; pp.111-115}

The following are additional ABC messages not found in the manual:

"There is already a chart with this name."

You are trying to rename a chart with the same name as an existing chart. Every chart must have a unique name.

Type a name that is not used in the document.

"You must complete edit before closing a chart."

You cannot close a chart or quit ABC while editing.

Complete the edit before trying to close the chart.

"Spacing value too large. (Some shapes will be out of chart area.)"

The spacing value you are using to space shapes will move some of the shapes out of the chart area.

Use a smaller value to space the shapes.

"Page size exceeds paper size. Please check page setup."

The page size of your flowchart is larger than the paper specified for your printer.
Use the Page setup command on the File menu to reduce the page size. Or use a larger paper size on your printer. If you use a larger paper size you will have to change the printer setting with the Printer setup command on the File menu.

"Paper and page orientations are different. Please check printer setup."
The page orientations on your printer and those specified in the page setup do not match. For example, you may have set up your page for landscape mode, but your printer is in portrait mode.
Use the Page setup and Printer setup commands on the File menu to make sure the page orientations match.

{Notes for plotter users}

Most plotters are not capable of the following features. It is a good idea to test these features on your particular plotter before attempting to use them.

Shadows. Shapes with shadowing may appear as solid black objects instead of having the intended shadowing effect.

Patterns. The pattern may be omitted from the shape.

Lines. Lines may appear to go "over" a shape instead of behind it. Draw lines around shapes if possible.

Opaque text. Text with opaque background may use transparent background instead.

Overlapping shapes. If shapes overlap, the top shape may not cover the shapes beneath it.

{Master item font}

The font used for master items can be changed by making an entry in the WIN.INI file under the heading [ABC Flowcharter]. This heading appears after the first time you run ABC.

The entry should have the following form:
Font5=[FONT NAME],[POINT SIZE],[STYLE OPTION]

For example,
Font5=Helv,10,0

The style option can be set as follows:

- 0 - No style
- 1 - Bold
- 2 - Italic
- 4 - Underline
- 8 - Strikeout

To combine styles, just add the numbers for the styles you want. For example, 6 gives you Italic and Underline.

You should make sure the font, size and style you choose is available on your printer.

{Changing path for tutorial files}

You can specify the path name where the tutorial files are located. This is useful if you are running on a network or if you keep your ABC documents in a directory different from where you keep the ABC.EXE and tutorial files.

To specify a path name, just make the following entry in the WIN.INI file under the [ABC Flowcharter] heading:

TutorPath=[Path name]

For example:

TutorPath=C:\ABCTUTOR\

With this entry in the WIN.INI file, ABC looks for tutorial files in the \ABCTUTOR directory.

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