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Shareware Definition

Shareware distribution gives users a chance to try software before buying it. If you try a Shareware program and continue using it, you are expected to register. Individual programs differ on details -- some request registration while others require it, some specify a maximum trial period. With registration, you get anything from the simple right to continue using the software to an updated program with printed manual.

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Magic Squares is a "shareware program" and is provided at no charge to the user for evaluation. Feel free to share it with your friends, but please do not give it away altered or as part of another system. The essence of "user-supported" software is to provide personal computer users with quality software without high prices, and yet to provide incentive for programmers to continue to develop new products. If you find this program useful and find that you are using **Magic Squares** and continue to use **Magic Squares** after a trial period of **10 days**, you must make a registration payment of **\$5.00 U. S.** to <u>Randy A. Harris</u>. The **\$5.00 U. S.** registration fee will license one copy for use on any one computer at any one time. You must treat this software just like a book. An example is that this software may be used by any number of people and may be freely moved from one computer location to another, so long as there is no possibility of it being used at one location while it's being used at another. Just as a book cannot be read by two different persons at the same time.

Commercial users of **Magic Squares** must register and pay for their copies of **Magic Squares** within **30 days** of first use or their license is withdrawn. Site-License arrangements are not available for **Magic Squares**. Sorry, purchase orders cannot be accepted.

Anyone distributing **Magic Squares** for any kind of remuneration must first contact <u>Randy A. Harris</u> for authorization. This authorization will be automatically granted to distributors recognized by the (<u>ASP</u>) as adhering to its guidelines for shareware distributors, and such distributors may begin offering **Magic Squares** immediately (However, <u>Randy A. Harris</u> must still be advised so that the distributor can be kept up-to-date with the latest version of **Magic Squares**).

You are encouraged to pass a copy of **Magic Squares** along to your friends for evaluation. Please encourage them to register their copy if they find that they can use it. All users who register will receive a copy of the latest version of the **Magic Squares** system.

Any Magic Squares distribution must include the following files.

MAGICSQU.EXE	program executable file
MAGICSQU.HLP	program help file
SHAREWAR.HLP	shareware explanation and registration
MAGICSQU.INI	initialization file
MAGICSQU.WRI	installation instructions (Windows Write format)

MAGICSQU.DOCinstallation instructions (ASCII text format)VENDOR.DOCdistribution instructions (ASCII text format)

Support Policy

Support of Magic Squares will only be provided to registered users.

Support will be provided for a period of **90 days** from the date of registration.

Defective media will be replaced **upon return** by U. S. mail of the original media. Postage for return of defective media will be payed by the user. Postage for replacement media will be payed by <u>Randy A. Harris</u>.

If in my opinion, I am unable to adequately resolve a support matter to your satisfaction, I will refund your full registration fee within 5 business days. I will void your registration and will request in writing that you destroy any registered copies of **Magic Squares** that may still be in your possession.

Requests For Support

Compuserve (THIS IS THE PREFERED METHOD TO REQUEST SUPPORT) Requests for support which come to me via Compuserve Mail will be answered **at the latest** on the **Saturday** of the week the request was made. I may not be able to fully resolve your problem on that day but I will acknowledge your request via Compuserve Mail.

U. S. Mail

Requests for support via mail will be acknowledged by mail. Acknowledgements will be mailed **at the latest** on the **Saturday** of the week of the request was made. This is a slow way to get support. You get faster response if you send your support questions via Compuserve.

Phone

Sorry, requests for phone support cannot be honored at this time.

How to Contact Me

Compuserve: ID: 70070, 432 (THIS IS THE PREFERED METHOD)

U. S. Mail:

Randy A. Harris Box # 265 1336 North Moorpark Road Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Ombudsman Statement

Magic Squares was created by a member of the Association of Shareware Professionals (<u>ASP</u>.) ASP wants to make sure that the shareware principle works for you. If you are unable to resolve a shareware-related problem with an ASP member by contacting the member directly, ASP may be able to help. The ASP Ombudsman can help you resolve a dispute or problem with an ASP member, but does not provide technical support for members' products. Please write to the ASP Ombudsman at 545 Grover Road, Muskegon, MI 49442-9427 USA, FAX (616) 788-2765 or send a Compuserve message via Compuserve Mail to ASP Ombudsman 70007,3536.

Registration Form

How To Register

- (1) Select **File Print Topic** from the menu bar to print this form.
- (2) NEATLY PRINT all information requested on this form in ink.
- (3) Enclose check or money order in the amount of **\$5.00**.
- (4) Mail completed form and payment to:

Randy A. Harris Box # 265 1336 North Moorpark Road Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Make checks payable to: Randy A. Harris All checks must be drawn on a U. S. bank.

What Registration Provides

As a registered user of **Magic Squares** you will receive the following:

The latest version of **Magic Squares** on floppy disk. The right to continue using **Magic Squares** after the trial period. Support for a period of **90 days** from the date of registration. Bug fixes (if any).

Magic Squares 1.0.3 (or latest version)

Number of Disk size:	copies you are registering720k 3.5" floppy OR 1.44m 3.5" floppy
Date Name Company Address Address City State Phone Compuserv	//

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Font

This menu selection invokes a font dialog box that allows font changes

Game

The main menu for Magic Squares.

Count Moves

Clicking on this menu item enables or disables the <u>Moves</u> window.

Moves

This is a window that keeps track of the moves you have taken to solve a puzzle.

Left

Left is a relative position. If the mouse buttons have been swapped then left is really right.

Right

Right is a relative position. If the mouse buttons have been swapped then right is really left.

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