

## **EZ-Soft v2.1**

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### **Introduction:**

EZ-Soft keeps track of your software, and it does a good job of it. It was designed to be simple to use and you shouldn't need too many instructions to use it. Because it is so easy to use, you won't see a menu bar at the top of it's window. I have included all of the functions that you need on the top button bar. I feel that buttons are much easier to use than menus so I use them to make things easier for you.

### **Requirements:**

- Microsoft Windows 3.1 or greater.
- A computer able to run Microsoft Windows.
- A printer (to print the reports)
- 4mb RAM

### **Installation:**

To install, run the SETUP.EXE file from the Windows Program Manager. You can activate it by hitting your <ALT> key, <F> and then <R>. In the "Command Line" box that comes up, enter **A:SETUP.EXE**. If you are installing from a drive other than "A", enter that drive letter before the setup.exe command. (i.e., B:SETUP.EXE) During the installation process, you may change the drive and directory that EZ-Soft installs to. Do this only if you want EZ-Soft installed in a directory other than the one the setup program defaults to.

### **Operation:**

The program's operation is simple. Enter the information from your software into the correct spaces and EZ-Soft will keep track of it for you. It will allow you easy access to the data whenever you need it.

If you enter data, you can press any of the "Arrow" buttons or the "Save" button and your record will be saved.

### **Buttons:**

The buttons are designed to be self-explanatory. First, Previous, Next, Last, Add, Save, Delete are all labeled with what function the button performs. The buttons also have **ALT-Key** combinations if you choose to use those instead. Look for the letter that is underlined on the button, (i.e., the A in Add) and you can hit **ALT-A** instead of pressing the button to do the appropriate action. (Substitute the letter of what button you want to choose in place of the A)

### **Find:**

The "Find" button allows you to quickly search for specific records in your database. To do a search, select the field you want to search on and then enter the text (or a portion of the text) that want to find. If a match is found, EZ-Soft will bring up the first record that matches your search criteria. To move to the next record that matches what you are looking for, click the "Find Next" button. The "Find Next" button will stay active as long as there are still records that match

your search criteria. If you click it and it "grays" itself out, that means that there are no more records that match what you are looking for.

**Report:**

In the "Report" section, you have the option of having the report go directly to your printer or you may view it on the screen. If you choose to send the report to the printer, EZ-Soft will print all records that match your query without stopping. If you choose to send it to the screen, a window of data that matches your query will pop-up. On this screen there are several buttons that allow you to move through the data if it takes up more than one screen. The top of the screen will tell you what page you are on and how many pages there are in the report. You can also click on the printer icon to send the current report to your printer. The easiest way to view your data on the screen is to "maximize" the report screen by clicking on the "up arrow" on the top right corner of the window.

**About:**

Clicking on the "About" button will give you information on pricing and let you know who wrote this program.

**Possible errors:** (Yes, errors do happen)

If you delete ALL records in the database, you MUST enter some data and then click the "Save" button. If you fail to do so, there is a possibility of getting an error. If the error occurs- exit EZ-Soft, re-start EZ-Soft and then enter data and click the "Save" button.

I am still working on a solution to this error but have been unable to find one as of yet. It is not a fatal error so I did release the program knowing that it was there.

If you find any other errors or bugs, please let me know. I have very limited resources for trying out my software, the programs have only been tested on 2 or 3 different computers. With the multitude of other systems out there, I am sure that some other incompatibilities might arise.

**Important:**

Let me know of any improvements, enhancements, additions, things you liked, disliked or whatever else you can think of. I am very interested in suggestions and criticisms. I want to make the best possible programs and have them be easy to use for all who use them. I do want to steer clear of "Function-Itis" though. I hate programs that have so many options and choices you go bananas trying to figure out how to use them and what to do with them once you have them figured out.