Surf's Up_© Version 4.0

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Introduction

Surf's Up allows Windows users with a supported sound card or the Windows' speaker driver to attach sounds to their icons.

While there are other programs that attach sounds to Windows' events (dialog boxes, etc.), most don't allow you to attach sounds to individual programs.

Enter Surf's Up.

With this program, you can choose your own favorite WAV files to play during the startup and ending of each program you use (whether you use Progman.exe, Norton, or any other desktop shell).

Surf's Up runs as an icon on your desktop, and automatically detects when you run and exit your programs. When this happens, it plays the sound you chose.

Installation

Just unzip all the files to one directory (for example: C:\SURFSUP). If this version did not come with the file VBRUN300.DLL, look for it where you found Surf's Up (you may already have a copy on your hard drive). Then add an icon to the Program Manager (or whatever shell you are using) for the file SURFSUP4.EXE and label it "Surf's UP". You will find that it is best to put Surf's Up in your Startup group, so you can enjoy its features without having to manually start it.

To run Surf's Up, double-click on the Surf's Up icon and follow this tutorial. In it, we will setup a sound for NOTEPAD.EXE.

<u>Tutorial</u>

First, click on the "Add Program" button (the one with a "Plus" sign). This will bring up a list of all of your programs in the current directory. Now switch to your Windows directory (ie. C:\Windows). You can do this by selecting a new drive (if necessary) from the drive list, and by double-clicking on the Windows directory in the directory list.

Once you are there, find the program NOTEPAD.EXE and highlight it by clicking your mouse on it, then click "OK".

Now, you should be back at the original screen. Notice that the first line holds your program name. The path to the file is unimportant.

Next, click the "Starting Wave" button, (the first "Ear"). This will bring up the same list as before, except this time it will only list sound files (*.WAV). This time,

highlight the file TADA.WAV, in your Windows directory, then click "OK".

Now, you are back at the original screen again. Notice how the second line (the one labeled "Starting WAV") now contains the name of the sound file you chose. Click on the "Ending Wave button (the second "Ear") and follow the directions above to select an ending sound for Notepad. After you have selected an ending sound (for example "C:\WINDOWS\TADA.WAV"), edit the line to read the following :

C:\WINDOWS*.*

Then press enter. You should see a confirmation box, showing that your changes were saved. By changing the WAV file name to *.*, you have told Surf's Up to randomly choose a WAV file out of the selected directory (in this case C:\WINDOWS). Now, if you start Notepad, you should hear the sound "TADA.WAV", and if you exit it, you should hear a random WAV from your Windows Directory.

The "Speaker" buttons to the right of the sound file names will allow you to preview the sounds you have chosen.

In the future, to configure other programs, just follow the above directions for each additional program.

Reconfiguration

Occaisionally, you may want to change the sound that plays for a certain program. Scroll through the drop-down combo list marked "Program Name:" to find the program you want to change. Once you find it, click on it once and all the information for that program will appear on the various lines.

Click on the "Starting WAV" button and select a new startup sound file for this program, then do the same for the ending sound.

If you decide to delete a name from your list of configured programs, select the program from the drop-down combo box, then click the "Delete Program" button (the one with a "Minus" sign).

Enahncements:

New with this version are:

- Completely re-written for enhanced speed.
- Easier to configure sounds.
- Now automatically senses program startup. No more editing Command-lines
- Completely revamped and simplified the interface.
- Added ending sounds

Purchasing:

You currently have in your hands an evaluation version of Surf's Up. You have the right to try this program for free for 30 days. If, after this thirty-day evaluation period, you decide not to buy Surf's Up, it will cease to work. If you decide to buy Surf's Up after this period, all of your saved information will be restored.

Fill out the enclosed purchase order (or print it directly from the "About" dialog box) and send it along with \$14.95 (+\$2 S&H) to the address below.

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